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Marisol Buitrago was selected as the Pre-school Teacher of the Year for her work with children during challenging times.

Green Cove preschool teacher earns regional honor

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Not only is Marisol Buitrago a teacher at Green Cove Springs Head Start Center, but when education recently became a challenge, she reverted back to teaching at the Early Learning Coalition of North Florida's Pre-school.

Now her work was recognized when she was selected as the Teacher of the Year.

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The Vineyard Transitional Center rebuilding lives

Homeless shelter to be torn down, start anew

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Pastor John Sanders knew it was going to take more than another coat of paint to keep The Vineyard Transitional Center up and running.

The building that houses in-need men as they transition from a life of despair to a functioning member of the community, is in dire need of a makeover. He enlisted help from a contractor to find out how

many more patches the building at 518 N. Pine Ave. would need.

At first, the news was heartbreaking to the Executive Director. The Vineyard needed to be torn down and rebuilt.



Jon Sanders

But now, the prospect of a fresh start has invigorated him and the rest of his team – Executive Secretary Joseph Smith, Director of Finance Rebecca M. Van

de'water, Administrator Director Rhonda Ali, Director of Community Outreach Archa Tarfa and Chaplain David Jackson.

The challenge now is to raise between \$450,000-\$500,000. He knows it will take a lot of work, and he will call in a lot of favors. But he's certain The Vineyard soon will be a beacon for those who need help.

"I'm still trying to wrap my head around it," Sanders said. "My whole thing from the beginning is we do a lot of fundraising. Once we tear the building down, everything will be done in a phase, like getting the concrete and getting the foundation down. I'll be asking a lot of businesses and

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STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Grumpy's employees met hours after their Middleburg restaurant was destroyed by fire. They learned they will have a job when the store re-opens, as well as a check during the delay.

Grumpy's vows to rebuild, rebound and return

Popular Middleburg diner to be closed for four months following fire

By Don Coble
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MIDDLEBURG – Soot was streaked across Dell Hoard Jr.'s face as he slowly, methodically tried to take inventory of the damage at his Grumpy's Restaurant.

There was so much to process.

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Lake Asbury land use change withdrawn before BCC vote

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A potential land use change for a Lake Asbury property brought residents out in force at Tuesday’s Board of County Commission meeting.

Though the item took almost two hours, the applicant withdrew before commissioners could vote. The Planning Commission already voted 5-2 to recommend approval of the change in land use. The hearing on Tuesday was for a transmittal of the land use change to the state for feedback.

“If it’s not transmitted, it ends here,” Zoning Chief Mike Brown said.

Property owner TEAMeffort, a faith-based youth camp, sought an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan to change the future land use of 100.17 acres from Lake Asbury Rural Fringe to Lake Asbury Rural Community. Four acres are wetlands and cannot be developed.

The change could allow a maximum of

192 units permitted under the Rural Community designation, or 48 units on septic tanks. However, the Rural Fringe land use allowed for a maximum density of 288 units.

The property, located at 839 Lake Asbury Drive, is not subject to the year-long construction moratorium passed by commissioners in December and Brown told commissioners the land use change on its own did not authorize development.

Environmental consultant John Shanks wrote in his assessment that his firm, “does not believe that this project will result in any unmitigable impacts to any protected wildlife species, or wildlife in general.” SLF Consulting’s Susan Fraser said on behalf of her client, the development potential was being reduced. She addressed concerns about hazards with a nearby dam.

“This is one of the better dams and better maintained dams,” Fraser said.

During public comment, residents ex-



pressed opposition. Kay Manley said she’s lived in Lake Asbury for more than 30 years. She said building homes is a negative to the community and local governments have been trying to eliminate septic

tanks for years. “Why would you want to reverse the money Clay County spent to remove septic

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Community Briefs



Area Health Education Center offering plans to quit smoking

CLAY COUNTY – Northeast Florida Area Health Education Center will offer a variety of plans and meetings to help residents quit smoking.

The organization can provide a four-week supply of nicotine patches, gum and lozenges through its virtual and in-person meetings.

Meetings are planned for Feb. 21 and March 21 from 6-8 p.m. at the Mission of the Dirt Road, 115 NE Commercial Circle, in Keystone Heights and on Feb. 24 and March 28 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Fleming Island United Methodist Church, 7170 U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island.

For more information, call (904) 482-0189.



Garden Club of Fleming Island to meet on Feb. 14

FLEMING ISLAND – Jon Terry, a Master Gardener and a member of the Clay County Master Gardeners, will be the guest speaker at the Garden Club of Fleming Island's Feb 14 meeting at the Fleming Island Library.

Terry also is a Master Gardener volunteer with UF/IFAS who specializes in marcotting and bonsai propagating. He will bring a display of his bonsai sculptured plantings and he will be available to answer questions and provide helpful information. The meeting at 1895 Town Center Blvd. will start at 10 a.m., and it's free to attend.

Orange Park American Business Women's Association Offers Pat Walker Scholarship

ORANGE PARK – The Orange Park Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association is offering a scholarship worth \$2,000 funded through the Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund to a deserving area student.

Each year, local chapters of ABWA provide Stephen Bufton Memorial Scholarships to girls who will be attending accredited U.S. colleges, universities and community/vocational schools. Applicants for this scholarship must be citizens of the United States; residents of Northeast Florida; attending any Florida college or

university at any grade level Fall semester 2022; and have a current GPA of 3.0 or higher. Eligible women interested in applying for the scholarship should contact: Lynn McCarthy, Scholarship Chair Orange Park Charter Chapter of ABWA lynnmcCarthy1@comcast.net, (904) 504-8181.

Once added to the database by the Scholarship Chair, applications must be completed online by May 15. The scholarship recipient will be notified in July 2022. SBMEF, ABWA's national educational fund, is one of the most highly respected grants and scholarship funds in the country.

For more than 60 years, ABWA has helped women achieve their business and professional success through educational scholarships. Since its inception, more than 17,000 women nationwide have been awarded more than \$17 million in scholarships. The Stephen Bufton Memorial Educational Fund is a 501 (c) 3 charitable trust and public foundation. It has the same tax status as public schools, churches and community funds. The fund is listed in the U.S. Internal Revenue Service "Cumulative List of Organizations" described in Section 170(c) of the IRS code of 1954 – revised Oct. 31, 1974.

The Orange Park Charter Chapter and the American Business Women's Association The Orange Park Charter Chapter was chartered by the American Business Women's Association in 1976 to support girls and women in developing business skills and to foster business networking. Members of the chapter meet the third Tuesday of every month from 6-8 p.m. at The Club Continental in Orange Park.

More information about the leading as-

sociation for working women and women business owners can be found at www.abwa.org or on Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/pages/ABWA-A-A-place-to-connect-learn-and-grow/110652155635738>.

Grant applications available for Art Ventures

CLAY COUNTY – Applications are now open for individual artists in Northeast Florida to apply for an Art Ventures grant of \$3,500. Interested artists who reside in Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns County are encouraged to apply for funding to help them develop the next level of their artistic careers. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Feb. 15.

Black artists have additional opportunities this year with the recently created Delores Barr Weaver Black Artists Endowment. This will specifically fund three Black artists each year. These will be additive to the Art Ventures cohort of grantees which has always supported Black artists and has made grants from the Independent Life Minority Arts Fund. Applications will be judged on the applicants' artistic accomplishments, their proposal to use the funds to advance their work, and the extent to which their artistic practice is rooted in Northeast Florida.

Extension Office's 'From the Ground Up' program set Friday

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – January is a wonderful time to walk around our homes and think about our landscapes and consider the possibilities. Maybe this is the

year you are going to lessen the maintenance in your landscape, or try for fewer annuals and more perennials, or replace some of the lawn with flower beds, or add plants to bring more color into your winter landscape. So many possibilities!

Attendees are sure to see a plant or design idea just waiting to be implemented in their own gardens. And if you are new to Northeast Florida, this is definitely the training for you because lawns and gardens and their care are different here.

Florida Clay County Master Gardeners host a day of education, "From the Ground Up", for the public Friday, Jan. 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Extension Office 2463 State Road 16 West in Green Cove Springs (next to the Fairgrounds).

The event starts with a Master Gardener-guided tour of the Extension Office grounds, showcasing the plants that bring winter color and interest to our gardens, our native plants, and pollinator, succulent and herb gardens. Following the tour, learn from Master Gardeners and County Extension Agents about good and bad insects; designing color into your garden; and seasonal gardening. Bring a soil sample, about ½ cup of soil in a paper or plastic container, for pH testing and receive the results within seven to 10 days. Get your questions answered by the master gardeners during the course of the day. Morning and afternoon refreshments are provided with lunch on your own. Capacity is limited, register early, select your workshops, and pay a \$15 fee at clayextension.eventbrite.com, call the Extension Office and speak with Michelle Alters at (904) 284-6355 or visit the office.

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Good government never goes out of style

By **Chris Chambless**
Clay County Supervisor of Elections

CLAY COUNTY – We get the representation that we elect.

In Clay County for the upcoming 2022 Primary, we will prepare for 100% voter turnout; but we will be delighted to achieve 80%. To accomplish this, we will have Early Voting, voting on Election Day and Vote by Mail. Even with these accommodations for 80% potential turnout, where are the 20% of voters who are not engaged enough to play an active role by casting a ballot? Why will they not vote?



Chris Chambless

I have heard many reasons, and most of them boil down to “convenience.”

Twenty percent is approximately 32,000 voters. This abysmal number is disappointing when you consider that, at no other time in history, has voter registration been more convenient and accessible. In addition to registering at our office, a Clay County citizen can register to vote:

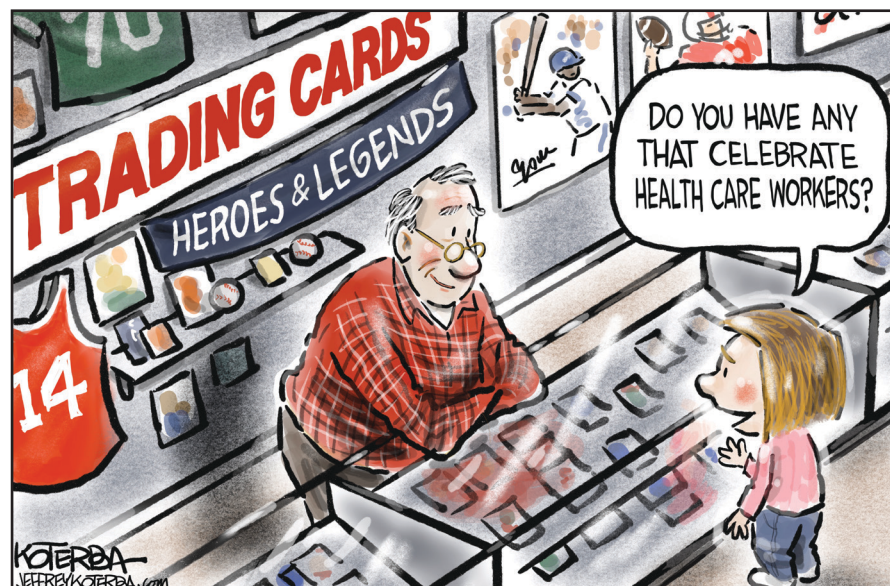
- online at clayelections.gov or at registertovoteflorida.gov
- at any library
- while obtaining or renewing your Florida driver license
- at any public assistance office
- at any post office
- as a 16-year-old high school student
- at any elections office outreach event

Considering this myriad of options currently available, access to voter registration doesn't appear to be the problem.

Some say that they cannot get to the polls. I understand life is busy. However, we have 10 days of Early Voting for nine hours a day, at seven locations across the county, in addition to the regular 12 hours of voting on Election Day. If that is not accessible for some, we will offer Voting by Mail in the comfort of one's own home. If the vote by mail ballot is rejected due to lack of signature or has a signature that does not match what is on file, then the ability to “cure your signature” by completing an updated registration form is available. We also offer the ability to vote provisionally if a voter's eligibility is being called into question. When reviewing the options available to all voters, I do not think voter access is the problem.

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OPINIONS



Grumpy's Strong

Middleburg restaurant vows to return following devastating fire

By **Don Coble**
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The sign in front of the Chick-fil-A near Branan Field Road doesn't promote its chicken sandwiches or frosted lemonade. Instead, it offered support to a competitor, Grumpy's Restaurant.

“Praying 4 our neighbors at Grumpy's.”

A fire at the popular restaurant across the street from Chick-fil-A not only forced ardent supporters to find a new place for breakfast and lunch but also prompted a groundswell of support.

“In times of despair and accidents of this kind, when your neighbors step up, it's really all you can ask for, especially for a small community like Clay County and Middleburg,” said Grumpy's CEO Dan DeLeon.

The fire started in the back of the restaurant near the dishwashing room. The kitchen area wasn't involved, but it was heavily damaged by water and soot. DeLeon said it will take up to four months to rebuild. But make so mistake: Grumpy's will be back.

That was a message 41 employees needed to hear.

DeLeon and Middleburg restaurant owners Dell and Peggy Hoard, and their son and daughter-in-law, Dell Jr. and Courtney, met with their employees the day after the Jan. 19 across the street at the Clay County Sheriff's Office substation.

Most arrived wearing their Grumpy's



Don Coble

T-shirts. They hugged as they entered. Some cried. As a group, they seemed better prepared to face uncertainty.

They left in tears. And with smiles.

“We gave them two commitments,” DeLeon said. “One, we're committed to keeping all of our employees. We don't want to leave anyone behind, anyone without a paycheck. Our commitment to them is to keep everyone employed during this process. Two, is to build back stronger.”

During the meeting, Chick-fil-A store restaurant operator Joe Mayo delivered bags of sandwiches and trays of macaroni and cheese.

“We are neighbors,” Mayo said.

Rebounding from a crisis isn't new for DeLeon. His Orange Park restaurant was briefly closed, then limited to carryout orders during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic.

He gave unused food to local food banks and he donated two months of his salary to keep his employees paid.

“I donated two months of my salary to kick it off. It was all done internally,” DeLeon said. “We'll do the same thing here. We'll get together to see how we will make it happen.”

In addition to offering shifts at the Orange Park and St. Johns restaurants, DeLeon and Hoard said they will make sure the Middleburg staff will get the financial support they desperately need.

“We're trying to figure all that out right now,” Hoard Jr. said. “You go through all this time you get a group that jells well. We have a good group of girls and guys. Now you just worry. You worry about what's going to come. You make sure you have your staff in place.”

“We plan to keep all of them. The

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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.

Triologue: (TRI-uh-lahg) a noun that means a dialogue between three people.

“Representatives from California, Maryland and New York arranged a triologue to discuss the passage of the Build Back Better program.”

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2016

- The Clay County School Board tables its final decision on redistricting after fifteen parents voice their opposition that would shift hundreds of students from Plantation Oaks to Argyle Elementary.
- Hundreds of prospective buyers attend a Federal Bureau of Land Management wild horse and burro adoption at the Clay County Fairgrounds.
- Clay Transit added 28 benches and plans to hire new drivers to increase service for local riders.

10 years ago, 2011

- Burglar makes a dumb mistake by trying to break into the home of off-duty Jacksonville Sheriff's Office deputy in Orange Park. Jarvis Gerrie Guthrie went to jail with a black eye.
- The Green Cove Springs Public Library and Augusta Savage Arts and Community Center join to sponsor a paper plane club at the Thomas Hogans Gymnasium.

- Clay County Superintendent Ben Wortham tells the school board he supports lifting the no trespassing warning against Rev. Ron Baker of Russell Baptist Church that prohibits him from conducting prayer circles at county school for the past 10 years.

20 years ago, 2002

- The Board of County Commissioners decides not to accept a business plan that would put the city in the cable television business.
- Brian Gillespie wins the Keystone Heights Elementary Spelling Bee.

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Opinions ...

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Grumpys

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gest thing is making sure our staff knows this is their home. Nothing's going to happen to them."

The community seems ready to do its part.

A single balloon was tied to the front railing in front of the blackened store. It read: "Feel Better." Dozens of regulars stopped by the restaurant to offer their support as the Hoards sifted through piles of charged debris.

The Hoards said rebuilding the restaurant will be the easy part. The challenge is to keep his group of workers from falling through the cracks.

"Anything the community can do to help our employees ... even if that means reaching out and telling them they have



their backs," Hoard Jr. said.

The Middleburg restaurant opened in October 2020. Long lines and an iconic menu were proof Grumpy's recipe for success worked in the past year, and it's proof it will bounce back better than ever.

"We will open back up," Hoard Jr. said. "Some places can't make this. We are going to survive. We are going to make it back up. And I know the community will be behind us. I don't know how long this process is going to take us right now, but we'll be back."

Hungry fans will be waiting.

Employees enjoy lunch provided by Chick-fil-A in Middleburg while they learn they will have jobs waiting for them once Grumpy's Middleburg is rebuilt following a fire that destroyed the popular restaurant. Owners also vowed to provide pay during the downtime.

Government

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Some may say that they are unaware of a candidate's position or what a pending piece of legislation may actually mean. However, with an individual candidate or election information online or at a public library, it is hard to not be an informed voter if one has that desire. Lack of information is not the problem.

Florida is very accommodating when it comes to the types of identification necessary to validate your voter eligibility. In addition to a Florida driver license or identification card issued by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Florida accepts:

- United States passport
- Debit or credit card
- Military identification
- Student identification
- Retirement center identification
- Neighborhood association identification
- Public assistance identification
- Veteran health identification card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs
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• Employee identification card issued by any branch, department, agency, or entity of the Federal Government, the state, a county or a municipality.

If the photo ID does not include a signature, you will be asked to provide another ID that has your signature. If you do not bring a proper ID, you can still vote using a provisional ballot.

As long as you are eligible and voted in the proper precinct, your provisional ballot will count, provided the signature on your provisional ballot matches the signature in your registration record. Access to proper identification is not the problem.

Florida Supervisors of Elections have lobbied for many positive legislative changes and Florida legislators have passed many of these recommendations which have resulted in some of the best election laws in the country, but, at the end of the day, it will take all of us to combat the problem of voter apathy.

Sometimes we have to be honest; maybe it is not them, but we the people. Remember, good government never goes out of style.

If you have questions or need more information, visit ClayElections.gov or call our office at (904) 269-6350.

• Green Cove Springs Elementary's Adam Phillips wins the National Geographic Geography Bee.

40 years ago, 1982

- The Clay County Legislative Delegation appoints James B. Jett to the Governmental Study Commission.
- The county commission questions the new legislative districts drawn up by the Florida Senate which would lump Clay County with the southern half of Duval County.
- The Clay County School Board approves a 10.7% pay raise for teachers.

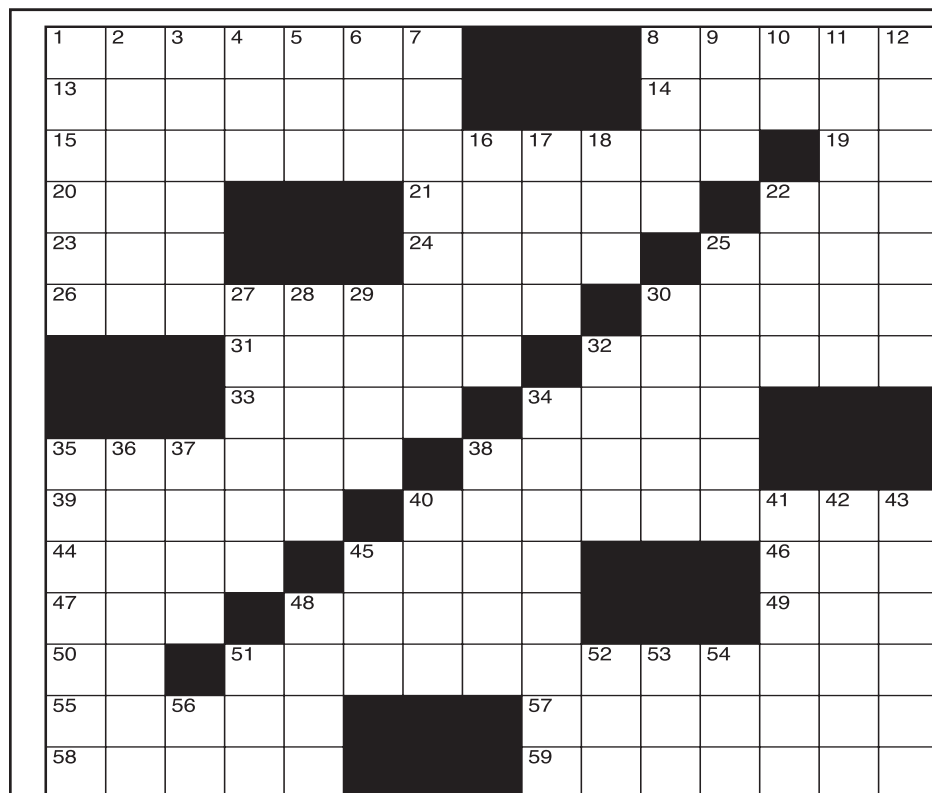
History

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• Johnny Emery, who is from Baker County, is sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for killing Richard Campbell during a robbery at a carwash.

30 years ago, 1992

- Clay County Judge William A. Wilkes rules against Mayor James Tillman's lawsuit that challenged the appointment of Ted Coleman to a seat on the Town Council.
- Richard Fellows announces he will retire as the Green Cove Springs City Manager.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Warm-blooded vertebrates
- 8. Semitic peoples
- 13. Supervise
- 14. Historical German territory
- 15. Sweat
- 19. The Wolverine State
- 20. China
- 21. Violent disturbances
- 22. A way to commemorate the dead
- 23. Midway between east and southeast
- 24. Bird genus
- 25. Trim
- 26. Disparaged
- 30. More coherent
- 31. Abnormal rattling sounds
- 32. Healthy appetizers
- 33. Partner to "shocked"
- 34. French pianist Pascal
- 35. Jokes
- 38. Marks to omit print
- 39. Tall
- 40. Coverage
- 44. "A Death in the Family" author
- 45. Role of highlights
- 46. Fixed-radio access
- 47. Partly digested food
- 48. "Lamb Chop" puppeteer Lewis
- 49. In support of
- 50. Aluminum
- 51. Reduction in value over time
- 55. Running events
- 57. Portuguese region
- 58. Slovenly women
- 59. Strongly criticized

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Wiped up
- 2. Opposed to
- 3. Macon, GA, university
- 4. Wife
- 5. Small viper
- 6. Polynesia garland of flowers
- 7. Saw-like
- 8. Maltese-Italian composer Girolamo
- 9. Moved faster than walking
- 10. Commercial
- 11. Covered with mud
- 12. Marksmen
- 16. Buenos ___
- 17. Tailless amphibian
- 18. Belonging to a thing
- 22. Mars crater
- 25. Most fair
- 27. Citrus fruit
- 28. Awkward
- 29. Brews
- 30. Beloved late broadcaster Craig
- 32. All alone
- 34. Copies
- 35. Poster
- 36. Symmetrical
- 37. Grew older
- 38. Makes tractors
- 40. Not the front
- 41. State as fact
- 42. Long, narrow cut
- 43. Worked hard for
- 45. Indicates position in a box score
- 48. Tax
- 51. "Lookout Weekend" singer Debbie
- 52. Unhealthy
- 53. Imam name ___ Khan
- 54. A woolen cap of Scottish origin (abbr.)
- 56. The Golden State



The current building at The Vineyard Transitional Center needs more than repairs. It needs to be knocked down and rebuilt, contractors said.

Vineyard

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nesses and friends of mine, can you donate a yard of concrete?

“That’s how we’re going to get it done – asking the community to pitch in. I have the belief; I have faith people are going to step up and help us get it done.”

The Vineyard is more than a bed and three hot meals for men who have nothing. The 90-day program requires residents to attend life-skill training classes and counseling. Residents are required to maintain their rooms and the grounds. Smoking, alcohol and drugs are prohibited. Sanders said the program isn’t a handout. It’s a helping hand that allows residents to stand on their own feet.

“I don’t like to use the word homeless. It’s for anybody that’s in need that we can help give them a place to stay,” he said. “What’s going to happen is, if someone

comes there, they’d stay at least 90 days to get back on their feet. We have life skills training for them.

Many of the residents have been men released from jail. Many don’t have a place to eat or sleep. Some lack the skills to find work. Other than returning to jail, The Vineyard has become the only option for some.

The transition center has been lauded by city officials and residents. The city council recently approved changing the zoning so Sanders can start the process of rebuilding – not only new walls but new lives.

“They have to go through all these different classes,” Sanders said. “If they stay there the whole 90 days, they will go through the entire program. It still has to be maintained.

“We have to have some rules.” To help, contact The Vineyard at claycountyhomelesshelter.com.

Orange Park’s Rotary Club calls for donations for Haiti nurse

By Nick Blank
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CLAY COUNTY – The Rotary Club of Orange Park is trying to cover the salary of a Haitian nurse who manages health care for students in her region.

Anite oversees school children and staff at Mission Possible schools in central-western Haiti. Mission Possible is a faith-based network of clinics, schools and churches in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

The schools in her area cover an area of about 50 square miles. For 12 years, she has administered vitamins and medicine, provided hygiene instructions and ran a clinic for staff. She also connects to a U.S.-based doctor for telehealth.

Rotary Club member Dr. Kirk Young has made the trip to Haiti four times to provide dental care.

“Everybody in the club said, ‘Yeah let’s do that,’” Young said of donating to Anite. “In Haiti, that goes a long way. Anite has been doing this for quite a while.”

Haiti lacks paved roads and infrastructure like bridges, and the country is still reeling from two massive earthquakes in 2009 and 2017. Young recalled the two-mile treks carrying the chairs and equipment to his worksite with other medical professionals, sometimes wading through water or passing through mountainous areas.

All that would happen before his eight-hour workdays.

“We make sure we have enough people to do the day’s work and we go from there,” he said.



The Rotary Club is looking for support for Anite, a passionate nurse in Haiti.

Unfortunately, Haiti is hard to access, he said. The country’s political instability following the July 2021 assassination of President Jovenel Moïse and the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted mission-related travel like Young and other doctors have conducted.

“You catch a plane in Miami to the airport in (Haiti’s capital) Port-au-Prince, then you get on the back of an open flatbed truck with 30 people on it and it’s three hours to camp.”

Anite’s salary is \$350 a month. More information about donating is available at ourmissionispossible.org.

“She’s a smiling, hardworking lady and one of the most hardworking people you’ve ever seen,” Young added. “You’d never see her complain.”



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Animal control, breeding reform in commission's sights

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The county is targeting numerous ways to limit its animal population by enacting tougher requirements.

At the Animal Control Services workshop Tuesday, Assistant County Manager Troy Nagle brought back ordinances to streamline the processes for aggressive dogs, hobby breeders, pet shops and citations with the objective of curbing the increase of animals.

"I think it's not one answer, it's a combination of different things to get us to the right answer," Nagle said.

Nagle said staff worked on citation methods which would provide for a magistrate to hear cases about dangerous animal, create fees set by a resolution and add possible mandatory court appearances for offenders.

"This will allow for better enforcement options than what we currently have," he added.

A dangerous dog is defined by the state

as a dog that has bitten or attacked someone, injured or killed a domestic animal or chased a person in a menacing fashion after being investigated by an authority. Nagle said the county had more leverage it could enforce, such as requiring insurance for dangerous dogs, requiring the dogs to attend obedience training or to be muzzled when off their property.

"This will allow greater control over the dogs that have been classified as dangerous," Nagle said.

The county sought to create a new classification for a dog that severely injures a domestic animal or gives a person at least minor injuries without provocation. The classification will occur via a special magistrate and the classification does not apply to law enforcement-related dogs.

"I think that's important because if you know your dog has done that the first time to another animal, then you pretty much have a situation where that dog is aggressive ... I appreciate we have some action we can take at that point," Commissioner Mike Cella said.

BCC Chairman Wayne Bolla said an insurance requirement would lead to dogs given up, but the language Nagle presented said "may" near the items, leaving the requirement and the classifications to the county's discretion.

For hobby breeders, the county would establish a maximum of two litters or 20 offspring bred per owner, as well as animal housing requirements, vaccine requirements and property checks. This is a method for enforcement before they become neglect cases, Nagle said.

"This would, in essence, (with) the cases we had recently this would have allowed staff to start that process earlier," Nagle said. Another potential ordinance would stop the retail sale of dogs and cats, which would apply to flea markets and common areas. It would also grandfather in current establishments for one year.

Nagle said there are two retailers selling dogs or cats in the county and Cella said there are several cities and counties that have made similar moves.

"We have a shelter full of animals, we

want to encourage people to take the animals already in the shelter," Nagle said.

Nagle said staff workload would increase and there would be the cost of the magistrate. Lastly, the county's Trap, Neuter, Vaccinate, Release program is expected to begin in the spring. The county will solicit veterinarians and \$75,000 is currently slated in the budget for it.

Bolla added that cats have no natural predators and the county currently wasn't doing enough. He said he's been told the county's feral cat population is at least 30,000, "I get a lot of calls about cats," Bolla said. "... If the program works, let's quadruple the funding and get it fixed once and for all and at least make a dent in the population."

The topic's final item pertained to the new Animal Control facility. Facilities Program Manager Gene Price said the county and the contractor have had conversations about the programs and personnel needed in the new shelter. Price said he expected the design to be completed by November and construction started by next year.

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tanks to allow more to come in a development?" Manley asked.

Ken Kiefer said aquifers could be damaged and the damage could flow into nearby waterways. Becky Kiefer said the Comprehensive Plan is like a community commitment. She said the Planning Commission had more questions that should be answered and said the dam should be repaired.

"The 850-plus residents in our community all bought their property knowing that this 100 acres was conservation land, and are we going to accommodate one landowner who would negatively impact the existing 850 residents?" she asked.

Resident Janet Wantage said one change can lead to more changes and she felt uncertain about the land use change. She asked commissioners to not contribute to more infrastructure issues in Clay County.

"When you read the proposals, there's a lot of 'abouts' and 'approximately' ... we really don't know what we're getting," Wantage said.

North Florida Land Trust President Jim McCarthy said the organization didn't take

positions with developments. However, he said the agency has potential interest in buying all or 80 acres of the property, but has not made an offer.

"We're concerned about Lake Asbury and Black Creek in particular," he said. "We've done a lot of work in the county."

BCC Chairman Wayne Bolla wanted to preserve the area without damaging the sale. He encouraged the applicants to continue talking to the land trust. Commissioner Mike Cella said he's hung up on septic tanks and wondered why the land trust couldn't do an assessment.

Applicant Warren Jones said the orga-

nization is trying to sell the property in a way that's community friendly and respectful to the neighborhood, while doing well on the sale. He said motives for the community were sincere.

"We wanted to finish the (land use change) process, but I'd be glad to pursue that simultaneously," Jones said of working with the land trust.

Fraser was reluctant to be pushed to sell only to the land trust if the transmittal was denied Tuesday. She asked for a continuation. Commissioner Betsy Condon later asked why the applicants hadn't put up the land for sale with a listing or appraisal,

and later specified several anti-septic tank initiatives at the state and county levels.

"It's getting to be where it's a respect issue," Condon said. "It's a respect about the community and a respect about our process."

Commissioner Jim Renninger also signaled concerns with the land use change. The property is in Commissioner Kristen Burke's district and she said residents have a right to be upset and confused. She recalled a frustrating town hall meeting, and said she felt honesty was a problem over whether the land trust approached the applicants.

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Obituaries

Jerry Ray Trammell

Jerry Ray Trammell of Middleburg, Florida passed away on January 20, 2022, at the age of 75.

Born in McAlester, Oklahoma on January 2, 1947. He was a proud, enrolled member of the Chickasaw Nation.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Opal Trammell (Cunningham), and his sister, Wokeeta (Fuzzy) Hahn.

He attended Will Rodgers High School in McAlester, Oklahoma and at the age of 17 decided to leave school to enlist in the Marine Corps. Jerry served four years active and 2 years reserve in the Marine Corps and was honorably discharged. While

in the Marine Corps, he won the Golden Gloves Boxing Champion while still a private first class. He would eventually go on to be awarded the trophy in the heavy-weight division on January 28, 1966. He would also later get his GED.

Being an avid outdoorsman, he loved to hunt, fish, drive 4 wheelers and racecars. He was also an expert rifleman and did his own reloading to ensure accuracy.

Jerry became the State of Oklahoma archery champion, three years in a row.

He was the president of Trammell Concrete Construction. Major construction projects included the Jacksonville Riverwalk, the runways at Jacksonville Naval Air Station and numerous Department of Transportation projects. He always loved to point out all the sidewalks around the Jacksonville area that he had worked on.

He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Mary Ann (Hayden) Trammell; daughters, Chevelle Crusan, Christen, and Nikki Trammell and son, Joe Trammell; stepchildren, Anne-Marie Stockton (Chris), Linda Fasano Martin (Joel) and John Fasano (Laurie). There are also 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. He adored and loved them all. He is also survived by a sister, Wynema Lovell (Max) of Green

Cove Springs, FL and brother Kenny Trammell (Ida) of Pahrump, NV; brother in laws; Emmett Hahn and William Hayden and sister-in-law, Linda Hayden.

There will be no formal funeral service. His ashes will be interred at a later date in the Jacksonville National Cemetery with full military honors.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to the Alzheimer's Association is greatly appreciated.

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

Arrangements are under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. (904) 284-4000.



Jerry Ray Trammell

Hazel Wainwright Ryan

Hazel Wainwright Ryan, age 92, passed away Saturday, January 22, 2022, in Fleming Island, Florida. Hazel was born to Leila Irene Moody and Newnan Crews Wainwright on May 30, 1929, in Penny Farms, Florida.

Hazel graduated from Clay High School in Green Cove Springs, Florida, and was married to Rev. Thomas D. Ryan, Jr. She continued to be very active in the Methodist Church after his passing. Hazel was a member of the Green Cove Springs United Methodist Church.

Hazel was very active in the Clay County Historical Society and the Red Hat Society. Through her many endeavors with her husband, they founded the Methodist Church of Orange Park, Wesley Manor Retirement Center in Mandarin, and the Lake Asbury Community -- all to secure a 100-acre retreat for the Methodist Church. She is fondly known as the "Mother of Lake Asbury." Hazel will be remembered most for her generous and



Hazel Wainwright Ryan

loving spirit as well as her great sense of humor. Live, Love, Laugh was her mantra.

Hazel was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas D. Ryan, Jr. Surviving family includes daughter Peggy Ryan Brown of Ridgeland, MS, sons Thomas D. Ryan, III (Nancy) of Green Cove Springs, FL, Zac E. W. Ryan (Jeannie) of Green Cove Springs, FL and James M. Ryan (Angela) of Lake Asbury, FL. Her grandchildren include Ryan Brown of Olive Branch, MS, Cori Brown Cater of Starkville, MS, Jesse Ryan of Green Cove Springs, FL, Carly Ryan Roberts of Green Cove Springs, FL, Luke Ryan of Green Cove Springs, FL, Libby Ryan of Tacoma, WA, T.J. Ryan of Green Cove Springs, FL, Tripp Ryan of Michigan, Kelsey Ryan of Memphis, TN, Jessica Ryan Willis of Fleming Island, FL and Alyx Ryan of San Francisco, CA. She also has eight great, grandchildren

and surviving brothers Maxie Wainwright (Nora Lee) of Lake City, FL, and Grady Wainwright of St. Augustine, FL.

A Celebration of Life, Love, and Laughter will be held at the Green Cove Springs First United Methodist Church on Saturday, January 29, 2022, at 2:00 P.M. Reverend David Jackson will be presiding.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to the Hazel Ryan Legacy Youth Fund at GiveSendGo.com.

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

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'Mother of the community' respected for helping the needy, her piano talent

By Nick Blank
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A long-time piano player and first Black teacher to integrate Doctors Inlet Elementary died on Jan. 16. She was 87.

Mary Tuggles taught for 47 years and was well-respected in the community. She lived through the Civil Rights era, and her daughter Tawana Tuggles said it was difficult for her to see those things and talk about them.

"The type of personality my mother had, whatever she did, she wasn't a person to talk about it," Tawana Tuggles said.

Tawana Tuggles said pastors would come to her mother for advice. If someone in the community needed clothes or food, Mary Tuggles was there, her daughter added, even clothes for a person's wake.

"She took care of needs," Tawana Tuggles said. "She was a confidant to many.

She had a lot of wisdom."

Several children have benefitted from Mary Tuggles' attitude and generosity toward education.

"She always pushed education for children and for them to get scholarships and go to college," Tawana Tuggles said. "She knew that in order to have a good life, you have to be educated."

At the Jan. 17 Martin Luther King Jr. ceremony at Vera Francis Hall Park, Tuggles was honored by three former mayors. Felecia Hampshire, who performed a few songs for the crowd, called Tuggles a living legend and said there were several lessons to learn from her life.

"The short songs we were singing, Mrs. Tuggles taught us all of that," Hampshire said.

Councilmember Connie Butler said Tuggles upheld King's goals of knowledge and understanding. Councilmember Van Royal said Tuggles was one of the first residents he met when he was campaigning.

"She said, 'Van, I just want you to know I expect you to do a good job. I'm going to be watching you and I'm going to call you.'" Royal recalled. "And she did."

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The 72-step stairway to the spring-fed stream is always so easy on the way down. Ferns line the ravine as you look up the steep sides. An overhang of tree branches allows sunlight to trickle in. The stream itself is quiet, a low murmur of bubbling water. When you step into the streambed, the water is cool and the white sand is firm under your feet.

The Great Depression and Gold Head Branch State Park

By Vishi Garig

Archives Specialist, a Service of Clerk of Court and Comptroller Tara S. Green

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – On hot summer days, it is about 10 degrees cooler at the bottom of the ravine at Gold Head State Park.

The 72-step stairway to the spring-fed stream is always so easy on the way down. Ferns line the ravine as you look up the steep sides. An overhang of tree branches allows sunlight to trickle in. The stream itself is quiet, a low murmur of bubbling water. When you step into the streambed, the water is cool and the white sand is firm under your feet. The same 72 steps on the way back up are labor intense, but well worth it.

Once you're back at the top, you're hot again so you wander over to Lake Johnson for a dip. Small fish will nibble at your feet. It tickles. Don't swim out too far – there are gators. Later, you retire to your cabin and grill some burgers for dinner. The

stars come out at night and, since there is low light pollution, you can look up at the thousand pinpricks of glittering light without distractions. The welcome roar of frogs and crickets lull you to sleep.

Gold Head Branch State Park is one of the oldest state parks in Florida. The Great Depression had America in a stranglehold so President Franklin D Roosevelt had to do something to help all the unemployed young men. So, in 1933, he created the Civilian Conservation Corps, known as the CCC for short. The CCC then created the Florida Park Service in 1935. Gold Head was called CCC Project SP-5. It was one of the first eight parks created in Florida.

Martin Johann "Mike" Roess, pronounced "race", donated the initial property. He was a second-generation German American born in Oil City, Pennsylvania. Roess' parents were from Hanover. After graduating from Cornell University, Roess married Mary Patillo Anderson and moved to Ocala. For the rest of his life, he

worked in the timber industry, rising to the top ranks quickly and emerging as an astute businessman. One of his company's first accounts was to supply the Atlantic Coastline Railway with cross ties. However, Mike wasn't a ruthless lumber baron. While he was responsible for the clearing of hundreds of thousands of trees he also enjoyed the outdoors. He loved quail hunting and road trips to the mountains. He understood that not every tree had to be cut down and saw its intrinsic value to the ecosystem. Today, Gold Head has stands of old-growth, flat-topped pines that are 250 to 350 years old.

In 1935, 25 craftsman and skilled laborers from Company 2444 gathered at Gold Head Branch State Park. Over a four-year period, they led hundreds of the younger CCC youth and taught them their trades.

Together they established CCC Camp SP-5. There were stonemasons who used limestone rocks to create so many of the distinctive features in the structures at the park. They built roads and planted trees. They diverted one of the branches of Gold Head Branch to Little Lake Johnson.

The buildings were created with the "Rustic style" in mind. Locally sourced rock and wood were used. The model for this approach was found in the 1938 book "Park and Recreation Structures" by Albert Good, a landscape architect employed in the National Park Service Washington office. Structures and public use sites were set in clusters with some effort to blend them into the landscape. In other words, adapt the structures to the found environment.

Nineteen of the original 23 buildings constructed by the CCC at this park survived through decades and remain in use today. This includes nine cabins, a bathhouse, picnic pavilions, a water tower, a shop and blacksmith forge, and the park entrance station. The workers also constructed many objects that are still in use, such as picnic benches and the flagpole.

Gold Head's special features are a system of springs in a steep side ravine (Gold Head Branch) and sinkhole lakes in a karst landscape on the central Florida ridge. Scientists carbon dated pollen found in the sediment of the lakes. They found that Sheeler Lake is one of the oldest sinkhole lakes in the park at an estimated 23,900 years. Another sinkhole lake, Kingsley Lake – located at Camp Blanding – is thought by some to be 1 million years old. The park was not untouched by man; there are the remains of a gristmill and dam, a historic church and farmhouse dating back to the turn of the 20th Century.

The park was officially dedicated on April 15, 1939. At first, the park was simply known as "Gold Head Branch," until 1966 when the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Monuments changed the name to honor the late Mike Roess, who died in 1952. The park was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2020. Many of the CCC buildings are still standing, welcoming visitors more than 80 years later.

Gopher tortoises make their home amongst the campsites to the delight of visitors. A moss "Big Foot" character lurks, red reflector eyes darting in his head. Deer stand by the road and watch campers walk by. Hawks and eagles rule the skies. Turkeys trot in the scrub brush. Rattlesnakes lounge in the saw palmettos. The occasional controlled burn leaves the heavy smell of smoke in the air for a day or two soon replaced by the smell of pine straw. A scrub blue jay screeches at the crow who gets too close to her nest. Like me, you can enjoy these sights and sounds at Gold Head State Park near Keystone Heights.

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Pet pantry trying to hit fundraiser goal in honor of Betty White

Twisted Oaks set to move into permanent home in April

By Nick Blank
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – A pet pantry is fundraising to honor famed actress Betty White, who championed the welfare of animals.

Jessie Shekels, who runs Twisted Oaks Rescue, said what White stood for was important. On Dec. 31, White died 18 days shy of her 100th birthday.

“She advocated and educated people for the benefit of animals,” Shekels said. “When she passed, we wanted to do something big.”

So, Shekels asked the community to donate something in White’s honor. The pantry collected 800 pounds of pet food on Jan. 17, White’s birthday.

The goal is to feed the pets of 100 families on Feb. 26. There are three areas to donate in Keystone Heights: Hatch Realty Services, Cricket Wireless or the Tea Room of Keystone Heights.

“We decided this is going to be an ongoing thing,” Shekels said.

In 90 minutes, Twisted Oaks can distribute 100 pounds of food, Shekels said, and they’ve distributed several tons of food since April 2020.

Shekels said she started driving around dog food to people. Someone said it would be a good idea to start a drive-up distribution. For the rescue’s distributions, cars are parked 1.5 miles out five hours before they start.

“The need was real,” Shekels said. “It made you understand this is important and effectively something we’ll keep doing.”

Twisted Oaks doesn’t adopt animals and operates as a pet pantry, as well as pre-



Twisted Oaks celebrated Betty White’s 100th birthday. White championed animal welfare.

ventative care for pets and a spay and neuter clinic when they’re able. Twisted Oaks operates mostly within the Lake Region, but extends to Alachua County and nearby areas. Distribution doesn’t address root causes of families in need like overpopulation, which is why social work is a part of Twisted Oaks’ mission.

“We have pet events, awareness and education, just trying to bring local resources to communities that need them,” Shekels said. “If we have a mission, (volunteers) knock it out of the park,” she said.

The rescue’s next step is a large undertaking – a permanent pet pantry. Shekels said she’s targeting April for its opening. She laughed and said carrying hundreds of pounds of pet food is great for keeping in shape, but a building can better serve the community by storing more food, she added.

“It’s pretty huge for us. We want to serve on a one-on-one basis,” Shekels said. “We feel like we’ll be able to do more for our community.”

More information on where to donate is available at twistedoaksrescue.com or the organization’s Facebook page.



Winn-Dixie to distribute two million N95 masks

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – As a preferred retail partner of the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program, Southeastern Grocers’ Winn-Dixie stores is partnering with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to distribute more than two million high-quality N95 masks to customers, while supplies last.

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In addition, the grocer continues to offer online appointments, which is preferred, and convenient walk-ups, as available, for all Johnson & Johnson, Moderna and Pfizer vaccines.

SEG encourages eligible individuals

to visit www.winndixie.com/pharmacy/covid-vaccine for timely updates including available appointments, pharmacy locations, frequently asked questions and guidance to support the health and well-being of the communities it serves. The grocer continues to work diligently to keep appointment availability updated online in real time as additional vaccines are regularly received or due to cancellations.

There are SSS Winn-Dixie locations in Clay County – Melrose, Green Cove Springs, Middleburg, Oakleaf, Fleming Island and two stores in Orange Park.

SEG remains committed to caring for and supporting the communities it serves while following local, state and federal guidelines. The grocer encourages all customers to practice social distancing and wear masks while shopping in stores. SEG appreciates the flexibility, kindness and respect for other shoppers and associates shown by its customers, and asks for their continued cooperation to keep communities safe and slow the spread of coronavirus.

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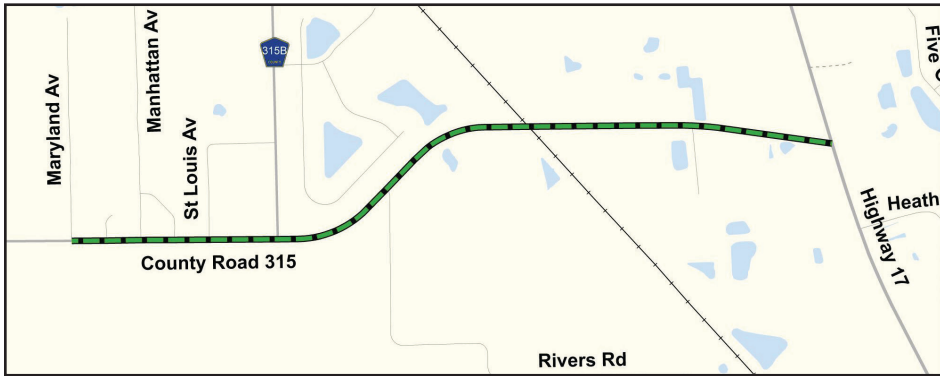
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Preliminary fieldwork starts for First Coast Connector CR 315 between Maryland Ave. & U.S. 17

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Preliminary fieldwork is underway for the Bonded Transportation Program Project No. 6A, First Coast Connector on County Road 315 from Maryland Avenue to U.S. Highway 17.

Design and surveying operations have been completed. The subcontractor, GSI GEO Inc., will begin geotechnical boring operations on weekdays Jan. 28 through Feb. 1 to obtain soil samples. Pavement cores will be taken in 100-foot increments on both sides of CR 315 and at the intersection of County Road 315-B and County Road 315. Motorists are advised to anticipate rolling outside lane closures.

Work will take approximately three-five days to complete. Dates are subject

to change due to weather and unforeseen circumstances.

Road construction on the First Coast Connector, Project 6A will begin in fall 2022 with anticipated completion in summer 2024.

Geotechnical investigations are performed to learn about the physical properties of the rocks and soil near locations that are being considered for construction. Before any ground level or underground work can be done, it's necessary that those involved in completing the project know what ground conditions they are working with and what they may encounter as they progress. This information is important to ensure that they are using the correct tools for the job and that they will not encounter any unexpected obstacles.

Learn more about Clay County's Bonded Transportation Program at <https://www.claycountygov.com/government/bonded-transportation-program>.

Morocco Shriners celebrate move installing new board of directors

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – The Morocco Shriners Board of Directors for 2022 were installed at their new building, located at 560 Wells Road to mark the beginning of the Shrine's 134th Anniversary.

The first act of Morocco Shriners was in 1888 with assisting the needs of others during a yellow fever epidemic in Jacksonville. Members of the Morocco Shrine and the Masonic Knights Templar worked long hours to help the sick.

"I'm just so excited," said Eddie Edwards, "We are not the oldest institution in Jacksonville, but for 134 years, we have been providing continuous service since our founding."

Potentate Eddie Edwards and First Lady Becky were greeted with a warm welcome from nearly 150 nobles, women and guests which included 16 Past Potentates.

The following officers also were elected: William "Mark" Hudson as Chief Rabban, Jason Cowart as Assistant Rabban, Ron Prater as High Priest and Prophet, Tommy McLean as Oriental Guide, Andrew Westhoff as Treasure and Gary Thigpen P.P. as Recorder.

"Shriners are a group of men who



Becky, Eddie and Madisyn Edwards.

share the virtues of honesty, morality, integrity and tolerance," Edwards said.

Illustrious Potentate Eddie Edwards conveyed his mission statement of "Making Memories for Faith, Family, and Fraternity" and welcomed all to Morocco Shriners new home as they celebrate the 100-year anniversary of Shriners Hospitals and the 150 Year Anniversary of Shriners International.

Becky Edwards also announced her First Lady's POPS Program – Project Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services.



Faith Walk

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was looking around through the Psalms trying to find a good one to make the subject of this Faith Walk.

Then I realized my problem was that I was trying to choose one Psalm when they are all so great! So I will choose parts of several of the 150 Psalms contained in the Bible.

As I perused the great collection of words with authoritative spiritual power, my mind kept going back to Psalm 46.

God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.
(Psalm 46:1)

If we KNOW He is a refuge and strength for us, there is nothing left for us to fear. The next, immediate verses of the Psalm (46) tell us:

Therefore we will not fear, though

the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

Powerful Psalms have affected my life in deep ways. I remember when I "discovered" Psalm 1. Of course, it was always there. But when I realized the impact of it on my life, I stood in awe. Read the first three verse of Psalm 1. They are a powerful promise to the person who walks with God and trusts Him to lead his life. Just see the impact of this passage: It ends with this promise for the Lord's follower – "whatever he does will prosper."

As a young man, I attended the youth

meetings of my church. There was a standard benediction to every youth meeting. We memorized a verse from the Psalms as our closing prayer for every meeting. I memorized it then and, because it is seared in my memory, I have carried it with me all these years. The verse is Psalm 19 and the last verse of the Psalm, verse 14. That verse says:

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in Thy sight,
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer."

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Commission run is 'natural next step' for District 2 hopeful

By Nick Blank
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OAKLEAF – An attorney is hoping her background of hard work and service to the community will propel her to a seat on the county's dais in November.



Alexandra Compere

Alexandra Compere, a Republican candidate for County Commission District 2, is a first-generation American and was raised in Clay County. According to her website, her parents came to the U.S. from Haiti seeking a better life in the 1980s.

Compere attended the University of North Florida, the North Florida Theological Seminary and the Florida Coastal School of Law. She's also on the Ethics Board for Clinical Pastoral Education International.

She was involved in political organizations in high school and served in the jail ministry at her church as a teen.

"It seemed like the natural next step for me to serve the constituents of Clay," she said.

District 2 commissioner and BCC Chairman Wayne Bolla is term-limited after being elected in 2014. The district encompasses Oakleaf and when commissioners were required to adjust the voting maps due to population changes from the 2020 U.S. Census it went relatively untouched.

Compere called District 2 a beautiful

part of the county growing fast, but said she wants to serve the entire county. Compere said she's optimistic about one of Clay County's major challenges: remaining unique while staying with the times. She felt her message would resonate with residents.

"With State Road 23, it's an attractive area. We definitely want smart growth in that area," Compere said. "We want to maintain our culture and fold in the changes that are happening."

Another of Compere's priorities is public safety. The No.1 function of the government is to ensure its residents are safe,

she said.

"Public safety is a growing concern," Compere added.

Similar to how a customer can go to Chick-fil-A for quality and service, Compere said, she called for an effective government with a high level of service. She said her goal is to be accessible to the public and hear their opinions.

"We are very keen on making sure the quality of life remains high," Compere said. "Clay County has high expectations. The residents have high expectations. I'm not only ready to meet them, but exceed them."

Preschool from page 1

Buitrago has been teaching preschool for 25 years. Since the beginning of the year, she has worked as the lead teacher in the classroom due to the center being short-staffed. Buitrago takes pride in students' growth, she said.

Buitrago said her duties are about 90% in the classroom. After teaching in the morning and afternoon, she handles administrative tasks later in the day.

"I work a bit more, but I'm not worried about it," she added. "I have a passion for these kids. I love them and I want to see them do well in school and make sure they have the tools they need."

The center has 45 children. Buitrago called the award a surprise and chalked it up to the center's staff.

"All the ladies who work here are very good," Buitrago said. "They all have a passion for children."

Developing understanding in students and creating a safe environment are the key goals so the children, some of whom are bilingual or from low-income families can enter kindergarten and prosper.

"The No. 1 thing is safety, and the No. 2 thing is, let's teach," she said.

Joan Whitson, the coalition's Outreach Manager, said Buitrago's actions inspired her students to dream and do more.

"These two teachers are clearly leaders and are so deserving of this award and recognition," Whitson said of Buitrago and the coalition's Infant/Toddler Teacher of the Year, Amy Finkley.

Buitrago and Finkley received a cash prize and will be honored at the coalition's Early Educators Conference on Saturday at the Thrasher-Horne Center's conference center. "What fulfills me the most is we've progressed so much from August to right now," Buitrago said. "Sometimes for the children, it's zero letters to the full alphabet."



Clay Soil and Water Conservation plants its roots at S. Bryan Jennings Elementary
ORANGE PARK – Clay Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors Ted Clark and Mike Cassidy recently attended the Environmental Club meeting at S. Bryan Jennings Elementary to talk to the students about the Clay Soil and Water Conservation District, its important role in the community, and Arbor Day. Also in attendance with the Clay Soil and Water Conservation District was Matt Darnell with Florida Forest Services. The Clay Soil and Water Conservation District helped provide two trees – one oak and one crape myrtle – to S. Bryan Jennings Elementary for their campus. The Environmental Club planted the trees the following day, on the State of Florida Arbor Day, on the school's playground. Additional native trees are available through one of the Clay Soil and Water Conservation District's partner agencies. For more, please contact the Clay Soil and Water Conservation District at (904) 284-6355, or visit www.claysoilandwater.org.



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Police Briefs

Two men killed in separate bicycle accidents

CLAY COUNTY – Two men were killed less than three hours apart when they were hit by vehicles while riding their bikes on Saturday, Jan. 22.

Richard Humphries, 45, of Middleburg, was killed when he was struck by a car on North Mimosa Road about a half-mile south of County Road 218. According to the Highway Patrol, the driver, who is believed to be in a white Chrysler PT Cruiser, drove away.

Humphries died on his way to the hospital.

FHP said the PT Cruiser sustained damage to the right-front fender and hood. Anyone with information about the car or the driver should call *347 on a cellphone or call First Coast Crime Stoppers at (866) 845-8477.

Troopers then got another call about a man being struck while he was riding his bicycle on Old Jennings Road at Long Bay

Road. According to the incident report, the 39-year-old victim from Orange Park was riding westbound on Old Jennings Road along the right side of the road when he was hit from behind by a Ford F-250 pickup truck by a man from Middleburg. The victim was declared dead at the scene, while the driver of the truck remained to answer questions. The Florida Highway Patrol doesn't report names of car accidents.

Man charged with cyberstalking former girlfriend

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Hunter Alan Christie, 18, of Jacksonville, was charged with stalking and sexually cyber-harassing his ex-girlfriend by logging into and posting explicit photographs of her on her new boyfriend's social media account.

According to the affidavit for arrest, Christie and the woman dated for nearly 19 months. They broke up in January 2021.

Christie, however, continued to "harass" her by leaving a "gift bag" at her home, putting photos of her on her car and showing up at her job between Nov. 5, 2021, and Dec. 5, 2021, the Clay County Sheriff's Office said.

Correction: Darryl Daniels' trial scheduled for February

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The trial for former Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels was set for Feb. 21, according to court documents.

The trial will get underway on Feb. 21 and jury selection is scheduled to begin on Feb. 22.

Clay Today erroneously reported the trial was supposed to start on Friday, Jan. 21.

Daniels eventually will face charges he tampered with physical evidence and made three false reports to law enforcement authorities to cover up his extramarital affair with a former co-worker.

Daniels was arrested on Aug. 14, 2020, after he set up a meeting with his former mistress, Cierra Smith, in Oakleaf, then calling the Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies to have her arrested for stalking him, according to the arrest report.

Smith was released without being booked shortly after arriving at the jail. When the Florida Department of Law Enforcement launched an investigation, Daniels was accused of taking his cellphone to his agency and asking information technology agents to destroy any connections he had with Smith, FDLE said.

Daniels was running for re-election at the same time. His arrest came four days before the primary, and he still contends the charges, and the timing of the arrest, was designed to keep him from winning re-election.

Michelle Cook won the primary. Gov. Ron DeSantis quickly suspended Daniels from completing his term and he appointed Cook to take control a month ahead of her inauguration.

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, Jan. 25

Nicole M. Dombroski, 38, Orange Park, trespassing

Deallen T. Adams, 19, Orange Park, simple domestic battery, tampering

Inga H. Graham, 50, Fleming Island, DUI with property damage/personal injury

Justin T. Berry, 30, FTA-DWLSR, VOP-domestic battery

John D. Hatch, 34, Middleburg, VOP-community control

Dylan S. Webb-Johnson, 19, Keystone Heights, VOP-community control

Emily D. Altman, 31, Orange Park, FTA Norman L. Overmyer, 53, Keystone Heights, domestic battery

Brianna S. Erickson, 21, Keystone Heights, DUI with property damage/personal injury

Monday, Jan. 24

Kristen D.V. Wingerden, 39, Fleming Island, VOP-community control

Mary E. Fleener, 31, Green Cove Springs, VOP-armed trespassing, VOP-grand theft of firearm

John H. Hall, 28, Orange Park, battery Alysia D. Mehr, 41, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-heroin, possession-drug paraphernalia

Steve O. Deyoung, 37, Green Cove Springs, FTA-petit theft

Sunday, Jan. 23

Cody A. Gale, 24, Orange Park, VOP-community control

William K. Woodrum, 58, Orange Park, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test, DWLSR

David A. Botelho, 46, Middleburg, DUI Paul A. James, 31, Orange Park, two counts FTA-DWLSR

John W. Carr, 50, Orange Park, simple battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, FTA-criminal mischief

Dalindy R. Waugh, 34, Oakleaf, domestic battery, child abuse

Anthony D. Major, 34, Orange Park, DUI

Saturday, Jan. 22

Dana J. Padgett, 51, Middleburg, possession-controlled substance, DUI with property damage

Joshua A. Hooks, 39, Orange Park, DWLSR

Angela E. Bell, 50, Middleburg, shoplifting

William A.C. Marsh, 34, Green Cove Springs, shoplifting

Craig J.M. Peters, 23, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Marc S. Allen, 47, Middleburg, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia, possession-marijuana, alter/destroy/conceal/remove physical evidence

Parker M. Subirats, 23, Fleming Island, DUI, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with disregard to safety of others

Friday, Jan. 21

Daniel T. Smithey, 50, Orange Park, DWLSR

Dalvin A. Lloyd, 29, Orange Park, FTA-

driving without valid license

Robert T. Thornton, 56, Orange Park, DWLSR

Rico K. Foggie, 33, Orange Park, DWLSR

Stephen S. Burr, 52, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine

John W. Hunter, 45, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Nikki D. Jenkins, 49, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Milton R. Sheppard, 67, Green Cove Springs, VOP-lewd/lascivious molestation

Anthony M. Jacobs, 25, Orange Park, VOP-child abuse that could result in physical/mental injury

Jorge L.R. Martinez, 36, Orange Park, FTA-failure to register vehicle, FTA-DWLSR

Tesla R. Christensen, 34, Green Cove Springs, VOP-grand theft auto, VOP-possession-methamphetamine, VOP-DWLSR

Richard C. Colson, 64, Fleming Island, lewd/lascivious exposure in presence of elderly disabled person

David L. Davis, 39, Fleming Island, hut and run with property damage, driving without valid license

Jeffery A. Stidfole, 47, Green Cove Springs, VOP-burglary

Kyle R. Cornett, 26, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-cocaine

Joshua P. Brulotte, 39, Green Cove Springs, VOP-battery

Cali S. Bergandi, 36, Keystone Heights, stalking/violating court order (Putnam)

Bertram L. Price, 47, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Tianne S. Valerus, 20, Orange Park, shoplifting

Brandi A. Davis, 28, Middleburg, FTA-DWLSR

Vitaly Gilley, 26, Middleburg, DUI

Jonathon D. Lankford, 28, Middleburg, disorderly intoxication, trespassing

Joseph C. Slocum, 30, Middleburg, disorderly intoxication, trespassing

Anastasia R. Smith, 24, Orange Park, possession-marijuana

Thursday, Jan. 20

Wesley R. Moran, 36, Middleburg, possession-controlled substance, DUI

Deann L. Turner, 51, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-acetaminophen/hydro, DWLSR

Scott A. Mullen, 49, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Curtis B. Ray, 19, Orange Park, vandalism

Troy B. Robison, 53, Fleming Island, possession-cocaine, possession-fentanyl, possession-drug paraphernalia, DWLSR, failure to register vehicle

Dale A. Holland, 40, possession-fentanyl, possession-drug paraphernalia, FTA

Kaleb A. Speers, 20, simple battery, tampering

Debbie L. Walker, 58, Green Cove Springs, FTA-reckless driving

Derick A. Wallace, 32, Fleming Island, possession-controlled substance

Trevor L. Brevaldo, 37, Middleburg, VOP-possession-cocaine, VOP-possession-controlled substance

Tracy L. Osborne, 47, Middleburg, DWLSR



Fire destroyed Grumpy's Middleburg, but owners Dell and Dell Jr. and Sr. Hoard promised to rebuild and reopen the doors in the next four months. Employees were relieved to know they will have a job - and a paycheck - while the new restaurant is completed.

Grumpys from page 1

Portions of the drop-ceiling, mixed with water from a Clay County Fire Rescue hose, laid clumped on the floor like a child's paper mache project. Light fixtures dangled from the walls and ceiling. Except for some blue plastic trays that melted on a shelf and hung like stalactites, the rest of Grumpy's was cloaked in complete blackness. And uncertainty.

There was so much to do, and Hoard had a difficult time finding a place to start.

"You're never ready for this," he said. "Even when you hear how it's going to be and then you see it, it's hard to take in, hard to talk about."

The first call came in at 7:50 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 19. Despite sending three engines, a ladder truck, three rescue squads and a water tender truck, by the time CCFR got there, it was too late.

Since the restaurant closed nearly six hours earlier, nobody was injured. It also meant the fire was able to ravage the building before an employee at a neighboring store smelled smoke.

Hoard said the fire will strengthen his resolve to re-open - and to reconnect with a loyal and friendly group of customers.

"We will open back up. Some places can't make this," Hoard said. "We are going to survive. We are going to make it back up. And I know the community will be behind us. I don't know how long this process is going to take us right now, but we'll be back."

Rebuilding is expected to take as long as four months. Until then, many of the 41 employees who were displaced by the disaster will be worked into the schedules at

the Orange Park and Saint Johns locations. Regardless, all will receive a paycheck until the doors reopen, Grumpy's CEO Daniel DeLeon said.

"We don't want to lose anybody," Dell Hoard Sr. said. "They are like kids to me. They're like daughters and sons to me. We have a wage policy, but it's not going to be what they made. Our servers rely on their tips. We'll have to do what we can to make sure everybody is taken care of."

An electrical problem is suspected of being the source of the fire, DeLeon said.

"The hood (in the kitchen) was intact," he said. "It looks like it started in the back, probably in the wall near the dishwasher."

The Hoards met with their employees across the street at the Clay County Sheriff's Office substation the next afternoon. Many cried and hugged as they entered the building. Most were smiling when they left after learning their jobs - and their salaries - were safe.

"That's the toughest part right now. We have almost 50 employees and we have a long build ahead of us," Hoard said. "We're trying to figure all that out right now. You go through all this time you get a group that jells well. We have a good group of girls and guys. Now you just worry. You worry about what's going to come. You make sure you have your staff in place. We plan to keep all of them. The biggest thing is making sure our staff knows this is their home. Nothing's going to happen to them."

Hoard said he hopes the community will embrace his employees, too.

"Anything they can do to help, even if that means reaching out and telling them they have their backs.

"This will be fixed. It's material stuff. But this is family."

Tuggles from page 8

Mary Tuggles stopped playing piano in mid-2019, her daughter said, but she played for more than 70 years. In the 1970s and 1980s, she helped start Clay County Community Chorus and later helped with the development of the Augusta Savage Arts and Community Center. Among her favorite tunes were "Won't It Be Grand," "Jesus Is A Rock" and "Oh, How I Love Jesus."

"Music was very important to her," her daughter said. "She started playing for churches when she was a teenager basically."

Other hobbies included cooking and travel, especially to gospel and church conventions.

"She just went everywhere," Tawana Tuggles said. "Everybody knew her, out of state, in state, they knew her."

Tuggles' wake is 4-6 p.m. at First African Missionary Baptist Church on Friday, Jan. 28. Her funeral starts at 11 a.m. a day later at Congregational Holiness Church.

"God called her to be a mother for the community and that's what she was," Tawana Tuggles said.



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Orange Park High guard Deandre Dickerson gestures "Three" after canning second three pointer in less than a minute in critical fourth quarter segment of Raiders thrilling rivalry win over Oakleaf on Friday. Raiders travel to Fleming Island for more rivalry action on Thurs., Jan. 27 in battle of two top-ranked teams in county; Fleming Island in 6A, Raiders in 5A.

Raiders on both ends of thrilling finishes

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Orange Park High basketball finished on the good side and the bad side of thrilling finishes over the weekend with a fast and furious set of fourth quarters; two three pointers from Deandre Dickerson the dagger in the heart reversing a three-quarter upset at-

tempt by Oakleaf High School while, just a day later, a five-point fourth quarter lead evaporated with a buzzer-beater loss to Tallahassee Lincoln.

"It was just adrenaline at work," said Dickerson, after his two three pointers decided an as-anticipated close game with Oakleaf; 58-53 to Orange Park.

SEE RAIDERS, 19



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA

Fleming Island High forward Antoine Sandy goes body-to-body against Clay High defender Jarvis Lee in Golden Eagles rivalry win Friday night at Fleming Island High School. Golden Eagles (19-1) host Orange Park Raiders (17-3) Thurs., Jan. 27 in contest of top-ranked teams in Class 6A and Class 5A.

Eagles bounce Blue Devils

By Ray DiMonda
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND - The night prior, after a come-from-behind one point victory over the 7A-Creekside Knights (15-5), the Clay High Blue Devils (8-7) only had 21 hours to refuel before heading into the Eagle's Nest of Fleming Island High School to take on the Golden Eagles for a Friday night county rival showdown. With a 19-7 fourth quarter

and 23 points from Brandon Peavy, Clay battled the Creekside High Knights to the 57-56 win.

"I thought, man is it hard to play back-to-back and keep that intensity up," said Fleming Island Head Coach Traavis Chandler, still dealing with the anticipated loss of Mandarin transfer guard Bennie McDuffie, still under an FHSAA investigation for residency

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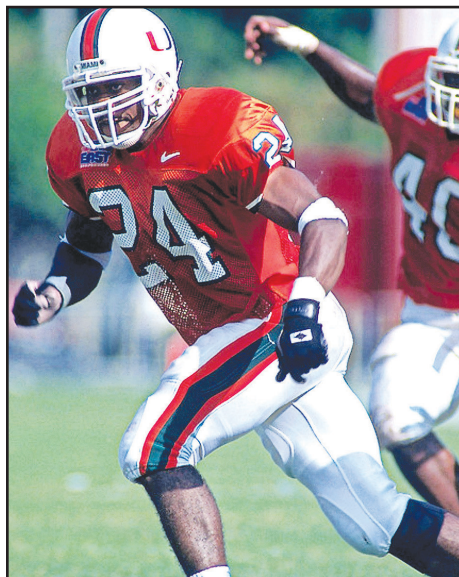
ORANGE PARK - Orange Park High School football has hired a former Miami Hurricane and NFL Atlanta Falcons to direct the Raiders football program in 2022, according to a press release from Orange Park Athletic Director Destiny Brightman.

Marcus Wimberly, 47, who will take over after leaving his native Memphis, Tennessee in the spring, brings a wealth of football experience and coaching to the Raider Nation with a four-year career as a Hurricane in Miami under coach Dennis Erickson and Butch Davis and a short-lived career in the National Football League with an injury shortening his playing days after just six games.

"While we had a very talented pool of applicants for the position, we were looking for exceptional experience to turn the program around and create champions in the classroom and on the gridiron," stated Brightman. "Coach Wimberly has a proven record of doing just that."

Wimberly will leave Tennessee with a 2016 state championship at his alma mater, Memphis East High School, and a record of 15 years as a head coach with 30 plus scholarship athletes and four players in the NFL. His NFL career, after being drafted in the fifth round out of Miami in 1997 as a wide receiver turned safety, ended abruptly with an injury.

Wimberly's coaching history at Memphis East included the 2016 title with a 81-57 overall record with playoff stints in nine seasons before taking the head job at nearby Cordova High. At Cordova, in his first year just after the COVID experience, Wimberly finished at 1-9 then 12-20 before leaving. Wimberly comes in to replace Tom Macpherson who has taken a coaching position at Bishop Kenny High School after six years at Orange Park.



Marcus Wimberly was a standout wide receiver and safety for University of Miami Hurricanes under coaches Dennis Erickson and Butch Davis; then a fifth round NFL draft choice for the Atlanta Falcons.



Freshman Emma Heck has been one of top lifters in state while leading the Blue Devils to district titles in Olympic Snatch and Traditional lift (Bench Press/Clean and Jerk) with handful of individual champions.

Oakleaf, Clay take weightlifting titles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Oakleaf High's girls weightlifting held off impressive individual lift totals from state powerhouses Bartram Trail and Creekside to hoist their first district weightlifting title on Thursday at the Oakleaf High gym.

"Of course, everyone knows we have the defending state champion here, Tamira Briley, and that brings some program prestige," said Oakleaf coach Ben White. "Today, the rest of the team stepped up and created teams points with a total team effort that was enough to get our goal of a district title. Every team in this district brings a lot of firepower."

White's team title was a first-step to putting Oakleaf in the same conversation as Keystone Heights and Fleming Island high boys state title winners as well as chasing Clay High's storied program.

"Clay County weightlifting has some of the best athletes and coaches around and I try to mirror what we do like my friend Rodney Keller at Clay," said White. "Weightlifting is exploding in Clay County with coaches like Rodney, Springs (Flem-



Oakleaf High weightlifter Arianna Eason hoists away in clean and jerk during Lady Knights successful district championship on Thursday. Knights move to region championship on Sat., Jan. 29 at Flagler Palm Coast High School. The district title was first for Oakleaf High School.

ing Island boys champion coach Dame-nyum Springs) and my friend Steve Reynolds (assistant coach to Lantz Lowery at Keystone Heights boys state champions). We have had our individual champions like Lexi Perez here at Oakleaf and now we want a team trophy."

In the Olympic Snatch competition,

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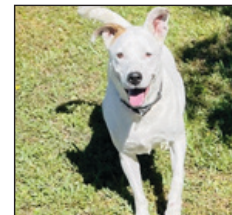
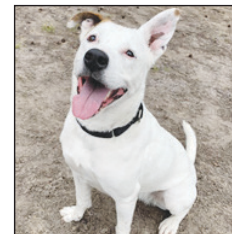
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Blue Devils second in 1A

FIHS ousted by state No. 1

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

KISSIMMEE - Clay High wrestling knew their championship match with Jensen Beach was going to be close from a previous dual match earlier in the season, but Jensen Beach also remembered and came ready to deal as the Blue Devils fell 42-21 in the Class 1A Duals Wrestling Championships on Saturday in Kissimmee.

In their region final, Clay had to dispatch of long-time rival Wakulla to advance and the Blue Devils won a decisive 57-18 victory to advance. In the semifinal, Clay continued with a 42-30 win to reach the championship match.

Against Jensen Beach, Clay got wins from Josh Kumpf and Dominick Martin with Garrett Tyre and Ethan Daniels getting team points with forfeits. Jensen Beach scored three pins. Kumpf pinned and Martin won a 7-1 match.

Against Lemon Bay in the semifinal, Martin lost to unbeaten (27-0) Lance Schyck by a 7-4 opening match with Clay responding with seven wins to control the outcome.

Against Wakulla, the War Eagles won



two of the first three before Clay romped with nine wins; seven via pin, for the win. Martin pinned in 21 seconds in his 182 match. Ethan Daniels pinned in 54 seconds at 285.

In Class 2A, Fleming Island, now Class 2A from 3A history, had to face off against the top-ranked Tampa Jesuit squad and came to within a hair of making a first-year



Two of Fleming Island High's top wrestlers, 170 Joshua Sandoval, left, and 113 Jayce Paridon are top ranked in Class 2A with the Golden Eagles nearly taking down top-ranked Tampa Jesuit in the Class 2A state semifinal duals tournament.

in Class 2A statement before falling 34-28 in the state semifinal. Jesuit, fourth in IBT last year, advanced but fell to Lake Gibson, the defending duals champion and a three-time IBT champion, in the championship match 36-30.

Against New Smyrna Beach, a lopsided 64-9 score, Fleming Island got six pins; Jayce Paridon (64-2, top ranked at 113) was a third in state finisher in 1A last year for University Christian as an eighth grader.

In Class 3A, where Fleming Island was

a former Final Four finisher, Palmetto Ridge defeated Wellington in the championship match 42-25. Former 3A rival Flagler Palm Coast lost to Wellington in the semifinal after beating Hagerty in their region final on Friday. Palmetto Ridge had to go through South Dade in their semifinal to get to the final with a 39-26 win.

South Dade had been the four-time 3A duals champion as well as a 16 time IBT champion; the past eight in a row. Fleming Island defeated South Dade earlier in the season.

Eagles take county grapple title

NF Champs: Saturday MHS

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

MIDDLEBURG - Wilkinson Junior High turned the tables on the win streak of Lake Asbury Junior High with a hard-fought Clay County Middle School Wrestling Championship win Saturday night at Middleburg High School.

Lake Asbury was defending champion with Green Cove Springs and Wilkinson in second and third last year.

The Eagles, with four individual champions; Lawson Padgett, John Elixson, Porter Loveland and Conan Houldson, earned 287 team points to ease past Lake Asbury; second at 240.5, and Oakleaf, 221.0, in the top three finishers. Green Cove Springs, Lakeside and Orange Park filled the final three spots.



Left: Green Cove Springs wrestler Carter Shannon awaits slap of referee hand in his 85 pound semifinal match against Josh Dukes of Lake Asbury. Shannon won via pin but lost a 9-4 decision to Oakleaf's Connor Barnes in the final. Wilkinson Junior High 147 wrestler Easton Wells turns the tables on Oakleaf's Eric Brown for pin in semifinal. Wells advanced to final, but lost to Green Cove Springs' Angel Salitre-Garcia 9-1.

Lake Asbury scored six champions; Bryce Jordan, Liam Cooper, Michael Micelli, Lemmy Kirkland, Jarius Rogers and Daniel Taylor to finish shy of the title.

Oakleaf also had six individual champions for the day; Connor Barnes, Noah



Shevchook, Kailani Barrientos, Sebastian Bonochea, Angelo Gonzalez and Christopher Joeis.

Green Cove Springs had three champions; Jackson Linn, Drew Holmquist and Angel Salitre-Garcia.

Oakleaf

Teams now gear up to add more teams to the list with the Northeast Florida Championships set to go on Sat., Jan. 29 also at Middleburg High School.

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Eagles

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tions that started when Fleming Island was 9-0, despite taking classes since August. "They had a big one there last night and I thought even at halftime, normally these guys are coming after us. I think it just took a little bit of energy out of them."

The Clay fuel tank was nowhere near what was needed to mount any sort of challenge as Fleming Island trounced any momentum the Blue Devils could begin to mount on the way to a dominating 68-39 bell ringing as the Golden Eagles moved to 19-1 on the season. The momentum of the win will be critical as the Golden Eagles will host 5A-Orange Park (17-3) on Thursday in a much-ballyhooed county rivalry game.



Clay High's Brandon Peavy had hot hand in Blue Devil win over Creekside, but Fleming Island defense shut him down.

With the rivalry creating a bit of first quarter jitters, it took a while for both teams to get in into gear as the Golden Eagles did not come out on fire either.

"I thought our energy level was down a little bit early on, but I thought we picked it up a little bit," and Chandler's statement was not downplayed.

At the end of the first quarter, once the Golden Eagles found their groove, they took off flying! As the buzzer went off for the first stanza, Fleming Island was up 16-5.



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Fleming Island guard Colton Zapp is in a four-way Clay defensive predicament attempting a jumper in Golden Eagles win on Friday.

Clay finally started completing passes and hitting from the field as the Blue Devils added another 12 points by half, but the Golden Eagles never let up and put another 18 up as the Golden Eagles led 34-17 at the half. Early in the third, Fleming Island continued to score with ease as they held the Blue Devil advance at bay. Chandler began going deep on the bench to see what sort of tools would he have as the season run moves toward tournament and playoff time.

"Axel Holmquist came off the bench and played some good minutes, especially in the third quarter. He played very good and we are going to need him. That size and that height," said Chandler. "Gavin Goldblatt also brought some great energy to the game and helped us out."

Holmquist contributed eight points on the effort as Goldblatt put up five of his own. In the first half, Fleming Island forward Antoine Sandy led the team with 17 points and went six for six on free throws.



Above: Fleming Island guard Gavin Goldblatt dives for loose ball; Right: Clay guard D'Maurion Frazier tries to evade Fleming Island center Demarion Valmyr.



Fleming Island coach Traavis Chandler, right, surveys Clay offense with Blue Devil guard D'Maurion Frazier also looking for an opening.

Ahman Greenidge backed up his teammate with 11 points of his own as he led the Golden Eagles with nine rebounds. Colton Zapp was held to two points all night.

The second half was all Fleming Island as they mirrored their first half scores of 18 in the third, and 16 more points in the final quarter to amass the 68-39 final.

"We have to come out fast and quick," reflected Chandler as he looks at the next step he must make as he gets ready for the next county matchup against Orange Park, the most anticipated county match-up for 2022. "Making sure we are ready from the start; right at tipoff. That's going to be so important as we get into the end of the regular season. Other than that, just the physical part. Setting Screens, boxing out; I think we can always get better."

After the Orange Park game on Thursday, Fleming Island finishes their regular season with a rematch with Andrew Jackson (18-2), who is the only loss on the Golden Eagles' record and Providence (16-3), who gave Orange Park their first loss. Fleming Island finishes with Miami Norland visiting on February 5.



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Raiders

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“Coach just told us to play our game and keep the pressure on them. We knew they were coming to beat us and it was going to be physical. I just slowed things down in my head and took the shots.”

Against Lincoln, the toll of the Friday clash may have been a small factor as the Raiders fourth quarter surge to a five point lead was quickly erased to give Lincoln a buzzer beat win, 45-44.

“Mistakes, simple mistakes,” said Orange Park coach Derek Kurnitsky, after his top rated 5A Raiders let Lincoln, ninth-ranked in Class 6A, score a buzzer beater victory to drop the Raiders to 17-3 for the



Oakleaf guard David Compere concentrates before free throw.

season. “It’s a lot to put on a bunch of teenagers, but it is what it is.”

Just a day earlier, less than 24 hours prior, the Raiders had to withstand an outstanding 21-point, three block shot night from Oakleaf center Keyshaun Riley to overcome a two-point gap at the end of three quarters to eek out that rivalry win.

“We knew that was going to be a big game on both sides,” said Kurnitsky. “Just throw the records out because they were coming to make a mark. They nearly did, but our entire bench came through. They were missing some guys that could have turned the game also.”

For Oakleaf coach Jason Price, without two key players; Dylan Lewis, a senior playmaker and Honrae Murray, a fast-moving wingman, the game showed his team the level they need to play to succeed in the upcoming district tournament.

“The rest of the games really came together to battle and came together tonight,” said Price, now 10-11 and facing one of the toughest district tournaments



Above: Key matchup for the Orange Park v. Oakleaf showdown was Knights' center Keyshaun Riley, left, versus Raider forward Josiah Sabino. Below: Orange Park guard Nick Gallegos goes baseline with Keyshaun Riley on defense.



in north Florida with Creekside, Mandarin and Sandalwood all formidable foes with Creekside, Sandalwood and Oakleaf all in the top 50 rankings of Class 7A. “Keyshaun is the emotion leader of this team. Just the energy he brings at his 6’-2” stature is inspiring. It’s beautiful to watch. He spills his guys out on the court.”

For Riley, the special challenge of defending Orange Park’s Josiah Sabino, a signee to NCAA Div. I Jacksonville University, was more than enough motivation to bring his A game.

“Me and Cameron (Coachman) were going to play hard and fast early and try to make it to the end of the game,” said Riley, who got a tough layup in the fourth quarter to close the game to two points. “That’s the best feeling in the world; just to provide for my team.”

The exciting weekend only exasperates an upcoming second Clay County rivalry

extravaganza as the Raiders, on Thurs., Jan. 27, travel to Fleming Island to take on the 18-1 Golden Eagles.

“They will probably beat us by 30,” said Kurnitsky with some coyness.

Against Oakleaf, with the Knights banging the Raiders “Chuck N Duck” offense assault with formidable paint presence from Riley and 6’-4” forward Cameron Coachman and finishing three quarters up by two points, 38-36, the makings of a classic Clay County rivalry finish seemed inevitable.

Two free throws from Orange Park forward Jeremiah Gabriel tied the game at 38-38 to start the action for one of the best fourth quarters of basketball in recent RaiderDome history.

At 42-40 with six minutes to go, Oakleaf guard David Compere, who quietly hit for 22 points, missed a three pointer that started a Dickerson to Sabino break-away that saw Sabino can a three pointer in front of the Raider cheerleaders to put Orange Park on top 43-42.

Sabino would bucket another layup to 45-42 to force an Oakleaf time out to catch their breath.

“We pulled the starter out just before the end of the third period to gas up the tank for a strong fourth quarter,” said Kurnitsky. “We wear them down, our bench is just as strong and we come out firing.”

With both teams approaching the crucial seven team foul point late in the game, the aggressiveness on the floor was not waning as bodies start to fly for loose balls.

Oakleaf guard Sean Jones got tied up by Orange Park’s Averie Grayson to force a travel call on the Oakleaf baseline at 5:14.

Gabriel would land his own three pointer with three minutes on the clock to 48-44 before Riley answered with a possible three-point play under the glass off a layup and free throw to close the gap back to one, 48-47 at 3:28, as both teams were now with seven team fouls.

On the next comeback down the court Dickerson sliced to the far corner opposite the Raider bench and sent the RaiderDome into a frenzy with the first of his two late three pointers with 3:03 to go; 51-46.

A Compere miss had Orange Park hustling back down the court where Dickerson let fly with his second three; this one in front of the Raider bench to send the game to 54-46 just 25 seconds later.

“I told them to keep shooting and not get lazy at the end because coach Price was going to put them into one more final surge,” said Kurnitsky. “Chuck N Duck is a shooting mentality.”

In the final 2:35, 54-46 for the Raiders, Oakleaf indeed put the foot on the gas pedal for one final push with 40 seconds and the Raiders up 57-48.

Orange Park is back on the court Tues., Jan. 25 with Bartram Trail in the RaiderDome before the Fleming Island clash at Fleming Island with Nease (15-5), Trinity Christian and Bolles finishing the regular season.

Oakleaf hosts Creekside (11-5) on Mon., Jan. 24 with Bradford and Clay to finish the regular season.

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Cougars double down; soccer champs

By Ray DiMonda
Correspondent

EAGLE HARBOR - Green Cove Springs Junior High girls soccer got a hat trick from seventh grader Hayley Sakowski to up-end Lake Asbury 3-2 for the Clay County Middle School Soccer Championship held Thursday at the Clay County Soccer Complex.

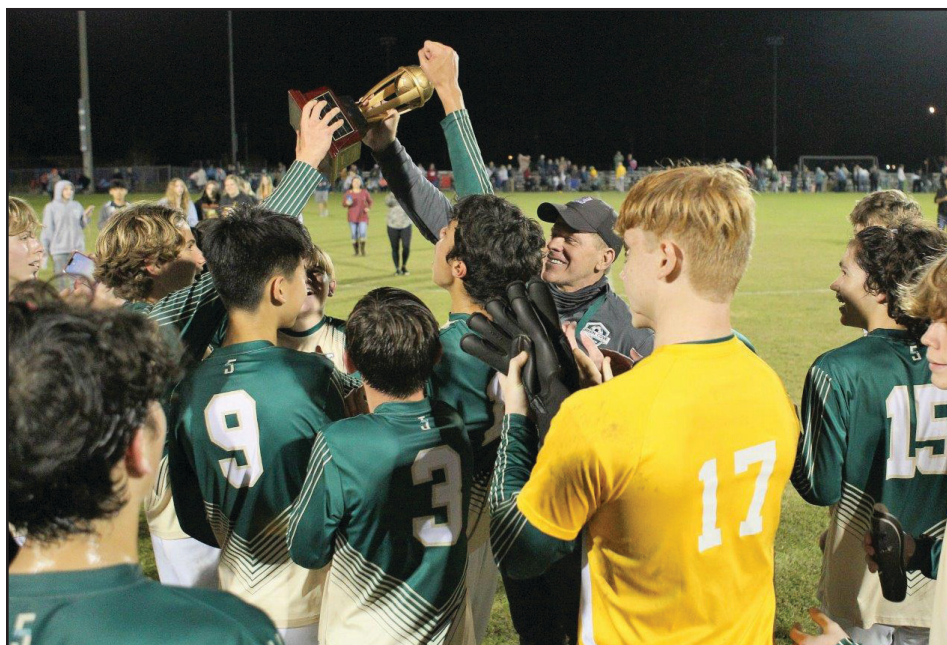
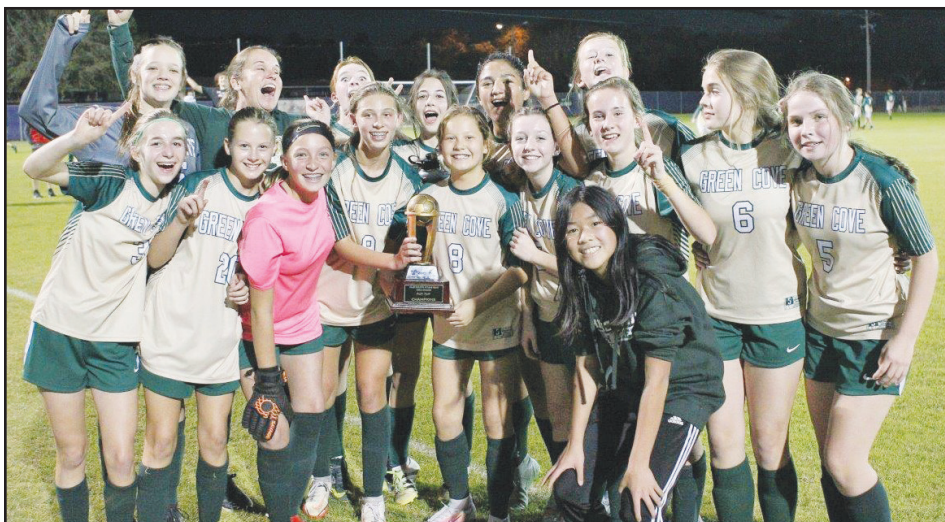
"She comes from a very athletic family with a brother that is a top cross country runner at Fleming Island High School," said Green Cove Springs girls coach Ashleigh Nosse, who won her second consecutive title and her fourth in her seven years for Green Cove Springs. "The game-winner came with just 30 seconds left in the game."

The Lady Cougars finished at 10-1 with the lone loss to Lake Asbury earlier in the season.

"We lost the first time 2-1, won the second time 1-0 and now this," said Nosse. "It's a great rivalry."



For the boys, under coach Tony Bartel, the Cougars boys team got a first half goal from Christian Esteban then rode their defense the rest of the night for the 1-0 win. The Cougars, who defeated Lakeside in the final for a second straight year, finish undefeated at 11-0 for the season with a remarkable unscored upon season finish. Nathan Nehler got the assist on the Esteban goal.



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Lift

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new discipline (bar from floor to overhead in one motion) added to the FHSAA weightlifting Bartram Trail, with 57 team points, won over Creekside (38) with Oakleaf (29) third just ahead of Buchholz (25).

In the traditional lifts; Bench Press and Clean and Jerk, the two historical disciplines of Florida high school, Oakleaf scored 70 points with Creekside second at 59 and Buchholz third at 43. Creekside was fourth at 27 with Fleming Island fifth at 21.

“Our strategy was to fill the weight divisions with athletes; we have a softball pitcher, a cheerleader, a track athlete; all high-level athletes, and they bring a certain competitive element to the weightlifting team,” said White. “I had a feel we could challenge for the win. The girls stepped up.”

At Ridgeview, Clay High’s Lady Blue Devils dominated both disciplines to win two district titles in one day with Ridgeview and Middleburg getting seconds to the Blue Devils. Middleburg had Katlyn Griffin dominate with district titles in both disciplines with teammate Kendall Bryan winning the 139 division in the Traditional lifts.

“The Olympic Snatch is kind of a scary technique; very technical in a one motion move from floor to overhead,” said Clay coach Rodney Keller. “Our girls use it to improve our technique in the clean and jerk. Theoretically, any team can win two state titles in two days when we get to the state meet. That’s interesting.”

In 2021, Clay was the district champion of district 6-2A while Ridgeview won in district 5-2A.

At Oakleaf, Briley won by 25 pounds in the Traditional and also the Olympic Snatch to lead her teammates while not looking to peak too early in defense of title of 2021.

“I just stay in my own element to keep my focus on being ready for the state meet,” said Briley, champion at 110 last year, now at 119. “Everyone knows who I am, but the rest of the team has raised their totals and we are excited to try for a team title at regions and state.”

Briley also won in the Olympic Snatch; by five pounds.

“She’s one of the best ever athletes in the history of the school and she brings a lot leadership for the younger girls,” said White. “Our first goal was the districts, now we go on to the regions and state. We want to get as many girls to the state meet.”

One of Briley’s Oakleaf teammates, Ivy Gunn, in the 169 pound division, won her first district title in her first year of varsity competition. Gunn outlifted her competition; Creekside’s Giselle Cruz and Buchholz’ Layla Thomas by 70 pounds to dominate her Traditional efforts.

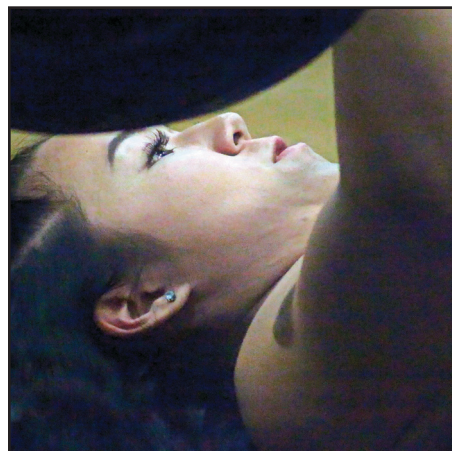
“With Tamira getting most of the attention when we lift, it’s makes it easy for us; I’m a first year lifter, to surprise people with our lifts,” said Gunn. “Tamira is a great teammate and always inspiring



Orange Park’s Shelby Leese lets go after good lift in 199 weight division. Lees finished fifth and advances to the region meet.



Fleming Island’s Layla DiCristafaro concentrates on her lift in 199 Class 3A division. DiCristafaro was second to Oakleaf’s Caylin Volpe. Right: Oakleaf High’s Ivy Gunn took first-time trip to district weightlift title in the 169 division with impressive lifts of 170 in bench press and 165 in clean and jerk for 335 total to win by 70 pounds.



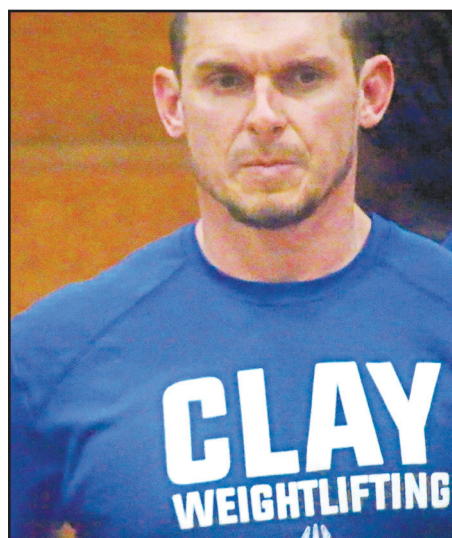
Oakleaf High’s defending state weightlift champion Tamira Briley took one lift each in the bench press and clean and jerk to win her 119 division. Right: Clay coach Rodney Keller has been the mastermind of top five finishes at the state meet; Class 1A and, now, Class 2A, with a returning bevy of state meet lifters hopeful to garner that first place trophy this year.

us and coaching us. She’s so small and so strong. She pushes the team to be better.”

Gunn did not compete in the Olympic Snatch.

Oakleaf’s third district title went to Caylin Volpe in the 199 pound division with a 15 pound gap on Fleming Island’s Layla DiCristafaro.

Creekside had champions at 110; Oakleaf Lola Nana third; 129, Oakleaf Madison Linscomb second, Lilly Auble third; 139, Fleming Island Jillian Labelle fourth, Oak-



leaf Nathalie Philogene fifth; 154, Oakleaf Arianna Eason third;

Buchholz had champions at 183, Arina Acosta-Ramirez, Oakleaf’s Lelia Brown second, Amari Grant fourth; and at Unlimited, Oakleaf’s Kayla Aldridge second, Alexandra Lahnese third, Fleming Island’s Juliet Fowler fourth.

Bartram Trail was champion at 101; Oakleaf Hannah Piniero and Gabby Grandy, third and fourth.

Weightlifting Records (FHSAA)

Bench Press: Oakleaf Tamira Briley 110, 175 Lbs., 2021

Clean: Keystone Heights Brittany Meng 119, 165 Lbs., 2004

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Individual titles

2004 Brittany Meng, Keystone Heights 119; Team Second

2010 Morgan Buettcher, Keystone Heights 199

2010 Brooke Baudendistel, Clay 110; Team 10th

2012 Jordan Steinmetz, Ridgeview, 199; Team ninth

2014 Angelica Greene, Fleming Island 199; Team 10th

2014 Sabrina Palmares, Clay Unlimited; Team third

2104 Alexandra Hamilton, Clay 110; Team third

2017 Ashleigh Dean, Clay 129 1A; Team fourth 1A

2017 Erykah Murray, Clay 169 1A; Team fourth 1A

2018 Clay team fourth 1A

2019 Brooke Berger, Clay 154 1A

2020 Lindsey Brooks, Clay 199 1A

2019 Lexi Perez, Oakleaf 154 2A

2019 Clay team third 1A

2020 Clay team fourth 1A

2021 Clay team eighth 2A



Oakleaf freshman Savannah Roberts is one of several new lifters for coach Ben White making big impact for team points for Knights.

Region Weightlifting Venues

Region 1-3A: FHHS, OHS at Flagler Palm Coast, Sat., Jan. 29, 10 a.m. start

Region 2-2A: CHS, MHS, OPHS, RHS at St. Augustine High, Wed., Jan. 28, 3:30 p.m. start

MHS: 14 to regions. Katlyn Griffin (199), Kendall Bryan (139) district champion; Regions-Kaylann Gaither (2nd 101), Ari Seibel, Nya Russell, Summer Repogle, Kaelyn Hagan, Allie Cox (2nd 169), Bryanna Walker, Brittney Barksdale, Kendall Bryan, Madison Underwood, Tara Rawlins, Taylor Mills, Becca Staefe, Kendyl Wahl, Ava Clinkscale

Region 2-1A: KHHS, SJCS at Father Lopez High, Sat., Jan. 29 11 a.m. start

KHHS-Two district champions, 11 girls to regions: Grace Wagner, senior 139, Ariel King, junior 129. Kaylee Wright, junior 183 finished second.

SJCS: Two district champions: Addison Frisbee, Olympic Snatch, second in Traditional; Evelyn Hanson, Traditional, second in Olympic Snatch

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A Conversation with one of soccer best

Pickett waiting for Olympic phone call

By **Randy Lefko**
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Carson Pickett has accomplished a bucket load of things since her soccer championship days, a Gatorade Girls Soccer best of Florida player at St. Johns Country Day School and her final hope is to get a very important phone call.

"I hope, I'm definitely still within the window to play in the Olympics," said Pickett, now 28, and a defender for the North Carolina Courage of the National Womens Soccer League. "You can get called in at any moment."

Pickett, who has traveled the world on her pro soccer years since being a defender forward (no goals allowed during NCAA tournament) for the Florida State University first-ever NCAA championship in 2014, has a few things on her side for that phone call; international play, an Olympic coach while at Orlando Pride and top level play recognized at the professional level.

Note: Pickett noted that FSU, in 2022, again won the NCAA national championship with another Spartans standout defender, Kirsten Pavlisko.

"Us defenders are the key," said Pickett, jokingly. "I'm sure it was quite an experience for Kirsten."

Back to Orlando, Pickett hopes that her play in front of an Olympic coach can bring her phone call.

"It's good to have played for an Olympic coach; Tom Sermanni, because he sees what it takes to make the Olympic team,"



Clay Today Sports Editor Randy Lefko gets a chuckle about age with 2012 soccer player of year Carson Pickett in recent visit to her alma mater, St. Johns Country Day School.

said Pickett. "There is a lot of things involved in that decision based on what the team needs at the time."

Sermanni, who coached Orlando from 2016-2018, has coached the Australia and United States national teams, is currently with the New Zealand national team.

For now, Pickett visited her dad, Mike Pickett, coach at St. Johns, offered a bit of college chat to the present Spartans team, and awaits the start of the 2022 season for the North Carolina Courage.

Pickett's career has spanned Seattle as a first round draft choice out of FSU, the Orlando Price and, now, North Carolina, while hitting soccer experiences in Australia (Brisbane Roar), Japan and Cypress.

"It's good to see the different styles of

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Williams turns fast first mile

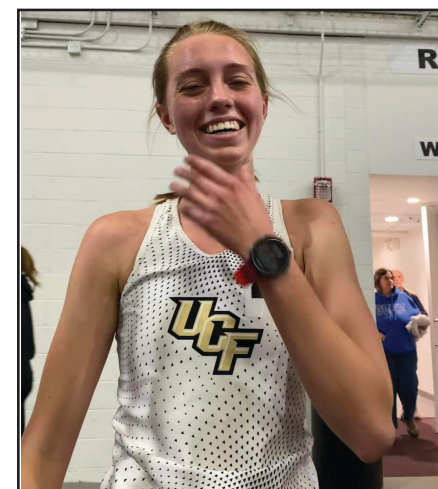
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Williams, a Keystone Heights High School state cross country and track athlete, finished in five minutes and 13.86 seconds to finish ninth overall. UCF freshman teammate Lillian Holtery, out of Niceville, ran a 5:04.83 for fourth.

A week later, at the Hokie Invitational at Virginia Tech University, Williams finished 13th in the 3,000 meters in 10:11.36.

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Legal Notice

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Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes

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TOM BREAK

Located at 477 Walnut Street # 12918, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Green Cove Spring, Florida, this 17th day of January 2022.

Owner/corp: Brian J. Prugh
Legal 49097 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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:

FRIENDLY FLORIDIAN ADVENTURES

Located at 2726 Bottomridge Dr, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32065 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Orange Park, Florida this day of January 21, 2022.

Owner's name/corporation: John-Michael Brown
Legal 49088 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES gives Notice that on 02/11/2022, at 12:00 pm at 4360 COUNTY ROAD 218 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-4852, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida statutes, BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bid.

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Legal 49061 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

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

CASE NO: 10-2020-DP-00089

DIVISION: JV-F

IN THE INTEREST OF:

E.L.

E.L.

A CHILD

TO:

Eric Lindsey, FATHER
1178-1 Lakeshore Boulevard,
Jacksonville, FL 32210
Last Known Address

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, E.L. who was born on August 30, 2004 and E.L. who was born on October 15, 2006. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Gary L. Wilkinson at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on March 8, 2022, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY

Legal Notice

HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

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 Court 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 court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 13th day of January, 2022.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 49049 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2022-CP-000002
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARY CATHARINE HIGGINS, a/k/a MARY C. HIGGINS, a/k/a MARY CATHERINE HIGGINS, Deceased

The administration of the estate of MARY CATHARINE HIGGINS, deceased, whose date of death was September 17, 2021 is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Circuit Court, Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043. The name and address of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS 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 January 20, 2022.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
GERALDINE C. HARTIN
Florida Bar Number: 15201
3168 Highway 17, Suite A
Fleming Island, FL 32003
904-278-3888
geraldine.hartin@gmail.com
Personal Representative:
VAL C. BOITET
9585 River Lake Drive
Roswell, GA 30075
Legal 49018 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Legal Notice

PUBLIC SALE

On 02/12/2022 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:

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Legal 49077 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that ANNALISHA MAE HAVICE, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

COLOR'D BY ANNALISHA

located at 2902 GREENRIDGE RD, ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32073 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 49085 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that PEGGY PURDY, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

MAGNOLIA FARM

located at 138 WILLIAMS PARK ROAD, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

DATED at Green Cove Springs, FL this 24th day on January 2022.

Legal 49094 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

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

CASE NO: 10-2019-DP-00186

DIVISION: JV-F

IN THE INTEREST OF:

LL DOB: 11/10/2005

CL DOB: 05/16/2007

AL DOB: 01/27/2012

P.L DOB: 01/27/2012

EACH A MINOR CHILD

TO:

CHRISTOPHER LEE

UNKNOWN ADDRESS

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named children, L.L who was born on November 10, 2005, C.L. who was born on May 16, 2007, A.L. who was born on January 27, 2012, and P.L. who was born on January 27, 2012. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on March 1, 2022, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION

Legal Notice

OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

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 Court 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 court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 19th day of January, 2022.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of Said Court
By: Tammy Rosenbaum
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 49062 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION

Division A

File No. 2021-CP-000734

IN RE: ESTATE OF

WILLIAM RUSSELL TALLEY, JR., Deceased.

The administration of the estate of WILLIAM RUSSELL TALLEY, JR., deceased, whose date of death was August 10, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and 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 January 27, 2022.

Attorney for Personal

Representative:

ALISON E. HICKMAN

Florida Bar Number 085048

Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M.

Attorneys at Law, P.A.

1543 Kingsley Avenue Suite 5

Orange Park, FL 32073

Telephone: (904) 264-8800

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Primary email address:

alison@floridaelder.com

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donna@floridaelder.com

Personal Representative:

WILLIAM RUSSELL TALLEY III

2614 Five Forks Court

Middleburg, FL 32068

Legal 49046 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO: 2021CA000483

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A

CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CORDELLA TYRE, DECEASED, et.al.
Defendant(s),

TO: CAROLYN WEBB, ALEX MOORE, CAROLYN REEVES and MELISA REEVES, whose residence is unknown and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CORDELLA TYRE, DECEASED. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JACKIE BROWN, DECEASED. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF ALICE MOORE, DECEASED. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DEBRA JANE HOLLORAN, DECEASED. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DWAYNE BROWN, DECEASED and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF LISA DIANE REEVES, DECEASED.

whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property: PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTH 1/2; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ON THE SOUTH LINE THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 30.0 FEET TO THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF TOOKIE ROAD (A 60 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY AS NOW ESTABLISHED) AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ON SAID SOUTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 361.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 22 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID NORTH 1/2 A DISTANCE OF 241.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL TO SAID SOUTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 361.50 FEET TO

SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 22 SECONDS WEST ON SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 241.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THE NORTH 25 FEET BEING SUBJECT TO A 50 FOOT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 957 PAGE 398, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. SUBJECT TO A 50 FOOT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 1405 PAGE 1496, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) 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 or petition filed herein. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 18th day of October, 2021.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY Taylor Tison DEPUTY CLERK Legal 49064 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 21-048318

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2021 CP 109

Division:

IN RE: ESTATE OF

MARIE LARRY NKA

MARIE WILLIAMS

Deceased.

NOTICE OF ACTION

(formal notice by publication)

TO:
ANGELA GAIL WILLIAMS
CARLTON DALE LARRY
DARICK LARRY
DERECK EVANS
BOBBY JOSEPH STARKER, III
PATRICIA BUIE
CHRISTOPHER BUJE

AND ANY AND ALL HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF MARIE LARRY A/K/A MARIE WILLIAMS

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE has been filed in this court. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on the petitioner's attorney, whose name and address are: Derek B. Alvarez; Esquire; GENDERS, ALVAREZ, DIECIDUE, P.A., 2307 W. Cleveland Street, Tampa, FL 33609, on or before February 25, 2022, and to file the original of the written defenses with the clerk of this court either

before service or immediately thereafter. Failure to serve and file written defenses as required may result in a judgment or order for the relief demanded, without further notice. Signed on January 11, 2022.

Tara S. Green

As Clerk of the Court

Holly Ricks

As Deputy Clerk

Legal 49040 published Jan 20, Jan 27, Feb 3, and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

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

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO: 2021CA000797

REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES,



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GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF OCIE C. PRATER A/K/A OCIE PRATER, et al. Defendant(s),

NOTICE OF ACTION-CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF OCIE C. PRATER A/K/A OCIE PRATER, DECEASED,

whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 43, BLOCK I, LAKESIDE ESTATE, UNIT 9, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGES 57, 58, 59 AND 60, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) 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 or petition filed herein. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 13th day of January, 2022.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By Kayla R. Beard
DEPUTY CLERK

Legal 49032 published Jan 20 and Jan 27 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 2021 CP 000653
DIVISION: B

IN RE: ESTATE OF BRIANNA JANE GIBSON, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of BRIANNA JANE GIBSON, deceased, whose date of death was January 31, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of the first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.

WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II
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BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary
Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary
Attorney for the Personal Representative

JAMES GIBSON
2859 Windemere Court
Middleburg, Florida 32068
Personal Representative

Legal 49074 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet in Regular Session at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, 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. Persons requiring auditory assistance may access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

If any person intends to appeal any decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend. For further information, call (904) 213-2464.

Legal 49052 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

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

CASE NO: 10-2020-DP-000064
DIVISION: JV-E

IN THE INTEREST OF: A.C.

ALYSSA HICKEY, MOTHER

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named children, A.C. who was born on June 3, 2020. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on **March 1, 2022, A.D.** You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified. **FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.**

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no

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cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court 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 court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 19th day of January, 2022.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Tammy Rosenbaum
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 49063 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2022-CP-12
Division: A

IN RE: EVELYN HAYDEN BORGES, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Evelyn Hayden Borges, deceased, whose date of death was November 16, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court 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.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Dale S. Wilson
E-Mail Address:
wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808

Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Telephone: (904) 284-5618
Personal Representative:
Barbara Ann Weinacht
18 Via Vasari Unit 201
Henderson, Nevada 89011

Legal 49081 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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.

Auction date - 2/18/22, 9:00 a.m.
2000 Chevy #1GCCS1959Y8209567
Action date - 2/18/22, 9:00 a.m.
2006 Saab # YS3FD45Y561024245
Legal 49079 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Legal Notice

PUBLIC SALE

Sale Date: February 8, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.
Location: 4225 CR 218, Middleburg, Florida

Vehicle: 2009 Hyundai
VIN#: KMHCM36C19U110948
Legal 49086 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Public Notice

Clay County School Board
The Clay County School Board will hold its Regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Teacher Inservice Center located at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by contacting the Superintendent's Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Legal 49057 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice that on 02/28/2022 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 5J6RW1H59NA005110 2022 HONDA
Legal 49047 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 2021 CP 000625
DIVISION: B

IN RE: ESTATE OF KIMBERLY SCOTT RAYE, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of KIMBERLY SCOTT RAYE, deceased, whose date of death was June 26, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of the first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.

WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II
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Attorney for the Personal Representative

MELISSA JOANNE RICKUS
609 Holloway Street Apt 15221
Summerville, South Carolina 29486
Personal Representative
Legal 49075 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

LEGAL NOTICE

Joan D. O'Leary, M.D. will be retiring from the practice of medicine on March 15, 2022. Prior to April 7, 2022, contact Dr. O'Leary's office for copies of patient records. After April 7, 2022, copies of patient records may be obtained by contacting:

Dermatology and Mohs Center

2055 Professional Center Drive
Orange Park, FL 32073

Newspaper Publication Pursuant to Florida Administrative Code 64B8-10.005

Legal 49084 Published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

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-000095
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.

JAMES HOWARD A/K/A JAMES A. HOWARD; MINT PROPERTIES, LLC; OAKLEAF PLANTATION, LLC; OAKLEAF VILLAGE AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 12 day of January 2022 and entered in Case No. 2021-CA-000095-, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and MINT PROPERTIES, LLC OAKLEAF PLANTATION, LLC OAKLEAF VILLAGE AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION AMBER HOWARD BRITTANY HOWARD MAKENNA HOWARD UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES HOWARD A/K/A JAMES ANTHONY HOWARD UNKNOWN TENANT; and IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. TARA S. GREEN as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at <https://clay.rea.lforeclose.com/> at 10:00 AM on the

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28day of February 2022 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 101, LITCHFIELD AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 40 PAGES 51 THROUGH 58 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

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 your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 18 day of January, 2022
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By:
Deputy Clerk
Submitted by:
De Cubas & Lewis, P.A.
P.O. Box 771270
Coral Springs, FL 33077
Telephone: (954) 453-0365
Facsimile: (954) 771-6052
Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438
DESIGNATED PRIMARY E-MAIL FOR SERVICE
PURSUANT TO FLA. R. JUD. ADMIN 2.516
eservice@decubaslewis.com
Legal 49092 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd Middleburg FL 32068 at date and time listed below:
CLAY COUNTY TOWING AUCTION: Feb 21, 2022 at 10:00 AM

2006 HYUN # 5NPEU46F66H055187
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Legal 49058 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper


NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN **RUFFALO BILL 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: **38182014**
Legal Description: **PT LOT B BLK 102 PALMER & FERRIS TRACT AS REC O R 365 PG 466, 2343 PG 1671 & 2815 PG 522 EX O R 3331 PG 1520**
Parcel ID No.: **380626-016742-000-00**
Opening Bid Amount: **\$4,752.53**
Physical Address: **VERMONT AVE, GREEN COVE SPRINGS**

Classification: **VACANT RENTAL**
Name in which assessed: **JOHN NICHOLS (TRUSTEE) GRAYLON OAKS LAND TRUST**

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 23rd day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M at



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Legal Notice

www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
 Dated this 6th day of December, 2021
TARA S. GREEN
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
 Clay County, Florida
 Cynthia Horan
 Deputy Clerk
Legal 48976 published Jan 6, Jan 13, Jan 20, and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO.: 2021CP000743
 DIVISION: B
IN RE: ESTATE OF MALIKA JOHNSON, Deceased.
 The administration of the Estate of Malika Johnson, deceased, whose date of death was September 15, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT 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 January 20, 2022. Attorney for Personal Representative: Linda Muralt, Esquire Florida Bar No.: 0031129Bennett, Jacobs & Adams, P.A. Post Office Box 3300 Tampa, FL 33601 Phone 813-272-1400 Facsimile 866-844-4703E-mail: lmuralt@bj-a-law.com Personal Representative: Willie Fern Bates/co: Bennett Jacobs & Adams, P.A. Post Office Box 3300 Tampa, FL 33601 Legal 49022 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
 CASE NO: 10-2020-DP-00126
 DIVISION: JV-E
IN THE INTEREST OF: I.W DOB: 10/06/2020
 MINOR CHILDREN
SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION
 THE STATE OF FLORIDA
TO: Brittany Wolske, MOTHER
Address Unknown
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, I.W. who was born on October 6, 2020. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on February 15, 2022, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

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FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.
 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 Court 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 court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
 WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 7th day of January, 2022.
 (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
 as Clerk of Said Court
 By: Denise Haselwood
 As Deputy Clerk
Legal 49004 published Jan 13, Jan 20, Jan 27, and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Elite Towing LLC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on Feb 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at 2865 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
2016 Dodge 2C4RDGEG6GR384425
Legal 49078 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 2020-CA-000107

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, f/k/a Farmers Home Administration, a/k/a Rural Housing Service, Plaintiff,
v.
YUNERSY BAYOLA, et. al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment entered in the above style case now pending in said court, that the clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the 25th day of February 2022, at the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 in accordance with \$45,031, by electronic sale, bidding begins at 10:00 A.M. Eastern Time on <https://clayre.alforeclose.com> the following described property:
 Lot 179, of HABITAT, according to Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 20, Page 1, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida, Which has the address of 1879 Ontario Court, Middleburg, Florida 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 BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.
Witness my hand and seal of the Court on January 12, 2022.
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 Tyler Tyson
 Deputy Clerk
Legal 49024 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HOUSTON COUNTY, ALABAMA
NATHAN DEAN LOY, PLAINTIFF,
v.
VICTORIA LYNN LOY, DEFENDANT.
NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION
VICTORIA LYNN LOY, WHOSE WHEREABOUTS IS UNKNOWN, MUST ANSWER NATHAN DEAN LOYS DIVORCE COMPLAINT AND OTHER RELIEF BY MARCH 11, 2022 OR, THEREAFTER, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE RENDERED AGAINST HER IN CASE NO. 38-DR-2021-900169.00, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF HUSTON COUNTY, ALABAMA. DONE THIS 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.
CARLA WOODALL, CLERK
CIRCUIT COURT
HOUSTON COUNTY, ALABAMA
Legal 49006 Published Jan 13, Jan 20, Jan 27, and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County Florida'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: **1217/2019**
 Legal Description: **PT. OF SEC. A/K/A LOT 17 & PT OF LOT 18 MAGNOLIA WOODS AS REC. OR 1015 PG 706 EX PT OR 1654 PG 1723**
 Parcel ID No.: **260524-006612-001-20**
 Opening Bid Amount: **\$3,972.40**
 Physical Address: **2862 SPRING DR, MIDDLEBURG**
 Classification: **MOBILE HOME**
 Name in which assessed: **GLORIA C BROWN**
 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 23rd day of February, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
 Dated this 3rd day of January, 2022
TARA S. GREEN
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
 Clay County, Florida
 Cynthia Horan
 Deputy Clerk
Legal 48977 published Jan 6, Jan 13, Jan 20, and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 File No. 2021-CP-000752
 Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF DIANE JEAN PHELPS, Deceased.
 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 DIANE JEAN PHELPS, deceased, File Number 2021-CP-000752, by the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043; that the decedent's date of death was September 24, 2021; that the total value of the estate is exempt from claims to creditors and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:
 Name / Address
STACY L. PHELPS
 3650 Meadow Green Lane
 Middleburg, FL 32068
LAWRENCE P. PHELPS III
 1114 Kings Wood Drive

Legal Notice

Conway, South Carolina 29526

ALL INTEREST PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
 All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against 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 SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. 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 January 20, 2022.
 Attorney for Person Giving Notice:
GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR.
 Attorney for Petitioner
 Florida Bar Number: 887950
 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M., Attorneys at Law, P.A.
 1543 Kingsley Ave, Suite 5
 Orange Park, Florida 32073
 Telephone: (904) 264-8800
 Fax: (904) 264-0155
 Primary email address: alison@floridaelder.com
 Secondary email address: donna@floridaelder.com
 Person Giving Notice:
STACY L. PHELPS
 3650 Meadow Green Lane
 Middleburg, FL 32068
Legal 49048 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing, immediately followed by a hybrid meeting, both in-person and via phone, will be held for the Clay County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board at 2 p.m., Monday, February 14, 2022, in the BCC Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 and by conference call at 1-888-585-9008. When prompted, dial the conference room number 511 666 088#. All interested persons are invited to call-in. The County or venue may have requirements regarding in-person meeting attendance. Meeting materials will be posted at <https://www.nefrc.org/tranportation-disadvantaged>. The Northeast Florida Regional Council adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this meeting upon request. Requests should be received at least 72-hours in advance of the meeting in order to allow time to provide the requested service. For more information, contact the Northeast Florida Regional Council at (904) 279-0880 between the hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
Legal 49071 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NO.: 2021-CP-000513
 DIVISION: Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF PATRICIA ANN BUCHO, Deceased.
 The administration of the Estate of PATRICIA ANN BUCHO, deceased, whose date of death was October 21, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served

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must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE 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 January 20, 2022.
 Attorney for Personal Representative:
 /s/ Kimberly W. Aiken
 Georgia Bar No 330711
 FL Pro Hac Vice No. PHV 1026722
info@wakefieldaikenlaw.com
 Wakefield Aiken Law
 1601 GA-Hwy 40 E Ste M147
 Kingsland, GA 31548
 Of Counsel:
 /s/ J. Mechelle Herrington
 J. Mechelle Herrington
 Florida Bar No:35919
jmherringtonlaw@gmail.com
 Law Office of J. Mechelle Herrington, P.A.
 P.O. Box 2453
 Jacksonville, FL 32203
 904-748-9497
 Attorney for Petitioner
 Personal Representative:
 Donna L. Giddens
 12538 Highway 185
 St. Georgia, GA 31562
Legal 49023 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 File No. 2021-CP-000802
 Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF SUSAN L. TYMICK, AKA SUSAN LEWIS TYMICK, Deceased.
 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 SUSAN L. TYMICK, AKA SUSAN LEWIS TYMICK, deceased, File Number 2021-CP-000802, by the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043; that the decedent's date of death was September 24, 2021; that the total value of the estate is exempt from claims to creditors and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:
 Name / Address
JOAN KATHERINE TYMICK
 5832 Legrande Street W.
 Jacksonville, FL 32244

ALL INTEREST PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
 All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against 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 SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. 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.

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The date of first publication of this notice is January 20, 2022.
 Attorney for Person Giving Notice:
GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR.
 Attorney for Petitioner
 Florida Bar Number: 085048
 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M., Attorneys at Law, P.A.
 1543 Kingsley Ave, Suite 5
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 Primary email address: alison@floridaelder.com
 Secondary email address: donna@floridaelder.com
 Person Giving Notice:
JOAN KATHERINE TYMICK
 5832 Legrande Street W.
 Jacksonville, FL 32244
Legal 49028 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice that on 02/19/2022 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
JT8BF28G1X0225377 1999 LEXS
WBAGK1C56CE839544 2012 BMW
Legal 49054 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on February 10, 2022 at 10:00 am at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
 2000 Chevrolet # 2G1WH55K7Y9355333
Legal 49059 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper


NOTICE OF SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:
 4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003, February 11, 2022 at 10:00am
 Kijuanda Singletary
 Catering supplies
 The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.
Legal 49025 published Jan 6 and Jan 13, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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:
The Villages at Oakleaf
 Located at 573 Oakleaf Plantation Pkwy in the County of CLAY, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32065 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
 Dated at 11:15 am, Florida, this 21st day of January 2022.
 Owner's name/corporation:
 VR Oakleaf Limited Partnership
Legal 49068 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 Division: B
 File No. 2021-CP-0567
IN RE: ESTATE OF JOHN WILLIAM McLFF., Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS



STARTING A NEW Business

Have you registered your name with the state and now need to run a fictitious name advertisement?

One easy step

Email legal@claytodayonline.com at 904-264-3200 to request the necessary form. It will run in our legal section for one week for \$35. After publication an affidavit will be mailed to you.

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The administration of the estate of JOHN WILLIAM McLFF, deceased, Case No. 2021-CP-0567, 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 January 27, 2022.

Person Giving Notice:
Zachary Stokes
5907 W. Dry Bone Circle
Kearns, UT 84118
Attorney for Personal Representative:
LAW OFFICES OF KOKO HEAD, P.A.

Koko Head
Koko Head, Esp.
Florida Bar No: 475701
7077 Bonneval Rd. Suite 400
Jacksonville, Florida 32216
904-535-0642
Legal 49093 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice that on 02/25/2022 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 1C4BJWDG4FL693792 2015 JEEP 2T1KR32E87C651210 2007 TOYT Legal 49073 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE: Disposition of Property/Lost or Abandoned

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Florida State Statute 705.105 Lost or Abandoned Property the following items were found within Clay County between the dates of 01/20/22 and 02/03/22. This property listed below is described in a manner reasonably adequate to permit the rightful owner of the property to claim it. Any Lost or Abandoned Property not claimed within 14 days of this notice will be disposed of in accordance with this statute. To claim, please call the Clay County Sheriff's Office evidence unit at 904-529-6070

- Currency
- Jewelry
- Apple Watch
- Bicycles
- Glock Pistol
- Kel-Tech Pistol
- Smith and Wesson Pistol
- Cell phones
- Misc Tools and Toolbag
- Chainsaw

Legal 49055 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION DIVISION: A FILE NO. 2022-CP-4 IN RE: ESTATE OF MEGAN ALEXANDRA BLANKENBILLER, Deceased

The administration of the estate of MEGAN ALEXANDRA BLANKENBILLER, deceased, whose

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date of death was August 24, 2021 is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Circuit Court, Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043. The name and address of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS 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 January 20, 2022.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
GERALDINE C. HARTIN
Florida Bar Number: 15201
3168 Highway 17, Suite A
Fleming Island, FL 32003
904-278-3888
geraldine.hartin@gmail.com
Personal Representative:
NANCY I. BLANKENBILLER
3580 Whisper Creek Blvd
Middleburg, FL 32068
Legal 49019 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

Case #: 10-2022-CP-29
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JUNE EVELYN IVES COX, DECEASED.
The formal administration of the estate of JUNE EVELYN IVES COX, who died on December 10, 2021 is pending in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE and attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the DECEDENT and other persons having claims or demands against the DECEDENT'S estate on whom a copy of this NOTICE is required to be served must file their claims with this COURT WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) 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 (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of the

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first publication of this NOTICE TO CREDITORS is January 27, 2022. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES:

LAWRENCE COX
878 SE CR 21B
Melrose, FL 32666
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878 SE CR 21B
Melrose, FL 32666
Owens & Wagner, P.A.
VeRonica R. Owens, Esq.
Fla. Bar No.: 73568
VeRonica@OwensWagner.com
189 South Lawrence Boulevard
Keystone Heights, FL 32656
2000 Henley Road, Suite B
Middleburg, FL 32068
Telephone (352) 473-5000
Attorney for PETITIONER
Legal 49072 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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:

KOMEK CLEANING SYSTEMS

Located at 307 Saint James Way, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Orange Park, Florida, 32065-3207 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Orange Park, Florida, this 24th day of January 2022. Owner/corp: GOLIATH & ROCK INVESTMENTS LLC
Legal 49095 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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

CIVIL DIVISION
Case No: 21-CA-824
Division:
KEATHEL CHAUNCEY, AS TRUSTEE ONLY UNDER THE CLAY 22 LAND TRUST; Plaintiff, vs. MARK VAN KIRK, and BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION INC.; Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF CLAY TO: MARK VAN KIRK Whose age is 54 years, and who has no last known address, if he be dead, and the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under, or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described herein.

Lot 177, SILVER SANDS ESTATES, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 7, Pages 8 through 11, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. TOGETHER WITH that certain 1995 GENE double wide mobile home with identification numbers GMHGA137943697A and GMHGA137943697B with title numbers 1269712667 and 69712670, which is located thereon and considered a permanent fixture thereof. A/K/A: 5698 Quail Ln. Keystone Heights, FL 32656 Parcel ID: 14-08-23-001533-007-00 A lawsuit has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on NATALIA OUELLETTE, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is LCO Law LLC 14502 N. Dale Mabry Hwy Ste 200 Tampa, FL 33618, on or before (no later than 28 days from the date of the first publication of this notice of action) and file the original with

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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 or petition filed herein. Done on this 20th day of December, 2021.

By, /s/ Natalia Ouellette

Natalia Ouellette, Esq
Florida Bar Number: 68905
14502 N Dale Mabry Hwy Ste 200
Tampa, FL 33618
Phone: (813) 480-2106
E-service: natalia@lcolawfl.com
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TARA S. GREEN TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Courts As Clerk of the Courts
Civil Division

825 N. Orange Ave.
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
(904) 269-6302, ext. 3645
herreraa@clayclerk.com

By: Taylor Tinson

As Deputy Clerk
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 crintrp@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.
Legal 48972 Published Jan 6 and Jan 13, Jan 20, and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO: 2021 CP 000486 DIVISION: A

IN RE: ESTATE OF RALPH P. SCULLY, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of RALPH P. SCULLY, deceased, whose date of death was March 2, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse. 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of the first publication of this notice January 27, 2022. WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II Fla. Bar No.: 634387 733 N. Palmetto Ave. Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 (904) 276-5344 - Phone

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(904) 284-8725 - Fax
BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary
Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary
Attorney for the Personal Representative

TAMMIE LAYFIELD
3436William Walker Lane
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Personal Representative
Legal 49065 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2021-CP-668 Division A

IN RE: VELDA KURTZ, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Velda Kurtz, 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 PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court 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. 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.

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Dale S. Wilson
E-Mail Address:
wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Telephone: (904) 284-5618
Personal Representative:
Margaret Maggie Boger
3000 Pony Lane
Middleburg, FL 32068
Legal 49020 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Elite Towing LLC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on Feb 11, 2022 at 2:00 pm at 2865 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
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Legal 49044 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that ALICE LANGAN, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

PRUDENCE PRIVATUS

located at 411 WALNUT STREET, #17415, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.
Legal 49090 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice that on 02/16/2022 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 1N6AA06AX5N10574 2005 NISSAN 2MEFM74WXYX610778 2000 MERCURY JT2AE04B8R0080722 1994 TOYOTA KMHCT5AEXEU141598 2014 HYUNDAI
Legal 49048 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA CASE NO: 10-2020-DP-00067 DIVISION: JV-F IN THE INTEREST OF: B.H. A CHILD

TO: Amanda Forbes, MOTHER Joseph Harper, FATHER

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, B.H. who was born on December 26, 2014. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Gary L. Wilkinson at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on February 22, 2022, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

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

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said

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Court and the Seal thereof, this 13th day of January, 2022.
(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 49042 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF INTENT

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE
PERMIT

The Department of Environmental Protection gives notice of its intent to issue a permit to St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), Michael Register, P.E., Executive Director, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka, Florida 32178 for construction and operation of the Black Creek Water Resource Development Project. This permit authorizes SJRWMD to transfer and treat 7.50 MGD of water from Black Creek to Alligator Creek, located in Clay County. The intake point from the Black Creek transfer pump station will be located at approximately Latitude: 29° 58' 46" Longitude: 81° 51' 13" W. The discharge facility will be located at latitude 29° 48' 59.5" N, longitude 82° 1' 22.9" W, on Treat Road at Alligator Creek, Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 in Clay County. The Department has assigned permit file number FLOA00025-001-IW7A to the proposed project.

The intent to issue and application file are available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Department's Northeast District Office, 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256-7577, at phone number (904)256-1700.

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The Department will issue the permit unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application.

Petition for Administrative Hearing
A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

(a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;

(b) The name, address, any e-mail address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner, if the petitioner is not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination;

(c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the Department's agency decision;

(d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;

(e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;

(f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and

(g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at AgencyClerk

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@FloridaDEP.gov. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Time Period for Filing a Petition
Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of the notice or within 14 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

Extension of Time
Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at AgencyClerk@FloridaDEP.gov, before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

Legal 49070 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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:

IN THE WIND

Located at 477 Walnut Street # 12918, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Green Cove Spring, Florida, this 17th day of January 2022.

Owner/corp: Brian J. Prugh and Kristin R. Prugh
Legal 49098 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CONGREGATIONAL HOLINESS CHURCH

located at 2079 WEST STATE ROAD 16, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 49091 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper

NOTICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL MEETING

ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Rolling Hills Community Development District ("District") will hold a meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Amenity Center, 3212 Bradley Creek Parkway, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. A copy of the agenda may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092, Ph: (904) 940-5850 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours. The meeting is open to the public

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and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

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

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Marilee Giles
District Manager
Legal 49067 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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:

4EVER YOUNG FLEMING ISLAND
Located at 1845 East West Parkway #17 and #8, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Fleming Island, Florida 32003 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Fleming Island, Florida this day of January 18, 2022.

Owner's name/corporation: Arlette Perfetti
Legal 49087 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg, FL 32068 at date and time listed below:

CLAY COUNTY TOWING
AUCTION: Feb 19, 2022 at 10:00 AM

2006 FORD # 1FTRF14WX6K29015
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Legal 49053 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

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

CASE NO. 2021CA000926
SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC,
Plaintiff,

vs.
ANDRES ESCOBAR, et al,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To the following Defendant(s):
ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE ESTATE OF EVERETT A. SNOW. WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

ADDRESS: UNKNOWN
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOT 274, PINE RIDGE PLANTATION, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN A PLAT BOOK 52, PAGES 20 THROUGH 45, IN THE PUBLIC RECORD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, Sara Collins, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice 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.

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WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this __ day of ____.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk
Legal 49015 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Elite Towing LLC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on Feb 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at 2865 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

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Legal 49060 publish Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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:

ANNE KEY

Located at 477 Walnut Street # 12918, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Green Cove Spring, Florida, this 17th day of January 2022.
Owner/corp: Kristin R. Prugh
Legal 49096 published Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO: 2021CA000896
CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC,
Plaintiff,

vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER M. KUEHL, DECEASED, et al.

Defendant(s),
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER M. KUEHL, DECEASED, whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:
LOT 24, BLACK 2, DOSHIRE MEADOWS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGE(S) 55 THROUGH 57, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) 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 or petition filed herein. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this day of.

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

By:
DEPUTY CLERK

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ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTS, AND SCHNEID, PL
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100
Boca Raton, FL 33487
Primary Email: flmail@raslg.com
Legal 49081 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper
21-087919-MaJ

PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg, LLC will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder. The sale will take place online at selfstorageauction.com in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 4:30pm on the following units. The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted: Tonya Davie, Angelina Deriggi & Daron Zapata, Pamela Fields, Jacob Griffin, Christopher Reeves, Michael Sweet.

Legal 49030 published Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 2021 CP 000784
DIVISION: PAXXX

IN RE: ESTATE OF

FRED A. BLANCHARD,
Deceased.

The administration of the estate of FRED A. BLANCHARD, deceased, File Number: 2021-CP-000784, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of the first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.

WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II

Fla. Bar No.: 634387

733 N. Palmetto Ave.

Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

(904) 276-5344 - Phone

(904) 284-8725 - Fax

BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary

Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary

Attorney for the Personal Representative

Personal Representative

Charles L. Blanchard

526 Cornell Avenue

Albany, California 94706

Legal 49083 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Bid Notices

REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, March 3, 2022 at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 for the following:

BID NO. 21/22-23 WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL SERVICES

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, March 4, 2022 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", fourth floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline and in a sealed envelope marked "BID NO. 21/22-23 WASTE TIRE DISPOSAL

SERVICES". Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address. During the Request for Bids 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 the Purchasing Department, Amber Hobbs, (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 WEBPAGE 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 1 OF THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY SHALL, CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID REQUEST, ANY ADDENDUM THERETO, OR THE BID DECISION, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING UNDER THE PURCHASING POLICY. THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE. IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS REQUEST REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRY.

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or

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repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list
Legal 49089 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Legal Public Notice
 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)
 FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
 RFQ-SJR-04-2022 Pre-Qualification (Continuing Contract)

St. Johns River State College (SJR State) invites engineers with SREF and/or public projects experience to apply for pre-qualification status (RFQ-SJR-04-2022); for miscellaneous projects on its three campuses in Putnam, Clay and St. Johns counties, and the Workforce Training Center in Palatka, FL. Representative projects may include, but not be limited to, review of existing site conditions; preparation of a scope of work statement and preliminary cost estimate; coordination with appropriate government agencies; preparation of design and construction drawings and specifications that incorporate the necessary sub-consultant discipline such as environmental, rural, structural, surveying and any other that will be required. The RFQ Specifications Document can be obtained by e-mail request to Terry Thomas, Director of Capital Assets and Risk Management at terrythomas@sjrstate.edu or can be downloaded from the College's website at <https://www.sjrstate.edu/042022> beginning January 20, 2022. Information, schedules, and notices will be posted on this web page as the RFQ process progresses, and respondents are strongly encouraged to monitor this web page for updates. To be considered, RFQ responses (applications) must be as prescribed in the RFQ-SJR-04-2022 Specifications Document. Responses, identified on the outside with the firm's name and RFQ-SJR-04-2022 are due by 4:00 p.m. EST on February 15, to Terry Thomas, Director of Capital Assets and Risk Management, St. Johns River State College, 5001 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, FL 32177. Faxed, e-mailed and responses received after the deadline for submission will not be considered. At 4:15 p.m., in Room A-154 in the Administration Building on the Palatka Campus, responses received by the deadline will be publicly opened and a list of candidates prepared. The list of submissions will be evaluated in a public meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m. on February 24, 2022 in Room A-154 in the Administration Building at SJR State, 5001 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, FL. RFQ awards are expected at the DBOT meeting on March 23, 2022. The basis for award of prequalified engineer status is for firms to meet all RFQ specifications. SJR State reserves the right to reject any or all responses to the RFQ, to waive any or all informalities in regards thereto, and to accept only responses which will be in the best interest of the College. Questions can be directed to Terry Thomas by email at terrythomas@sjrstate.edu.
Legal 49021 published Jan 20, Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Bid Notices

REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received until **4:00 P.M., Monday, February 28, 2022**, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 for the following:
BID NO. 21/22-21, MIDDLEBURG FUEL FILLING STATION UPGRADE
 Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022**, in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", fourth floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline and in a sealed envelope marked **"BID NO. 21/22-21, MIDDLEBURG FUEL FILLING STATION UPGRADE"**. Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address.
 A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the **4003 Everett Ave., Middleburg, FL 32068** on **February 8, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.**
Proposals require a five (5%) percent bid bond and may not be withdrawn after the scheduled opening time for a period of thirty (30) days. The term bid bond shall include bonds or cashier or certified checks payable to the County.
 All communications with the County regarding this Bid should be directed to Amber Hobbs, Purchasing Department, (904) 529-3857 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com
 During the Request for Bids 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 the Purchasing Department, Amber Hobbs, (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>
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Legal 49082 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Bid Notices

INVITATION TO BID
 Parrish McCall Constructors, Inc., Construction Manager, is soliciting pre-qualified subcontractor bids for the following project:
 Clay County School District -New Spring Park Elementary, Green Cove Springs, Florida
 Scope: New Elementary School for Clay County District Schools (CCDS) on County Road 315 in Clay County, FL with the following bid packages:
 3A-Cast-in-Place Concrete, 4A-Masonry, 5A-Misc. Steel, 7C-Metal Roofing, 8A-Doors, Frames, & Hardware-installed, 8D-Windows & Storefront, 8H-Overhead Doors, 9A-Gypsum Board Assemblies, 9C-Acoustical Treatments, 9F-Flooring, 9K-Resinous Flooring, 9Q-Paint & Sealants, 10A-General Trades / Specialties, 10B-Signage, 10N-Aluminum Walkway Canopies, 11H-Food Service Equipment, 11M-Stage Curtains, 12A-Window Treatments, 12B-Custom Millwork.
Legal 49082 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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21A-Fire Protection, 22A-Plumbing, 23A-HVAC, 26A-Electrical, 27A-Communications, 28A-Access Control & Security, 31A-Sitework & Utilities, 32G-Landscape & Irrigation, 32H-Fences & Gates
 Pricing breakouts are requested for the following:
 1. Main Building (Base Bid)
 2. Entry Tower Feature
 3. Covered Playcourt
 4. PE/Storage Building
 5. Flammable Storage Building
 6. Alternates per Specification 01 25 00
 Instructions: Please contact Parrish McCall Constructors, Inc. for bid document access via building connected at estimating@parrish-mccall.com.
 Pre-Bid Meeting: Parrish McCall Constructors will hold a pre-bid workshop as follows: This meeting is non-mandatory-but attendance is strongly encouraged.
 January 19, 2022, 10:00am via zoom. Contact estimating@parrish-mccall.com for link.
 Expected bid date: Bids due from subs February 10, 2022 by 2:00pm, via Building Connected.
 Parrish McCall Constructors, Inc. | 3455 SW 42nd Avenue | Gainesville, Florida 32606
 estimating@parrish-mccall.com
Legal 49007 published Jan 13, Jan 20 and Jan 27, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Sale

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO: 2018-CA-000079
PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
vs.
STEVEN CHRISTOPHER HUFF A/K/A STEVEN C. HUFF, ET AL. Defendants
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 27, 2018, and entered in Case No. 2018-CA-000079, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida. PHH MORTGAGE CORPORATION, is Plaintiff and STEVEN CHRISTOPHER HUFF A/K/A STEVEN C. HUFF; DEBORAH K. HUFF; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY, are defendants. Tara Green, Clerk of Court for CLAY, County Florida will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash via the internet at www.clay.realforeclose.com at 10:00 a.m., on the 11th day of February 2022, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
TRACT 12 SECTION A: PART OF THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF SECTION 29 TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 29; THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, 2594.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY AT THE RIGHT ANGLES TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF SECTION 29, 1320 FEET; THENCE WESTERLY, PARALLEL TO THE AFORESAID NORTH LINE OF SECTION 29, 990 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE SOUTHERLY, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE 630 FEET; THENCE WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE AFORESAID NORTH LINE OF SECTION 29, 330 FEET; THENCE NORTH, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE 630 FEET; THENCE EAST, 330 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING,

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RESERVING THE WEST 30.00 FEET AND SOUTH 30.00 FEET FOR ROAD PURPOSES.
 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.
 Dated this 14th day of January, 2022.
 (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: Rebecca Crews
 As Deputy Clerk
 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.
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2019-CA-000157
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
SARA E. ANDERSON; KRISTINA D. MIXON, Defendant(s).
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on January 12, 2022 in Civil Case No. 2019-CA-000157, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein, LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff, and DALE WILLIAM DAVIS; SHARON MCNEILL DAVIS; U N K N O W N H E I R S BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, SURVIVING SPOUSE, GRANTEES; SARA E. ANDERSON; KRISTINA D. MIXON; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS are Defendants.
 The Clerk of the Court, Tara S. Green will sell to the highest bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com on March 14, 2022 at 10:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 19, BLOCK 3, MINIATURE ACRES UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 10, PAGE(S) 27 AND 28, 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 before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on January 21, 2022.
 (seal)
 Tara S Green
 CLERK OF THE COURT
 Rebecca Crews
 Deputy Clerk
ALDRIDGE PITE, LLP
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 1615 South Congress Avenue, Suite

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