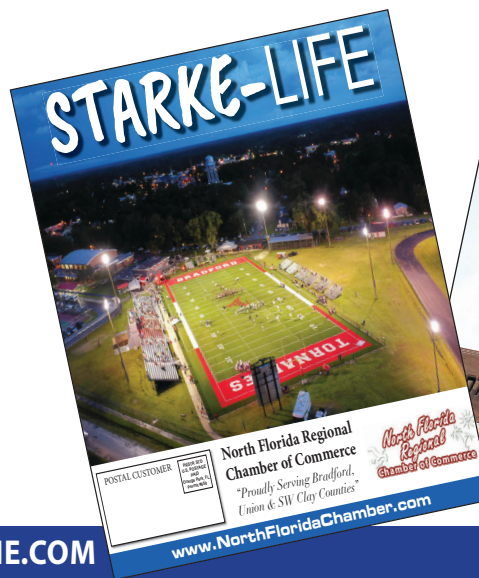


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## Green Cove Springs looks to the future by preserving its past

By Don Coble  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Residents, city officials and a consulting firm held three workshops last week to chart a course for the next 20 years that includes revitalizing the downtown business area while highlighting the city's rich history.

The Downtown Master Plan is part of the

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Erik Aulestia, left, the lead designer for the Downtown Master Plan, answers a resident's question,



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Fleming Island High point guard Bennie McDuffie, here in action as MVP of tournament at University of North Florida, has left Fleming Island amidst school registration questions. McDuffie and younger brother, Kaleb, were both part of the Fleming Island basketball program that was 9-0 and is currently 21-1, but officially 12-10 with the forfeiture of the nine games McDuffie played in.

FHSAA:

## Fleming Island basketball transfers ruled ineligible

Father: Status resulted from oversight in paperwork

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND – An apparent change of lease information for residential status led to former Fleming Island High point guard Bennie

McDuffie who has, since a series of investigations, appeals and mediation with the Florida High School Athletic Association, left Fleming Island and transferred to Potters House Academy in Jacksonville.

It also triggered an investigation by the FHSAA that led to the

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## Law enforcement agencies, schools to fight crime with app

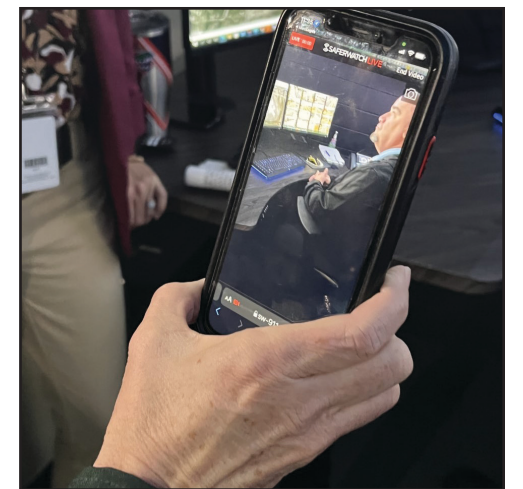
SaferWatch app will provide agencies, residents with real-time updates

By Don Coble  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook offered a compelling scenario to promote the new SaferWatch app during a joint press conference on Monday, Jan. 31.

She talked of a mother with two children playing at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs

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Sheriff Michelle Cook shows how the SaferWatch app works during a test call at the jail.

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# District 4 incumbent vies for another commission term

By Nick Blank  
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – A Clay County Commissioner with more than a year’s experience already, is seeking her first four-year term representing the western and southern portions of the county.

Betsy Condon, a Republican, won a special election in 2020 to serve the final two years of Gavin Rollins’ term, meaning she has the potential for two four-year terms. Condon, a businesswoman and former Clay County School District board member, said she wants to keep the momentum going. An opponent is yet to file against Condon.



Betsy Condon

Condon said her three main priorities are improving broadband in the county, maintaining roads and the completion of the county’s lake projects.

“I want to see these things come to fruition,” she said.

Condon said she was pleased that county staff is reviewing the broadband Request For Proposal to establish a provider and there should be an award soon.

In the coming months, the county anticipates results from its comprehensive road study and Condon said she’s championed regular maintenance of roads, rather than only paving dirt roads.

“The Comprehensive Road Plan is for all road needs,” she added.

The St. Johns Water Management District’s Black Creek Restoration project, which would move about 10 million gallons of water from Black Creek to the depleted Lake Brooklyn in Keystone Heights, is expected to begin construction this summer.

Condon said her district possesses a large number of natural resources in the county with three state forests and other waterways.

“There’s three state forests in our district, as well as Camp Blanding and all of the waterways from Keystone Heights to Black Creek,” Condon said. “It has a lot of agricultural areas as well.”

As the growth comes, Condon added, it isn’t as simple as erecting a gate around the county. The growth has to be planned, structured and smart, she said.

“I think it really is a transition for us. We’re moving from a small town situated to a suburban-type county,” Condon said. “It’s about maintaining and protecting the rural way of life, while accommodating the smart growth of the county. It’s going to be a balancing act.”



# Retirement, ARPA and parking changes occupies OP meeting

By Nick Blank  
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ORANGE PARK – Town council members passed more American Rescue Plan Act funding, altered a parking ordinance and honored a longtime firefighter.

To open Tuesday night’s meeting, Orange Park Fire Department Lt. Roy Reid was honored by the council. He joined the department in 1991 and retired on Jan. 28. He was the department’s Firefighter

of the Year in 2021.

A town proclamation called Reid an effective and positive leader who provided medical training, assisted with town issues and improved staff processes. Reid said the town is a big family that watches out for each other.

“I just wanted to say, it has been the greatest honor and the privilege to be a member of the town of Orange Park Fire

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**Are you pregnant or have a child under the age of 3?**

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# Science Fair participants ask the tough questions

Winners to be announced at awards ceremony on Feb. 8

By Nick Blank  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Students addressed the problems of today and tomorrow at Tuesday’s Clay County State Science Fair.

Across more than 40 tables at the Clay County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall, students from 6th-12th grade planted their poster boards and went over their methods with judges. The students tackled mechanical problems, ecology, biology, sound and the Solar System.

Ridgeview High 10th graders Benjamin Lohse, Nathan Bartholomew and Alexander Gordon created an algorithm to improve the accuracy of an autonomous robot’s movements.

Lohse said people hit their brakes before they reach a red light and their project was to establish when and how hard a robot can stop.

“The solution we came up with is motion profiling, essentially you create a map of the robot’s motion using the maximum acceleration, velocity and jerk,” Lohse said.

Bartholomew said the robot follows a graph and goes through a series of adjustments.

“We did find our algorithm to work and we wrote it in such a way you can apply it in different scenarios,” Bartholomew said. “Self-driving cars are a good example of how motion profiling is being used in the modern-day.”

Discovery Oaks Elementary sixth grader Julia Logan’s project explored the possibility of maintaining life on Venus. She created models of a dome supporting plant and animal life. Water and air would have to be recycled, she said.

“Basically, my final takeaway is that planets have more things to do with them and are closer to Earth than we imagine,”



Lakeside Junior High seventh grader Lauren White.

Logan said. “Venus is a lot like Earth.”

Lauren White, a Lakeside Junior High seventh grader, studied the longevity of fresh cut flowers. She mixed the flowers with distilled water and either sugar, vinegar or bleach and measured the effects over 10 days.

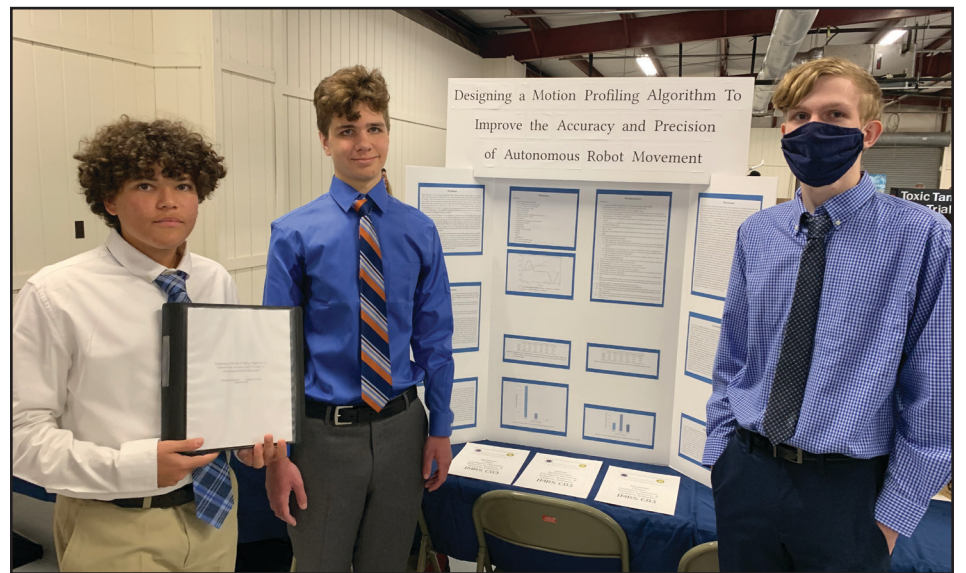
“I thought I could help people that work at flower shops and find out ways to keep them fresh for the longest time,” White said.

Ridgeview High ninth graders Riley Chapman and Ayden Catucci observed the acidity levels at different areas of the St. Johns River, such as the Ortega River, Green Cove Springs and Doctors Inlet. They sought to determine how the humidity affects a water body’s pH levels.

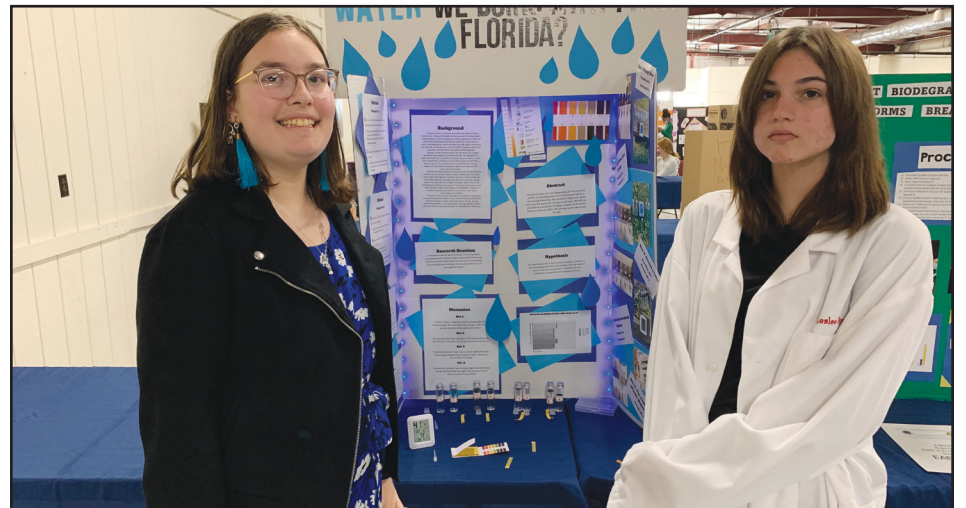
“A lot of Florida’s water is acidic,” Chapman said.

“Not only are we both interested in what pH levels are, but water is very accessible around this area,” Catucci said.

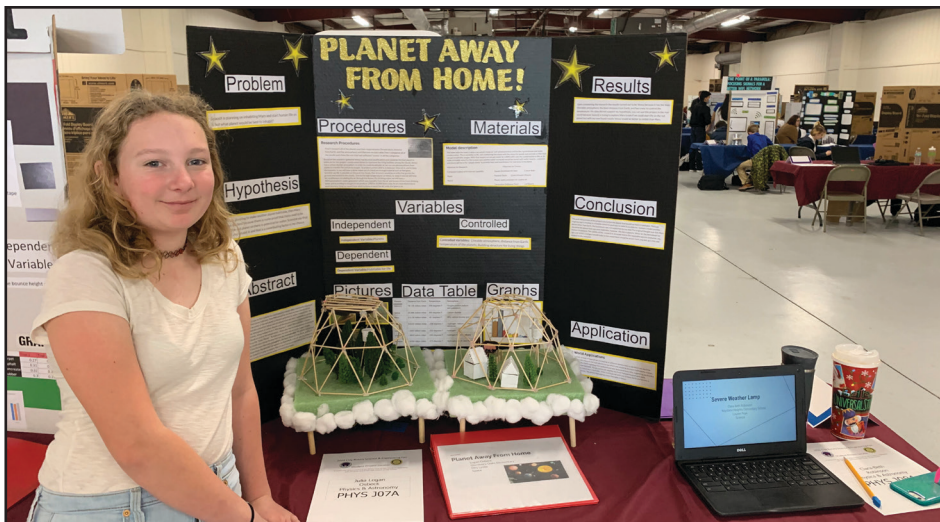
The award winners will be announced 6:30 p.m. Feb. 8 at Fleming Island High.



Ridgeview High School 10th graders Nathan Bartholomew, Benjamin Lohse and Alexander Gordon



Ridgeview High ninth graders Riley Chapman and Ayden Catucci.



Discovery Oaks Elementary sixth grader Julia Logan.

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## House committee wants to keep church doors open during emergencies

By Jason Delgado  
For FloridaPolitics

The House Judiciary Committee OK'd a bill Tuesday that would ensure church doors are among the last to close during a declared state of emergency.

Under the bill (HB 215), state and local governments can no longer deem a box store as more essential than a church. So long as any business is permitted to operate, the bill asserts, so shall religious services.

Republican Rep. Nick DiCeglie of Indian Rocks Beach is the bill sponsor. The committee OK'd the measure despite some concern among Democratic lawmakers. The bill will now head to the House floor.

"I'm a Floridian and I'm an American who wants to make sure that my First Amendment right is protected," DiCeglie told lawmakers.

The bill, DiCeglie explained, is a reaction to the COVID-19 pandemic and the government's subsequent response.

Under Gov. Ron DeSantis, Florida was among several states that deemed houses of worship essential during the early months of the pandemic, meaning the state allowed church leaders to conduct business as usual.

States like California, New York and even Texas, however, took a different path. They shuttered houses of worship, while other businesses remained operational.

Tampa Democratic Rep. Fentrice Driskell described the bill as "well-intentioned," but suggested it may threaten the health and safety of Floridians in a future emergency. She voted against the measure despite describing faith as "important" to her.

"If the pandemic taught us anything, it's that you never know what's coming around the corner," Driskell said. "So it makes me uncomfortable to tie the hands of future governments, as we might need to see what else is coming down the pike, even with COVID-19."

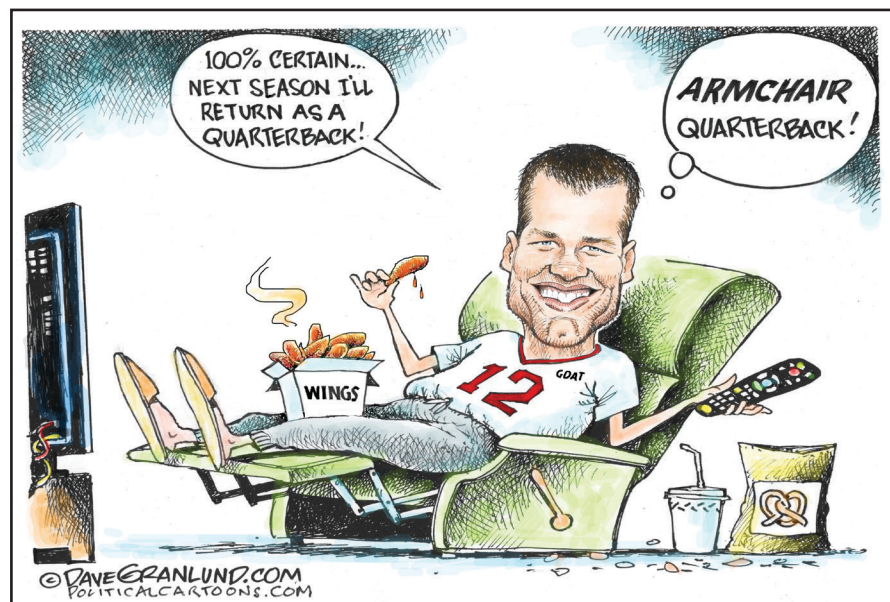
Florida, though, was not without controversy. Police arrested a Hillsborough County pastor in April 2020 after hosting an in-person service with hundreds of parishioners.

Authorities deemed the service in violation of a local ordinance, which prohibited gatherings of 10 or more people. DeSantis later lifted all local emergency orders.

"Our pastors have to do better too," said Democratic Rep. Andrew Learned of Tampa, who voted in favor of the bill. "Flaunt-

SEE CHURCH, 5

## OPINIONS



## 24-hour race proves sports car racing back on fast track to prominence

By Don Coble  
Managing Editor

Hurley Haywood still remembers being overwhelmed by the enormity and importance the first time he came to the Daytona International Speedway.

That was in 1973.

"I remember the first time I came through the tunnel, it took my breath away," Haywood said.

His emotions haven't changed.

Now 73, the legendary racer from St. Augustine is still overwhelmed by the sound of a purring sports car and the daunting challenge of racing non-stop for 24 hours on the 3.54-mile road course.

Haywood, a five-time 24-hour winner, returned to Daytona for last weekend's Rolex 24 at Daytona. Although he's no longer behind the wheel of the iconic red, white and blue colors of Brumos Racing, he forever will be remembered as one of endurance racing's pioneers. More importantly, he knows he helped steer the IMSA sports car series toward a road of rebirth and growth.

"It's great to see the speedway for the 24-hour endurance program filled with spectators," he said minutes after a field of 61 cars took the green flag to start the around-the-clock marathon. "The infield, there's not a blade of grass available. I think it's a record crowd. I've never seen a crowd here in the 24 years I've been racing here, the amount of people who



Don Coble



were out there (before the race). It's really cool. And this shows you IMSA's on the right track. Great cars. Great drivers. A really international platform. It seems to be working."

Sports car racing has been looking for more-secure footing for years. Dwindling fields, rising costs, the lack of manufacturer support and constantly-changing rules forced several teams – including Brumos – to the sidelines.

If last weekend's race is any indication, the work done behind the scenes by IMSA officials and the work done by the race teams in the garage area has paid off.

"It wasn't something that happened overnight. It's been evolving for a period of time," Haywood said.

The endurance race got off to a fast start a week earlier with a three-day Roar Before the 24 practice session. Fans were allowed to walk through the busy garage area, often within inches of \$500,000 race cars, to create impressions that last a lifetime.

The track also opened its gates to

SEE RACE, 5

## 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.

**Canalize:** (CAN-uhl-iyz) a verb that means to convert a river into a navigable canal.

*"The Army Corps of Engineers agreed to canalize the river into a new direction."*

## This Week in History

### Five years ago, 2017

- A state administrative law judge issues a 57-page letter that says the Florida Department of Health should deny Orange Park Medical Center's application to create a Level II trauma center.
- Plantation Oaks Elementary's Shiloh Cuffe correctly spells "graffiti" to win the Clay County Regional Spelling Bee.
- Nonprofit Clamour Theatre Company said it will try to raise \$350,000 to make a bid for the Clay Theatre in Green Cove Springs.

### 10 years ago, 2012

- Mitt Romney receives 57% of the county's vote among Republicans in the Presidential Primary, while Newt Gingrich gets 43%.
- Middleburg's Steffanie Renae will appear on the new season of *American Idol* after passing preliminary auditions in Savannah, Georgia.

### 20 years ago, 2002

- A Jacksonville man, Steve Watkins, was killed when he ran into traffic on Blanding Boulevard while trying to evade the Clay County Sheriff's Office following a fight at the Crazy Horse Saloon.
- Helm Funeral Home founder Charles Helm, 87, dies at Penney Farm.
- First National Bank's Tim O'Keefe is selected as the Clay County Chamber of Commerce's Business Person of the Year.

### 30 years ago, 1992

- The Clay County Fair announces Louise Mandrell will headline the fair's entertainment.

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### Send us a letter ...

We'd like to hear from you. Perhaps you are concerned about the county commission, the school board or your city council or commission, sit down and take a few moments to write us a letter. All we ask is that you keep it civil, no name-calling and write no more than 600 words. All we ask is that you stick to local issues, be clear and make a point. We reserve the right to edit for AP Stylebook errors, grammar and spelling. In your email, type Letter to the Editor in your subject and send it to Managing Editor Don Coble at don@claytodayonline.com

### Opinions ...

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# Race

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sands of fans at the test were children.

“IMSA and the NASCAR folks know how to attract fans and keep fans with that sort of personalized way where the kids and the grownups can get close to the drivers and the team owners, and they remember that,” Haywood said.

“I remember when I was starting out, Darrell Waltrip was sitting next to me at an autograph session and he said if you want to have a fan for life, you have a direct conversation with them, looking them in the eyes, shake his hand and start a conversation about anything and he’ll be a fan forever.”

Despite the threat of the coldest overnight temperatures in nearly 50 years, every spot in the infield was taken by fans who were willing to brave the cold to watch prototypes powered by Cadillac, Oreca and Acura, along with a host of luxury cars like Lexus, Mercedes, Ferrari, BMW, Porsche, Ligier, McLaren, Chevrolet Corvette, Lam-

orghini and Aston Martin weaving through the flat infield and around the high banks of the superspeedway.

“Now you’ve got a field of 61 cars – all class cars; all really good cars, all with really good, experienced drivers,” Haywood said. “The chances of those cars breaking are very slim. They’re bulletproof. Now it all comes down to the drivers and the ones who make the least amount of mistakes are the ones that are going to do well.”

By Sunday afternoon, an Acura-powered prototype driven by defending Indianapolis 500 winner Helio Castroneves, Oliver Jarvis, Tom Blomqvist and Simon Pagenaud had the fastest car and fewest mistakes to outlast everyone else.

And in the process, they traveled 2,693.94 miles – the distance to Omaha, Nebraska, and back in a single day.

More impressive – and fan appealing – was the fact there were 76 lead changes among seven different space-aged sports cars.

The real winners, however, is a series that’s back on the fast track to racing prominence and the thousands of new fans it made last weekend.

# Church

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ing public health in the middle of a pandemic just so you can get a news headline to increase your congregation — which is exactly what happened — is wrong.”

Some Republicans, meanwhile, wished the bill went further. Like DeSantis, some Republicans including Rep. Spencer Roach of North Fort Myers, argued government has no business to determine what is and is not “essential.”

“I think we really need a sweeping review of executive power to ensure that in the future, no Governor, no cabinet officer, no Mayor, no county or city manager or no county Sheriff has the power to determine what businesses or institutions — religious or otherwise — are essential or non-essential,” Roach said.

Alternatively, American Atheists’ Florida Assistant State Director Devon Graham testified against the bill.

She asserted the bill not only threatens the safety of Floridians, but it is also woefully vague. The bill, she contended, stops short of defining which businesses are rel-

evant in regard to the proposal.

“If they are open to do the jobs that are necessary during a disaster, then churches can be open without any restrictions,” Graham said of hospitals, ambulance services and police.

She also lamented that the bill does not adequately define religious services.

“Is it just your typical Sunday morning service or is a 5,000-person tent revival?” Graham asked.

DiCeglie’s proposal now awaits the House’s full consideration. Lake Mary Republican Sen. Jason Brodeur is the Senate companion sponsor (SB 254).

If the bill becomes law, it would take effect July 1.

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## 40 years ago, 1982

# History

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- The Board of County Commissioners vote 4-1 to approve the future Growth Management Plan that maps out future projects, needs and resources for the next 10 years.

- First Coast Gym owner Henry Alexander Floyd is arrested for selling crack cocaine to undercover agents.

- Roy Wood is charged with shooting Penney Farms resident Frank “Boychild” Davis with a shotgun.

- JEA sends Clay County a check for \$93,774 for franchise taxes.

- Former Clay High basketball standout Kelvin Huggins makes the roster at North Carolina-Greensboro.

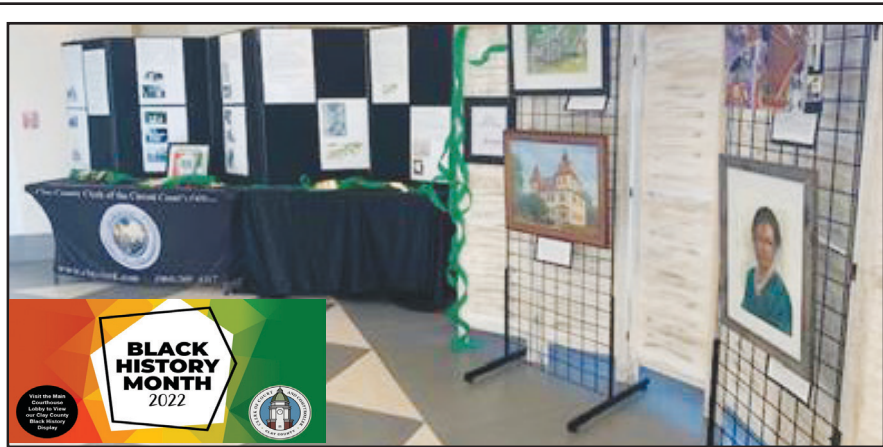
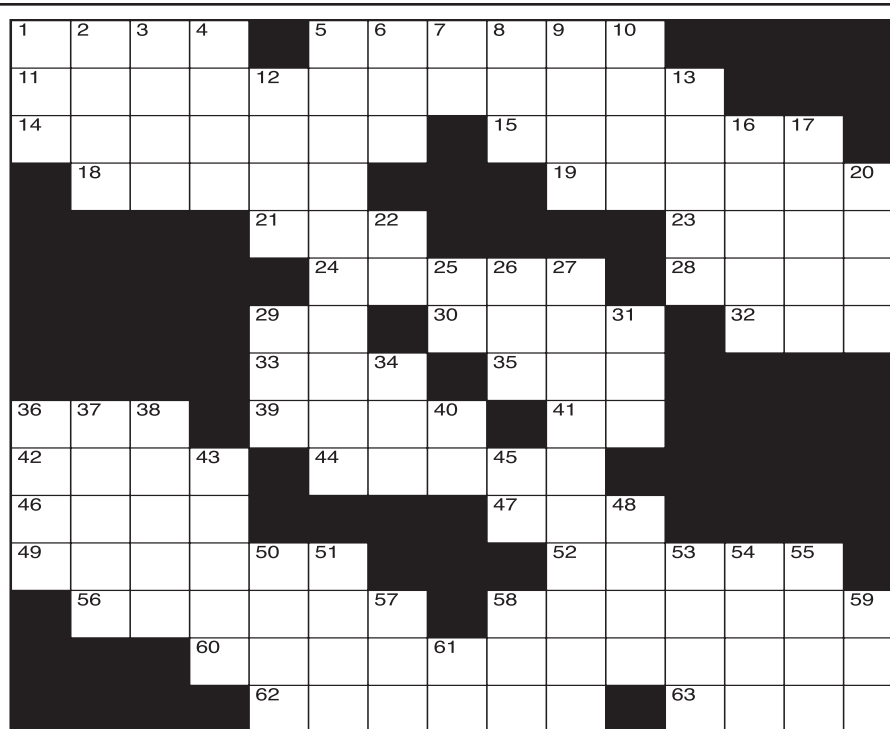


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## Black History Month displays adorn Clay County Courthouse lobby

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – As February is celebrated nationally as Black History Month, we are pleased to bring to you a new display that honors the amazing lives of Blacks in Clay County. Archives Specialist Vishi Garig now has on display various articles she researched and composed on this topic along with new artwork contributed by artists from the Art Guild of Orange Park. The artwork features a portrait of legendary artist and historical icon Augusta Savage, the Orange Park Normal School and more. Additional information on this important topic can be found on the Historical Archives public website: <http://archives.clayclerk.com/county-history/notable-citizens-names-2/black-history-in-clay-county>.



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Constrictors
- 5. Abounding in rocks
- 11. Speed
- 14. German city
- 15. Lacking sympathy
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Wastes away
- 21. One precursor to the EU
- 23. Nursemaid
- 24. Unconsciousnesses
- 28. Baby’s word for father
- 29. Equal to 64 US pints (abbr.)
- 30. Senses of self-importance
- 32. Midway between south and southwest
- 33. When you hope to get there
- 35. Electronic data processing
- 36. Passports and drivers’ licences are two
- 39. Fishes
- 41. Air Force
- 42. Personal computers
- 44. Ecological community
- 46. Wings
- 47. Halfway
- 49. Cool, calm and collected
- 52. Jewelled headdress
- 56. Musical composition
- 58. \_\_\_ Falls
- 60. Repeating remarks
- 62. Periods in one’s life
- 63. Hyphen

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. \_\_\_ Humbug!
- 2. Devices that alert pilots (abbr.)
- 3. Grocer
- 4. One point east of southeast
- 5. Subjects to hostility
- 6. Work unit
- 7. Atomic #56
- 8. British thermal unit
- 9. “Elusive Butterfly” singer
- 10. Egg part
- 12. Device
- 13. Rechargeable power source
- 16. Ancient sage
- 17. Consist of two elements
- 20. “Pygmalion” writer
- 22. “The Centennial State” (abbr.)
- 25. Of I
- 26. Get older
- 27. Brotherhoods
- 29. Buzzing insect
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. Brew
- 36. Leader
- 37. Indigo bush
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Junior’s dad
- 43. Horse mackerels genus
- 45. Morning
- 48. Unit of linear measurement (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. Small, twisted bunch
- 53. Developed
- 54. Mars crater
- 55. Humanistic discipline
- 57. Word element meaning ear
- 58. Last or greatest in an indefinitely large series
- 59. Wood residue
- 61. It cools your home



## Community News

### 'Ready, Set, Sow' set for Saturday at Library

ORANGE PARK – The Garden Club of Orange Park and the Clay County Library System have teamed up to present a workshop on Saturday, Feb. 5 at the Orange Park Library entitled "Ready, Set, Sow."

The program starts at 11 a.m. at 2054 Plainfield Ave.

Master Gardener Garin Ashman will educate participants on the pretreatment of seeds, how to plant seeds, how to care for seedlings and the basics of seed germination. For more information call (904) 278-3614.

### Vietnam Veterans' Chapter 1059 to award scholarships

CLAY COUNTY – Vietnam Veterans of America Col. William G. Byrns Clay County Chapter 1059 is offering two \$1,500 scholarships to graduating seniors from Clay County high schools, homeschoolers, private schools and the Camp Blanding Youth Challenge.

The scholarship, named in honor of former VVA 1059 member Sid Newberg, is also open to relatives of current members of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1059. All applicants (except for VVA Chapter 1059 family members) must be residents of Clay County and planning to attend any post-high school accredited university, junior college or vocational/technical school.

Criteria to apply:

- A letter telling us about yourself, your life goals, and your plans for the future. Include name, address, phone number and email address.
- An official, original letter of acceptance to an accredited 4-year university, 2-year college or trade school.
- An essay, with a minimum of 500 words, based on an interview with a veteran, or active-duty member, from any

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# Small Business Development Center receives three-year extension from County

By Nick Blank  
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ORANGE PARK – The Small Business Development Center has been funded for the next three years in Clay County.

The Board of Clay County Commissioners unanimously passed the move last week to allocate \$150,000

to continue the agreement until Dec. 31, 2024. American Rescue Plan Act funds, set aside for disaster relief purposes, have been approved.

At no cost, the center can consult businesses before they invest, in their startup phase, or as they grow with a plethora of workshops and events.

County Volunteer Coordinator Victoria

Hapner said the Clay County Chamber of Commerce used to house the SBDC, which later moved to office space on Park Avenue in Orange Park. The plan is to move the center to College Drive.

"We'll be housing it at Community Services and hoping that we'll be able to have a large impact," Hapner said.

Commissioner Jim Renninger asked about optimizing their services. Commissioner Betsy Condon said local businesses needed resources to improve their likelihood of success.

"They were instrumental in helping us in everything," Condon said of her experience with the SBDC. "We needed a website design and they put us in contact with a small business that went through the same thing."

The SBDC is based out of the University of North Florida with consultants in more than a dozen local counties. Marice Hague,

Associate Director of Special Programs & Marketing, said the SBDC gradually increased its profile in Clay County. She said the office was staffed part-time for almost two decades.

Hague said the chamber collected money from sponsors to pay for the SBDC, but that funding was lost.

"For six years, we've been trying to have that support and funding, and of course, the chamber was able to offer that for a limited time," Hague said. "So now with most of our other counties, we do have funding from public sources."

County Commissioner Mike Cella referred to the SBDC's focus on entrepreneurs as "economic gardening." Cella said he wished he would have had a service like the SBDC when he went into business.

"This is really key to our economic development," Cella added. "It's a valuable free service."



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

### Imagination, knowledge takes root at Extension's 'From the Ground Up'

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Nearly 50 gardening enthusiasts got tips from Master Gardener volunteers during the "From the Ground Up" class at the Extension Office. Among other presentations, Chris Gay, above, provided information on how to plant and care for orchids, while Care Valleau showed how to create a Kokedama. The session ideas how to think about landscaping, create lesser maintenance, 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. Residents also were encouraged to bring a soil sample for pH testing to receive the results within seven to 10 days.



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## Briefs

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experiences while serving either here or abroad or a significant mission in which he/she participated. An essay is comprised of the introduction, the main points and the conclusion. The essay will be judged on originality, grammar, and spelling.

- A letter of recommendation from a school faculty member who is a school counselor, principal or teacher.

- A list of your community service, awards, and recognitions received during grades 9-12. Provide copies of documentation.

The deadline for the completed application is on or before April 30. Recipients of the scholarship will be announced at the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1059 meeting on June 4.

Please mail the completed application on or before the deadline to: Vietnam Veterans Scholarship, P.O. Box 626, Orange Park, 32067-0626. For more information email: Jo Ann Phillips at joannstone@rocketmail.com or call (904) 489-5570.

### Quigley House's annual Wine Gala set for March 26

FLEMING ISLAND – The Quigley House will host its Annual Wine Gala on March 26 at Sullivan Hall at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 7190 U.S. Highway 17.

The fundraising event will include wine, hors d'oeuvres, live music and an auction featuring items ranging from local restaurants to a St. Augustine boat ride. Support survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, all while tasting a selection of delectable wines donated by local businesses.

Tickets are available on the organization's web page [www.quigleyhouse.org/wine-gala-2022](http://www.quigleyhouse.org/wine-gala-2022) or on the Quigley House Facebook page. With the support of the Clay County community, Quigley House has helped thousands of domestic violence and sexual assault survivors. Its mission is to educate, equip and empower survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault while providing awareness and education to the community. Quigley House provides free victim services, including 24-hour crisis helpline, emergency shelter, and advocacy to survivors in Clay County. If you or someone you know needs services, please call their 24-hour crisis helpline at (904) 284-0061. To learn more about Quigley House services visit their website [www.quigleyhouse.org](http://www.quigleyhouse.org).

### 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 Gardner 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 Gardner 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 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](mailto: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.

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

## Man the kilts:

# Scottish Games returns to fairgrounds on Feb. 26

By Nick Blank  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The premier event in the region for haggis, herding and highland games is coming back to the Clay County Fairgrounds on Feb. 26.

It's the Scottish Games' 19th year in Clay County and 27th year overall in operation. Organizer Audie Gibson said despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the event drew several thousands in 2021 and being spared in 2020.

"I think we're going to do pretty good this year," Gibson said.

The games run from 9 a.m.-10 p.m. and the opening ceremony begins in Gattlemen's Arena. The games also include bagpipe competitions, sheep herding and traditional Scottish foods. The athletic competitions, involving the hammer throw, weight toss and Turning the Caber, are looking at 110-120 athletes.

"That's quite a large number," Gibson added. "If you're an athlete in Michigan or a northern state and you get a chance to come to Florida, where it's possibly 60 degrees, what would you do?"

The games started in a lot near the former Morocco Shrine Center in Southside Jacksonville and later moved to the University of North Florida. Gibson said the event was limited for space, which necessitated another move. Now, the Scottish Games has grown in stature, attracting about five times the clans and vendors it used to. The 2022 Games honored Clan Gunn.

"We've had an increase in attendance



over the years," Gibson said. "The first one, there wasn't a huge turnout and it was cold. We had six to eight clans."

For Gibson, he didn't find out the extent of his Scottish heritage until he was an adult. A hairdresser on a movie set he was working on told him he looked like a Highlander.

"Since I was a kid, I loved everything Scottish, the kilts, the bagpipes," Gibson said. "It's intensified since then."

More information about the event is available at [neflgames.com](http://neflgames.com) or on the Northeast Florida Scottish Games and Festival's Facebook page. Tickets are \$15, and \$12 when purchased in advance. Children under 10 years old get in free. A large portion of profits go to local charities, Gibson said.

"We try to keep it to where you can still bring the family out for a reasonable price and a great time and event," he said.

## ORANGE PARK MALL

### Kid X: Bestie Bash Saturday, Feb 5 | 11am

Learn dance moves and create a special gift for your bestie!

### Galantine's: Arts & Hearts Thursday, Feb 10 | 6pm

Enjoy lite bites & wine tasting while you paint pour on canvas!

Reserve a space now - attendance is limited!

Visit [OrangeParkMall.com](http://OrangeParkMall.com) for details



# Obituaries

## Claude Anderson Hoops, Jr.

Claude Anderson Hoops, Jr., 87, passed away on January 16, 2022 in Orange Park, FL. He was born in Portsmouth, Ohio to the late Claude A. Hoops Sr.



and Mary Elizabeth Hoops, and served his country in the U.S. Army.

Claude graduated from Colerain High School in Cincinnati, Ohio, and later went on to attend Wilmington College.

Claude is survived by his loving wife, Barbara Hoops; sons Alan Hoops (Jana) and Roger Hoops; daughter Linda Madden, two brothers: Larry Hoops and Thomas Hoops; three sisters: Delores Yordy, Marian Wilcox and Mary Lou Stephenson; three grandchildren: Wesley Madden, Anna Katherine Hoops, Melinda Whitley; two great-grandchildren: Haley Whitley and Fiona Whitley; and a host of extended family and friends. He is predeceased by his brothers Joe Hoops, Bobby Hoops, and Clayton Hoops, and stepsister Jaqueline Pass.

Claude began a career with Price Brothers Company in 1959 as a draftsman and quickly moved into a sales position with this company, where his knowledge and outgoing personality were put to good use. He retired from Price Brothers in 1992, and it wasn't long before he was sought after by Hobas Pipeto fill a sales position. He worked for Hobas for six years before retiring in 1998.

Claude Anderson Hoops Jr. was also a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he proudly served for three years in Korea in a radar unit. After his honorable discharge in 1957, he returned to the Cincinnati area to attend Wilmington College, where he met his future wife, Barbara.

Claude began jogging for health reasons in the early '60s, and went on to complete more than 20 marathons. He was also an avid bowler and enjoyed watching all sports.

Claude was a member of Orange Park United Methodist Church. In lieu of flow-

ers, donations may be made in his memory to Orange Park United Methodist Church.

Graveside Services will be held 10:30 AM, Friday February 4, 2022 at Jacksonville National Cemetery, 4083 Lannie Road, Jacksonville, FL in Lane 1.

Arrangements by HARDAGE-GIDDENS HOLLY HILL FUNERAL HOME, 3601 Old Jennings Rd, Middleburg, FL. Please post words of comfort at [www.hollyhillfunerals.com](http://www.hollyhillfunerals.com).

## Bunie Monroe Porter, III

Bunie Monroe Porter, III, 63, of Green Cove Springs, FL passed away January 30, 2022.

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

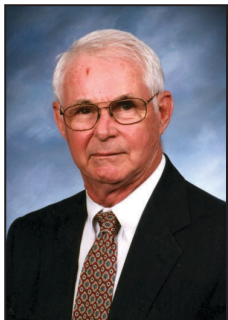


## Beverly Ann Prevatt

Beverly Ann Prevatt of Orange Park, FL passed away January 27, 2022, following a lengthy illness. Beverly was born in Philadelphia, PA on July 27, 1939, to parents Henry Billinger Lescallete and Elizabeth Ann Potts Lescallete. Beverly was predeceased by her loving husband of 50 years, John Junior Jeffers in 2018.

She is survived by her daughter Angie Jeffers; her sons James Westley Burnell (Rose), Jerry Edward Burnell, Jeffery Allen Burnell, (David Burnett), and Jamie Prevatt (Shae); her grandchildren James "P-Nut" Burnell (Staci), Justin Burnell (Lydia), Meriah Summerall (Zacharia), Josh Perry, Karie Wroubel (Ricky), Erika Spain Perry (Jack), Brooke Green (Jacob), Buddy Green (Cheyenne), Jodie Lambert, Jeremy Prevatt, and Junior Prevatt; her great grandchildren Olivia Burnell, Savannah Burnell, Owen Burnell, and Kaleb Burnell; also many other loving family members and friends.

Beverly retired from the Clay County School District in 2015 following over 30



Claude Anderson Hoops Jr.



Beverly Ann Prevatt

years of dedicated and distinguished service as a Cafeteria Manager. Many remember her from her sandwich shop, Liz's Sandwich Shop located on Blanding Blvd next to the original Ridgewood Baptist Church that she operated during the 70's with her mom Elizabeth. She loved animals and for years raised pigs, and later German Owls who remained with her until her passing. Beverly and her late husband Junior loved to race stock cars and go-carts with their grandkids, but she is best remembered as a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend who remained committed to others throughout her life.

She will be remembered for all the love that shared throughout the years to us all.

To our mom, mama, and mema, we love you and every time we watch an episode of Gunsmoke, Cheyenne, Wagon Train, or any of the other western series and movies you spent countless hours watching, we'll be thinking of you.

## Steven Wade Salvonik

Steven Wade Salvonik, 51, of Green Cove Springs passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 14, 2021. Steven was born in Green Cove Springs on Oct. 11, 1970 and was sixth generation born in Clay County. He graduated from Clay High and attended St. Johns River Jr. College. Later he graduated from St. Augustine Tech. with a certificate in the HVAC trade. In 1999 he started Absolute Comfort Heating and Air. Steven later obtained this builders license and built two warehouse complexes. Steven enjoyed hunting, boating and travel.

Steven is survived by his daughters, Lauren, Sarah and Taylor Salvonik, parents Barbara and Frank Salvonik, brother Michael Salvonik, Uncle, David Williamson. Steven will be dearly missed by family and friends and never forgotten. A special thanks to all for their support and expression. Grave site services were held Dec. 20, 2021 at Peoria Cemetery, Orange Park. Rev. Charlie Hunt officiated.

## Myriam Beverley

Myriam Beverley, 89, passed away on January 18, 2022. She was born in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico to her parents Jose Rudolfo and Angelica Acosta and had seven

siblings. True to her organizational skills, she at one time was secretary to the Governor of Puerto Rico. While married to her first husband, Jesse Webb; she played a part in the University of Texas show "Carrascolendas," the first bilingual children's program in the United States. While married to her second husband, William Beverley, they traveled Europe and Africa and made their home in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Orange Park, FL and Texas for many years.

An independent woman with a quirky sense of humor, she enjoyed being around family, adored art, Latin music and loved to salsa dance whenever the music played. She had a joy for travel, visiting with friends and was an avid Hallmark movie fan.

In Orange Park, as a member of the Women's club, she would often dress up and help with different celebratory events. While she often got lost while driving, she would say it was an adventure to see who you would meet and what you would see. We know without a doubt that she passed through Heaven's gates dancing to be met by family and friends and got the welcome party started.

Myriam is survived by her children: daughter, Milet Hopping and husband, Norman Hopping; son, Reese Webb, and wife Heidi Webb; son, Eric Webb, and wife Debbie Webb. She will be deeply missed by her grandchildren: Brooke Hopping, Nathaniel Hopping and Norm Hopping III, Heidi Webb, Halie Webb, Holly Webb, Reese J Webb, Vaughn Rhys Webb, and Austin Webb; and great great Grandchildren: Betty and Bobby Christensen, Claire Hopping and Phoenix Hopping. She was also survived by her sister Nilda Laster, sister-in-law Selena Acosta and daughter-in-law Alice Webb.

Family members no longer with us are the late Cuca Bou, Ivan Acosta, Rene Acosta, Nereida Acosta, Jose Acosta, Charlie Acosta and countless nieces and nephews.

Myriam is being cremated and will have a family memorial to be held in Texas. Due to Covid the family requests that those of you interested in being part of the memorial please contact Milet at [Milethopping@gmail.com](mailto:Milethopping@gmail.com) for a zoom link.



Myriam Beverley

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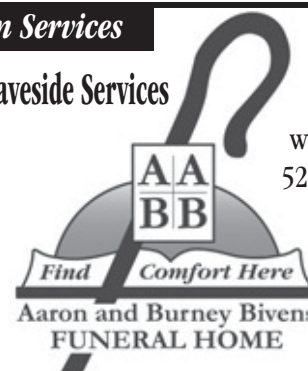
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# Orange Park narrowly approves pay raise for Town Manager

By Nick Blank  
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ORANGE PARK – The Town of Orange Park approved a 3% cost of living raise for its town manager with a 3-2 vote at Tuesday night's board meeting.

When council members met Jan. 18, the scores of Town Manager Sarah Campbell's evaluation were present in the agenda, but the written portion wasn't. Mayor Randy Anderson requested the written portion and said a raise is usually discussed after an evaluation, which in this case covered Oct. 1, 2020 to Sept. 30, 2021.

The town manager was graded on eight categories, including fiscal management, policy execution, staffing and citizen relations, out of a possible five.

First up, Council Member Alan Watt gave Campbell an average score of five. He said the town has a highly respected staff and the best in North Florida.

"She's more than earned it in the past two years," he said.

Councilmember Eddie Henley gave Campbell an average of 4.8 and Anderson's average was 4.6. Henley said Campbell made being a council member tolerable and the education she provided was top-notch. He said Campbell was the CEO of Orange Park who makes sure every town event is ready. Anderson added the town pays high for high-quality work.

"We have the best of all of them," Anderson said.

Councilmember John Hauber, who

provided an average score of 3.8, mentioned that Campbell also serves as the town's Human Resources director. He said he'll continue to push to examine town policies, but the town manager has done a remarkable job.

Campbell said the town did not get approval to post an HR director position. Anderson and other council members said the town saved about \$40,000 by Campbell doing two jobs.

According to Campbell, she makes an estimated \$122,387 a year with a vehicle stipend of \$200 a month, and \$50 a month for a phone stipend.

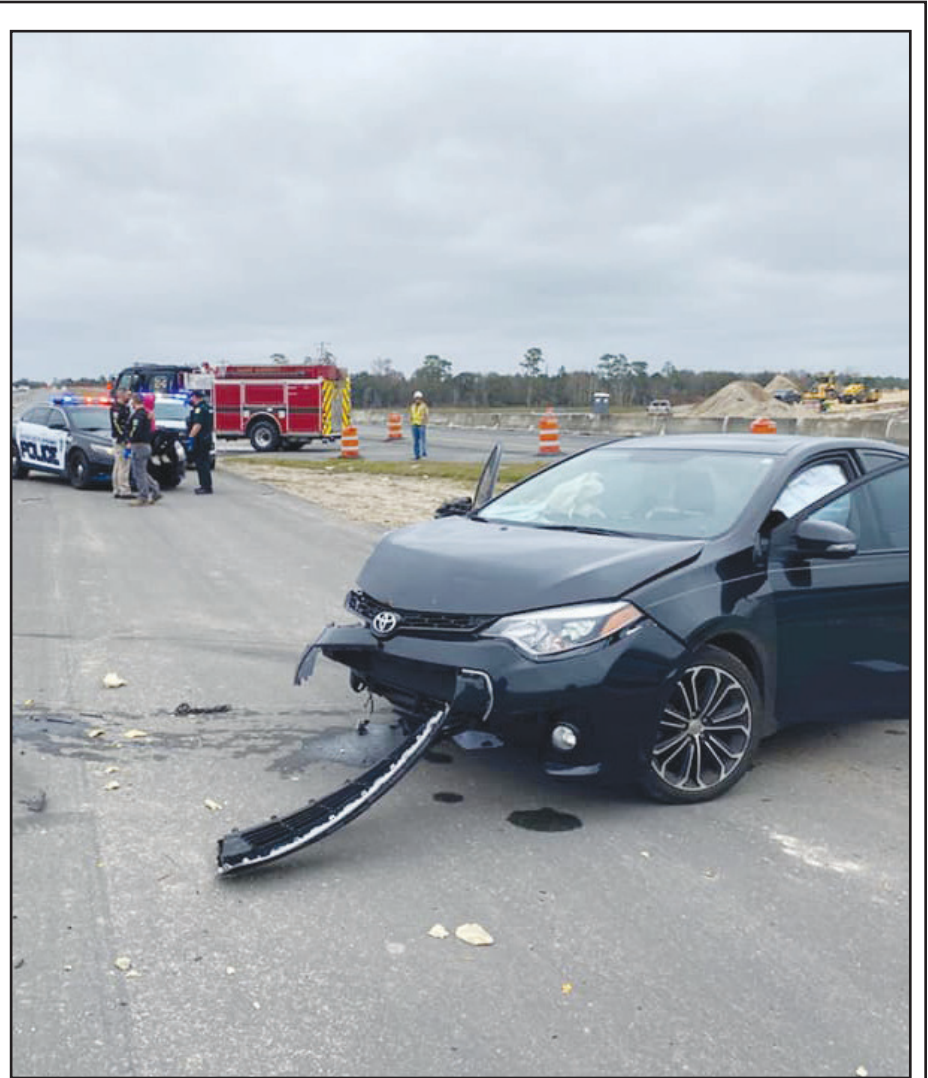
From her own research, Council Member Susana Thompson said the figure was high compared to other city or town managers.

Thompson gave an average score of 2.2. Her written portion included more than 20 items critical of Campbell's performance.

She praised Campbell's strengths with the budget, but shot down the idea of a raise, citing the town's duty to be fiscally responsible.

"We're in Florida. We're not in San Francisco; we're not in New York," Thompson said. "I need to also think about what our town residents are paying from their pockets when they're paying their taxes. I need to consider everything."

Council members were polled of the 3% raise vote shortly after and it was approved, with Thompson and Anderson voting against.



**Chase ends with juveniles crashing on SR 16**

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Green Cove Springs Police Department was involved in a pursuit of a stolen vehicle on Jan. 27 that ended when the driver lost control of the vehicle and crashed into a barrier south on State Road 16 near the First Coast Expressway. The occupants, two juveniles from Jacksonville, sustained minor injuries and are currently in custody. A gun that is believed to be stolen was recovered from one of the suspects. There were no other injuries to any citizens or officers.

## Elections office offering Expo to dispel misinformation

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Misinformation, disinformation and mal-information are the biggest threats to democracy. As the upcoming election season is fast approaching, the Clay County Elections Office invites the public to the 2022 Elections Expo on Wednesday, Febru-

ary 9 at 500 N. Orange Ave in Green Cove Springs. Three time slots are available: 5 p.m., 6:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

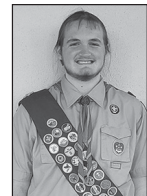
The 2022 Elections Expo is the public's opportunity for a behind-the-scenes look into the world of elections. Supervisor Chris H. Chambless and staff will guide guests through the safeguards in place to ensure every election is fair, accurate, and secure.

The Clay County Elections Office believes that transparency is key and encourages voters to take advantage of this opportunity to ask questions, learn facts from fiction and develop a deeper understanding of the Florida elections process.

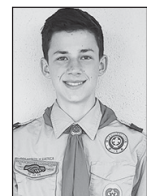
If you have questions or need more information, visit ClayElections.gov or call our office at (904) 269-6350.



# EAGLE SCOUT AWARDS



Jasper John Jordan



William James Laird



Connor James Vinson

**GRACE M. BUNCH**

February 8, 2021

Grace began her scouting adventure when she joined Troop 9394 as a founding member. She has served her Troop as Webmaster, Librarian, Historian, and Patrol Leader.

Grace has earned 36 Merit Badges, the Messengers of Peace, the National Outdoor Award for Camping, the World Conservation Award, and the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award. She has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT).

For her Eagle Project, Grace worked with the Francis Volunteer Fire Department to identify, coordinate, and assemble teams and supplies to place 911 address numbers on mailboxes within her rural community. The conspicuous, reflective numbers provided by her project enhanced day and nighttime visibility for Putnam County Emergency Medical Services and First Responders to minimize delay time when responding to emergencies.

Grace is a graduate of Q. I. Roberts High School where she was enrolled in the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) program and was a member of the High Q Academic Quiz Team, serving as Captain for four years. She was a three-year member of the All-County Academic Challenge Team, active in her school's Interact Club, a founding member of the QIR Social Justice Club, and served in Student Government her senior year. Grace has earned her Bronze and Silver Awards in Girl Scouts and was a 2019 Gold Recipient of the President's Volunteer Service Award. Grace is currently attending the University of Florida.



Grace M. Bunch

**TARYN BROOKE HOFFMAN-ROCHA**

February 8, 2021

Taryn began her scouting adventure when she started helping her little brother in Cub Scouts. She joined Venturing Crew 501 when she turned 14 and began working on her advancement ranks. She started Venturing Crew 45 which allowed her to earn the Venturing, Discovery, and Pathfinder Awards. She has served her Crews as Secretary, Vice President, and President. She has also served in Venturing at the Council level as a Treasurer. Taryn joined Troop 9394 in 2019. She has served her Troop as Quartermaster, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Taryn is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served as Chapter Chief. She has earned 137 Merit Badges, the World Conservation Award, the Powder Horn Award as well as others.

For her Eagle Project, Taryn cleaned up the Serenola Forest Preserve by removing some of the invasive plants from taking over and preventing the healthy, non-invasive plants from dying out. She removed over 20 bags of trash and invasive plants, leaving them out to dry so that they would not germinate in another area.

Taryn is a graduate of Q. I. Roberts High School where she was an Honors student. She is attending the University of West Florida and is majoring in Marine Biology.



Taryn Brooke Hoffman-Rocha

**DIANNA MCNAIR**

February 8, 2021

Dianna began her scouting adventure when she joined Troop 9394 as a founding member. She has served her Troop as Troop Guide, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. She was also a founding member of Venturing Crew 501.

Dianna is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 30 Merit Badges, the National Outdoor Award for Aquatics and Camping, and BSA Lifeguard. She has attended summer camp at Camp Rainey Mountain.

For her Eagle Project, Dianna built a Little Free Library / Little Free Pantry placed outside the Interlachen Lion's Club. It was built using

a repurposed cabinet with the front side being the library, containing books, and the back side containing non-perishable food items. The community is able to take what they need or leave things for others to enjoy.

Dianna has worked on summer camp aquatics staff at Camp Shands. She is a Sophomore at the University of Central Florida and is pursuing a degree in Physics with a minor in Computer Science. Dianna is about to start working on undergraduate research in a lab at the Florida Space Institute performing microgravity experiments.

**SAMANTHA A. SURRATT**

February 8, 2021

Samantha began her scouting adventure when she joined Venturing Crew 501 and then later joined Venturing Crew 45. She joined Troop 9394 in February 2019. Samantha has served her Troop as Quartermaster, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and twice as Senior Patrol Leader.

Samantha is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 45 Merit Badges, the National Outdoor Award in Aquatics, Camping, and Conservation, the Messengers of Peace, the World Conservation Award as well as others.

For her Eagle Project, Samantha led the construction of three raised garden boxes with a self-timing watering system for the Interlachen Lions Club. Her team of volunteers assembled the boxes, filled the boxes with eleven yards of soil, installed a hanging irrigation system, and planted a starter crop.

Samantha has worked at Camp Shands for the last four years and has obtained her Life Guard Certification. She also ran the Ecology Program for two years at Winter Blast at Camp Shands. Samantha is a Freshman at the University of North Florida where she is pursuing a degree in Marine Biology. She has had the opportunity to participate in the Manatee Capture and Release program and is currently one of the few selected to intern at the Jacksonville Zoo.

**EVE WASKEVICH**

February 8, 2021

Eve began her scouting adventure when she joined Troop 9394 as a founding member. She has served her Troop as Troop Guide and Assistant Patrol Leader.

Eve is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 34 Merit Badges, the Messengers of Peace, the National Outdoor Award for Camping, the World Conservation Award.

For her Eagle Project, Eve worked with the Interlachen Lion's Club where she coordinated the construction of four wooden benches to be placed at the Lion's Club for community usage. The benches can be moved to compliment accessibility to a variety of needs including venue use, proximity to the community garden as well as a free little library and pantry, and/or near the public road which serves as a parade route during community holiday celebrations.

Eve is a graduate of Interlachen High School. She is currently involved in her Troop as an adult member and aspiring Assistant Scoutmaster. She is also a role model for her two younger sisters who are following her in their own Scouts BSA scouting journeys.

**VON EARL WILHITE**

February 15, 2021

Von began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 20 in March 2009, transferred to Cub Pack 653 in September 2011, and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 653 in



Dianna McNair



Samantha A. Surratt



Eve Waskevich



Von Earl Wilhite



Caleb G. Vornstein



Tyler Lance Tesdall

March 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in January 2017. Von has served his Troop as Historian, Scribe, Quartermaster, and Patrol Leader.

Von is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 30 Merit Badges. He has attended summer camp at Camps Woodruff, Rainey Mountain, Davy Crockett, and Bowers.

Von's Eagle Project consisted of constructing 50 elevated dog beds out of PVC and canvas for the Putnam County Animal Shelter. He also donated 72 pounds of dog food to the shelter.

Von is a graduate of Middleburg High School where he was a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, and National Technical Honor Society. He was also part of the VyStar Internship program and an athlete in Football, Soccer, Weightlifting, Track, and on the Swim Team. Von's plans after graduation include attending a technical college to pursue a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering and then use his education to work as an Automotive or Motorcycle Engineer. In the future, Von wants to be involved in groups that help make sports more accessible to kids.

**CALEB G. VIRNSTEIN**

March 15, 2021

Caleb began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 235 in May 2010 and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 235 in May 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in April 2016. Caleb has served his Troop as Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Caleb is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served as Historian. He has earned 30 Merit Badges, the Snorkeling BSA Award and the World Conservation Award. Caleb has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Daniel Boone, Skymont, Rainey Mountain, and Florida National High Adventure Sea Base.

For his Eagle Project, Caleb worked with the American Legion to construct a handicap accessible ramp for the widow of a veteran.

Caleb is a Senior at Palatka High School where he is a member of the JROTC. After graduation, Caleb plans to join the United States Marine Corps.

**TYLER LANCE TESDALL**

April 14, 2021

Tyler began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 482 in August 2012 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 482 in February 2017 and earned his First Class Rank in February 2019. Tyler has served his Troop as Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.

Tyler is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 32 Merit Badges and the Religious Award. He has attended summer camp at Skymont Scout Reservation.

Tyler's Eagle Project consisted of building two footbridges across ditches for a new trail at Camp Chownenaw. His project also included clearing the trail as well.

Tyler is a Sophomore at Fleming Island High School and has been a member of the National Junior Honor Society. After graduation, Tyler plans to attend the University of Florida to pursue a degree in Computer Science with a minor in Fine Arts. He hopes to establish a career in the future as a Video Game Designer as well as become an accomplished percussionist. He plans

to stay involved in Scouting as an adult leader.

**MICHAEL ELLSWORTH SNIDER III**

May 13, 2021

Michael began his scouting adventure when he joined St. Johns District, Troop 287 in February 2014, transferred to Bartram Trail District, Troop 236 in March 2014, and earned his First Class Rank in June 2015. Michael has served his Troop as Scribe, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Michael has earned 39 Merit Badges and has attended summer camp at Camps Boswell, Daniel Boone, Skymont, Raven Knob, Shenandoah, and Powhatan.

For his Eagle Project, Michael replaced a wooden picket fence for St. Marks Episcopal Church.

Michael is a graduate of Q. I. Roberts High School where he was a member of the Band and served as Captain. He was enrolled in the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) program and received the Cambridge Scholar Award twice as well as earning the highest GPA. Michael is attending The University of Florida to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering where he also plans to be part of their concert band. He hopes to one day start his own car company.



Von Earl Wilhite

**CONNER LARSEN DAVIS**

May 19, 2021

Conner began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 650 and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 650 in February 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in December 2015. Conner has served his Troop as Chaplain Aide, Historian, Librarian, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Conner has earned 29 Merit Badges and has attended summer camp at Camps Bob Hardin, Frank G. Lumpkin, and Skymont.

Conner's Eagle Project benefitted K9s for Warriors, an organization that trains and provides service dogs for wounded warriors and veterans. He designed and fabricated toppers for two kennels, inside and out.

Conner is a homeschooled graduate. He is active in his church's youth ministry and belongs to Crew, a youth leadership within his youth group, and he participates in at least one mission trip a year. He is a Black Belt in Fushin Ryu style karate. Conner is working with a Navy recruiter to join the U.S. Navy. He plans to serve as an Officer and pursue a career as a Fighter Pilot.

**CONNOR LIAM DIAMOND**

May 19, 2021

Connor began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 650 in October 2011 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 650 in March 2016 and earned his First Class Rank in May 2017. Connor has served his Troop as Historian, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Connor has earned 48 Merit Badges, the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award, National Camping Award, 50-Miler Afloat Award, World Conservation Award, and the National Park Service Scout Ranger Award. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Bob Hardin, Frank G. Lumpkin, and St. Johns River Base twice.

For his Eagle Project, Connor gathered



Conner Liam Diamond

**ANDREW RYAN HOCKERSMITH**

May 26, 2021

Andrew began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 424 in October 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 424 in March 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in May 2015. Andrew has served his Troop as Instructor, Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Bugler, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Andrew is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 27 Merit Badges. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Burt Adams and Woodruff four times.

For his Eagle Project, Andrew led the effort to restore an old, abandoned fire pit at the Argyle Church of Christ. This consisted of clearing weeds from the area, constructing the fire pit, making new benches, adding water sealer, adding light posts, as well as cleaning old, weathered benches. This will serve the youth group and community as a place to gather.

Andrew is a graduate of Clay High School where he was a member of the Beta Club, the National Honor Society, the Academic Team, the Brass Captain, and recipient of the Director's Award. Andrew has served on NYLT staff as a Troop Guide three times, the ASPL of Service, the ASPL of Program, and as the Senior Patrol Leader. His band has released an album, an EP, and a single. Andrews plans after graduation include starting a career in Music by working as a music tutor and eventually becoming a recognized Musician.

**JASPER JOHN JORDAN**

June 3, 2021

Jasper began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 802 in August 2010 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 892 in March 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in December 2015. Jasper has served his Troop as Quartermaster and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Jasper has earned 26 Merit Badges. He has attended summer camp at Camps Raven Knob and Powhatan.

For his Eagle Project, Jasper built a compost bin for Somer's Garden in Orange Park.

Jasper is a Senior at Fleming Island High



Andrew Ryan Hockersmith

**WILLIAM JAMES LAIRD**

June 3, 2021

William began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 424 in November 2014, transferred to Cub Pack 802 in November 2017, and earned his Bobcat, Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 892 in February 2019 and earned his First Class Rank in December 2019. William has served his Troop as Scribe, Troop Guide, and Bugler.

William is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 40 Merit Badges and the Snorkeling BSA Award. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Davy Crockett, Woodruff, and St. Johns River Base several times.

William's Eagle Project consisted of refurbishing the playground areas at the Quigley House. This included pressure washing the playground, two seating areas, a pergola, two tables, the surrounding fence, and basketball court. He built and stained a picnic table, sanded and stained another picnic table, refurbished a wooden outdoor playground set, pulled weeds, laid mulch, and provided some new playground equipment.

William is an Eighth-Grade Student at The Episcopal School of Jacksonville. He is a member of the IMSC Soccer team, the middle school Cross Country team, and the Dungeons and Dragons Club. In high school, William would like to be part of the Varsity Soccer and Cross-Country teams. After graduation, William plans to attend college to major in either Environmental Science or Engineering. He would like a career as a National Park Ranger.

**CONNOR JAMES VINSON**

June 10, 2021

Connor began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 20 in August 2008, transferred to Cub Pack 426 / 653 in August 2009, and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 653 in January 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in September 2016. Connor has served his Troop as Historian, Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader,

and led his team in assembling 100 "Art to Go" bags for Art with a Heart in Healthcare. The bags contained art supplies that were distributed to the Wolfson Children's Hospital to help with the healing and wellbeing of the children since current restrictions are limiting visitors.

Connor is a Junior at Oakleaf High School where he is enrolled in the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) Program and a member of the Ultimate Frisbee Club. He is active in his church's youth group. He's a guitarist in the Youth Praise Band and a youth mentor for Middle School Boys' Discipleship Group. After graduation, Connor plans to attend the University of Florida to study Engineering.

Jasper would like to visit all of America's National Parks and one day write a book on his travels.



and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Connor is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 33 Merit Badges. He has attended summer camp at Camps Davy Crockett, Rainey Mountain, Bowers, and Skymont.

For his Eagle Project, Connor cleaned the outside front entrance garden of a local senior citizen center where seniors gather and socialize. He also pressured washed the facility, completed concrete patch work, and fixed a bench with a missing leg.

Connor is a graduate of Middleburg High School where he was enrolled in AP classes and was member of the Bronco Band and the Percussion Captain. During his sophomore year, he joined the Ancient City Ensemble, a marching independent percussion group. He also was selected for the High School All-County Band. Connor is working and preparing to attend a Florida Real Estate School to passing the Real Estate Exam and obtain a Real Estate Agent license. He is working with the Middleburg Bronco Band as a Tech.

**DYLAN JAMES DEPEW**

July 12, 2021

Dylan began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 235 in September 2011 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 235 in April 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in April 2016. Dylan has served his Troop as Quartermaster, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.



Dylan James Depew

Dylan is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served as Assistant Chapter Chief as well as a member of the American Indian Activities (AIA) team. He has earned 39 Merit Badges and the Snorkeling BSA Award. Dylan has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) as well as summer camp at Camps Shands, Daniel Boone, Skymont, Rainey Mountain, and Florida National High Adventure Sea Base.

Dylan's Eagle Project entailed painting the walls and ceiling at Bread for Life, a local food pantry and soup kitchen. He also funded the purchase of three tables for outdoor seating.

Dylan is a Junior at Palatka High School where he is enrolled in the AVID College Readiness program. After graduation, Dylan plans to attend college to study Veterinarian Medicine or Nursing.

**LANCE ALEXANDER ADAIR**

July 30, 2021

Lance began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 483 in August 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and the Webelos Super Achiever Award. He crossed over to Troop 482 in February 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in February 2016. Lance has served his Troop as Historian, Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. He also joined Venturing Crew 482 in May 2018 and has served as Vice President and President.



Lance Alexander Adair

Lance is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 34 Merit Badges and the Religious Award. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Rainey Mountain, Powhatan, Skymont, Woodruff, Northern Tier High Adventure, and Summit Bechtel High Adventure.

Matthew's Eagle Project was a prayer garden for Grace Anglican Church. The garden consisted of five points of thinking and prayer with three benches placed in the middle. A large steel cross was placed in the center. A wall block outline and a gravel pathway were also added.

Lance is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 40 Merit Badges, the Religious Award, Snorkeling BSA Award, Scuba BSA Award, and the National Outdoor Award for Camping. Lance has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) as well as summer camp at Camps Skymont, Claytor Lake, Daniel Boone, Powhatan, Rainey Mountain, Northern Tier High Adventure, Summit Bechtel High Adventure, and Florida National High Adventure Sea Base.

For his Eagle Project, Lance built a horizontal / bouldering climbing wall for the Trinity Camp and Retreat Center near Keystone Heights.

Lance is a graduate of Fleming Island High School. He is currently working with his family's company and continuing to learn HVAC. He plans to attend a trade school for salvage diving and underwater welding.

**MATTHEW SAMUEL LEWIS**

July 30, 2021

Matthew began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 402 in August 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 577 in February 2014, transferred to Troop 482 in April 2015, and earned his First Class Rank in February 2016. Matthew has served his Troops as Chaplain Aide, Historian, Librarian, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader. He also joined Venturing Crew 482 in March 2019 and has served as Treasurer.



Matthew Samuel Lewis

Matthew is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 34 Merit Badges and the Religious Award. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Rainey Mountain, Powhatan, Skymont, Woodruff, Northern Tier High Adventure, and Summit Bechtel High Adventure.

Matthew's Eagle Project was a prayer garden for Grace Anglican Church. The garden consisted of five points of thinking and prayer with three benches placed in the middle. A large steel cross was placed in the center. A wall block outline and a gravel pathway were also added.

Matthew is a graduate of Clay High School where he lettered in Golf. Michael is attending St. Johns River State College to pursue an Associate of Science degree. He then plans to attend a Florida university to major in Biology. Matthew would like to work with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or another government agency.

**CHASE M. CRERAR**

September 7, 2021

Chase began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 802 in August 2013, transferred to Transatlantic Council, Mediterranean District, Cub Pack 007 in July 2016, and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, Religious Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 007 in March 2018, transferred to North Florida Council, Bartram Trail District, Troop 892 in August 2018, and earned his First Class Rank in March 2019. Chase has served his Troops as Chaplain Aide, Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader,



Chase M. Crerar

Chase is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 28 Merit Badges and the National Outdoor Award for Camping. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Bob Hardin, and St. Johns River Base.

For his Eagle Project, William organized and led the painting of the hallway of the vocational building at Orange Park High School.

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Order of the Arrow Representative.

Chase is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 50 Merit Badges, the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award, National Outdoor Award for Camping and Hiking, Mile Swim BSA, Den Chief Award, and Kayaking Award. He has attended summer camp at Camps Davy Crockett and Shands.

Chase's Eagle Project consisted of building six planter boxes, a compost receptacle, and provided gardening tools as well as funding for seeds for Annunciation Catholic School.

Chase is a Freshman at Fleming Island High School where he is a member of the Navy JROTC as well as the Air Rifle and Orienteering Teams. After graduation, Chase plans to attend either Florida State University or the University of Florida to pursue a degree in Mechanical or Electrical Engineering.

**JOSEPH WILLIAM PIEROTTI**

September 13, 2021

Joseph began his scouting adventure when he joined Sabol District, Cub Pack 5 and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 5 in 2008, and transferred to Bartram Trail District, Troop 236 in 2017. Joseph has served his Troops as Chaplain Aide, Librarian, Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Joseph has earned 36 Merit Badges and the Religious Award. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Raven Knob, Powhatan, and Shenandoah.

For his Eagle Project, Joseph built a handicap ramp for a disabled citizen who was unable to access her home.

Joseph is a Senior at St. Johns Christian School. He is a member of the Choir in both his school and church, and he enjoys Public Speaking. He also responded as part of a Scout Hurricane Relief trip to Bay County. After graduation, Joseph plans to attend the University of Central Florida to study Political Science and Advertising.

**WILLIAM SCOTT BOYER**

September 14, 2021

William began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 25 in November 2012 and earned his Bobcat, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 25 in February 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in March 2015. William has served his Troop as Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.



William Scott Boyer

William is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 28 Merit Badges and the National Outdoor Award for Camping. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Bob Hardin, and St. Johns River Base.

For his Eagle Project, William organized and led the painting of the hallway of the vocational building at Orange Park High School.

William is a graduate of Orange Park High School where he was part of the Culinary Arts program and a member of the Band, serving as the Tuba Section Leader. William is currently working and would like to one day hike the Pacific Crest Trail and stay involved in Scouting.

**HARLEY LORRAINE LESCH**

September 21, 2021

Harley began her scouting adventure when she became a Lone Scout in February 2019, transferred to Troop 9223 in March 2019, and earned her First Class Rank in January 2020. Harley has served her Troop as Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Order of the Arrow Representative. She is also a member of Venturing Crew 26.

Harley is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and serves on the American Indian Activities (AIA) Team. She has earned 61 Merit Badges, the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award, Snorkeling BSA Award, Kayaking Award, Stand-Up Paddleboarding Award, and the Den Chief Award. Harley has attended summer camp at Camps Shands and St. Johns River Base.



Harley Lorraine Lesch

For her Eagle Project, Harley built a collection box where her community can deposit flags in need of retirement.

Harley is a Seventh-Grade student at Oakleaf Junior High where she is an Honor Roll student. After high school, Harley plans to join the military and become a Nurse.

**CORY AVERY HESTER, JR.**

September 28, 2021

Cory began his scouting adventure when he joined Far East Council, Zama District, Cub Pack 22 in September 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Far East Council, Zama District, Troop 34 in April 2011 and earned his First Class Rank in May 2016. He transferred to Sequoia Council, Riverbend District, Troop 432 in May 2017 and then transferred to North Florida Council, Bartram Trail District,



Corey Avery Hester, Jr.

Troop 25 in November 2012 and earned his Bobcat, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 25 in February 2014 and earned his First Class Rank in March 2015. William has served his Troop as Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Cory is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 27 Merit Badges. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Shands, St. Johns River Base, Chawanakee, and Tama (Japan).

For his Eagle Project, he built a wooden collection box to collect much-needed donations during and after business hours at the SAFE Animal Shelter.

Cory is a graduate of Oakleaf High School where he was an Honor Roll student and a member of the Navy JROTC, earning the rank of E7, as well as chosen as top NS4 for the Class of 2021. He also received the National Society of Sons of the American Revolution Leadership Award. Cory is attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University to study Aeronautics and become an Aviator. He is also a member of the ROTC program. Cory plans to join the United States Navy in the future as an Officer and become a Pilot.

**KAMEA R. LIEVERS**

October 4, 2021

Kamea began her scouting adventure when she joined Troop 9394 in February 2019 and earned her First Class Rank in September 2019. Kamea has served her Troop as Bugler, Patrol Leader, and Outdoor Ethics Guide.

Kamea has earned 39 Merit Badges, the

Emergency Preparedness Award, and the World Conservation Award. She has attended summer camp at Camp Rainey Mountain twice.

For her Eagle Project, Kamea set up and built donation boxes to collect pet related items, such as food, blankets, and toys, for shelter animals at SAFE Pet Rescue.

Kamea is a Senior at Interlachen High School where she is a member of the Band, the Culinary Arts program, and the Junior Honor Society. She is also involved in Girl Scouts. After graduation, Kamea hopes to attend Troy University. She plans to further develop her cooking skills and would like to work in volunteer positions with animals. Kamea would like to become a Voice Actress one day.



Kamea R. Lievers

**CONNER JAMES CUNNINGHAM**

October 6, 2021

Conner began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 483 in September 2010 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, Religious Awards, Supemova Award, and Webelos Super Achiever Award. He crossed over to Troop 482 in December 2016. Conner has served his Troop as Den Chief, Patrol Leader, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader twice.

Conner has earned 27 Merit Badges and the National Outdoor Award for Camping. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, St. Johns River Base, Skymont, and Rainey Mountain.



Conner James Cunningham

Conner's Eagle Project was a United States Flag Retirement Program which included a printable program, an eBook program, a how-to video, a website, and the promotion of the program within the Clay County community at large. This was to provide easy directions for individuals and groups to retire an American Flag in a dignified way.

Conner is a Senior at Fleming Island High School where he is an Honor student and is working towards earning an AP Capstone Diploma. He is a member of the United Soccer Alliance Team and he has been a member of the Football and Weightlifting Teams as well as a Scholar Athlete. After graduating, Conner plans to attend a major state university to pursue a degree in either United States History or Political Science and is also considering Pre-Law.

**ALLEN JARRED RABINOWITZ**

October 6, 2021

Allen began his scouting adventure when he joined his Cub Pack and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and the Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 577 in May 2014, earned his First Class Rank in May 2016, and transferred to Troop 482 in February 2017.

Allen has served his Troops as Historian, Scribe, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Allen is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 32 Merit Badges. He



Allen Jarred Rabinowitz

has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Skymont Scout Reservation.

For his Eagle Project, Allen built two play tables that had a ramp on one end and stairs on the other end as well as a catwalk to connect both tables. He also built three tables at varying heights for the dogs at the rescue, Helping Hounds, to practice jumping upon and learning to obey basic commands.

Allen is graduate of Clay High School where he was a member of the National Honor Society, the Beta Club, and the College and Career Readiness Club. Allen's future plans include developing a music portfolio and beginning a YouTube channel to share his music. His long-term goal is to attend Full Sail University to study Music Production and establish connections in the industry.

**REMINGTON MATHAR RYAN**

October 13, 2021

Remington began his scouting adventure when he joined River Bend District, Cub Pack 27 in September 2011, transferred to Black Creek District, Cub Pack 483 in April 2013, transferred to Cub Pack 812 in February 2014, and then transferred to Northeast Georgia Council, Apalachee District, Cub Pack 510 in August 2014. He earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 511 in June 2016, transferred to Bartram Trail District, Troop 309 in August 2017, transferred to Troop 892 in August 2018, and earned his First Class Rank in February 2019. Remington has served his Troops as Scribe, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Order of the Arrow Representative.



Remington Mathar Ryan

Remington is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served as Vice Chief of Program. He has earned 33 Merit Badges and the Snorkeling BSA Award. Remington has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Woodruff, Davy Crockett, and Rainey Mountain.

For his Eagle Project, Remington constructed and installed four bat houses throughout Fleming Island Plantation. This will help reduce the mosquito population in his community.

Remington is a Junior at Fleming Island High School where he's a member of the National Honor Society, the Great Decisions Club, Future Business Leaders of America, the VYStar Academy, and an Honor Roll student. After graduation, Remington plans to attend a top-tier university in the northeast to major in Economics.

**TOBIAS ISAAC HARTMAN**

October 27, 2021

Tobias began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 146 in August 2011 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 146 in June 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in March 2016. Tobias has served his Troop as Instructor, Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.



Tobias Isaac Hartman

Tobias is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 33 Merit Badges and the Snorkeling BSA Award. Remington has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Woodruff, Davy Crockett, and Rainey Mountain.

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Tobias is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served as the Chair for American Indian Activities (AIA). He has earned 81 Merit Badges, the Mile Swim BSA Award, and the World Conservation Award. Tobias has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Shands, Daniel Boone, Woodruff, Davy Crockett, Sequoia, Philmont Scout Ranch, and the 2017 National Jamboree.

For his Eagle Project, Tobias built bat houses for the Landowner Assistance Program, an educational program for landowners to help protect and sustain the beneficial bat population.

Tobias is a Senior at Q.I. Roberts High School where he is enrolled in the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) Program and is also working toward an associate degree in Advanced High School Studies. He is a Marching Band Section Leader and a Third-Degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do. After graduation, Tobias plans to attend the University of Florida to study Math or Science. He is considering a Teaching career or a Math or Science career. He plans to stay active in Scouting.

**TYLER BRIAN DAVIES**

*November 1, 2021*

Tyler began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 802 in August 2012 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 892 in May 2017 and earned his First Class Rank in March 2018. Tyler has served his Troop as Chaplain Aide, Instructor, Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leader.



Tyler Brian Davies

Tyler has earned 41 Merit Badges and has attended summer camp at Camps Daniel Boone, Woodruff, and Davy Crockett.

For his Eagle Project, Tyler worked with Hunger Fight, Inc. to pack 10,584 meals and to

donate 350 books to local elementary schools.

Tyler is a Sophomore at Orange Park High School where he is an Honor Roll student and a member of the Student Leadership Council, the Academy of Engineering, and the Automotive Mechanics program. After graduating, Tyler plans to attend a university to pursue a degree in Automotive or Mechanical Engineering and a second degree in Education. He hopes to work for a company such as Ford or General Motors and also teach in the field at either the high school or college level.

**LUCAS PATRICK BISSON**

*November 15, 2021*

Lucas began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 25 in September 2010 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 25 in February 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in December 2016. Lucas has served his Troop as Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.



Lucas Patrick Bisson

Lucas is an Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 32 Merit Badges. He has attended National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) and summer camp at Camps Daniel Boone, Old Indian, Skymont, Bob Hardin, Powhatan, and St. Johns River Base.

For his Eagle Project, Lucas built two picnic tables for the Dye-Clay Family YMCA. These tables were placed in a high-traffic area where they are used weekly by YMCA guests.

Lucas is a Senior at Ridgeview High School where he is enrolled in the International Baccalaureate (IB) program. He is a Varsity runner in both Cross-Country and Track and a member of the Academic Team. He is also a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Lucas has staffed many NYLT courses and has served

in different roles including Senior Patrol Leader. After graduating, Lucas plans to attend the University of Florida's Honors College to pursue a degree in Mathematics. He would like to become a college Math Professor, then pursue a PhD in Mathematics, and later become a professional Mathematician.

**AMELIA MURPHY FLORES**

*November 22, 2021*

Amelia began her scouting adventure when she joined Troop 9577 in April 2019 and earned her First Class Rank in December 2019. Amelia has served her Troop as Quartermaster, Den Chief, Senior Patrol Leader, and Order of the Arrow Representative.



Lucas Patrick Bisson

Amelia is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has served her chapter as Historian and Vice Chief of Membership. She has earned 26 Merit Badges and the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award. She has attended summer camp at Camp Shands twice.

For her Eagle Project, Amelia planted grass and shrubs as well as installed a bird feeder at Clay County Animal Shelter.

Amelia is a Senior at Middleburg High School where she is a member of the Band and enrolled in the Collegiate High School program. After graduation, Amelia plans to attend the Catholic University of America to study Politics with a World Politics concentration. She hopes to study abroad for several semesters and eventually work at an Embassy as an Ambassador or Diplomat for the United States in either Europe or Southeast Asia.

**JUSTIN H. BAKER**

*November 29, 2021*

Justin began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 483 in August 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and

Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 482 in August 2015, transferred to Troop 892 in April 2017, and earned his First Class Rank in August 2017. Justin has served his Troops as Historian, Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.



Justin H. Baker

Justin is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 43 Merit Badges and the National Honor Patrol Award in 2015. He has attended summer camp at Camps Daniel Boone, Rainey Mountain, Woodruff, and Davy Crockett.

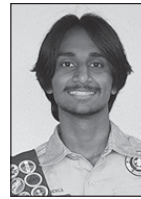
Justin's Eagle Project consisted of building an educational board for Somer's Garden in Orange Park.

Justin is a Senior at Fleming Island High School where he is a member of the National Technical Honor Society. He is a Microsoft Office Specialist in Word, PowerPoint, and Excel and an Adobe Certified Associate in InDesign and Photoshop. He is also the recipient of the Citizenship Award. After graduating, Justin plans to attend the University of Florida to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Biochemistry. He would eventually like to travel to different countries to learn and understand their engineering practices and then bring it back to the States.

**NATHAN WILLIAM RILEY**

*December 8, 2021*

Nathan began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 402 in September 2010 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 389 in May 2015 and earned his First Class



Nathan William Riley

Rank in November 2016. Nathan has served his Troop as Scribe, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Den Chief, Bugler, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Nathan is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 29 Merit Badges, the Paul Bunyan Woodsman Award, and the Den Chief Award. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands and St. Johns River Base.

For his Eagle Project, Nathan built large shelves to fill an 18-foot-wide by 12-foot-tall wall for the Ridgeview High School band. The shelves were custom sized to hold certain instruments. This project helped to increase the storage capacity in the band's storage room.

Nathan is a Senior at Ridgeview High School where he's a member of the Band and has been recognized as Marcher of the Week four times. He is currently employed at a Walgreen's Pharmacy and hopes to be promoted to a Pharmacy Technician. After graduating, Nathan plans to attend a two-year college to earn an associate degree and then transfer to a university or attend a trade school, possibly either automotive or welding.

**AIDAN MATTHEW LEONARD**

*December 9, 2021*

Aidan began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 487 in 2009 and earned his Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Webelos, Arrow of Light Award, and World Conservation Award. He crossed over to Troop 492 in 2014, transferred to Troop 236 in 2016, and earned his First Class Rank in December 2017. Aidan has served his Troops as Instructor, Quartermaster, Den Chief, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.

Aidan has earned 47 Merit Badges and the Mile Swim BSA Award. Aidan has attended sum-



Aidan Matthew Leonard

mer camp at Camps Shands, Powhatan, Raven Knob, Grimes, and Shenandoah twice.

Aidan's Eagle Project consisted of refurbishing and upgrading informational kiosks at Dunns Creek State Park.

Aidan is a Senior at Palatka High School where he'll be earning his Capstone Degree and is a member of the Archery Club and Future Farmers of America. After graduating, Aidan plans to attend college to pursue a degree in Chemistry or Chemical Engineering and would like to eventually earn a PhD.

**DAMIAN MICHAEL WALTER**

*December 29, 2021*

Damian began his scouting adventure when he joined Cub Pack 146 and earned his Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Award. He crossed over to Troop 146 in June 2015 and earned his First Class Rank in March 2016. Damian has served his Troop as Chaplain Aide, Instructor, Quartermaster, Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Senior Patrol Leader.



Damian Michael Walter

Damian is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has earned 31 Merit Badges and the World Conservation Award. He has attended summer camp at Camps Shands, Daniel Boone, and Woodruff.

For his Eagle Project, Damian constructed a wooden fence to replace a debilitated fence for the Homemakers Club of Melrose.

Damian is a graduate of the Florida Youth Challenge Academy where he was a member of the Student Government Association, a Platoon Leader, and participated in community service projects. Damian is currently working. He plans to join the military as part of the U.S. Space Force and is interested in Aerospace Engineering.

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# Rethreaded looks to combat sex trafficking in region

By Nick Blank  
nick@claytodayonline.com

CLAY COUNTY – A Jacksonville-based organization raises money to assist sex trafficking victims by employing them.

Rethreaded is a gift company with a purpose, offering long-term employment for survivors with wrap-around services for women affected by sex trafficking. The group has had meetings and presentations in Clay County.

CEO Kristin Keen said the organization, which she founded in 2011, has 13 employees with plans to hire five more. In all, it has assisted more than 60 victims by giving them resources and full-time employment. Rethreaded provides resources, counseling and transportation that it can connect to a woman in need.

"It's more about providing education and getting people involved through shopping and awareness," Keen said.

Jacksonville ranked fifth in the state for

sex trafficking offenses in 2017. In 2021, the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office rescued 15 people, including five children, from the sex trade. Keen said Clay's proximity to Jacksonville means it's probably present in Clay.

Keen said there are many hurdles for survivors. Finding a job can be a challenge, there is usually deep trauma and mental health resources can be costly and hard to navigate.

"A woman needs time and a new community to heal from severe complex trauma. There's an 85% chance a woman will be re-trafficked if she isn't placed in a new community," Keen said. "Human trafficking happens in every city, it's happening in Clay County."

She said human trafficking is a hard thing to talk about, but the more Rethreaded sells the more women it can help.

"That's our call to action right now," Keen said.



Rethreaded is dedicated to fighting sex trafficking by teaching life skills and helping victims find sustainable long-term employment.

During the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic, things were uncertain for Rethreaded, Keen said. However, the employees made thousands of masks. The organization received Payment Protection Program loans and assistance.

Rethreaded recently moved from a 2,500 square-foot building in downtown Jacksonville to a 36,000 square-foot build-

ing in Historic Springfield. Beyond jewelry, the company does corporate gifting and sells pet toys and journals. Rethreaded bought a toffee company and looks to tackle affordable housing.

"It was an interesting year," Keen added.

More information is available at rethreaded.com.

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Department," Reid said. "You guys are the best. I love you guys."

Council members later tabled \$57,680 to place concrete in Clarke Park but approved using \$29,664 in ARPA funds for two automated battery CPR devices and their hardware.

According to town documents, emergency personnel is short-staffed. Councilman John Hauber said the devices would make



treating cardiac arrests more effective.

"I'm glad we're doing that," he said. "We're starting to make a little headway here and there."

Christmas lights are another item ARPA dollars can be spent on, as well as being a key feature of the town during the holiday season. Town staff delivered its report on Tuesday to the council. Refurbishing the

town's 32 street decorations would cost \$19,200 and replacing them with new lights would cost about \$35,200. This item and potential changes to the recurring \$20,000 spent a year on lights at Town Hall and for medians were tabled.

"They are dated," Mayor Randy Anderson said. "Half the lights work."

Councilman Alan Watt advocated for

new lights and some toward the south end of the town. Vice Mayor Eddie Henley said some of the lights shouldn't be on display.

"We definitely need new lights," Henley said. "We have angels with no heads."

Council members also unanimously approved \$13,525 for replacing 10 silhouettes and adding 21 new lights for its Hometown Holiday event. In other business, the town changed the minimum required space for off-street parking at medical and dental offices from one space per 150 square feet to one space per 200 square feet. The change was based on a Planning and Zoning Committee recommendation.

"We weren't looking at hotels, we weren't looking at retail space. All of those have their own separate parking," Development Director Stephen Smith said.

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## Engvall leaves his fans laughing in his final Thrasher-Horne appearance

By Kathleen Chambless  
For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – Bill Engvall’s reputation precedes himself, as seen by the long lines outside the Thrasher-Horne Center last Saturday. For someone unfamiliar with the reach of Engvall’s career, the sight might be overwhelming, but having interviewed the comic earlier that week, it properly impressed me.

Bill Engvall is both humble and relatable. It’s one thing that makes his comedy so special. Despite being a multi-award-winning comic, a double-platinum certified artist, and the guest star of many hit TV shows, Engvall revealed he doesn’t let his fame go to his head. If anything, it gets him into more situations that even a comic would find hilarious.

Engvall’s show on Saturday, part of his “Here’s Your Sign, It’s Finally Time” farewell tour, touches on a variety of stories from Engvall’s life and his 40-year career on the road.

Laughing at medical issues, reminiscing about grandparents and his hometown, and the crazy shenanigans his wife gets him in were all highlighted. The crowd clearly loved him, and as the show ended, the ovation lasted for almost five minutes. It’s clear that fans of Engvall will miss his particular brand of comedy after his retirement begins.

Engvall will miss it as well.

“I always said that I loved touring, and the shows are great, but I’ll be 65 here in a few months, and travelling is getting harder,” he said.

As a performer, you don’t get weekends off. It may seem counterintuitive, but that’s when everyone wants to see a show – and Engvall is no exception to this rule.

“As bad as covid was for the entertainment industry, it made me realize I could quit,” Engvall said. “When I couldn’t work, it made me realize how much I didn’t need to do it. It’ll be nice to just go get dinner

and see family without having to worry about my schedule.

“When people come to the show, they see you for those 90 minutes and think ‘Wow what a great show, what a great life,’ but they don’t see the hours that went into it and all the travelling. Writing the set and working on interview, it all takes a lot out of you. It’s a hard life, it’s lonely, and that’s what starts peeling the layers off the onion. During a show I have 200 new best friends, but then they go home and I’m in a Holiday Inn by myself.

“They always say you know in your gut when it’s time to leave, and I wanted to do it on my own terms. You always see those shows that go on for way too long on TV and I don’t want to be like that. Why not go out while I’m doing well?”

With the family welcoming their granddaughter a few years ago, being able to stay at home has become even more important.

“I just want to enjoy my life, without having to think about where and when I have to go next,” he said.

As a retiring legend of comedy who came into the era of comedy surrounded by the best, Engvall has spades of advice for those just starting out.

“Be relatable and work clean. The people that book me know that I’m going to show up, be sober and do a great show that people are going to leave happy.”

Beyond those basics, there’s a certain level of practice you must put in, and Engvall is adamant that it’s more than important- it’s necessary.

“There are so many people on YouTube and TikTok that make a short video and they’re hilarious so people think they can be a big headliner, but there’s so much more to comedy,” Engvall said. “You have to have stage time; you have to understand standup. It’s more than having a few jokes. It’s knowing how to tell a story and build it up to the punchline.”

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when the mother suddenly realized one of her children had wandered off.

“Mom can go on the SaferWatch app, immediately notify our real-time crime center and include a photograph of their child in the message to the real-time crime center,” the sheriff said. “She could say, ‘My 4-year-old daughter is missing. Here’s a picture of her from this morning on the swing.’

“That picture comes into our real-time crime personnel; they immediately start building out a call to start dispatching Green Cove Springs and Clay County Sheriff’s personnel to the area. In that call the deputies are receiving, that call includes the photograph of the child so while they’re driving there, they can see who they’re looking for.

“In addition, our real-time crime personnel can send out a message to anyone in the general area of the park and say ‘We have a missing child. If you see this child, please stop the child and call 911 or stop the child and notify an officer. If you’re driving past the park and you passed the park two minutes ago and you’re thinking, ‘Man, I saw that child at the coffee shop,’ you can send us a message and say, ‘I just saw that child and she was standing out there two minutes ago.’ That information comes in and it’s all collected within that call.”

SaferWatch operates a lot like the silent panic systems which are required – Alyssa’s Law – in all Florida schools. But instead of connecting a school with law enforcement about a pending or ongoing threat, it will put several law enforcement agencies and the public in the same loop. “County schools have switched over its mobile panic alert system to SaferWatch because “it was a logical choice,” school police chief Kenneth Wagner said. “We work closely with county law enforcement to integrate the system so our officers are made aware of any situation that arises at any one of our schools, whether it be a tip or whether it be a threat.”

The free app will allow a resident to

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report a crime to a real-time crime center. It also will allow the resident to send photographs and live video, so it can be dispensed the proper agency – and residents.

“In fact, if you have a smartphone in your hand or access to a computer, you can now be part of the SaferWatch team,” Cook said.

The system will be utilized by the sheriff’s office, Clay County School District Police Department and the Green Cove Springs Police Department.

“People use their phones every day to send information and the SaferWatch app will just be another tool for our citizens to communicate and share information with local law enforcement,” Green Cove Springs Chief John Guzman said. “By no means does this app replace the need to call 911 or calling your local law enforcement agency, but it definitely will enhance the services we already provide.”

The system went live on Jan. 31. Cook showed how the program works with a test message. Within seconds, a dispatcher in the crime unit was reading her text and watching a video she was taking of the deputy answering the call.

“We understand technology is evolving each day and we are working each day to evolve with it – all with the goal of keeping our community safe,” Cook said. “SaferWatch is a web- and mobile-based security and reporting system that was built to provide a higher level of safety and security to our community, including our schools, our businesses, our public buildings and our neighborhoods.

“In fact, if you have a smartphone in your hand or access to a computer, you can now be part of the SaferWatch team.”



Front, Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook, back, from left, School Police Supervisor of Safety and Security Stephen Mills, Sheriff’s Office Investigations and Special Operations Director Wayne McKinney, Green Cove Springs Police Chief John Guzman, School Police Chief Kenneth Wagner, Superintendent of Schools David Broskie, CCSO Administration and Business Department Director Ricky Wright of Sheriff’s Office and GCS Administrative Commander Barbara Luedtke announced the start-up of the SmartWatch App that will allow residents to file real-time reports with sound and video to local law enforcement agencies, as well as receiving emergency alerts.

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# Plan

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2045 Comprehensive Plan, and it has targeted repair downtown streets, sidewalks and storefronts to provide a bright and lively makeover – all while enhancing the Historic Triangle area and Spring Park.

Other long-range plans include the creation of more cozy bed-and-breakfasts, making storefronts facades along U.S. Highway 17 more attractive, bringing new businesses – particularly restaurants and clubs that will pump new life into nightlife and creating more parking to handle the additional crowds.



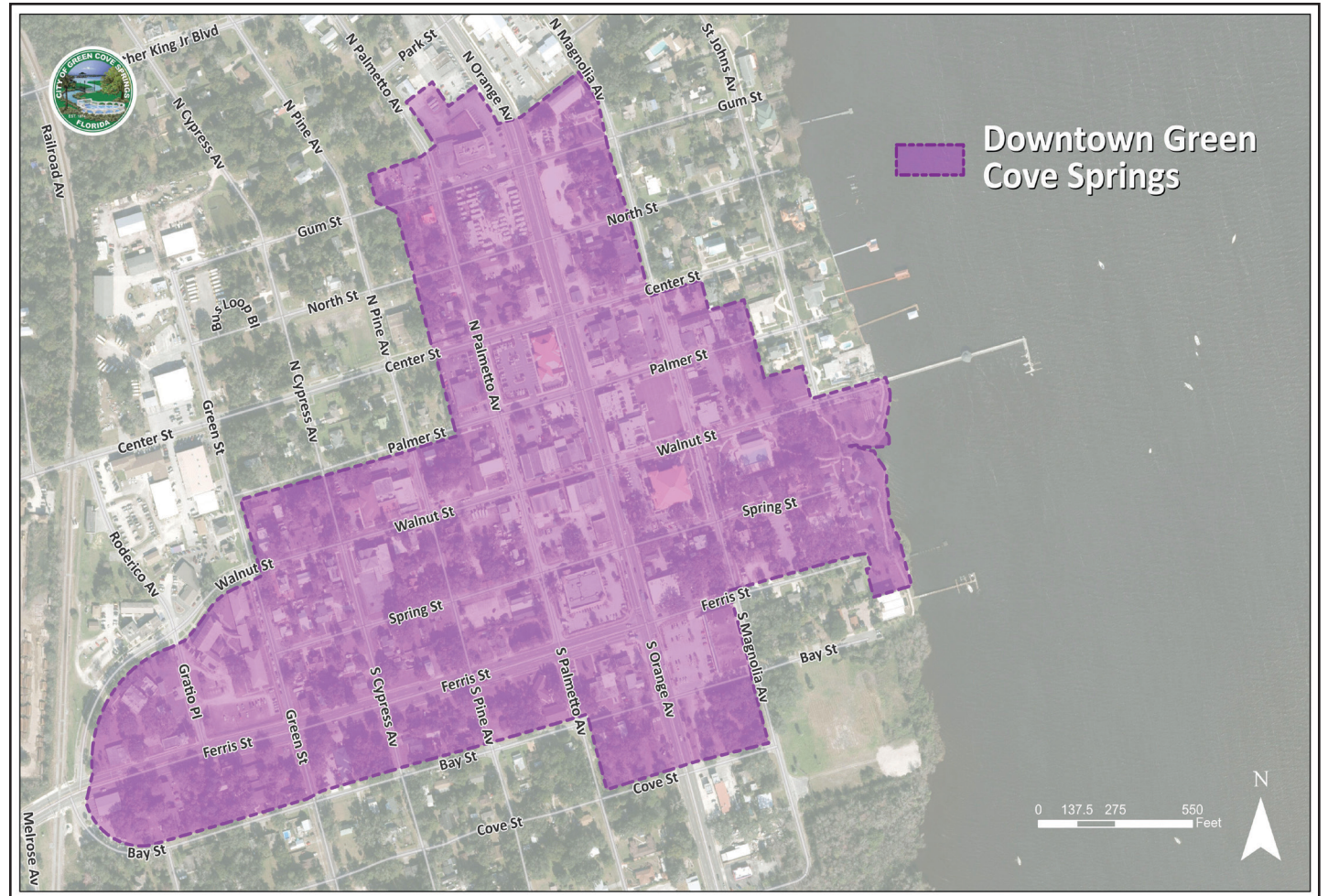
Lead designer Erik Aulestia responds to questions asked by residents about long range planning for downtown area.

“There’s a difference here,” said George Kramer, the Downtown Master Plan project lead with S&ME civil engineering planners. “Something’s happening here.”

The downtown area is defined as the area between Bay Street to the south and



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE  
Project lead George Kramer of S&ME said the city should build off its historic charm.



The map shows the concentrated area Green Cove Springs calls its Downtown. Residents and officials are mulling over plans to guide a rebirth and rebuilding to highlight the city’s unique charm for the next 20 years to make it a destination, not a passthrough community.

up to Gum Street to the north, then west of Green Street on Ferris Street to the west and out to the St. Johns River to the east, according to city Planning and Zoning Director Mike Daniels.

“The Comprehensive Plan is a foundation for how the city will look and how the city will function over a 20-year period. It is a plan that emphasizes what the vision and what the intent is for the city moving forward, but it isn’t as focused on a lot of the details.”

The Downtown Master Plan is focused only on the downtown area. But it shares many of the same goals as the Comprehensive Plan, especially improving the U.S. 17 corridor to make it more appealing and pedestrian-friendly and redesigning Walnut Street to attract pedestrians and restaurants with sidewalk dining.

Another target for the Downtown Master Plan is the area occupied by the Clay County School District near the Historic Triangle.

Erik Aulestia, the lead engineer for the Downtown Master Plan and partner with Torti Gallas and Partners, questioned why



some of the lot is used for school bus parking. He said that not only takes away valuable space, but it’s also a distraction for the things the city wants to achieve.

“It’s not the prettiest thing, the way the education buildings are set out, the park-

ing is confusing,” Aulestia said. “At some point, they’re probably going to have to add a program for consolidated uses. We really think that should be part of the identity of Green Cove Springs.”

Kramer agreed. “We work in places where economic progress has been bulldozed over,” he said. “That hasn’t happened here. We want to restore the historic footprint of the downtown area so we have the ability to unlock the history and character of the city.”

City officials have asked residents to take a brief, nine-question survey, which asks you about your relationship with the downtown area, existing conditions within the community and how you envision the downtown will grow within the next 20 years.

The survey can be found on the city’s website, [greencovesprings.com](http://greencovesprings.com).

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# Calendar

**FIND TRUE LIFE CHURCH:** will host a free community event on Feb. 5 from 10 a.m.-noon. A bounce house, crafts and giveaways will be featured.

**READY, SET, SOW:** will be on Feb. 5 at the Orange Park Library, 2054 Plainfield Ave. at 11 a.m. Master gardener Carin Ashman will provide education on the pretreatment, planting, care and germination of seeds. For more information, call (904) 278-3614.

**ORANGE PARK FARMERS' AND ARTS MARKET:** will be on Feb. 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:** will meet on Feb. 8 at 4 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**IMAGINE DRAGON:** will perform on Feb. 8 p.m. at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS:** will meet on Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. at 470 Madeira Dr., Orange Park.

**MIDDLEBURG LIONS CLUB:** will meet on Feb. 8 at 1 p.m. at Cedar River Seafood Restaurant, 2475 Blanding Blvd. The public is invited.

**SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE:** will host an elections expo on Feb. 9 at 5 p.m., 6:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the elections office at 500 N. Orange Ave. in Green Cove Springs. Supervisor of Elections Chris Chambless will provide a behind-the-scenes look at the election process as well as answer questions.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on Feb. 10 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

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

**PENNEY FARMS TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet at 7 p.m. on Feb. 15 at the Town Hall, 4100 Clark Ave.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

**CLAY COUNTY FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:** will meet on Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the



Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**ORANGE PARK FARMERS' AND ARTS MARKET:** will be on Feb. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Town Hall Park, 2042 Park Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:** will conduct a workshop on Feb. 22 at 10 a.m. at the Fleming Island High Teacher Training Center, 2233 Village Square Pkwy.

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:** will meet on Feb. 22 at 4 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**COMMUNITY HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE:** will offer a virtual presentation, "Advance Care Planning" on Feb. 22 from a.m. to noon. To sign up, visit <https://bit.ly/WinterWebinarACP#>.

**COMMUNITY HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE:** will offer a virtual program, "Understanding Grief" on Feb. 23 from 6-7 p.m. To sign up, call (904) 407-7001.

**PENNEY FARMS MUSEUM:** will celebrate its Grand Opening on Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. at 4100 Clark Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:** will meet on Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on Feb. 24 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**CLAY BRIDAL SPECTACULAR EXPO:** is coming to the Thrasher-Horne Center on Feb. 27 from 1-4 p.m. The mid-size expo offers an exclusive setting for one-on-one consultations between brides-to-be and a variety of wedding vendors. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door, and they're available at [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org) or by calling (904) 276-6815. Thrasher-Horne is located at 283 College Dr. in Orange Park.

**SEAWALK MUSIC FESTIVAL:** will

be on Feb. 26 from noon-8:30 p.m. at the Seawalk Pavilion, 75 First St., Jacksonville Beach. Lineup includes Seagate, Rhythm and Keys, Mandalla, Duval County Line, Souls of Joy, Astoria State and The Red Jumpsuit Apparatus.

**HUMANA MILITARY FAMILY FIELD DAY:** will be held on Feb. 27 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the University of North Florida, 1 UCF Drive, Building 58 West. Family-friendly event is open to active-duty members, veterans, national guard, reserves and their families.

**SEAWALK MUSIC FESTIVAL:** will be on Feb. 27 from 12:30-8:30 p.m. at the Seawalk Pavilion, 75 First St., Jacksonville Beach. Lineup includes Annie Dukes, Second Shot, The Curt Towne Band, Sam Hill and Molly Hatchet.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL:** will meet on March 1 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

**CLAY COUNTY FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:** will meet on March 1 at 1 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on March 1 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:** will meet on March 3 at 6 p.m. at the Fleming Island High Teacher Training Center, 2233 Village Square Pkwy.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on March 3 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on March 3 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**DA BABY & MONEYBAGG YO:** will play at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).

**NICKELODEON'S JOJO SIWA D.R.E.A.M. THE TOUR:** will perform on March 7 p.m. at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd.,

in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).

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**RICKY NELSON REMEMBERED:** will be performed by Ft. Matthew and Gunnar Nelson on March 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr., Orange Park. For tickets, visit [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

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**ANDRE RIEU:** will perform on March 11 at 8 p.m. at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com).

**PENNEY FARMS 5K:** will be March 12 at Kohler Park in Penney Farms at 8:30 a.m. Email [clerk@penneyfarmsfl.org](mailto:clerk@penneyfarmsfl.org) for more information.

**WWE RAW:** will on March 14 at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com).

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**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on March 17 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on March 17 at 6 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

**WAYNE NEWTON:** will perform on March 19 at 8 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr., Orange Park. For tickets, visit [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

**PENNEY FARMS OLD FASHION FARM DAY:** is all day on March 19 around town. There will be demonstrations of old-time skills, as well as a variety of foods and art vendors.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on March 24 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on



## Player

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Golden Eagles being fined \$4,000 and forced to forfeit nine games, including the Fortegra Invitational title.

Clay County School officials cited an anonymous tip that started their own investigation.

"Once we find out that a player or student may or may not be legally enrolled, we are required to investigate," said Clay County Athletic Director John Sgromolo. "Because he was an athlete did not affect the investigation except to put a little more exposure on the situation."

McDuffie, a senior for the Golden Eagles, transferred after his junior year at Mandarin High after an encouraging summer basketball season with numerous Fleming Island players at the AAU level.

A tense interaction between Mandarin Coach George Macloud and Bennie McDuffie, Sr., the father of Bennie McDuffie and another son, Kaleb McDuffie, who was also a part of the Fleming Island junior varsity basketball team and also is now transferred to Potters House Academy, seems to be the starting point of the McDuffies choosing to find a new school.

"There was an incident between the coach and I that eventually led to him emailing me that he would advise me to find another program for Bennie to play at," said McDuffie, Sr., who has owned a small barbershop for 22 years in Jacksonville. "There was some tension based on a conversation forum that the coach set up to keep parents informed on team happenings that [were] supposed to be a positive forum for the team parents to discuss things like transportation and game preparedness stuff. An incident created a tense conversation between the coach and another player's parents and I tried to ask the coach to keep the forum on team activities only."

According to documents within the investigation, McDuffie moved into a rental house on Fleming Island with his brother

and was required to submit a resident lease and another form of identification to the Clay County School District office to enroll at the school.

"We got the lease from my brother and did not think we needed anything more," said Bennie McDuffie. "When we were informed the lease needed me and my boys on it, we got the original lease amended. That's in the paperwork."

On Dec. 11, Sgromolo received an anonymous phone call questioning the eligibility status of the brothers.

In a letter to the FHSAA's Craig Damon, head of compliance, from Fleming Island Principal Tom Pittman, dated Dec. 16, Pittman confirmed the summer basketball connection, a phone call to Mandarin athletic director to determine any issues with McDuffie coming to Fleming Island, and confirmed that both McDuffies started school on Aug. 10.

A return phone call Dec. 17 from the owner of the house to Pittman, who called the prior day, clarified the living arrangements with the house having 10 bedrooms and the owner's family on the first floor and the McDuffies living on the second floor. An amended lease with all names involved on it was sent to Pittman and was part of the record package called Amendment A dated Dec. 17.

The problem was the Amendment A lease had the McDuffies added to the May 1 list that was submitted in the original document exchange. The signatures on the Amendment A lease though, have all parties signing on Aug 15, 2021.

At first glance, and, after normal review from the Clay County School District, Fleming Island High and the Fleming Island Athletics Department, Fleming Island coach Traavis Chandler was given a green light to let both McDuffies play on their respective teams.

Athletic directors in Clay County generally agree any athlete coming into a program is usually given a second look.

After the Golden Eagles started 9-0 in the regular season record, Sgromolo was tipped about living arrangements for the

McDuffies.

According to investigation documents, McDuffies lease agreement submitted to the School District as well as a credit card statement were the two forms of identification Sgromolo started his investigation with. Noted was the lease agreement term start date of May 1, with the names of six tenants: McDuffies' brother and his family; a wife and four children, but no neither of the athletes or their father. The lease did mention a non-related "Landlord" as the owner of the property.

A social worker sent to the residence confirmed the six names with, according to the report, no mention of the two players or their father.

Also in the report, an electric service agreement dated May 4 was confirmed, but not with McDuffie as part of the service agreement.

Sgromolo also submitted a property records check, apparently the family home of the McDuffies in Jacksonville, still owned by McDuffie.

One of the final documents in the FHSAA package is a letter from Fleming Island Athletic Director Travis Cunningham to FHSAA's Damon who seemed to, in his words, "have an issue with those three accusations when it comes to this situation. Those are not right or accurate assessments of this situation or how we conduct business here at Fleming Island High School."

Cunningham further wrote, "I will also add, due to this situation, there will be additional measure going forward to prevent

this situation from happening again."

Cunningham's "situation" pertained to the By-Laws McDuffie apparently violated; ByLaw 9.1.2.1 Falsification of Information, ByLaw 3.5.1 Administration Control and ByLaw 3.5.2 Compliance with Rules.

Cunningham wouldn't talk on the record about his letter to Damon.

For the season, Chandler has commended his team for forging on despite the forfeitures of games; from a 21-1 overall record to now 12-10.

"They have bucked up and continued to practice hard and win games," said Chandler. "This situation only changes the fact that we may have to play most of our games on the road in the playoffs."

Accordingly, in the FHSAA ByLaws, it reads FHSAA bylaws may not limit the competition of student-athletes prospectively for the rules violations of their own school or its coaches and their adult representatives... Contests may not be forfeited for inadvertent eligibility violations unless the coach or a school administrator should have known of the violation."

McDuffie has already enrolled and played games at Potter's House Academy in Jacksonville.

"The sad part for Bennie is that he really did not want to leave Fleming Island," the father said. "Both boys developed nice friends there, but this whole paperwork thing I decided it was best for him to get out of that situation and start new. Everybody said they would fix this and we could move on, but nobody did anything for Bennie."

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# Community Foundation accepting college scholarship applications

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CLAY COUNTY – The Community Foundation is accepting applications for its 2022 College Scholarships.

All scholarship applications are due by the close of business on March 15. Thanks to generous donors, The Community Foundation offers several scholarships each year that benefit students in Northeast Florida who are seeking post-secondary degrees. Available opportunities and links to the online applications are listed below. Please review the qualifications for each before determining whether to apply.

Before you begin your application, we encourage students to complete the Free Application for Federal Aid to determine their expected family income. However, if you are not able to complete the FAFSA, you will still be able to apply.

You can find answers to frequently asked questions about the FAFSA at [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov). You can also talk to your high school guidance department and/or your college/university admissions office.

Additionally, we are also encouraging students to review College Scorecard, which can be found at <http://collegescorecard.ed.gov>. College Scorecard allows students to evaluate the cost of attendance at their preferred institution. It also provides key information about student outcomes post-graduation. Both the FAFSA and Col-

lege Scorecard are nationally used tools that can aid students in getting a detailed picture of how much their education will cost.

The scholarships that are available are:

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In selecting the successful candidate, the review committee will consider academic achievements, leadership experience, desire for personal growth and financial need. All applicants must have at least a cumulative 3.0-grade point average (weighted) and plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution on a full-time basis.

Housed at The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida, the Byon M. Morris Scholarship application is available at <https://jaxcf.formstack.com/forms/2022scholarships>.

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## Enjoy A Night At the Theater!

*River City Players* is a 'not for profit' theater group based in Palatka, Florida and composed entirely of volunteers. We have been active since the 1980's and have produced four quality farce/comedy plays every year up until the strike of Covid in 2020. In November 2021 we returned to the stage with a production called *Death By Golf*, which our loyal patrons - both in the local community and surrounding counties - had been waiting a long time for.

Our theater - situated in the Larimer Arts Center in Palatka - is very much an intimate 'boutique' style arrangement, seating only 72 people at full capacity. However, RCP operates in a totally professional manner with patrons having the ability to book tickets either on line, or speak to the booking office in person. We pride ourselves in the art of communication, which is something our patrons value - the personal touch.

Our opening night (including free champagne) is always a sponsored affair thanks to our patrons and so one can immediately see how highly we are regarded. We furnish a donations bar at each production and also provide complimentary 'nibbles'. We run a 50/50 prize draw at every performance with 50% of the proceeds

going to the winner. An official RCP T-shirt, and a program signed by the cast provide second and third prizes.

RCP has a great camaraderie with our audiences, always sporting the age old motto 'the more you drink, the funnier it gets'. Opening night is always great fun and you can be assured that by the last performance, no one - not even the producer - can be absolutely sure what will happen as the actors seem to take advantage with the final curtain in sight. We take ourselves seriously, but not too much. After all, no one is sitting in the audience with a script.

As a theater group, RCP are truly blessed by the support of both our local community and other counties. We would like to extend an invitation to one and all to join our 'family', which is what we regard ourselves as. Not only do we welcome patrons, but also aspiring actors/actresses, production directors, backstage crew and anyone who would like to 'become assimilated' (as I was told I would be a few years ago)

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# Season of love

Orange Park Mall hosting Valentine's Day-themed events

ORANGE PARK – In honor of Valentine's Day, Orange Park Mall is bringing together Jacksonville area friends and family to celebrate the season of love.

Orange Park Mall's Valentine's Day-themed events, including Arts and Hearts: A Galentine's Event, Post.Your.Love interactive art experience and the annual favorite 'Bestie Bash' will offer a place for friends to gather while celebrating love and positivity through creative expression and acts of kindness this Valentine's Day.

## Bestie Bash

Orange Park Mall's KidX Club will hold a Bestie Bash celebration on Saturday, Feb. 5 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. As a unique way to celebrate friendship, Bestie Bash will allow children and their families the opportunity to create special Valentine's gifts for their loved ones and best friends. From friendship bracelets to sparkly makeovers, to classic Valentine's Day cards, Bestie Bash is the perfect way for kids to celebrate friendship as they dance, play, craft and create.

Bestie Bash is held in partnership with KidX Club, a program that sponsors free events to inspire children to connect with their families and explore their surrounding world.

## Arts and Hearts

On Feb. 10 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Orange Park Mall will host Arts and Hearts: A Galentine's Event, where guests can create a unique paint and pour canvas, with the experts from the Art Spot, taste a variety of unique wines, and enjoy some delicious small bites from local vendors.

The cost is \$10 per person and advance reservations are required as space is limited. Guests may register online at OrangeParkMall.com.

## Post. Your. Love.

Orange Park Mall will continue to spread positivity, both physically and virtually, this year with the interactive art experience, Post.Your.Love. during



the entire month of February. Guests are encouraged to handwrite notes of love, affirmation or encouragement on Post-It notes at this interactive exhibit, located near JCPenney. Notes can also be shared virtually using #PostYourLove on social media.

## Gift wrap services

Orange Park High School Band will be providing gift wrapping services on Saturday, February 12, Sunday, February 13 and on Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14 from 12 pm to 6 pm. Band volunteers have been wrapping gifts for guests over the holidays for the last 25 years and raised thousands of dollars. This will be the first time they will provide gift wrapping services for Valentine's Day and hope to continue for years to come.

Orange Park Mall remains focused on providing a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone. In addition to our already rigorous cleaning practices, guests will also find hand sanitization stations located throughout the town center. We ask that everyone conduct themselves in a safe and respectful way in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations, recommendations and health mandates, as well as each individual retailer's policies.

These sweet Valentine's Day celebrations are further examples of Orange Park Mall's commitment to creating innovative, engaging experiences within the community. For more information on these events and more, please visit OrangeParkMall.com.



Nickles and dimes:

# The price to be healthy

By William Davis  
Steel Mill Fleming Island

CLAY COUNTY – As a fitness trainer and gym owner, the most common objection in selling a new client on either personal training or a gym membership is cost. The cost of a service is always a topic to be sure, but why is it in 2022 when there are more avenues to get in shape than any other time in history are we still unhealthy?

If the issue of cost were the only issue, the problem would be solved. Gyms like Planet Fitness have been a race to the bottom of the pricing structure sit comfortably at the bottom of the bucket slowly collecting your money. You allow them to collect it because the price barrier for entry is so low (currently no money to sign up and \$10 a month membership). With such a low price point you get sucked into amenities you do not need or rarely use such as tanning, nice equipment, pizza parties, and classes you rarely attend. So, a low price is not the issue as most Planet Fitness members do not use their memberships and are rarely in peak physical condition.

Let us look at other "luxury" consumables we tend to purchase on a monthly, weekly, or even daily level. For this article, I am considering a gym membership and personal coaching a luxury, even though in reality it is as important as items like health insurance. For the purposes of this article, I will only use large national brands versus smaller mom-and-pop companies.

Are you a coffee person? Your average Starbucks coffee is \$3 and on average four days out of the week that is \$12. If you have a Frappuccino, its \$5 each so with our average of 4 days a week that comes to \$20. If we are talking eating out, the average cost of a commercially prepared meal is \$13 so that comes to \$52 a week. Maybe you are thinking healthy and want a smoothie. That will cost you \$8-10 which on the low end is \$64 a week. Let's cut loose and grab a drink, which will average us between \$12-\$15 each, and we are probably having more than one.

Let us look at other more entertaining

options. The average Netflix membership is \$15-\$20 and is set to rise this year. Hulu is \$13 for the cheap version and \$70 for the version with live television. The average movie ticket is \$11 and that is without any popcorn, soda, etc.

These are just a few items that most adult people have and quickly add up to way more than a gym membership or personal trainer would cost. So what else is in play besides money and how we use it?

Time and where you put it plays a huge role in not only the hobbies you choose but where your money is spent as well. When I use the term "time" I also mean attention because where you put your attention will eat up most of your time.

The average personal training session or gym group class is one hour long. That is only four-to-five hours out of an available 168 hours in any given week. According to US News the average American spends 3.1 hours a day watching tv, and that increased to 5.5 during and after the pandemic. According to a new study by Uswintch the average American spent 58 minutes a day simply on Facebook. This takes into consideration no other social media platforms such as Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, TikTok, etc.

The issue is attention and priority versus the simple cost of being healthy. I know many who spend significantly more each month than what I laid out above. According to the stats, the average American would rather not give up four-to-five hours a week to be healthy. Yet Americans consume the most as far as sales in the fitness realm. We are quick to buy body bands, detox teas, and others as seen on television garbage in search of a quick fix.

If you do not prioritize your health now you will be forced to deal with it later in the form of the disease, medical bills, and lower quality of life. I challenge you to look at what you spend your money and time on and shift some of that over to buying healthier foods and hitting the gym during the week. Your health and wellbeing depend on it.



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# Dealing with plant damage after a freeze

By Wayne Hobbs  
Environmental Horticulture Agent, Clay County

CLAY COUNTY – January brought us our first heavy frosts and some freezing temperatures across the region, which for many gardens has done some damage. Lawns and tender landscape plants are likely damaged or may even appear dead back to their base at this point. However, don't panic as patience is key when you have cold damage in your garden.

## Irrigation in winter

Watering before a freeze can help moderate soil temperatures, protecting the roots, so a good rain the day before a hard freeze can be a blessing. Make sure the soil around damaged plants stays somewhat moist and does not dry out completely. If temperatures ever stay below freezing for a prolonged period, watering may help defrost the soil and give plants some available water. (On a side note, never leave hoses pressurized with water during cold weather, it makes them likely to split or burst).

## Don't fertilize it

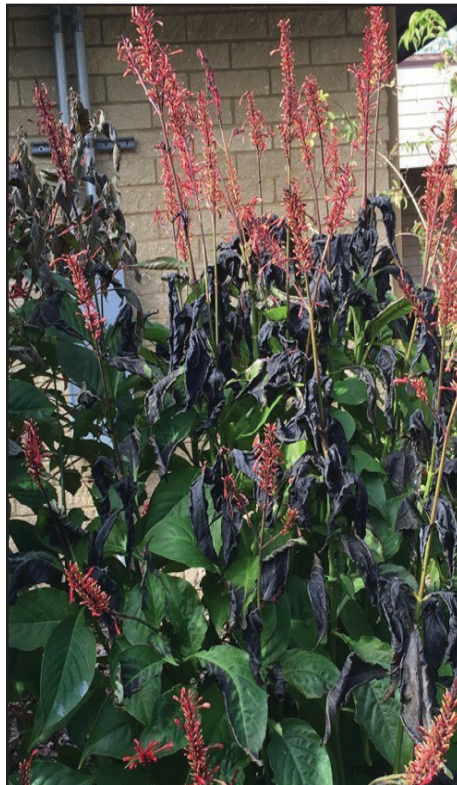
Injured plants make people want to baby them, don't. Do not fertilize until spring, when the plants begin actively growing again. Fertilization with nitrogen in the winter can lead to even more damage as the young growth nitrogen promotes is very cold sensitive.

## Don't prune it back

While it may be ugly, the wilted, brown, and dead plant material associated with frost or freeze damage protects the rest of the plant that is still living. Leave it there until the danger of cold is gone in the spring, then check for fresh growth. Woody plants can be checked by scratching the surface with a fingernail and seeing the color of the wood underneath: black or dark brown wood can be a sign of cold damage. Tender, fleshy plants like begonias or impatiens can be pruned back after cold so they don't rot and lead to disease.

## A browning lawn is normal

With cold weather, many lawns will



turn brown as they head into full dormancy, don't worry, this is normal. Some lawns will even take on a purplish tint in the cold.

However, if temperatures drop too low it can cause some permanent damage which can be observed by wilting, turning to a brown or white color, and then a rotting smell. If growth does not resume in the spring, you will likely need to replace damaged areas.

If you have any more questions about horticulture, any landscape topics, or need plant or pest materials identified, contact the University of Florida/IFAS Extension Office online at <http://www.clay.ifas.ufl.edu>, follow us on Facebook, or call by phone at (904) 284-6355.

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## Garden Club of Orange Park: February is national bird feeding month

By Carolyn Warren  
Birds, Bees and Butterflies Chairman

CLAY COUNTY – Looking for a hobby? Why not consider bird watching. February is National Bird Feeding Month.

This national holiday started in 1994 to recognize February as one of the most difficult months in the United States for wild birds. People are encouraged to help them by placing a feeder or feeders of different types in the yard. Different birds

prefer different feeders. Foods you can place in a feeder are birdseed mixtures, suet, brown or white rice and crumbled bread. Add a birdbath or fountain in your landscape to provide them with water. Please be sure to clean your feeders and birdbaths regularly to keep bacteria at bay. Bird watching gives us the pleasure of learning about the different species of birds and how to attract them to our yards.

Learn more about the garden club by following our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Orangeparkgardenclub> and our website at: <https://site.google.com/view/orangeparkgc>.



## Famous Budweiser Clydesdales coming to Clay

### For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – Winn-Dixie will host the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales at two Clay County stores next week.

Two Clydesdales from the renowned Budweiser team will trot to the Argyle Forest store on Friday, Feb. 4, from 5-7 p.m. and the Middleburg store on Saturday, Feb. 5, from 2-4 p.m.

Customers will have the opportunity to spin a prize wheel to win SE Grocers products and branded merchandise while they meet and take photos with the Budweiser Clydesdales at each appearance.

Winn-Dixie is excited to welcome the Budweiser Clydesdales from their stables in Missouri to offer customers the opportunity to interact with the famous steeds on their trip around the country.

The Argyle Forest store is located at 8560 Argyle Forest Blvd. and the Middleburg store is at 2720 Blanding Blvd.

In an effort to provide a safe experience for all attendees, Winn-Dixie encourages customers to practice social distancing and wear masks when distancing is not possible. Winn-Dixie 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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Wednesday service: 12:15 p.m.

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703 Middleburg Ave.

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Rev. Ronnie Surency  
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Congregational Holiness Church School

#### CROSSROAD LUTHERAN CHURCH

5101 Lakeshore Drive West  
Fleming Island Plantation  
Rev. James Graeser • 264-6575

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671 Decoy Rd. • 284-5223

#### FAITH BAPTIST TEMPLE

Rev. Louie Doan • 4330 CR-15A

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433 Palmetto Ave. 284-5490

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

615 Walnut St. • 284-9231  
Pastor Anselmo Castano

#### FIRST HAITIAN CHURCH

Rev. Fritzer Jean  
1489 Russell Rd.

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Buddy Dean, Pastor  
5945 Hwy 17 S.  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
Sun. @ 10 a.m.; Thurs. @ 7 p.m.  
850-322-4201

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark D. Hulst  
300 Gum St., Green Cove Springs 32043  
284-9261 www.firstpresrgcs.org  
Sunday worship 8:00 & 10:30 am  
Sunday school 9 am

#### FIRST UNITED METHODIST

David S. Jackson  
500 Walnut St. • 284-9700

#### FOUNTAIN OF FAITH OUTREACH MINISTRY

Sunday services, 11 a.m.  
Mooshaven Chapel Phone 251-5484

#### GRACE MISSIONARY BAPTIST

4411 Springbank Rd., GCS  
Brother Spurgeon Hayes - Pastor  
Sun. School 10 - 11 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 - Noon  
Sunday Eve. 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Wed. Eve. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday. Eve. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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3218 U.S. 17 N. • 284-6916

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Warren Chessel, Pastor  
1120 Clay St. at Hwy 17  
Fleming Island, FL 32003 • 529-5229

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7100 Highway 17 • Green Cove Springs  
904-529-8944

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Thursday. Eve. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Johnny Bryant • 1315 East St.  
Middleburg, FL 32068

#### MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST

Rev. Robert L. Wright  
1300 MLK Blvd. • 284-9431

#### MT. ZION A.M.E. CHURCH

549 Palmetto Ave.  
James Pennell, Sr.  
2001 Deel Rd.

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Rev. Darrell Sammons  
1106 N. Orange Ave. • 284-3937

#### PARADISE CHURCH

1809 East West Parkway  
Fleming Island, Florida 32003  
www.paradiseljax.com  
Pastor: Dr. Randy Bryan  
randy@paradiseljax.com

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2299 Sandridge Rd., GCS  
Lake Asbury • 284-3951  
8:15 am, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm Sunday Service

#### ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH

207 Palmetto Ave., Green Cove  
(Sacred Heart Parish facility)  
Nicholas A. Marziani, Pastor  
11 a.m. Sunday Worship  
Phone: 460-0535

#### ST. JOSEPH BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Emory Bradley P.O. Box 1042  
Fleming Island, Florida 32003

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Rev. Amy A. Slater  
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Wednesday service: 12:15 p.m.

#### SHARON SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH

5584 Sharon Rd. • 284-0046

#### SOUL WINNING TEMPLE HOLINESS CHURCH

Pastor Leekin Lockett  
Ernestine Lockett (Overseer)  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
607 Walnut Street • 284-4151

#### THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

780 Water Oak Lane Fleming Island, Fla.  
(904) 284-3722  
Worship services begin at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

#### BEULAH BAPTIST

4579 SR. 21 • 529-9530  
beulahbaptist1850@yahoo.com  
Sunday School 9 a.m., Services 10 am Wednesday 7 p.m.

#### SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Marc Swarthout  
CR 226 • 284-9044

#### FIRST BLACK CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

3904 Hwy. 16 W.  
529-9084

#### PENNEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

"Interdenominational"  
Phing & Caroline Blvd. • 284-8200

#### SUNRISE BAPTIST CHURCH

1015 Idlewild Ave., Green Cove Springs  
Sunday Sch 9:30 am., Worship 10:30 a.m.,  
Wed. 7 p.m.

#### SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday 8:00., 10:30, 5:30 Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
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Green Cove Springs • 284-0623  
Sunday AM 5:30-9:45 Sunday AM 10:45 Wednesday Bible Study 7:00

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#### CHRIST EVANG. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Todd Engel, Pastor  
3760 SR 21, KH  
Sunday worship 9:15 am, 10:30 am. Wed. Bible hour 6:30 pm.

#### FRESH START FELLOWSHIP

Fresh Start Fellowship  
7191 State Road 21N Keystone  
352-473-6550  
Sunday Service 10:00 am  
Wednesday 6:30 pm

#### FRIENDSHIP BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. Paul Coleman, Pastor  
1155 Orchid Avenue  
Keystone Heights, FL 32656 • 352-473-2713  
Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening 6 p.m. and Wed. 7 p.m.

#### IMMANUEL ANGLICAN CHURCH

915 Orchid Avenue  
The Reverend Raul Toro  
Sunday Service 10AM  
www.immanuel-keystone.org

#### KEYSTONE CHURCH OF CHRIST

6963 State Rd. 21 North  
Keystone Heights 352-475-5805  
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.  
Wednesday 6 p.m.

#### KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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#### KEYSTONE HEIGHTS FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

SR 100 High Ridge Estates

#### KEYSTONE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Donnell Tate  
4004 SR 21  
800, 915, & 11:00 Services 352-473-3829 • www.keystone-umc.org

### MIDDLEBURG

#### APOSTOLIC LIGHTHOUSE OF MIDDLEBURG

Pastor M. David Goodman  
4182 CR 218 Suite 6,  
Middleburg, FL 32068  
Sunday Worship 11:00am./ Wed. 7:00pm.  
(904) 298-1443 or (904) 945-9663

#### BLACK CREEK CHURCH OF CHRIST

3216 State Rd. 218 • 282-4033

#### BLACK POND BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Charlie Hunt, Senior Pastor  
3644 Old Jennings Rd., Middleburg FL 32068  
282-5718

#### BRANAN FIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Jack Lee  
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#### CALVARY BAPTIST

Pastor Ken Pledger  
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Pastor Daniel Fildgett  
20 Cinnamon St. 282-0881

#### CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER

4201 Everett Ave. • Middleburg, FL  
Wendell A. Shaw, Minister  
Mark Sellers, Minister 291-1235

#### CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Charles McCauckin  
1051 Russell Rd. 282-5048  
Corner of CR 220 & 209  
Sunday School 10:00 am.  
Sunday Service 11:00 am.

#### GOOD SAMARITAN ANGLICAN CHURCH

Rev. Christopher M. Klukas, Rector  
3813 Old Jennings Rd.  
904-406-5660  
www.GoodSamaritanAnglican.org  
Sunday Worship 8:00am & 10:30am  
Sunday School 9:30-10:15am

#### CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH

1595 Baxley Road, Middleburg, FL 32068  
Pastor John Sweat, Sr. 904-376-5049

#### EGLISE BAPTISTE DU CALVAIRE

A French-Creole Speaking Church  
Dr. Samuel Louis-Ivan, Pastor  
1532 Long Bay Rd.  
Sunday School 10:00 am.  
Worship Service 11:00 am.  
Sunday Night 7:00pm  
638-5344

#### EVANGEL TEMPLE

Southwest 5040 CR 218  
Middleburg, FL 32068  
Sunday Morning 10:40am. Wed. 7:30pm.  
904-291-1426

#### FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Pastor Ira Cloud  
3167 CR 215  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday 7 pm to 8 p., Children's Church,  
Student Ministries, Adult Bible Study

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Bobby R. Lewis, Jr.  
2645 Blanding Blvd. 282-5289

#### FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

Pastor Bob Coulter  
3965 Old Jennings Rd. 282-1810

#### FREEDOM DESTINY

1241 Blanding Blvd.,  
Orange Park, 32065  
Pastor Adam Smithyman

#### GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Edward L. Weinberg  
Everett Avenue, Middleburg  
282-7777  
Pastor Melvin Register

#### KINGSLEY LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

Jonathan Rodriguez, Pastor  
6289 Mary Dot Lane  
Starkie, FL 3209  
Sunday School 9:45am.  
Sunday Worship

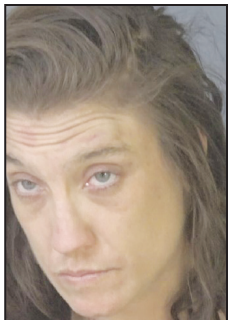


# Police Briefs

## CCSO K-9 tracks down woman running from high-speed chase

MIDDLEBURG – A 34-year-old woman was arrested after she ran from Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies and was caught by one of the agency's K-9 deputies.

Teresa Lynn Rigby, of Middleburg, was charged with grand theft auto, possession of crack cocaine, resisting arrest, driving despite never being issued a license, leaving the scene of an accident with property damage



Teresa Rigby

after a deputy saw her driving southbound in the northbound lane of Hibiscus Avenue. When he attempted to stop the Ford pickup, CCSO said she drove away at a high rate of speed. She lost control of the car and she bailed from the moving vehicle and ran into the woods on Hibiscus. The pickup truck eventually crashed through a fence and came to rest in a ditch.

K-9 Cash was deployed and the dog tracked her down to a porch at the same property where the car crashed.

Her bond was set at \$57,612.

## Man charged with defrauding workman's compensation

JACKSONVILLE – A man was arrested and charged with defrauding the Workman's Compensation program for paying workers "off the books" to reduce the cost of his workman's compensation insurance premiums.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office said Juan Luis Menera Ayala's payrolls was more than \$100,000, but some of his employees were paid in cash so minimize the cost of his policy.

He was charged with workman's compensation fraud and failure to collect wage deductions from employees. Although he listed Jacksonville as his current address, he was arrested on Jan. 27 in Bunnell. CCSO said he is accused of committing fraud when he lived in Orange Park.

Menera Ayala's bond was set at \$35,006.



Juan Menera Ayala

## Deputies discover pot plants while checking out domestic disturbance

MIDDLEBURG – Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies were called to a home on Teaberry Drive on Jan. 31 for a disturbance, and they wound up finding marijuana plants growing in a spare bedroom.

Sean Dustin Letterle, 31, of Middleburg, was charged with the cultivation of marijuana.

When deputies arrived at the home, they couldn't make contact with the wife. When Letterle came home, he gave them permission to check the house to make sure she was all right. They found her hiding in a bathtub in the spare room. They also found two marijuana cultivation tents and ultraviolet lights.



Sean Letterle

## Jacksonville man charged with stalking Clay County woman

JACKSONVILLE – A man ordered not to contact a local woman was arrested after he sent her emails and was caught with a firearm less than two miles from her house, the Clay County Sheriff's Office said.

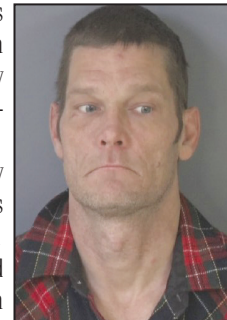
Raymond Curry Leathers, 47, was charged on Jan. 31 with aggravated stalking in violation of a court order and violating an injunction

for protection against domestic violence with two or more prior convictions after the sheriff's office and the U.S. Marshal Service tracked Leathers down to his home in Jacksonville.

According to the arrest warrant, Leathers is accused of sending the woman emails on several occasions between Dec. 5, 2020, and Oct. 12, 2021.

A Clay County judge signed the injunction on Dec. 5, 2020, that restricted Leathers from contacting the woman or being within 500 feet of her current address.

Leathers is being held at the Clay County Jail without bond.



Raymond Leathers

# 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, Feb. 1

Matthew J. Briggs, 20, Middleburg, DUI  
Douglas D. Nelson, 29, Keystone Heights, simple battery  
Emily L. Hipps, 31, Green Cove Springs, shoplifting (Duval)  
Jonathan L. Hansell, 26, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR  
Tyra L. Amison, 26, Green Cove Springs, writ of attachment  
Jamie E.L. Sanders, 29, Green Cove Springs, VOP-grand theft auto, VOP-possession-controlled substance  
Stephanie D. Perry, 34, Orange Park, shoplifting  
Kelsey M. Stites, 31, Orange Park, two counts VOP-DUI  
Richard M. Ray, 25, Middleburg, fraudulent use of credit card, armed burglary, possession-firearm/ammunition by convicted felon  
Antonio D.J. Ramirez Ozuma, 31, Jacksonville, two counts FTA  
Claudia P. Valverde, 43, Orange Park, aggravated assault with deadly weapon

Cody M. McCormick, 34, Middleburg, FTA  
Lydia T. B. Kaybia, 54, Orange Park, abuse of elderly person  
Jeremy R. Asberry, 33, Middleburg, DWLSR  
Nakeya L. King, 31, Orange Park, two counts FTA  
Donald P. Anderson, 37, Fleming Island, DUI

### Monday, Jan. 31

Nakeya L. King, 31, Orange Park, two counts FTA  
Sean D. Letterle, 31, Middleburg, cultivation of marijuana  
Raymond C. Leathers, 47, Jacksonville, stalking/violation of court order, two counts violation of injunction for protection against domestic violence, resist/obstruct/oppose police, violation of injunction against domestic violation with possession of firearm/ammunition  
Terry J. Johns, 55, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-fentanyl, possession-drug paraphernalia, FTA-DWLSR  
Tina P. McWhorter, 41, Orange Park, three counts FTA  
David T. Milan, 40, Orange Park, simple domestic battery, adult false imprisonment  
Jesse O. Scott, 46, Jacksonville, armed robbery  
James A. Simon, 46, Orange Park, FTA-

DWLSR, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia  
Austin L. Downs, 26, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl  
Teresa L. Rigby, 34, Middleburg, grand theft auto, possession-crack, resist/obstruct/oppose police, driving without a valid license, leaving the scene of an accident with property damage  
Kemal L. McCrimager, 32, Orange Park, possession-marijuana, giving false name/ID. DWLSR

### Sunday, Jan. 30

Michael K. Brown, 62, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication  
Amber E. Desilva, 29, Green Cove Springs, simple domestic battery  
Lance A. Dees, 47, Middleburg, DUI, DWLSR-habitual offender  
Jamar O. Boddie, 34, Orange Park, resist/obstruct/oppose police, disorderly intoxication, trespassing

### Saturday, Jan. 29

Serina S. Smith, 29, Orange Park, FTA  
Jonathan O. Turner, 38, Middleburg, possession-Xanax, possession-buprenorphine, possession-marijuana  
Kyle A. Compton, 28, Middleburg, DUI, DWLSR  
Andrea P. Guillory, 31, Orange Park, shoplifting  
Devin J. Powe, 30, Orange Park, shop-

lifting  
Nicholas J. Burris, 22, Orange Park, FTA  
Lauren N. Marchand, 42, Middleburg, cyberstalking  
Trevor M. Clark, 20, Green Cove Springs, FTA  
Deante' M. Gunn, 28, Orange Park, DUI, DWLSR  
Julie N. Jones, 46, Orange Park, simple battery  
Landon A. Hood, 22, Middleburg, VOP, DUI, DWLSR, giving false name/ID  
Mercedes M. Mosley, 25, Orange, simple domestic battery

### Friday, Jan. 28

Nicholas J. Launikitis, 25, Middleburg, felony domestic battery by strangulation, tampering in felony proceeding  
Miranda N. Hansen, 23, Orange Park, two counts FTA-failure to return hired/eased property  
Sclain Long, 23, Orange Park, FTA-petit theft  
Katherine D. Straub, 24, Orange Park, uttering forged instrument  
Jonathan M. Nelson, 36, introduce/remove/conceal contraband into jail, two counts possession-fentanyl, alter/destroy/conceal/remove physical evidence, possession-drug paraphernalia  
Edwin F. Barber, 45, Middleburg,



# State files three more charges against former Sheriff Daniels

Judge agrees to push his trial back to May 16

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A judge from St. Augustine agreed Wednesday to give attorneys representing former Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels three more months to prepare after the state added three additional charges against him.

Prosecutors from Ocala added one count of tampering with or destroying evidence and two more counts of making false accusations to law enforcement. Those were added to the one felony count of tampering and three counts of giving false information to law enforcement of an alleged

crime.

Prosecutors said the new tampering charge was added after they learned Daniels may have deleted a Google account.

The trial originally was set to start last Dec. 13, but it was moved to Feb. 21.

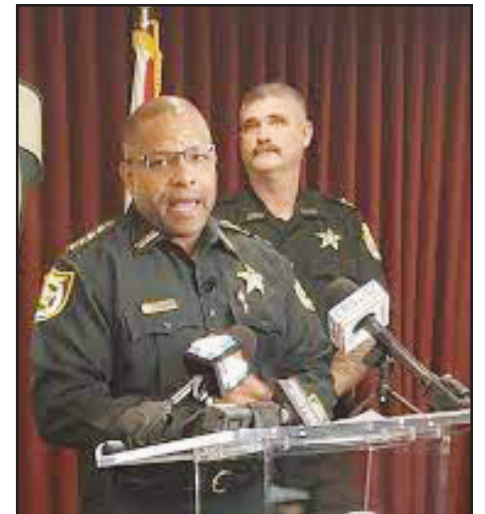
Daniels eventually will face a jury to face charges that came while authorities said he tried to cover up his extramarital affair with a former co-worker.

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.



## College Briefs

### Nine local students earn degrees from University of Maryland Global Campus

ADELPHI, Md. – The following local students have earned degrees from the University of Maryland Global Campus in fall 2021: Orange Park's Kyurlan Guzman, Associate of Arts, Chenise Wade, Bachelor of Science, Computer Networks and Cybersecurity, Keston Adharsingh, Bachelor of Science, Information Systems Management and Tania Sunti, Bachelor of Science, Political Science; Middleburg's Jonathan Melton, Associate of Arts, Ryan Bitz, Bachelor of Science, Human Resource Management and Brady Joslin, Bachelor of Science, Homeland Security; Green Cove Springs' Douglas Connors, Bachelor of Science, Environmental Management; and, Fleming Island's Jacob Albritton, Bachelor of Science, Computer Networks and Cybersecurity.

More than 8,000 students from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, as well as 30 countries and U.S. territories, earned UMGC degrees worldwide in fall 2021.

### 10 Clay students earn Valdosta State's Dean's List recognition

VALDOSTA, Ga. – More than 1,700 students were named to Valdosta State University's Fall 2021 Dean's List, including Kyleigh Reedy of Middleburg, Hannan Cooper and Bre'niah Hare of Oakleaf, Autumn Brown, Tatiana King, Janene Bufkin, Melina George and Julia Higdon of Orange Park and Kiley Musco and Michael Sapp of Fleming Island.

To qualify for Dean's List at VSU, students must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on nine or more semester hours with an institutional grade point average of 3.00 or higher. Please

note that developmental studies, transient, and graduate students are not eligible for Dean's List status.

Established in 1906, Valdosta State University is a premier comprehensive university that offers both the extensive academic, cultural, and social opportunities of a major university and the small classes and close, personal attention of smaller institutions. VSU boasts more than 100 degree, certificate, and endorsement programs on campus and online for undergraduate and graduate students, as well as a full menu of extracurricular activities, from national championship athletic and academic teams to honors organizations, sororities and fraternities, intramural sports, educational and service clubs, a symphony orchestra, art and theatre, research opportunities, and more.

### Stephens on Dean's List at Bob Jones University

GREENVILLE, S.C. – Taylor Stephens, a freshman theatre major from Keystone Heights, was among approximately 820 Bob Jones University students selected to the Fall 2021 Dean's List.

The Dean's List recognizes students who earn a 3.00-3.74 grade point average during the semester.

Located in Greenville, South Carolina, Bob Jones University provides an outstanding regionally accredited Christian liberal arts education purposely designed to inspire a lifelong pursuit of learning, loving and leading.

## Arrests

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possession-fentanyl, failure to register

Thomas W. Snell, 56, Green Cove Springs, FTA-larceny

Ashley R. Kinser, 36, Green Cove Springs, VOP-battery, VOP-resisting police

### Thursday, Jan. 27

Ricky D. Overton, 19, Green Cove Springs, trafficking-methamphetamine  
Eunice D. Wells, 49, Orange Park, trespassing

Marlon A. Valmores, 44, simple battery  
Christopher L. Schoch, 36, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-cocaine, VOP-possession-drug paraphernalia, VOP-DUI

Andriel R. Finley, 38, Orange Park, VOP-community control

Lindsey C. Hunley, 40, Orange Park, VOP-battery of person 65 or older

Emory L. Daniels, 29, Oakleaf, simple domestic battery, possession-controlled substance

Jason W. McCarthy, 30, Middleburg,

shoplifting

Juan L. Menera Ayala, 39, Argyle Forest, workman's compensation fraud, failure the collect/pay wage deductions

### Wednesday, Jan. 26

Jeffrey S. Hartung, 31, Orange Park, two counts battery on person 65 or older

Sandra G. Smith, 41, Middleburg, shoplifting

Daniel J. Giglo, 35, Middleburg, electronic transmission of information to harm (Bradford), traveling to meet minor for sex (Bradford), use of two-way communication device to facilitate a felony (Bradford), failure to report change in email address/internet identification (Bradford)

Denard T. Brown, 37, Starke, domestic battery

Lehua L. Diaz, 24, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA

Joshua R. Watts, 34, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWSLR

Charles M. Thomas, 24, Middleburg, DUI, DWSLR

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# Calendar

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March 24 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**GARTH BROOKS:** will perform on March 26 at the Camping World Stadium in Orlando. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:** will conduct a workshop on March 29 at 10 a.m. at the Fleming Island High Teacher Training Center, 2233 Village Square Pkwy.

**DISNEY ON ICE: DREAM BIG:** is coming to the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena from March 31-April 3, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or ticketmaster.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on April 5 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:** will meet on April 5 at 1 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

**JUSTIN BIEBER:** will perform on April 7 at the VyStar Veterans Memorial Arena, 300 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd., in Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [vystarveteransarena.com](http://vystarveteransarena.com) or ticketmaster.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on April 7 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:** will meet on April 7 at 6 p.m. at the Fleming Island High Teacher Training Center, 2233 Village Square Pkwy.

**BROTHERS OSBORNE:** will be joined by Travis Denning and Tenille Towns on April 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place at TIAA Bank Field, Jacksonville. For tickets, visit [dailysplace.com](http://dailysplace.com).

**WIZARD OF PAWS DINNER AND GALA:** will be April 9 from 5-9 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr., Orange Park. Tickets are \$60 each. For purchase, contact the Safe Animal Shelter at 2913 County Road 220, Middleburg, or call (904) 375-9122.

**BEN FOLDS:** will perform on April 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Dr., Orange Park. For tickets, visit [thcenter.org](http://thcenter.org).

**MIDDLEBURG LIONS CLUB:** will meet on April 12 at 1 p.m. at Cedar River Seafood Restaurant, 2475 Blanding Blvd. The public is invited.

**DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS:** will meet on April 12 at 7 p.m. at 470 Madeira Dr., Orange Park.

**LAKE REGION KIWANIS:** will meet on April 14 at 7:30 a.m. at Camp Montgomery, 88 SE 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Starke.

**PENNEY FARMS TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet at 7 p.m. on April 19 at the Town Hall, 4100 Clark Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:** will meet on April 19 at 1 p.m. at the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

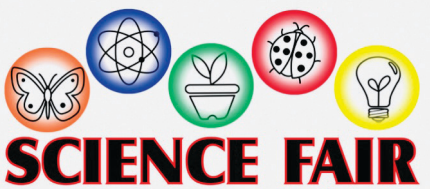


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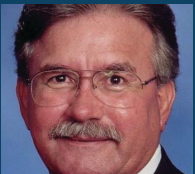
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## OUR NEW HERO: CONNER MCKAY

HEAVEN GETS AN ALL-STAR DEFENSIVE END, #CONNER7STRONG

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Last March 28 was a fateful day for Conner McKay after a successful youth football season that saw his Fleming Island Dreadnaughts 10-Under team get into the National Championship tournament by way of Valdosta "Titletown" Georgia's exclusion from the tournament.

"We started spring football and he complained of headaches so we went to the hospital to check on a concussion," said Brittany McKay, who was at Conner's side on Saturday at Fleming Island High School when members of his 10-Under team were set to take on Oakleaf in a 2021 12-Under team contest under the lights at the high school. "They checked him out and found the tumor at about 2:30 a.m."

The tumor, a DIPG brain tumor, is on Conner's brainstem and both the tumor and the swelling around it affect his balance, his coordination and his vision.

Conner started radiation treatments in April with a six week blast of daily treatments minus the weekends that ended on May 26.

"I fall a lot and my energy is kind of day by day," said Conner, as his former teammates gathered for hugs at the Fleming Island festival in his honor. "It doesn't hurt, but they say they can't go in and get it out."

Brittany McKay, and husband Sean, a U.S. Naval

### UPDATE

Conner McKay lost his battle with his brain tumor the morning of Mon., Jan. 31, 2022. For me, the news was a punch in the stomach for a beautiful person who personified the love of being a teammate on a sport. McKay showed no fear, no remorse and no less enthusiasm for being a teammate to his Fleming Island Dreadnaught team on that Fleming Island High School sideline that I was honored to have a conversation with him. He later swam with sharks, rode his brand new bicycle and, astoundingly, learned and taught sign language to himself and his family when the tumor took his voice from him. so that he could continue to have his profound conversations of God's plan for him. In lieu of flowers, McKay's family is asking that friends of Conner may donate to his The Cure Starts Now Foundation under Conner McKay's name ([p2p.thecurestartsnow.org](http://p2p.thecurestartsnow.org)).

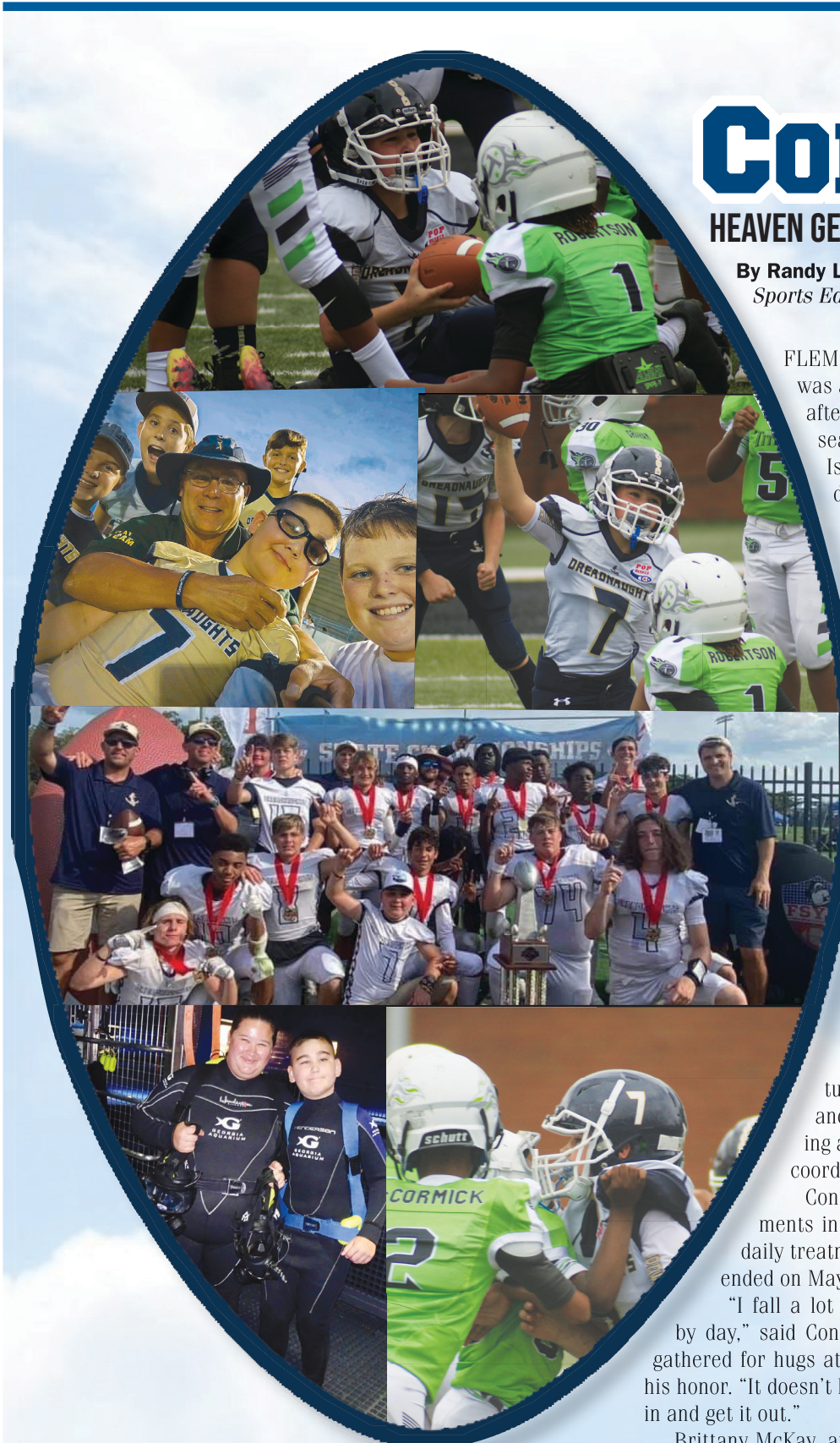
officer, noted Conner's treatments; chemotherapy and a ton of anti-immune therapy drug trial, have kept him sustaining life, but it is his affection toward his football family that is keeping his smile in tact.

For Dreadnaughts coach Michael Kenny, Conner's impact on the field and now off the field is immeasurable.

"His team was undefeated in regular season, won the conference title and made it to round four of the national playoffs," said Kenny. "Conner was a ripped, fast and athletic defensive end that had a big motor. I play my best athletes at the defensive end position all the time and he was it. His situation made all of us recalibrate what was most important in life."

For Kenny, the impact of the diagnosis was palpable and fueled a state championship run by his 14Under team that eventually only accepted the

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# Eagles use muscle to upend Raiders

By Mike Zima  
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island power forward Ahman Greenidge scored 18 points and hauled down 10 rebounds as Fleming Island used a dominant third quarter to nip visiting Orange Park 53-52 Thurs., Jan. 27, in a battle of Clay County titans that lived up to its billing.

Greenidge, who is committed to play at Wingate next fall, scored eight points in the first half and added 10 more in the second.

"He brings strength and power to the floor," said Fleming Island head coach Traavis Chandler. "Plus, he is quick and agile."

The six-foot, five inch Greenidge combined with fellow senior Demarion Valmyr, who stands six feet, seven inches and weighs 245 pounds, to give Fleming Island a decisive edge on the boards. The Golden Eagles outrebounded the Raiders 32-20, giving themselves extra shots at the basket. Valmyr scored on three putbacks after offensive rebounds.

"They have the size and beef to get it done," said Chandler of his front court duo. "If they crash the boards hard, it is hard to box them out."

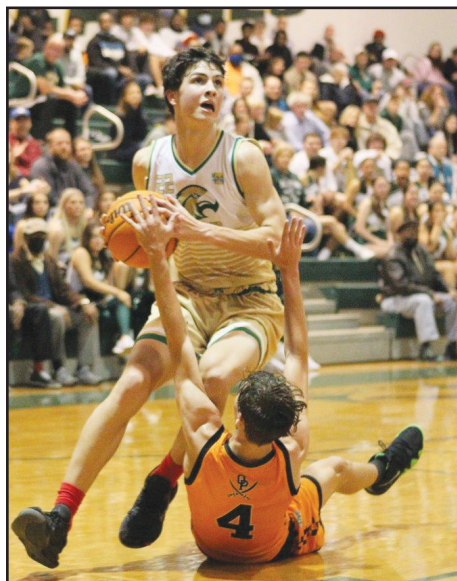
Fleming Island outscored the Raiders 24-9 in the decisive third quarter. Greenidge and Valmyr notched 10 points during a 13-2 Fleming Island run over the first four minutes of the second half to turn a 22-16 Golden Eagles' deficit into a 29-24 advantage. Fleming Island led from that point on.

When Colton Zapp swished a three-point jumper from the right wing to give the Golden Eagles a 47-36 lead with four minutes remaining, it appeared that Fleming Island would win easily. But Orange Park scored the game's next eight points on two three-pointers by Sherrard Adams and two free throws by point guard Thomas Faucett to close within 47-44 at the 2:00 mark.

Greenidge then scored off of a feed from wing Antoine Sandy and on a dunk in transition, but was matched by a drive by Faucett and a floater by Adams. Down three, the Raiders' Jeremiah Gabriel passed up a contested three-point opportunity and drove to the rim. His lay-up closed the gap to 53-52 with 1.2 seconds left. After a time out, Zapp inbounded the ball to Greenidge, who quickly flipped it back to Zapp before any Raider could foul him, running out the clock.

"We never quit," said Orange Park head coach Derek Kurnitsky. "We have got a lot of heart and character."

Large contingents from both schools, including a boisterous Fleming Island student section, created a playoff atmosphere for one of the season's most anticipated matchups. Fleming Island, top-ranked



Fleming Island guard Colton Zapp runs over Orange Park guard Thomas Faucett in Golden Eagles win on Thursday.

team in Class 6A, and Orange Park, the sixth-ranked school in Class 5A, play similar full court pressing, fast-breaking styles. The constant pressure by both teams contributed to a frenetic first half in which neither team could establish an offensive rhythm. With defenses extended beyond the three-point arch, open shots were hard to come by. The Raiders converted two Fleming Island turnovers into points and took a 6-0 lead. Orange Park led 8-7 at the end of the first quarter.

The Raiders, and particularly Jacksonville University commit Josiah Sabino, gained traction in the second quarter. Sabino scored 10 of his team-high 18 points in the first half as Orange Park took a 20-16 lead into the intermission.

Both teams handled the pressure much better in the second half, combining to score 69 points.

The Golden Eagles' eighth consecutive win runs their record to 21-1, but more accurately now at 12-10 with the loss of games played with transfer point guard Bennie McDuffie, no longer on the team amidst an FHSAA investigation. Orange Park is at 20-4 after adding two more wins since the Fleming Island game with wins over Nease (69-52) and Trinity Christian (79-59).

Both coaches enjoyed the intense atmosphere and felt that the game would help prepare their squads for the playoffs, which begin next week.

"If you like high school basketball, then this was the place to be," said Kurnitsky. "I think Clay County gets underestimated, but there is really good basketball here."

Chandler's comments were similar: "It was great," he said. "When both teams are good, it is fun for the teams and fun for the community."

Zapp finished with 12 points for Fleming Island, while Orange Park's Gabriel had 11.



Orange Park forward Jeremiah Garcia goes airborne against Fleming Island's Ahman Greenidge.



Orange Park's Josiah Sabino gets upended by Fleming Island guard Gavin Goldblatt.



Fleming Island guard Gavin Goldblatt tries for steal on Orange Park's Josiah Sabino.



Fleming Island's Gavin Goldblatt evades shot block swipe of Orange Park's Thomas Faucett.

Fleming Island found out last week from the Florida High School Athletic Association that senior point guard Bennie McDuffie, who transferred from Mandarin High School over the summer, is ineligible for play for the Golden Eagles. McDuffie has already transferred to Potter's House.

Fleming Island has now beaten Clay County opponents Oakleaf, Clay, Ridgeview

and Orange Park. The only Clay County public school the Golden Eagles do not play is Middleburg, which has a record of 11-10.

Fleming plays at Jacksonville Andrew Jackson (21-2) on February 3. The Tigers handed the Golden Eagles their only loss on December 23 in Fleming Island's first game without McDuffie.

CORRESPONDENT PHOTOS BY RAY DIMONDA





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Oakleaf Junior High basketball got a double shot of victory with wins by the girls and boys teams in the Northeast Florida Athletic Conference (NEFAC) championships against Baker County in both games. The girls won, 37-32, and the boys won 44-33. Javares Rickerson scored 20 points for the Oakleaf boys team with three three-pointers. Shelby Gaines scored 26 for the girls team.

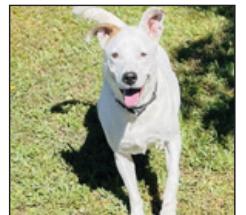


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# Wilkinson grapplers double down

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

MIDDLEBURG - After winning the Clay County Middle School wrestling championship trophy last week, Wilkinson Junior High earned a second title with the North Florida Championship trophy coming on Saturday; again with a narrow victory over Lake Asbury.

Wilkinson, with four individual champions and 11 top five finishers, scored 277.5 points to edge Lake Asbury's 251.5 for the title.

"It's all about the numbers," said Wilkinson coach Chuck Gerber. "We have grown the program to have had enough kids to fill the weights and have now progressed to have a handful of hammers to lead the team. A couple of individual champions combined with a lot of top fives is a good strategy to win tournaments like this."

Riversprings finished third at 234 as the top three all scored above 200 points. Oakleaf was fourth at 177 followed by Green Cove Springs at sixth and Lakeside ninth in the 15 team field.

Champions for Wilkinson were Gavin



Wilkinson Junior High finished their outstanding season with a third trophy; the NEFAC Middle School championships after wins in the Toughman Invite and the Clay County Championship.

Fisher at 80, Brad Darnold at 170, Porter Loveland at 195 and John Elixson at 220.



Lake Asbury wrestler Bryce Jordan, right, gets some pre-match advice from former Middleburg High wrestler Alex Neyfack.



Green Cove Springs' Fontenot Trace repositions arm of Lake Asbury's Liam Cooper in 95 pound championship pin.

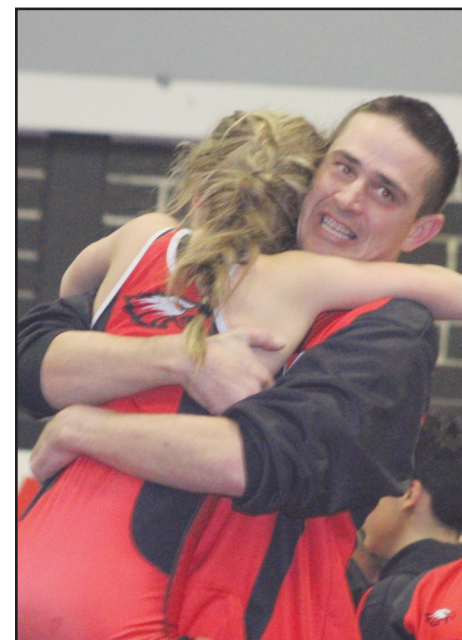
In one of the more dramatic matches, the third place match at 90 pounds pitted Wilkinson's Lilly Bradshaw against Wakulla's Kyler Jones that saw Bradshaw squirm from repeated neck holds to reverse Jones and win a 17-12 decision.

At 80 pounds, Fisher opened the Lake Asbury challenge with his match the opening salvo for Wilkinson with a 11-3 major decision over Landon Willard.

At the other end of the lineup, Wilkinson 195 Porter Loveland turned the tables in overtime over Daniel Taylor of Lake Asbury with a 4-2 win in sudden victory.

At 220, Wilkinson John Elixson scored a first period pin over Garrett Davis of Lakeside in that final.

In more finals, Gaje Depoe of Lake City pinned Levi Osborne of Suwannee at 75; Conner Barnes of Oakleaf majored Ashton Brooks of Wakulla 11-1 at 85; Michael Micelli won 5-0 over Matthew Thaxton of Riverside at 90; Jasper Croom of Florida High pinned Lake Asbury's Liam Cooper at 95; Lemmy Kirkland of Lake Asbury beat Reice Carraway 10-6 at 100; Hayden Bradshaw beat Chris McKeel of Oakleaf 3-0 at 106; Landon Martin of Green Cove won 4-2 over Noah Shevchook of Oakleaf at 113; Kailani Barrientos of Oakleaf beat River Sansouci of Suwannee 4-3 at 120; Sebastian Bonchea of Oakleaf pinned Parker Richards of Lake Asbury at 126; Brady Jackson of Riversprings beat Cooper Beck of Green Cove 2-1 at 132; Ty Moses of Suwannee



Wilkinson coach Chuck Gerber hugs third place finisher Lilly Bradshaw after dramatic 17-12 win.

beat Zhane Smith of Lake City by pin at 138; Wyatt Brown of Riversprings beat Eric Brown of Oakleaf 13-3 at 145; Jordan Haigler of Florida High beat Gavin Mitchell of Riversprings 7-2 at 152; Keensdee Roserene of Lake Asbury pinned River Hahn of Suwannee at 160; Jarius Rogers of Lake Asbury pinned Landon Slater of Lake City at 182 and Christopher Jones of Oakleaf pinned Aiden Burgess of Riversprings at heavyweight.



Wilkinson Gavin Fisher contorts around to try and shoulder Landon Willard in 80 pound final.



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Fleming Island forward Kaitlyn Scherer walks away from Fletcher goal after missing penalty kick attempt early in first half of Golden Eagles overtime 4-3 penalty kick loss to Fletcher in district 3-6A semifinal.

## Eagles Final Four repeat over

By Anthony Richards

Ponte Vedra Recorder Sports Editor

PONTE VEDRA - Fleming Island High's girls soccer team, a Final Four finisher last year for first year coach Joy Rosano, ended abruptly Friday night at Ponte Vedra High with a double overtime, penalty kick 4-3 loss to Fletcher High in their district 3-6A semifinal. Fleming Island ends their season at 13-3-1.

"We had lots of opportunities, but we just couldn't capitalize," Rosano said. "We had two 10-minute overtimes and had a few opportunities there and we missed a penalty kick during the game. At that point, it was anybody's game."

The ever-competitive Rosano, a former standout player at Fleming Island High School, understood the feelings of her girls after the hard-fought contest.

"It sucks and it's not a fun way to end your season," Rosano said. "The girls

played hard, but we had some weird injuries with lots of cramping, which was not anticipated."

The game went to penalty kicks tied at 0-0 after Fleming Island had first shot at a goal on a penalty kick in the first half. Shooter Kaitlyn Scherer free kick sailed over the soccer cross bar in a missed scoring opportunity early in the game.

After the 0-0 final score after regulation time plus two 10-minute overtime periods, Fletcher won the penalty kick portion 4-3 after Fleming Island's Madi Male aimed for the bottom right corner but it was read correctly and saved by the Fletcher goalie.

The Senators clinched the victory after freshman Emma McMurray stepped up and buried the next kick to send them to the district final and bring the Golden Eagles' season to an abrupt end.

Fletcher advanced to play Ponte Vedra in the championship game.



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Ridgeview High's girls soccer team shows off district 4-5A championship trophy after Lady Panthers 4-0 win over Pedro Menendez High on Tuesday. In district 4-2A championship games, St. Johns Country Day School boys and girls teams both won their respective titles; 8-0 for the girls (Hannah Lemieux 3 goals), 3-1 for the boys (winning goal in final minute by Christopher Mouhourtis), both over St. Joseph Academy. Complete game reports in next week Clay Today sports.

# Raiders playoff run ends in district final

By Mike Zima  
Correspondent

ORANGE PARK - Orange Park High girls soccer goalie Taylor Murwin's 13 saves were not enough as visiting Jacksonville Stanton claimed the District 3-5A championship with a 6-1 victory over Orange Park on Mon., Jan. 31.

The loss likely ends the Raiders' most successful season since at least 2010. Unlike previous years, when the district runners-up automatically moved on to a road game in a regional quarterfinal against a district champion, this year the four district champions will be joined in the regionals by the top four at-large teams in the region as determined by the MaxPreps.com Class 5A rankings. Prior to Monday's game, the Raiders were ranked 53rd in Florida's Class 5A by MaxPreps.

Murwin redirected a close range shot by the Blue Devils' Tatum Register in the game's first minute and stonewalled Stanton leading scorer Courtney Brown on a one-on-one breakaway three minutes later. The senior made nine saves in the first half, including diving rejections at the 14:00 and 21:00 minute marks.

"Taylor is our heart and soul," said Orange Park head coach Gary Valero. "She is just good. The goals they [Stanton] did get, nobody could have stopped them."

Despite Murwin's efforts, the Stanton trio of Register, Brown and Victoria Quintero dominated the middle of the field, consistently controlling the ball and sending long outlet passes for their wings to chase down. Brown scored off

of a rebound at the 7:00 mark to open the scoring, and scored on a breakaway to give the Blue Devils a 3-0 lead at the 35:00 mark.

"Stanton has height and speed, but the biggest thing is their experience," said Valero. "We have three club players—they have a bunch."

Middle forward Ryanne Robinson gave the Raiders a lift going into halftime, controlling a rebound in the box and left-footing a bullet past Stanton keeper Savannah Yerger to cut Orange Park's deficit to 4-1. The goal was Robinson's 21st of the season, accounting for nearly half of the 43 goals the Raiders have scored.

"She is a beast," Valero said of Robinson. "She is so athletic, so smart."

Despite the loss, Valero was upbeat about the campaign and about where the program is headed.

"The last two years, Stanton merced us," he said, referring to the mercy rule which ends a match when one team goes ahead by eight goals at or after one half of play. "I am so proud of them."

Orange Park had not won more than three games in any season between 2015 and 2020, and won only a single game in Valero's first two years at the helm in 2019 and 2020. But the Raiders won seven games last season and finished 7-5-3 this year.

Seven of 10 starters will return for 2022-2023, including Robinson and co-captains Hope Miller and Davila.

Stanton improved to 9-5-1 and will host a regional quarterfinal on February 8.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Orange Park forward McKenna Donlan swipes ball from fallen Stanton player in Lady Raiders district championship won by Stanton 6-1 on Monday.



# Clay, Ridgeview finish 1-2 in region weightlifting

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

ST. AUGUSTINE - Clay County girls weightlifting teams came home with eight top finishers in the newest weightlifting technique; the Olympic Snatch; four from Clay, the team champion; three from Ridgeview, second place, and one from Middleburg in fifth place in a show of power at the region 2-2A girls weightlifting championships held Wednesday at St. Augustine High School. The Olympic Snatch entails lifting the weight directly from the floor to an overhead press position.

Clay finished ahead of Ridgeview with a 57-36 advantage with Middleburg fifth at 18 points behind Leesburg and Ponte Vedra.

Clay also came home with a team champion trophy for a third straight year in the Traditional Lift competition; Bench Press/Clean and Jerk competition.

Clay beat New Smyrna Beach with 49 points with New Smyrna scoring 23 and Middleburg and Leesburg tied for third at 18 points. Ridgeview was sixth with 16 points. Teams head to Port St. Joe High School on Fri., Feb. 11 for the Class 2A championships.

In the Olympic Snatch, Clay had championships from Gabby Etheridge winning at 110, Emma Heck at 129, Gianna Torres at 169 and Kyleigh LaFary at Unlimited all coming home with champion trophies.

Ridgeview opened with Ania Haber, a freshman, taking second behind Leesburg's Kaitlynn Brady in a tie at 75 pounds with the winner determined by body weight with Haber being heavier than Brady.

Ridgeview's first champion came at 119 with Adriana Dimeo beating Clay's Riley Ledford by 10 pounds; 110-100.

In the most dominating weight class, Clay freshman Emma Heck, at 129 with a body weight of just 128.5, hoisted 150 overhead to tie teammate Kyleigh LaFary, at Unlimited at 273.8 pounds, and Ridgeview's Ava Haber at 173.9 pounds, with the best



Clay High's Emma Heck has stormed the castle of weightlifting in just her freshman season for Blue Devils with amazing lifts through the season and not at district and regions. State meet next.

lift of the day. Heck's lift won the division by 50 pounds.

Ridgeview got titles with senior Tyra Sulph at 139 and Haber at 183 with Middleburg senior Katlyn Griffin winning at 199 with a 145 lift.

Leesburg and Citrus won two weight divisions. In the Traditional, where the power of the bench press is a determining difference in weight totals before the clean and jerk, Clay got champion efforts from Riley Ledford at 119, Heck at 129, Janiyah Stevens at 154, Anna Harbison at 183 and LaFary at Unlimited.

Griffin also won at 199 for Middleburg.

For the Panthers of Ridgeview, Ania Haber finished fifth ahead of Middleburg's Kaylann Gaitner.

Heck again was the class of the meet with a 355-280 total difference for her trophy with an astounding 60 pound gap in the clean and jerk. Heck won the bench press by just 15 pounds over runnerup Andie Tice of Matanzas.

Sulph finished third at 139 behind lifters from Lecanto and Matanzas with Middleburg's Kendall Bryan fourth.

At 154, Stevens won decisively with a 180-145 gap in the bench press, but just a 190-185 gap in the clean and jerk.



Ridgeview High's Leela Puliafico turns to ready for her bench press at region championships.



Middleburg's Katlyn Griffin, left, and Clay's High's Kyleigh LaFary at Unlimited, right, could be part of Clay/Middleburg/Ridgeview dominance at upper weights with Ridgeview's Ava Haber at 183 in Class 2A championship meet.

In 169, won at 360, the top five lifters all surpassed 300 pound totals with Clay's Gianna Torres fourth at 320 and Middleburg's Allison Cox fifth at 300.

At 183, Clay's Anna Harbison held a 20 pound bench press advantage over Ridgeview's Ava Haber to hold on to a 365-345 win as both clean and jerked 185.

At 199, Middleburg's Griffin missed at 170 on the bench press to sit in third, but stormed to a 200-165 edge in Clean and Jerk to win by 15 points.

LaFary had one of the closest competitors in Menendez' Cara Zuaro with Zuaro winning the bench press, 215-205, but LaFary owning the clean and jerk, 195-180 for

the five pound win.

Going to the Class 2A championship meet are all first place winners at regions, plus the best lift totals thereafter.

Clay's Stevens is top ranked state wide for the state meet in Traditional Lifts with Heck second ranked by five pounds in the Traditional behind Port Charlotte's Angelina Dabney. Stevens is top ranked by 40 pounds with a 370 total. LaFary is second ranked at Unlimited by five pounds with Harbison second at 183 by 10 pounds.

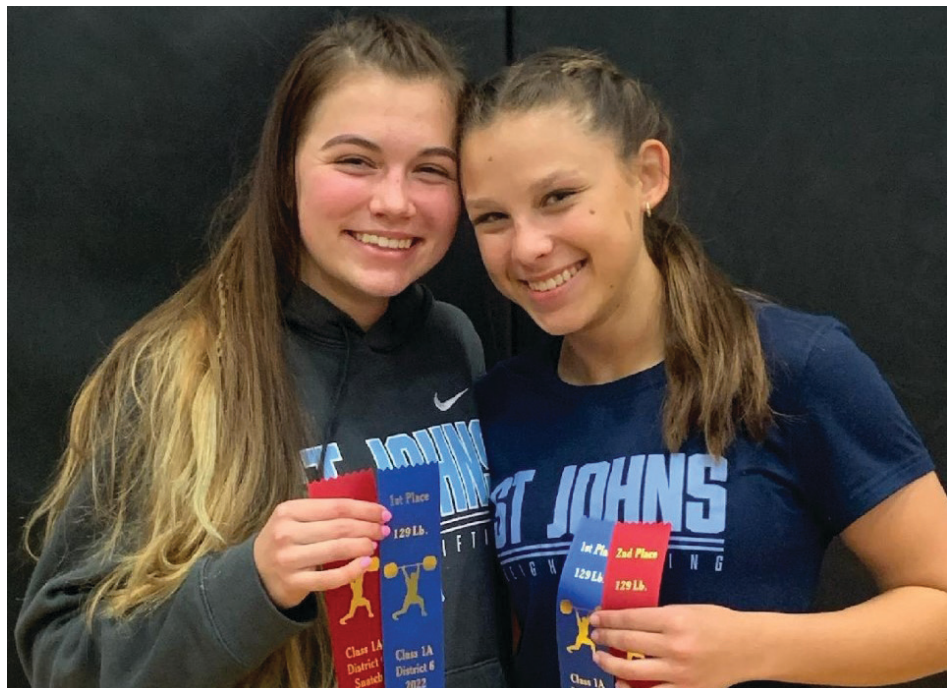
Heck is top ranked in the Olympic Snatch with Ava Haber top ranked at 183 just ahead of Clay's Harbison. LaFary is second by five pounds at Unlimited with Middleburg's Griffin third ranked at 199.



Middleburg High's Kendall Bryan has quietly punched her name in as contender for state title. All eyes will be on Clay's Janiyah Stevens who has been dominant even more since her state third finish last year.







St. Johns Country Day School power duo, Evelyn Hanson, left, and Addison Frisbee, will be first time Spartans at FHSAA weightlifting state championships.

## Spartans lifters get first FHSAA shot

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

DAYTONA BEACH - St. Johns Country Day School girls weightlifting squad of Evelyn Hansen, Angel Barret, Mia Morrin and Addison Frisbee brought some hardware home from the program's first foray into FHSAA-sanctioned playoff events at the region 2-1A championship held at Father Lopez High School in Daytona Beach.

Frisbee and Hansen finished first and second in the 129 Olympic Snatch competition with Frisbee winning by 10 pounds; 115-105. Morin finished fifth in the 110 class while, in the Traditional competition, Hansen took second with Frisbee fourth.

Frisbee is top ranked state wide in the Olympic Snatch at 129. Hansen is ranked third tied with five lifters all with 105 pound lifts.

In the Traditional lifts, Hansen is sixth-ranked with Frisbee 13th.

Also at the region 2-1A event, Keystone Heights Grace Wagener finished fifth at 139 and Kaylee Wright finished third at 183.

For the Spartans, Hansen and Frisbee both advanced to the Class 1A championship meet in Port St. Joe on Sat., Feb. 12 with Wagener and Wright both advancing for Keystone Heights. Wright is fifth ranked in the Traditional lifts.

## Briley, Gunn top lifts for Knights

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

FLAGLER PALM COAST - Oakleaf High defending 110 pound weightlifter Tamira Briley is not shying away from defending her title, but more staying focused at the task at hand as the powerhouse dynamo won region 1-3A titles by 50 pounds in the Traditional Lifts and 10 pounds in the Olympic Snatch. Oakleaf High teammate Ivy Gunn, a first time lifter for the Knights, was region champion at 169 while not competing in the Olympic Snatch.

With the two headliners in the Traditional competition, Oakleaf coach Ben White snared a fourth place finish behind Navarre (620, Pace (34) and Flagler (25). Oakleaf scored 19 points to upend Niceville's 17 and Spruce Creek's 15. Fleming Island finished 19th.

Navarre is the defending Class 3A team champion with Flagler seventh last year. Oakleaf was 10th last year.

Oakleaf got top finishes from Hannah



Oakleaf High's Ivy Gunn is newest face for Lady Knights weightlift dominance with region title heading to her first state meet. Knights have defending 110 champion Tamira Briley set to repeat.

Piniero, seventh at 101; Madison Linscomb, 10th at 129; Arianna Eason, 10th at 154; Amari Grant, ninth at 183, fifth in Olympic Snatch, and Danielle Ibe, eight at 199.

Fleming Island got a 10th place finish by Victoria Duffey in the 129 class in the Olympic Snatch.

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Level: Advanced

## Conner

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trophy with McKay with them. "He really inspired those guys to play to win that title for him," said Kenny. "When he went to the hospital, with COVID, we couldn't visit, but we were able to see him from a parking lot where he could see us and our signs. He eventually went home for two days and all the 11 unders, 12 unders and 14 unders went to the house."

Conner recalled that support. "I love these guys," said McKay. "I really wish I could run out there, but I can't run anymore."

Kenny jokingly says whenever McKay visits the practice fields, the players stop and humbly accept his presence, but that McKay is still sharp as a tack on his defensive end assignments.

"He is the guy out there asking why the defensive ends are not crashing or hustling," said Kenny. "He makes me look soft on the team because he wants his position to dominate."

Conner's stage of his 15 minutes of fame came in the playoffs last year with a game-changing fumble recovery he had against the Towntown Valdosta team that had not given up a point for their entire season, but had to hold off a second half charge by the Dreadnaughts to win 20-6 in Lowndes County Stadium.

One guy that has taken a small interest in Conner's plight is a Super Bowl quarterback who recently sent an autographed poster.

"Tom Brady heard about me and sent a poster with his autograph on it," said Conner. "He's my favorite football player. The defensive end at the Jaguars, Adam Gotsis, also sent his cleats signed and that was cool."

For now, Conner is enjoying his energy with visits to the Dreadnaughts football games for as long as he has energy.

"This is my other family," said Conner. "I will keep coming to watch as long as I can."

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## WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to weddings.

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Answer: Bouquet

## Guess Who?

I am an actress born in California on February 22, 1975. I started acting as a baby, starring in a dog food commercial. I am remembered for starring in a movie about an alien. I also have appeared opposite Adam Sandler and alongside fellow "angels."

Answer: Drew Barrymore

Answers: A. bride B. groom C. celebrate D. vows

Solve the code to discover words related to weddings. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 8 = E)

A. 21 16 10 11 8

Clue: Woman on wedding day

B. 17 16 13 13 22

Clue: Man on wedding day

C. 6 8 14 8 21 16 3 25 8

Clue: Acknowledge a happy day

D. 7 13 26 15

Clue: Promises

## WEDDING DAY WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

## WORDS

- ALBUM
- BAND
- CAKE
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- DATE
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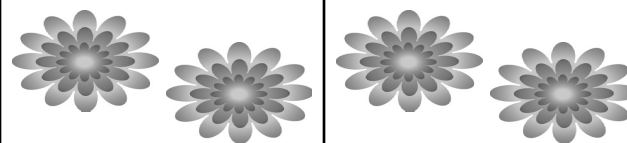
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Address Unknown

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.

**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 crtrinpr@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

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## 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 LOY'S 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 PUBLIC SALE

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 02/25/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

4C6031558 1956 BUICK SPECIAL  
H9YH107707 1959 FORD T- BIRD  
LH23C1E125510 1971 DODGE  
19UUA5641XA003498 1999 ACUR  
1FAFP66LXXK185382 1999 FORD  
1D7HA16N03J564311 2003 DODG  
3VWCD31YX4M324662 2004 VOLK  
4M2CN8B79AKJ18619 2010 MERC  
3FA6P0RU1HR301695 2017 FORD

**Legal 49017 published 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.**

## NOTICE OF ACTION

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF  
MARIE LARRY NK/A  
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 BUJE  
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, DIECI-DUE, 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.**

## 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 crtrinpr@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 49042 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 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  
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**

## 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 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 crtrinpr@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**

## PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and /or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage located at: 600 Blanding Blvd., Store #409, Orange Park, FL 32073, (904) 773-6331

Aime Septembre- Hslid gds/Furn  
Betty Romanesk (1076)- Hslid gds/  
Furn

Brian Amgor- Hslid gds/Furn  
Elizabeth Johnson- Hslid gds/Furn  
Betty Romanesk (2168)- Hslid gds/  
Furn, TV/Stereo Equip

Joey Hoover- Hslid gds/Furn  
due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com, which will end on **February 28, 2022 at 10:00 AM**

Any questions regarding the above

information are to be addressed to the manager of this facility at the phone number shown above.

**Legal 49050 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

## PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and /or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage #67 located at: 918 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32065 904-272-3705  
Mark Smith- Hslid gds/Furn  
Dana Kutch- Hslid gds/Furn  
Tim Wing- Hslid gds/Furn

and, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com, which will end on Monday **February 28th, at 10:00 AM**

**Legal 49051 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 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.**

## 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:

L.L DOB: 11/10/2005  
C.L DOB: 05/16/2007  
A.L 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 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 crtrinpr@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**

## 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.  
A CHILD  
TO:  
**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 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 crtrinpr@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 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 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 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  
(904) 284-8725 - Fax  
BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary

Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary  
Attorney for the Personal Representative  
TAMMIE LAYFIELD  
3436 William Walker Lane  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
Personal Representative  
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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, GRANTEES, 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, GRANTEES, 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  
ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTS, AND SCHNEID, PL  
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF  
6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100  
Boca Raton, FL 33487  
Primary Email: flmail@raslg.com  
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Today newspaper  
21-087919-MaJ

## 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 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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## 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 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.  
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Middleburg, Florida 32068  
Personal Representative  
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## 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.**

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The date of the first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.  
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Attorney for the Personal Representative  
MELISSA JOANNE RICKUS  
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Summerville, South Carolina 29486  
Personal Representative  
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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.**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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.

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## 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.**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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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; UNKNOWN HEIRS 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](http://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 200  
Delray Beach, FL 33445  
Telephone: 561-392-6391  
Facsimile: 561-392-6965  
Primary E-Mail: ServiceMail@aldridgepite.com

**IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:** If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at [crtrintp@coj.net](mailto:crtrintp@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.

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## 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.**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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.

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The date of the first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.  
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The date of first publication of this notice is January 27, 2022.  
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wilsdale@bellsouth.net  
Florida Bar No. 176945  
Dale S. Wilson PA  
PO Box 1808  
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043  
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18 Via Vasari Unit 201  
Henderson, Nevada 89011  
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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.  
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## 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/boc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids-rejection-bids> THIS WEBSITE CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: <https://www.claycountygov.com/home> BY FOLLOWING THE "NOTICE OF INTENT BIDS" LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS" ROLLOVER BUTTON ON THE COUNTY'S HOMEPAGE. NO OTHER NOTICE WILL BE POSTED.

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

IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS REQUEST REQUIRES 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 repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list

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#### NOTICE OF 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 BRIT-TANY 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.realforeclose.com/> at 10:00 AM on the 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 [crintrp@coj.net](mailto:crintrp@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](mailto:eservice@decubaslewis.com)  
**Legal 49092 published Jan 27 and Feb 3, 2022**

#### 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

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

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#### NOTICE OF MEETING

Armstrong Community Development District  
The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Armstrong Community Development District will be held on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850).

This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the 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 49066 Published 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. 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  
Fax: (904) 264-0155  
Primary email address:  
[alison@floridaelder.com](mailto:alison@floridaelder.com)  
Secondary email address:  
[donna@floridaelder.com](mailto: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**

#### 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:

ANNA 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 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:

IN THE WIND PROJECTS

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 Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

#### PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and / or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage #67 located at: 918 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32065 904-272-3705  
Mark Smith- Hslsd gds/Furn  
Dana Kutch- Hslsd gds/Furn  
Tim Wing- Hslsd gds/Furn  
and, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at [www.StorageTreasures.com](http://www.StorageTreasures.com), which will end on Monday February 28th, at 10:00 AM  
**Legal 49051 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

The District Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College will hold its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. in the Viking Center Multipurpose Room (V-112) on the St. Augustine Campus, 2990 College Drive, St. Augustine, Florida. The agenda may include, but is not limited to business affairs, personnel matters, facilities items, academic and student affairs, and a public hearing and subsequent action on the following:

Amendment to SJR Board Rule 1.27 (R4) College Mission Statement Authority for the rules is found in Florida Statutes, Section 1001.64 (18). If any person wishes to appeal any decision made by the Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

Estimated economic impact on all affected persons cannot be determined. Copies of the proposed rules and fee adjustments can be examined at the Administration Building, St. Johns River State College, 5001 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, Florida, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the noticed meeting should contact the College at the following address at least five days before the date of the scheduled meeting: Edie Bruce, Director of Human Resources, 386-312-4074 or [ediebruce@sjrstate.edu](mailto:ediebruce@sjrstate.edu). Persons with speech or hearing impairments should contact the College using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

**Legal 49100 published Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

#### LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Board of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing to consider Application for Variance V-4-2022 to provide relief from Section 2.04.02.06(a) of the Town of Orange Park Code of Ordinances to reduce the minimum front yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to twenty-three (23) feet for a front porch addition for property located at 1563 Sheffield Place.

This public hearing will be held in the Town Council Chambers on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. Any person(s) deciding to appeal any decision made by the Planning and Zoning Board of the Town of Orange Park with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard.

Courtney Russo, Town Clerk  
**Legal 49031 published Jan 20 and Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 02/18/2022 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 C.R. 218 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.

19UUA66287A036180 2007 ACUR  
**Legal 32897 published Feb. 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:  
4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003,  
February 25, 2022 at 10:00am  
Tamara Scott  
Boxes  
Michael Owens  
Household Goods

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www.storage-treasures.com](http://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 32898 published Feb. 3 and 10 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 02/23/2022 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

3MEHM07268R616839 2008 MERC  
KNDJD735285811094 2008 KIA  
1N4AL2AP1AN552359 2010 NISS  
LC2D3J105FC200664 2015 KYMC

**Legal 32900 published Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

TO THE PATIENTS OF:  
**Family Practice Associates of Orange Park  
1594 Kingsley Ave, Suite A  
Orange Park, FL 32073 (904) 264-8621**

Elina Mueller, DO will no longer be in practice with Family Practice Associates of Orange Park as of February 18, 2022. Providing you with excellent care is the mission of Family Practice Associates of Orange Park. We have an exceptional group of providers that will continue to provide compassionate, quality care.

**Dr. Craig Dolven  
Dr. Richard Bultman  
A.J. Torres, PA-C  
Janet Underkofler, PA-C**

Your confidential medical records will remain here at our office and will transition seamlessly over to your new provider. If you have any questions about this transition, please do not hesitate to contact us, (904) 264-8621. Thank you for allowing us to serve as your healthcare provider.

**Legal 49056 published Feb. 3, 10 and 17, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM B. ADAMS  
File No. 2021-CP-000786**

**Division Probate Deceased.**

The administration of the estate of William B. Adams, deceased, whose date of death was September 20, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 698, 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 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 FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

Eric C. Millhorn  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
Florida Bar Number: 806501  
Millhorn Trust & Estate  
Administration Group, PLLC  
11031 US Highway 301, Suite 103  
Oxford, Florida 34484  
Telephone: (352) 330-2273  
Fax: (352) 330-3400  
E-Mail: [eric@millhornlaw.com](mailto:eric@millhornlaw.com)  
Secondary E-Mail: [hbrooks@millhornlaw.com](mailto:hbrooks@millhornlaw.com)

Cynthia Adams  
3007 Longleaf Ranch Circle  
Middleburg, Florida 32068

**Legal 32901 published Feb. 3 and 10 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

1939 East West Parkway, Fleming Island, FL 32003,  
February 25, 2022 at 10:00am

Sharon Tomlinson-Household Goods

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www.storage-treasures.com](http://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 32902 published Feb. 3 and 10 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**



**NOTICE OF ACTION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Case No.: 2021-CA-000696

**RANDY GILLIS, Plaintiff,**  
vs.  
**STEVEN K TURNER, MELEASE J. TURNER, and BONNIE G. MCCLAIN TO: MELEASE J. TURNER 5162 SWEAT GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA 32043**  
**STEVEN K. TURNER 5162 SWEAT GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA 32043**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title on the following property in Clay County, Florida: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND, SITUATE, LYING, AND BEING IN CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO WIT: Lots 23 and 24, Block 3833, PORT CHARLOTTE SUBDIVISION, SECTION 72, a subdivision according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 28A, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida.

has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on the Law Office of C.w. Wickersham, Jr., P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, at 2720 Park Street, Suite 205, Jacksonville, Florida 32205, Phone (904) 389-6202, not less than 28 nor more than 60 days of the first date of publication of this Notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, at 825 North Orange Avenue, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 service on Plaintiff or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a Default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

DATED this 24th day of January, 2022. (seal)  
Tara S. Green  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Taylor Tison  
As Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 49099 published Feb 3, Feb 10, Feb 17 and Feb 24, 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-000040

**IN RE: ESTATE OF TOMMY MACK BROWN, Deceased.**

The administration of the estate of Tommy Mack Brown, deceased, whose date of death was November 29, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue / PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. 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 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 first publication of this notice is Feb 3, 2022.

Attorney for Personal Representative

L.J. Arnold III  
Florida Bar No. 154474

Arnold Law  
P.O. Box 1570

718 North Orange Avenue  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Telephone: (904) 284-5618  
Fax: (904) 284-5937

E-Mail:  
arnold3service@gmail.com

Secondary E-Mail:  
marie.arnoldlaw@gmail.com

Personal Representative:  
Jeffrey M. Brown

12017 W. Beaver St.  
Jacksonville, Florida 32220

**Legal 49103 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

The online bidding and auction for Morgran Mini Stor-It, 369 Blanding Blvd will be held at www.storage treasures.com through Thursday, February 24, 2022, and ends at 5:00 pm. The entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien and other charges according to FL Statutes 83.806.

**PERSONAL PROPERTY/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS:**

<b>UNIT#</b>	<b>Tenant or Business Name</b>
A04	Ezzo, Joshua
A47	Reynold, Alisha
A64	Montalbano, Jenna
A66	Brown, Nellie
B14	Jones, Beth
D69	Shaw, Robert
D74	Dunn, Jerry
E36	Wheeler, Matthew
E41	Krueger, Charles
H14	Robinson Evelyn
I27	Hoffman, Joy
I85	Duun, Jerry
I104	Thompson, Richard
J43	Fitzgerald, Brookleigh
K15	Pierre, Arlen
K31	Stemmer, Reinhold
L15	Morrison, Lawrence
N27	Hydro Grafix Media Crop
N210	Pierre, Arlen
910	Vintage West Furniture

**UNITS 20**

**Sale being held to satisfy landlords' lien. Seller reserves the right to reject any/all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. No personal checks. Contents to be removed within 24 hours.**

Morgran Mini Stor-It  
369 Blanding Blvd.  
Orange Park, FL 32073  
Phone: 904-272-2201  
Fax: 904-272-0506  
Email: morgranop@aol.com

**Legal 32913 published Feb. 3 and 10 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-23  
DIVISION: JV-F  
IN THE INTEREST OF:  
**O.B.  
J.B.  
B.B.  
E.B.  
M.B.  
A CHILD  
TO:  
Lasheka Bryant, 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, O.B. who was born on August 27, 2009, J.B., who was born on November 15, 2010, B.B., who was born on September 21, 2012, E.B., who was born on July 30, 2013, and M.B. who was born on January 19, 2020. 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 3, 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 crntinpr@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: Denise Haselwood  
As Deputy Clerk

**Legal 49103 published Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10 and Feb 17 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 21-DR-001372  
DIVISION: E

**BOBBIE D. LEE, Petitioner, and EUGENE JOE LEE, JR., Respondent.**  
To: **EUGENE JOE LEE JR.**  
last known address  
9202 Noah Davis Road, Glen St. Mary, Florida 32040

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Bobbie D. Lee, C/o Daniel B. Buble, Esq. whose address is 12960 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa, Florida 33618 on or before March 14, 2022 and file the original with this Clerk of the Court at 825 N. Orange Ave., Green

Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all Court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file a Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court approved Form 12.915) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the addressed on record at the clerk's office. WARNING: Rule 12.285 Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosures of documents and information. Failure to comply with this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Date: January 28, 2022

(seal)  
Tara S. Green  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Taylor Tison  
Deputy Clerk

**Legal 49106 published Feb 3, Feb 10, Feb 17 and Feb 24, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2022CA000023

**Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC, Plaintiff,**  
vs.

**Michael E. McCrary, deceased, et al., Defendants.**

To:  
**The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees or Other Claimants Claiming by, through, under or against Michael McCrary, deceased**  
**1323C Gettysburg Drive Orange Park, FL 32065**

**The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees or Other Claimants Claiming by, through, under or against Michael McCrary, deceased**  
**336 West Kenilworth New Orleans, LA 70124**

**The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees or Other Claimants Claiming by, through, under or against Michael McCrary, deceased**  
**203 Beaupre Dr. Luling, LA 70070**

**The Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Lienors, Creditors, Trustees or Other Claimants Claiming by, through, under or against Michael McCrary, deceased**  
**P.O. Box 65249 Orange Park, FL 32065**

**LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN** and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to wit:

**THE EASTERLY 58 FEET OF LOT 30, JEFFERSON SQUARE, UNIT TW0, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 19, PAGE 11 AND 12, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court this 25th day of January, 2022.

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

**Legal 49104 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

**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. 21/22-8, REPLACEMENT OF TWO (2) FISHING PIERS AND BULKHEAD AT RONNIE VAN ZANT PARK**

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. 21/22-8, REPLACEMENT OF TWO (2) FISHING PIERS AND BULKHEAD AT RONNIE VAN ZANT PARK". Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address.

For information concerning procedures for responding to this Bid, contact Donna Fish, Purchasing Department, (904) 278-3761 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com

**A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the at the Ronnie Van Zant Park lake at 2760 Sandridge Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 on February 16, 2022 at 2:00 p.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.

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.

The County reserves the right to waive formalities in any response, to reject any or all responses with or without cause, to waive technical and non-technical or non-material defects in the solicitation or submittal of any responses, including the lack of availability of adequate funds, regulatory agency requirements, to make award in part or completely, and/or to accept the response that, in its judgment, will be in the best interest of the County of Clay. Bid proposals in which the prices obviously are unbalanced will be rejected. Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners has a local preference policy and Buy American policy. The complete policy for both can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/vendor-information>

**FOLLOWING THE BID OPENING AND TABULATION, A "NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID" OR A "NOTICE OF REJECTION OF ALL BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE INTERNET AT: <https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids-rejection-bids> THIS WEBSITE CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: [HTTPS://WWW.CLAYCOUNTYGOV.COM/HOME](https://www.claycountygov.com/home) BY FOLLOWING THE "NOTICE OF INTENT BIDS" LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS" ROLLOVER BUTTON ON THE COUNTY'S HOMEPAGE. NO OTHER NOTICE WILL BE POSTED.**

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

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**LEGAL 32914 published February 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**

**REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, February 24, 2022, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 for the following:

**BID NO. 21/22-27, STORMWATER POND MOWING**

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, February 25, 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. 21/22-27, STORMWATER POND MOWING". Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address.

**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 32920 published February 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.**

**REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE**

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**BID NO. 21/22-28, RIGHT-OF-WAY MOWING (NORTH)**

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, February 25, 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. 21/22-28, RIGHT-OF-WAY MOWING (NORTH)". Envelopes are to be submitted in person or delivered by courier to the above address.

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Legal 32925 published February 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

**REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE**

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BID NO. 21/22-29, RIGHT-OF-WAY MOWING (SOUTH)

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, February 25, 2022, in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", fourth floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida.

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Legal 32926 published February 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING**

TWO CREEKS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Two Creeks Community Development District ("District") will hold a regular meeting on **Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., at the Courtyard by Marriott located at 610 Wells Road, Orange Park, Florida 32073. There will be an Audit Committee meeting prior to the onset of the Board of Supervisors' Meeting.** The Audit Committee will review, discuss and establish the evaluation criteria for any proposals the District receives pursuant to solicitations for auditing services. In accordance with Sections 119.071(3) (a) and 281.301, Florida Statutes, a portion of the regular board meeting will be closed to the public, as it related to the District's security system plan. Information and discussion related to the District's security system plan. Information and discussion related to the District's security system plan are confidential and exempt from the public records and public meeting requirements, prior to the discussion of the security system plan, the public will be asked to leave. Upon completion of the discussion related to the security system plan, the public will be notified that they may return to the meeting. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting the District Manager, c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc, 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33614 ("District Manager's Office") or by visiting the website at [www.twocreeksdcd.org](http://www.twocreeksdcd.org) or by emailing [clbrown@rizzetta.com](mailto:clbrown@rizzetta.com) or by phone at 904-436-6270 during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. The meetings

may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at such meeting. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 436-6270 at least 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 Office. A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of the 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. Carol Brown Assistant District Manager **Legal 49106 published Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF FICTITIOUS NAME**

Notice Is Hereby Given that HSS Systems, LLC, 6451 126th Ave N Suite 100, Largo, FL 33773, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Florida Shared Services Center

with its principal place of business in the State of Florida in the County of Clay will file an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name with the Florida Department of State. **Legal 49105 published Feb 3, 2022, in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION  
Division B  
File No. 2021-CP-000801  
**IN RE: ESTATE OF SHERWOOD CLARK CORRY, Deceased.**  
The administration of the estate of SHERWOOD CLARK CORRY, deceased, whose date of death was September 29, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and address of the petitioner and the petitioner's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is February 3, 2022. Attorney for Personal Representative: GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR. Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar Number: 887950 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M. Attorneys at Law, P.A. 1543 Kingsley Avenue Suite 5 Orange Park, FL 32073 Telephone: (904) 264-8800 Fax: (904) 264-0155 Primary email address: [grady@floridaelder.com](mailto:grady@floridaelder.com) Secondary email address: [donna@floridaelder.com](mailto:donna@floridaelder.com) Personal Representative: KEVIN SHERWOOD CORRY 5495 Forrest Drive Orange Park, Florida 32073 **Legal 49107 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 2022-CP-8  
Division: Probate A  
**IN RE: ESTATE OF GUS MONROE HISER, JR. Deceased.**  
The administration of the estate of Gus Monroe Hiser, Jr., deceased, whose date of death was October 10, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Ave, 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 FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 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 February 3, 2021. Attorney for Personal Representative: Thomas P. Moss, Esq. Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Bar Number: 0157376 Sawyer & Sawyer, P.A. 8913 Conroy Windermere Rd. Orlando, FL 32835 Telephone: (407) 909-1900 Fax: (407) 909-1992 E-Mail: [tmoss@sawyerandsawyerpa.com](mailto:tmoss@sawyerandsawyerpa.com) Secondary E-Mail: [dtaylor@sawyerandsawyerpa.com](mailto:dtaylor@sawyerandsawyerpa.com) Personal Representative: Rhonda Gay Hiser 422 Arora Blvd. Orange Park, Florida 32703 **Legal 46285 published Feb 3 and Feb 10, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2018-CA-001065

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR REGISTERED HOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-13, Plaintiff, vs CHRISTIAN VARGAS; et al., Defendants.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January, and entered in Case No. 2018 CA 001065 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR REGISTERED HOLDERS OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACK CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-13 is the Plaintiff and CHRISTIAN VARGAS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTIAN VARGAS; YANIZA VARGAS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF YANIZA VARGAS; HOA PROBLEM SOLUTIONS 5, INC., AS TRUSTEE OF THE 1520A VINELAND CIRCLE LAND TRUST; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR 123 LOAN, LLC; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY, LLC; AUTUMN GLEN TOWNHOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; FLEMING ISLAND PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; WILLIS STUCCO CONTRACTORS, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, is/are Defendants, I, Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com) at 10:00 AM on FEBRUARY 23, 2022, the following described property set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 35A, AUTUMN GLEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 44, AT PAGE 38 THROUGH 42, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.** More commonly known as: 1520A VINELAND CIRCLE, ORANGE PARK, FL 32003 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. DATED in Clay, Florida this 31st day January, 2022 (seal)

TARA S. GREEN  
As Clerk of Circuit Court Clay County, Florida  
Rebecca Crews  
Deputy Clerk  
If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - [crintrp@coj.net](mailto:crintrp@coj.net).  
**Legal 49109 published Jan 6 and Jan 13, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**OF AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE 2021/2022 VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY**  
Please be advised that an organizational meeting of the 2020 Value Adjustment Board of Clay County will be held on February 15, at 10:00 am., in the Conference Room B of the Clay County Board of County Commissioners on the 4th floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone number at 904-269-6334, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD). Value Adjustment Board Clay County, Florida  
By: Its Chairman  
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**NOTICE OF COMPLAINT**

IN THE UNIFIED FAMILY COURT OF MARSHALL COUNTY, ALABAMA  
CASE NO.: CS-2021-900141.00

**CHRISTOPHER J. BUSCEMI, PLAINTIFF, vs. KIMBERLY WILLIAMS, DEFENDANT.**  
KIMBERLY WILLIAMS, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff, CHRISTOPHER J. BUSCEMI, by the 30th days after the last date of publication of this Notice of Complaint or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against her in Case No.: 50 CS-2021-900141.00, in the Unified Family Court of Marshall County, Alabama. Done this 18th day of January, 2022. GREGORY K. PRICE Attorney for Plaintiff 116 W. Alabama Avenue, Suite B Albertville, AL 35950 **Legal 49111 published Feb 3, Feb 10, Feb 17 and Feb 24, 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:

Oakleaf Food Mart

Located at 518 Hollyberry Lane 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 Oakleaf, Florida this 1 st day of February, 2022. Owner's name/corporation: Oakleaf Food Mart LLC **Legal 49112 published Feb 3, 2022 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

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