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Green Cove Springs to get \$700,000 in grant money for three neighborhood improvement projects

Gov. DeSantis also makes stop at Middleburg Grumpy's for breakfast

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Gov. Ron DeSantis came to Green Cove Springs last Monday to personally tell the city it will be receiving \$700,000 for neighborhood revitalization improvement projects.

The governor made conducted a 20-minute press conference, and in the process, he also told city and county officials his family was eager to return to the Clay County Agricultural Fair next year.

Then he told the city it would receive \$700,000 as part of the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant program.

"There's \$29 million in grants for 42

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Gov. Ron DeSantis came to Green Cove Springs Monday to announce the city would be receiving a \$700,000 grant to fund neighborhood revitalization improvement projects.



An additional benefit of the project will be the improvement of water levels in the Keystone Heights chain of lakes, including Lake Geneva.

SJRWMD approves partnerships with 4 North Florida water supply utilities

Project will replenish Keystone Heights lakes, Floridan aquifer

For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The St. Johns River Water Management District's Governing Board approved partnership agreements with four North Florida water supply utilities on Tuesday, July 13, to participate in the Black Creek Water Resource Development Project, a major project identified through a multi-year water supply planning

process to replenish the aquifer, maximize water supplies and protect lakes, wetlands and other natural systems.

"This is an exciting moment, as we are on the brink of building a major water resource development project with far-reaching benefits for north Florida, a vital strategy to assist our lakes," said St. Johns River Water Management District

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Orange Park Medical Center to open free-standing ER in spring

By Nikki Schoenbeck
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MIDDLEBURG — Orange Park Medical Center unveiled plans for a new emergency center at 2554 Blanding Blvd. The facility is scheduled to open next spring.

A freestanding ER is crucial for both patients and physicians as it leads to faster and more efficient wait times. With the new addition to Middleburg, residents who don't live close to Orange Park or who have a medical emergency that needs attention immediately can be treated. The ER shouldn't be confused for an urgent care facility and should be used for medical emergencies only.

Dr. Steven Goodfriend, an Emergency Room physician and Emergency Services



Medical Director of Orange Park Medical Center believes this new ER will help to serve more people in Clay County.

"It's going to be a perfect fit for the community...Just meeting the needs of the area. It's like bringing the hospital to them. It just brings everything closer to you and it provides a more convenient way to be

seen by a doctor. Most people think of ERs like 'Oh my God, I'm going to sit and wait there forever but with these freestanding ER's it's a much quicker process," Goodfriend said.

Along with reducing wait times in regular hospitals and helping physicians clear up the congestion of ER's, the freestanding

ER's will also be beneficial to EMTs. Rather than having to drive long distances in order to reach a hospital, ambulances can drive their patients to a freestanding ER. Freestanding ERs are completely equipped as regular ER's and can provide life-saving care when needed.

"We'll have overdoses, heart attacks, we'll deliver babies sometimes. Obviously, we'd rather do some of those things at the hospital so we're geared toward the emergency level care," Goodfriend said.

Goodfriend wants people to know the new ER will be centered around convenience and efficiency along with providing quality patient care. The new ER will feature 11 patient rooms and be the third freestanding ER for OPMC.

Health department:

Lack of vaccinations and precautions lead to new spike in COVID-19 cases

By Wesley LeBlanc
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS — COVID-19 numbers are rising and if the trend continues, August could be another January.

Clay County Florida Department of Health administrator Heather Huffman, simply put, was not happy during the July 13 Board of County Commissioners meeting. She said she's upset and disappointed in the community and rightfully so: the county already hit 792 confirmed cases 12 days into the month and Huffman fears that the county is trending toward another January spike in numbers.

"I do not have good news today," Huffman said. "We've had 792 cases in July and today is day 12. If we continue on this same trend, we'll be back in January numbers. It's the 20-to-34 year olds...that's 50-something-percent of our cases and they also have the lowest immunization rate at 15%. It's a vaccination issue. People think we are in post-pandemic mode and we are not."

Huffman said she's upset and disappointed in the community and that she and her team are trying hard to get out into the community. Her goal is to help people make well-informed, science-backed decisions regarding COVID-19 vaccines, "not [decisions] politicized" or "based on Facebook."

"I want them to make well-informed decisions using the true science of the vaccine," she said. "There is a risk of catching COVID-19 and you could be one of the unfortunate ones."



Clay County's Florida Department of Health administrator Heather Huffman said the county's COVID-19 numbers are trending upwards and that the numbers could hit those of the January spike if things don't change.

Huffman said there are currently two '20-something-year olds' in the ICU on ventilators and neither had underlying health conditions. She said she thought the county was making a turn for the better but now she fears the county is taking steps backward.

She's seen outbreaks in local summer camps and day camps, two outbreaks in long-term care facilities and more and she said it boils down to employees, volunteers and participants choosing not to get vaccinated.

"It's not even the Delta variant that's out there," Huffman said, explaining that the Delta variant is significantly more infectious and transferable than the stan-

dard COVID-19 strain. "We only have 11 Delta cases. It's a matter of people not wearing masks, not social distancing and not getting vaccinated."

Huffman said the July 4 holiday likely didn't help. She said she was OK with people hanging out on holidays. She just wants people to be vaccinated before doing so.

She explained that she's been disappointed in the response by some community members when her team has reached out to them to encourage vaccination. She said she's heard the vaccines are poison, that they're part of a conspiracy theory, that it leads to government microchipping and more. Huffman said people are being "really rude" and that "we're at a point

where we're going to go back to where we were before."

As far as a third booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine goes, she said she's keeping up with that and understands that it's Pfizer attempting to get a booster dose approved by the FDA to strengthen people against Delta, but for Clay County, the concern is still the original COVID-19 strain.

"Northeast Florida is the hotspot in Florida," Huffman said. "We're in the lower third of [counties] for vaccination rates... and we border some counties with the lowest vaccination rates. People don't just stay in their county either. They mingle with others."

"Everything's been politicized," Huffman said. "It's a conspiracy theory. It's the government microchipping you. It's an experiment...I've heard all of these...but I don't listen to those. I read the data. I think Facebook and those kinds of things have not helped the situation because people may be listening to people who are not well-informed."

Huffman's troubling news comes at a time when only 41% of the Clay County population is vaccinated with 70% is needed to begin the herd immunity process. BCC chair Mike Cella said the data across the state reveals an inverse relationship between a county's vaccination rate and their COVID-19 case numbers.

"It's clear as day black and white," Cella said. "The counties with the highest vaccination rates are the ones with the lowest [COVID-19 case numbers]."

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Salvation Army to offer Backpack Outreach on Friday

Annual event provides school supplies, food, immunizations, haircuts and sports physicals to Clay residents

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MIDDLEBURG – The Salvation Army's fifth annual Backpack Outreach will offer free haircuts, sports physicals, hot dogs, immunizations and, of course, backpacks filled with school supplies on Friday, July 16.

The Salvation Army has been serving individuals and families in Clay County for years and the outreach was another arm of the wide-spreading services the organization offers. It helped county families at 2795 County Road 220.

"According to the Department of Education's Pre-K through 12 Education Information Services, 817 students were homeless in Clay County plus [there were] 167 unaccompanied youth with no legal guardian or parent," Salvation Army social service and food pantry manager Jennifer Wheeler said. "Our partnership with the Clay County School District and Project R.E.A.C.H. allows us to work together to use our programs and services to help stabilize these families."

Wheeler said the outreach is important because a student unprepared for class or hungry before school will struggle to focus on learning. She wants people to know that social workers can pick up food for families in need that do not have transportation or gas to get to The Salvation Army food pantry. "The event is free of charge and raises awareness about the needs and services available to children and families of Clay County," Wheeler said.

She said Ascension St. Vincent's will be providing free school immunizations to students, although those interested will need to call (904) 308-7919 before the event. Free sports physicals will be administered by Ascension St. Vincent's as well while OneSight is providing vision screenings. SportsClips also will provide free haircuts.



The fifth annual Salvation Army Backpack Outreach will be on Friday, July 16, and the organization and its many partners will provide backpacks, hot dogs, haircuts, sports physicals and more.



Wheeler stressed how wonderful it is that so many local businesses and organizations get involved this year. Those aren't the only ones helping out though. She said YMCA's Take Stock in Children, Medicaid, Clay County's libraries, Mercy Support Services, the Department of Health for

Woman, Infants, and Children, the Clay County Sheriff's Office and Habitat for Humanity are involved as well.

The event is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. while supplies last and those interested in getting involved or looking to learn more can contact Wheeler at (904) 276-6677.

You must be a student or parent of a student in the Clay County School District to attend. The event has grown over its five years into a massive event.

"Five years ago, The Salvation Army would take school supplies that were collected from our Stuff the Bus campaign to a local elementary school offering basic needs school supplies for students in need," Maj. Corps Officer Phillip Irish said. "A school social worker reached out because she had a family who was homeless, living in their vehicle – a mom, a dad, three children and a dog."

Irish said the family would come to the Salvation Army in the morning to take showers and eat breakfast before taking the children to school. Parents then would spend their day looking for jobs and a permanent place to live. "Finally, over the summer, we were able to house the family in their own apartment," Irish said. "That is when I reached out to Project R.E.A.C.H., who also works with families in transition, to see how many students are homeless in Clay County schools and asked if they'd like to partner with us and do a backpack outreach."

They agreed and the first outreach event five years ago was a huge success that met an underlying need going unmet within Clay County – they handed out more than 200 backpacks that day.

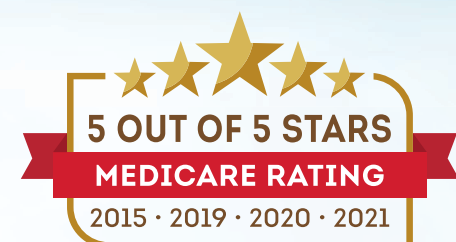
"Over the last five years, the Backpack Outreach event has grown," Irish said. "We have established community-lasting bonds with service-related agencies, education-related entities and local businesses that make a difference in the lives of children in this great community."

Wheeler said The Salvation Army is expecting twice as many attendees this year following last year's COVID-19 pandemic, which left even more people in need.

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Sports betting initiative staked with \$20 million from DraftKings, FanDuel

By Drew Wilson
For Florida Politics

The political committee backing a proposed constitutional amendment to allow sports betting platforms to operate in the state raised \$20 million in June, new finance reports show.

The committee, Florida Education Champions, was formed in early June and is something of a joint effort between DraftKings and FanDuel, the two biggest names in the sports betting business. When it launched, insiders said the companies staked the committee with a “significant amount” of cash.

“We are supporting a petition campaign in Florida seeking to add a question pertaining to sports betting to the Florida statewide ballot in 2022. As part of that effort, DraftKings provided Florida Education Champions with critical funding to ensure that Floridians have the opportunity to vote on a sports betting framework that would provide access to the best sports betting experience while increasing funding for Florida’s public education system,” said Griffin Finan, the vice president of government affairs at DraftKings.

FanDuel vice president of government affairs Cory Fox said: “It is our shared goal to have a safe, legal and regulated market for offering online sports betting in the Sunshine State. Once passed by Florida voters in November 2022, this initiative will ensure that the State of Florida shares in the sports wagering revenue that is currently going entirely to the offshore, illegal market.”

As foreshadowed, the committee’s first finance report listed a \$10 million infusion from DraftKings and another \$10 million from FanDuel.

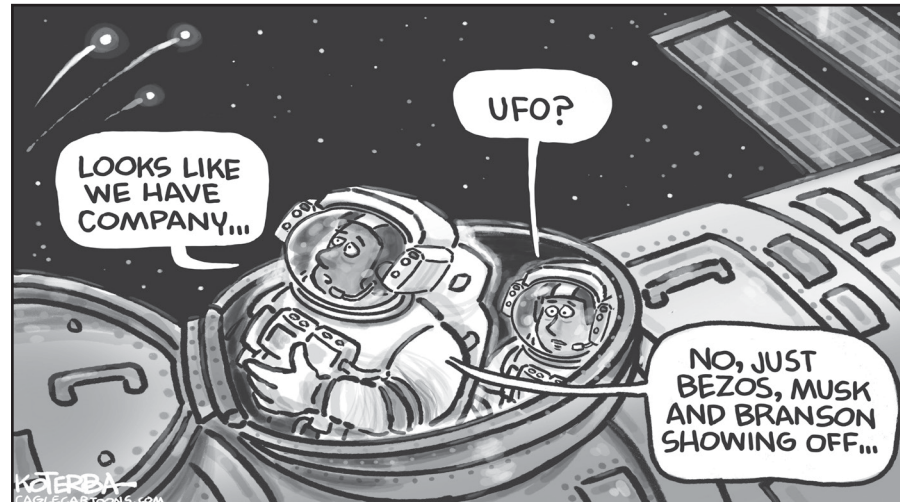
The committee also spent about \$160,000. The sheet shows \$56,000 went to McLaughlin & Associates for research, \$50,000 went to Gunster Yoakley & Stewart for legal services, \$30,600 went to HubSpot for marketing software and website management, \$13,252 headed to the Coates Law Firm, \$5,070 went to Supernova Digital Communications for website work and \$2,700 went to Gray Robinson for legal services.

Heading into July, the committee had about \$19.84 million in the bank.

“Thank you to DraftKings and FanDuel for stepping up to the plate in an incredible way to kick off our amendment process that stands to help all Floridians. Our amendment will direct hundreds of millions of additional dollars toward Florida’s Educational Enhancement Trust Fund and

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Opinions



We should all strive to continue Ernie Cohen’s pledge to make Clay County a better place

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

Ernie Cohen was more than the man with a microphone who told jokes and poked fun of friends on behalf of several Clay County nonprofits.

He was our friend. Our best friend.

Ernie embraced a lot of projects, like Clay Behavioral Health Center, Kids First of Florida, Haven Hospice, Clay County Senior Adult Advocacy Council and Clay SafetyNet Alliance. He also proudly served as the master of ceremonies for the Chamber of Commerce, Concert on the Green, the Rotary Club of Orange Park, Orange Park Medical Center, Golden Years Gala, Orange Park Mall Festival of Freedom, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, Clay County Monument for Fallen Warriors and the annual recognition for the Vietnam Veterans Association.

He did more than lend his voice and humor as an emcee for projects. He gave us his heart and passion. In return, all he wanted was a smile in return.

Ernie Cohen was one of the first friends I made when I came to Clay Today. His gregarious appetite for life was hard to ignore. His tireless work made him more than an asset to the organizations he represented. He was one of the most dedicated emissaries this county has ever known.

My dear friend passed away Monday night following a short illness.

To many, he was considered an am-



Don Coble



bassador. To others, he was the master of ceremonies or a community liaison. To everyone, he was a faithful friend.

To Andre Van Heerden, he simply was “Ernie Lionheart.”

Van Heerden met Ernie when the two worked at The Mercy Network, which eventually became the Clay SafetyNet Alliance. That was a group of nonprofits and community and religious leaders who combined their efforts to solve the problems of the needy.

“Ernie Lionheart wanted to make Clay County a better place,” Van Heerden posted on social media. “Behind the scenes, Ernie sat on steering committees, planning meetings and was involved in other initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life for the citizens of Clay County.”

“I don’t know how he managed to always be so upbeat, have such high energy, and maintain his limitless sense of

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Word OF THE WEEK

Word of the Week is a feature that aims to help readers boost their vocabulary in a meaningful way that has practical application. Each week, our editorial staff presents a word, its definition and its use in a sentence.

Aleatory: (AY-lee-uh-tor-ee) an adjective that means relating to luck – particularly bad luck.

“After several unsuccessful attempts, getting Danny to eat his vegetables become an aleatory process.”

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2016

- Murder suspect Ozell McNabb Jr. surrenders in St. Johns County and is returned to Clay to face charges of armed robbery and the shooting of 18-year-old former Middleburg High baseball player Kolton Shearer.

- The search for a new county attorney is whittled to five finalists – David D’Agata, Courtney Grimm, Andrew Lannon, John Turner and Regina Ross.

- Clay County nonprofits collect 3,000 pounds of food for the flood-ravaged residents of West Virginia flooding.

10 years ago, 2011

- The BCC unanimously agrees on four recommendations of the Sports Development Advisory Committee, including hiring a full-time sports manager and establishing a nonprofit sports and recreation council.

- Todd A. Zehner is appointed director of finance and operations at St. Johns Country Day School.

- The Florida Department of Transportation starts a \$2.1 million project to improve a 5.1-mile stretch of County Road 315C between State Road 21 and County Road 14.

20 years ago, 2001

- The Orange Park Town Council decides it wants to move town attorneys John Kopelousos and Rob Bradley from interim status to full-time.

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Opinions ...

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Sports

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open up the market for online sports betting to competition,” committee chair David Johnson said.

The funding came in before the expected effective date of a new law that would have capped contributions to initiative-sponsoring committees at \$3,000 until the amendment they back makes the ballot. However, a federal judge blocked it from going into effect, arguing that it directly conflicts with “[b]inding decisions from the United States Supreme Court.”

The amendment would legalize sports betting at stadiums and other sports venues as well as pari-mutuels statewide. It also specifically authorizes online sports betting “by entities authorized to conduct online sports betting, and by Native American tribes with a Florida Gaming Compact.” It sets 21 as the minimum age to

place a bet. The initiative would give the Legislature the authority to tax the sports betting industry, with all revenues heading to the Educational Enhancement Trust Fund, a pot of money mostly funded by the Florida Lottery that pays for educational programs such as Bright Futures scholarships.

The pitch was crafted shortly after lawmakers approved a new Gaming Compact granting the Seminole Tribe of Florida exclusive control of sports betting in the Sunshine State.

DraftKings and FanDuel already had a minor victory in the Gaming Compact and the various bills the Legislature approved in Special Session in May. They essentially legalized daily fantasy sports in Florida.

Previously, the legal status of daily fantasy sports was a gray area. That form of betting has been the foundation of the business that FanDuel, DraftKings, BetMGM, and like companies established over recent years.

Ernie

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humor. Whenever you were in a group with Ernie Lionheart, you knew something funny was coming. The only time Ernie Lionheart’s humor waned, was about a month ago when his health took a serious downturn. He and I prayed together and tried to make sense of his fast decline.”

Van Heerden said the best way to honor Ernie’s contributions and memory is to continue his work.

“The void that Ernie Lionheart’s passing leaves in our close-knit community, reminds us that life is fragile and we should make the most of every moment, every day,” he said. “We should sow into the lives of others and not only live to please ourselves. Those who knew Ernie Lionheart knew he was committed to serving others and make this world a better place. May we each recommit to doing the same.”

Amen.

Ernie is survived by his wife, Joann, and his two daughters and sons-in-law: Sharon and Bradley Herbst of Jacksonville and Jackie and Brian Bukstein of Chicago; a sister and brother-in-law, Shelley and Mark Schulman of Cleveland; and, four grandchildren: Sydney and Andrew Herbst

and Joshua and Zachary Bukstei.

He also leaves behind a county that was a better place because of his gracious contributions.

For now, there is an emptiness and pain. We lost our best friend.

“Every day, every encounter, every meeting, Ernie brought so much,” said Clay Behavioral CEO Irene Toto. “Because of him, people who knew who we were, what we did. He not only was involved in fundraising but in friend-raising, as well. I don’t mean just money, but Ernie got people to support our mission and the people we served.”

It was difficult for Toto to talk about Ernie without sobbing. “He would love it; he would hate it,” she said.

As we move forward, his memory will live forever as long as we dedicate ourselves to being better people.

We should always remember to find the good in every situation. We should find joy in people and ignore the noisy distractions that try to divide us.

We should smile and laugh. More importantly, we should pledge to make others smile and laugh.

That’s how Ernie Cohen lived his life. And we are all better for it.

History

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- A Middleburg man was rushed to the hospital after another man dropped a chainsaw and struck Jeffrey Tuttle in the face with it while they cut down a tree.

- Former Clay High wrestler P.J. Cobbert helps Team Florida win the overall title at the National Open Wrestling Championships by winning the 160-pound senior high division.

30 years ago, 1991

- John Keene, the Clay County Clerk of the Circuit Court, opens a new office in Keystone Heights.

- By a 4-0 vote, the Green Cove Springs City Council approved a curfew for minors in city areas between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

- Public Works Director Jimmy Weeks was temporarily reassigned as the county’s development director following the resignation of Keith Hadden.

Yet the Gaming Compact also gave the Tribe exclusive rights to the potentially more lucrative and broader field of sports betting, which ranges from picking Super Bowl winners all the way down to wagers on whether the next play in a live game will be a pass or run.

The Seminole Tribe is opposed to the amendment, which it says is a “political Hail Mary from out-of-state corporations trying to interfere with the business of the people of Florida.”

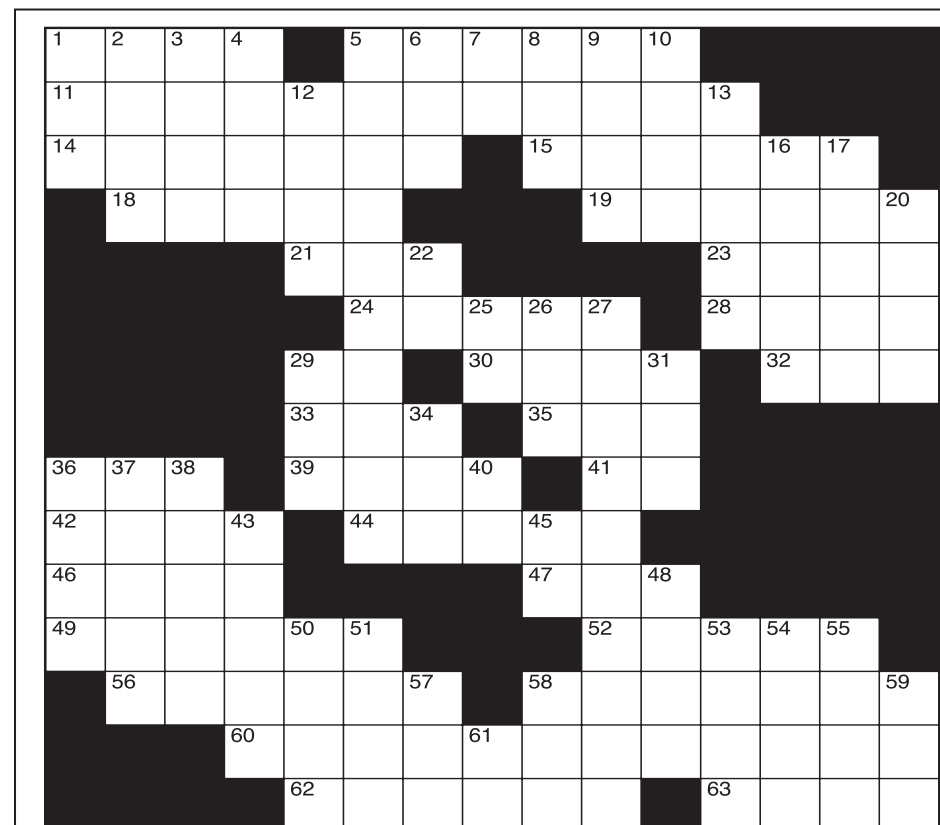
Seminole Gaming spokesperson Gary Bitner doubled down on that take in a statement provided to Florida Politics on Monday evening. “This is millions of out-of-state corporate dollars to try and manipulate the people of Florida, who are smarter than that. They think they can buy their way into the state. Our team intends to use our Florida dollars to protect the interests of the people of Florida,” he said.

Constitutional amendments require 891,589 signatures to make the ballot, a number pegged to 8% of turnout in the most recent presidential election. Proposed amendments must also hit signature

thresholds in at least one half – or 14 – of the state’s congressional districts. If a proposed amendment makes the ballot, it must earn 60% support to pass.

Monday also saw a new political committee known as Florida Voters in Charge file a finance report listing a \$17 million contribution from Las Vegas Sands. Information on what the committee aims to accomplish is scant, though Las Vegas Sands has tried for years to get authorization for a Vegas-style resort-casino in South Florida. A third committee, Voters in Control, also appears to have a gaming bent. The PC’s June finance report had not been uploaded to the Florida Division of Elections as of Monday evening, but sources say it will show a significant contribution – likely seven or more figures – from the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

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CLUES ACROSS

- Absence of difficulty
5. Preserve a dead body
11. Gratitude
14. The act of coming together again
15. More cushy
18. Visionaries
19. Fish-eating bird
21. Indicates near
23. NY Mets legend Tommie
24. Icelandic poems
28. Pop
29. Hammer is one
30. Senses of self-esteem
32. Trigraph
33. Not around
35. Electronic data processing
36. Driver’s licenses and passports
39. Snake-like fishes
41. Military flyers
42. Raincoats
44. Type of community
46. Feature of worm’s anatomy
47. In the center

CLUES DOWN

- Body part
- Mimics
- Expel or eject
- Sea eagle
- Subdivision of cenospecies
- Dialect of Chinese
- Mr. T’s character on ‘The A-Team’
- Consumed
- Chinese dynasty
- NFL great Randy
- Ireland
- Palm trees
- Fungal disease
- Willis and Jerry are two
- Affirmative!
- Laid back
- Jewelled headdress
- In slow tempo
- ___ Falls
- Saying things again
- Periods in history
- Hyphen
- Potato state
- ‘The First State’
- A way to develop
- Associations
- Woman (French)
- Sunscreen rating
- Brew
- Mosque prayer leader
- Indigo bush
- Burn with a hot liquid
- Jr.’s father
- Scad genus
- Morning
- Length of a straight line (abbr.)
- Double curve
- Small thin bunch
- Worn by exposure to the weather
- Mars crater
- Humanities
- Of the ears
- ‘To the ___ degree’
- Residue
- It keeps you cool

Food trucks offer eclectic tastes, independence and opportunities

Talented chefs hit the road to showcase their culinary skills

By Nikki Schoenbeck
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – As food trucks continue to grow in popularity, owners are looking forward to finding exciting and creative ways to draw in customers. One of the ways owners of food trucks are building a good customer base is by participating in Food Truck Fridays.

Despite the constant threat of rain, multiple food trucks braved the storms in order to support their work. Each truck is unique and offers its own twist to tasty items customers might enjoy. The chefs all have their own personality that not only shows through the food they serve but also

how they design their truck. Oftentimes the chefs start in restaurants before gaining independence by hitting the road with their own truck.

Although the trucks may seem to be in competition with each other, the reality is the food truck business is a tight-knit community. In fact, “Food truck cliques” will typically form within the food truck where groups of food truck owners become friends with each other.

Friendship is a key component to the success of food truck owners. By befriending other owners, running into challenges like running out of ingredients or

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Cirque Alcatraz brings adult-themed circus to Mall

Popular Italia show set for 11-day run starting on July 29

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ORANGE PARK – The circus is coming to town – just don't bring your children to this one.

That's because Cirque Alcatraz is a prison-themed circus designed with adult audiences in mind. From July 29 through Aug. 8, anyone driving by the Orange Park Mall is sure to see the massive white and orange-striped circus tent located in the parking lot. And if you drive by at the right time, you just might hear the last scream of Alcatraz.

"The first thing I want to say about this show is that it is very much for adults," said Steve Copeland, one of the main characters of the circus who doubles as a comedy department lead and cheekily self-proclaimed "best part of the show." "We urge your readers to keep their children at home or find a babysitter because there is harsh language, violence, and suggestive content throughout the show... but there's also a lot of fun to be had."

It's not that Cirque Alcatraz is a show meant to scare people – the same company's Paranormal Cirque has that covered – but it was designed with adults in mind and that includes the thrills and laughs adults tend to enjoy. You can, of course, expect the usual lineup of circus fun during the show too: acrobats flipping through the air, a husband-and-wife duo that shoots crossbow bolt at each other, a troupe that prefers walking on high wires to the ground, "sexy dancers" and "unsexy dancers," too.

"We're the unsexy dancers," Copeland said with a chuckle.

"We've been touring with different circuses around the world for some time, but what's unique about this one is that it's given us an especially fun opportunity to stretch our muscles in a different direction," Copeland's circus counterpart and

also "best part of the show" Ryan Combs, said. "We're used to writing for families and the comedy you do there has to hit for ages nine through 99."

Combs said the struggle there is writing jokes that are funny for all ages and complex enough that older audiences enjoy but not so complex that it goes over the head of younger audiences. He said writing for an adult show was a fun time as it allowed them to pinpoint the smaller demographic of adults and try something new not usually offered in the world of circuses, which often centers on "family-friendly" fun.

In fact, Combs and Copeland wrote themselves into the show because their parts weren't originally in it.

"We've both been in the industry since we were little kids, really," Copeland said. "We both wanted to be clowns from an early age, but neither of us were from circus families so we had to find a backdoor in, so to speak. We both performed all through childhood and high school...and we've been in the business for about 18 years now. We've been a duo for about 12 years now, too."

The two were performing together when the COVID-19 pandemic hit and their contracts were canceled, much like the rest of the circus industry. The two returned home and found work outside of the circus world, but once the world started to open up again, their current director approached them about a new show called Cirque Alcatraz, which is one of four shows under the Cirque Italia company banner.

"We met with him and our director went through all their ideas and decided they wanted us to be a part of the show," Copeland said. "They explained the story of Cirque Alcatraz to us, though, and it didn't sound like there was a spot for us so we asked if we could try our hand at writing new parts for the show."

This pitch was a success because Copeland and Combs are now the two main characters of the show's story, and they couldn't be happier.



Cirque Alcatraz is coming to town from July 29 to Aug. 8, and it's a unique, adult-oriented circus that will feature acrobatics, hire-wire walkers, crossbow shooters, laughter and so much more.

"Laughter is what keeps us going and our parts allow us to make people laugh...a lot," Copeland said. "Hearing the audience laugh is like a drug for us, and laughter, in general, is like a drug. The best part about laughter as a drug is that you can't OD [overdose], but you can try at Cirque Alcatraz."

Copeland and Combs suggest arriving at the show 40 minutes early to watch the show's "prisoners" arrive via their Alcatraz prison bus. The prisoners then are placed into their respective cells and there, guests can chat with them, take pictures and see stunts that aren't in the show.

The first show takes place at 7:30 p.m.

on July 29 and there will be shows every night, with the exception of Aug. 3, from then to Aug. 8. More information can be found at cirquealcatraz.com or by calling (941) 704-8572. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased in advance.

"After a year of the pandemic and people being in lockdown, I think people felt like they were in prison so Cirque Alcatraz will be a cathartic way to lose themselves in a show for a night," Copeland said. "Come on out. You'll clap, you'll yell, you'll laugh, you'll smile and most importantly, you'll have a great time."

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Obituaries

Mary Ann Cameron Petska

Energetic, intelligent, loving, compassionate and a genuine desire to "do good" in this world are some of the many positive characteristics that people will remember about Mary Ann Cameron Petska, November 15, 1933 - December 29, 2020. Mary Ann spent her life passionately advocating and fighting for those who needed support and change. After the lifelong Gator graduated with a degree in Art Education from the University of Florida, Mary Ann moved to New York City to work her day job for the National Council of Churches. During her off hours, she continued serving the community by working with Italian teens in Greenwich Village.

After two years, she moved home to teach art at Ribault High School and Paxon Junior High School in Jacksonville. After teaching, Mary Ann would organize and attend secret meetings of the leaders of the black and white



Mary Ann Cameron Petska

communities in Jacksonville to start discussions about desegregation, a cause she championed her entire life. During summer vacations, she worked with inner-city children on the Lower East Side of New York City. (She loved NYC!) Because of these experiences, she received a full scholarship from the Episcopal Church and Tulane University to obtain her Master's degree in social work. Upon graduation with her MSW, she became Director of Senior Citizens at Lenox Hill, a New York City settlement house serving European immigrants. There she met her future husband, Miloslav Petska, who was the Director of the Youth. Two years later, they married and moved to the Wind River Indian Reservation in Wyoming to develop a pilot program for the National Council of the Episcopal Church. Mary Ann was the Director of a Residential Treatment Center for Arapahoe and Shoshone adolescents, and Milo was a community organizer for both tribes. After six "wonderful, memorable and exhausting years", they returned to Florida with their two adopted children, Thomas Cameron and Antonia. The Petska family settled on five acres in what is now called Fleming Island, Florida near Mary Ann's family.

She taught art to people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities over the next forty years. (The majority of those were at St. Johns Country Day School.) After her retirement, Mary Ann kept very busy with her gorgeous yard, visiting with friends, reading, taking trips, but most importantly visiting her beloved children and grandchildren. She had a special relationship with each of her five grandchildren. She is survived by her beloved children- Tom (Leigh), and Toni (David). She is also survived by Tom's two daughters who Mary Ann loved and championed their entire lives- Amelia and Abby and Toni's three children of whom Mary Ann was immensely proud and loved beyond words-Jack, Sam, and Maggie, her namesake. Mary Ann was truly one of a kind and will be sorely missed by her many friends and family. The family is holding a Celebration of Life on 18 July, 2021 in St. Augustine Florida. Due to covid concerns, facemasks will be required at the gathering. Contact Toni at metcalffamily@verizon.net for more details.

Donations in Mary Ann's spirit may be made to the La Villa Foundation, a school for the arts, in Jacksonville, Florida.

Judy Elaine Burdge

Judy Elaine Burdge, 74, of Green Cove Springs, FL, passed away July 10, 2021

Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000 <http://www.broadusraines.com>



Eugene Raymond Janda

Eugene (Gene) Raymond Janda, age 77 of Green Cove Springs, FL went to be with the Lord July 10, 2021, passing away at Orange Park Medical Center, following an extended illness. Gene was born in Lorain, Ohio on December 11, 1943 to Earl George Janda and Lenore Mae Janda-Szabo.

Following the death of his father, Gene moved to Green Cove Springs, FL., when in elementary school. It was there that he met his loving wife, Maxine Eddy Janda, while attending Clay High School. They survived four years of "going steady", next

month they would have been married 58 years. Gene graduated in 1962.

While still in high school, Gene joined the U.S. Army Reserves and spent his basic training at Fort Jackson in South Carolina. His ministry began in 1967, and has included the following Baptist churches: Shiloh, Clay Hill, Bostwick, Providence, Decoy and ending with Sunrise, after which he retired due to health.

He served in different capacities in the Black Creek Baptist Association.

He sometimes supplemented his income in the ministry by being a meat cutter. Gene had a love of sports and gave back to his community by coaching youth sports, Little League baseball and Pop Warner football. He worked with kids in Pop Warner with Coach Ron Riddle for many years.

He loved his family so much and enjoyed vacations to the mountains, Savannah Hilton Head, and St. Simon's Island with them. Holidays were very noisy with the Janda clan. He also loved his feisty little Yorkie mix, Harley. Gene is predeceased by his parents and brothers Frank and Earl George Jr.

Gene is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Maxine Eddy Janda. His children Dean (Dawn), Troy (Julia) and Gina Hackworth (Larry). His grandchildren, Alan, Ryan, Kyle, Noah, Savannah, Adrianna, Chelsea, Austin Janda and Britton, Morgan Hackworth. He was also blessed with 8 great grandchildren. His sisters Annette Cope, and Gloria Brady.

The family would like to express appreciation to Dr. Randy Scott and staff, along with OPMC. The family will receive friends from 10-11am, Saturday, July 17, 2021 in the Broadus-Raines Chapel. Funeral services to begin at 11am, with Rev. Tim Hall and Herbert Mullaly officiating. No graveside service to follow, burial will be at Hickory Grove Cemetery.

Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com.

Arrangements are under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring



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Ernie Cohen

Ernie Cohen, 71, of Barrel Springs Drive, died Monday, July 12, 2021, at Haven Hospice of Orange Park.

Ernie is survived by his wife, Joann; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sharon and Bradley Herbst of Jacksonville; and Jackie and Brian Bukstein of Chicago; a sister and brother-in-law, Shelley and Mark Schulman of Cleveland; four grandchildren, Sydney and Andrew Herbst and Joshua and Zachary Bukstein; three sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Debbie and Lou Bauer of Jacksonville; Lisa and Tobin Shepardson of North East, PA.; and Jim and Denise Murphy of North Lawrence, NY; four nephews, Howie (Lindsay), Kenny (Brittany) and Jeffrey (Alison) Schulman and Brett Bauer; a niece, Becca Shepardson; two great-nieces and one great-nephew; and his step-mother-in-law, Marcia Murphy of Cassadaga, NY.

He was predeceased by a sister, Hallie Cohen, in 2009.

Ernie was born February 25, 1950, in South Euclid, Ohio, the son of Elaine and Manuel "Mannie" Cohen. He earned a bachelor's degree in history from The Ohio State University in 1972 and served as secretary and president of Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. Upon graduation, Ernie joined the family business - American Steel Drum Co. - and became vice president.

After the company closed, he began a highly successful career in sales management in various industries in the Cleveland area such as Kinzua Environmental and Wirtshafter's Inc. He married Joann Murphy on Oct. 7, 1994, in Painesville, Ohio. In



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Realtors desperately seeking homes to sell in NE Florida

CLAY COUNTY – Northeast Florida's housing market desperately needs more homes. In June, the region's residential market continued its frenzied pace, with low-interest rates and a limited inventory fueling record-high sales prices.

With an available months' supply of inventory declining 58.1% to a mere 1.3-months of inventory compared to the same time last year when it boasted 3.1-months, June's housing market numbers showed another record increase in average and median sale prices. Also, worth noting was a 55% decline in the number of days homes stayed on the market – 71 days in June 2020 to 32 days in June of this year. Specifically, June's median sales price of \$301,000 leaped 18% from \$255,000 in June 2020. Meanwhile, the average sale price of a home in Clay County and on the First Coast was \$373,378, a dramatic 20.7% increase from the year before when the average

price was \$309,269.

"Many buyers have gone to the sidelines and are continuing to rent or double up with others, as the affordability of homes compared to incomes becomes a bigger issue," said Missi Howell, president of the Northeast Florida Association of Realtors. "Sellers continue to reap the benefits, as long as they have somewhere to go that can fit within their budget. Many sellers continue to choose not to sell, because they have nowhere to go, lending to the undersupply of existing homes for sale."

If they do have a home to move to, sellers have a lot of incentive to put their residences on the market. In June, sellers received 100.5% of their original list price. This number is derived from dividing a property's sales price by its original list price and taking the average for all properties that were sold in a given month, while not accounting for seller concessions. This also represents a 4.6% increase over the



percentage of 96.1 in June 2020. Also in June, 43.3% of closed sales sold for more than the most recent list price, a 220.7% increase over June 2020 when that was 13.5%. Homebuilders are trying to meet the increased market demand with new construction. Housing starts were up 3.6% in May from April, according to the U.S. Commerce Department. "Builders are building, but labor and material shortages have elongated their timelines," said Howell.

"Several builders have slowed production due to uncontrollable and unforeseen but anticipated price increases that may have them building beyond what the market value appraisal could bring. First-time home buyers have been the hardest hit with their budgets blown due to rapidly increas-

ing prices coupled with a lower supply of money in the state's housing trust funds to help with down payment and closing-cost assistance. The institutional investors, which include iBuyers, institutional investors, and local real estate investors, continue to be strong players in our Northeast Florida market, buying up homes to turn around and rent," she continued, referring to iBuyer companies that use technology to make offers on homes instantly.

"The summer demand and supply will be interesting to watch, as peoples' eyes turn from listing and selling to focus on travel and vacations. But they generally turn back to listing and selling as the summer wanes. At present, there is little to no relief in sight for the lack of homes needed in our market," Howell said.

Cohen

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1996, Ernie opened his own firm - At Your Service - a multi-faceted personal-service business which operated successfully for several years before the Cohens decided to leave Cleveland, Ohio for Orange Park, Florida in February 2003. Once settled, he started another business, Software Unlimited, and eventually transitioned into a position as a regional sales representative in the credit-card-processing field where he was recognized as a top producer and deal closer. He then joined Haven Hospice as the Clay County professional liaison in January 2012 and immersed himself in the meetings, activities and events of Clay County to promote Haven Hospice and its mission which dramatically increased the agency's profile in the community.

After two years, he accepted a similar position at Oak View Rehabilitation Center where he also became a member of the Board of Directors with Kids First of Florida - a non-profit dedicated to providing adoption and foster-care services to children emerging from abusive situations. By August 2015, as the board explored a new marketing approach to increase awareness and support for the Kids First program, Ernie stepped into a newly created role as not only as the community liaison for Kids First, but also the liaison for its sister non-profit agency - Clay Behavioral Health Center. Ernie became a very active member and eventually vice president of the Clay County Senior Adult Advocacy Council where guests at the annual fundraising barbecue could anticipate seeing Ernie wearing a pig or turkey costume in summer or an elf or gingerbread boy outfit at Christmastime, and he was also known to turn up dressed as a jockey, ballerina or whatever outfit the occasion demanded. At the same time, Ernie

was an extremely popular and in-demand master of ceremonies. His outrageous sense of humor, infectious enthusiasm and gift for provoking people with just the right balance of mischief and humor made him a natural to host community-networking groups and signature Clay County events.

He lent his talents to the annual reverse raffle held to benefit Kids First of Florida/Clay Behavioral Health Center; the Finally Friday Network; Breakfast Connects; and the Orange Park Medical Center employee-recognition ceremony. Ernie was also MC for the Concert on the Green; the Golden Years Gala, the Orange Park Mall Festival of Freedom; the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk; and at more solemn public dedications such as the Clay County Monument for Fallen Warriors and the Welcome Home Ceremony for Vietnam Veterans. In appreciation for his tireless contributions and service to the Clay County community, Ernie was honored as part of the Allegro/Shepherd's Center of Orange Park's Golden Years Gala as the Volunteer Service Man of the Year in September 2020. He was an avid Cleveland Browns fan who held season tickets for more than 20 years until the team "ripped his heart out" by moving to Baltimore. Some of his greatest joy came from watching his grandchildren participate in artistic performances and sports and from being part of a cause or team that helped and supported children.

Funeral services will be held in Cleveland, Ohio on Friday July 16th 2021 in the care of Berkowitz-Kumin-Bookatz Memorial Chapel.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date in Orange Park, Florida.

Memorial contributions may be made in Ernie's name to Kids First of Florida/Clay Behavioral Health Center, 1726 Kingsley Ave., Orange Park, Fla., 32073.

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LifeSouth:

Donating blood should be part of to-do list ahead of hurricane

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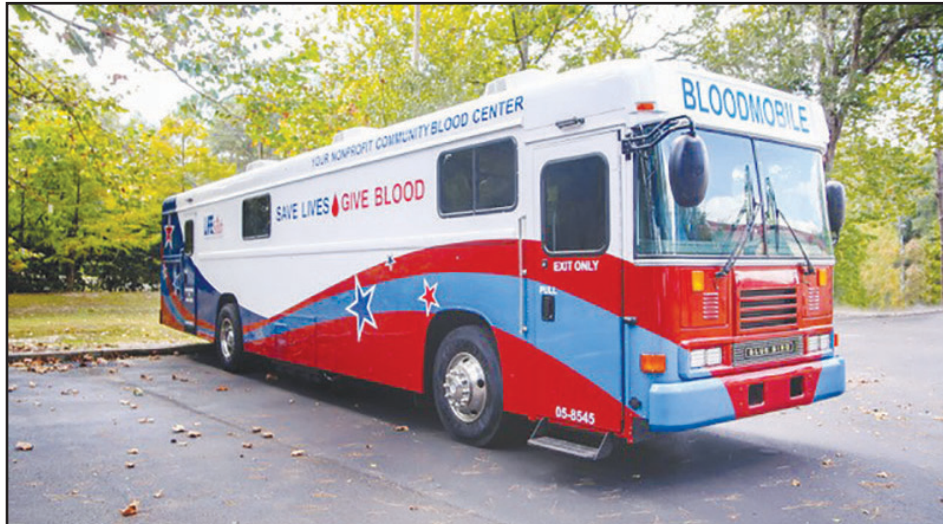
CLAY COUNTY – When you live in Florida, you know it's time to add "donate blood" to your to-do list ahead of a hurricane.

Hurricanes can do a lot of damage, but they can also easily drain a blood bank's supply. Add the lingering COVID-19 pandemic and summer months, a time when people are traditionally on vacation, and blood banks need donors more than ever. LifeSouth is an organization in Northeast Florida dedicated to making the process easy.



"Even though Hurricane Elsa has passed, I'm pretty sure there will be another hurricane coming our way so it's very important for blood to be on the shelf before something happens," Jacksonville LifeSouth community development coordinator Karen Patterson said. "We want people to think about donating blood while preparing for a hurricane. It needs to be added to the to-do list."

Patterson said hurricanes and other



LifeSouth wants the local community to know that "donate blood" should be added to everyone's to-do list ahead of a natural disaster like a hurricane.

natural disasters can often bring with it downed power lines, loss of power, road damage and more and all of that threatens LifeSouth's ability to spread and give blood to hospitals that need it. She said that local blood donations tend to stay local although when one of the states LifeSouth is in – Florida, Georgia and Alabama – needs blood, a neighboring state might donate some of their blood.

When a hurricane is on the way, Patterson said LifeSouth can be found in Clay and Duval counties. She said the only days the BloodMobile aren't out are Thanksgiving and Christmas, although she urges people not to wait until the day a natural disaster hits to donate. That's because there's a good chance the BloodMobile won't be out in town because LifeSouth's employees need to be home safe and the BloodMobile can't travel over big bridges like the Buckman Bridge when winds surpass 40 mph.

Patterson said donating blood is as easy as answering some questions and sitting in a comfortable chair for about 10 to

15 minutes. Those 15 minutes of blood donation can save three lives, she said. And since LifeSouth tries to keep its blood local, there's a good chance your blood could save the lives of three people in your community.

She said the BloodMobile can be found all over Northeast Florida and blood can be donated there or at on-the-ground LifeSouth centers in places like Jacksonville, Baptist Medical Center, and very soon, on Fleming Island, once LifeSouth's newest center opens in a few weeks. You can visit lifesouth.org at any time to see the exact locations of donor centers and blood drives.

"We take very good care of our donors," Patterson said. "We treat them like family. We don't want our people to be nervous or worried."

She said all that's needed is a government-issued ID and a willingness to answer just a few questions that could get personal. She stressed that the questions are asked only in an effort to ensure the

blood donation process is safe for donors and receivers. When someone donates blood with LifeSouth, they'll receive a hemoglobin test, a mini-physical, a cholesterol screening and an electronic gift card.

"Donating blood is a lot like getting the COVID-19 vaccine in that it's supporting the community," Patterson said. "However, if you've received the COVID-19 vaccine or even just one shot of it, or if you haven't received the vaccine, we welcome you into our centers and BloodMobiles."

LifeSouth employees still wear masks and it encourages donors to wear masks as well. They can rest assured heavy sanitation and enhanced cleaning processes are in place, too.

"The need for blood is ongoing because it has a shelf life," Patterson said, commenting on the wide blood shortage that's resulted in about two days of blood being available at any given time at the moment. "Blood only lasts about 42 days and it's not something that can be purchased so it has to be donated. A lot of people don't realize that, I think."

LifeSouth appreciates anyone who donates blood, but Patterson said it's important because blood's shelf life is only 42 days, donating blood once isn't a catch-all. She said if everyone donated blood three to four times a year, the blood supply would reach a healthier level.

"I would like to say that we are always looking for partners in the community to support the local blood supply so if you're working for a business, a church, a community group, a social group, or even a Homeowner's Association, we'd love to work with you and save lives in Northeast Florida," Patterson said. "We make it very easy to work with us and we never charge someone for the BloodMobile to come out to a location."

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Hurricane Season is coming

Airstream Ventures' leap of faith brings unique sporting events to Clay County

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CLAY COUNTY – As the CEO for the Jacksonville Sports Council and COO for TaxSlayer Bowl, Alan Verlander already was on the fast track to success.

But something was missing, so he traded it all in three years ago to start his own sports marketing company.

His leap of faith led to the successful creation of Airstream Ventures, a company dedicated to bringing a variety of events to the area, particularly Clay county.

"When I went to the sports council, after three or four years of learning the business, I decided to do it on my own," Verlander said. "I took a big chance and it paid off. I never dreamed we'd be where we are today."

Airstream's first major client was the Clay County Tourism Department. Verlander's group has worked to bring a variety of events to the county – with visions of bigger things to come.

"Our goal is to bring people to Clay County using sports," said Kimberly Morgan, Director of Tourism for Clay County. "We're going to create an experience unlike any other and we're going to make it a memorable experience."

Verlander enlisted the help of his longtime colleague, Joel Lamp. They worked together in the athletic department at Jacksonville University and then with the City of Jacksonville. Verlander now is the CEO of Airstream; Lamp is the Senior Director of Events and Tourism.

"This is different than some of the things we've done in the past, but a lot of it is the same," Lamp said. "We're just using different muscles. We have to look at

things in a different way."

Verlander is part of a family that has deep roots in the sports and entertainment business. His brother, Mike, was the Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Stewart-Haas Racing in NASCAR before he recently was hired as the President and Chief Revenue Officer for Kyle Busch Motorsports.

Verlander had the idea of branching out on his own for a while. He and Lamp talked for nearly two months before they decided to turn the dream into a reality.

"Joel and I have been running events for a long time," Verlander said.

Since winning unanimous approval from the Board of Clay County Commissioners, Airstream already had events lined up.

The group already has hosted a couple of Southeast Cornhole League tournaments, the USA Cycling Amateur Road National Championships, five events from the Sunshine State Games and a wrestling tournament.

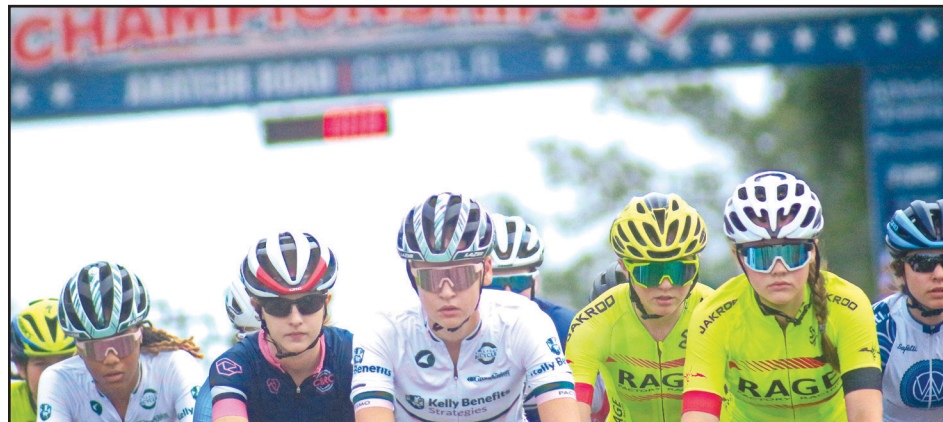
Airstream also will entertain the Street League Skateboarding World Championship on Nov. 13-14 in Jacksonville and the Travis Pastrana Nitro Rallycross on Dec. 5-6 at the Florida International Rally &



Joel Lamp



Alan Verlander



Motorsport Park at Keystone Heights Airport.

"These are going to be huge events for us," Verlander said. "It's going to be a big deal for skateboarding because there will be national and international coverage. The Nitro Rallycross is another major event, and it's amazing how it continues to evolve."

Airstream also has conducted high school football, basketball and baseball tournaments involving teams throughout the First Coast.

And they're just getting started.

Verlander said there are two pillars to success – making sure there's enough money to operate without cutting corners and picking the right projects and partners.

"Those two formulas have done us well," Verlander said. "Even with COVID, we were profitable in 2020. It's nice to be smaller because you can be mobile and pivot."

Another mission is to make sure every event offers a "great experience from the moment they get to the event until they leave," Lamp said.

Lamp also said the pandemic opened unexpected doors for the company.

"We have faith in what we're doing and our business plan," Lamp said. "We found some niches we probably wouldn't have found if it wasn't for COVID."

Sebring is another major client. Airstream said their focus in the South Florida community will be racing since it's the home of the 12 Hours of Sebring sports car race.

The company has plans to move more events to the Clay County Fairgrounds and Ronnie Van Zant Park in Green Cove Springs. Verlander and Lamp believe the rapid growth of Clay County will create even more opportunities.

"Clay County was the first one that took a chance on us," Verlander said. "We've come a long way in a short period of time. Sports tourism is a large economic driver for communities. Taking our success in bringing events to Jacksonville, we are excited to expand our efforts into Clay County by using our model to build its profile as a sports destination that also makes an economic impact."

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MIDDLEBURG – Customers of Brightway, Middleburg can expect the same great local, expert counsel and the broadest possible choice in insurance brands now at a new location as the agency has moved one mile southwest of its old location to 2755 Blanding Blvd., Suite 110 in the Olde Pointe Plaza. The Agency moved from its former office in the Black Creek Plaza, which the Orange Park Medical Center recently purchased for a new care center.

"Our team will continue to deliver the same level of expert counsel that consumers have grown to expect from Brightway at our new, convenient office, located just a mile away from our old office on Blanding Boulevard," said agency owner, Jace Howard, who opened the agency in 2010. "We continue to offer more choice of top-rated insurance brands, so we can do the shopping for you."

We're available to assist customers in person at our new location, by telephone at (904) 291-4663 and by emailing jace.howard@brightway.com."

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f Question of the week

Are you concerned about the Delta variant of COVID-19?

By Wesley LeBlanc
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CLAY COUNTY – The world’s top scientists believe that the Delta variant of COVID-19 is here to stay and likely to become the dominant strain.

The variant of the virus is seemingly more harmful and tougher to handle when

infected, but vaccine makers Moderna and Pfizer have already come out to say that their vaccine’s effectiveness only dips a couple of percentage points when up against the Delta variant. We asked Clay Today readers what their thoughts are on the Delta variant for this week’s Facebook Question of the Week and for the most part,



The Delta variant of COVID-19 is expected to become the dominant strain in the United States and Clay Today asked its readers what they’re feeling in regards to the variant and their decisions around possible additional vaccination.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REZONE 560.52 ACRES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The City of Green Cove Springs, Florida proposes to rezone property consisting of approximately 560.52 acres in size upon annexation from the County’s designations of Agricultural and Industrial to Planned Unit Development (PUD). The subject property is located east of Oakridge Avenue/County Road 15A and adjacent to the southwestern city limits, as identified in the map below. A complete legal description of the property by metes and bounds is available in the Development Services office.

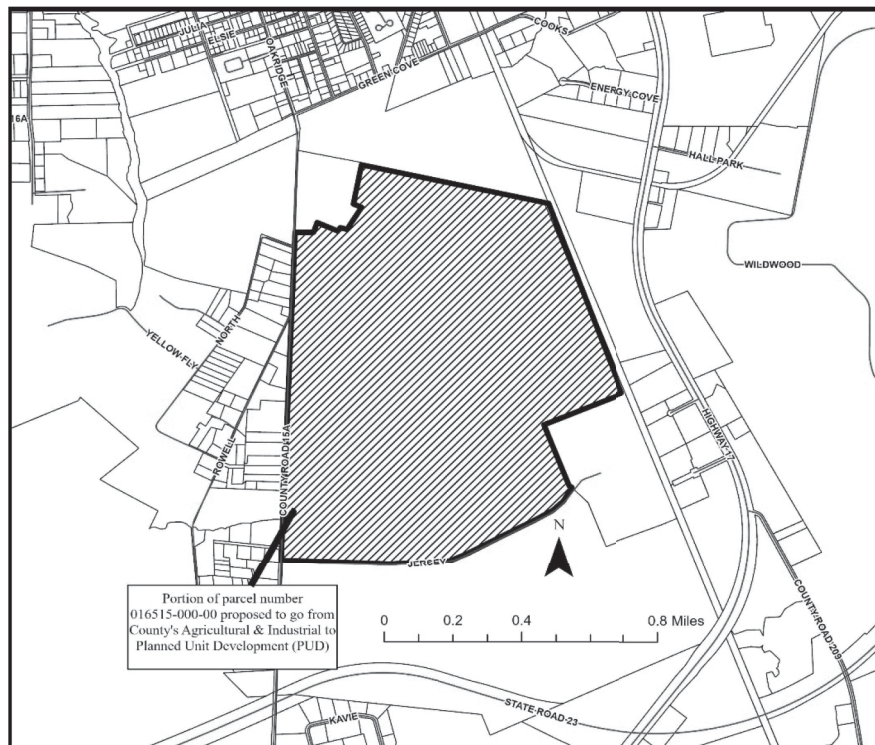
Public Hearing to consider the rezoning of the proposed amendments will be held by the Planning and Zoning Board on July 27, 2021 at 5:00p.m. or shortly thereafter, and the City Council on August 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter, in the Council Chambers, Green Cove Springs City Hall, 321 Walnut St, Green Cove Springs, Florida.

The proposed rezoning application is on file in the Development Services Department, 1st Floor, City Hall, Green Cove Springs, Florida, and may be examined by interested parties prior to said public hearing during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. All parties having any interest in this change will be afforded an opportunity to be heard at the public hearings.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Planning and Zoning Board and/or City Council with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through Florida Relay – Dial 7-1-1.

All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing.



City of Green Cove Springs

Heather Glisson, Development Services Representative
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Steve Kennedy, City Manager

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minds aren’t changed.

Those who wear masks still say they’ll continue to do so. Those that don’t fear COVID-19 said the Delta variant won’t change their routines, either.

“I’m not at all concerned about the contrarians that choose not to get vaccinated,” Lee Smith said. “I am concerned about us not reaching herd immunity, rising ICU numbers, and potential health care cost increases. I am more anxious about crowds than I have been and I will certainly cancel my cruise in January if the cruise line is not allowed to take precautions.”

Others, however, still view COVID-19 as something not to be feared. Mildred Besco said she isn’t worried about COVID-19, and she feels she’s being lied to in regards to it. Frances Serrano-Iriarte said they feel the way COVID-19 deaths are handled is wrong, citing that they knew someone who killed themselves and had their death listed as COVID-19.

More than a dozen others that responded to this week’s Facebook Question of the Week simply said “no” when asked if they’re worried about the Delta variant.

It’s unclear if these people are not worried because they’re vaccinated or not worried because they think otherwise.

Teresa Sanday said she’s concerned about her grandchildren as they aren’t old enough to get vaccinated yet. She said Clay County is on the lower end in terms of vaccination numbers – the latest COVID-19 numbers reveal that less than half of Clay County is vaccinated – and she will be vigilant with herself and her grandchildren while they’re visiting for a few weeks.

Penny Ruller said she hasn’t been worried about COVID-19 once and still isn’t worried, even with the onset of the Delta variant.

What do you think of the Delta variant? If you’re vaccinated, are you concerned or interested in a booster vaccine shot? If you’re unvaccinated, does the Delta variant have you rethinking your decision. Let us know by responding to last week’s Facebook Question of the Week and be sure to follow the official Clay Today Newspaper page so you don’t miss this week’s Facebook Question of the Week.

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TRY IT AGAIN ...

Local YMCAs offering tours to prove they're more than a gym

By Wesley LeBlanc
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CLAY COUNTY – The YMCA is gearing up for some of its biggest events of the year later this month.

The YMCA is more than a gym. That's something everyone that works for the organization will tell you and something every person involved with YMCA will say as well, and it's true. It's a gym, an adult daycare for those with "unique" abilities, a charity dedicated to helping local children and so much more. The YMCA upcoming Impact Tour on July 20 at Noon at the Barco Newton YMCA location in Fleming Island and the Back to School Back backpack drive on July 24 at the same location from 10 a.m. to noon are examples of that.

"This month is a great opportunity to showcase what we're doing in our organization," First Coast YMCA vice president of operations Jon Dearolf said. "The Impact Tour features three components designed to show our dedication to the community and show that we're more than a gym."

The first component is a tour through the YMCA's DayStar location. Dearolf said it's an adult daytime vocational program for "adults with unique abilities." He said the program currently has 16 individuals under the YMCA's care during the day.

"They can be a part of the community and utilize the resources we have here for them to do that," Dearolf said.

The second component is a massive volunteer-based Back to School Bash stuffing day. Volunteers will be at the Barco Newton YMCA to stuff backpacks with supplies and more for the organization's July 24 Back to School Bash. Dearolf said the YMCA is stuffing more than 1000 backpacks to hand out at five different locations in Northeast Florida: the Barco Newton branch in Fleming Island, the Winston Family YMCA in Riverside, the Brooks Family YMCA on Centurion Parkway, the St. Augustine YMCA on Anastasia Island and the Wildlight YMCA in Nassau County.

"[Barco Newton] is the hub of the volunteer component for the Back to School Bash," Dearolf said. "In Clay County, we're expecting over 300 military kids to come through our branch."

The backpacks are for military families and those in Clay County interested can pick up a backpack stuffed with school supplies from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on July 24 at the Barco Newton location in Fleming Island. You must first register at <https://ymcab2sb2021.eventbrite.com> where you need to prove that your family is a military family be it the military, the guard or the reserve.



The YMCA is using some upcoming events at the end of the month to showcase how the charity organization is so much more than just a gym.

Dearolf said the backpacks and the supplies come from the local community from sponsors like VyStar, Publix, USAA and the Knights of Columbus.

"With these sponsorships, we are able to go out and secure the backpacks we need," Dearolf said. "We also get donations from our members at the branch level. Everyone is all-in on this event and it's a really special thing."

The third and final component of the Im-

Impact Tour is centered on the YMCA's summer day camps for children. Dearolf said they have more than 100 children participating this year in a number of activities and experiences. The camp features sports and S.T.E.M. experiments, all centered on "building up the spirit, mind and body in our people."

"It's a wonderful opportunity to showcase our children and show how alive the YMCA is each summer."



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Florida Supreme Court upholds Davidson's death sentence

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Supreme Court unanimously upheld the conviction and death penalty sentence on July 8 of a man who raped and killed a Middleburg mother and raped her 10-year-old daughter.

Donald Hugh Davidson Jr. will remain on Death Row after pleading guilty of nine crimes, including first-degree premeditated murder, and being sentenced to die by Clay County Judge Don Lester on Nov. 13, 2019.



Donald Davidson

Details of Davidson's depraved crimes on Dec. 1, 2014, were outlined in a 26-page decision, including the fact the registered sex offender was released from prison 72 days before he cut off his ankle monitor, entered 37-year-old Roseann Kasama Welch's home before trying to rape her. When her daughter came home from school, Davidson strangled Welch with a shoelace and stabbed her three times in the throat with a buck knife.

He then raped and kidnapped the daughter before being caught in Welch's mini-van a day later on Blanding Boulevard. He detailed the crimes during a three-hour interrogation by the Clay County Sheriff's Office, telling them "I did what I did."

Davidson pled guilty knowing only two sentences were available – life without parole or death.

Attorneys argued Davidson didn't have knowledge or understanding of the charges against him, including the "consequences of pleading guilty." They also argued by forgoing a jury trial, Davidson wasn't able to "call and confront witnesses and the right to remain silent."

Davidson didn't refute the evidence against him.

The justices said, "However, where a defendant pleads guilty and waives a jury trial, the relevant inquiry is not whether there was competent, substantial evidence, but whether the defendant knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily entered the guilty plea."

The Court then concluded "the evidence of guilt was overwhelming as detailed in the factual basis given by the prosecutor. Thus, we conclude that Davidson's guilty plea was voluntarily and knowingly given."

GCS man indicted for trying to entice 9-year-old for sex

JACKSONVILLE – Acting U.S. Attorney Karin Hoppmann announced today that Garrett Eric Weber, 30, of Green Cove Springs, was arrested and indicted by a federal grand jury for attempting to en-

tice a 9-year-old child to engage in sexual activity, and for soliciting and distributing child sexual abuse videos using the internet. If convicted on all charges, Weber faces a minimum mandatory penalty of 15 years, and up to life, in federal prison, a \$1 million fine, and a potential life term of supervised release. Weber was arrested on a federal warrant by the Green Cove Springs Police Department during a traffic stop on July 5, 2021. He was detained without bond on July 7.

According to court documents and evidence proffered at Weber's detention hearing, in June 2020, Weber, using the name "BUBBLESXD_90," uploaded an image depicting the sexual abuse of a child to a chat group on a popular social media application. A further investigation ultimately resulted in the identification of Weber.

Beginning in March 2021, an undercover FBI agent, posing as the parent of a young child, engaged in an online conversation with Weber using the app.

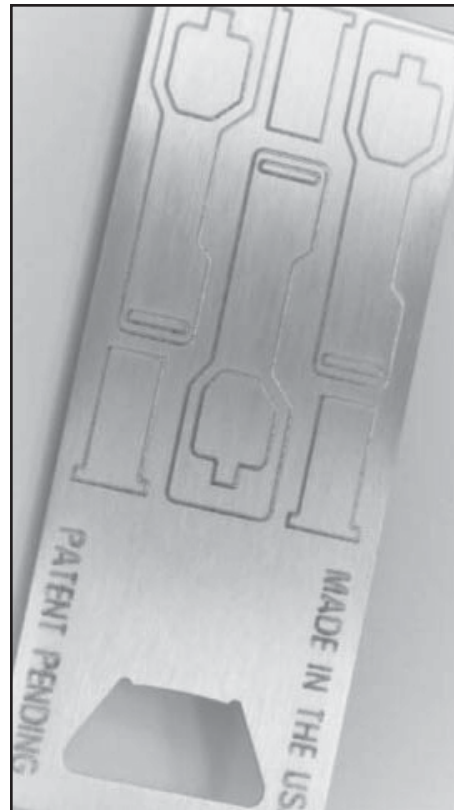
After some discussion and being told that the "child" was only nine years old, Weber offered to serve as the "child's" trainer by engaging in sexual activity with the "child." He requested that the "parent" take an explicit photo of the "child" for him, and he provided specific instructions on how to accomplish this through various means. On at least seven occasions, Weber sent the "parent" videos over the internet that depicted the sexual abuse of young children in an effort to demonstrate exactly how he planned to molest the "child."

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed one or more violations of federal criminal law, and every defendant is presumed innocent unless, and until, proven guilty.

This case was investigated by the Green Cove Springs Police Department, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Winnebago County, Wisconsin Sheriff's Office, the Clay County Sheriff's Office, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Milwaukee and Jacksonville, with assistance from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. It is being prosecuted by Asst. U.S. Attorney D. Rodney Brown.

It is another case brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.



Judge: Jury will decide if Orange Park man's gun parts were illegal

JACKSONVILLE – A judge refused to dismiss a 14-count indictment for an Orange Park man who was charged with mailing more than 1,200 devices that turned rifles into machine guns.

Kristopher Justinboyer Ervin, 41, hoped to convince U.S. District Judge Marcia Morales Howard the devices weren't originally manufactured as gun parts, so shouldn't be charged with any crimes.

Howard said it would be up to a jury to decide.

The credit card-sized metal strips were sold as AutoKeyCards. The company said they were bottle openers that sold for \$109, but they primarily were used as a conversion device after buyers cut the design from the card to create a lightning link that transforms semiautomatic rifles into fully automatic rifles.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the U.S. Postal Inspection Service got a warrant from the U.S. Attorney's Office of the Middle District of Florida to seize the websites www.autokeycards.com and www.autokeycard.com.

Ervin faces up to 10 years in prison if convicted of all 14 charges, including not reporting more than \$68,000 in sales.

On Feb. 22, ATF agents watched Ervin deliver 22 packages to an Orange Park post office. Agents used a warrant to search the packages, and they contained auto-etched key cards.

Ervin was arrested in nearby Columbia County on March 2, and he's been held without bond since.

His trial has been rescheduled for October.

CCSO: Jacksonville man caught with hundreds of child porn photos

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A Jacksonville man was arrested after he was caught with hundreds of photographs of children having sex.

Kyle Preston Reece, 37, was charged on July 12 on 20 counts of possessing more than 10 images of obscene material.

Reece was arrested following an extensive investigation by the Clay County Sheriff's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Unit and the Digital Forensics Unit. After detectives obtained an arrest warrant, they met with officers with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and arrested Reece.

If anyone has additional information about Reece, please contact Sergeant Garrison with the CCSO Human Exploitation Group at (904) 264-6512.

Reece's bond was set at \$500,060.

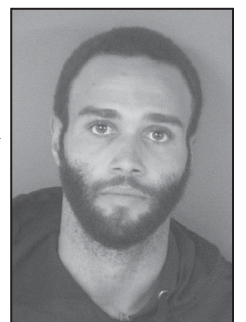
St. Augustine man jailed following deadly 2020 DUI crash

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A man involved in a deadly crash nearly 11 months ago was arrested July 6 and charged with a variety of driving under the influence charges.

William Dozia Smith III, 33, of St. Augustine, was in the Clay County Jail after being charged with two counts of DUI manslaughter, DUI and three counts of DUI resulting in property damage.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office and the Florida Highway Patrol,

Smith was driving west on State Road 16 on Aug. 10, 2020, when he veered from his lane and struck an eastbound car which then ran into another eastbound car. Wanda Jean Cubas-Wollen, 62, driver of the first car hit, died at the scene. Her husband, Ian Derek Wollen, 89, died on Aug. 18 at the Orange Park Medical Center. The Wollens were from Green Cove Springs. Smith appeared to be impaired at the scene, FHP said. After obtaining a warrant, deputies drew blood from Smith at OPMC. Results showed the presence of THC and Benzoylcegonine, the main metabolite of cocaine. Smith's bond was set at \$116,514.



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Man re-captured two hours after escaping CCSO custody

ORANGE PARK – Clay County Jail inmate Dennis Russel Hansen was caught

Arrests & Bookings

(Name, age, location of arrest, charges). Key: FTA-Failure to Appear; DWLSR-Driving Without a License-Suspended or Revoked; DUI-Driving Under the Influence; VOP-Violation of Probation; BAL-blood alcohol level. There are no assumptions or representations about guilt or innocence. Anyone arrested or booked is presumed innocent.

Tuesday, July 13

Kimberly A. Christy-Tull, 45, Middleburg, DWLSR, FTA-FWSLR
Larua L. Janowicz, 58, Fleming Island, DUI
Dithaiza Z.R. Prout, 19, Middleburg, simple battery, criminal mischief
Antrell D. Bryant, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA
Clay W. Perry, 28, Fleming Island, simple domestic battery
Kehyra Cadado, 40, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR
Henry G. Bryant, 61, Keystone Heights, DUI
Alexandra E. Hayward, 24, Green Cove Springs, battery on a detention officer
Frankie M. Paladina, 36, Green Cove Springs, making false/fraudulent insurance claims (Duval), knowingly participating in intentional motor vehicle fraud (Duval)
Joseph W. Mehrtens, 39, Green Cove Springs, non-support
Daniel J. Soles, 24, Green Cove Springs, VOP-burglary
Rachelle M. Austria, 35, Green Cove Springs, FTA-attaching tag not assigned to vehicle
Jonathan P. Ross, 21, Green Cove Springs, FTA
Travis A. Wright, 36, Keystone Heights, aggravated battery
Alexandra E. Hayward, 24, Fleming Island, DUI, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement
Joshua T.H. Gasca, 34, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
James R. Plumpowski, 35, Middleburg, FTA

Monday, July 12

Dennis R. Hansen, 42, Orange Park, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, shoplifting
Gregory Smith, 50, Orange Park, simple battery
Xavier S. Hordge, 35, Orange Park, writ of attachment
Tara L. McCool, 36, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl, possession-methamphetamine
Kenneth Sharpe, 21, Green Cove Springs, VOP-community control

Ricky G. Lentz, 34, Middleburg, violation of pretrial release for domestic violence
Corey O. Farris, 34, Orange Park, FTA
James F. Ferguson, 30, Orange Park, criminal mischief
Trent A. Huggins, 30, Middleburg, FTA-possession-ammunition/firearm by convicted felon, FTA-possession-controlled substance, FTA-possession/use-drug paraphernalia
William O. Tanner, 26, Keystone Heights, vandalism
Michael A. Schmidt, 34, Green Cove Springs, DWLSR-habitual offender
Kyle Preston Reece, 37, Green Cove Springs, 20 counts possession-photographs of sexual performance by a child

Sunday, July 11

Brandon P. Wright, 34, violation of injunction (Bradford)
Iciss N. Jones, 22, Middleburg, simple domestic battery
Carolyn J. Worton, 36, Green Cove Springs, leaving scene of accident involving property damage
Caleb N. Stacy, 18, Green Cove Springs, sexual battery of child younger than 16
Antonio Tovar, 29, Fleming Island, DUI
Joshua P. Goldberg, 20, Fleming Island, possession-marijuana

Saturday, July 10

Melissa M. Carreia, 39, Middleburg, DUI
Demorris E. Dewitt, 35, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA
David J. Milam, 21, Orange Park, obtaining property through communication
Kacy L. Thompson, 36, Keystone Heights, VOP-DWLSR (Bradford)
Jose A. Pagan, 34, Orange Park, trespassing
John C. Cobert, 40, Green Cove Springs, fugitive from justice
Ana C. Mendez, 26, Green Cove Springs, driving without valid license
Tyler F. Grubbs, 29, Fleming Island, possession-controlled substance, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, trafficking in fentanyl, resisting arrest
Justin B. Walker, 30, Orange Park, criminal mischief

Thursday, July 8

Reginald L. Brady, 28, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine with intent to sell/manufacture/deliver, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, committing felony with weapon
Ashley M. Owen, 37, Orange Park, VOP-DUI, VOP-refusal to submit to BAL
Charles L.D. Hensel, 42, Middleburg, two counts burglary, grand theft

Dennis R. Hansen, 42, Middleburg, grand theft, dealing in stolen property, giving false information to pawn broker
Steven L. Price, 57, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA-trespassing
Tina M. Shortridge, 44, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-methamphetamine, FTA-possession/use-drug paraphernalia
Marcus O. Nail, 46, Orange Park, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL, DWLSR
Vanessa L. Pufko, 32, Jacksonville, two counts burglary, grand theft
Byron Grayer, 19, Green Cove Springs, robbery by sudden snatching
Myles D. Callahan, 26, Orange Park, violation of condition for release
Tyrone R. Brazell, 73, Green Cove Springs, two counts aggravated assault on law enforcement, armed trespassing
Carl D. Cooper, 50, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
Michael W. Royston, 62, Orange Park, possession-suboxone, possession-THC oil, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
Jessica N. Jehlik, 35, Fleming Island, DUI, DWLSR
Samantha N. Primaldi, 28, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

Friday, July 9

Wendy M. Duncan, 49, Orange Park, shoplifting
Rubby M. Castillo, 66, Orange Park, shoplifting
Daniel J. Spivey, 32, Keystone Heights, child neglect, DWLSR, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement, failure to register vehicle
Erica L. Meaker, 46, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery
Brandie D. Johnson, 35, Green Cove Springs, grand theft auto
John C. Cobert, 40, Green Cove Springs, FTA-failure to register vehicle, FTA-driving without valid license
Chase L. Dixon, 36, Green Cove Springs, FTA-hit and run
Thomas D. Daly, 30, Orange Park, burglary

Wednesday, July 7

Travis A. Macomber, 18, Middleburg, simple battery
Sally M. Shepherd, 46, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine
John A. Fietze, 46, Orange Park, simple battery
Jeffrey A. Parsons, 35, Orange Park, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
Steve L. Price, 57, Orange Park, trespass-

ing
Randy J. Marcrum, 54, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, failure to register vehicle
Lily M. Hingson, 27, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
Heather E. Withrow, 39, Middleburg, simple domestic battery
Tyler J. Brookman, 23, Orange Park, trespassing
Ricky G. Lentz, 34, Middleburg, simple domestic battery
Stephen J. Newman, 65, Orange Park, trespassing
Amanda J. Bailey, 33, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DUI with property damage
Shawn W. Clark, 33, Middleburg, 33, possession-marijuana

Tuesday, July 6

Randall T. Shirley, 42, Green Cove Springs, FTA-petit theft (St. Johns), resisting arrest with committing theft (Duval), FTA (Duval)
Hilliard P. Graham, 53, Orange Park, shoplifting
Lewis E. Oliver, 30, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-controlled substance
Taylor A. Brugh, 24, Orange Park, two counts trafficking in stolen property
Sierra D. Taylor, 25, Middleburg, seven counts trafficking in stolen property
Javarius D. Smith, 30, Green Cove Springs, grand theft auto
Jacquese N.D. Peterson, 20, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license
Brandy L. Peters, 40, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine
William D. Smith, 33, Green Cove Springs, two counts DUI manslaughter, two counts DUI, three counts DUI with property damage
Brandon K. Hatfield, 26, Fleming Island, seven counts burglary, trespassing, resist/obstruct/oppose police
Robert R. Shirley, 52, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR
Steve D. Brown, 26, Green Cove Springs, three counts burglary
Douglas A. Lofton, 53, Green Cove Springs, sale/delivery of methamphetamine
Steve D. Brown, 26, Green Cove Springs, two counts grand theft auto, two counts burglary
Kenny E. Guerrier, 20, Green Cove Springs, FTA-battery
Tammy H. Defulvio, 44, Orange Park, grand theft, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

Police

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Monday night after he escaped from Clay County Sheriff's Office custody while being treated in the Orange Park Medical Center. CCSO deputies transported Hansen to OPMC on July 10 for a preexisting injury.

While guarded by a deputy, Hansen, 42, was able to escape and head to the Bland-

ing Boulevard area.

CCSO deputies and detectives and the Fugitive Task Force immediately responded and established a perimeter. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Air Unit and the Orange Park Police Department also responded. CCSO deputies apprehended Dennis Hansen shortly after he escaped.

Hansen was in the Clay County Jail after being arrested on July 8 on multiple non-violent charges including grand theft

auto and dealing in stolen property. He now is additionally charged with escape and resisting without violence. Hansen was at large for approximately two hours before being apprehended.

"This is the first time in recent memory that we have had a subject in our custody escape from a medical facility while being treated," Sheriff Michelle Cook said. "I take this very seriously, and an investigation as to what led to this lapse in security is al-

ready underway. We are actively reviewing our security protocols to see what adjustments need to be made. Any discipline, if warranted, will be issued once a thorough investigation is completed.

The safety and security of our community are paramount. I want to thank the Orange Park Police Department and the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office for their assistance in the quick apprehension of this escapee."

As home sales soar so does vigilance against construction site thieves

By Don Coble
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CLAY COUNTY – Construction companies in the county are having a difficult time keeping pace with the demand for new homes – and keeping their materials and tools from disappearing in the night.

New neighborhoods sometimes are easy targets for thieves who want to cut costs on their own projects or make money on the black market. And with national losses estimated at more than \$400 million, builders and law enforcement are ramping up their efforts to keep every sheet of plywood and every bucket of paint where it belongs.

Added with supply shortages created by the COVID-19 pandemic and summer weather, construction sites have never been a bigger target.

“With the pandemic restrictions lifting and everybody getting out and about now, I would not be surprised now if crime started ticking back up, just because people are out and about and moving,” Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook said. “That’s something we’re going to keep an eye on.”

“We’re also going to be keeping a close eye on construction theft. We have over 600 homes currently under construction here in Clay County. That for us is something we’re going to be watching closely. We look forward to working with the builders in the area to prevent construction theft crimes.”

While some communities under construction may appear to be remote, there’s a good chance somebody is watching – either in person or by video surveillance.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice’s Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, the most common items stolen from construction sites are lumber and other building supplies, tools, appli-



ances and large construction equipment. Larger equipment generally is the work of organized thieves, while the others are considered crimes of opportunity made easier by the lack of doors and windows.

Another prime target is copper. The Department of Energy estimates the amount of copper stolen each year is more than \$1 billion, and a lot of that comes from spools of electrical wiring, piping and plumbing supplies early in the construction process.

The cost of copper has risen from about \$3 a pound to \$4.50 since 2019, and it’s easy to sell to a recycling center.

Other common items include:

- Lumber. Not only is it easy to load and transport, it’s in high demand, especially since the cost of lumber has risen by more than 170% during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Construction materials. Things like insulation, nails, windows and doors are in demand – and hard to detect – for builders looking to cut financial corners.
- Small tools. Items like hammers, tape measures, extension cords and saws are



With more than 600 new homes under construction in Clay County, law enforcement and builders will take extra precautions against thefts. Since homes are in various stages of completion, materials and equipment can be susceptible to grab-and-go burglars.

easy to take – and easy to resell.

- Power tools are very popular among thieves because they’re easy to pawn for quick cash.
- Large appliances. New stoves, refrigerators and dishwashers are a little more difficult to steal, but the rewards from the black market can offset the risks.
- Heavy equipment. While taking a bulldozer or tractor doesn’t happen very often, thieves can target batteries and engine parts.

Construction crime is so prevalent, the Northeast Florida Builder’s Association has established a construction crime prevention committee. NEFBA also created a partnership with Crime Stoppers, which works with law enforcement agencies in the five-county area, including Clay.

Security officials said there’s a direct correlation between installing appliances during the construction process and after the home is completed. As a result, many builders won’t install air conditioners or kitchen appliances until the house is on the market.

There is a variety of ways to prevent

other construction thefts, including:

- Lock or take equipment away from the site at the end of the day.
- Keep detailed records, particularly serial numbers, of equipment. It’s a good way to recover stolen items from a pawn shop or keep scrupulous co-workers from taking them.
- Hire a security guard.
- Install a security system and lights. Burglars don’t like it when they know they’re on candid camera.
- Turn off circuit breakers. Don’t make it easy for criminals to rummage through an empty house.
- Cut fuel supplies by installing fuel pump kill switches. If it can’t run, it can’t be moved.
- Perform background checks on all employees.
- Put up a fence around the site. While it won’t detour all criminals, it will keep thieves out who are looking for a quick, easy score.
- Lock all cars and trucks. At least make it more difficult – and noisier – for a criminal.

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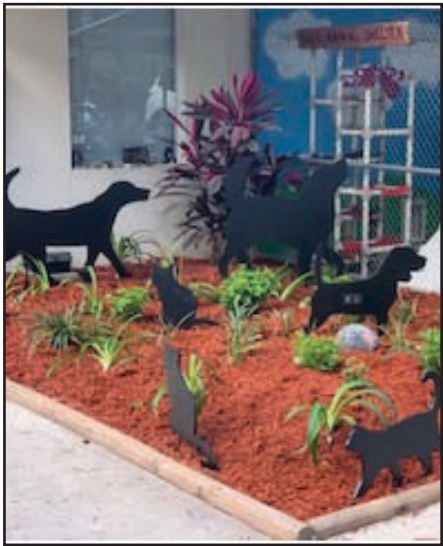
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Cadette Girl Scout Troop complete Silver Award project

FLEMING ISLAND – Cadette Girl Scout Troop 685 of Fleming Island recently completed their ‘Take Action Project’ to earn the Girl Scout Silver Award. The troop chose two beautification projects at the SAFE Animal Shelter in Middleburg. (From left) Hannah Vidak, Ava Brinkman and Kathryn McNeill created a planting bed with silhouettes at the front entrance, added a mural to the kitten catio and built a bench so potential adopters can sit and visit with kittens. For the Silver Award a Girl Scout must be a Cadette in Girl Scouts. The Take Action Project must educate, inspire others to be a part of the change and have a plan for sustainability. Each girl must spend a minimum of 50 hours on their project from planning to execution. Visit SAFE Animal Shelter on Facebook for before and after photos.



Ashley HomeStore completes second sponsorship with Clay County Habitat

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County Habitat for Humanity is excited to announce a beautiful three-bedroom, two-bathroom finished house located on Ruby Avenue. Ashley HomeStore has partnered with the Jacksonville Jaguars Foundation for several years to provide children’s beds for Habitat families. In 2020, Ashley HomeStore decided to sponsor their first Clay County Habitat for Humanity home. Ashley HomeStore has now sponsored two homes and employees from all areas of the company have volunteered during the construction of those homes. Their employees assisted in installing siding, window trim, soffits around the home and other assignments. Meaghan, the future homeowner, is looking forward to having a place to call home for herself and her three daughters. With the support from Ashley HomeStore, Meaghan is able to give her daughters the support of a solid foundation they can call home. “It has been a pleasure working with Habitat and to fulfill our company purpose, “to inspire the love of home and enrich the lives of those around us. Our team appreciates the opportunity to help give back to the communities that have been so supportive of our company, Ashley HomeStores. We can now say we have built our second home which we hope will be one of many Habitat homes,” said Greg King, Vice President of Sales for Ashley HomeStores. “Our partnership with Ashley HomeStore has provided incredible support for many Clay County Habitat families over the years. The sponsorship of an entire home takes their level of commitment to families and affordable housing to an even higher level,” said Carolyn Edwards, Clay County Habitat’s Executive Director.

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Scripture teaches us to live close to God. And the closer we live to God. The more we will seek to follow the teaching to “keep oneself uncontaminated by the secular world.” (James 1:27 AMP)

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Community Briefs

St. Johns River Water Management District to maintain current millage rate

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – The St. Johns River Water Management District's Governing Board approved a tentative budget Tuesday, July 13, that maintains the current millage rate for taxpayers.

"We are pleased to keep District taxes low while providing significant funds for projects to ensure sustainable water resources, increase water conservation, enhance water supply and improve water quality in priority water bodies," said St. Johns River Water Management District Executive Director Dr. Ann Shortelle.

The tentative 0.2287 millage rate would result in \$97.1 million in revenue toward a total \$151.7 million budget for fiscal year 2021-2022, which begins Oct. 1. The budget is also funded through state, federal and other District sources, including timber sales, cattle leases, interest earnings, and permit fees.

Under a 0.2287 millage rate – 22.87 cents for every \$1,000 of assessed property value – the owner of a \$200,000 house with a \$50,000 homestead exemption would pay \$34.31 in the coming year in property taxes to the District. Public hearings will be held at 5:05 p.m. Sept. 14 and 28. Final budget adoption will occur at the Sept. 28 Governing Board meeting.

Fleming's Santana on Task Force on Closing the Achievement Gap for Boys

TALLAHASSEE – Gov. Ron DeSantis announced the appointment of Sondra Santana and Chris Schoonover to the Task Force on Closing the Achievement Gap for Boys.

Santana, of Fleming Island, is a retired U.S. Navy Commander and Family Nurse Practitioner. She volunteers with the R.M. Paterson Elementary Parent Faculty Association, the Orange Park Junior High Advisory Council and is a member of the Rotary Club of Fleming Island and the Emergency Nurses Association. Santana earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Jacksonville University, master's degree in nursing from the University of Phoenix, post-master's certificate in nursing from Ball State University and her doctor of nursing practice from the University of North Florida.

Schoonover, of Tallahassee, is a Partner at Capital City Consulting. Previously, he was a legislative analyst with the Florida House of Representatives and a clerk with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

Clay County to get Tropical Storm Elsa emergency aid

CLAY COUNTY – An additional seven Florida counties are designated for federal emergency aid to supplement state, local and tribal response efforts for areas af-

ected by Tropical Storm Elsa beginning on July 4 and continuing.

Clay, Baker, Bradford, Duval, Nassau, Putnam and Union counties have been added to the emergency declaration approved by President Joe Biden on July 4.

Under the emergency declaration, FEMA is authorized to coordinate all disaster relief efforts which have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency and, to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures authorized under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, to save lives, to protect property, public health and safety and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe. Specifically, FEMA is authorized to identify, mobilize and provide at its discretion, equipment and resources necessary to alleviate the impacts of the storm. Emergency protective measures limited to direct Federal assistance and reimbursement for mass care including evacuation and shelter support will be provided at 75% federal funding.

The complete list of counties now included in the emergency declaration: Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, Duval, DeSoto, Dixie, Franklin, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Jefferson, Lake, Lafayette, Lee, Levy, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Pasco, Pinellas, Putnam, Sarasota, Sumter, Suwannee, Taylor, Union and Wakulla.

Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices benefits Pace Center

ORANGE PARK – Berkshire donated nonperishable food items and more than \$1,000 to four nonprofit organizations – Feeding Northeast Florida, Pace Center for Girls – Clay, Pie in the Sky and Our Lady of Good Counsel in St. Johns County. The food items and monetary donations were collected during community shredding events at the company's branch offices on Fleming Island, Mandarin and MuraBella at World Golf Village.

The Fleming Island branch office collected \$425 for Pace Center for Girls, Clay.

"Our company is passionate about assisting charitable organizations that make a positive difference in our local neighborhoods," said Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty CEO Kevin Waugaman. "We are grateful for the support we received from our team and the community who helped make our events a success." For more information about Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Florida Network Realty, visit FloridaNetworkRealty.com.

Rock & Roll artist John Douglas opens exhibit in Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE – Fresh off drumming with Aerosmith at the Grammy's and

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Food

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finding locations for the food trucks doesn't become as daunting of a task. While food truck owners do form their own friendship cliques within each other, the community of food trucks is overall supportive.

Jen Ochoa, the owner of Daddy'O's, describes the community of food trucks.

"While it is very competitive, it's more community-based. I would say it's community over competition at the end of the day. We have a really strong food truck family and at the end of the day it doesn't matter about the numbers, it matters us being like 'hey are you good, do you need anything?' We're more of a family than we are competition," Ochoa said.

While the goal of serving the community is all the same for food trucks, the origins of how the chefs came to own a food truck are all unique. Some grew tired of the corporate world and decided to become their own boss. Others started immediately in the food truck business and haven't looked back.

Austin Heinman and Jordan Perry, owners of Brochachos, have been friends since high school.

"We started at the beginning of last year," Jordan Perry said. "The other food



trucks have been really helpful. They let us know what places are good, where to go, how to get started... We're a pretty tight-knit community."

When the COVID-19 shutdowns put a halt to restaurant businesses, food trucks were still able to operate. At the height of the pandemic, food trucks were at an advantage since they were not forced to shut down like restaurants. Food truck owners also had an advantage by being able to take their business to the people. For most food trucks, the pandemic was seen as an opportunity to reach various

neighborhood communities and build more customer relationships.

But for some owners, the pandemic delivered a serious hit on their business.


Michael Coughlin, owner of Cafe Ybor!, struggled to grow back in popularity after the pandemic.

"Our business was corporate, primarily corporate lunches. We did Samson, Apple, all those guys. So, when they got shut down, we had no business," Coughlin said. "We did start doing neighborhoods, a lot of


people started doing neighborhoods and did well. We did OK and we tried doing a lot of breweries, too. But then they got shut down and that was like the kiss of death for us. So from September of last year, it was like starting our business all over again and making all the connections."

The food truck business isn't for everyone. It takes a lot of hard work and creativity but if a person does want to start a food truck, they can rest assured other trucks will be there to have their back.

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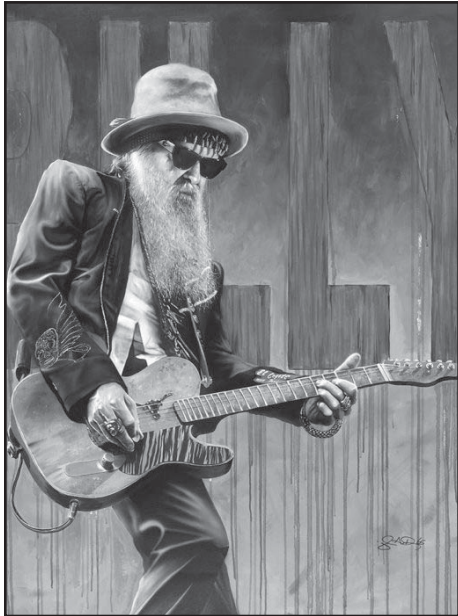


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performing at the prestigious MusicCares where Aerosmith was honored as the Person of the Year, John Douglas has been getting ready to continue his 2021 North American Art Tour...

Gallery 725, Jacksonville's premier fine art gallery, announces their presentation of Douglas' "High-Performance" Fine Art Tour: in its limited engagement: July 21 through July 30, with live appearances by Douglas on Saturday, July 24 from noon to 3 p.m. and from 6-9 p.m.; and Sunday, July 25 from noon to 3 p.m.

All artwork will be on exhibition and available for acquisition. The exhibition as well as the John Douglas in-gallery appearances are complimentary and open to the public. For more information, contact the gallery at (904) 345-9320 or gallery725@gmail.com. RSVPs suggested through Eventbrite.

Garden Club of Fleming Island elects new officers

FLEMING ISLAND – The Garden Club of Fleming Island recently elected LouAnn Johanboeck as its new president.

The group also elected Margaret McDowell as the first vice president, Wando Malcic as second vice president, Sally McGraw and Pam Ziolk as secretaries and JoAnn Carter as treasurer.

The Garden Club of Fleming Island meets every month except in June and July. It meets on the second Monday of every month at the Fleming Island Library.

The next meeting is on Aug. 9 at 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be Chris Gay. He will be speaking on propagating and care of orchids. He is a Master Gardener and a permaculturist.

Permaculture is an approach to land management and philosophy that adopts arrangements in flourishing natural ecosystems. He loves orchids, Bio-Diversity, and habitat restoration. Gay has lived all over the world and has a wealth of information on many areas of gardening.

Our meetings are open to the public. There is no registration or fees to attend these meetings.



Grants

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small and rural communities throughout the state under the Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant program and that includes \$700,000 right here for the city of Green Cove Springs," DeSantis said. "This money will allow the city of Green Cove Springs to do three neighborhood revitalization improvement projects."

The money will be used to replace a stormwater pipe that's more than 50 years old, as well as install sidewalk, curbs, asphalt and landscaping to West Street. The second project funded by the grant will include the installation of nearly 1.5 miles of sidewalk on Highland Avenue and Center Street. The third and final neighborhood revitalization project funded by the grant is the installation of picnic tables and benches at Vera Francis Hall Park.

"Highland Avenue sidewalk project and Vera Francis Hall Park improvements were identified as a need in community meetings," Planning and Zoning Director Michael Daniels said. "With the help of CDBG funding, the city will be able to ad-

dress those needs."

Development Services Department applied for the grant program in November 2020 after a two-month process of public hearings and community hearings. The city is eligible to apply for up to \$700,000 in the neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization and housing rehabilitation grant categories.

All three projects are slated to begin in October 2021. Vera Francis Hall Park improvements and the Highland Avenue sidewalk project are estimated to take three months to complete. West Street stormwater replacement is estimated to take between six to eight months to complete.

"This program and these grants can only be awarded to cities with a population of less than 50,000 or a county with an incorporated population less than 200,000," DeSantis said. "With today's announcement, since I became governor, we've awarded nearly \$60 million in block grants to small cities and the rural communities across the state."

DeSantis said Florida has awarded Clay County \$9 million since he became governor, and he's happy to see the county's continued success each year.

"Clay County punches above its weight

in many respects," DeSantis said. "When I became governor, the appropriations chairman in both the house and the senate were from Clay County and I think they did very well for this area and now you've got some good folks in the legislature still, so I think it's a community that's been able to create a lot of positive impact."

"We're excited about what's going on in Clay County and what's going on in Northeast Florida."

A total of \$29 million was awarded through the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant program, \$1.2 million through the Community Planning Technical Assistance grant program, \$280,000 through the Competitive Florida Partnership grant program and \$198,500 through the Rural Expansion Toolkit initiative.

DeSantis used the rest of his time to discuss his support of law enforcement, stating that Florida supports its law enforcement better than most states. He cited the state's first responder bonus awarded to law enforcement as a show of support.

Following his stop in Green Cove Springs, the governor made a breakfast stop at Grumpy's Restaurant in Middleburg.

Water

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Executive Director Dr. Ann Shortelle. "Today's Board action to approve participation agreements with our utility partners helps to ensure that we are all working together for the common good."

"This is a great example of innovation and partnerships working together to get the science right, work out participation agreements that make the most sense to all and move a vital project another step closer to completion," said Governing Board Chairman Gen. Douglas Burnett. "We are meeting future water needs and protecting our natural resources, and both of those goals require all of us to be active contributors and collaborators."

"In 2017, we stood on the banks of Lake Geneva and pledged to save the lakes of Keystone Heights. Promise made, promise kept," said Governing Board Vice Chairman Rob Bradley. "This generational project will replenish the aquifer and raise lake levels. All three funding partners – the Florida Legislature, the St. Johns River Water Manage-

ment District and our regional utilities-are indispensable and deserve our thanks and appreciation. Thank you to the talented scientists at the District for making it work. And a special thank you to the tireless Save Our Lakes volunteers.

You have fought for years for this cause and it's now paying off."

Lakes Brooklyn and Geneva in Keystone Heights are sandhill lakes within the upper Etonia Creek chain of lakes and are among the most-studied lakes within the District. A reevaluation of the lakes' minimum flows and levels indicated that MFLs are not being met, requiring a recovery strategy that has identified a suite of projects and measures to develop additional water supplies and other actions to achieve timely recovery to the recently revised MFLs.

The Black Creek Water Resource Development Project is key to providing regional aquifer recharge benefits and for larger consumptive use permit holders to offset their users' impacts.

The Board today approved participation agreements with Clay County Utility Authority, Gainesville Regional Utilities, JEA and St. Johns County Utilities, which addresses their proportional share of current impacts

to area water levels and fully offsets their impacts from future pumping through 2045.

"We look forward to SJRWMD placing the Black Creek Project out to bid in the coming months," Clay Electric said in a statement. "While this project will take between one to two years to construct, we look forward to the increased lake levels and aquifer recharge benefits the SJRWMD has designed this project to provide the people in Northeast Florida."

The Brooklyn-Geneva recovery strategy includes water conservation, water supply and water resource development projects, which were developed through close coordination with stakeholders during the development of the North Florida Regional Water Supply Plan, adopted in 2017.

MFLs are one tool used for setting limits on groundwater and surface water withdrawals. Establishing MFLs is an important component of the District's work of planning for adequate water supplies for today and for future generations while also protecting water resources within the District. To learn more about MFLs, visit the District's StreamLines blog at www.sjrwmd.com/streamlines/finding-a-balance-in-floridas-waters.

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Matthew French, an Orange Park junior golfer at Bishop Snyder High School, will get to play on the famous Pebble Beach Golf Course in California as part of a championship PGA Tour weekend in September.

French invited to play Pebble Beach course

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Bishop Snyder High junior golfer Matthew French has been selected as one of three area golfers to attend the

2021 PURE Insurance Championship impacting the First Tee tournament at fabled Pebble Beach Golf Course in California in September.

"It's quite a thrill," said French, 16, of Orange Park, a scratch level golfer that has improved from a 10 handicap just seven years ago when he started to hit golf balls. "I will be playing five days of golf with a golf pro on the Champions Tour which is the PGA Tour for 50 year olds. I will pair up with a Champions PGA player and two

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Two Spartan athletes earn All America nods

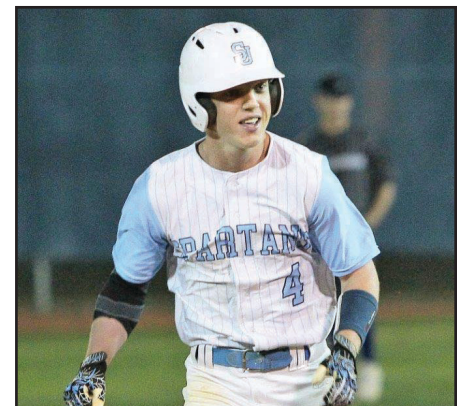
By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Two St. Johns Country Day School athletes etched their names into history; one joining a cadre of former players, as girls soccer ace Paige Crews and baseball dynamo Connor Moore both received All-American status honors over the weekend for their seasons from national organizations.

"I'm honored to be honored I guess, but the team deserves the credit here," said Crews, a midfielder with scoring and assist skills that fueled yet another state soccer title for the Lady Spartans; the school's 10th in a row and sixth for Crews, who also helped St. Johns finish as the top girls soccer team in America for a third time, according to the United Soccer Coaches Association. "Coach Mike Pickett stresses that the team is the nucleus of the success and it's true. Everyone on the team doing their job is what makes it work. I'm just the player that kind of quarterbacks the attack from midfield."

Crews finishes her career with 39 goals and 42 assists, including a rocket fast opener at this year's state championship game that saw the Spartans can two nets in the span of the first four minutes to cruise to victory.

Ironically, Crews, who is slated to play



Connor Moore, top, and Paige Crews were both named to All-America teams in their respective sports; baseball for Moore, soccer for Crews.

at Texas Christian University, joins sister Payton Crews, now a junior at TCU.

"I am so proud of Paige and all of the hard work she has put in over the years,"

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Top 10

Sports Performances of Spring 2021

Battle of Titans II: Fleming Island beats SJCDs

ORANGE PARK - At first glance, the titanic battle between Fleming Island High

and St. Johns Country Day School baseball, arguably in the top five of Florida baseball all classes, looked to becoming a 12-13 inning pitch fest between Cody Carwile and Brad Hodges with 11 strikeouts in the first two innings between the two flamethrowers.

"We knew they were coming off a big

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Battered, bruised Denali climbers return: 'We'll be back'

"The Kid" not done

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - At one critical point in his epic attempt to scale the 20,320 foot summit to Mt. McKinley (Denali) in Alaska, 12-year old Mills Weinstein had to grow up real fast. Daunting, to say the least, but exciting to say the least for a 12 year old on a summer vacation trip.

"Mills was my hero. We were right there; at 17,200 feet on Tuesday, but we were resting and, on Wednesday, the weather seemed to be giving us an opportunity and we were ready; healthy, rested, fed and energized," said Scott Weinstein, Mills' dad, who along with Jacksonville climber Andrew Bunn, were set to finish their 28 day journey to the summit of Denali. "At about noon, I reached for my boots and that was it; my back wrenched."

Weinstein noted that a large group that attempted the Tuesday summit eventually got caught in weather and failed to summit.

"Wednesday was the perfect weather day," said Scott Weinstein. "Then the freak injury completely changed our thinking."

The injury obstacle became three-fold for the trio who had weathered; no pun intended, nearly 11 days of waiting for a break in the weather with 30-40 mile hour winds, a windchill near -30 degrees, a limited cache of food and a 12 year old kid that had zero body fat.

"Our dilemma quickly became do we take the chance and hit our window of opportunity or do we turn around and find a way to get back down with my back," said Mills Weinstein. "I instantly became an adult and it was a daunting feeling, but I knew I now had to become the dad to take care of my dad."

Weinstein made a point to add Bunn's inclusion as a part of the summit attempt

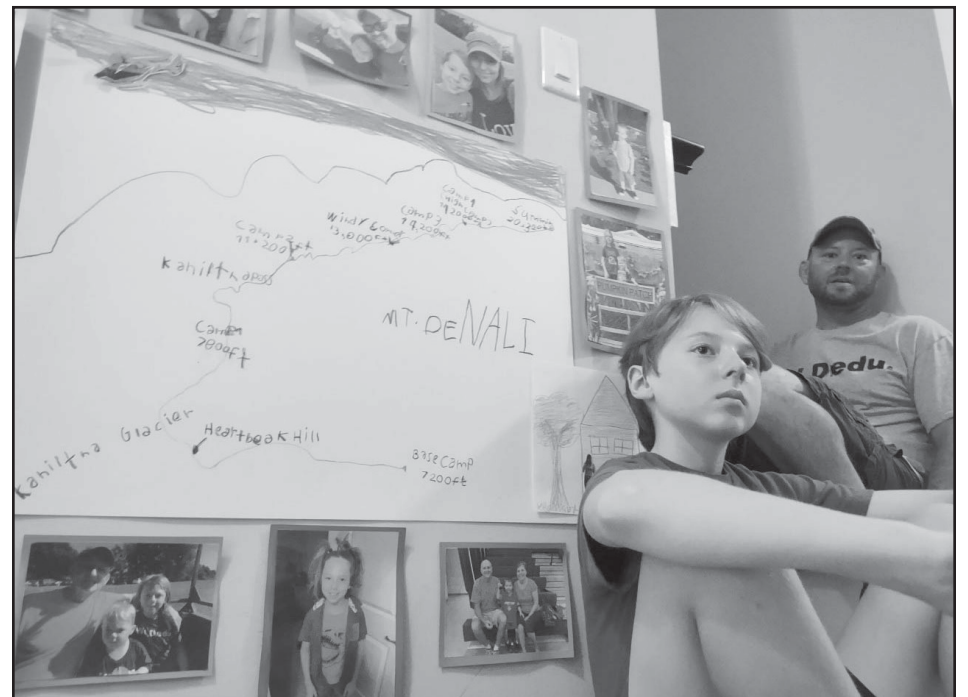


Scott Weinstein gets escorted to helicopter after unfortunate injury at 17,200 feet.

as critical to the success of both ends of the mission; Bunn reaching summit and the Weinstein's successful return to the bottom.

"He (Bunn) had four major components to making this trip successful; he was a strong, experienced climber that could carry more stuff up the mountain than Mills, he was a third opinion on safety and weather decisions which was critical to convincing me to stay at the 17,200 camp to be extracted due to weather, his expertise added to mine to make things even safer especially when I was injured," said Scott Weinstein. "By rules of the climb, we had to have the second adult to be able to anchor me; the other adult, if a fall occurs. He was very critical and I'm glad he got to get to the summit."

The decision ended the summit attempt for Mills and Scott, but Bunn continued and successfully hit the summit with an-



Mills Weinstein, left, and dad Scott Weinstein share reflective moments while home after Mt. McKinley Denali climb and in anticipation of upcoming climbs in Montana and Wyoming.

other group before joining the duo for the return trip. The Weinstein's are still tentatively planning an attempt on summits in Montana (12,900ft), Wyoming (13,700ft) and West Virginia that would finish the 48 contiguous United States with Denali a possible re-do in a year.

"We knew we would have to wait for the rescue helicopter to get to the top, Andrew had the opportunity and my dad and I were secured at the camp," said Mills. "Now, it was a matter of readying to be taken off the mountain in a helicopter in swirling winds and altitude. We gave it our best efforts and my dad and my training got us home."

For Scott Mills, the closeness of the summit; though still 2.5 miles away, made the decision-making excruciating, but in the end the right decision.

"There are not a lot of expert climbers that can get to the summit, let alone 17,000 feet in some of the conditions we faced," said Scott. "I'm so proud of my 12 year old son for enduring, maturing and taking command at that moment. He did

everything I was tasked to do as I layed on the ice for hours waiting for the helicopter. We'll be back."

One successful tangent to the climb was a medical "save" by Scott Weinstein to a climber having medical issues.

"My training as an EMT training instructor helped in that instance," said Scott Weinstein. "It was just one of those things that happens and my training was able to help the person."

For Mills, the attempt was quite the summer trip.

"I met a few incredible people; one guy, Alberto, from maybe Portugal, but lives in America and he gave me an American flag and he wanted me to take it to the summit," said Mills. "He had summited before and was taking a group, but got stuck with us at 17,000. My first phone call off the helicopter was to my mom (Megan Weinstein) who did not know of what happened because we gave Andrew our communication equipment."



Mills Weinstein had a stark change of weather in his first summer foray with sub -30 degrees and high winds versus near 90 degree weather in Florida.



Jacksonville climber Andrew Bunn, who ventured to the summit of Denali enjoys a triple patty Denali Burger, awarded to climbers who make the arduous climb.

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weekend in south Florida against some power teams and they were keyed up for this game," said Fleming Island coach Grant Bigilin.

Fortunately, for baseball fans, the excitement of a no-hit, no-runs slinging contest did not materialize as Fleming Island took a mid-game lead, then nearly let it slip away en route to a 5-3 win Monday night at St. Johns Country Day School.

St. Johns answered the comeback call in the two-run homer by Finn Howell in the fifth, but left baserunners stranded in the seventh.

"I tip my hat to Fleming Island, they outplayed us," said St. Johns coach Tom Lucas. "We struck out 13 times and you don't win big games doing that."

A well-executed bunt by Fleming Island's Angelo Scionti in the third triggered a crack in the demeanor of Hodges as the Golden Eagles' batting lineup jumped on Scionti's success with a Justin Lebesch single and a walk to Aiden Mastantuno to load the bases for Marcus Murray's sliced single and a two-run double from Jack Gidcumb to centerfield to fire up a 3-0 lead.



Ridgeview awaits freshman Haylee McCrae after her gamewinner against Oakleaf.

Two walkoffs; two games; one night

ORANGE PARK - Ridgeview High looked to be suffering through a horrible rendition of softball Friday night (seven errors) in their second clash with Oakleaf High with a spattering of unforced errors causing coach Casey Thompson to bite his share of fingernails wondering if this year's team was not going to have the heart to play in the big games on his schedule.

"There are a lot of young players out there and with our schedule as tough as it is, they have not been in the kind of pressure situations that games like this get to," said Thompson, who was trying to reverse an earlier 3-1 loss to Oakleaf, also wrought with errors.

Thompson breathed a sigh of relief when a freshman, yes, one of those younguns named Haylee McCrae, whisked a



Clay High batter Max Williams gets welcome at home plate after decisive homer against St. Johns Country Day School.

game-winning single with two baserunners on to best the Lady Knights 7-6 as the night waned into nine innings.

Williams homer crunches No. 1 St. Johns

ORANGE PARK - With two Clay County teams facing off last Friday night with a combined record of 16-1, someone was going home very upset.

The Clay High Blue Devils (9-1) made the trip over to the St. Johns Country Day Spartan's back yard to see if they could dish out a first loss to the Spartans who are perfect up to this point.

"That's the (MaxPreps) number one team in the nation, so they wanted us for a long time" said Clay Head Coach Josh Persinger.

The Blue Devils would land an early, but light first punch, then stand toe-to-toe with the Spartans through seven innings before the Clay bats rose to the occasion.

For the Blue Devils, the action centered around the mound as Brandon Adams went the distance, taking down 12 Spartans with strikeouts and allowing only a single hit all night while walking just one Spartan. "Brandon's had a lot of interest, but no one is pulled the trigger. They think maybe he can't compete," said Persinger.

In the fourth, with the Spartans placing Jordan Taylor on the mound, Max Williams, who up to this point struck out three times, found just what the Doctor ordered, and tattooed the ball out and over the right field fence for a two run home run putting the Blue Devils out front, 3-0.

"Max is an Alabama commit who was pushing" said Persinger. "Sometimes you get in that situation and all eyes are on you."

KHHS Channell grand slam gets Liberty one more game

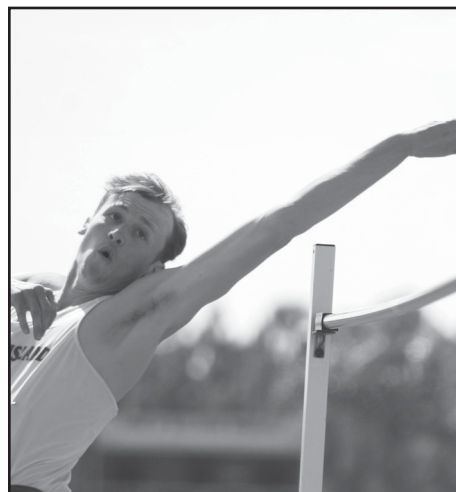
KNOXVILLE - Liberty University freshman Savannah Channell hit a go-ahead grand slam off of Tennessee pitcher Ashley Rogers, sparking a 6-4 come-from-behind win as the 24-th ranked Lady Flames eliminated No. 9 national seed Tennessee, Saturday at Sherri Parker Lee Stadium in the NCAA womens softball championship tournament held in Knoxville.



Keystone Heights High grad Savannah Channell went yard for playoff grand slam for Liberty University.

"Savannah is an amazing athlete," said Liberty coach Dot Richardson, a U.S. Olympic gold medalist and an NCAA champion player for UCLA. "At shortstop, she is poetry in motion at shortstop. She makes great plays look easy. She did it (homered) against Alabama and LSU. For her to hit a grand slam against Rogers, the Tennessee pitcher, I smile and hope she knows how special that was."

For Channell, a graduate of Keystone Heights High School, it was her fourth homer of the season. Channell finished with a .256 batting average, 29 runs batted in plus 78 put outs from her shortstop position.



Fleming Island's Cameron McKenzie pushed to near 20 jumps to earn state bid in high jump.

FIHS Mackenzie: Long day at high jump office

FLAGLER PALM COAST - With no individual region track champions, area track and field athletes waited nervously Monday afternoon to see if their times, Fleming Island High jumper Cameron Mackenzie, who has jettied himself from a 5'-8" height two years ago to a near region title at 6'-5.5", the final tally of the day came down to three jump-offs with Niceville's Kendell Mosely for the region first place finish. Cypress Creek's Jaden Mathieu had the top spot in class 4A secured at 1.98 meters (6'-6").

"I know what it feels like to jumping tired," said Mackenzie, who with Mosely both cleared 6'6" to fuel the jump-off for second place. "I took two jumps at 6'-8" after getting there after jumps at 1.72, 1.77 and 1.82, then two jumps each at 1.87, 1.92 and then 1.97 (6'-5.5") before missing three at 6'-8". That's 12 jumps in the span of about two hours."

Both jumpers missed at their attempts at 6'-8", 6'-6" before Mosley made 6'-4" and Mackenzie failed.



Max Williams again with timely bat against Suwannee High.

Clay comeback a thing of beauty

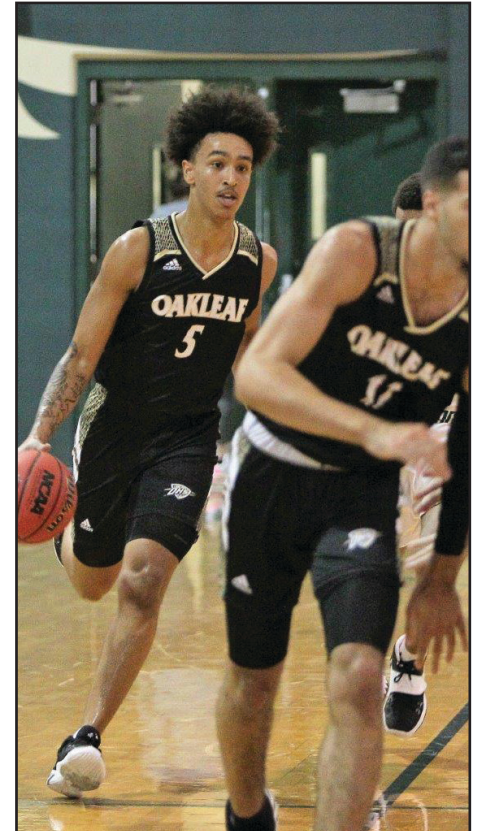
LIVE OAK - In a game of innings of despair; two in general for both teams; Clay and Suwannee high schools on a hot Saturday afternoon in Live Oak, the Blue Devils, now 15-2 with losses to Creekside and Bolles, prevailed after being down 9-0 to win a audacious 14-11 contest that could be a preview of future region playoffs.

"When it got to 8-0 from one terrible inning, I did not do my usually ranting and raving" said Persinger. "When it got to 9-0 off a homer, I almost choked on my spit the next inning, but then we got a few bounces and it was 9-5. From there, I think our mental focus changed to let's just go home to hey, how about a great comeback win."

In the sixth, with Clay rocked by an eight inning fourth, the Suwannee hitter Josh Fernald smashed Brandon Adams to the yard to go up 9-0.

"They were hitting everything," said Persinger. "We put Steven (Reiss) in and got some control."

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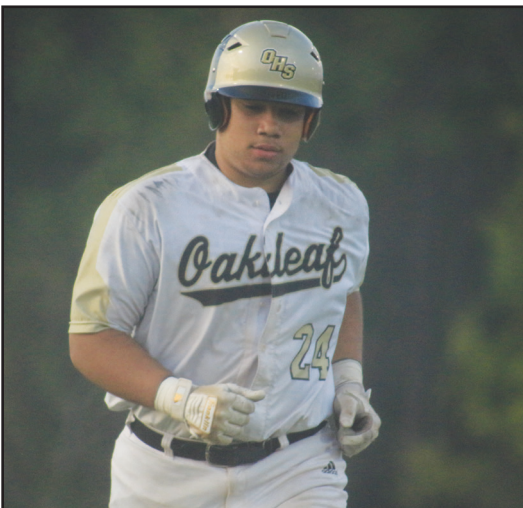
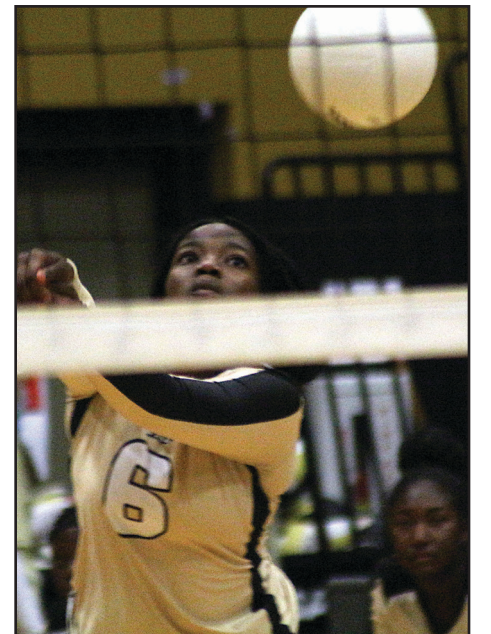
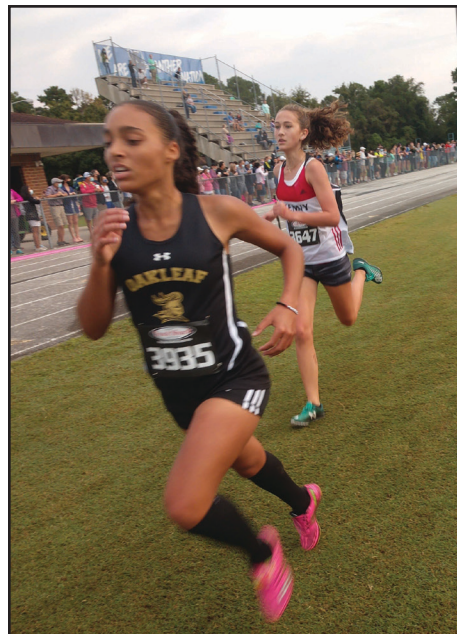
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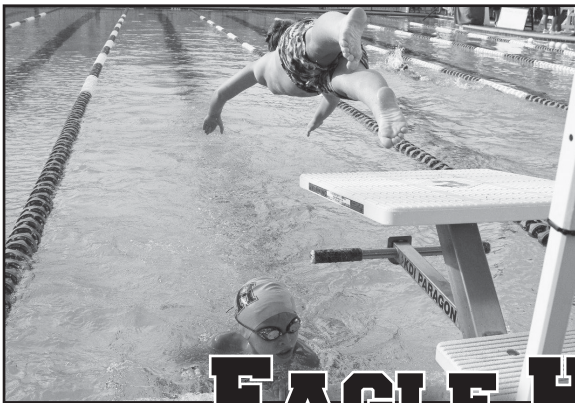
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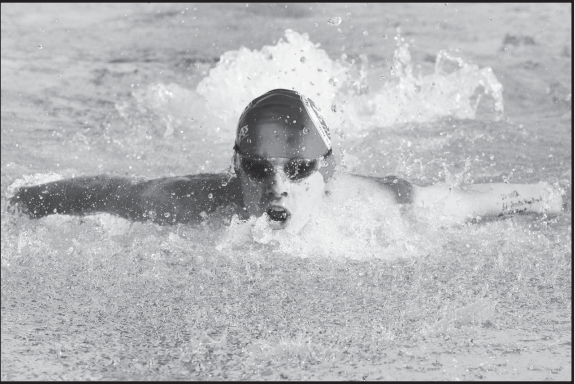
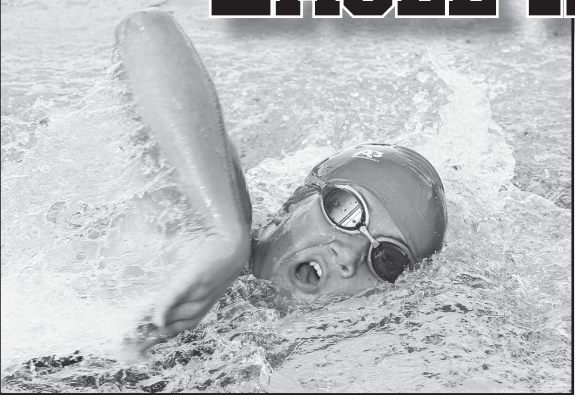
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Spartans

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said Payton Crews. "Being a high school All-American is absolutely incredible and I am so happy Paige will carry that title with her."

For Pickett, who has had a few All-Americans in his tenure; Carson Pickett (FSU national champ), Kaili Torres (Virginia), Sarah Voigt (twice), goalie at Notre Dame and Chelsea Burns (Duke), Crews was a bit off the radar as a player, but integral for his team success.

"Paige has never been a big stats kind of player," said Pickett. "She's a grinder that just plays solid work and does the dirty work. To get an All-American selection without being a state player of the year with big stats is pretty unique."

For Spartan baseball, senior Connor Moore, an FSU commit, came alive in the playoff run for the Class 2A runnerup Spartans with homers and outstanding field play to get an All-American selection from MaxPreps, a national website that covers most high school sports around the country.

Moore finished with a .383 batting average with 35 runs scored, 40 runs batted in and 11 homers.

Moore joins a handful of Florida baseball players on the first team; Bolles pitcher Jackson Baumeister (9-2, .63 ERA, 145Ks); Isaac Sewell, First Academy pitcher (14-0 3A champions, finished with 14-0 record with 1.13 ERA); Jordan McCants, Pensacola Catholic infielder (.450BA, 24RBIs) and Sal Stewart, Westminster Christian (Miami) utility player (state home run leader 17HR, 3A champions).

PUZZLE FUN

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CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to surfing. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 24 = E)

A. 18 9 7 24 12
Clue: Undulating water

B. 18 20 13 24 1 15 14
Clue: Fall off

C. 12 18 24 19 19
Clue: Become larger

D. 13 20 13 24 19 20 6 24
Clue: Type of surfing wave

Answers: A. waves B. wipeout C. swell D. pipeline

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to surfing.

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Answer: Barrels

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I am a model born in Michigan on June 10, 1992. Before I gained fame, I participated in equestrian sports. I was named "Rookie of the Year" after landing the cover of the Sports Illustrated swimsuit issue in 2011, and then the next two years.

Answer: Kate Upton

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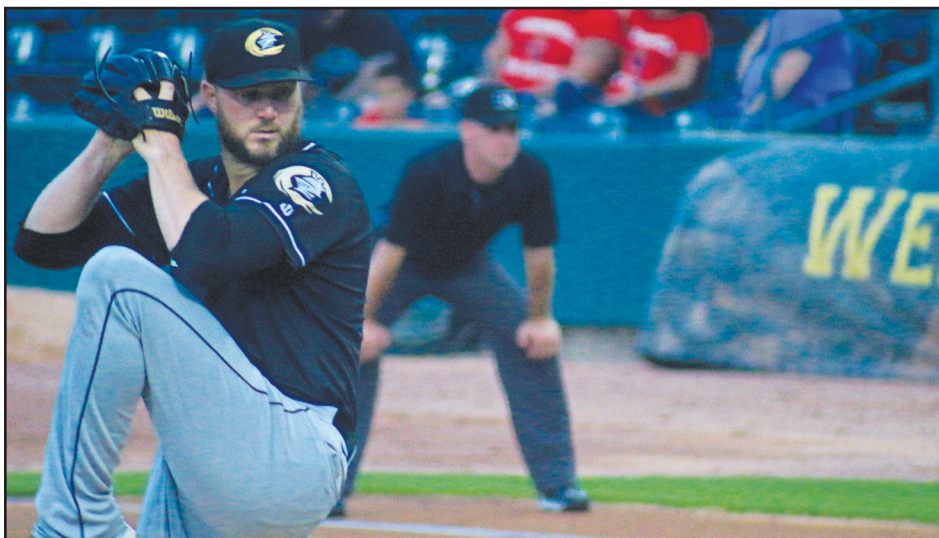


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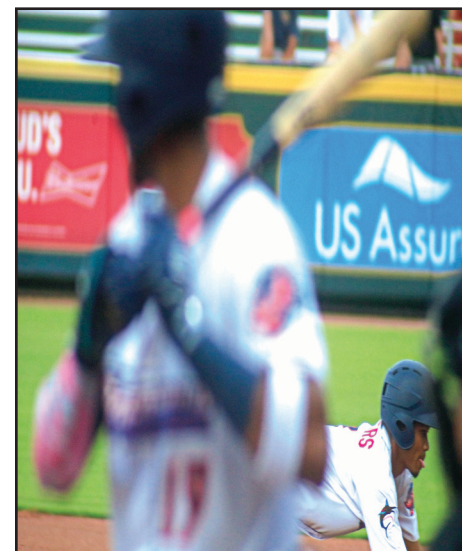


New Clay Today Photographer?

Six year old Luca Matyi of Fleming Island, here with Clay Today Sports Editor Randy Lefko, got his shot at a few Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp action photos and came up with a great picture of Charlotte Knight pitcher Connor Sadzeck in Knight's 5-4 win last week.



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Jumbo Shrimp

Against the Charlotte Knights, the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp got a two run homer from Lewis Diaz, left, with Jose Devers, above diving back to first base, to take early lead. Knights won in 11 innings, 5-4.

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The ball started rolling for Clay; more flying, with Dylan Green doubling, Logan Wilson doubling, a walk, two singles, a walk, a single to Blake Parker to 9-4, then a double from Max Williams to score the game 9-6 as the Blue Devil dugout started to vibrate with energy. Wilson would double on his return trip to the batter's box to 9-8 Wyatt Root singling to shake the Earth. Reiss would fly out, but the shift in momentum was real.

"That's when you could see the tiger in the eyes as the song goes," said Persinger.

Suwannee tried to stem the wave with another homer; a solo shot, but Reiss prevailed to end the inning.

Two singles, two walks and an error tied the game at 10-10 before Root singled to score Long and put Clay up 11-10.

In the seventh, Parker crushed a double to right field in front of a Richard Long single to put two runners in play.

Up next, Max Williams, who smashed a two run homer to defeat St. Johns Country Day School a week prior, calmly blasted his second RBI Dinger Buzzer Beater to give Clay one more inning to secure the win.



Kaymin Sales dominated the junior high track scene with four wins at the NEFAC Championships and a few national rankings.

Yellow Jackets take conference track titles

ORANGE PARK - The Oakleaf Junior High boys and girls track teams sizzled their way to team titles at the Northeast Florida Athletic Conference championships held Thurs., April 8 at Orange Park High School.

Oakleaf's girls got a sterling performance from sprinter Kaymin Sales who won the 100, 200 and 400 then anchored the 4 x 100 relay to victory.

In the boys action, sprinters from Oakleaf and Orange Park traded off wins and second place with Devin Collins winning the 100 for the Yellow Jackets, followed by teammate Josber Stimphil; Orange Park's Allan Lamb winning the 200 over two sprinters from Bradford, and Oakleaf's Santonio Rio winning the 400 in 53.30 with Orange Park taking third and fourth, Cameron Doctor and Quinton Moore.

Oakleaf won the 800 with Jaycen Lowery clocking 2:26.56.



JU soccer ace Reed Davis, a Fleming Island High state champ, got an ASUN title for the Dolphins and an NCAA bid.

FIHS Davis: JU soccer to NCAAs

DELAND, Fla. - The Jacksonville University men's soccer team (7-4-1) endured a lost fall season, injuries, and a suspended ASUN Championship game, but at the

end of it all, came away as the 2021 Spring Men's Soccer ASUN Champions following a 2-0 defeat of FGCU (4-4-3) at Stetson on Sunday afternoon.

Reed Davis, a sophomore midfielder from Fleming Island High School, a two-time Mr. Florida Soccer award winner and a state champion team member at Fleming Island, was named to the All Tournament team along with three teammates.

McFarland Named Big Ten Freshman of the Year

Oakleaf High graduate Jaeda McFarland, now a freshman softball player at the University of Maryland, has been named the Big Ten Freshman of the Year, as announced by the conference on Wednesday. This marks Maryland's first freshman to receive such honor since joining the Big Ten, with Lindsey Schmeiser taking the ACC title in 2013.

In addition, McFarland, an Oakleaf High School graduate, has been named to the All-Second, All-Freshman, and All-Defensive team; the most honors a player has earned at one time in Maryland history. McFarland led the team in multiple statistical categories this season, including games started (44), runs scored (24), hits (46, 9th in B1G), RBIs (19), triples (4, 4th in B1G), total bases (68) and stolen bases (13, 7th in B1G). Her 1.000 fielding percentage leads the conference, and her three runs scored against Michigan State (04/09) ranks second overall.

Florida Dair Farmers Boys Weightlifting

GAINESVILLE (May 18) - Keystone Heights High School boys weightlifting coach Lantz Lowery was named the 2021 Boys' Weightlifting Coach-of-the-Year while Winter Springs High senior Marvin Collins was selected as the winner of the 2021 Florida Dairy Farmers Mr. Weightlifting award, in a press release from the Florida Dairy Farmers.

"I think the key was that we had a bunch of weight classes with two or three guys having to compete just to be the two guys that would be able to go to tournaments,"

said Lowery. "There was not a sense of being the best guy in a single weight class without having someone real close pushing you to keep sharp. On a good day, we had a lot of third guys that could be number two before a meet."

Lowery was selected as the 2021 Boys' Weightlifting Coach-of-the-Year after leading Keystone Heights to the Class 1A state title, the school's first since 2014. The team had eight place winners, including 139-pound champion Zach Glover and 169-pound champion Kade Sanders, in scoring 37 points. Lowery, in his 16th season at Keystone Heights, was coach for the 2014 state champion team as well.

Waters, Scaife nab \$10G fish haul

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS - Keystone Heights fishing aficionado Branden Waters must have learned a few things with his foray with BASSMASTER pro Brent Chapman last summer as he and partner Will Scaife came home with a \$10,000 first place check and trophy from the 32nd Wolfson's Children Hospital Bass Tournament held May 13-15 off the City Docks of Palatka. The tournament raised nearly \$400,000 for the Wolfson's Children Hospital.

"We fished Lake George; me and my brother-in-law Will Scaife," said Waters. "We had never fished this together, but 48 hours ago I was going home to do some work. I checked some things and said okay and I figured we could either win or catch nothing. It all worked out."

According to Waters, nearly 400 fishing boats participated in the tournament which was scored by the weight of the best five fish of the pair.

"We caught about 10 fish each and when we measured out, I had three and Will had two for our total of 30.66 pounds for the win," said Waters. "Will had a 2-3 pound bass eat his top water lure and then had a seven pounder come within 10 feet of the boat to try and steal his lure. He had two fish on one lure at about 10 pounds, but the smaller fish got off his hook. It was a nice start to the tournament."



Matthew French hones up swing at Eagle Landing for trip to Pebble Beach.

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other amateur players for our rounds of golf."

French made a region run as a freshman at Bishop Snyder with a 75 at districts and has been team MVP for the past two years. His best game was a (-3) 68 at the NAS Jax Golf Course in summer 2021.

For the spring and summer, French finished third in May at the Titleist Invitational at St. Johns Golf Club with a recent 74/77 (151) ninth place finished at the North Florida Junior Golf championships at the King and Bear at World Golf Village July 5-6.

"Angelo Collins is a pro golf teacher at the Navy base that has been my primary coach away from school," said French, with a best 18 hole finish of 68. "I've played on the the Players Championship Sawgrass course, but Pebble Beach is almost iconic. It will be a tough course. We'll see. My short games; putting and chipping, are my strengths. I hit a consistent driver just under 300 yards."

French joins two other players; Grace Richards, a Flagler College freshman out of Nease High School, and Madelyn Campbell, a Fernandina Beach senior.

According to Jeff Willoughby, of The First Tee North Florida, the trio will be playing for a Pro-Junior Team title with 78 other First Tee teens nationwide compet-

ing.

This year's field of PGA TOUR Champions players will feature World Golf Hall of Fame Members Bernhard Langer, Mark O'Meara, Vijay Singh, as well as three-time PURE Insurance Championship winners Kirk Triplett and Jeff Sluman. Clint Eastwood serves as chairman of the PURE Insurance Championship.

Play will be conducted on Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill Golf Course on Friday and Saturday. The final round will be contested solely at Pebble Beach Golf Links on Sunday, where 23 First Tee juniors will compete based on their 36-hole performance. The tournament will crown one male and one female First Tee Junior Champion on Sunday.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO: 21-CP-390 IN RE: The Estate of: **LOGAN RAMSEY MIZE, Deceased.** The administration of the estate of **LOGAN RAMSEY MIZE**, deceased, whose date of death was May 20, 2021, and whose last four digits of his social security number are 0689, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with the court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of the first publication of this notice is July 15, 2021. OWENS & WAGNER, P.A. LINDA A. WAGNER, ESQ

Legal Notice

Florida Bar No. 118484 300 State Road 26, Ste. 103 Melrose, FL 32666 Tel: (352) 579-6660 linda@owenswagner.com ASHLEY SUZANNE MIZE Personal Representative **Legal 48082 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

LEGAL NOTICE

A request for rezoning has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located on Miller Street between Gano Avenue and Mockingbird Lane. The parcel number is 41-04-26-019889-000-00. The Town Council will hold a public hearing for the proposed rezoning application on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general public. Information regarding the proposed change is noted below.

Application No. R-5-2021 Acreage: 1.919 +/- Current Zoning District: Residential, General-1 (RG-1) Proposed Zoning District: Residential, General-2 (RG-2) Owner: Minor Vestors II, LLC. 1926 Smith Street Orange Park, FL 32073 Current or previous use: Vacant Any person(s) deciding to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. by appointment.

Courtney Russo, Town Clerk **Legal 48047 published July 15 and July 29, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

TO THE PATIENTS OF:
Orange Park Pediatric Surgery
1895 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 404
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Our team at Orange Park Pediatric Surgery extends their sincere appreciation for allowing us to serve as your healthcare provider. Dr. Mark McCollum and the practice of Orange Park Pediatric Surgery will no longer be providing services for the Orange Park Medical Center network as of July 31, 2021.

Providing you with excellent care is the mission of Orange Park Pediatric Surgery. We will work to ensure an ease in transition of care and transfer of records to anyone you might choose. We will continue to be available to answer questions and see patients through July 30th. After that date, you will be able to reach us at (904) 276-9683 for medical record requests.

Please know that your healthcare needs continue to be our top priority. If you have questions or need help finding another physician and/or practice, please do not hesitate to contact us. You may also contact the Orange Park Medical Center's Consult-A-Nurse service at (800) 889-3627.

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Legal Notice

PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003 August 6, 2021 at 10:00am Desma Summerford 3bd house and tools washer and dryer The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. **Legal 48032 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd Middleburg FL 32068 at date and time listed below: **Auction August 9, 2021 @ 10:00 AM 1994 FORD 1FTEF14N2RNB49283 2008 CHEV 2GCEK19J981201011** Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. **Legal 48051 publish July 15, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

NOTICE OF ACTION SUPPLEMENT TO MODIFY CUSTODY

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2018-DR-000383 DIVISION: Family **Georgena Tamplin, Petitioner, and Gene Tamplin, Respondent.** **To: Gene Tamplin last known address 2312 Grant Ave Alva Fort Myers FL 33920**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for custody has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Georgena Tamplin whose address is 1060 N. County Rd 125 Glen Saint Mary, FL 32218 on or before August 28, 2021 and file the original with this Clerk of the Court at 825 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief to amend the petition. Copies of all Court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file a Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court approved Form 12.915) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the addressed on record at the clerk's office. **WARNING: Rule 12.285 Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosures of documents and information. Failure to comply with this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.** Date: July 8, 2021 (seal) TARA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Kayla R. Beard Deputy Clerk **Legal 48064 published July 15, July 22, July 29 and Aug 5, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The online bidding and auction for Morgran Mini Stor-it, 369 Blanding Blvd will be at www.storage-treasures.com through Thursday, July 22, 2021 and ends at 5:00 pm. The entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien and other charges according to FL Statutes 83.806. **PERSONAL PROPERTY/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: Unit #/Tenant or BusinessName** A51 Hunt, Terrico A61 Hamilton, Antonio A64 Montalbano, Jenna B23 Crawford, Cedarian B49 Wysuph, Jason C44 Booth, Raymond III D59 Crawford, Cedarian D64 Story, Sean D73 Robinson, Sofia G06 Lasan, Eric I94 Spence, Tommy M17 Hooks, Cinta N210 Pierre, Arlen Sale being held to satisfy landlords' lien. Seller reserves the right to reject any/all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. Cash or Credit Cards only. Contents to be removed within 24 hours. Morgan Mini Stor-It 369 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073 Phone: 904-272-2201 Fax: 904-272-0506 Email: morgranop@aol.com **Legal 47997 published July 8 and July 15, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2021-CP-000272 Division A **IN RE: ESTATE OF PATRICIA ECHERD URQUHART, Deceased.** The administration of the estate of PATRICIA ECHERD URQUHART, deceased, whose date of death was October 31, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is July 8, 2021. Attorney for Personal Representative: ALISON E. HICKMAN Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar Number 085048 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M. Attorneys at Law, P.A. 1543 Kingsley Avenue Suite 5 Orange Park, FL 32073 Telephone: (904) 264-8800 Fax: (904) 264-0155 Primary email address:

Legal Notice

alison@floridaelder.com Secondary email address: donna@floridaelder.com Personal Representative: JAMES MICHAEL ECHERD 2114 Augusta Drive League City, Texas 77573 **Legal 48030 published July 8 and July 15, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 2021-CA-000519 **AMY MERRITT, Plaintiff, v. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS OR OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST LAWRENCE DAVID OGLESBY, DECEASED; SUSAN STANFORD OGLESBY, SPOUSE OF LAWRENCE DAVID OGLESBY, DECEASED; BRENDA AKRIDGE, AN INDIVIDUAL, Defendant(s).** **TO: THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS OR OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST LAWRENCE DAVID OGLESBY, DECEASED; SUSAN STANFORD OGLESBY, SPOUSE OF LAWRENCE DAVID OGLESBY, DECEASED; BRENDA AKRIDGE, AN INDIVIDUAL; and all others who it may concern:** YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title and Reformation of Deed to real property described as: **A PORTION OF GOVERNMENT LOT 5, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID GOVERNMENT LOT 5; THENCE ON THE NORTH LINE THEREOF, SOUTH 89°24'00" WEST, 60.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°05'10" EAST, 120.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00°05'10" EAST, 190.00 FEET; SOUTH 89°24'00" WEST, 600.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°05'10" WEST, 190.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°24'00" EAST, 600.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.** With a physical address of: 2170 Pine Tree Lane, Middleburg, Florida 32068. **Parcel ID No.: 14-05-24-006353-011-00** Has been filed by AMY MERRITT, Plaintiff and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Maryann N. Jaghab, Esq., Heekin Law, P.A., 4540 Southside Boulevard, Suite 202, Jacksonville, Florida 32216, (904) 355-7000 within 30 days after the first publication and file the original with the Clerk of this Court and Plaintiff's attorney, otherwise a default and judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Witness my hand and seal of this court on this 1st day of July, 2021 (seal) TARA GREEN CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA BY: Rebecca Crews Deputy Clerk **Legal 48035 published July 8, July 15, July 22 and July 29, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2021CA000516 **U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS COLLATERAL TRUST TRUSTEE OF FIRSTKEY MASTER FUNDING 2021-A COLLATERAL TRUST,**

Legal Notice

Plaintiff, vs. THE ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants. To the following Defendants: **THE ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INC; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED** (5628 OVERLOOK DRIVE EAST, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FL 32656) YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property: **LOT 159 OF "SILVER SANDS ESTATES" AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGES 8 THRU 11 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA TOGETHER WITH 1999 DOUBLEWIDE PIONEER MOBILE HOME WITH VIN NUMBER PH1401GA15229A / TITLE NUMBER 76553077 AND VIN NUMBER PH1401GA15229B / TITLE NUMBER 76553078** a/k/a 5628 Overlook Drive East, Keystone Heights, FL 32656 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Heller & Zion, LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1428 Brickell Avenue, Suite 600, Miami, Florida 33131, Designated Email Address: mail@hellerzion.com on or before thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the CLAY TODAY and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crntntrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 13th day of July, 2021. (seal) TARA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By Taylor Tison As Deputy Clerk **Legal 48079 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 12074.1133**

PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 1939 East West Parkway, Fleming Island, FL 32003. August 6, 2021 at 10:00am Shanelle Sillon- Household Goods, boxes The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. **Legal 48059 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

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Public Notice Clay County School Board The Clay County School Board will hold a Special meeting on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 5:01 p.m. in the Teacher Inservice Center located at 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing to adopt the 2021-2022 millage rates and tentative budget. This meeting may also include additional agenda items. This meeting is open to the public, and all interested persons are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to **hannie.onora@myoneclay.net** or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at **www.oneclay.net** or by contacting the Superintendent's Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. **Legal 48049 published July 15, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2021CA000164 **The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee, for Mid-State Capital Corporation 2010-1 Trust, Plaintiff, VS Keith R. Brown, et al., Defendants.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 9, 2021, and entered in Case No. 2021CA000164 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida wherein The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee, for Mid-State Capital Corporation 2010-1 Trust, is the Plaintiff and Keith R. Brown; Deborah V. Brown; Miguel A. Alvarez; Marta F. Alvarez; Unknown Tenant #1 N/K/A Adrianna Guerrero, are Defendants, I, Tara S. Green, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on **www.clay.realforeclose.com**

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at 10:00 AM on August 9, 2021, the following described property set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 44, BLOCK 61, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 1 THROUGH 13, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA** **More Commonly Known as: 4916 MAYFLOWER ST., MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068** Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the Foreclosure Sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim with the Clerk no later than the date that the Clerk reports the funds as unclaimed. If you fail to file a claim, you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. DATED in Clay, Florida this 13th day of July, 2021. (seal) TARA S. GREEN As Clerk of Circuit Court Clay County, Florida Taylor Tison Deputy Clerk **Legal 48080 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. LLS09688**

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

The Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, will hold a Budget Workshop on Thursday, July 22, 2021 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the BCC Meeting Room, 4th floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard at the meeting. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting of the Board or any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceeding is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at number (904) 269-6376, no later than

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All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this notice is July 8, 2021. WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II Fla. Bar No.: 634387 733 N. Palmetto Ave. Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 (904) 276-5344 - Phone (904) 284-8725 - Fax BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary Attorney for the Personal Representative

ROBERT SMITH 242 Mercury Drive Orange Park, FL 32073 Personal Representative

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO: 2018-CA-0894

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as trustee of Stanwich Mortgage Loan Trust II, Plaintiff,

vs. Kenneth M. Hall Jr., et al., Defendants.

To: Jacqueline Anne Gardner 25 Knight Boxx Road, Apt. 4202 Orange Park, FL 32065 Jacqueline Anne Gardner 2993 Stonegate Ln Middleburg, FL 32068 Jacqueline Anne Gardner 622 Filmore St Apt. 1198 Orange Park, FL 32065 Jacqueline Anne Gardner 6017 Roosevelt Blvd. Apt 1 Jacksonville, FL 32244

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to wit:

LOT 108, COPPERGATE, UNIT THREE-B AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 38, PAGE 18, 19, 20, 21 AND 22, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Nick Geraci, Esq., Lender Legal PLLC, 2807 Edgewater Drive, Orlando, Florida 32804 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court this 7th day of June, 2021.

(seal) Tara S. Green Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Jaimie Pippin Deputy Clerk

Legal 48052 published July 15 and July 22, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 2013-CA-001080

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE GSAMP TRUST 2006-NC1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1, Plaintiff, Vs PETER J. HORTEN; LISA A. HORTEN; NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the order of Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 6, 2018 and entered in Case No. 2013-CA-001080 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE GSAMP TRUST 2006-NC1 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-NC1, is Plaintiff and PETER J. HORTEN; LISA A. HORTEN; NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, are Defendants, the Office of Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash via online auction at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM on the 2nd day of August, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF LOT 9-A OF BROOKLYN LAKE ESTATES ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 ON PAGES 39 AND 40 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 9-A, BROOKLYN LAKE ESTATES, AND RUN S 38° 50' 30" W, ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 9-A, A DISTANCE OF 5.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WOODLAND DRIVE AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE S 38° 50' 30" W, ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT 9-A, A DISTANCE OF 320.0 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE RUN N 51° 09' 30" W, PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT 9-A, A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD ON THE NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 9-A; THENCE RUN N 38° 50' 30" E, A LONG SAID NORTHWESTERLY LINE, 320.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF WOODLAND DRIVE; THENCE RUN S 51° 09' 30" E, A LONG THE SAID SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

Property Address: 6499 Woodland Dr, Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owners as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact

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the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or Dertintrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Dated: July 1, 2021

(seal) Tara S. Green As Clerk of said Court By: Kayla R Beard As Deputy Clerk

McCabe, Weisberg & Conway, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 500 S. Australian Avenue, Suite 1000 West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Email: FLPLeadings@mwc-law.com (561) 713-1400

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Bid Notices

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed Qualifications will be received until 4:00 pm, Monday, August 9, 2021 at the Clay County Administration Building, Fourth Floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, for the following:

RFQ No. 20/21-51, Clay County Pavement Assessment

Qualifications will be opened at 9:00 am, or as soon thereafter, on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline. Qualifications will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline and in a sealed envelope marked: "RFQ No. 20/21-51, Clay County Pavement Assessment". Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address.

All interested Bidders must receive the complete Request for Qualifications documents through the Clay County Purchasing Department by emailing purchasing@claycountygov.com or contacting Donna Fish at (904) 278-3761.

No-Contact Rule - During the Request for Qualifications Period, from publication of the notice of a Request for Qualifications to the making of a Bid Decision, and during any related Protest Period, Bidders are prohibited from contacting, by any means, whether orally, telephonically, electronically or in writing, any member of the Board, any County Employee, including the County Manager, the County Attorney, or the Commission Auditor, any member of the designated Evaluation Committee or any agent of the County regarding the Request for Qualifications in any respect, with the exception of (i) inquiries may be submitted to the Purchasing Department or other County Employees or agents if specifically provided in the Request for Qualifications (ii) pre-Bid conferences provided for in the request package; and (iii) formal presentations by Bidders to the designated Evaluation Committee or to the Board or any committee thereof specifically contemplated in the Request for Qualifications.

The County reserves the right to waive formalities in any response, to reject any or all responses with or without cause, to waive technical and non-technical or non-material defects in the solicitation or submittal of any responses, including the lack of availability of adequate funds, regulatory agency requirements, to make award in part or completely, and/or to accept the response that, in its judgment, will be in the best interest of the County of Clay. Bid proposals in which the prices obviously are unbalanced will be rejected. FOLLOWING THE BID OPENING AND TABULATION, A "NOTICE OF

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INTENT TO AWARD BID" OR A "NOTICE OF REJECTION OF ALL BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE INTERNET AT: https://www.claycounty.gov/government/purchasing/bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids-rejection-bids THIS WEBPAGE CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: www.claycounty.gov BY SELECTING PURCHASING DIVISION FROM THE DEPARTMENT MENU. NO OTHER NOTICE WILL BE POSTED.

PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE NOTIFIED THAT THE FAILURE TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE SEALED BID ENVELOPE A PROPER BID BOND OR OTHER SECURITY APPROVED UNDER THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS REQUEST, WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE BID AND SHALL, AS WELL AS THE FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN NOTICE OF PROTEST AND TO FILE A WRITTEN PETITION INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES AND IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8, SECTION 1 OF THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID REQUEST, ANY ADDENDUM THERETO, OR THE BID DECISION, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING UNDER THE PURCHASING POLICY. THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE.

IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS REQUEST REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRY. THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS WITHOUT CAUSE AND TO

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WAIVE TECHNICAL AND NON-TECHNICAL OR NON-MATERIAL DEFECTS IN THE REQUEST OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY BIDS.

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

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Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION

Case No. 2020CC001289

THE COTTAGES AT OAKLEAF CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation.

Plaintiff, vs. CARA POWELL and UNKNOWN TENANT,

Defendants. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in Case No. 2020CC001289, of the County Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein THE

Notice of Sale

COTTAGES AT OAKLEAF CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. is Plaintiff, CARA POWELL and UNKNOWN TENANT are Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on August 3, 2021, in an online sale at www.clay.realforeclose.com, beginning at 10:00 AM, the following property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Condominium Unit 1608, Cottages at Oakleaf Condominium, a Condominium according to the Declaration as recorded in Official Records Book 2366, Page 155, as amended, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

Property Address: 3750 Silver Bluff Boulevard, Unit 1608, Orange Park, FL 32065-4267

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER, AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. DATED: June 29, 2021

(seal) Tara S. Green Clerk of County Court Clay County, Florida By: Leigh Lucroy Deputy Clerk

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ANABELLE ISLAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Anabelle Island Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting:

DATE: August 10, 2021
 TIME: 2:00 p.m.
 LOCATION: Plantation Oaks Amenity Center
 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway
 Orange Park, Florida 32065

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("**Proposed Budget**") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 ("**Fiscal Year 2021/2022**"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("**O&M Assessments**") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. Pursuant to Section 170.07, Florida Statutes, a description of the services to be funded by the O&M Assessments, and the properties to be improved and benefitted from the O&M Assessments, are all set forth in the Proposed Budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

Land Use	Total # Platted Lots	Proposed Assessment	Annual O&M (including collection costs / early payment discounts)
Single Family Lot	70	\$832.77	

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("**County**") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held, or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

For Fiscal Year 2021/2022, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments imposed on certain developed property and will directly collect the assessments imposed on the remaining benefitted property by sending out a bill prior to, or during, November 2021. It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title, or for direct billed assessments, may result in a foreclosure action, which also may result in a loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll or by direct billing does not preclude the District from later electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time.

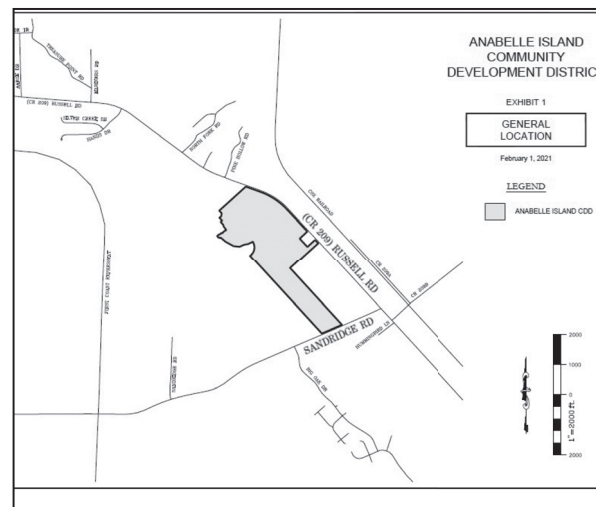
Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092, Ph: (904) 940-5850 ("**District Manager's Office**"), during normal business hours. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and meeting and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty days of publication of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

James Perry
 District Manager



RESOLUTION 2021-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ANABELLE ISLAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022; DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO FUND THE PROPOSED BUDGETS PURSUANT TO CHAPTERS 170, 190 AND 197, FLORIDA STATUTES; SETTING PUBLIC HEARINGS; ADDRESSING PUBLICATION; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has heretofore prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") of the Anabelle Island Community Development District ("**District**") prior to June 15, 2021, the proposed budget ("**Proposed Budget**") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022 ("**Fiscal Year 2021/2022**"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to fund the administrative and operations services (together, "**Services**") set forth in the Proposed Budget by levy of special assessments pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes ("**Assessments**"), as set forth in the preliminary assessment roll included within the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that benefits would accrue to the properties within the District, as outlined within the Proposed Budget, in an amount equal to or in excess of the Assessments, and that such Assessments would be fairly and reasonably allocated as set forth in the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Proposed Budget, including the Assessments, and desires to set the required public hearings thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ANABELLE ISLAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

1. PROPOSED BUDGET APPROVED. The Proposed Budget prepared by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said Proposed Budget.

2. DECLARING ASSESSMENTS. Pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, the Assessments shall defray the cost of the Services in the total estimated amounts set forth in the Proposed Budget. The nature of, and plans and specifications for, the Services to be funded by the Assessments are described in the Proposed Budget and in the reports (if any) of the District Engineer, all of which are on file and available for public inspection at the "**District's Office**," Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092. The Assessments shall be levied within the District on all benefitted lots and lands, and shall be apportioned, all as described in the Proposed Budget and the preliminary assessment roll included therein. The preliminary assessment roll is also on file and available for public inspection at the District's Office. The Assessments shall be paid in one more installments pursuant to a bill issued by the District in November of 2021, and pursuant to Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, or, alternatively, pursuant to the *Uniform Method* as set forth in Chapter 197, Florida Statutes.

3. SETTING PUBLIC HEARINGS. Pursuant to Chapters 170, 190, and 197, Florida Statutes, public hearings on the approved Proposed Budget and the Assessments are hereby declared and set for the following date, hour, and location:

DATE: August 10, 2021
HOOR: 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Plantation Oaks Amenity Center
 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway
 Orange Park, Florida 32065

4. TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET TO LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE GOVERNMENT. The District Manager is hereby directed to submit a copy of the Proposed Budget to Clay County at least sixty (60) days prior to the hearing set above.

5. POSTING OF PROPOSED BUDGET. In accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the approved Proposed Budget on the District's website at least two days before the budget hearing date as set forth in Section 3 and shall remain on the website for at least forty-five (45) days.

6. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE. The District shall cause this Resolution to be published once a week for a period of two weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published in Clay County. Additionally, notice of the public hearings shall be published in the manner prescribed in Florida law.

7. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2021.

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER IMPOSITION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 170.07, TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL PURSUANT TO SECTION 197.3632(4)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, AND NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING.

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Rolling Hills Community Development District ("District") will hold public hearings on **August 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Amenity Center, 3212 Bradley Creek Parkway, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043**, to consider the adoption of an assessment roll, the imposition of special assessments to secure proposed bonds on benefited lands within the District, a depiction of which lands is shown below, and to provide for the levy, collection and enforcement of the special assessments. The streets and areas to be improved are geographically depicted below and in the District's *Fourth Supplemental Engineer's Report*, dated June 3, 2021, and prepared by Alliant Engineering, Inc. ("Series 2021 Improvement Plan"). The public hearings are being conducted pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*. A description of the property to be assessed and the amount to be assessed to each piece or parcel of property may be ascertained at the office of the District Manager located at Governmental Management Services, LLC, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 or by phone: (904) 940-5850 ("District Manager's Office").

The District is a unit of special-purpose local government responsible for providing infrastructure improvements for lands within the District. The Series 2021 Improvement Plan describes the nature of the improvements that may be built or acquired by the District that benefit lands within the District, including, but not limited to, road right-of-ways and improvements, water and sewer utilities, stormwater systems, landscape and irrigation and recreational improvements and other improvements authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes* (collectively, the "Improvements"). The Series 2021 Improvement Plan is on file and available during normal business hours at the District Manager's Office.

According to the Series 2021 Improvement Plan, the estimated cost of the Improvements is \$7,965,600. Additionally, due to current interest rate market conditions, the District has determined it is in the best interest of the District, its residents and landowners to refinance the outstanding Series 2015A-3 Bonds ("Prior Bonds"). The Prior Bonds are currently outstanding in the amount of \$1,953,315.

The District intends to impose assessments on benefited lands within the District in the manner set forth in the District's *Preliminary Master Special Assessment Methodology Report for the Phase 3B and 3C Project*, dated June 22, 2021 ("Series 2021 Master Assessment Report"), and the *Preliminary Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report for the Series 2021 Refunding Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds for Phases 3B and 3C*, dated June 22, 2021 ("Series 2021 Supplemental Assessment Report" and together with the Series 2021 Master Assessment Report, the "Assessment Report"), which is on file and available during normal business hours at the District Manager's Office.

The purpose of any such assessment is to secure the bonds issued to fund the Improvements and to refund the outstanding portion of the Prior Bonds. As described in more detail in the Assessment Report, the District's assessments will be levied against all benefited lands within the District. The Assessment Report identifies maximum assessment amounts for each land use category that is currently expected to be assessed. The method of allocating assessments will initially be determined on an equal assessment per acre basis, and will be levied on an equivalent assessment unit basis at the time that such property is platted or subject to a site plan, which is anticipated to be allocated to, and fully absorbed by 247 single family lots.

The annual principal assessment levied against each parcel will be based on repayment over thirty (30) years of the total debt allocated to each parcel. The District expects to collect sufficient revenues to retire no more than \$13,155,000 in debt to be assessed by the District, exclusive of fees and costs of collection or enforcement, discounts for early payment and interest. The proposed annual schedule of assessments is as follows:

Land Use/Unit of Measurement	Total Assessable Units	Maximum Annual Debt Service	Gross Annual Debt Assessment (per unit)*
Single Family	247	\$1,031,094	\$4,174.47

* includes collection fees and early payment discounts when collected on the Clay County tax bill.

The assessments may be prepaid in whole at any time, or in some instances in part, or may be paid in not more than thirty (30) annual installments subsequent to the issuance of debt to finance the improvements. These annual assessments will be collected on the Clay County tax roll by the Tax Collector. Alternatively, the District may choose to directly collect and enforce these assessments. All affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and the right to file written objections with the District within twenty (20) days of the publication of this notice.

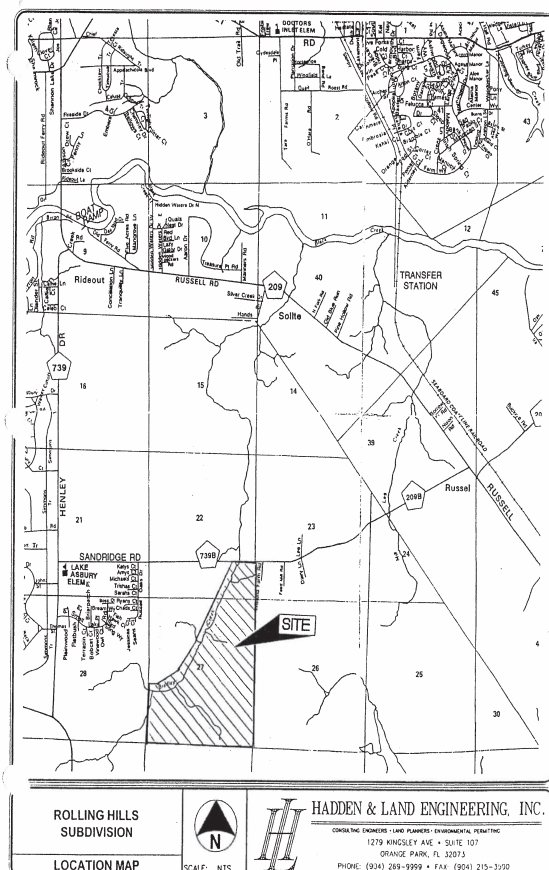
Also on **August 10, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Amenity Center, 3212 Bradley Creek Parkway, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043**, the Board will hold a regular public meeting to consider any other business that may lawfully be considered by the District.

The Board meeting and public hearings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. The Board meeting and/or the public hearings may be continued in progress to a date, time and location certain announced at the meeting and/or hearings.

If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearings, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Any person requiring special accommodations at the meeting or hearings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 for aid in contacting the District office.

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



RESOLUTION 2021-07

SERIES 2021 BONDS – PHASES 3B AND 3C

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO SECURE ITS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE AND REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021; INDICATING THE LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS WHOSE COST IS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE PORTION OF THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT SHALL BE MADE AND ALLOCATED; DESIGNATING LANDS UPON WHICH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT; ADOPTING A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the Rolling Hills Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government duly organized and existing pursuant to the Uniform Community Development District Act of 1980, Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, as amended ("Act") and was established by Ordinance No. 2006-9 adopted by the County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, effective March 21, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the District previously issued its \$3,850,000 Rolling Hills Community Development District Capital Improvement Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A-3 ("Series 2015A-3 Bonds") for the purpose of financing certain of the improvements described in the *Improvement Plan*, dated August 15, 2006, as modified, amended and restated ("Improvement Plan"); and

WHEREAS, due to current interest rate market conditions, the District has determined it is in the best interest of the District, its residents and landowners to refinance the outstanding Series 2015A-3 Bonds ("Prior Bonds") and to raise additional proceeds to finance the Improvements, described below, through the issuance of the "Series 2021 Bonds" in an amount not to exceed \$10,510,000 to finance a portion of the Improvements, and in an amount not to exceed \$2,645,000 to refund the Prior Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the *Fourth Supplemental Engineer's Report*, dated June 3, 2021, attached hereto as Exhibit A ("Series 2021 Improvement Plan"), further supplements the District's Improvement Plan and identifies certain improvements, including but not limited to additional recreation improvements ("Improvements"), a portion of which are to be provided by the District; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to pay the cost of the Improvements and to refund the Prior Bonds through the levy of special assessments pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes* ("Series 2021 Assessments"); and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that the benefits have accrued and will continue to accrue to the property improved, the amount of those benefits, and that the special assessments will be made in proportion to the benefits received as set forth in the prior methodologies and in accordance with the *Preliminary Master Special Assessment Methodology Report for the Phase 3B and 3C Project*, dated June 22, 2021 ("Series 2021 Master Assessment Report"), and the *Preliminary Supplemental Special Assessment Methodology Report for the Series 2021 Refunding Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds for Phases 3B and 3C*, dated June 22, 2021 ("Series 2021 Supplemental Assessment Report" and together with Series 2021 Master Assessment Report, the "Assessment Report"), both of which are attached hereto as **Exhibit B** incorporated herein by reference and on file at c/o Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 ("District Records Office");

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that the Series 2021 Assessments to be levied will not exceed the benefits to the property improved; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the District's adoption of this resolution to begin the process of levying the Series 2021 Assessments, all prior assessments related to the Prior Bonds shall remain valid and binding until such time as the District levies the Series 2021 Assessments and issues its Series 2021 Bonds, which may be issued in multiple series, to be secured by the Series 2021 Assessments; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution shall serve as the "resolution required to declare special assessments" contemplated by Section 170.03, *Florida Statutes*, for the assessment lien(s) levied against certain property as described in **Exhibit B** that comprise the Series 2021 Assessments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

SECTION 1. The Series 2021 Assessments shall be levied to defray the cost of the Improvements described in the Improvement Plan and the Series 2021 Improvement Plan.

SECTION 2. The nature and general location of, and plans and specifications for, the Improvements are described in **Exhibit A**, and are on file at the District Records Office and available for inspection.

SECTION 3. The total amount of refunding the Series 2015A-3 Bonds will be \$1,953,315, and the Improvements as described in the Series 2021 Improvement Plan are estimated to cost \$7,695,600 (together, "Estimated Cost").

SECTION 4. The Series 2021 Assessments will collectively defray approximately \$10,510,000 to finance a portion of the Improvements, and approximately \$2,645,000 to refund the Prior Bonds, which includes a portion of the Estimated Cost plus financing related costs, as applicable.

SECTION 5. The manner in which the Series 2021 Assessments shall be apportioned and paid is set forth in **Exhibit B**. The Series 2021 Assessments shall be levied, within the District, on certain lots and lands adjoining and contiguous or bounding and abutting upon such improvements or specially benefited thereby and further designated by the assessment plat hereinafter provided for; provided, however, that the lots for which debt assessments securing the Prior Bonds have been prepaid in full shall not be subject to the Series 2021 Assessments.

SECTION 6. There is on file, at the Districts Record Office, an assessment plat showing the areas to be assessed, with certain plans and specification describing the Improvements and the Estimated Cost of the Improvements, all of which shall be open to inspection by the public.

SECTION 7. Commencing with the year in which the Series 2021 Assessments are certified for collection, the Series 2021 Assessments shall be paid in not more than the maximum period of time permitted by law then in effect. The Series 2021 Assessments may be payable at the same time and in the same manner as are ad valorem taxes and collected pursuant to Chapter 197, *Florida Statutes* ("Uniform Method"); provided, however, that in the event the Uniform Method is not available to the District in any year, or if determined by the District to be in its best interest, the Series 2021 Assessments, or any portion thereof, may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law. The decision to collect special assessments by any particular method – e.g., by direct bill or on the tax roll – does not mean that such a method will be used to collect special assessments in future years, and the District reserves the right in its sole discretion to select collection methods in any given year, regardless of past practices.

SECTION 8. The District Manager has caused to be made a preliminary assessment roll, in accordance with the Assessment Report, attached as **Exhibit B** hereto, which shows the lands assessed, the amount of benefit to and the assessment against each parcel of land and the number of annual installments into which the assessment may be divided, which is hereby adopted and approved as the District's preliminary assessment roll.

SECTION 9. The Board shall adopt a subsequent resolution to fix a time and place at which the owners of property to be assessed or any other persons interested therein may appear before the Board and be heard as to the propriety and advisability of the assessments or the making of the Improvements, the cost thereof, the manner of payment therefor, or the amount thereof to be assessed against each property as improved.

SECTION 10. The District Manager is hereby directed to cause this Resolution to be published twice (once a week for two (2) weeks) in a newspaper of general circulation within Clay County and to provide such other notice as may be required by law or desired in the best interests of the District.

SECTION 11. This Resolution is intended to amend and supplement the District's prior resolutions relating to the debt service assessments on lands securing the Prior Bonds ("Prior Assessment Resolutions"). As such, all Prior Assessment Resolutions remain in full force and effect, except to the extent provided for herein; provided, however, that nothing herein shall reallocate or otherwise modify the existing assessments and related assessment lien except as described herein. As such, the previously-adopted assessment methodologies, assessments and assessment liens remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

SECTION 13. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of June 2021.

CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Cross Creek North Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting:

DATE: August 10, 2021
TIME: 3:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Cross Creek North Amenity Center
 2895 Big Oak Drive Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("**Proposed Budget**") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 ("**Fiscal Year 2021/2022**"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("**O&M Assessments**") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. Pursuant to Section 170.07, Florida Statutes, a description of streets and other areas to be improved, a description of the services to be funded by the O&M Assessments, and the properties to be improved and benefitted from the O&M Assessments, are all set forth in the Proposed Budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

Land Use	Total # of EAUs	EAU Factor (Admin/Field)	Proposed Annual O&M Assessment (including collection costs / early payment discounts)
Platted	415	1.0/1.0	\$697.81
Platted – Future Lots	534	1.0/1.0	\$697.81
Unplatted – Future Lots	238	1.0/0.0	\$113.79

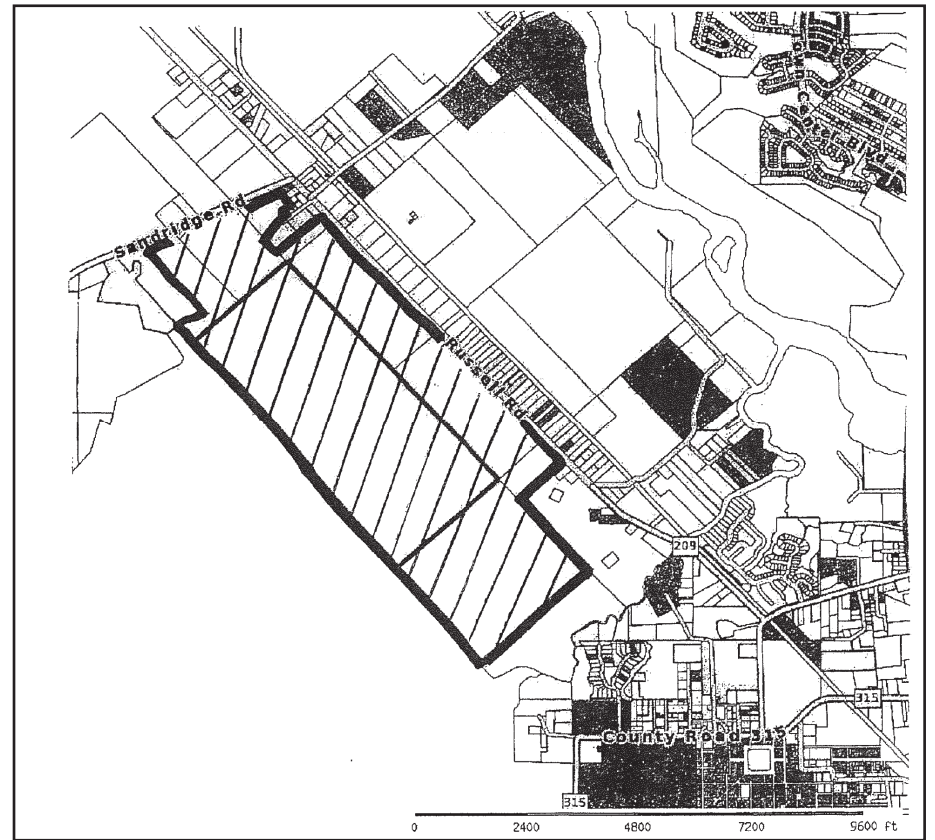
The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("**County**") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

For Fiscal Year 2021/2022, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments imposed on certain developed property, and will directly collect the assessments imposed on the remaining benefitted property by sending out a bill prior to, or during, November 2021. It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title, or for direct billed assessments, may result in a foreclosure action, which also may result in a loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll or by direct billing does not preclude the District from later electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time.

Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at Rizzetta & Company, Inc., 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200 Tampa, Florida 33614, or by calling Ph: (904) 436-6270 or by email at Lgallagher@rizzetta.com ("**District Manager's Office**"), during normal business hours, or by accessing the District's website at <https://www.crosscreeknorthcdd.org/>. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.



Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and meeting, and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty (20) days of publication of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Lesley Gallagher
 District Manager

**RESOLUTION 2021-04
 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW; ADDRESSING TRANSMITTAL, POSTING AND PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the District Manager has heretofore prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("**Board**") of the Cross Creek North Community Development District ("**District**") prior to June 15, 2021, a proposed budget ("**Proposed Budget**") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 ("**Fiscal Year 2021/2022**"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Proposed Budget and desires to set the required public hearing thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

1. PROPOSED BUDGET APPROVED. The Proposed Budget prepared by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said Proposed Budget.

2. SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING. A public hearing on said approved Proposed Budget is hereby declared and set for the following date, hour and location:

DATE: August 10, 2021
HOUR: 3:30 pm
LOCATION: Cross Creek North CDD Amenity Center
 2895 Big Oak Drive
 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

3. TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET TO LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE GOVERNMENT. The District Manager is hereby directed to submit a copy of the Proposed Budget to Clay County at least 60 days prior to the hearing set above.

4. POSTING OF PROPOSED BUDGET. In accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the approved Proposed Budget on the District's website at least two days before the budget hearing date as set forth in Section 2, and shall remain on the website for at least 45 days.

5. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE. Notice of this public hearing shall be published in the manner prescribed in Florida law.

6. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of May, 2021.

ATTEST:
CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Lesley Gallagher
 Secretary / Assistant Secretary

Robert Porter
 Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Rolling Hills Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting:

DATE: August 10, 2021
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Rolling Hills Amenity Center
 3212 Bradley Creek Parkway
 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 ("Fiscal Year 2021/2022"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

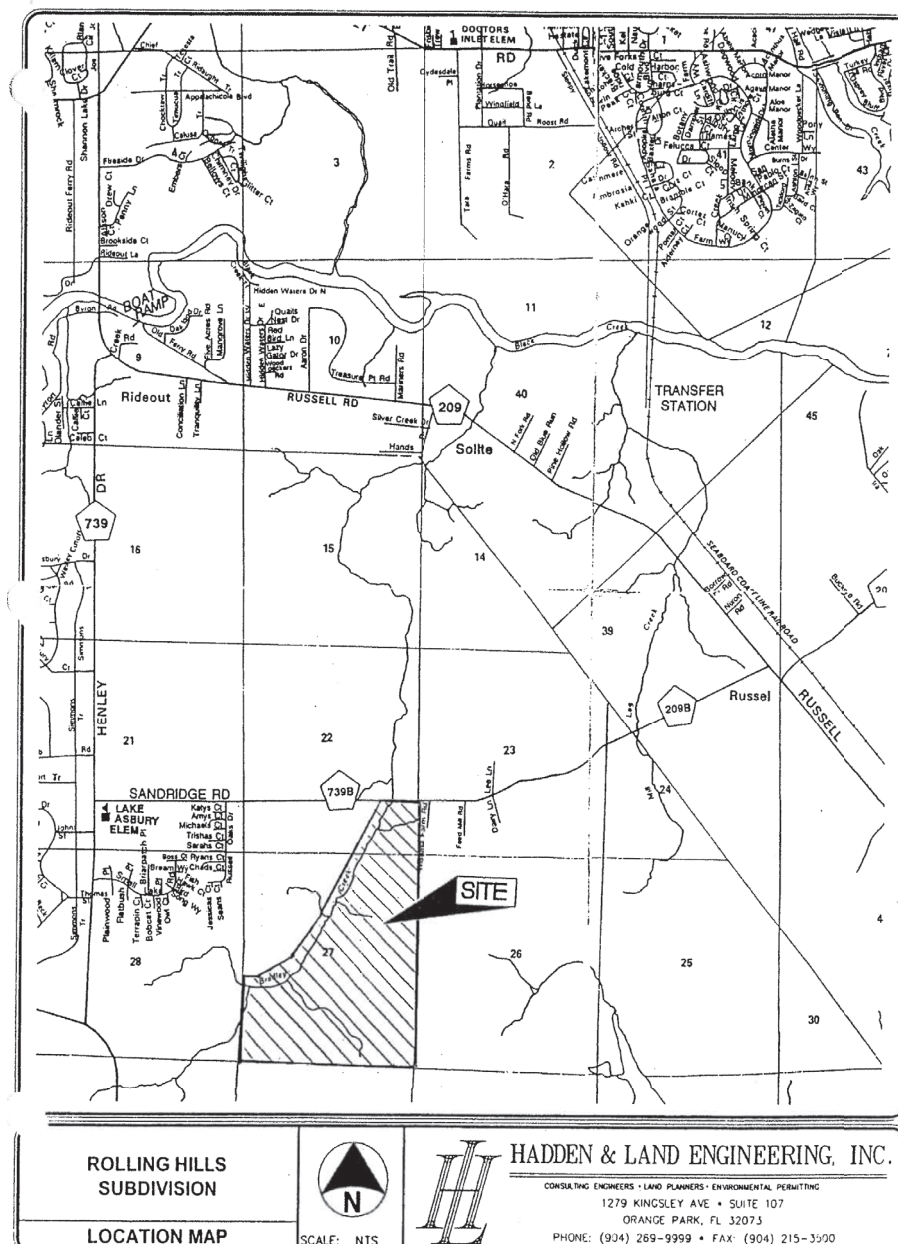
Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. Pursuant to Section 170.07, Florida Statutes, a description of streets and other areas to be improved, a description of the services to be funded by the O&M Assessments, and the properties to be improved and benefitted from the O&M Assessments, are all set forth in the Proposed Budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

Land Use	Total # of ERUs	ERU Factor	Proposed Annual O&M Assessment (including collection costs/early payment discounts)
Platted	375	1.0	\$409,837.50
Unplatted	386	.75	\$309,307.31

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("County") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

For Fiscal Year 2021/2022, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments imposed on certain developed property, and will directly collect the assessments imposed on the remaining benefitted property by sending out a bill prior to, or during, November 2021. It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title, or for direct billed assessments, may result in a foreclosure action, which also may result in a loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll or by direct billing does not preclude the District from later



electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time.

Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092, or by calling Ph: (904) 940-5850 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours, or by accessing the District's website at <https://rollinghillscdd.com/>. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

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Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and meeting, and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty (20) days of publication of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Jim Oliver
 District Manager

RESOLUTION 2021-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT APPROVING PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022; DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO FUND THE PROPOSED BUDGETS PURSUANT TO CHAPTERS 170, 190 AND 197, FLORIDA STATUTES; SETTING PUBLIC HEARINGS; ADDRESSING PUBLICATION; ADDRESSING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District Manager has heretofore prepared and submitted to the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Rolling Hills Community Development District ("District") prior to June 15, 2021, proposed budgets ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2021 and ending September 30, 2022 ("Fiscal Year 2021/2022"); and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to fund the administrative and operations services (together, "Services") set forth in the Proposed Budget by levy of special assessments pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes ("Assessments"), as set forth in the preliminary assessment roll included within the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that benefits would accrue to the properties within the District, as outlined within the Proposed Budget, in an amount equal to or in excess of the Assessments, and that such Assessments would be fairly and reasonably allocated as set forth in the Proposed Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Proposed Budget, including the Assessments, and desires to set the required public hearings thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

- PROPOSED BUDGET APPROVED.** The Proposed Budget prepared by the District Manager for Fiscal Year 2021/2022 attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is hereby approved as the basis for conducting a public hearing to adopt said Proposed Budget.
- DECLARING ASSESSMENTS.** Pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, the Assessments shall defray the cost of the Services in the total estimated amounts set forth in the Proposed Budget. The nature of, and plans and specifications for, the Services to be funded by the Assessments are described in the Proposed Budget and in the reports (if any) of the District Engineer, all of which are on file and available for public inspection at the "District's Office," c/o Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092. The Assessments shall be levied within the District on all benefitted lots and lands, and shall be apportioned, all as described in the Proposed Budget and the preliminary assessment roll included therein. The preliminary assessment roll is also on file and available for public inspection at the District's Office. The Assessments shall be paid in one more installments pursuant to a bill issued by the District in November of 2021, and pursuant to Chapter 170, Florida Statutes, or, alternatively, pursuant to the Uniform Method as set forth in Chapter 197, Florida Statutes.
- SETTING PUBLIC HEARINGS.** Pursuant to Chapters 170, 190, and 197, Florida Statutes, public hearings on the approved Proposed Budget and the Assessments are hereby declared and set for the following date, hour and location:

DATE: August 10, 2021
HOOR: 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Rolling Hills Amenity Center
 3212 Bradley Creek Parkway
 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

- TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET TO LOCAL GENERAL PURPOSE GOVERNMENT.** The District Manager is hereby directed to submit a copy of the Proposed Budget to Clay County, Florida, at least 60 days prior to the hearing set above.
- POSTING OF PROPOSED BUDGET.** In accordance with Section 189.016, Florida Statutes, the District's Secretary is further directed to post the approved Proposed Budget on the District's website at least two days before the budget hearing date as set forth in Section 3, and shall remain on the website for at least 45 days.
- PUBLICATION OF NOTICE.** The District shall cause this Resolution to be published once a week for a period of two weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published in Clay County. Additionally, notice of the public hearings shall be published and mailed in the manner prescribed in Florida law.
- SEVERABILITY.** The invalidity or unenforceability of any one or more provisions of this Resolution shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Resolution, or any part thereof.
- EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of June 2021.

ATTEST:

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



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