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Headbangers and hip-hoppers

Fair unveils its eclectic music lineup

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Like a choice between a giant turkey leg, deep-fried butter or funnel cake, the 2022 Clay County Agriculture Fair concert lineup will have something for every musical taste.

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The sounds of heavy metal rock, rap, hip hop, beach, techno, country and funk will echo from the Cattleman's Arena in what general manager Tasha Hyder calls "the most diverse lineup we've ever had."

Seven nights of concerts starts on opening day, March 31, with award-winning hip-hop artist Nelly and Green Cove Springs' Dj BG. It ends with Shenandoah, which charted 26 singles on the Billboard

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Volunteers are ready to distribute thousands of toys at this year's J.P. Hall Children's Christmas Charities Party this Saturday at the Clay County Fairgrounds. Doors open at 9 a.m.

JP Hall Children's Charities Party returns Saturday

Hundreds of children to get gifts at Clay County Fairgrounds on Saturday

Clay Today staff

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The 40th Annual J.P. Hall Children's Charities Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 18 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The Party will be held at the Clay County Fairgrounds located at 2497 State Road 16 in Green Cove Springs. No signups or pre-registration is needed.

The organization serves children ages

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OPMC caregivers become 'angels' to 75 deserving children



PHOTO COURTESY OF ORANGE PARK MEDICAL CENTER

ORANGE PARK – This year, Orange Park Medical Center caregivers anonymously adopted 75 angels from the hospital's Salvation Army Angel Tree. The Angel Tree Program helps gift new clothes and toys to one million children across the United States who otherwise would go without Christmas gifts. The staff and physicians came together earlier this week to drop off their gifts in the hospital's cafeteria. Their overwhelming generosity resulted in hundreds of gifts that will be going to children in the Clay County. The Orange Park Medical Center team comes together every year to donate to the cause. According to Maj. Lynn Irish, Clay County Corp Officer, the Salvation Army will provide presents to 371 county children.

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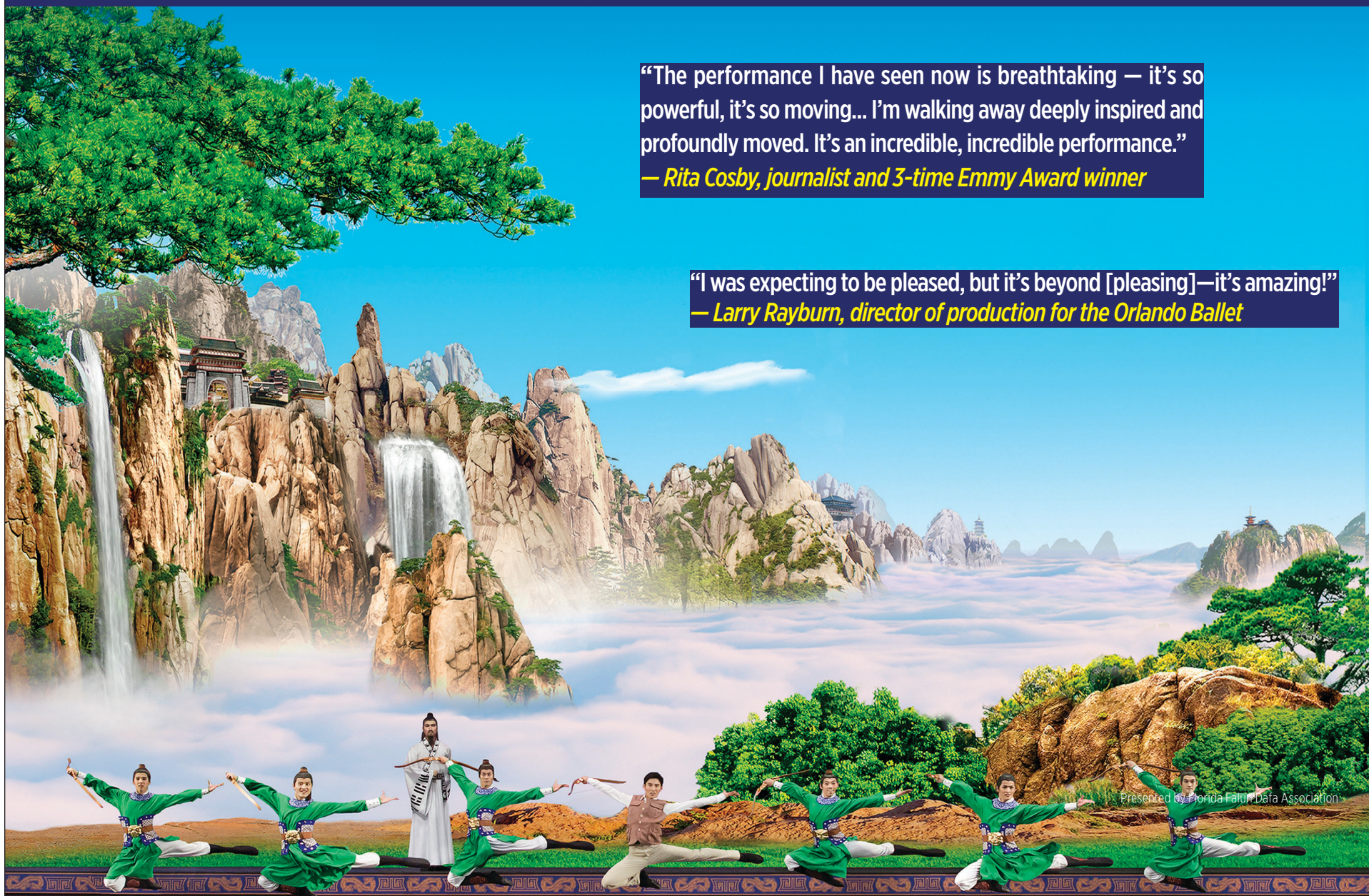


“The performance I have seen now is breathtaking — it’s so powerful, it’s so moving... I’m walking away deeply inspired and profoundly moved. It’s an incredible, incredible performance.”

— *Rita Cosby, journalist and 3-time Emmy Award winner*

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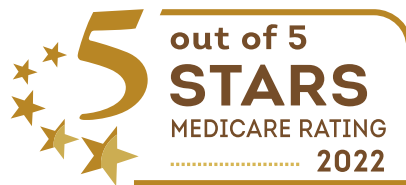


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New push to increase voter registrations in high schools filed in Tallahassee

By Daniel Figueroa IV
For FloridaPolitics.com

Citing studies that show the move could increase registration among 18-year-olds by more than 800,000 per year, Sen. Annette Taddeo and Rep. Anna V. Eskamani filed a set of bills Monday aimed at increasing youth voting.

The identical bills from the two Democrats would require public high schools to give students a presentation on voter registration and allow the opportunity for those students to register or preregister online.

In Florida, U.S. citizens can register to vote at 18 or preregister as early as 16. Voter outreach is required in schools under Florida law. But those efforts have a history of going undone or unreported and there's no registration requirement. Eskamani said similar programs allowed her to register to vote. She also said new tools, such as online registration and expanded preregistration, can be used to "turn up civic engagement."

"I first got preregistered to vote as a high school student in Orange County thanks to the leadership of my public-school teacher," Eskamani said. "And that was before online voter registration was even an option. Now we have technology as a friend to help increase voter preregistration and registration for students and their families."

Seven other states already have laws on the books supporting voter registration in schools. And a 2009 Comparative Study of Electoral Systems found that as "policymakers consider how to implement preregistration programs elsewhere, providing for means of ensuring participation by educators, such as requiring preregistration as a component of a mandatory high school civics curriculum, will likely result in the most robust implementation of preregistration."

Most of Florida's voter registration happens at the DMV. In 2021, more than 544,000 Floridians registered or preregistered to vote at a DMV office, accounting for nearly 88% of new registrations. Over the last four years, DMV registrations make up about 69% of registrations. But the youth vote is heavily underrepresented. Project Vote found that voters under 30 were registered at a rate 10 percentage points lower than the general population

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Daniel Figueroa

OPINIONS



'Bah Humbug' to the Scrooges who embrace wokeness during Christmas

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

The Huffington Post once accused the holiday classic "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" of being "seriously problematic" because it promoted bullying from the other reindeers, and it included what some believed was verbal abuse when Donner tries to cover up Rudolph's red nose.

What's next? The "Santa Clause" is inappropriate because it shows a fat man? Oh wait, that's actually happening, too.

So, in the spirit of Christmas – and, yes, I said Christmas – I offer those who are so easily offended by the holiday traditions that embrace love, religion, family and purpose with the following message: shut up.

There. Somebody had to say it.

I really don't understand what it means to be part of the "woke movement." But if being woke means finding fault with holidays and traditions that are celebrated with good intentions, then count me out. And you should stop trying to lure people into your darkness. The airports already have enough bald-headed dolts handing out flowers and free love.

Although most of us try to find the joy in a moment, there are some who are committed to causing division and hate. And if they can't find it, they make it up. A good example is the recent acquittal of Kyle Rittenhouse in Wisconsin for shooting three other men during a riot. The fact he legally defended himself



Don Coble

against people who were either chasing and throwing items at him, hitting him or pointing a handgun at him weren't important. Many professional agitators and some woke television pundits called the case a matter of "white privilege." Rittenhouse was white. So were the three men who were shot. The woke community clearly doesn't want facts to get in the way of their hate.

It doesn't stop there. A guy named Michael Weinstein is critical of the annual tradition of laying wreaths on the graves of fallen soldiers because organizers should get permission from the family first.

His group, Military Religious Freedom Foundation, would like to see events planned at the Keystone Heights Memorial Gardens, Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Memorial Park in Middleburg and Jacksonville Memory Gardens Cemetery in Orange Park on Saturday. Weinstein said he wasn't against religion, but he told Fox News he doesn't like to see grave markers "carpet-bombed" with wreaths.

In that interview, Weinstein also said, "That looks like it's a Christian gang sign, that you're creating territory that is a Christian territory."

The Military Religious Freedom foundation issued this statement ahead of this year's event, saying, "On December 18, the graves of all veterans in our country's 155 national cemeteries and numerous other locations where American veterans are buried, will be indiscriminately decorated with Christmas wreaths by the organization Wreaths Across America. The gravesites of Christians and non-Christians alike will be adorned with this hijacked-from-paganism symbol of Christianity – circu-

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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.

Anfractuous: (an-FRAK-chuh-wus) an adjective that means full of winding and intricate turns.

"The anfractuous mountain trail was filled with switchbacks and narrow paths."

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2016

- The School Board learns allegations that several principals and former Superintendent Charlie Van Zant fraudulently labeled some students as disabled were unfounded.
- Former State Attorney Angela Corey was hired to serve as general counsel for incoming Sheriff Darryl Daniels.
- Part of a renovation project for the Orange Park Skate Park includes the installation of security cameras.

10 years ago, 2011

- The Florida Department of Transportation announces a plan to add two lanes on U.S. Highway 17 to allow drivers to exit eastbound and westbound off Interstate 295.
- Peggy Payne was hired as the new CEO of Quigley House.
- FDOT announces a plan to add bicycle lanes on Branan Field Road two weeks after 13-year-old Brien Alvezios was killed near Trail Ridge Road.

30 years ago, 1991

- Orange Park Mayor James Tillman files a lawsuit after the rest of the Town Council votes to give Ted Coleman a seat on the council after he tied incumbent Dennis Frick, 439-439, in the November election.
- Clay County Board of Commissioner joined in groundbreaking ceremonies for a new Senior Center in Middleburg.
- The BCC votes to deny a request by the Church of Latter-Day Saints to change the zoning near Raggedy Point on Fleming Island so it could build a church.

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Opinions ...

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Christmas

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Christianity – circular and made of ever-green to symbolize everlasting life through Jesus Christ – whether the families of the deceased veterans like it or not.”

According to tax filings, Weinstein’s group raised a little less than \$700,000 last year. It also showed he paid himself \$314,000 in salary and that he said he worked nearly 105 hours a week, according to Fox News.

Wreaths Across America executor director Karen Worcester said her group doesn’t promote religion; it merely honors the service of fallen veterans. She said any family is welcome to ask for their family member to be skipped, but in 30 years of the event it hasn’t happened once.

Weinstein, however, continues to make a great living off of spewing ignorance and misinformation. Apparently being woke is good for the bottom line.

The list of people getting their knickers in a knot doesn’t stop with wreaths or Rudolph. There are politically correct advocates who have issues with other holiday movies.

“The Holiday” has been deemed to show “toxic masculinity” and one of the lead characters, Jack Black who plays Miles was described as being a sociopath,” “Jingle All the Way” puts too much emphasis on the capitalism of Christmas and unwanted advanced by a neighbor, “Bridge Jones Diary” has no problem with sexual harassment, being fat and sexism and “The



Holiday” also is considered to be sexist. Even “It’s a Wonder Life” can’t escape the daggers of wokeness.

One comment on Twitter said the classic was “outdated.”

No kidding. It was made in 1946. Another hint was the word for the building and loan. We call them credit unions now.

What has some barking for change is when George Bailey, played by James Stewart, passionately grabs his wife Mary, played by Donna Reed, for a warm kiss. The woke community believes he first should have asked for permission.

I refuse to let wokeness affect my holidays. I will smile when I hear carolers, I will stuff a \$5 bill in the red bucket in front of stores and I will fire up the VCR this weekend to watch a bunch of holiday movies. And I proudly will be at Wreaths Across America – again – this Saturday.

So in the true spirit of the holidays, Merry Christmas everyone.

Voting

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and voted at a rate 13 percentage points lower. It also found that high school registrations could dramatically increase the youth vote. Project Vote estimated about 800,000 more 18-year-olds could be registered every year if they registered at the same rate as the rest of the population.

“Our youth are the leaders and change-makers of tomorrow. By providing accessible voter registration in Florida’s public schools, we are facilitating a space where these students can contribute to the democratic process of this great nation,” Taddeo said. “Many people in our state don’t know that if you turn 18 years old by election time, you can preregister at the age of 17 years old and these presentations can help inform on just that.”

In Orlando, Fred Asare-Konadu and John Bedell, have implemented similar programs in five high schools and

want to see the program go statewide.

“We saw an opportunity to help our generation have a lasting impact and we realized that one of the ways we could help our friends, as well as our generation as a whole, be more involved in this system was by encouraging participation through voting,” Asare-Konadu said. “From there, this initiative was born.”

Under the bill, presentations would be designed by the Division of Elections. The bill also prevents students from being coerced or forced into joining a particular political party and prevents teachers from handling applications.

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- The county’s planning commission asks the BCC to charge developers a fee to pay for supplemental recreation projects.

- The BCC redraws its district boundaries to provide equal representation after results from the U.S. Census show the county had a population of 67,052.

History

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40 years ago, 1981

- The county submits a counteroffer to the City of Green Cove Springs in its attempt to buy the Rosemary Hill landfill site.

Calendar

CAROLS IN THE PARK: will be at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs on Dec. 16 from 7-8:30 p.m. Church and school choirs are encouraged to participate. The event is sponsored by CalaVida, and for more information, call (904) 284-2931.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet on Dec. 16 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

FLEMING ISLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE: will meet Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. at the Eagle Harbor Swim Club, 1880 Eagle Harbor Pkwy.

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION: will be offered by Challenge Enterprises of North Florida on Dec. 17, 3530 Enterprise Way, Green Cove Springs, from 10-11 a.m.

HISTORIC GIRL SCOUT MUSEUM: will be open Dec. 18 from 9-11 a.m. at Camp Chowenwaw Park, 1517 Ball Road, Green Cove Springs.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: will be Dec. 18 at noon at Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Memorial Park, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: will be Dec. 18 at noon at Keystone Heights Memorial Gardens, 7304 State Highway 100.

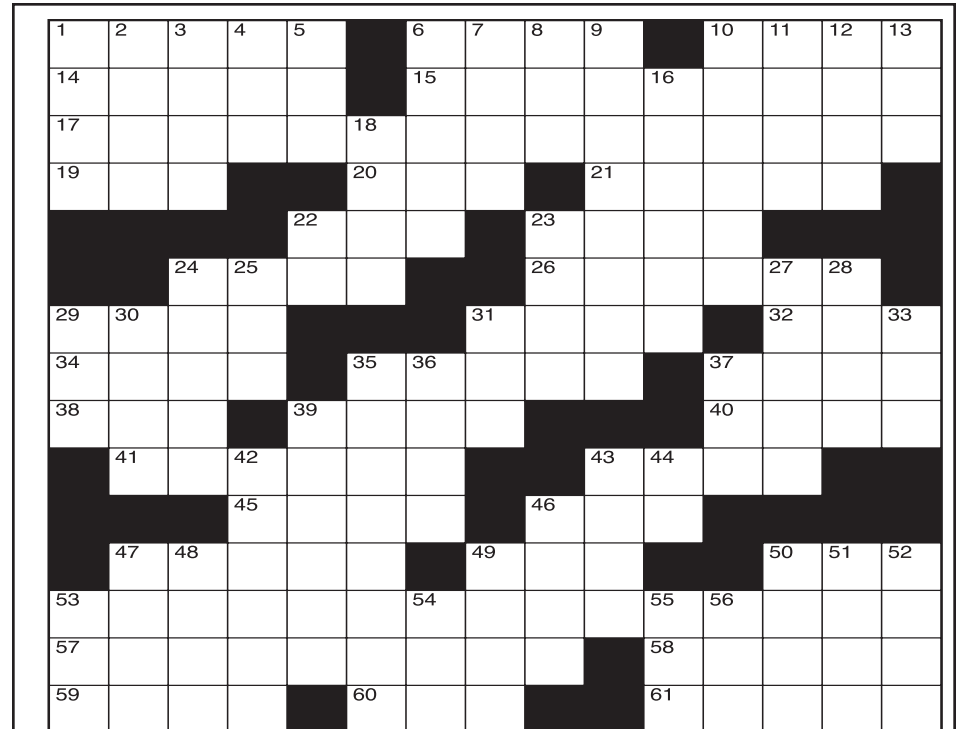
WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: will be Dec. 18 at noon at Jacksonville Memory Gardens, 111 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS THIRD SATURDAY MARKET IN THE PARK: will be Dec. 18 at Spring Park, 106 St. Johns Ave., from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

ORANGE PARK FARMERS’ AND ARTS MARKET: is Dec. 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave.

THE HERITAGE COMMISSION: will meet Dec. 20 at 9 a.m. at the Keystone Heights City Hall, 555 Lawrence Blvd. For more information, call (352) 473-4807.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.



CLUES ACROSS

- Polish city
- Very eager
- Identifies a specific person or thing
- Tennis great Naomi
- One concerned by professional advancement
- PGA Championship reward
- A fashionable hotel
- Norse mythology afterlife location
- Stood up
- Car mechanics group
- Weather forecasters use it (abbr.)
- Broken branch
- Astronomy unit
- East Asian nursemaid
- “Airplane!” actor
- Exclamation that denotes disgust
- “Batman” villain
- Downfalls
- Philippine province
- Once-vital TV part
- Valley
- Tax
- Classic Scorsese film
- Subway dwellers
- Book part
- Taxi
- Pancakes made from buckwheat flour
- Swiss river
- Founder of Babism
- Have surgery
- Withdrawal from a larger entity
- Lot’s father
- Greek war god
- 2,000 lbs.
- Lemur

CLUES DOWN

- Quarrels
- Right away
- Comedian Carvey
- Egyptian unit of weight
- A Brit’s mother
- Tropical tree
- One who speaks Gaelic
- NHL legend Bobby
- Vacation spots
- Military personnel
- Shakira’s don’t lie
- Wimbledon champ
- Teletypewriter
- Mistakes
- Whale ship captain
- Thus
- From end to end
- Kids love him
- One and only
- Fencing swords
- Taxis
- Basics
- Refuse of grapes
- Go quickly
- French ballet dynasty
- Most open
- Popular soap ingredient
- US time zone (abbr.)
- Items of food
- Backbones
- Infrequent
- Blood type
- “Let It Snow!” songwriter
- Dutch colonist
- Pike
- Egyptian sun god
- A cardinal is one
- From a distance
- Bolivian river
- N. American student organization (abbr.)
- River (Spanish)
- Chinese life force
- Chinese surname

Clay School Board members create new district boundaries

By Nick Blank
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FLEMING ISLAND — Clay County School District board members have new district boundaries and numbers, though there was some contention, and a 3-2 vote, among board members about synchronizing the numbers with the county.

The boundaries were changed with a unanimous 5-0 vote to accommodate population increases from the 2020 census. Earlier this month, the BOCC altered their map to match the district's map.

At a school board meeting last week, Board Chairwoman Mary Bolla said there are instances where voters see county and school district candidates from their areas with different numbers. She said she didn't believe in doing something just because it had always been done that way.

"When people move to the county, which is happening in droves at this stage in the game, it is incredibly confusing to people," she said.

Board member Janice Kerekes asked about the cost to make the changes. In her experience, phone calls or emails from concerned voters about district numbers have been few and far between.

Kerekes said she didn't think changing the numbers was necessary at all.

"I've been on the board 11 years now, and I've had one or two people say, 'What are the different numbers?'" Kerekes said. "I think our voters are smart enough to know what district they're in. They get a sample ballot."

Board member Ashley Gilhousen said she has received emails that start with a person writing they don't know who represents them.

"I think this [change] does give a strong image to the public, that we represent, that we want to be accessible, and we want to work together," Gilhousen said.

Board members Tina Bullock and Kerekes voted against the resolution to change district numbers. Bullock said the county and district are separate entities, but they do collaborate.

"This is where I think it's appropriate for collaboration," Bullock said after the unanimous boundary change vote. "I don't think making our numbers match is what we should have done."

In other business

The district also approved advertising the rezoning of Oakleaf High students to Orange Park High School to relieve capacity issues next school year. A similar vote followed to rezone Oakleaf Junior High



students to Orange Park Junior High. The board voted 4-1 on both measures with Kerekes the dissenting vote.

Most of the rezoning affects the Argyle area. After an emotional public hearing last month with parents and students speaking against the change, Kerekes asked if anything more could be done.

"I just feel like we could have looked more and looked at different ways rather than just taking that one part of Argyle and moving it," she said.

Gilhousen wanted an open house for new students to acclimate to the Orange

Park schools. Bolla, whose district lies in Oakleaf, said the rezoning is frustrating and she knows several families impacted. She dug her heels in against the move last year, she said, but Oakleaf has 2,700 students and capacity concerns.

"It's incredibly frustrating because I also know how Oakleaf is. I know they have been asking us as a board for years now to make some changes," Bolla said. "This is one of the most difficult decisions we'll be making and there will be more difficult decisions in the future."

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Business Briefs

Clay Chamber approves new council for Keystone Heights

For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The Clay Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors officially approved a new Council to be located in Keystone Heights.

The Council will be known as Lake Region Prosperity Partners. Patricia Evans, President of Bradford and Clay County Capital City Bank, has been working alongside Keystone Heights City Manager, Lynn Rutkowski, to lay the foundation for the formation of the council.



Patricia Evans

The Lake Region Development Corporation is sponsoring the new Council. LRDC Executive Director Scott Kornegay said, “We are very excited to announce the formation of this new Council and proud to be sponsoring this much-needed resource for the Lake Region. LRDC is committed to assisting with sustainable business and economic growth in our area and this is just one more example of that commitment.”

The Clay Chamber of Commerce recognized the need to have a physical presence, to focus on, and be an advocate for the smaller and more rural communities in the county. The Lake Region Prosperity Partners Council of the Clay County Chamber of Commerce will be comprised of small businesses, sole proprietors, and individuals who meet regularly to share ideas, challenges, opportunities and best business practices.

The Council promotes businesses throughout the county, providing them resources for the issues they face such as insurance, business banking and lending, legal services, and marketing. The Council focuses on increasing commerce and education for business owners as well as providing opportunities to network. It is a cross between an “industry/topic” Council and a peer group. The Council will focus on continuing to expand economic development programming that highlights the unique qualities of the Keystone Heights Lake Region by connecting existing resources to coordinate efforts.

Rutkowski has been working on this initiative for a number of years. Wendell Chindra, President of the Clay Chamber, spoke with Rutkowski earlier this year and informed her of the appointment of Patricia Evans to the Chamber Board of Directors. Upon Evans’s appointment,

she and Rutkowski began the legwork to form the Council. They reached out to Kornegay about the possibility of sponsoring the Council and he took it to the LRDC Board for discussion.

The LRDC Board subsequently approved the sponsorship and Kornegay began working with Rutkowski and Evans to formally establish the Council. Chamber Board Member Dana Heisler is serving as liaison and advisor to the new Council.

The LRPP will hold its first mixer on Jan. 27 in Keystone Heights.

Verano Holdings opens MUV Orange Park Dispensary

ORANGE PARK – Verano Holdings Corp., a leading multi-state cannabis company, announced the opening of a new MUV Florida dispensary, located at 68 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park is the third MUV dispensary in the greater Jacksonville area, joining existing locations in Jacksonville and Jacksonville Beach. The new storefront is positioned at the heart of the city’s shopping corridor directly across the street from Orange Park Mall, a high-traffic commercial area.

“We’re thrilled to open another convenient MUV dispensary to serve our suite of high-quality cannabis therapeutics to the growing Jacksonville medical cannabis community,” said John Tipton, President of Verano. “With three Jacksonville area MUV

dispensaries and local delivery service, we’re pleased to offer enhanced patient accessibility and convenience to the region’s rising population. We look forward to serving the Orange Park community and Jacksonville area patients with our assortment of premium cannabis products.”

As a demonstration of their commitment to providing a convenient and reliable experience for Florida patients, MUV dispensaries feature online menus for effortless browsing of their extensive, award-winning product selection. For additional convenience and accessibility, patients can choose to order ahead at muvfl.com for express in-store pickup or take advantage of a home delivery service that is available across the state within a 20-mile radius of MUV storefronts. MUV offers one-on-one virtual and in-store consultations at no cost to the patient. MUV’s comprehensive product selection includes MUV Wana Soft Chew edibles, chocolates and lozenges, flowers, pre-rolls, an array of vaporizer pens, concentrates, metered-dose inhalers, topicals and oral sprays; along with patented encapsulation formulations in its EnCaps capsules, tinctures, 72-hour transdermal patches and transdermal gels.

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Obituaries

Cherie Nicole Dorlac

Cherie Nicole Dorlac (36) Passed away December 12, 2021. She was born June 14, 1985 in Jacksonville, FL. She was a graduate of Middleburg High School. She attended Purdue University, where she was seeking a degree in Psychology. She was an online crisis counselor, where she could fulfill her passion for helping others. One of her other passions was writing, she loved to express her feelings through her writing so much she published a poetry book. She had a love for music and enjoyed singing often. All these accomplishments



Cherie Nicole Dorlac

were backed by the loving support of her fiancé Brain Smith, but her greatest accomplishment was being a mother to her four beautiful children, whom she loved immensely. She was the type of soul who brought light and joy to everyone she met while here on this earth, with her infectious laugh and beautiful smile. She was preceded in death by her father Alfred Louis Dorlac of Green Cove Springs, FL and her mother Tammy Sue Melvin of Jacksonville, FL. She is survived by her fiancé Brian Smith along with her children Lily Smith, Logan Smith, Luke Smith, and Sarah Smith, her stepmother Faith Dorlac, Green Cove Springs, FL, brother Justin Miller (Laura) Green Cove Springs, sister Bonnie Miller (Kurt) Middleburg, and many loving aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, and many cousins. Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, December 17, 2021 in the Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. until the start of the service.

Burial will follow at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Arrangements under the care of Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 1811 Idlewild Avenue, SR 16, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-9696. www.helmgallagherfh.com



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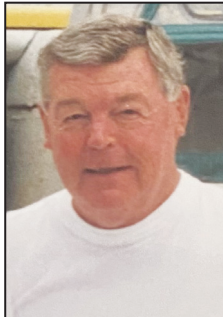
Mr. James "Bro" Mitchell Lawton, 48, passed away Monday, December 6, 2021 in Jacksonville. Mr. Lawton was born May 3, 1973 in Albany, Georgia to parents Barry Lawton and Dorothy (Neal) Lawton. James was a resident of Orange Park since 1977 and was formerly of Key West. In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, darts, woodworking and BBQing and was an excellent cook. He was also an avid Georgia Bulldogs fan. His father preceded him in death. Survivors are his mother, Dorothy (Neal) Lawton, brother, Chris Lawton (Denise), niece, Ashely Zehner (Josh) and numerous friends. Memorial Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 18, 2021 in the Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be held from 1 p.m. until the start of the service.

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H. Whit Watson III

H. Whit Watson III, 84 of Nashville, TN passed away on December 5, 2021. Whit is survived by his four children Debbie Beck, Whit Watson IV, Michael Watson and Lewis Watson. He is preceded in death by his parents H. Whitworth Watson Jr and Dorothy Meek Watson. Whit grew up in Nashville. He attended Montgomery Bell Academy where he met many of his lifelong friends. Whit graduated from Middle Tennessee State. He was an incredibly talented athlete and enjoyed sports his entire life. Whit lived most of his life in Nashville, TN and Atlanta, GA. He later retired in Green Cove Springs, FL. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, December 18 at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church located at 500 Walnut Street in Green Cove Springs, FL.



H. Whit Watson III

BCC outlines numerous targets for the new year

Security, housing, growth plans, transportations to be targeted

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS — Clay County officials met Tuesday afternoon to determine what the county can achieve in 2022 in several areas.

Stakeholders from several municipalities and organizations attended a workshop moderated by JAX-USA Vice President of Strategy and Talent Development Anna Lebesch. Commissioners were asked to share an overview of their 2022 objectives for the county and several items overlapped.

First, Chairman Wayne Bolla spoke in favor of enhanced security in the county. He said St. Johns County had 60% of Clay County's crime rate and the solution was in technology, notably more cameras and geofencing, a process that uses a mobile device to locate warrants.

Another alternative is using Municipal Services Benefit Unit fees to place cameras in homeowner's associations or communities.

"What I'm suggesting we do is figure out how to fund some of this," Bolla said.

From conversations with Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook, Bolla said the sheriff would like to consolidate some of the agency's 16 buildings and have some more suitable facilities for a police station. He said an added police presence in northern Clay County could possibly fit in the Wells Road project.

"We don't really have a police station here in Clay County," Bolla said.

Commissioner Betsy Condon said the public deserves to have a comprehensive road plan. She said the county has 250 miles of unpaved roads and several of those roads fall in her district.

"It's more in-depth than just our road evaluation program," Condon said.

She also wanted a strategic infrastructure plan for development. She mentioned rampant growth in Lake Asbury and on County Road 220 near Middleburg High School. She said some of the masterplan may be dated.

"We're a very different county, a very different world today," Condon added.

Commissioner Mike Cella wanted a few land development code amendments and the creation of a conservation plan. For the code, he wanted to increase lot sizes and have larger setbacks. Cella said he'd like to see more attention to landscaping making trees more prevalent.

"I'm dead set on getting rid of 40-foot fronts," he said.

He called for wetland credits for responsible development.

"Moving water doesn't seem to work the way we want it to," Cella added.

Commissioner Jim Renninger put the spotlight on affordable housing. He said the emergency workers and teachers will face cost of living challenges as they move to the county.

"How could you afford a \$310,000 home when you started your career?" Renninger asked.

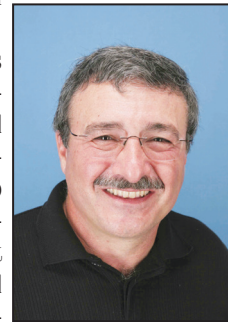
Renninger mentioned Gateway to Clay, referencing violent crimes in Orange Park. He wanted to solve issues related to blight and the homeless community and also tougher nuisance ordinances to improve quality of life.

"We have persistent problems in the county that we have no way to address," Renninger said.

Commissioner Kristen Burke said



Betsy Condon



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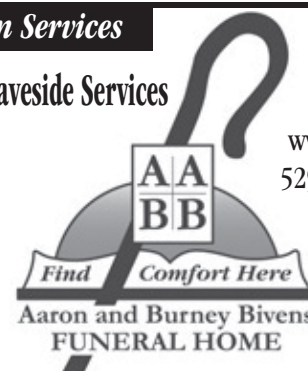
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Less is more:

How small steps help your resolutions become realities

By William Davis

Steel Mill Fleming Island

This is the season to be jolly, to have family around, go to holiday parties, and of course to make resolutions. In the world of nutrition and fitness training, it seems like a broken record of advice and talking people off the cliff. After one month only 64% of people have kept a resolution. So, what can you do to fulfill your self-promises?



William Davis

Start small and lay out a plan. Small steps and more importantly actionable steps are the only way to make your resolution stick. Below I will lay out five tactics to help you have a fighting

chance at reaching your goals. Now I will warn you these tactics are not sexy, and they are certainly not what your television or social media will be selling you. However, after a decade of working with clients, I promise you these tactics work.

1. Make your goal particular and attainable: Most people have a very vague goal in mind when they set resolutions. "I want to drop 50 pounds," sounds great but that is too vague. Why do you want those 50 pounds off? Why choose 50 and not 40 or 60? There is usually an emotion attached to a number when dealing with weight loss. This emotion usually exists because the goal weight was somewhere the client has been before and was happy. The client is overweight and thus, not happy any longer. Give your goal micro-steps. Instead of saying I want to lose 50 pounds, say I want to lose 20 pounds by March and lose an additional 10 pounds every 90 days till my goal is met. This gives the goal multiple attainable steps and includes a timeline to get there.

2. Start slow with your workout routine: If you do not currently work out then jumping into a five-day schedule is a recipe for disaster. If you currently do not workout start with one to two days a week for three to four weeks. After your body has adapted to this you can add another day. Keep in mind to incorporate rest days into your schedule. If you do not know how to exercise properly, you need a coach. Don't risk injury just because you are afraid to ask for help.

3. Switch your nutritional habits slowly: A sure way to cause failure and frustra-



tion is to try to burn the pantry and replace it with all new foods. My suggestion is to switch out one single meal with healthy options. If you think having healthier choices for dinner is an easy switch, then start there. DO NOT pick the hardest meal to change. It is already hard for you so let's not make it worse. After you change out one meal you can choose a second to swap out. The reality is just changing foods will decrease your caloric intake and make a big difference. Choose foods you enjoy to

make this easy.

4. Change your environment and include family: This simply means if you can set up your home or work environment to have a healthier daily impact, you will set yourself up for success. Getting rid of junk food will make it easier to stay focused. Get your family involved. Explain to your family the journey you are on and ask for help. Include kids in the shopping and cooking process. It is a lot harder to binge on sugar and foods when they aren't in your face.

5. Up your daily activity. Go for a walk once a day is something I preach to all my clients. If you sit all day, try a standing workstation or stand for part of the day and work. Take stairs versus riding an elevator. Park further in the parking lot at stores and generally make yourself be a little more active than usual. Again, including the family will make it into a bonding experience. Hiking and bike rides are great ways to incorporate the family unit.

The ideas here are simple to grasp but harder to put into practice. No number of quick-fix drinks, fad diets, or at-home exercise equipment have ever made someone healthy. Most have plenty of items stashed in the closet to prove this. Habit change and small lifestyle changes are the only true way to become healthy for a sustained period of time. Happy Holidays.

William Davis has been in the fitness industry for 11 years and he's run Steel Mill Fleming Island for eight years. He's also a USA weightlifting sports performance and USA powerlifting club coach, a CrossFit Level 2 trainer, PN nutrition coach, CrossFit powerlifting trainer, aerobic capacity trainer, movement and mobility trainer and rowing trainer.

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Commissioner denies residential rezoning for potential subdivision

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CLAY COUNTY – Rezoning for a potential 50-home subdivision on County Road 220 was unanimously struck down by the Clay County Commissioners at a meeting Tuesday night.

The application for 2713 C.R. 220 sought to rezone 18.82 acres from the Public Service 1 category to Planned Unit Development. Due to wetlands on the property, about 12.07 acres could be developed. The Planning Commission recommended approval on Dec. 7 with an 8-0 vote.

The applicant is Agape Lighthouse Inc., represented by agent Curtis Hart. He said he planned to fence the property line and build a lift station to accommodate utilities.

“We tried to impact neighbors the least we could,” Hart said.

The minimum house size was 1,250 square feet for this development, though that could increase. Other homes of a similar size went for \$350,000 on average, he said.

“They’re paying \$350,000 for a 1,500-square-foot house?” Commissioner

Betsy Condon asked.

Commissioner Mike Cella said he is aware material costs are high, but he is against smaller lot sizes and small setbacks like the minimum front setback of 15 feet and minimum side setback of five feet for the proposed development.

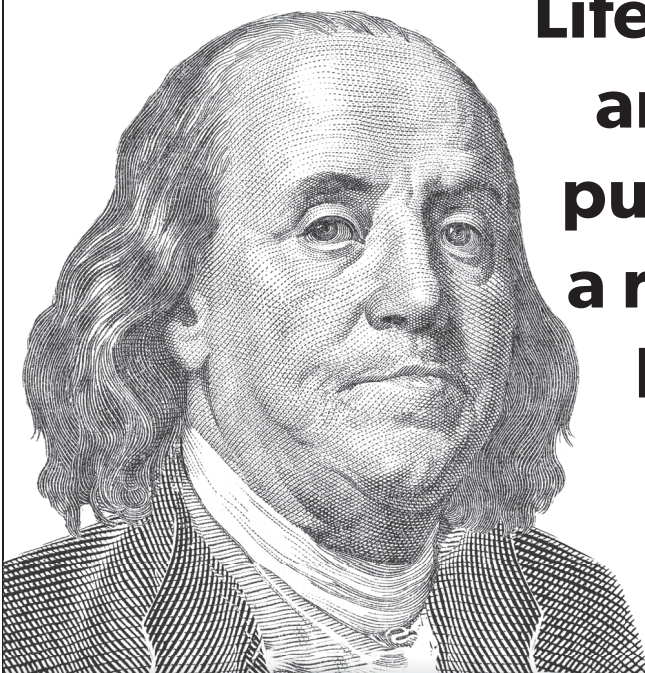
“The problem with houses today is if you have a third car, which is not unusual to have ... then they end up parking on the street or parking on the sidewalk and that’s a problem,” Cella said.

BCC Chairman Wayne Bolla asked for a lot size larger than 45 feet.

“We’re pretty much done with forties,” Bolla said.

Commissioner Kristen Burke urged commissioners to shoot down the rezoning. She felt the driveways and roads were restrictive to families and it was difficult to imagine the response of emergency vehicles not being impacted.


“I’m not for this at all. I think you should go back to the drawing board and see what else you can do for that property,” Burke said. “Just because we have 18 acres of land doesn’t mean we should just have 50 homes on it. We’ve got to have space. These people have got to have room.”




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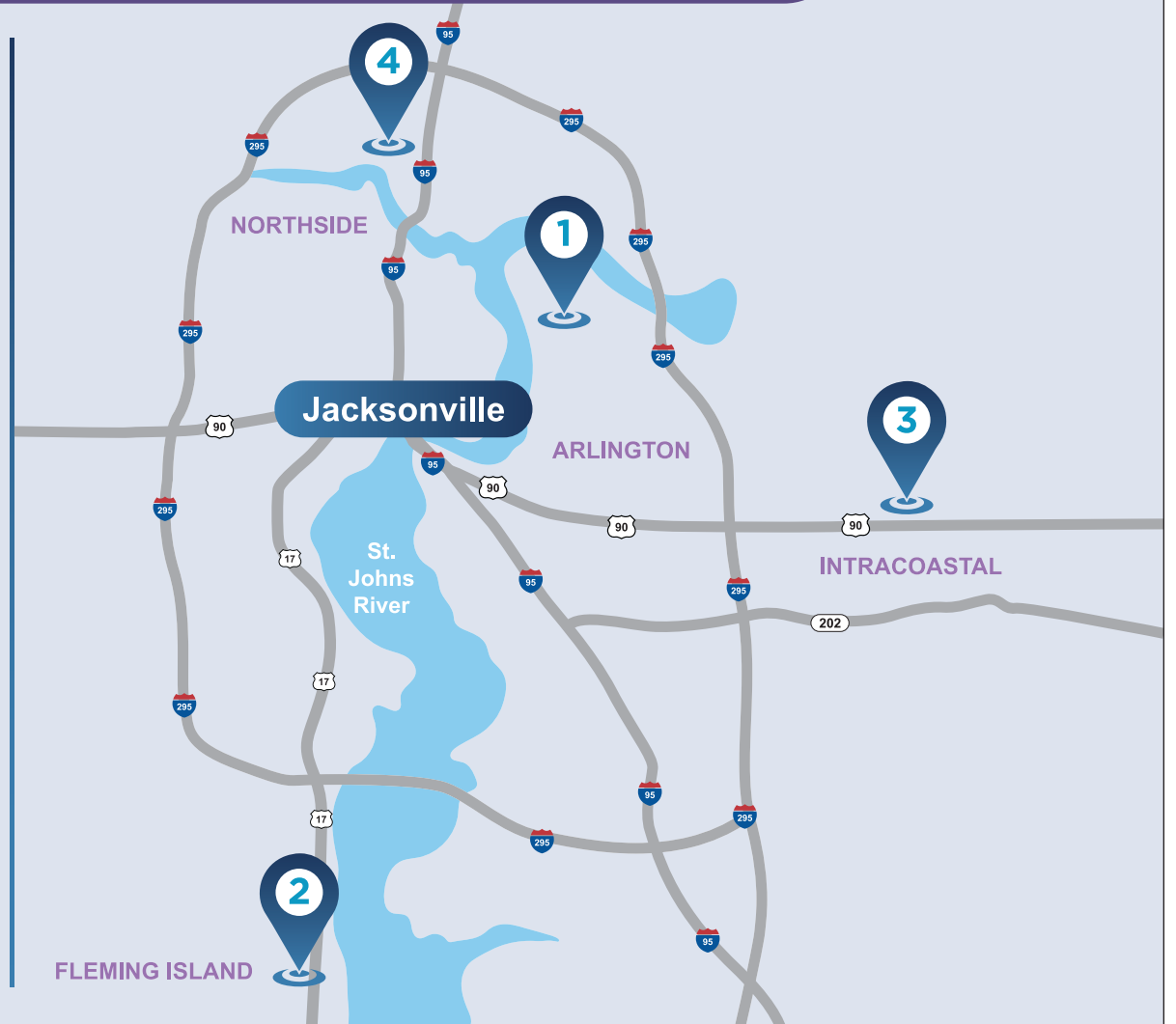
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Winters Spent at the Spring

By Archives Specialist Vishi Garig
A Service of Clerk of Court and Comptroller Tara S. Green

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The winds of the Civil War had barely died out when tourists began flocking to Florida. The feel of the warm spring waters beckoned them. At first, they came for the “water cure”. Normally, spring water feels frigid to us Floridians in the summer, but when the air is colder than the water temperature the spring feels warm. The tourists loved it!

Dr. Applegate completed the construction of the Clarendon Hotel in the springtime of 1872. Today, Green Cove Springs City Hall sits where the hotel was once located. The good doctor was from Indiana and was assigned to Florida after the Civil War in 1867 with the Freedmen’s Bureau. Bureau operations were located at the Magnolia Hotel during Reconstruction.

Dr. Applegate later collaborated with John H. Harris, coordinating the operations of the Clarendon Hotel in Green Cove Springs as well. While Harris managed the bottled water business from New York, Dr. Applegate lectured on the



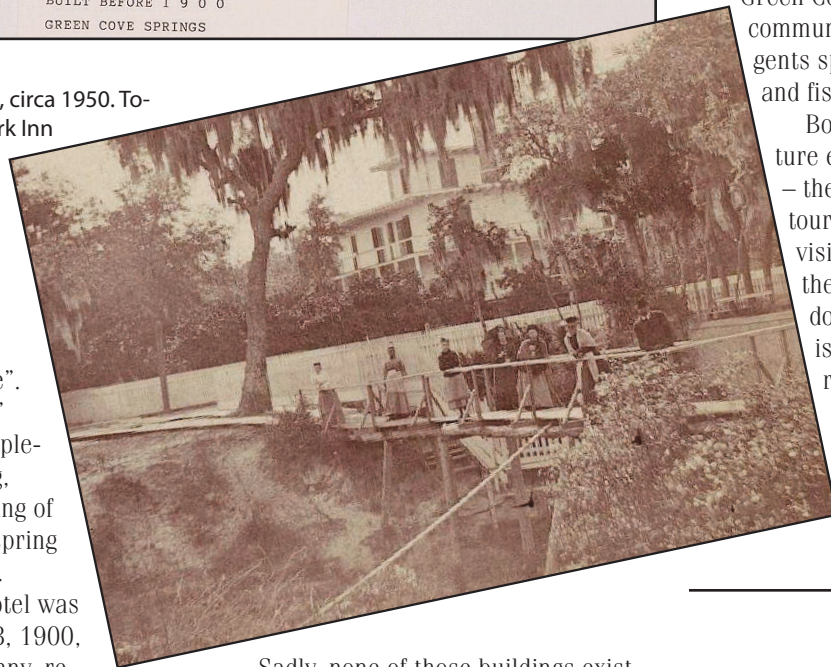
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS

Dr. Applegate’s house, above, circa 1950. Today this home is the River Park Inn Bed and Breakfast in Green Cove Springs. Below, tourists cross the spring run. The Schulz House, in the background, still stands today.

benefits of sulfur water to those who sought the “cure”. The “Water Cure Company” flourished thanks to Dr. Applegate’s lectures, prescribing, dispensing and even shipping of the sulfur water from the spring in Green Cove to New York.

While the Clarendon Hotel was destroyed by fire on April 3, 1900, Applegate and his wife, Jenny, resided in Cottage A of the hotel until his death in 1919. Cottage A is now the River Park Inn B&B, next door to city hall. The hotel was replaced by the Qui-Si-Sana and that stood till the city hall was built.

Several other hoteliers discovered the spring and Florida’s great winter weather. They built a dozen hotels and boarding houses in the area surrounding the spring.



Sadly, none of those buildings exist anymore due to fire, storms, lack of maintenance and development progress.

Wintering in Green Cove Springs became quite popular with wealthy northerners from places like Massachusetts, Philadelphia and New York. The most prominent of these visitors was the Borden Family of Borden’s Condensed Milk fame. The family-owned several houses in

town and even purchased a dairy out in the countryside. Penelope Borden’s home is still standing on Walnut Street and is the school district’s Professional Development Center. When it came time for the county to build a new jail and courthouse, the Bordens donated the land those buildings stand on today.

The 1890 Historic Courthouse and 1894 Old County Jail now are decorated for the 2021 holiday season. Everyone is invited to come to see the lights on the oak trees, buildings and lamp posts.

Visiting ladies, many who were here for the entire season, formed the Village Improvement Association which remains the oldest woman’s club in Florida. Their clubhouse is at 17 Palmetto Avenue in Green Cove Springs and is a hub for community activity year-round. The gents spent time golfing, hunting and fishing.

Both genders enjoyed the nature excursions the hotels offered – the beginnings of ecological tourism in Clay County. Some visitors loved it here so much they retired here, just as they do today. Today the spring pool isn’t open in the winter, the reverse of the original use schedule. The only visitor in the spring in winter is our juvenile manatee.

PruittHealth seeks community support to surprise seniors this holiday season

FLEMING ISLAND – To combat loneliness and social isolation, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports is linked to serious health conditions, caregivers at PruittHealth are asking the community to send holiday greetings, prayers, drawings and videos to CaringCards@pruithhealth.com or submit them online at PruittHealth.com.

PruittHealth activities directors and caregivers will share these holiday greetings and messages of encouragement with patients – more than 9,000 of them on Fleming Island and in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina – to ensure they know that they are in the thoughts of compassionate friends, even ones they have never met.

“Together, we can ensure no older adult in our communities feels forgotten this holiday season and with a simple act of kindness, we can do our part to improve the health and well-being of older adults in the community,” Neil Pruitt, chairman and CEO of PruittHealth, said. “We saw firsthand how these Caring Cards help bring such joy to patients’ faces when we piloted the program and I thank everyone who participates in advance for helping us repeat its success this year.”

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School district reviewing thousands of ARPA surveys

By Nick Blank
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FLEMING ISLAND — The Clay County School District is assessing community responses before they spend more than \$35 million in federal disaster funding.

Similar to counties and municipalities, school districts also receive American Rescue Plan Act dollars for COVID-19 disaster relief purposes. The district will be distributed \$35.6 million. Susan Legutko, Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs, told district board members at a school board meeting last week that the district was required to seek public input on where the money should be spent.

District staff would release the complete data at a later meeting but sketched the contours for school board members.

In July of 2020, the district received \$38 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding for cleaning supplies, personal protective equipment and remote learning technology like Chromebooks. Like the CARES act dollars, the ARPA funds are non-recurring, she said.

"These funds were based on immediate needs based on long-term school closures, and of course, targeting online education,"

Legutko said. "These are one-time dollars we have at our disposal."

The survey was conducted from Nov. 19 to Dec. 3. Federal Programs Supervisor Ryan Widdowson said respondents were asked about academic achievement, career and technical education programs, facility repairs and improvements, mental health services, accommodations for special populations, district technology and workforce stability.

"We had to get input from community members, parents, employees and students and we had to ask about very specific things, particularly our special needs groups," Widdowson said.

She said the requirements for spending the money are strict.

"It's not as simple as they give us money and we do whatever we want to do with it whenever we want to do it," she added. "There's always guidelines and rules."

The district expects the Department of Education to weigh in by January. Staff will develop a plan and submit their application to the state by Dec. 17. Until then, Widdowson said staff will continue evaluating survey results, including 600 to 700 comments.

"We were excited to see that," Widdowson said.

She said a Community Redevelopment Agency for Green Cove Springs would positively impact the area. A CRA applies local tax dollars to improvements in a defined district.

"Green Cove is our county seat and we need to be working together with the city and support them now as the growth continues," Burke said.

Other issues brought forward included attracting businesses, animal control, expanded adult recreation, broadband, litter and transportation improvements. Toward the end of the workshop, commissioners said they were appreciative to hear each other's thoughts in a forum format.

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county policies should be tougher on developments that request zoning changes. She also wanted more specifications for retention ponds and burrow pits for developments.

"We need to correct that [zoning] loophole. We shouldn't have to be worried if we're getting tricked," Burke said.



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Golden Corral buffet re-energizes from pandemic-related closure to satisfy appetites

By Don Coble
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ORANGE PARK – The smell of fried chicken, fresh-baked yeast rolls and sizzling hamburgers has returned to Orange Park.

So have the big appetites who've missed the Golden Corral Buffet and Grill.

After sitting dormant for 18 months by the economic challenges that came with the COVID-19 pandemic, the popular all-you-can-eatery recently turned the lights, fryers and ovens back on at 582 Blanding Blvd.

"I already knew it was a great location," said Lawrence Johnson, the new owner who's operated the Southside Golden Corral since 2018.

While others were suspending their stores and restaurants, Johnson saw an opportunity. His Southside store remained profitable despite the early shutdown mandates because he was quick to make adjustments to his services. Instead of standing in line to fill plates with mashed potatoes and meatloaf, Johnson focused on a takeout menu, curbside pickups and home delivery. And as soon as the restric-



tions were lifted, his customers returned.

"What really got me was when the State of Florida and the rest of the country told us we couldn't walk in the door," he said. "I talked with guests. I made the adjustments to be successful, and it worked. We made it very profitable with what we were allowed to do."



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Lawrence Johnson, left, said even after it was closed for 18 months by the COVID-19 pandemic, he always considered the restaurant in Orange Park to be a "great location." Golden Corral has re-opened, bringing more than 80 jobs to the county.

The Orange Park location closed on March 25, 2020. It sat empty and dark for more than a year. The company sign simply read: "Closed," and there were no plans from the original owner to return.

Johnson bought the Orange Park store

in May. Shortly afterward, he suffered a medical setback that put a grand re-opening on hold. There were other challenges that came with the current supply chain problems.

"I had a stroke and everything just stopped," Johnson said. "Then I couldn't find equipment, I couldn't find food. We had to go around and find it piece by piece. It came from here and there."

He hired 80 to open the restaurant in November, just 28 didn't show up for their first day of work. He said he's open to doing interviews "every day."

The grand re-opening came also with a major overhaul of the dining room and serving areas. Counters are clean and shiny. The selections are fresh and inviting. And most important, the staff seems to play off Johnson's appreciation and enthusiasm to be back in business.

"Day by day, inch by inch, we got it done," he said. "My co-workers are solid. They know what they're doing. I'm very fortunate to have all of them. Just about all of them came from Clay County or Orange Park.

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MIDDLEBURG – Culver's of Middleburg is a Gold Finalist in the nationwide Culver's Crew Challenge contest where Culver's restaurants compete in the areas of quality, service, cleanliness, hospitality, community outreach, and team member training and development. The Middleburg Restaurant is one of five restaurants out of over 830 to advance. The national champion will be announced in Indianapolis, Indiana at Culver's annual convention next February.

"I'm so proud of our team members for putting forth this effort," says Sophie Lichte, owner/operator of the Middleburg restaurant. "The best part of this competition is that our guests are on the receiving end of an awesome Culver's experience."

"It always starts with people. We truly have fantastic people serving our guests in

all our restaurants," explains Craig Culver, Co-Founder of Culver's. "And it's really very special to me when we can recognize their hard work and dedication to their guests and communities."

"This is a tremendous achievement and each of these team members should be very proud of their work in being named one of the Top 5 Culver's restaurants in the country," says Rick Silva, Culver's President and CEO.

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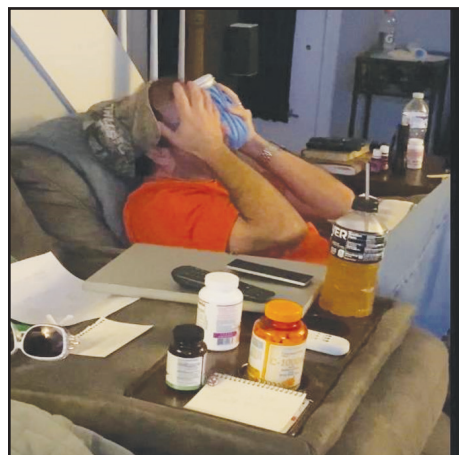
Back from left, employees of the Middleburg Culver's Frankie Thomas, Star McDuffie, Brooke Collier, Kristopher Hoose, Tiffany Earls, David Beeson, Kaitlyn Catherman, Philip McBride, Kenny Fanuke, Marcus Lee, Seth Halterman, Lauren Gillyard, Brandon Clark, Nathan Hall, (front from left) Jaydynn Garza, Craig Culver, Dori Hoose, Baylee Smith, Sophie Lichte, Tyler Johnson, Samantha Mitchell, Ryan Harris, Kaylann Schueler, Ruby Martell, Vickie Whitson and Rick Silva all were selected as one of the five-best stores in the Culver's franchise. The company will give the overall winning store a \$50,000 prize that will be split among the employees.

OPMC now the hub for unique treatment of nerve disorders

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – Patients are now traveling across the country to Orange Park Medical Center for the specialized treatment of five rare nerve disorders. The treatments, provided by Neurosurgeon Dr. Michael Horowitz, address damage to the cranial nerves within the brain. The treatment is only available at a handful of hospitals throughout the United States.

The disorders treated include Geniculate Neuralgia, Glossopharyngeal Neuralgia, Hemifacial Spasm, Occipital Neuralgia and the most common, Trigeminal Neuralgia. Symptoms from the disorders vary from excruciating facial pain on one side of the face, deep ear or throat pain, dizziness, hearing loss, weakness, paralysis and facial twitches. "Unfortunately, most of the time the cause is unknown. Patients typically spend months visiting doctors and researching their symptoms online before figuring out the cause of their pain," said Dr. Michael Horowitz, Neurosurgeon at Orange Park Medical Center and First Coast Neurosurgery. "Because cranial nerve disorders are often difficult to treat, we incorporate a wide range of therapies and surgeries to identify the most effective



Steve Dorsett was in excruciating pain, left, at his Alabama home before he made the trip to the Orange Park Medical Center for a unique treatment to solve his nerve disorder. Following the surgery, the scar is only reminder of his previous condition.

treatment for patients."

Rita Korody's journey was just that. At the age of 58, Rita began experiencing throbbing pain and burning in her throat. Eventually, she lost the ability to swallow solid foods. After losing 35 pounds, two ENT doctors, and trying multiple medications, Rita found herself hopeless.

"I was living with severe anxiety and pain like no other. I couldn't believe a human could go through that much pain and



survive it," said Rita Korody. "It was a painful road and very scary. I didn't think I was going to survive."

Once Rita received her diagnosis of Glossopharyngeal Neuralgia, a disorder that causes severe deep throat pain due to a small blood vessel that presses on the nerves as blood exits the brainstem, she was on a mission to find help. Through a Facebook support group, Rita was given Dr. Horowitz's name and she began re-

searching online.

"Right then, I decided he would be the one to heal me. I was totally amazed that he was located in Florida. I thought I was going to have to go to New York or California to get this kind of treatment. He was only four hours away from me." Rita traveled from Tarpon Springs to undergo a procedure that instantly relieved her symptoms. Her three-year journey came to an end.

"It was a huge success for me," said Rita. "I'm done with it and I am ready to get my old life back."

While she is early on in her recovery, Rita looks forward to boating, gardening and socializing with family and friends again soon. Similar to Rita, Steve Dorsett traveled from Alabama to receive treatment for both Trigeminal Neuralgia and Geniculate Neuralgia.

"You're just trying to survive. You have to force yourself to eat," said Steve when describing what it was like to live with the conditions. "It's known as the suicide disease." After the procedure, Steve experienced instant relief. "It was amazing. The fact that I can now order a hamburger and sit down and enjoy it is a miracle."

Treatment for cranial nerve disorders varies from medication to surgical procedures such as microvascular decompression, a minimally invasive surgery that relieves the abnormal compression of the cranial nerve. "The surgical procedures to treat cranial nerve disorders have a low complication rate and a very high success rate in solving the patient's pain and discomfort," said Dr. Horowitz.

To learn more about cranial nerve disorders treatment options available at Orange Park Medical Center visit <https://OrangeParkPhysicians.com/service/cranial-nerve-disorders>.



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Lineup

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Hot Country Songs, on April 6.

During Wednesday's announcement, Hyder said the association decided to mix up its lineup after soliciting ideas from fans.

"We actually listened to our fair guests," she said. "What we've heard was they wanted to hear more than country. We will never get away from country music because that's who we are. But we're going to have a variety of genres, try to get a little something for everyone."

Hyder took a chance a year ago when she signed Vanilla Ice and Tag Team ("Whoomp, there it is!") for a Monday night show, and it proved to be one of the fastest-sellouts in fair history.

Heavy metal legends Quiet Riot and Warrant will be joined by St. Augustine hair metal cover band Papercutt on April 1, followed by Lorrie Morgan, Deana Carter, Colton Chapman and Brian Congdon the following night.

On April 3, Rodney Atkins, Tracy Byrd



Lorrie Morgan

and Congdon will perform. Sublime with Rome and Split Tone will play on April 4 and Walker Montgomery, Kameron Marlowe and Jameson Rodgers will bring more country music on April 5.

Hyder expects the demand for tickets to be as diverse as the lineup. She said Nelly has played at other fairs and his shows were quick to sell out.

"If you want tickets to these shows, you need to get your tickets now," she said. "I hope our fair guests receive it well. We worked really hard with this lineup. It will sell very well."

Gate tickets include general admission to the shows. Reserved and VIP seating costs extra.



Warrant



Nelly



Sublime's Eric Wilson



Quiet Riot

Gate prices are \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors 60 and older and children between 6-12. Advanced sale tickets, available at ticket outlets and on the fair's website, are \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and chil-

dren. "It's going to be a fun year," Hyder said. "Get your tickets now."

A complete schedule with reserved and VIP seating prices is available at www.claycountyfair.org.

Clay County Fair garners 17 awards at IAFE Conference

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Clay County Agriculture Fair won 17 awards during the International Association of Fairs and Expositions awards virtual show, a first in the fair's 36-year history.

Fair Manager Tasha Hyder accepted the awards during the annual IAFE conference and tradeshow in San Antonio, Texas. The fair also was honored with the distinctive "Judges Creative Award" for the Ferris Wheel Speed Dating event that was held for the first time during last year's fair.

Here's a list of awards:

- Hall of Honor Communication Awards
 1. First Place, Battle of the Fair Food
 2. First Place, Radio Ads
 3. First Place, Single Side Ad (Jax4Kids Cover)
 4. Second Place, Online Advertisements (Jax Moms Blog)
 5. Second Place, T-Shirt Design

- 6. Third Place, Best Marketing Campaign

Innovation in Sponsorship Award

1. First Place, Sponsor Exposure
2. First Place, Sponsor Continuity (Winn-Dixie)
3. Second Place, First Time Sponsor (Harrell & Harrell)

Agricultural Awards

1. Second Place, Ag-Photo- Ag Education 4H/FFA
2. Second Place, Ag-Photo- Livestock (not equine)
3. Second Place, Ag-Education classroom boxes
4. Second Place, Ag-Ed Shed
5. Second Place, Harrell & Harrell Education Banners
6. Third Place, Livestock Champion Awards

Competitive Exhibits Awards

1. Third Place, Rain Barrel Contest



"We had a fantastic fair year this year and I am so incredibly proud of all of the recognition we've received for our efforts," general manager Tasha Hyder said. "We had so many challenges to get the gates open for 2021 and the fact that we opened and it was great and everyone had a great time, is just what makes this job so enjoyable."



"We are now diligently working on how to make 2022 even better."

The 2022 Clay County Agricultural Fair is scheduled from March 31 through April 10. Concert lineups and all advanced tickets now are available at claycountyfair.org.



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Christian rapper wants holiday giving to have a long-term impact

By Nick Blank
nick@claytodayonline.com

ORANGE PARK – Christian rapper Brinson Wright is continuing his giving this holiday season, impacting children at Orange Park Medical Center and other area hospitals.

For his “Beyond Christmas” donation, Wright said as many as 40 children at Orange Park Medical Center were taken on a shopping spree at Buckles, Old Navy and Foot Locker Sunday at the Orange Park Mall.



Brinson Wright

“I told them, ‘You’re going to shop ‘till you drop,’” Wright said. “It was so overwhelming for some of them because they have never been able to do anything like that, to have options.”

Despite some issues securing a charter bus, Wright was able to take the children to eat at the Pasta Market in Orange Park first. Youth groups and store staff assisted Wright.

This is Wright’s fourth year of the large-scale donation program during the holidays and he called the ability to keep it going a privilege. The name “Beyond Christmas” stems from wanting a long-term impact on children’s lives.

“It’s a tidal wave. I want the effect of these actions and these events to go be-

yond Christmas and once a year,” Wright said. “I want people to see it and be inspired to do good.”

Wright said his family didn’t have a lot when he was growing up, but a generous uncle would take him to Toys “R” Us and give Wright a basket to fill up. Like his uncle, he said, God also acts as a pick-me-up.

“I never forgot that experience,” Wright said. “I remember praying and asking God, ‘Lord, please put me in a position where I can do this for children.’ I felt like if they are in a not-so-great situation, you need somebody to come in and give you that basket [from Toys R Us].”

Wright expanded the donations to Baptist South and Wolfson Children’s Hospital last year and he added Nemours Children’s Health in downtown Jacksonville this year. The donation doesn’t have a 501-c3 or organization, but he does grab helpers from his church and from social media. He makes a point to donate something to hospital staff.

“I got them so much coffee, the first of December [of the next year] is when they ran out,” Wright said of one hospital.

From Sunday’s event, Wright added that there was a sense of satisfaction after leaving the last store, as some of the children fell asleep on the charter bus. It was a long day for a good cause, he said.

“I wanted to just give them hope and know the lord hasn’t forgotten about them,” Wright said. “That’s the most important message I have for them.”



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL

TRANSMITTAL HEARING TO SEND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY (DEO) FOR REVIEW PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 163.3184(3) AND (11), FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE OF TEXT AND MAP SERIES AMENDMENTS.

Petitioner: City of Green Cove Springs; Project # : FLUL-21-003; Transmittal public hearing to consider amending the Future Land Use; Transportation; Housing; Sanitary Sewer, Solid Waste, Drainage, Potable Water and Aquifer Recharge; Conservation; Recreation and Open Space; Intergovernmental Coordination; and Capital Improvements Elements; Future Land Use Map Series and Transportation Map Series; and to consider adding the Economic Development and Private Property Rights Elements to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Green Cove Springs.



A Public Hearing to consider the proposed amendments of the City’s Comprehensive Plan will be held by the City Council to consider transmittal of the proposed amendments to the DEO on January 4, 2022 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 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are 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 hearings 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 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 he 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.

Said Amendments are available at City Hall for review during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday.

All interested individuals are invited to attend these public hearings.

City of Green Cove Springs
Heather Glisson, Planning Technician
City Hall, 321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

Legal 48883 published December 16, 2021 in Clay County’s Clay Today Newspaper.

Keystone Height’s Moncrief earns scholarship from TaxSlayer Gator Bowl

Clay Today staff

Caleb Moncrief played tight end and defensive end for the Keystone Heights Indians last year. He’s also a member of the weightlifting, basketball and track and field teams, the National Honor Society, National Math and English Honor Society and recipient of the Clay Electric Speech Contest Scholarship.

Now he can add a \$2,500 scholarship winner from the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl Association.

Moncrief was honored when Texas A&M and Wake Forest were introduced as this year’s teams in the annual game at TIAA Bank Field.

The Gator Bowl identified four local athletes who excel in academics, athletics and community involvement.

Others to win scholarships were Kyra Brenneman from Creekside High, Bishop Kenny’s Natalie Otero and Evan Fleisher from Ponte Vedra.

“That’s what it’s all about,” Gator Bowl president Greg McGarrity said during the announcement. “That not only means putting on a great game and putting heads in bed. But it’s also paying attention to the needs of the community. We’re just so



proud to be affiliated with so many wonderful people. This is a big, big deal for these kids.”

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF BOUNDARIES OF FIVE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' DISTRICTS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 124.02, Florida Statutes, that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, following a public hearing held on November 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room on the Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, adopted Redistricting Proposal Map 5b which became effective immediately upon its adoption, and which changed the boundaries of the five existing County Commissioners' Districts of Clay County, Florida.

On November 23, 2021, the Board further caused an accurate description of the new County Commissioners' District boundaries to be adopted pursuant to Resolution 2021/2022-12, and to be entered upon the minutes of its November 23, 2021 meeting, and a certified copy of the portion of said minutes containing said description is set forth as follows:

District One.

All of the County lying within the area bounded by the following line: Commence at the Point of Beginning being the confluence of the Doctors Lake and the St. Johns River. Run southwesterly along the south shore of Doctors Lake to the intersection with the north line of Section 35, Township 4 South, Range 25 East; run thence west along said north line of Section 35, also being the south line of the plat of Doctors Lake Estates and the north line of the plat of Sandy Hollow to College Drive; run thence northerly along College Drive to Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence southwesterly along Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) to Knight Box Road; run thence south along Knight Box Road to County Road 220; run thence westerly along County Road 220 to the intersection with Little Black Creek; run thence southeasterly along Little Black Creek to Black Creek; run thence easterly along Black Creek to the St. Johns River; run thence northerly along the St. Johns River to the Point of Beginning.

District Two.

All of the County lying within the area bounded by the following line: Commence at the Point of Beginning which is the intersection of Filmore Street and Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence southwest on Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) to Old Jennings Road; run thence west on Old Jennings Road to Buggy Whip Trail; run thence north along Buggy Whip Trail to the intersection with the north line of the south half of Section 25, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; run thence west along said north line, also being the south line of Pine Ridge Plantation West, to the southwest corner of Pine Ridge Plantation West; run thence north along the west line of Pine Ridge Plantation West, also being the west line of said Section 25, to the southwest corner of Section 24, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; thence continue north along the west line of said Section 24, to the southwest corner of Section 13, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; thence continue north along the west line of said Section 13 to the southwest corner of Section 12, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; thence continue north along the west line of said Section 12 about 700' to a trail road; run thence southwest meandering along said trail road about 4200' to the intersection with a trail road running north; run thence north meandering along a trail road running through Sections 14, 11, 10 and 3, Township 4 South, Range 24 East, about 13,000' to the north line of said Section 3, lying about 3200' west of the northeast corner of said Section 3, said north line is also the north line of Clay County; run thence east along the north line of Clay County to the intersection with Cheswick Oak Avenue; run thence south along Cheswick Oak Avenue to the intersection with the south line of Wilford Preserve; run thence easterly along the south line of Wilford Preserve and continue easterly along a future phase of said Wilford Preserve to the most southerly corner thereof; run thence due south, leaving the south line of Wilford Preserve, to the intersection with the northerly line of Lot 29, Foxchase Unit Five; run thence northeasterly along the said north line of Lot 29 and the projected line thereof to the intersection with the projected north line of Foxchase Unit Five; run thence east along the north line of Foxchase Unit Five and the projected north line thereof to the intersection with the Orange Park Country Club Golf Course; run thence south along the west line of said Golf Course and the west line of Heritage Hills to the southwest corner of said Heritage Hills; run thence easterly along the southerly line of said Heritage Hills to the intersection with the northerly projection of Filmore Street; run thence south along Filmore Street and the north projection thereof to the Point of Beginning.

District Three.

All of the County lying within the area bounded by the following line: Commence at the Point of Beginning which is the intersection of the Duval County line and Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence west along said county line to the intersection with Cheswick Oak Avenue; run thence south along Cheswick Oak Avenue to the intersection with the south line of Wilford Preserve; run thence easterly along the south line of Wilford Preserve and continue easterly along a future phase of said Wilford Preserve to the most southerly corner thereof; run thence due south leaving the south line of Wilford Preserve to the intersection with the northerly line of Lot 29, Foxchase Unit Five; run thence northeasterly along the said north line of Lot 29 and the projected line thereof to the intersection with the projected north line of Foxchase Unit Five; run thence east along the north line of Foxchase Unit Five and the projected north line thereof to the intersection with the Orange Park Country Club Golf Course; run thence south along the west line of said Golf Course and the west line of Heritage Hills to the southwest corner of said Heritage Hills; run thence easterly along the southerly line of said Heritage Hills to the intersection with the northerly projection of Filmore Street; run thence south along Filmore Street and the north projection thereof to the intersection with Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence southwesterly along Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) to the intersection with College Drive; run thence south along College Drive to the intersection with the north line of Section 35, Township 4 South, Range 25 East; run thence east along said north line of Section 35, also being the south line of the plat of Doctors Lake Estates and the north line of the plat of Sandy Hollow to Doctors Lake; run thence easterly along the north shore of Doctors Lake to the St. Johns River; run thence northerly along the St. Johns River to the north line of Clay County; run thence west along said north line of Clay County to the Point of Beginning.

District Four.

All of the County lying within the area bounded by the following line: Commence at the Point of Beginning which is the intersection of Old Jennings Road and Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence west on Old Jennings Road to Buggy Whip Trail; run thence north along Buggy Whip Trail to the intersection with the north line of the south half of Section 25, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; run thence west along said north line, also being the south line of Pine Ridge Plantation West, to the southwest corner of Pine Ridge Plantation West; run thence north along the west line of Pine Ridge Plantation West, also being the west line of said Section 25, to the southwest corner of Section 13, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; thence continue north along the west line of said Section 13 to the southwest corner of Section 12, Township 4 South, Range 24 East; thence continue north along the west line of said Section 12 about 700' to a trail road; run thence southwest meandering along said trail road about 4200' to the intersection with a trail road running north; run thence north meandering along a trail road running through Sections 14, 11, 10 and 3, Township 4 South, Range 24 East, about 13,000' to the north line of said Section 3, lying about 3200' west of the northeast corner of said Section 3, said north line is also the north line of Clay County; run thence west along the north line of Clay County to the northwest corner of Clay County; run thence south along the west line of Clay County to the southwest of Clay County; run thence easterly meandering along the south line of Clay County to the intersection with Hogarth Road; run thence north along Hogarth Road to the intersection with Sharron Road; run thence west on Sharron Road to the intersection with Greens Creek; run thence northerly meandering along Greens Creek to the intersection with the South Fork Black Creek; run thence northerly meandering along the South Fork Black Creek to the intersection with the North Fork Black Creek; run thence westerly meandering along the North Fork Black Creek to the intersection with Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence northeasterly along Blanding Boulevard to the Point of Beginning.

District Five.

All of the County lying within the area bounded by the following line: Commence at the Point of Beginning which is the intersection of Knight Box Road and Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence south along Knight Box Road to County Road 220; run thence westerly along County Road 220 to the intersection with Little Black Creek; run thence southeasterly along Little Black Creek to Black Creek; run thence easterly along Black Creek to the St. Johns River; run thence southerly along the St. Johns River to the south line of Clay County; run thence west along the south line of Clay County to the intersection with Hogarth Road; run thence north along Hogarth Road to the intersection with Sharron Road; run thence west on Sharron Road to the intersection with Greens Creek; run thence northerly meandering along Greens Creek to the intersection with the South Fork Black Creek; run thence northerly meandering along the South Fork Black Creek to the intersection with the North Fork Black Creek; run thence westerly meandering along the North Fork Black Creek to the intersection with Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21); run thence northeasterly along Blanding Boulevard to the Point of Beginning.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the portion of the foregoing Notice represented to be a certified copy of a portion of the minutes of the November 23, 2021 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, is in fact a true and correct copy of said portion of said minutes. Witness my hand and seal this 14th day of December, 2021.


Tara S. Green
Clay County Clerk of Court and Comptroller
Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

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Baptist Medical Center Clay, Baptist Oakleaf ERs receive national awards

Emergency room departments cited by 2021 Press Ganey Guardian of Excellence

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – The emergency departments at Baptist Clay and Baptist Oakleaf have been selected 2021 as Guardian of Excellence Award winners by Press Ganey, the national leader in healthcare consumer and workforce engagement.

Press Ganey recognizes top-performing healthcare organization achieving the 95th percentile or above for performance in patient experience, which is measured by consumer ratings and how likely they are to recommend the medical center to others.

“We thank the community for trusting us with their emergency care. This honor is a result of survey feedback from our patients who gave us high ratings for our level of care,” said Darin Roark, hospital president for Baptist Medical Center Clay.

“Our team members live and work right here in Clay County – so it’s truly neighbor taking care of neighbor. This award is great recognition of the amazing service our teams provide 24/7.”

The Press Ganey Guardian of Excellence Award® is a preeminent, competitive achievement for leading healthcare organizations. Presented annually, the award applauds hospitals and health systems that consistently sustained performance in the top 5% of all Press Ganey clients.

“Press Ganey is honored to recognize Baptist Clay and Oakleaf ERs as one of the nation’s leaders in patient experience,” said Patrick T. Ryan, chairman and chief executive officer, Press Ganey. “This award reflects an unwavering commitment to earn the trust and loyalty of patients throughout unimaginable challenges. We are humbled by Baptist Health’s incredible efforts, and their ability to adapt to imperatives of COVID-19 on top of the increasing demand for consumerism in healthcare.”



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The Florida Ballet dazzled audiences at the Thrasher-Horne Center last weekend with its production of *The Nutcracker*. Top, from left, a ballerina strikes an iconic pose during the performance, while the soldiers provided some of the holiday magic and Clara takes the spotlight. Below, the Rat King takes the stage.



Florida Ballet dazzles holiday crowd with iconic *The Nutcracker*



By Kathleen Chambless
For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – The Florida Ballet partnered with the Thrasher-Horne Center of the Arts to bring the iconic “*The Nutcracker*” to the stage last weekend.

For those unfamiliar with *The Nutcracker*, it may be hard to understand the nostalgia and magic of the show. The show is an annual tradition for many, like Christmas carols or holiday baking.

For the dancers that perform in the show, it’s a sort of right-of-passage to move up the ranks. Often the youngest dancers grow up playing the small mice and the candy children. As they get more experienced, they may get the chance to be the dancers who take the lead of Clara and the Nutcracker.

The show opens on a Christmas party; as the dancers bring giant presents in for children and adults alike to enjoy. The porcelain dolls and toy soldiers are themselves played by dancers, and perform to the de-

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light of both the children on stage and the children in the audience. Clara receives a nutcracker that she cherishes dearly. Before she can thank her uncle, who gifted it to her, her brother breaks it. Their uncle repaired the nutcracker with a flourish of the hand, but the party quickly dies out.

Clara falls asleep near the lights of the Christmas tree and awakes to rats trying to steal leftovers and take presents. She’s frightened, but suddenly her Nutcracker comes to life along with the toy soldiers and leaps across the stage to defeat the rats and their king.

The Christmas tree grows taller on the stage and shows the audience that the people on stage are shrinking to the size of the toys. The Rat King’s sword catches the Nutcracker in the back, and Clara rushes for him, horrified. She throws her shoe at the Rat King, who falls back as the music goes quiet. The lights were dim as she kneels by her Nutcracker, crying that he’s broken again. Suddenly, she moves away as the nutcracker wakes up.

The lights brighten, the music swells, and we see that the wooden nutcracker has turned into a human. He offers his hand to Clara and whisks her away to a winter wonderland. The inhabitants are overwhelmingly grateful that she’s defeat-

ed the Rat King and set them free from his persecutions.

The rest of the show passes in a gorgeous display of colors and lights as dancers twirl and leap across the stage, telling the story of the Marzipan Candies, the Sugar Plum Princess, and the various toys such as Russian dolls. Snowflakes dance across the stage as actual snow falls from the rafters, illuminated by the swirling lights and the soft piano that slowly builds into a blizzard.

Even with no words spoken, the story is captivating. The music leads you through the scenes with flutes and strings that seem to match with characters. The dancers were as expressive as they were fluid. Even during some of the slower scenes, there was never any doubt that everyone was paying attention.

As audience members filed out of the theatre, children of all ages were mimicking the ballet they saw only a few minutes earlier. Their enthusiasm and wonder at the show are why so many dancers put in hard work year after year to bring this story to life.

It’s because of them that the future of ballet continues to grow as current dancers inspire and encourage others to create their own Nutcracker magic.



Police Briefs

Jacksonville man arrests for child sex crimes, stealing a car

MIDDLEBURG — Deputies responding to a car accident wound up putting a Jacksonville man in the Clay County Jail on Dec. 11 on an array of child sex crimes and driving a stolen car.

George Sebastian-Gonzo Stewart, 21, was charged with interference of custody of a child, simple battery, grand theft auto, sending in-state electronic information to harm a child, traveling to meet a minor and using his cellphone to facilitate a felony after depu-



George Stewart

ties said he crashed his father's car at Omega Park.

When they investigated the accident, Stewart said he had a 17-year-old passenger when he crashed. The passenger, who later was identified as being 12, lived near the park, according to the arrest report.

The two met on Instagram on Dec. 8 and continued to chat through Dec. 11 when the girl agreed to sneak out of her home and meet him in the park. Stewart sent "selfie" nude pictures of himself, but the girl didn't reciprocate, the sheriff's office said.

Stewart crashed when he backed into a fence at a high rate of speed on Masters Road. He then drove back to the park where the girl said Stewart tried to grope her twice. She told deputies she returned home after feeling uneasy.

Stewart, whose next court date is Jan.

4, is being held on a \$67,518 bond.

Melrose woman jailed for setting up carjacking

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — A Melrose woman was arrested after the Clay County Sheriff's Office said she orchestrated a plan with two other people on Nov. 4 to carjack a man's truck.

Amber Marie Caudill, 29, of Melrose, was in the county jail with a \$150,000 bond after being charged with carjacking with a deadly weapon after deputies said she



Amber Caudill

lured a man to High Ridge Estates to take his truck. According to the affidavit for arrest warrant, Caudill asked the man to take her to Swarthmore Drive so she could find a camper she said was stolen a week earlier. She got out of the truck and started walking through yards at 2 a.m. The victim became concerned and started looking for Caudill when he was approached by two other people identified as Michael Shane Beeman Hatch and Clarissa Thomas. Hatch then brandished a knife and order the victim to move away from his truck. As he did it, Caudill emerged from some bushes and got into the driver's seat, while Hatch and Thomas got into the passenger seat.

The trio eventually was arrested in Putnam County. Caudill was arrested on Dec. 7 at her home in Melrose. Hatch remains in the Putnam County Jail without bond and Thomas remains at large.

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, Dec. 14

Robin D. Lusk, 20, Green Cove Springs, introduce/remove contraband into jail, possession-drug paraphernalia, possession-controlled substance

Christopher M. Warner, 18, Green Cove Springs, simple domestic battery

Jon-Codi A. Westervelt, 28, Keystone Heights, possession-drug paraphernalia, driving without valid license

Amber L. Bruce, 38, Keystone Heights, possession-methamphetamine

Ryan S. Bruner, 34, Orange Park, burglary

Julian K.K. Gonsalves, 22, Middleburg, simple domestic battery

Debra S. Maylon, 57, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Glenda D. Ashby, 43, Green Cove Springs, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia, possession-crack cocaine, possession-Lortab, DWLSR

Troy J. Maas, 35, Orange Park, DUI

Monday, Dec. 13

Charvelle D. Jackson, 19, Middleburg, possession-marijuana

Vincent L. Adams, 30, Orange Park, vandalism, resist law enforcement with violence

Kyle M. Mason, 29, Middleburg, simple domestic battery

Steven M. McDonald, 38, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-methamphetamine, FTA-DWLSR

Morgan A. Callahan, 24, Middleburg, possession-marijuana, possession-drug

paraphernalia

Brittany D. Hutto, 31, Green Cove Springs, grand theft auto, fraudulent use of credit card

Nicole M. Sanchez, 40, Orange Park, VOP-community control

Henry Stephens, 19, Orange Park, armed robbery while wearing mask or hood

Tyler S. Provencher, 23, Green Cove Springs, VOP-DUI

Melissa L. Manning, 40, Maxville, VOP-community control

Bryan M.K. Julian, 40, Green Cove Springs, /

fugitive warrant/out of state extradition

Barbara J. Sindelar, 33, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-controlled substance

Regina M. Bauer, 37, Orange Park, grand theft firearm

Jesus J. Sanchez, 54, Orange Park, aggravated battery

Avery D. Coussens, 21, Middleburg, DUI

John E. Porter, 56, Green Cove Springs, possession-cocaine

Sunday, Dec. 12

Anthony D. Mosley, 55, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication

Rashaad D. Thomas, 34, Fleming Island, causing bodily harm

Michael E. Westwood, 31, Fleming Island, simple domestic battery

Louis E. Platt, 33, Middleburg, simple battery

Darius R. Allums, 32, Middleburg, DUI

Shonte R. Swogger, 40, Keystone Heights, DUI

Nicole E. Walls, 35, Middleburg, simple battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Saturday, Dec. 11

George S.-G. Stewart, 21, Middleburg, interference with custody of child/incompetent person, simple battery, grand theft auto, in-state personal electronic transmis-

sion to harm minor, traveling to meet a minor for sex, use of two-way communication device to facilitate a felony

Brandon C.E. Dugan, 30, Middleburg, two counts FTA

Friday, Dec. 10

Austin G. Hyatt, 19, Orange Park, DWLSR

Rodney K. Ryker, 60, Green Cove Springs, possession-controlled substance, possession-marijuana

Samantha R. Henline, 28, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl

Karen F. Chaney, 60, Orange Park, DWLSR (Duval)

Wanda I. Rivera, 47, Orange Park, simple battery

Christopher A. Palmer, 31, Orange Park, possession-heroin, petit theft

April A. Canipe, 38, Keystone Heights, aiding an escape (Alachua)

Pete L. Ward, 33, Middleburg, sale-methamphetamine

Lucas B. Mosley, 25, Fleming Island, burglary

Patrick D. Rainey, 47, Middleburg, DUI

Thursday, Dec. 9

Warren R. Chase, 18, Green Cove Springs, VOP-community control/domestic battery

Jamie S. MacAllister, 44, Middleburg, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, DWLSR

Tressina N. Dishman, 36, Green Cove Springs, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Michael J. Stanilonis, 37, Green Cove Springs, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Geoffrey A. Dyal, 39, Orange Park, battery on a person 65 or older

Frankie R. Wheeler, 53, Fleming Island, shoplifting

Tanya H. Haston, 58, Green Cove Springs, DUI

Allison H. Smith, 37, Green Cove

Springs, two counts FTA

Ja'Zariah H.L. Mack, 21, Orange Park, shoplifting

David W. Aylesburg, 51, Middleburg, VOP-community control

Wednesday, Dec. 8

Steven R. Centeno, 36, Middleburg, simple domestic battery

Jermaine C. Verdell, 48, Orange Park, FTA

Jeret L. Hubbard, 21, Fleming Island, DUI

Aaron C. Smith-Johnson, 34, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia, DWLSR

Maurice R. Stowe, 27, Orange Park, DWLSR

Fabian A.R. Hernandez, 41, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Ervin Bailey, 21, Green Cove Springs, VOP-attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with disregard to safety

Shelley J. Smith, 51, Green Cove Springs, non-support

Shakeldrick M. Brown, 32, Green Cove Springs, FTA-battery

John L. Zino, 58, Green Cove Springs, VOP-violation of injunction to be within 500 feet of residence/schools

Eliza J. Huckins, 34, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-attached license tag not assigned to vehicle

Jaylin X. Austin, 29, Orange Park, FTA

Cedrick L. James, 43, Green Cove Springs, FTA-failure to register vehicle

Evelin B.J. Munoz, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license

Jon-Codi A. Westervelt, 28, Keystone Heights, possession-drug paraphernalia

Charlotte A. Johns, 46, Green Cove Springs, burglary

Brittney L. Gwara, 32, Middleburg, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia



#904SecretSanta spreads holiday cheer around Clay

Local sheriff's office deputies give away gift cards to local residents

CLAY COUNTY – #904SecretSanta returned to Northeast Florida on Tuesday, delighting unsuspecting citizens who received a total of \$50,000 in individual gift cards. Acting on behalf of two anonymous donors who work through The Community Foundation, law enforcement made 500 surprised citizens in Clay, Duval and St. Johns counties very happy with much-appreciated holiday spending money in the form of \$100 VISA gift cards.

Deputies with the Clay County Sheriff's Office was out in force Tuesday looking for who's been naughty and nice, and they gave away 100 cards who anyone they found doing something nice. Sheriff Michelle Cook led a patrol of deputies who scoured the county, from Keystone Heights and Clay Hill to Oakleaf and Argyle – and everything in between – for deserving recipients. "It was tremendously successful," said sheriff deputy Andrew Ford, who served as point man for Clay County. "It's hard to describe the look of joy on the faces when you hand them a card. For some, it gave them a chance to get that extra gift this year or to have Christmas dinner."

#904SecretSanta started in 2015 when the two donors approached The Community Foundation for Northeast



Florida through their professional advisor, and a Donor Advised fund was established at The Community Foundation to carry out their wishes. Since beginning the effort in 2015, this pair of donors has distributed a total of \$300,000 across three counties during the holidays.

TD Bank handles the transfer of the Donor Advised Fund's gift of \$50,000 into 500 preapproved VISA gift cards for distribution. TD Bank offered to waive the fees normally associated with purchasing gift cards so that the full value of the donors' gifts can go directly to the recipients.



County approves bid for Blanding fire station repairs in Orange Park

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – An Orange Park fire station is set to receive relief from a mold issue after Clay County Commissioners unanimously approved a \$106,000 bid for repairs Tuesday night.

The county needs to perform mold remediation and renovations at Clay County Fire Station 18 to correct the air conditioning system and moisture deficiencies, according to county documents.

Clay County Fire Station 18 is located at 207 Blanding Blvd. and is a 3,600-square-foot building. Other than mold and air conditioning, the scope of the project includes wall, ceiling and fixture replacements.

The Fire Station 18 Repairs and Renovations bid was awarded to Middleburg-based Gary S. Bailey, Inc., for \$106,097. The project deadline is no later than 70 days from the notice-to-proceed date, which county officials said they would establish after Tuesday's meeting.

Commissioner Betsy Condon said she

didn't want to wait too much longer and was concerned about firefighters' setup while work was underway. She didn't like the idea of firefighters cooking near their trucks. She praised county staff for working hard but she said didn't want to put people at risk.

"The setup was undesirable in October and now it's December," Condon said. "Now, we're talking about another two-and-a-half months."

She suggested an offsite vehicle or place firefighters can cook.

"I just don't think it's a good situation," Condon said. Acting Fire Chief David Motes said the project was pushed by county staff as fast as he's ever seen. He said the firefighters wanted to stay near the station and Clay County Fire Rescue couldn't have a coverage issue.

"I'll tell you it's not the best situation, but we've been working back and forth with those firefighters to make sure we get it done right at the station and right the first time," Motes said.

Wreaths Across America, Dec. 18

Clay County will be home to three Wreaths Across America events. The annual program is held on National Wreaths Across America Day, with a mission to Remember, Honor and Teach is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 2,500 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

Sponsors and volunteers are encouraged.

The three local observances will start at noon at: Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Memorial Park, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg; Keystone Heights Memorial Gardens, 7304 State Highway 100; and, at Jacksonville Memory Gardens, 111 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park.



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newborn to 14 years old. It will be a drive-thru event again this year and children must be in the vehicle to receive toys.

Although toys are given away at 9, many will arrive several hours in advance. For some, it's the only chance to make sure there are gifts under the Christmas tree.

Everyone in line at noon will be served, organizer Virginia Hall said.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, last year's event was deemed successful.

"The community really stepped up,"

Hall said then. "Organizations and individuals have really helped. We were lucky to continue this."

One change from a year ago is the return of bicycles to the wish lists. Bikes, new and refurbished, will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis.

There is no paperwork required to receive gifts. We are in need of new toys and monetary donations. Toys may be dropped off at any Clay County Fire Stations or at the Fairgrounds on Friday, Dec. 17 from 9 a.m. until noon. Residents also may make a monetary donation at <https://jphallcharities.com/>.



SJRWMD waves fees to plug abandoned artesian wells

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – The St. Johns River Water Management District has waived any associated fees to plug eligible abandoned artesian wells within the District’s 18-county region. Prior to Nov. 9, property owners paid \$600 for the District to plug a free flowing well.

An artesian well is a well that has been drilled into an aquifer where the underground pressure causes the water to rise inside the well. Many of these free-flowing wells were used by farmers decades ago but are no longer needed today. These older free-flowing wells are typically in a deeper portion of the aquifer making them susceptible to an increase in salinity. Additionally, as the well ages, deterioration of the well casing can occur, which may allow poor water quality to move into other zones of the aquifer that are used for drinking water supplies. Florida law now requires well owners to control the discharge from artesian wells, limiting flow to only the amount of water needed for an intended use.

“Plugging these abandoned wells speaks to the heart of the District’s mission by not only saving millions of gallons of water every day, but also ensuring that

the source of residents’ drinking water is protected from possible contaminants,” said St. Johns River Water Management District Executive Director Mike Register.

With more than seven million acres of publicly and privately owned land within the District’s boundaries, finding abandoned wells is the biggest challenge. Most free-flowing wells are on private property and the District relies on owners to identify wells and to work cooperatively with the District to permanently halt the waste of water.

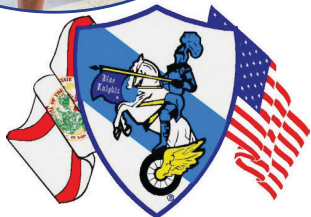
“This is something we can do right now that will have an enormous impact on water quantity for future generations,” states Rob Bradley, Chairman of the District Governing Board.

The District’s Abandoned Artesian Well Plugging Program has plugged nearly 3,000 wells since the program was initiated – potentially saving 745 million gallons of water a day.

Click [here](#) to notify the District of a free flowing well and/or to see if a well is eligible for the program. Any questions regarding the Abandoned Artesian Well Plugging Program, please contact Jeannine Evans at (386) 329-4319.



The St. Johns Water Management District agreed to stop assessing fees to cap abandoned free-flowing artesian wells to permanently stop the waste of water. So far, more than 3,000 wells have been capped, saving the district more than 745 million gallons of water.



Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club Florida Chapter VIII of Duval, Clay, and surrounding counties make an annual donation to three different charities as well as others throughout the year. For 2021, the members donated \$400.00 to Jacksonville Farm Share, \$400.00 to Clay County Food Pantry, and \$400.00 to Unity Pink Outreach in St Augustine to help fight breast cancer. Chapter VIII has been donating to the Farm Share and Food Pantry each year since 2003. They have also been donating time and money to Unity Pink Outreach since it’s inception in 2006.

Florida Chapter VIII Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club obtained it’s Charter in 1987, and have been meeting in the area of Duval and Clay County lines since 1987. Florida Chapter VIII currently meets at La Nopalera Mexican Restaurant at 2024 Kingsley Ave., Orange Park, FL at 6:00 PM on the second Tuesday of each month. They always welcome new members who must be active or retired law enforcement officers and own a motorcycle or with plans to get one. They are a family oriented club.

Smartwatches and Heart Health

What to know before gifting watches this holiday season

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – If you’re thinking about getting a smartwatch for that special someone this holiday season, here are a few reasons why it may be the right move. Dr. Firas El Sabbagh, an Electrophysiologist at Orange Park Medical Center said smartwatches that monitor your heart health can be beneficial for seniors, patients with an existing heart condition, or those who have a history of heart disease in their family.

The smartwatch technology, including the feature electrocardiogram tracking, is designed to keep a close eye on your health. The device can even be used to detect atrial fibrillation (Afib), a medical condition that is the leading cause of stroke.

Watches that perform consistent heart rate monitoring not only help you improve your athletic performance; it can measure your oxygen saturation levels and blood pressure. Having this historical data can help identify trends and when something may be wrong. Smartwatches that track your heart rate variability (HRV) can even measure your stress level.

“I like to recommend smartwatches with this technology to my patients with heart disease or those at risk of heart disease or stroke,” said Dr. El Sabbagh. “It’s a great way to monitor yourself beyond your regular appointments with your physician.

But it’s really important to not replace your visits with your doctor with a watch.”

Dr. El Sabbagh says smartwatches are not medical devices and may not always be 100% accurate, especially if they don’t fit properly. However, the benefits of having this resource, especially if you are in an at-risk population, may be worth the investment.

Smartwatches may give an irregular heartbeat alert, but not all irregularities are dangerous or life-threatening. Thankfully, some smartwatches only send alerts when there have been a set number of abnormal beats within an hour.

“Nothing can replace a face-to-face appointment with your doctor, whether that be at your annual wellness visit or a check-in at your cardiologist,” said Dr. El Sabbagh. “But you could be giving the gift of peace-of-mind to your loved one.”



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The hands of St. Johns Country Day School forward Jaidy Mejia are tough defense on Middleburg's Autumn Vineyard in Spartans' win.

Lady Spartans prove they play defense, too

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - St. Johns Country Day School girls basketball opened the season with a few barn-burning high scoring games led by All-State transfer guard Taliah Scott, but coach Yolando Bronson showed a little less offense and lot more defense on Friday in a 69-15 shutdown of the Middleburg High Lady Broncos on the St. Johns campus.

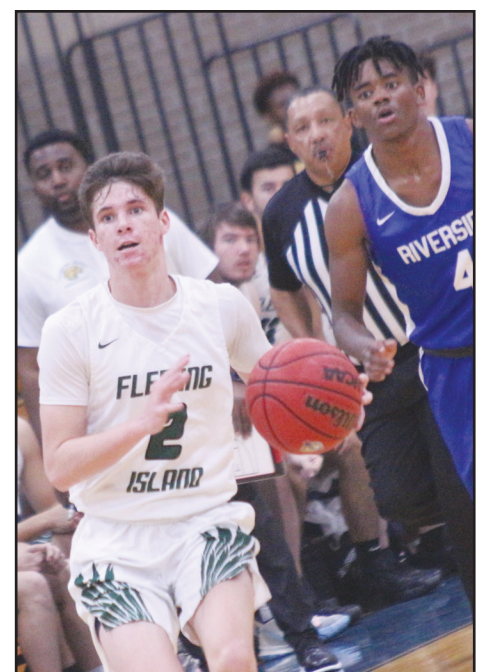
"You know me and I've been here for five years and defense is my game," said

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'Claustrophobia' brings Fortegra hoops title to Fleming Island



Fleming Island power forward Ahman Greenidge powers to basket in Fortegra semifinal win over Riverside. Right: Fleming Island guard Gavin Rayes sets to land a halfcourt buzzer beater three pointer for Golden Eagles bench.



OPHS v. FIHS: Both still unbeaten

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE - In an exhausting display of unrelenting defensive pressure, a.k.a.

Claustrophobia defense, the Fleming Island High boys basketball team embarrassed two highly-touted area basketball squads; Riverside High at 6-1 and Nease High at 6-2 in back-to-back tournament blowouts to earn the Fortegra 9:12 Invitational championship trophy Saturday at Florida

State College of Jacksonville's South Campus.

"We just keep the pressure on until the other team quits, it's that simple," said Fleming Island High coach Traavis Chandler, who scored a 59-31

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FIHS Bull, MHS LeClair in national championships

Jackson Bull: Two big plays slow Colorado comeback bid

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

VALDOSTA - Valdosta State University football got two game-saving plays from former Fleming Island

Fleming Island grad and linebacker Jackson Bull, eyeballs Colorado School of Mines quarterback for chase in Valdosta State NCAA Div. II playoff win.

High linebacker Jackson Bull to stave off a fourth quarter rally by Colorado School of Mines and preserve a 34-31 NCAA Div. II national tournament semifinal win Saturday afternoon at Bazemore Hyder Stadium on the Valdosta State campus.

For his outstanding play throughout the game

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2021 CLAY TODAY Golf

SUPER 6

Morgan, Carroll deliver as expected

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Much anticipation for the golf seasons for Fleming Island High freshman Alyzabeth Morgan and Middleburg High junior Chase Carroll both finished almost close to what was expected as Morgan dominated for much of her freshman season for the Golden Eagles and Carroll returning to the state tournament still chasing his brother's legacy.

Morgan, highly anticipated to be a major player for area golfers, did about as much as she could to get to a district title, a region 10th place, but, unfortunately, her region finish (a 75) was out of the state advancement requirements with two individual qualifiers both smoking 69 scores for the day and two of the state's top teams at state; champion Lake Mary and runnerup Niceville, in Morgan's region. Four of the top five Class 3A finishers were from region 1-3A.

Despite that little blip, Morgan still is chosen as the Clay Today SUPER 6 Golf girl player of the year for her outstanding first campaign as a high schooler. Morgan's season long consistency of under 40s, and near mid to low 70s for 18 holes were a display of stoic play under pressure. Her district score of 74 got that title and her finish at 75 at regions was two strokes off the mark to go to state.

Carroll, on the other hand, entered his junior season as one of the top returners for the area in lieu of Fleming Island's state finish last year and consequent no return this year with the entire team returning, and is chosen as the Clay Today SUPER 6 boy golfer of the year.

Carroll, amidst the anticipation of his chasing brother Cody's state title for Middleburg, got to the big show with an impressive playoff run after a steady season run of scores kept him just inside the state tournament radar.

Carroll, sixth after round one at the Class 2A championship tournament with a 76 first round, did not fare as well in the second round, 85, to fall to 24th.

For the Clay Today SUPER 6 golf three girls; Morgan is joined by Keystone Heights junior Candace Jackson, St. Johns Country Day School's Addy Vogt and Fleming Island's Kalia Polete.

For the boys, Carroll is joined by

Bronco teammate Lucas Wahlstrom, Keystone Heights' Alexander Addington and Clay's William Guy as three consistent scorers for the season who stayed within a blip of region and state tournament berths with no preseason fanfare.

All six of the SUPER 6 selections came as late season finishes were counted a bit higher seasonal because of weather distractions throughout the fall.

For Keystone Heights, to follow big sister Camille Jackson was as daunting a task for Candace Jackson, but Candace was able to hold the mantle of the family with pride with strong golf all season. Jackson finished as Keystone Heights top golfer, 13th in region, in most of the meets with the graduating classes returning just two from the state team led by sister Camille.

In the same region as Jackson, St. Johns Country Day School freshman Addy Vogt chased down one of the state's best golfers in Bolles' Tori Mouton; a golfer that Camille Jackson also chased in many of her state runs, to a two stroke runnerup at regions to put her hat in the state ranks very quickly.

For Fleming Island's team, Polete low 80s should get to the 70s next season and that will be a strong complement to Morgan in the next few years.

For the boys SUPER 6 three, Wahlstrom was Carroll's wingman for most of the season and came through as the top



guy for matches

Carroll was not in. A 78 at districts was

top score for Broncos with Carroll off at 82. Wahlstrom's play got the Broncos to regions as a team; a first in a while. For Keystone Heights' Addington, in one of the toughest regions in Florida, his 19th place finish among golfers from Bolles, Episcopal, Provi-

dence and Tallahassee Maclay earned him the right to return as a top contender next year. Clay William Guy started out with teammate Robert Young like gangbusters with a slew of early season triumphs with the Blue Devils' offering a 1-2 punch at the top of the ticket. Guy and Young went 1-2 at districts to outshoot Wahlstrom for the top three spots with one stroke apiece separating the trio. Wahlstrom got the better of the three at regions besting Young by two ahead of Guy. In a late season dual match, Carroll and Wahlstrom both hit 39s to clip Guy and Young by two strokes.

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championship win over Nease after a stunning 30-8 first half. "We got guys that just don't stop getting after it."

Led by senior guard Bennie McDuffie, who was the main pressure point of the now-dubbed "Claustrophobia" defensive scheme that simply employs full court man-to-man pressure with frequent two and three man collapses on unlucky ball-handlers in certain corners on the court, Fleming Island rifled to early first half leads against Nease and, in the tournament semifinal, against the much taller lineup of Riverside to the tune of 43-20 en route to a final of 72-53.

"We hit our halftime goal of a big lead and that allows me to get the younger guys in," said Chandler. "The whole idea is to get everyone at the same pressure level. I



Tournament MVP Bennie McDuffie is hard driving defense guru for Golden Eagles team that has dethrottled opponents to remain unbeaten.

don't want any letdown when I substitute." From one perspective, Chandler mas-



Fleming Island forward Antoine Sandy is strong presence under glass with ability to soar on breakaways.

terful timing of full lineup changes, much like NHL line changes, changes the personnel on the court, but does little to offer any gasp of oxygen for opposition recovery.

Against Riverside, Colton Zapp top scorers with 16 points on top of four of Fleming Island's 15 steals on the game with McDuffie also swiping four balls and senior center Ahman Greenidge getting three snags.

Zapp hit two of five threes with sharpshooter Gavin Rayes netting four threes; including an half courter at the buzzer at the end of the first quarter. Rayes finished with 15 with McDuffie netting 14 points.

Against Nease, with his starters relaxing a bit in the second half, McDuffie ended with 12 as high scorer with Zapp at nine and Antoine Sandy at eight. Fleming Island had 13 steals with 18 assists with McDuffie dishing for seven.

Fleming Island has Riverside coming to town on December 14 and Impact hosting the Eagles on December 16 and a Satur-



Clay High's Ben Thomas is in crowd of Hurricanes in Blue Devils' hard-fought loss to Gainesville High.

day game at Auburndale, a 6-0 5A region semifinal program last year.

Around the county, and not to be over-

looked, is the unbeaten start of the Orange Park High Raiders led by senior Josiah Sabino. The Raiders, 7-0, blasted Bolles and Wildwood in a Friday-Saturday double header that, if trends continue, could make the anticipated January 27 showdown of Fleming Island and Orange Park a game not to miss.

Against Bolles, a 63-45 win, Orange Park got 22 points from Sabino with Jeremiah Gabriel adding 14.

Against Wildwood, Sabino canned 28 points with Gabriel at 14 and Nick Gallego at 10.

Orange Park coach Derek Kurnistky achieved win 300 in his career recently with the January 27 showdown with Fleming Island to be his 317th if his win streak keeps even with the Golden Eagles.

Oakleaf, 3-4, got a thrilling 61-60 win over district rival Sandalwood after a 47-43 loss to Nease and a 76-57 loss to Fleming Island in a Saturday home match.

Clay, now 1-2 after a double overtime win over Bolles, lost a comeback game 48-46 against Gainesville in a game that saw Clay get behind early then climb back into the game with an 18-9 third quarter after being behind 28-17 at the half.

Clay and Oakleaf play Tues., Dec. 14.

Middleburg, 3-5, squeezed in wins over St. Johns Country Day School and Keystone Heights before losing 59-56 to Baldwin on Thursday and Bartram Trail 66-52 on Friday.

Against Baldwin, Malachi Flowers nailed 18 points with Gavin Cook, with two threes, adding 12 and Greg Holland and Aidan Farber both scoring 10. Holland had six assists with big man in the middle Tanner Peery getting four dishes and seven rebounds. In six games, Flowers is averaging 14.3 points with Cook at 12.

Keystone Heights is at 0-7. St. Johns is 0-3.

At Ridgeview, 1-4, the Panthers have a December 1 win over Interlachen with Ponte Vedra (5-2) coming to Ridgeview on Tues., Dec. 14.



Orange Park forward Josiah Sabino has been top scorer for Raiders who finished week at 7-0 with wins over Bolles and Wildwood.



Ridgeview guard Tahj Brown makes break to baseline in Panther matchup against Fleming Island.

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STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Left to right, the Lady Spartans in action against Middleburg are forward Semaj Williams with power move to layup; Spartans guard Taliah Scott versus Broncos center Tamin Trott in eye-to-eye showdown; defense master Jaidy Mejia locks down Cheyenne Jenkins, Spartans center Kinley Hall has bead on Middleburg pass attempt.

Spartans

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Bronson. "We spend 90 percent of our practice time on defense. Tonight (Middleburg win), I saw the team come together with one goal; to shut down the Middleburg offense."

Led by the 40 point game of Scott at the helm, St. Johns used a full court press in the first half, led by sophomore guard Mary Kate Kent on the point and Semaj Williams and Jaidy Mejia under the glass battling with Middleburg Tamin Trott for loose balls, to rough up the Lady Broncos and display a bit of grittiness on the way past some first quarter sloppiness.

"Jaidy is the newest member of the team with the rest with me for most of the five years that I have been here," said Bronson, citing sophomore guard Mary Kate Kent as her most tenured player."

With Scott manning up with Middleburg guard Brandy Mann, though, Middleburg got the first three points of the game with Bronco guard Autumn Vineyard canning a three pointer on her first shot.

St. Johns then got a rebound, but gave the ball back to Middleburg on a travel.

The first points for St. Johns came off a deflection from Williams that eventually gave Scott an unhampered layup.

Both teams started to scramble for double teams on defense with Middleburg giving sophomore Desiree Hall the unenviable task of bringing the ball up against Scott.

Kent was off on her threes for the first

quarter as both teams could not find the mark while Trott was taking control at the glass with rebounds. Trott, at 3-2 still for Middleburg, missed two frees with Mejia slicing an assist to Kent on the breakaway to put St. Johns up 4-3. A steal from Kent got Scott a corner three that bonked the rim as the Spartans still had not found the sweet spot until a behind-the-back dribble and jumper above the free throw circle at 1:58 opened the three pointers for Scott to a 7-3 lead.

"We knew that Middleburg would be aggressive and hard-playing," said Bronson. "I think our first two losses; both at the Bolles Integra Invitational against Example Academy of Chicago and Faith Christian of Orlando, gave us a look at really tough playing and how we had to up our game. The Example game was our best game though a loss, then the Faith game we realized we were just gassed just 12 hours later. We have worked on that part of the game."

Middleburg did not flinch after the three with Cheyenne Jenkins "banking" home her own three pointer to 7-6.

Two free throws from Kent got a 9-6 lead in the first quarter with 28 seconds left in the stanza before Jenkins missed on a buzzer three to end the topsy turvy quarter.

With Middleburg's muscle affecting the game plan for Bronson with Scott missing her next three shot while on the move before crashing two Middleburg defenders to knock in a layup to 13-6. Scott missed the three but Mejia followed up with a rebound and score to 15-6.

Scott canned a layup to 17-6, then harassed Hall to a turnover, but Kent gave the ball back up on a double dribble.

Middleburg tried to penetrate the paint, with Vineyard sinking a layup to 17-8 before St. Johns center Kinley Hall snared two offensive rebounds before being bashed for two free throws, 19-8.

Still the crowd was waiting for Scott's three point eruption which came at 3:31 with a long range missile, 22-8.

Not 12 seconds later, Scott hit at 2:59 for number three as the grill simmered to 25-8 followed by another Vineyard banked three, 25-11.

Top of the circle, again, three pointer by Scott 28-11.

With a minute to go, two threes; Scott and Kent, misfired before Williams hit a rebound layup to 32-11 with 42 seconds.

One more shot above the free throw circle got three more for Scott, 35-11, at 17 seconds. More?

Just a jumper, 37-11, halftime.

"Middleburg only scored four points in the second half," said Bronson. "I know when our shooting gets hot, it's very emotionally draining on the opposition."

For the second half of the season, Bronson plans on some holiday traveling for tournament play at Matanzas and the Clay High Christmas Tournament before setting her sights on a late February road trip.

"We focus on the game at hand," said Bronson, coyly. "Each of my five years has been in preparation of just about where we are right now."

Around Clay County, the Ridgeview High girls basketball got their first losses of the

season with three losses in four games; to Bolles, Mandarin and Ponte Vedra with a 56-19 win over Palatka squeezed in between Mandarin and Ponte Vedra. Paetyn Miller hit three of five threes against Ponte Vedra, while dishing eight assists. Alyssa Sherman had three steals and three assists.

Fleming Island rolled four wins in five games with triumphs over First Coast, Providence, Matanzas and First Coast with a loss to Fletcher in the middle.

Victoria Noble hit for 22; six threes, against Matanzas with Avery Cannon adding 18, three threes, and eight assists.

In the 50-41 loss to Providence (9-3), Cannon was held to just one three on 15 points.

Orange Park (5-3) won two tough games over two tough opponents; University Christian and Rickards High, as the Lady Raiders are turning a speed game into points on the board and wins at the final buzzer. Eris Lester hit for 18 against Rickards with Nia Brown at 15; three of four threes and five steals.

Against University Christian (5-4), Lester canned 25 with Brown netting 18. Lester had seven steals on the night with Brown snaring five to seven assists.

Oakleaf (4-6) has taken on some formidable opponents in a rugged prelude to a second Final Four run with a recent win over Hagerty following a loss to Spruce Creek.

Clay High (1-5) got their first win with a 35-33 win over Palatka. Ashanti Jones scored 16 to lead the Blue Devils; plus 11 rebounds.



Orange Park and Fleming Island both finished week with wins with, left to right, Raider center Mychaela Parker muscling in for score, Raider guard Sam Hardison setting up for free throws, while at Fleming Island, Avery Cannon has the hot shooting hand with guard Alyssa Pearson eyes basket on drive to score.



McDade, Bilyeu storm to state medals

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - With just three area teams sending athletes to the state swimming and diving championship weekends; Oakleaf in Class 4A, Orange Park and Fleming Island in Class 3A, the Clay Today Super 6 swimming and diving team has one gold medalist for the top girl and a double medalist for the top boy both coming from Fleming Island High School.

Maryn McDade, a sophomore freestyle sprinter for coach Jordan Bright at Fleming Island, entered the Class 3A championship meet as a heavy favorite in the 50 free and a top three favorite in the 100 free.

McDade delivered on both counts with a sterling 50 free gold medal performance and a third place in the 100 free to be selected as the top female swimmer for the Clay Today Super 6 Swim Team.

Bilyeu, in his senior campaign for Bright, turned the jets on the end his illustrious career on a team built around speed, blasted to an eighth place finish in the 100 butterfly after a fourth place finish in the 50 free earlier in the day. Bilyeu is selected as the Clay Today Super 6 male swimmer of the year for his top finishes.

For McDade, with a top billing coming from her top finishes at the 2020 state meet as a freshman, answered the call of being a veteran competitor with a steady dose of crafty tactics in events lasting just 22 and 50 seconds.

In a Class 3A of superfast underclassmen; top five in 50 free all sophomores and a freshman including three from Fleming Island's region 1-3A, will make the next two years even faster, hopefully, and even more competitive.

In the 100 free, McDade tied for second in a race decided by just .12 of a second this time with the top four all underclassmen; with McDade and Chiles sophomore Isabella Ekk in region 1-3A.

For Bilyeu, who was able to see how speed comes in the practice pool with Bright's regimen of relay speed gold, responded with top performance in two diametrically different events; the 50 free, power and speed, and the 100 butterfly, strength and stamina.

Bilyeu's 22.20 50 free for the region



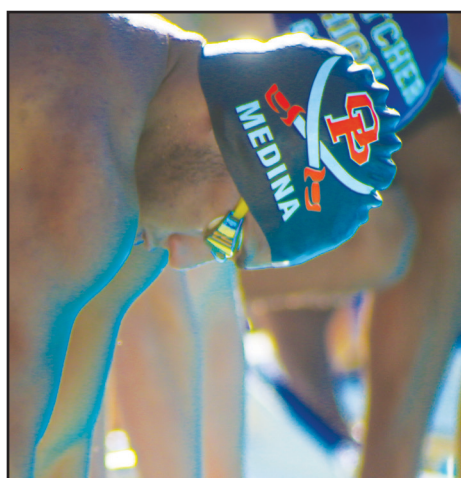
Ava Brinkman



Christine Johnson



Maryn McDade



Jose Medina



Logan Sheffler



Ryan Pritchard

title (and an eighth place state ranking) was chased by two freshman in a youth and vigor versus age and wisdom showdown.

At the state meet, Bilyeu dropped nearly half a second to take fourth in the 50 free. In his 100 butterfly, at regions, was a third place finish decided by .19 of a second. Bilyeu was ranked eighth in the state list after regions with his 52.72 improving to a 52.52 for eighth at state.

For the Clay Today Super 6 girls and boys team, the top three after the swimmers of the year, Fleming Island senior Christine Johnson finished her career with a reputation for being her best in the big meets; Oakleaf High senior Kylie Loving got a top 10 finish in Class 4A in the 100 breaststroke while Fleming Island High freshman diver Ava Brinkman broke records along the way to a overwhelming district score only to have an injury prevent her from competing at regions for a shot at the state meet.

Brinkman's story was one of a unlucky practice dive that kept her from adding to

her iconic status as a 500-plus point district champion (240 is minimum score to advance) nearly 20 point better than the second district qualifier. The region 1-3A title went with a 446.90 score.

For Johnson, who entered her senior campaign with two gold relay medals and a handful of top 10 finishes in multiple events; butterfly, freestyle and individual medley, the final saga included a sixth place in the 100 butterfly and a 17th place in the 200 IM with a split faster than her region qualifier, but not enough to get into the top 16.

Loving, for Oakleaf, was ranked eighth in the Class 4A ranks after her region race with a 1:06.32 and knew her best efforts would be needed for a top finish.

At the state meet, Loving, third at regions, delivered a school record and personal best; 1:05.80, for her 10th place finish.

For the boys Super 6 three pack, Orange Park senior Jose Medina switched gears a bit by preparing for the longer

200 and 500 freestyle events in a move to show college interests versatility and the move showed off Medina's mental tenacity with a 17th in the 200 free (1:45.80) at the Class 3A championship and an 18th place 4:52.56 split in the state 500 free race. Medina was in Class 2A last year in the 200 and 100 freestyle state races; 9th in 200 in 1:44.89 and 20th in the 100 at 49.92.

Number two for the Super 6 boys team is Orange Park senior Ryan Pritchard who came alive in the final segments of the region 1-3A 200 individual medley to stab a 10th place finish and an 11th in the region 1-3A 100 breaststroke which landed as a 12th in the state meet at 1:01.50.

Number three is Oakleaf senior distance swimmer Logan Myers who took 18th in the 500 free in Class 4A at 4:45.14. Myers also tagged a school record in the 200 free earlier in the season. Myers advanced to state with a 21st ranked 4:49.63 to cut almost five seconds off his split at the state meet.

Valdosta

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and the two game-turning plays on defense. Bull was named a co-defensive player of the game by the Valdosta State football staff. Also a starter for the Blazers is true freshman Cole LeClair out of Middleburg High School; an offensive guard.

“A win is a win and I’m very proud of this team and we have thought of this game since 2019,” said Valdosta coach Gary Goff. “I’m very angry about the turnovers and some penalties, but all that matters right now is that we are going to the national championship game.”



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Valdosta State’s offensive line, with Middleburg High grad Cole LeClair, No. 63, a true freshman, has muscled enemy defense to nearly 450 yards of offense per game. Right: Jackson Bull, a junior, is agile outside linebacker and special teams player for Blazers.



Jackson Bull takes breather.

the stadium late in the second period with an apparent ankle injury, returned to the lineup after the break as the Orediggers of Colorado School of Mines, the ninth-seed in the NCAA Division II rankings, scored twice to cut a 34-17 Blazer lead to 34-31 with 40 seconds left on the clock.

Early in the fourth period with Valdosta up 34-17, Bull stayed in position at his outside linebacker post as the Orediggers attempted a fourth and two reverse play from the Blazer six yard line that ended with Bull nailing the ball carrier for a nine yard loss at the Blazer 11.

The tackle thwarted early momentum for Colorado who later scored two more touchdowns to get to the 34-31 score with 40 seconds on the clock.

In an eery repeat of Blazer and Bull history, Colorado attempted an anticipated onside kick with the score at 34-24 with 3:37 left in the game that Bull emerged from the midfield fracas with the ball to give Valdosta a shot to run the clock out. Valdosta, failed to get a first down and would punt with 1:40 to go. Colorado was

Valdosta, now 12-1 and ranked fifth prior to the game in the NCAA Division II rankings, will play Saturday in the championship game against top-seed Ferris State on Saturday at McKinney High School in Dallas, TX. In 2018, Valdosta defeated Ferris State to win the national title.



Middleburg High’s Cole LeClair gets a splash in between mashing defensive line of Colorado.

Bull, a junior linebacker, who had left

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Cole LeClair has been integral part of massive offensive line of Valdosta with improved technique and more power.



Former Raines High state champion and Class 4A player of year Ivory Durham, No. 9, has been quarterback of high-scoring Blazers offense.

PUZZLE FUN

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Level: Intermediate

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able to score once more to 34-31.
Colorado would go with another onside kick that senior Brian Saunders recovered as Valdosta had one final shot to stymie the Colorado momentum to end the thrilling finish.

In the 2018 championship game against Ferris State, Bull, as a freshman, came up with a game-sealing onside kick recovery after Ferris pulled the score to 49-47. That was Valdosta fourth national title since 2012.

In Saturday's game, the highly-touted Valdosta offense, led by former Raines High quarterback Ivory Durham, a Class 4A champion and the Florida 4A player of the year, built the early lead with Durham rushing for 153 yards and throwing for three touchdowns on 220 yards in the air, kept the Orediggers at bay for most of the game behind an 11-tackle game from senior linebacker Nick Moss.

The Blazer offense, with Middleburg High grad Cole LeClair at left guard the entire season, amassed 538 total offensive yards in the win.
Blazer head coach Gary Goff became the fourth VSU head coach to lead the team to the national championship as this marks the sixth trip to the title game in program history. VSU finished runner-up to Grand Valley State in 2002, while winning the titles in 2004, 2007, 2012 and most recently in 2018 in a 49-47 thriller over Ferris State. VSU becomes the first Division II school to have four different coaches reach the national championship game in Chris Hatcher, David Dean, Kerwin Bell and now Goff. Goff improved to 60-52 all-time as a college coach and 22-2 at VSU.

Bull could be a first Clay County athlete to earn two national championships rings for football with former Middleburg High player and coach Karl Smeltzer a national champion for Troy University in 1987 with his brother Kurt Smeltzer, also a Middleburg High graduate, winning one for Troy in 1984.

For LeClair, much like Bull in 2018, a national championship ring as a true freshman would be an outstanding honor.

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Clue: Proof of purchase

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Clue: Strip of fabric

D. **14 9 18 10 22 23 17 6**

Clue: Acquire something

Answers: A. wrapping B. receipt C. ribbon D. purchase

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Answer: Manny Pacquiao

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Image of a cat's face.

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Image of a woman holding a phone.

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Image of a gavel.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TIGFEY, LLC CAPITAL ONE, N.A. AS COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE OF TIGFEY, LLC.

Legal Notice
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M.

TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida

PUBLIC SALE
SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on December 23, 2021 at 10:00 am at 2909 B L A N D I N G B L V D

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLOA OF FLORIDA LLC CAPITAL ONE BANK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Early Notice for Public Review of a Proposal to Support Activity in the 100-Year Floodplain and Wetland

This is to give notice that the City of Green Cove Springs has determined that the following proposed action under the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and subgrant agreement 22DB-OP-04-20-02-N22 is in the vicinity of a floodplain and/or wetland.

Table with 5 columns: Activity #, Activity Description, CDBG Amount, Local Match, Total. Row for 03F Parks, Playgrounds Improvements to Vera Francis Park.

Vera Francis Park is located adjacent to Estuarine, Subtitle, Unconsolidated Bottom, Subtidal-salt water (E1UBL) and Palustrine, Forested, Broad Leaved Deciduous, Seasonally Flooded-Tidal (PF01R) wetlands.

A portion of the activities in Service Area #3 may be carried out within close proximity to or within a floodplain and/or wetland.

Table with 4 columns: Activity, CDBG, Match for Points, Total. Rows for 03I Flood & Drainage, 03L Pedestrian Malls/Sidewalks, 03F Parks, Playgrounds, Engineering, Administration, Total.

Some additional impervious areas will be created in the Service Areas in this project. In the case where new impervious surfaces are being created, storm drainage improvements will be included in the design and construction of the project to offset the impact of the additional impervious surfaces being created.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and or wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas.

Written comments must be received by Mike Null, at 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 or by telephone at (904) 297-7500 on or before January 3, 2022.

Edward Gaw, Mayor
City of Green Cove Springs
Environmental Certifying Official
321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Telephone (904) 297-7500

Legal 48875 published December 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Service Area #1 Storm Water Piping Replacement Service Area: 03I Flood & Drainage - The existing storm water piping within West Street between Martin Luther King Boulevard on the north and Idlewild Avenue on the South is old and is no longer functioning and needs to be replaced.

Table with 5 columns: Activity #, Activity Description, CDBG Amount, Local Match, Total. Row for 03I Flood and Drainage Replacement of Existing Stormwater Piping.

Service Area #1 is bound on the north by Martin Luther King Boulevard, on the south by Idlewild Avenue, on the east by the rear property lines of the parcels of property located on the east side of West Street and on the west by the rear property lines of the properties located on the west side of West Street in Green Cove Springs, located in Clay County, Florida.

None of the activities in Service Area #1 will be carried out within a floodplain and/or wetland. The activities in Service Area #1 are within Zone X on a flood map.

Service Area #2 New Sidewalk Service Area: Activity: 03L Pedestrian malls/Sidewalks - The proposed project includes the installation of approximately 7,700 linear feet of new sidewalk along the following streets:

- Highlands Avenue between Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Idlewild Avenue
-Center Street between Oakridge Avenue and Vermont Street

Table with 5 columns: Activity #, Activity Description, CDBG Amount, Local Match, Total. Row for 03L Pedestrian Malls/Sidewalks Install New Sidewalks.

None of the activities in Service Area #2 will be carried out within a floodplain and/or wetland. The activities in Service Area #1 are within Zone X on a flood map.

Service Area #3 The Vera Francis Park Improvements Service Area: 03F - Parks, Playgrounds - The proposed project includes improvements to Vera Francis Park located at 1503 Martin Luther King Boulevard, in Green Cove Springs, located in Clay County, Florida.

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Image of a smiling maintenance worker.

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PARLAPIANO (HEIRS)
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 13th day of December, 2021
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 48872 published Dec 16, Dec 23, Dec 30 of 2021 and Jan 6, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

LEGAL NOTICE
A RESOLUTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A PLAN FOR THE RENUMBERING OF THE FIVE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RESIDENCE AREAS; FINDING THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS THE AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO ITS HOME RULE POWERS, TO RENUMBER ITS MEMBER RESIDENCE DISTRICTS WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF FLORIDA STATUTE 1001.36; FINDING THAT SUCH CHANGES WILL RESULT IN BRINGING ALL MEMBER AREAS OF BOTH THE SCHOOL BOARD AND THE COUNTY COMMISSION INTO A PROXIMATION OF NUMERICAL ALIGNMENT; FINDING THAT THE RENUMBERING OF THE MEMBER RESIDENCE AREAS WILL SIMPLIFY MATTERS FOR VOTERS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
WHEREAS, Florida Statute 1001.36 requires that each school district shall be divided into a minimum of five (5) member residence districts which shall be numbered one to five, inclusive, and
WHEREAS, there are concerns among the School Board members that the School Board member residence districts are numbered differently from the corresponding districts of the members of the Board of County Commission and that those differences result in voter/populace confusion, and
WHEREAS, District School Boards are vested with Home Rule powers, which authority is set forth in Florida Statute 1001.32(2), which reads that "district school boards...may exercise any power except as expressly prohibited by the State Constitution or general law," and
WHEREAS, absent any specific prohibition which bars the School Board's action herein, the School Board, acting within its Home Rule powers, may renumber its own member residence districts,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by The School Board of Clay County, Florida, that:
1. The Clay County School Board member residence districts are hereby renumbered as follows:
a. School Board District one (1) shall remain District 1.
b. School Board District two (2) shall be renumbered as District three (3).
c. School Board District three (3) shall be renumbered as District four (4).
d. School Board District four (4) shall be renumbered as District two (2).
e. School Board District five (5) shall remain District five (5).
2. Pursuant to Article IX, Section 4, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, the School Board members for each of the five renumbered Districts shall continue to be chosen by vote of the electors in a nonpartisan election for appropriately staggered terms. The staggering of said terms shall continue in the same order as they have in the past. Candidates for School Board office for Districts renumbered as 1, 4, and 5 (formerly numbered 1, 3, and 5, respectively) would be on the election ballot on even-numbered years not divisible by 4 (for example 2022, 2026, 2030, et seq.), and those for Districts

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numbered 2 and 3 (formerly Districts 4 and 2, respectively) would be on the election ballot in even-numbered years divisible by 4 (for example, 2024, 2028, and 2032, et seq.).
3. The action taken by the School Board, as set forth in numbered paragraph I serves to renumber the Board member residence districts such that they are an approximate match to those of the corresponding County Commission districts, thereby bringing all member areas of both board and commission which are composed of similar geographical areas into numerical alignment.
4. The effective date for implementing the renumbering set forth herein shall be December 30, 2021.
5. The School Board hereby directs the Chairman and the Secretary to:
a. Record this Resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida.
b. Publish this Resolution at least once in a newspaper published within the district within 30 days after adoption.
c. Transmit a certified copy to the Clay County Supervisor of Elections. **DULY ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 9th day of December, 2021, by The School Board of Clay County, Florida.
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: (s) Mary S. Bolla
MARY S. BOLLA, Chairman
By: (s) Ashley Gilhouse
ASHLEY GILHOUSEN, Vice-Chairman
By: (s) Opposed
JANICE KERREKES
By: (s) Elizabeth Clark
ELIZABETH CLARK
By: (s) Do Not Support
TINA BULLOCK

Attest:
(s) David S. Broskie
David S. Broskie, Superintendent
Legal 48894 published Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLGFY, LLC CAPITAL ONE, N.A. AS COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE OF TLGFY LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No: 1916/2019
Legal Description: **PT OF GEORGE BRANNING DONATION AS REC OR 4042 PG 405**
Parcel ID No.: 370524-006794-003-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$11,003.33
Physical Address: 2372 **BLANDING BLVD, MIDDLEBURG**
Classification: **PARKING/MH L**
Name in which assessed: **WILL PETENBRINK**
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 13th day of December, 2021 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida Jewel Baskin Deputy Clerk Legal 48882 published Dec 16, Dec 23 and Dec 30 of 2021 and Jan 6, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NUMBER: 2021-CP-000726
DIVISION: A

IN RE: ESTATE OF JANA MATILDA GILLIAM, Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of JANA MATILDA GILLIAM,

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deceased, whose date of death was August 13, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court, for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: 825 North Orange Avenue, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
If you have been served with a copy of this notice and you have any claim or demand against the Decedent's estate, even if that claim is unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated, you must file your claim with the court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF A DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE.
All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against Decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with the court ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED 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 first publication of this Notice is _____
Attorney for Personal Representative:
ROBERT N. MILLER, ESQ.
Florida Bar No: 042102
Fisher, Tousey, Leas & Ball
501 Riverside Avenue, Suite 600
Jacksonville, Florida 32202
(904) 356 2600
E-Mail: RMiller@fishertousey.com

Personal Representative:
NETTIE ANNE CHASTAIN
1832 Sheraton Lakes Circle
Middleburg, Florida, 32068
Legal 48834 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE
NCRS gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd Middleburg FL 32068 at date and time listed below:
NCRS INC AUCTION
DECEMBER 30, 2021 @ 11:00AM
1977 PACEMAKE 30510M77
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Legal 48892 publish Dec 16, 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
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 2020-CA-000307
SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., Plaintiff,
Vs.
LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE; SWEETBRIAR HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendant(s)
To the following Defendant(s):
LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE L/K/A 443 RED FERN CT ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LELIA CHASE HOUBE A/K/A LELIA CHASE L/K/A 443 RED FERN CT, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOT 88, SWEETBRIAR, UNIT NO. 2, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 29, PAGE(S) 20 THROUGH 23, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA a/k/a 443

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RED FERN COURT, ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32073
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters Road, Suite 3000, Plantation, FLORIDA 33324 on or before 12/20/21 or within 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@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 14th day of June, 2021.
(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Court
By Taylor Tison
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 48824 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
Case Number: 2021-CP-000679
Division: A

IN RE: ESTATE OF FRANCES ANN GARCIA
Deceased.
You are hereby notified that the administration of the Estate of Frances Ann Garcia, has been opened in the Circuit Court in and for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the physical address of which is 825 Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, and the mailing address of which is P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Michelle A. Brew has been appointed as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Frances Ann Garcia, Deceased, whose address for purposes of this publication is c/o Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, P.A., Post Office Box 130, Middleburg, FL 32050-0130.
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections, challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims, in duplicate, with the Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims, in duplicate, with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST

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PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
The date of the first publication of this Notice is: November 18, 2021.
Attorney: Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, P.A.
Post Office Box 130
Middleburg, FL 32050-0130
(904) 282-6022
(904) 282-6076 - fax
pleadings@quinonezlaw.com
(SERVICE OF PLEADINGS/DOCUMENTS ONLY)
correspondence@quinonezlaw.com
(CORRESPONDENCE)
Personal Representative:
Michelle A. Brew
c/o Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, P.A.
Post Office Box 130
Middleburg, FL 32050-0130
Legal 48745 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.


IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2021-CP-000736
IN RE: ESTATE OF ALICE B. WOJCINSKI a/k/a ALICE BARROW WOJCINSKI, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Alice B. Wojcinski a/k/a Alice Barrow Wojcinski, deceased, File Number 2021-CP-000736, by the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida; that the decedent's date of death was October 18, 2021; that the total value of the estate is \$0 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are: Name/Address
David L. Wojcinski
2105 SW 38th Court
Gainesville, FL 32608
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, 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 December 9, 2021.
Attorney for Person Giving Notice
Caleb M. Knepper
Attorney
Florida Bar Number: 117793
Ossi Law Group, P.A.
5618 NW 43rd Street
Gainesville, Florida 32653
Telephone: (352) 692-4888
Fax: (352) 692-4998
E-Mail: caleb@ossilawgroup.com
Secondary E-Mail: diana@ossilawgroup.com
Person Giving Notice:
David L. Wojcinski
2105 SW 38th Court
Gainesville, Florida 32608
Legal 48833 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
Division B
File No. 2021-CP-000725
IN RE: ESTATE OF BRUCE RAYMOND HAMPTON, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate fo BRUCE RAYMOND HAMPTON,

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deceased, whose date of death was September 19, 2021, 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 address of the petitioner and the petitioner's attorney are set forth below.
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 December 16, 2021.
Person Giving Notice:
SUSAN HAMPTON
Attorney for Personal Representative
Florida Bar Number 887950
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:
alison@floridaelder.com
Secondary email address:
donna@floridaelder.com
Personal Representative:
SUSAN HAMPTON
498 Monterey Parkway
Orange Park, Florida 32073
Legal 48861 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO.: 10-2021-CP-00685
DIVISION: PR-A
IN RE: ESTATE OF Jaraka Watson Deceased.
The administration of the Estate of Jaraka Watson. Case No.: 10-2021-CP-00685 is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Courthouse, 825 N Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043. The names and addresses of the Personal Representatives and the personal representative's attorney is 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 served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY 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 THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTION NOT SO FILED 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 December 16, 2021.
GERALD B. STEWART, ESQUIRE
Florida Bar No.: 285412
24 North Market Street, Suite 402



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PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice that on 12/29/21 at 10:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2905 BLANDING BLVD. MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet in Regular Session at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given.

Legal 48874 publish Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 01/17/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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

ROLLING HILLS AT LAKE ASBURY HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff,

vs. THOMAS BOULDIN IV, ET AL., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THOMAS BOULDIN IV, SABRINA BOULDIN, AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S) LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 3364 Bradley Creek Pkwy, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a lien on the following property in CLAY COUNTY, Florida: Lot 54, CEDAR CREEK AT ROLLING HILLS, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 55, Page(s) 44 through 52, inclusive, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

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in the complaint or petition. WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on the 30th day of November 2021.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF IRISBETH RIVAS PINTO, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Irisbeth Rivas Pinto, deceased, whose date of death was April 19, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue / PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

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 ON OR BEFORE 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.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FL PROBATE DIVISION FILE No. 21-CP-723 Division B

IN RE: ESTATE OF GAYLE FELICIA ANGELL Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Gayle Felicia Angell, deceased, whose date of death was August 23, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

PUBLIC SALE

On 12/13/2021 at 09:00 AM an auction will take place at 1046 Airpark Rd. Green Cove Springs Fl 32043. The vehicles which will be auctioned include: 2T2ZK1BA3FC203763-2015 LEXS Please be advised, per F.S. 713.78 that a newspaper ad must be published for 1 day in a newspaper of general circulation (daily or weekly circulation) which has been in circulation for at least 1 year.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction for towing and storage costs at Horton's Towing 3645 Hwy 17, Bldg 2, Fleming Island, FL 32003 Horton's Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Tuesday the 28th day of December, 2021 at 12:00 PM.

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

Community Critter Care of Clay County Inc.

Located at P.O. Box 1483 in the County of CLAY, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32067 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FL PROBATE DIVISION FILE No. 21-CP-723 Division B

IN RE: ESTATE OF GAYLE FELICIA ANGELL Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Gayle Felicia Angell, deceased, whose date of death was August 23, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

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 ON OR BEFORE 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.

PUBLIC SALE

The following vehicle(s) will be sold at public auction for towing and storage costs. G & M Towing, Inc. reserves the right to accept and reject any and all bids.

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Telephone: (813) 832-6340 E-Mail: service@kfernandezlaw.com Personal Representative: Chad Elling Angell 10201 Lake Grove Drive Odessa, Florida 33556

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

IN RE: DOROTHY WINTER SEYMORE, Deceased.

You are hereby notified that the administration of the Estate of Dorothy Winter Seymore, has been opened in the Circuit Court in and for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the physical address of which is 825 Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, and the mailing address of which is P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

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

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IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Division B FILE NO: 2021-CP-000755

IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. MILLSAPS, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of William F. Millsaps, deceased, whose date of death was November 9, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue / PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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IN RE: ESTATE OF GEORGE A. INCH, JR. A/K/A GEORGE A. INCH A/K/A GEORGE INCH, DECEASED; ET AL., Defendants.

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

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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 crtintrp@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 7th day of December, 2021.

(seal) TARA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Legal 48857 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Intent to Use Uniform Method of Collecting Non-Ad Valorem Assessments The City of Green Cove Springs, Florida (the "City") hereby provides notice, pursuant to section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied within the incorporated area of the City, for the cost of providing code violation abatement services, facilities and programs in the incorporated area of the City commencing for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2022 and continuing until discontinued by the City. The City will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:30 p.m. on December 28, 2021 in City Hall, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the City Manager's office in City Hall, located at 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the City with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office at (904) 297-7500, ext. 3307, at least two days prior to the date of the hearing. City of Green Cove Springs Erin West, City Clerk 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Steve Kennedy, City Manager Legal 48818 published Oct Dec 2, Dec 9, Dec 16, Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT Request for Proposal for Construction Project

Notice is hereby given that the Rolling Hills Community Development District (the "District") will receive proposals for the following District project: Phase 3B & 3C Infrastructure Construction Project The contract will require contractors to provide for the construction, labor, materials and equipment necessary to construct and install

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certain master infrastructure improvements, including water and wastewater systems, stormwater/drainage improvements, roadways and other master infrastructure necessary to serve up to 247 residential lots within Phase 3B & 3C of the District, and any other associated scopes necessary to complete such improvements, as more particularly described in the Project Manual and in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Project Manual, consisting of the proposal package, contract, proposal form, plans, and other materials, will be available for public inspection and may be obtained on electronic media beginning at Monday, December 20, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Please contact the Project Engineer, Joe Schofield at jschofield@alliant-inc.com for instructions on how to obtain the Project Manual. In order to submit a bid, each bidder must (1) be authorized to do business in Florida, (2) hold all required state and federal licenses, including those with Clay County, in good standing; and (3) have at least three (3) years' experience with similar civil site construction projects. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria included in the Project Manual. The District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, make modifications to the work, award the contract in whole or in part with or without cause, provide for the delivery of the project in phases, and waive minor or technical irregularities in any Proposal, as it deems appropriate, if it determines in its discretion that it is in the District's best interests to do so. Any protest of the Project Manual, including, but not limited to the terms and specifications must be filed with the District within 72 hours of pickup of the Project Manual. Filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District Manager, Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 W. Town Place, Suite 114, Tallahassee, Florida 32092. Failure to timely file a protest will result in a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and other law. Firms desiring to provide construction services for the referenced project must submit two (2) originals and one (1) electronic copy of the required proposal no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, January 17, 2022 at the offices of the District Manager, Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 W. Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092. Proposals shall be in the form provided in the Project Manual and submitted in a sealed envelope pursuant to the Instructions to Proposers. The District reserves the right to return unopened to the Proposer any proposals received after the time and date stipulated above. Each proposal shall remain binding for a minimum of one hundred and twenty (120) days after the proposal opening. The successful Proposer will be required upon award to furnish a payment and performance bond for one hundred percent (100%) of the value of the contract, with a Surety acceptable to the District, in accordance with section 255.05, Florida Statutes. The District's Manager will conduct a special public meeting at the offices of Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 W. Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 at such time to publicly open the proposals. No official action will be taken at the meeting. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law including but not limited to Chapter 190 of the Florida Statutes. The meeting may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the District Office at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting by contacting Rizzetta & Company, Inc., the District Manager, at (813) 533-2950. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1 (800) 955-8770, who can aid you in contacting the District Office. All questions regarding the Project

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Manual or this project shall be directed in writing only to Joe Schofield at jschofield@alliant-inc.com, with a copy to District Counsel, Katie Buchanan, at katieb@hgsllaw.com by Friday, January 7, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. No phone inquiries please. **Legal 48885 published Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Tuesday the 28th day of December, 2021 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 3585 US Highway 17, Fleming Island, FL, 32003 Clay County Galette, Stevenson F034 Headboard Footboard, Tower Speakers, Fans, Schwed, Jennifer F004 High Chair, TV, Misc Boxes. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. All purchases must be paid in cash. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. **Legal 48879 published Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN. CITRUS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No: **3382-2019** Legal Description: **LOT 9 & W 18' 10' BLK V SHANDS PLAT AS REC O R 1234 PG 430, 3012 PG 1371, 3031 PG 478 & 3050 PG 2058** Parcel ID No.: **380626-018250-000-00** Opening Bid Amount: **\$6,157.89** Physical Address: **1215 FORBES ST, GREEN COVE SPRINGS** Classification: **SINGLE FAMILY** Name in which assessed: **JEWEL BASKIN ET AL MYRON BASKIN MITCHELL BASKIN** Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **9th day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.** Dated this **6th day of December, 2021**

TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
Michelle Thrasher
Deputy Clerk
Legal 48841 published Dec 9, Dec 16, Dec 23 and Dec 30, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2019-CA-000971
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC,
Plaintiff,
v. KISHA PEKOC, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, will on January 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. ET, via the online auction at www.clay.realforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, F.S., offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Clay County, Florida, to wit:
Lot 117, Willowbrook at Oakleaf Plantation, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 56, Page(s) 27 through 33, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.
Property Address: 546 Ryker Way, Orange Park, FL, 32065 pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style and case number of which is set forth above. 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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If the sale is

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set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. 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 (904) 255-1695 or crtintrp@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. WITNESS my hand and official seal of this Honorable Court this ___ day of _____, 2021.

Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: _____
DEPUTY CLERK
Legal 48836 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
FILE NUMBER: 2021-GA-91
DIVISION: B

IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF THOMAS RYAN LEWIS, a developmentally disabled person Pursuant to Section 744-631(2), Florida Statutes, MELVIN LARRY LEWIS, JR., Plenary Guardian of the Person and Property of THOMAS RYAN LEWIS, gives notice of his intention to make application with the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, on his Petition to Sell Real Property. A Hearing is set for January 11, 2022 at 11:15 AM for the sale of real estate owned by THOMAS RYAN LEWIS, the Ward, to wit:
1800 Park Avenue, Unit 477 Orange Park, Florida, 32073
GERALDINE C. HARTIN, Esquire HAMILTON & HARTIN, P.A. Florida Bar: 15201
3168 Highway 17, Suite A Fleming Island, FL 32003 904-278-3888
geraldine.hartin@gmail.com
Legal 48895 published Dec 16, 23, 30, 2021 and Jan 6, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed proposals will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, January 24, 2022, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 for the following:
RFP No. 21/22-18, TOURISM STRATEGIC PLAN
Proposals will be opened at 9:00 AM., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", fourth floor, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, in the presence of the Purchasing Department staff and all other interested persons. Proposals will not be valid unless received by the RFP deadline and in a sealed envelope marked "RFP No. 21/22-18, TOURISM STRATEGIC PLAN" to be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, January 24, 2022. Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address. No postal mail will be accepted.
After due consideration, Clay County intends to entertain a short list of consultants. Staff will begin negotiations with the number one ranked consultant derived from the Clay County Board of County Commissioners short listing. If the negotiation with the consultant is successful, contract procedures will be initiated. If a successful negotiation cannot be reached, the County may seek a proposal from the number two, then number three ranked firm if deemed necessary by the County. More than one contract may be awarded. Should two be selected, one will be the primary and the other secondary. Consultants desiring to provide the needed professional services must submit five (5) copies (one marked original) and one (1) electronic copy as outlined on Page 6 of Request for Proposals Instructions, the attached Form W-9, and proof of liability

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insurance for evaluation by Clay County.
During the Request for Bid Period, from publication of the notice of a Request for Bids 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 Bids 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 Bids (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 Bids. For information concerning procedures for responding to this Bid, contact Amber Hobbs, Purchasing Department, (904) 529-3857 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com
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. Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners has a local preference policy and Buy American policy. The complete policy for both can be viewed at:
https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/vendor-information
FOLLOWING THE BID OPENING AND TABULATION, A "NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID" OR A "NOTICE OF REJECTION OF ALL BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE INTERNET AT: https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids-rejection-bids THIS WEBSITE CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: https://www.claycountygov.com/home BY FOLLOWING THE "NOTICE OF INTENT BIDS" LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS" ROLLOVER BUTTON ON THE COUNTY'S HOMEPAGE. 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 I 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 ABID BOND, SUCH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRY. 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

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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 beawarded 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. **Legal 48886 published Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

INVITATION TO BID
Individual sealed bids for the Town of Orange Park Ash Street WWTP Filter Improvement Project, in Orange Park, Florida will be received by Town Clerk, Town of Orange Park, 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, Florida until 11:00 a.m., local time, January 24, 2022. Envelopes must be clearly marked with the project title, time and date of bid opening. If mailed, bids must be addressed to Town Clerk at the above address. Bids must be submitted in the format as outlined in the specifications. The award of this bid will result in a contract to supply and install two clothmedia disk filter units for its Wastewater Treatment Plant and to construct appurtenant improvements. Biddouncements will be made available, 3:00 p.m., December 15, 2021 by calling Mike Kelter, PE, Town of Orange Park Consulting Engineer/Bid Manager at (904) 338-4284. All plans and specifications are in digital format. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled at 700 Ash Street on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 09:00. Bidders must submit with the Bid documentation that they have constructed similar typework during the past five years with references and substantiate they are supplying filtration equipment equal to, or better than the equipment specified in the bidding documents. Bid bonds are required to demonstrate the ability of the contractor to obtain construction bonds. The Town shall have the right to reject any or all bids in the Town's best interest. Questions regarding this solicitation shall be addressed to Mike Kelter, PE, (904) 338-4284. By: Sarah Campbell, Town Manager **Legal 48887 published Dec 16th in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 2018-CA-000867
LOPECARE, LLC,
PLAINTIFF,
VS.
ERNEST D. MURPHY A/K/A ERNEST MURPHY, ET AL.
DEFENDANT(S)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 1, 2021, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Clay County, Florida, on **JANUARY 18, 2022** at 10:00 AM, at www.clay.realforeclose.com for the following described property:
Lot 38, Pace Island Unit Eighteen, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 32, at Pages 8, 9, 10 and 11, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.
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 sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
DATED: December 9, 2021 (seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Tara S. Green
Deputy Clerk of the Court
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 ADA Coordinator at 904-255-1695 or at crtintrp@coj.net, 501 West Adams Street, Room 6204, Jacksonville, FL

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2021-CA-000321
VYSTAR CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ESTATE OF HENRY EIDE, ET AL,
Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated the 2nd day of December, 2021, and entered in Case No. 2021-CA-000321, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein VYSTAR CREDIT UNION is the Plaintiff, and ESTATE OF HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER FOR HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 AS TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; UNKNOWN TENANT # 2 AS TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash via electronic sale at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes on the 31st day of December, 2021, the following described property as set forth in

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32202 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.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY
GENERAL JURISDICTION
DIVISION
CASE NO. 2019CA001203
TOWNE MORTGAGE COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
vs.
FLORENCE WIDGET V WILSON, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered February 26, 2020, in Civil Case No. 2019CA001203 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com at 10:00 AM in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 23rd day of February, 2022 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:
LOT 31, BLOCK 83, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE(S) 1 THROUGH 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
TOGETHER WITH A 2005 FLEETWOOD MOBILE HOME WITH VIN # SGAF1475A75932AV21 AND GAF1475B75932AV21
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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 10th day of December, 2021. (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Jaimie Pippin
Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2021-CA-000321
VYSTAR CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ESTATE OF HENRY EIDE, ET AL,
Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated the 2nd day of December, 2021, and entered in Case No. 2021-CA-000321, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein VYSTAR CREDIT UNION is the Plaintiff, and ESTATE OF HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER FOR HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HENRY EIDE; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 AS TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; UNKNOWN TENANT # 2 AS TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash via electronic sale at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes on the 31st day of December, 2021, the following described property as set forth in

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said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 17, BLOCK 176, BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 34 THROUGH 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MOBILE HOME ID# F1FLV70A25515WC21 & ID#F1FLV70825515WC21 Property Address: 4370 Angora Street, Middleburg, FL 32068 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 SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE. If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net. Dated this 2nd day of August, 2021. (seal) TARA S GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Jaimie Pippin Deputy Clerk Legal 48827 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO: 2019CA001334 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MASTR ASSET BACKED SECURITIES TRUST 2007-HE2, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE2, Plaintiff, vs. PHYLLIS V. ALLUMS; MARCUS ALLUMS A/K/A MARCUS D. ALLUMS; JANICE M. CASE, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 7, 2021, and entered in 2019CA001334 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MASTR ASSET BACKED SECURITIES TRUST 2007-HE2, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE2, is the Plaintiff and PHYLLIS V. ALLUMS; MARCUS ALLUMS A/K/A MARCUS D. ALLUMS; JANICE M. CASE are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on February 7, 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 16, BLOCK 4, HOLLYCREST SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGES 51 AND 52 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. EXCEPT THAT PART DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN AT THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 16; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 16, 56.44 FEET; THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST 57.67 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 16; THENCE NORTH 53 DEGREES 06 MINUTES WEST, ALONG SAID NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 16, 12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. ALSO TOGETHER WITH THAT PART OF LOT 15, BLOCK 4, HOLLYCREST SUBDIVISION, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 15; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST, 56.44 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 15 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT

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15, SOUTH 36 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST, 60.28 FEET TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF HOLLYCREST BOULEVARD; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG A CURVE IN SAID EASTERLY LINE OF HOLLYCREST BOULEVARD, SAID CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 605.01 FEET, 12.6 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT THAT IS SOUTH 48 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 55 SECONDS WEST, 59.4 FEET FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 48 DEGREES 44 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, 59.4 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. 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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this day of December 8th, 2021.(seal)Tara S. Green As Clerk of the Court By: Jaimie Pippin As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48863 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 16-101291-StC

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO: 2014-CA-000589 DIVISION:A U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. LUKE KUSZEWSKI, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 1, and entered in Case No. 2014-CA-00589 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is the Plaintiff and Luke F. Kuszewski, Florida Housing Finance Corporation, Veronica L. Kuszewski, are defendants, the Clay County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on www.clay.realforeclose.com, Clay County, Florida at 10:00 a.m. on the 18th day of January, 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 9, BLOCK 4, HERITAGE FARMS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 13, PAGES 49 THROUGH 53, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA A/K/A 1654 MORNINGSIDE DRIVE, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

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 in Clay County, Florida this 2nd day of December, 2021. (seal) TARA S. GREEN Clerk of the Circuit Court

Clay County, Florida By: Rebecca Crews Deputy Clerk If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net. Legal 48865 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2021-CA-171 SUNSEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC, A Florida Corporation, PLAINTIFF, vs. JOSEPH L. SIPPLO, JESSICA SIPPLO A/K/A/ JESSICA DRISCOLL, SURF CONSULTANTS, INC., and PROGRESSIVE SELECT INS. CO, DEFENDANT NOTICE OF SALE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the order of FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE dated November 18, 2021, and entered in Case No. 2021-CA-171 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein SUNSEEKER INVESTMENTS, INC. is the PLAINTIFF and JOSEPH L. SIPPLO, JESSICA SIPPLO A/K/A JESSICA DRISCOLL, SURF CONSULTANTS, INC., and PROGRESSIVE SELECT INS. CO. are the DEFENDANT(S). The Office of the Clerk, Clay County Clerk of Court, will sell to the highest bidder or bidders for cash at public sale on January 20, 2021, at 10:00 AM, at https://www.clay.realforeclose.com the following described property as set forth in said final judgment, to-wit: Parcel No.: 14-08-23-001437-863-96 Lot 41, Block 13, of BIG TREE LAKES SUBDIVISION, SECTION C, an unplatted subdivision, which lot is described with more particularity in the exhibit to that certain Declaration of Interpretive Data Relating to Legal Descriptions dated June 1, 1983, and filed at O.R. Book 749, Page 418, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in the PLAINTIFF'S mortgage with JOSEPH L. SIPPLO. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner must file a claim before the Clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated: December 1, 2021 (seal) TARA S. GREEN Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Rebecca Crews As Deputy Clerk Legal 48831 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO: 2020CA000634 WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FS, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS A TRUSTEE FOR PREMIUM MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff, vs JEFFREY M. FUQUA, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 18, 2021, and entered in 2020CA000635 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FS, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS A TRUSTEE FOR PREMIUM MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST, is the Plaintiff and JEFFREY M. FUQUA; PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on 1/11/2022 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 40, BLOCK 1, SANDY HOLLOW, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 17, PAGES 59 AND 60, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 2607 SANDY HOLLOW DR, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this day of December 10th, 2021. (seal) Tara S. Green As Clerk of the Court By: Taylor Tyson As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48873 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19-388287-CaB

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Dated this day of December 10th, 2021. (seal) Tara S. Green As Clerk of the Court By: Taylor Tyson As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48873 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19-388287-CaB

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO: 2020CA000152 BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, Plaintiff, vs JUDITH I. LEAF A/K/A JUDITH ACKLEY LEAF; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JUDITH I. LEAF A/K/A JUDITH ACKLEY LEAF; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 7, 2021, and entered in 2020CA000152 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, is the Plaintiff and JUDITH I. LEAF A/K/A JUDITH ACKLEY LEAF; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JUDITH I. LEAF A/K/A JUDITH ACKLEY LEAF; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on February 7, 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 26, BLOCK 147, BLACK CREEK PARK, UNIT ONE, PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 21-33, AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH 1996 MERRITT DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING VIN #FLHML2P47711943A AND FLHML2P47711943B. Property Address: 5170 CHICORY CIRCLE MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this day of December 8th, 2021. (seal) Tara S. Green As Clerk of the Court By: Taylor Tison As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48864 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19407857-StC

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at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48864 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19407857-StC

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 10-2021-CA-000394 U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR LEGACY MORTGAGE ASSET TRUST 2020-GS3, Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA S. WILCOX A/K/A PAT WILCOX, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered December 9, 2021, in Civil Case No. 10-2021-CA000394 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com at 10:00 AM in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 11th day of January, 2022 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: Tract 19, Block 16, Jacksonville South Unit One, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 10, Pages 36 through 45, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. Together with a 1994 Fleetwood Doublewide Mobile Home, VIN No. GAFLP05A21283CW, Title No. 66454619 and 66454618.

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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 10th day of December, 2021. (seal) TARA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AS Clerk of the Court BY: Rebecca Crews Deputy Clerk If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net. Legal 48868 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO: 2019-CA-000592 NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff, vs. GENEROSO Q. MENCIAO et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 27, 2021, and entered in 2019-CA-000592 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING is the Plaintiff and GENEROSO Q. MENCIAO; ROSARIO M. MENCIAO; RIDGECREST CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on December 28, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: LOT 11, RIDGECREST, UNIT 6, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF,

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RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16 PAGES 36, 37 AND 38 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. Property Address: 2470 CHARWOOD COURT, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065 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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this day of December 1st, 2021. (seal) Tara S. Green As Clerk of the Court By: Rebecca Crews As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before you 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. Legal 48830 published Dec 9 and Dec 16, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 20-060866

NOTICE OF SALE

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

CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO: 2019-CA-000824 Division A NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Plaintiff, Vs.

CARL J. CHAMPAGNE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LOIS ALLI, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS, Defendants. Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on December 9th, 2021, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, TARA S. GREEN, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida described as: LOT 9, BLOCK A, REPLAT OF OAKHILL ESTATES UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 47, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: 1613 TWIN OAK DR E, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, online at www.clay.realforeclose.com, on January 11, 2022 at 10:00 AM. Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus 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. Dated this 10th day of February, 2021. (seal) TARA S. GREEN Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Jaimie Pippin Deputy Clerk Legal 48871 published Dec 16 and Dec 23, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 328850/1911203





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