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Paul Wane's guitar solo leads to 'whirlwind' of opportunities - PAGE 16

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'Just a Miracle'

Wolfson Challenge brings huge success stories for tiny children like Richard

By **Kylie Cordell**
For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Richard Solomon Jr. is a squirmy bundle of joy. He bobbed up and down excitedly on his mother's lap, gazing around Spring Park Coffee with curiosity. He babbled something that almost sounds like singing. His laughter cut above the sound of coffee beans grinding behind the counter and the busy morning chit-chat.

"He's a happy baby. He's a very nosy kid, for sure," said his mother, Taylor Solomon. "Just a miracle."

Of course, every parent feels their child is a miracle, but Richard isn't like most children. No one expected Richard to survive.

"They brought us into a room once and told us no baby his size had ever lived," Solomon said.

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Challenge event coordinator Chris Busby and his wife, Cassie, have competed in the Wolfson 55 with their son Chase and his two daughters, Gracie Jane and Lily.



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

U.S. Rep. Kat Cammack, who was a driving force behind re-naming the clinic after Kenneth Baker, hugs Baker's family, including his son Chief Petty Officer Drew Baker, after the dedication.

VA Clinic re-named after Middleburg's Chief Kenneth Baker

Tuesday's ceremony concluded battle to honor Navy SEAL's legacy

By **Don Coble**
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MIDDLEBURG – Chief Petty Officer Andrew "Drew" Baker had to stop several times Tuesday when he talked about his father Andrew K. Baker. At one point, his emotions were so shaken, the standing-room-only audience at the Veterans Affairs Clinic broke into applause.

His father died in a Navy SEAL train-

ing accident 25 years ago, but it did little to dull his feelings. He smiled when he talked about fishing and shrimping near their Middleburg home. He laughed when he said they got close in their boat for the son to pet a manatee.

Every time the son passes the VA, he will be reminded of him again. Persistent work, pressure and disappointment led the U.S. House of Representatives, Senate and President Joe Biden to officially rename the office the Andrew K. Baker VA Clinic.

The VA was asked to determine if Clay

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Four supervisors sworn in for county's Soil and Water Conservation District

One seat still open for group that protect, educate about natural resources

By Lee Wardlaw
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Immediately after being elected into office on Jan. 3, the Clay County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors served the first day of their terms.

Four newly-elected officials were officially sworn into office eight days later at the UF/IFAS Clay Extension Center.

After a benediction from Rev. Luke Memminger from Grace Anglican Church on Fleming Island, District 1 Supervisor and chair of the board Ted Clark, District 2 Supervisor Gary Thigpen, District 4 Supervisor Wes Taylor and District 5 Supervisor Rod Swartz all got to work. The District 1 Supervisor post, however, remained unfilled.

"I think that this ceremony was very monumental. Our responsibility and duty as the Clay County Soil and Water Conservation District is to promote and educate our community on preserving our natural resources as much as possible, and each of

us will uphold that duty," Clark said.

Clark has high expectations for the group as they begin their terms in a special county office dedicated to conserving the environment which makes Clay such a beautiful place to work and live.

"I think that we are going to make some good progress. I think that we have some new, fresh ideas. We have new blood on the board, and it looks like we are going to be headed in a great direction," he said.

In a strong proclamation of support from the local community in the greater Jacksonville area, representatives from the Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors from both Duval and Bradford counties made the trek to attend. Tiffany Bess and Ashantae Green represented Duval County, and Bradford County was represented by Amy Moore.

The goals for the board include partnering with schools and other governing boards in the county for additional programs and providing additional outreach to the Clay community, according to Clark.

"We want to see what we can do, especially in the sense of the (population and development) overgrowth that we are about to see. We appreciate the community support so far, and we would love to



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

Clay County Soil and Water Conservation District District 4 Supervisor Wes Taylor makes his oath to uphold the duties of office alongside Circuit Judge Steven Whittington and District 1 Supervisor 1 Ted Clark.



Fourth District Supervisor Wes Taylor, First District Supervisor Ted Clark, honorable Circuit Judge Steven Whittington, Second District Supervisor Gary Thigpen and Fifth District Supervisor Rod Swartz were part of the swearing-in ceremony.

see more of that. Clay County is certainly a great place to live, and one of the reasons why people love Clay is the natural resources and environment that we have. It's a great place to live," Clark said.

If anyone in the community is interested in pursuing the open Supervisor position, please contact Clark by reaching out via email at seat1@claycountysoilandwater.org or calling (904) 305-3049.

City of Green Cove Springs to launch new website with CivicPlus

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – City of Green Cove Springs has partnered with CivicPlus, a provider of integrated technology solutions exclusively for local governments, to launch a new, mobile-responsive, highly-functional civic website. CivicPlus' content management system soon will allow Green Cove Springs that will expand its services online and maintain a better connection with residents through its set of robust features, well-designed layout, and functionality.

"CivicPlus is built on designing innovative solutions for local governments," said Jennifer Elliott, CivicPlus Director of Product Marketing. "We continually invest in our products to strengthen and transform the way local governments work and communicate with their residents and are proud to partner with Green Cove Springs to help



them accomplish their goals."

With more than 7,500 local government customers, the power of the CivicPlus Civic Experience platform is in its integrated and comprehensive multi-product suite

capabilities, which connect municipal employees and elected officials with the residents they represent and serve.

"We chose CivicPlus for our website redesign because of the ability to expand our

services using their different modules to promote our city and get messages out to residents and future residents," said Angel Alicea, the City's Director of IT Services.

Looking forward, he said its new CivicPlus website will be a tool that will continue to grow and evolve to meet the needs of the community. "We look forward to working with CivicPlus by constantly updating our website to provide residents with a positive civic experience and build trust," Alicea said. "We wanted a website that will engage our residents, showcase the community, and integrate with existing systems."

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Despite improvements, state prisons still short staffed

By A.G. Gancarski
For FloridaPolitics.com

The Florida Department of Corrections is still dealing with staffing shortfalls and legislators in the Senate and House are hearing.

The Senate Criminal Justice Committee, the House Justice Appropriations Subcommittee, and the House Criminal Justice Subcommittee heard similar presentations, which outlined progress made in remedying staffing shortfalls, along with a reminder that legislative work still needs to be done in 2023.

Deputy Secretary Richard Comerford told the Senate committee that 5,000 vacancies still exist statewide, with 23,375 positions overall. The vacancy rate of just over 25% is an improvement over November 2021's 38.5%. But gaps still exist despite recent reforms in what can often be a "dangerous and undesirable place to work."

"We often have one officer supervising hundreds of inmates," Comerford told the Senate Criminal Justice panel. Recruitment and retention are recurrent challenges, despite the recent "positive shift" in trends, which include beginning the transition to 8.5-hour shifts and increases in pay.

"We were losing more correctional officers than we were gaining. Since that raise, the trend has reversed. We have turned the corner, but we're not out of the woods yet," Comerford told the Senate committee.

Three hundred National Guard members have helped in this end, with volunteers being part of a "very successful" initiative where they fill "critical roles on a short-term basis" while new hires are trained up.

"Their involvement's been very positive," Comerford said. "We're recruiting them as well. We've gotten very positive feedback from some who may want to come into our ranks as soon as they're done with this deployment."

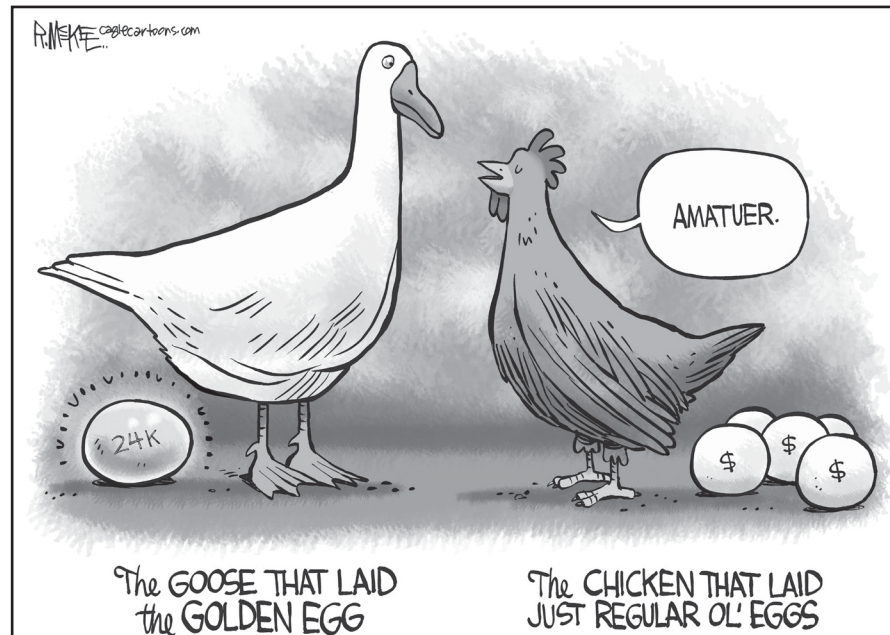
There are 2,400 conditional hires being processed, Comerford contended, well over the 500-600 a year ago.

"We've hired more each month than we've lost," he said, with "positive gains" even during months around Christmas where attrition is more likely.

Comerford told Senate Criminal Justice that the ability to fill positions will help the department reactivate work squads to reduce "inmate idleness." His hope is that some will start in a few months, while others will present more of a "challenge."

SEE PRISON, 5

OPINIONS



Let's honor Glenn with the most-important donation – life

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

I didn't know Glenn Matsuki well. He was a roommate of John, my significant other's older brother.

We met a couple of times when they visited Nancy, but we soon learned we had a unique connection that resonated with both of us – and led me to make what I hope someday will be a life-altering decision.



Don Coble

Glenn received a heart transplant 28 years ago. I didn't notice anything different when I met him. He certainly had more energy than me. Moreover, he was happy and content.

He lived in Southern California and worked with the Tournament of Roses Parade for decades, even after his life-saving surgery.

One night, I called Nancy when she lived in Atlanta and told her about a pilot I knew from St. Augustine who died when his helicopter crashed while he was flying to Gainesville to procure a heart for transplant at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville.

The crash also claimed the lives of a heart surgeon, Luis Bonilla, and a procurement technician David Hines. They crashed in a remote area of southern Clay County on Dec. 26, 2012.

Nancy talked to her brother John, who relayed the story to Glenn. His

When you grow up in Hawaii, you learn the Aloha Spirit, and that's basically be kind to others, accept others for what they are and appreciate their culture and what they represent," he once said.

group, Donate Life America, was building a float for the parade. When he heard of the crash, his group quickly made changes to the float to highlight the memories of all three who died that foggy morning in a heavily-wooded area.

Glenn went on to become a national speaker for organ donations and he created an organ and tissue donation blog. He joined The Organ Donation and Transplant Alliance shortly after the crash and he was planning to retire at the end of the month.

I don't know if it's possible to know if Glenn's work saved lives. They don't keep statistics like that. I know he had 1,200 connections on LinkedIn, 900 Facebook friends and more than 26,000 blog posts that reached more than four million people in the past 15 years. Somebody has been paying attention.

He changed the way I think because I became an organ donor immediately after hearing about the Tournament of Roses decision.

I was reminded of that story when John called Nancy on Sunday. Glenn died in his sleep. While we only exchanged pleasantries in the past, I still shed a tear.

SEE LIFE, 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.

Largesse: (lahr-JESS) a noun that means generosity in giving money or gifts to others.

"Thanks to my parents' largesse, I was able to pay off my student loans."

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- Several county officials, including Sheriff Darryl Daniels, walk out of a Martin Luther King Jr. ceremony after former U.S. Rep. Corrine Brown, who was convicted of stealing money from her charitable foundation, was allowed to speak.

- South Doctors Lake owner James R. Menard donates 388 acres along the Black Creek and Doctors Lake to the North Florida Land Trust.

- County commissioners consider self-checkout kiosks at libraries.

10 years ago, 2013

- A headcount of students in the district reveal 682 fewer than expected, which could result in a reduction of \$6.47 million in state funds.

- The Keystone Heights Airport learns it will receive a World War II-era Douglas 47-C for its museum.

- The county commission debates an ordinance that will direct how mobile veterinary offices can operate.

20 years ago, 2003

- Leonard J. Kennedy is arrested for exposing himself at Ridgeview Elementary.

- The BCC votes to join the American Heritage River Initiative.

- Dick Wolf is selected as the new director for the Florida National Guard Youth Challenge Academy at Camp Blanding.

30 years ago, 1993

- The Houghton-Mifflin Reading Language Arts program in Orange Park helps children who have trouble reading.

- The County Commission learns the state rejected \$127,000 worth of proposed projects because the county exceeded height limits at its landfill.

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Send us a letter ...

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Opinions ...

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Scholarships

Seniors can apply for Clay County Cruzers scholarship

CLAY COUNTY – Graduating seniors are eligible and encouraged to apply for a \$1,500 Clay County Cruzers scholarship.

Applicants must be graduating from the Clay County District Schools system. Students are eligible if they are going to attend any post-secondary program of study including colleges, universities or vocational/technical schools.

Applicants are requested to write an essay of approximately 150 words and

complete a short application form. Scholarship applications must be received by Clay County Cruzers on or before the application deadline of March 31.

The scholarship documents will be provided to each high school guidance office. The instructions and application form provide all the relevant information a student needs to apply. These forms are also available on the Clay County Cruzers website at www.claycountycruzers.com.

Selected candidates may be asked to attend a Clay County Cruzer meeting to intro-

Life from page 4

John and Glenn went to Europe for Christmas. They both caught COVID. John got better; Glenn didn't. He spent days in intensive care, but he surprised doctors by getting well enough to go home a week ago. Two days later ...

Glenn was from Hawaii and he often spoke of the Aloha Spirit.

"When you grow up in Hawaii, you learn the Aloha Spirit, and that's basically be kind to others, accept others for what they are and appreciate their culture and what they represent," he once said.

He lived that spirit. I know Glenn didn't waste his second chance at life. He spent the last 28 years imploring others to be a donor, too.

John said the best way to honor Glenn's

memory was to appreciate the day, think about the good in a simple day and embrace every beautiful moment.

I also want to honor Glenn in another way. I ask everyone to think about making the most of life, even after death. It costs nothing to be an organ donor, but it's worth far more than treasure.

I met Sage Pridemore two years ago in Keystone Heights after doctors said the 14-year-old was born with half a heart. When his condition became dire, a new heart was found.

He's done fine today. He goes to school and loves to go fishing. And it was only possible because of someone else's generosity.

Let's vow to become just as generous. Let's be organ donors. Let's make a difference.

There is no better way to honor Glenn and Sage.

Prison from page 4

Comerford offered a similar "brief overview" to the House Criminal Justice Committee later Tuesday, covering the same deck.

Secretary Ricky Dixon offered similar insights to the House Justice Appropriations panel about "significant vacancies."

"Recruitment of qualified applicants and the retention of employees has been very challenging in recent years," Dixon said, though trends have been positive since late 2021's "freefall" due to pay increases and other support for hiring and retention efforts.

"The decline has started to slow recent-

ly," Dixon acknowledged, due to holiday attrition and competition with local law enforcement hampering efforts at roughly a dozen facilities.

"3,000 (vacancies) is a lot to overcome," Dixon said, specifically referring to the shortfall in correctional officer headcount.

Dixon likewise lauded the National Guard inclusion of 300 reinforcements as a "tremendous success ... nothing but successful" with a "statewide" impact.

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History from page 4

- The State targets Clay County in a week-long crackdown on out of state license tags for people who've failed to register as residents.

40 years ago, 1983

- Orange Park Town Councilman David

Brownell asks the council to drop its participation in the Social Security program and to consider other plans for town employees.

- Clay Chamber President Ron Powell announces a plan to increase membership by 40% this year with the goal of eventually reaching 100% membership.

- The Clay High boys basketball team beat Baldwin, 67-60, to keep them undefeated in region play.

duce themselves and describe their plans. Applications and essays should be mailed to: Clay County Cruzers, PO Box 65691, Orange Park, 32065-9998.

Each applicant will be notified once their application is received. The winners will be announced in April.

Garden Club offering \$500 environmental scholarship

FLEMING ISLAND – The Garden Club of Fleming Island wishes to assist an individual graduating student of Fleming Island High who plans on pursuing a career in Environmental studies, Forestry, Horticulture, Agriculture, Marine sciences or a related field with the opportunity to apply for a \$500 scholarship. The graduating student must have at least a 3.0 GPA and have chosen a college to attend. Contact your Guidance Counselor at your school for the application form. The deadline is April 15.

DAR offering \$1,000 scholarship

CLAY COUNTY – The Daughters of the American Revolution are encouraging 2023 graduating seniors to apply for a \$1,000 Sophia Fleming Scholarship, sponsored by

Sophia Fleming Chapter, NSDAR.

Applicants must be graduating from either the Clay County Public School System, St. Johns Country Day School or who are home-schooled in Clay County. Students are eligible if they are going to attend any post-secondary program of study, including colleges, universities or vocational and technical schools. Applicants are requested to write an essay and provide a list of their awards and recognitions and two letters of recommendation. Scholarship applications are due back to Lynda Lewis, Sophia Fleming Scholarship Chairman, on or before the deadline of Feb. 17. The scholarship documents have been provided to all public high school guidance offices. They are also available by clicking on Sophia Fleming Scholarship at <http://www.sophiaflemingchapter.org/>. The winner will be notified the week of March 20. Please don't mail applications by certified or registered mail. Each applicant will be notified once his or her application has been received.

Mail the application documents to Lynda Lewis, Chairman, Sophia Fleming Scholarship Committee, Sophia Fleming Chapter, NSDAR, 316 Scenic Point Lane Fleming Island, 32003.

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6. Soviet Socialist Republic
9. Most ancient Hindu scriptures
13. Actress Lathan
14. Baseball's strikeout king
15. British codebreaker Turing
16. One who lives by disreputable dealings
17. Tropical American plant
18. Opposite of right
19. Importance
21. Monetary units
22. Lawmen
23. Cool!
24. Affirmative answer
25. Thrust horse power (abbr.)
28. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
29. Muslim nobleman
31. About aviation
33. Scientific instrument
36. Protests strongly
38. Not polished
39. Grab
41. Alias
44. Large wrestler
45. Relative quantities
46. One who is big and awkward
48. Sunscreen rating
49. Atomic #90

CLUES DOWN

1. Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
2. The back side of the neck
3. A type of imine
4. Black bird
5. Partner to ÒPaÓ
6. Puts together in time
7. Lucid
8. Transmits genetic information from DNA to the cytoplasm
9. Demonstrates the truth of
10. Ancient Greek City
11. Nishi language
12. Slang for fidgety
14. Southwestern farmers
17. Metric weight unit

20. Instant replay in soccer
21. Less polished
23. Popular pickup truck model
25. Slang for a cigarette
26. Large pile
27. Solid geometric figure
29. One from the Big Apple
30. Male admirers
32. Balsam is one
34. Local area network
35. Canadian law enforcers
37. Koran chapters
40. Cooperstown, NY museum (abbr.)
42. Certificate (abbr.)
43. An official who carries a mace of office
47. Briefly in fashion
49. Volcanic ash
50. Dutch city
52. Made of wood
53. Legendary golfer
55. Restaurant
56. None
57. Spanish city
58. Stony waste matter
59. Father
61. Confederate soldier
65. The ancient Egyptian sun god



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

MLK Day Ceremony

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Keynote speaker Rev. Edward Lorenza Wheeler’s words often echoed through the playground and timber-tall trees at Vera Francis Hall Park. When he was asked to speak about Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. during the MLK Day Ceremony last Monday, he spoke with conviction and purpose. “We remember and honor a man who lived out his love and lived into his words through his commitment to do the work that had to be done. He was no ivory tower, no illusion. No sweet-talking charlatan. No! He was a doer. A worker a man. A servant who demonstrated his core values through the demanding self-sacrificing work that he did, in light of the injustice, inequality, sexism, homophobia and virulent racism that is still evident in our society. The question that remains is will we be content and satisfied with remembering and honoring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once or twice a year, or will his example lead you to commit to the law, speak the word as he did. The choice is ours to make. What will you do?” About 100 attended the annual event, including Green Cove Springs Mayor Matt Johnson, Vice Mayor Connie Butler, Councilmen Ed Gaw and Thomas Smith, Police Chief John Guzman, City Manager Steve Kennedy, School Board member Beth Clark, County Commissioner Dr. Kristin Burke, Rev. Dwayne McCallister of the First African Missionary Baptist Church and Rev. Barry Wright of the Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church.



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District Schools lays out its 5-year Strategic Plan at Keystone Heights

By **Kylie Cordell**
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The Clay County District Schools hosted its first of three community meetings on Jan. 12 at the Keystone Heights Junior/Senior High Media Center to share information and get input on its five-year strategic plan with community members.

From survey results, current data and feedback from focus groups in November 2022, cabinet leaders crafted five distinct themes: student success, talent recruitment, development and retention, family and community engagement, safe and positive learning environments and fiscal and operational efficiency.

Participants were given 20 minutes to give their input on each of the five themes displayed on easel pads throughout the media center. The activity was formatted with each goal having two questions: what should we continue doing? And what should we consider doing to help us move towards these goals? Participants worked alone or as a group.

One of the key objectives is keeping standards, instruction and assessment tightly focused and rigorous was most valued, as well as holding students to high academic standards. Participants also noted the district's work to address student needs, including support for ESE, ESOL



PHOTOS BY KYLIE CORDELL
Superintendent David Broskie laid out the District's long-range plans to parents.

and MISS students.

"I see children, especially after the pandemic, coming forward and setting goals and looking to be successful in their future," said high school principal Laurie Burke.

However, Burke would like more vocational opportunities, including shop classes and career exploration courses. Other participants suggested after-school tutoring and online tutorials.

"I would like to see students giving back to the community in a positive way to help positive change. It takes some longer than others, but I believe every child deserves that chance. That's what we are here for," she said.

Participants advocated for greater district support for new or beginning teachers. "For retention, we try to give our teachers reasons to want to work and stay in the school district. Part of that is compensation, but part of that is professional development," Broskie said.

"When a person is frustrated in a job, they don't have certain skills or capacities to cope with those challenges, so part of our job is, we need to build that skill and capacity to ensure folks are prepared and totally ready to teach in our schools."

To consider moving towards these goals, participants suggested offering a

teacher academy at the high school level and a mentorship program for new teachers.

An additional focus was family and community engagement.

"People are very supportive in our community. Our community supports our school system very well. I also see that parents have more opportunities to be involved. They can check their student's grades in a split second. I can reach out on social media. There are so many ways to communicate now that allow us to solve

SEE PLAN, 14



Residents in Keystone Heights had the opportunity to see what the District is considering for its five-year Strategic Plan. The District also has more community meetings set for Oakleaf and Fleming Island highs before crafting a final version ahead of the June school board meeting.

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Obituaries

Anthony Allan Massey

Anthony Allan Massey, 19, of Orange Park, Florida, passed away December 31, 2022 in Palm Bay, Florida. Born on January 2, 2003 in Ennis, Texas, after graduating from Ridgeview High School in 2020, Anthony went on to join the United States Marine Corps. OOH-RAH!!! Anthony is recognized for his patriotism, bravery, and service to our great country.

Anthony is survived by his mother, Angela (Richard) Dupont; brother, Sydney Massey; his father, Steven Massey; Bonus Mom, Julianna Massey; Grandparents: Linda and Paul Card; Kevin and Glenna Bird; Roger and Maxine Massey; Great-Grandmothers, Lillie Mae Dunkinson and Doris Danese Card as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins; and many friends who loved, cared for and were very proud of him.

Anthony is remembered by his friends as being a devoted friend, always there when someone needed an ear to listen; a quiet, humble young man that always strived to be there for others. Anthony gave the best hugs and shoulders to cry on; never judging, just comforting those who needed it. Anthony is best remembered as saying, "No matter where you are, or what you're doing, you'll always have me on your shoulders telling you to keep going."

Godspeed Anthony; may Heavens Angels and Warriors be there to greet and comfort you. You are greatly missed. May the Lord bless you and keep you; make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; lift up His countenance upon you and give you Peace. Rest easy; we'll take it from here.

A Christian Memorial Service honoring Anthony's life will be held February 4, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at The Springs Church 900 Park Avenue, Orange Park, Florida 32073

*In lieu of flowers, the family encourages attendees to wear Anthony's favorite color, red; and asks for people to share any pictures they may have of Anthony.



Anthony Allan Massey

Helen Johnson Brown

Helen Johnson Brown passed peacefully on January 2, 2023, in Fleming Island, FL, at the age of 101. She was born July 18, 1921, in Escanaba, MI to Oscar C. and Anna O. Johnson. Very soon thereafter, when her father completed his work on the Panama Canal and sold his confectionary business in Uruguay, Helen moved with her parents and older sister, Anita, to Pleasantville, PA., very near the spot where the very first commercial oil well was drilled in the United States, by Edwin L. Drake.

Helen attended school there, missing only one day in twelve years. Despite her 5'2" stature, her main interest in high school was basketball and she proudly earned her four letters on the high school team, earning the nickname "Speedy".

She then attended Butler Business School and Grove City College, where, due to her speed and interest in typing, she was employed by the business professor.

Helen was very disappointed when she was told she could not serve as an Eastern Airlines stewardess because she was not a registered nurse. She did, however, find her work with the Fraser Brace Engineering Company in Meadville PA, very exciting. The company made TNT for our armed services in World War II. She loved to tell of driving a huge truck full of TNT.

In 1943, Helen moved to Coral Gables, FL where she enjoyed working many years for Florida National Bank. She moved to Orange Park, FL in October 1959. She was a very active member of the Orange Park United Methodist Church. Her services included Sunday School Secretary and Treasurer, Alter Guild, Endowment Committee and Fundraiser for the Orange Park United Methodist Women. Her very special interest was the Finance Committee and Counting Team, which she volunteered for over 52 years. She proudly served on the Building Committee when the new church was built and the Capital Committee when the Family Life Center was built.



Helen Johnson Brown

She visited the United Methodist Children's Home each month for ten years and was very interested in the wonderful work helping children who were victimized by neglect or abuse; abandoned or orphaned; or could not be cared for by family. The children held a special place in Helen's heart.

While in Orange Park, Helen, also, enjoyed working with Henry Holland Buckman on the plans for the famous Buckman Bridge, for Abbott, Merkt & Company on plans for the Cross Florida Barge Canal and the Honorable Thomas B Adams, Florida Secretary of State. Studying investments with the famous Muriel B Milam was intensely interesting to her and she came to be quite a savvy investor.

She was an avid sports fan, deeply enjoying fishing and shrimping with her sons. She, also, enjoyed the Masters Golf Tournament in Augusta GA for many years, most recently with her son Randy.

She loved to come to her son, Doug's office nearly every day, to go through her mail and visit with anyone who came by. She was always interested in what they were doing and how things were going with their lives.

She joked about how her existence only came to be by a dock strike. Her parents had tickets on the S.S. Titanic, but the dock strike prevented them from boarding the famous ship.

She was predeceased by her parents, Oscar C. and Anna O. Johnson, her sister Anita Marshall, and dear friend Mary Huntley.

Helen is survived by her two sons, Douglas (Theresa) Brown, Green Cove Springs, FL and Randall (Vicky) Brown, Jupiter, FL. Doug's bonus daughters, Kate Moss and Jane Moss Livsey (Nate) and Henry Moss Livsey, Jane and Nate's son.

A woman of strong Christian faith, her family is comforted by the knowledge that she is with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The family would like to thank the caregivers and staff of Concierge Care of Jacksonville for the amazing dedication and care for Mama Brown (as she was affectionally known by many) for nearly two years proceeding her decline. We would, also, like to thank the doctors and nurses at the new Baptist Clay/Fleming Island Hospital and Community Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be

made in Helen's name to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home, 51 Children's Way, Enterprise, FL 32725, or online at: www.fumch.org

Funeral services were held Thursday, January 12, 2023 at the Orange Park United Methodist Church and Internment followed at Jacksonville Memory Gardens.

Ellen Mary Dixon

Mrs. Ellen Mary Dixon, 89 of Green Cove Springs, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family on Tuesday, January 10, 2023. Mrs. Dixon was born August 16, 1933 in Placentia, Newfoundland to parents, Paul Duke and Catherine (Power) Duke.

Ellen was raised in rural Newfoundland working and living off the land where she would even shear sheep, to make her own wool for sweaters, mittens and socks.

She met the love of her life, an Air Force soldier, Cecil Dixon, where he swept her off her feet and he carried her away to the United States.

She was a devout member of the Catholic faith where she attended Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Fleming Island.

In her free time, Ellen enjoyed dancing, sewing, quilting, knitting and she was an avid reader. She looked forward to Friday evenings where all her Grandchildren would gather together around her dining room table to share their weekly stories and spend quality time together.

Not only did she raise 8 children of her own, but she raised many other grandchildren as well and she wouldn't have had it any other way.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Cecil Dixon, Sr. and children, Harold Dixon, Robert Dixon, and Diane Waters. Survivors are her children, Alfred Dixon of Jacksonville, Debra Krage of Green Cove Springs, Curtis Dixon of Wisconsin, Cecil Dixon, Jr. of Green Cove Springs, and Mary



Ellen Mary Dixon

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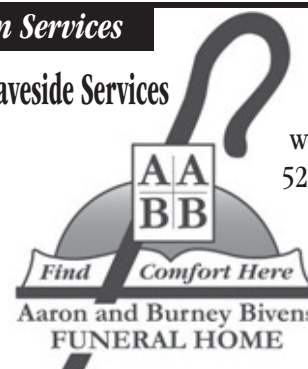
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Ellen Mary Dixon, cont'd

ingly called "Momal" by sixteen grandchildren, twenty-six great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren.

Ellen will be most remembered by her legacy of her profound love for her family. A Funeral Mass was held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 13, 2023 at Sacred

Heart Catholic Church with Father Sebastian Garcia officiating. Burial followed in the Hickory Grove Cemetery.

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



Tickets on sale for NE Florida Scottish Games at fairgrounds

CLAY COUNTY – Six outlets have advanced tickets for sale for the Northeast Florida Scottish Games and Festival on Feb. 25 at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

Advanced sale tickets are \$15 a person, while tickets at the door will cost \$20. Tickets can be bought online at nefl-games.com and at Clay County Chamber of Commerce in Orange Park, AA Propane Gas Company in Green Cove Springs, Mag-

nolia Hair and Nails in Green Cove Springs, Penney Farm Town Hall, Petsense in Middleburg and Spring Park Coffee in Green Cove Springs.

The festival runs from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and it includes whiskey tasting, Scottish music, dance, animals and athletics like caber tossing, sheaf throw, hammer throw, weight over bar and for distance.

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ORDINANCE NO. O-01-2023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 3.44 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY; SAID PROPERTY BEING GENERALLY LOCATED ON CR 209; DESCRIBING SAID PROPERTY BY METES AND BOUNDS IN EXHIBIT "A"; FINDING THAT ALL THE OWNERS OF SAID PROPERTY HAVE PETITIONED THE CITY PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 171.044, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO VOLUNTARILY ANNEX SAME; FINDING THAT THE PROPERTY IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE EXISTING CITY LIMITS AND REASONABLY COMPACT; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

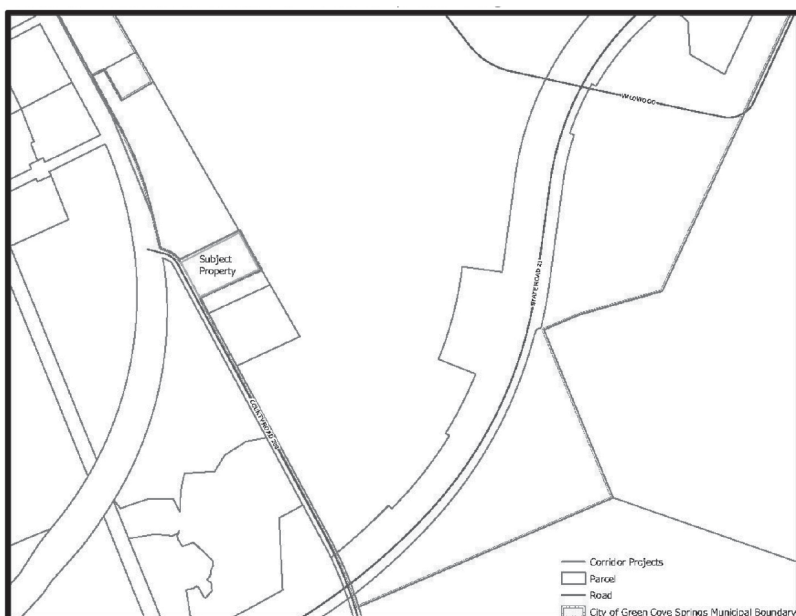
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Planning and Zoning Commission: Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 5:00 pm
City Council: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 7:00 pm
City Council: Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 7:00 pm

Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at these scheduled public hearings, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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

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City of Green Cove Springs
Lilly Delvecchio, Development Services Representative
City Hall, 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Clay County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.**, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the purpose of hearing objections, if any, to issuing a Variance to the Clay County Land Development Code, Article III, Section 3-15(g)(4), to reduce the side setback from 10 feet to 3 feet in the Rural Estates zoning district.

Location Address for BOA-22-21

5998 Pueblo Court

Tax Parcel Identification Number 20-06-23-021507-000-00

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed Variance. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board or Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. A copy of the Variance Application is available for inspection by the public at the County Economic Development Services Department, Planning and Zoning Division, Third Floor of the Administration Building, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

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 P.O. Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, or by telephone at number (904) 284-6347 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 the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

BOA-22-21 published January 19, 2022 in Clay Today.

Clay County Board of Adjustment
Keith Hadden
Chairman

Legal 51421 published January 19, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

Baptist's Roark provides insight into hospital's creation at Bridge-To-Bridge

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND – Behind the beautiful backdrop setting of a golf course, palm trees, and sunny, blue skies on Jan. 11, the Clay County Chamber of Commerce hosted its Bridge-To-Bridge networking event of the year at the Talons Clubhouse Restaurant.

The diverse set of entrepreneurs coming from a myriad of career fields then heard from Baptist Medical Center Clay President Darin Roark about the two-year construction project that finally led to the completion of a 102-room hospital.

Roark joined Baptist Health in 2012 as an assistant administrator responsible for overseeing all emergency centers. He became the administrator of the Baptist Clay Medical Campus in 2013.

After being promoted to the hospital president, he also served an ever-crucial role in orchestrating the successful opening of the 300,000-square-foot, full-service hospital that opened its doors on Dec. 19.

Roark outlined several points of pride regarding the new, beautiful, state-of-the-art facility that already employs 361 people – 65% which live in the county.

Roark touted the facility's private rooms, which include 20 maternity suites and 10 neonatal intensive care unit rooms. The maternity and NICU rooms are designed to look like resort suites and feature properly-adjusted lighting, large bathrooms, a sofa, a refrigerator, and other amenities for the father to provide comfort during the family's



Darin Roark

birth process.

Other onsite amenities include a hospital cafeteria, a large outdoor dining area, and a large community room for meetings and education that can hold a capacity of up to 125 guests.

Roark said the hospital serves the best hamburgers in town. He also said residents are welcome to sit down for lunch at the hospital.

Other than addressing residents about the facility's amenities and points of pride, the president did a little of everything while occupying the lectern.

Roark both describing an anecdotal story about an illness that sent his son to Baptist Clay soon after its grand opening and answering tough questions about the hospital such as mental health services and



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

A group of curious onlookers attended the first Bridge To Bridge meeting, featuring a presentation from Baptist Medical Center Clay President Darin Roark.

a possibility of a children's hospital.

Roark also spoke about the family, a community-oriented culture he's helped establish at the hospital's employee community, an undertaking that includes treating all colleagues and patients with a first-class level of respect and a no-tolerance policy of cleaning up any mess.

"It's just great to be able to share the story of what's available right here in Clay County and to help the county be able to prosper by communicating the world-class offerings that are right here close to home. I'm very grateful that the chamber continues to support local businesses by giving us great opportunities to speak at great events like this," Roark said.

Everyone enjoyed open networking complete with casual conversations and laughter before the onset of the event.

After that, committee members and government officials were given a warm welcome to the event, which was followed by an address from Chamber President Jon Cantrell, who provided a fresh slate of announcements.

Similarly to Finally Friday, all in attendance were allowed to speak, with each member of the audience stating their name, job title and company they represent.

André Van Heerden, founder of Clay SafetyNet Alliance, will be the featured guest speaker at Bridge To Bridge's next meeting on Feb. 8, which will be dedicated to helping nonprofits to work together to better solve challenges.

The Chamber will recognize nonprofit members at the next meeting and encourage companies to pay the way for a staff member or an advisor to attend.

Rolling Stoves food truck serves up great food, more satisfaction

By Lee Wardlaw
lee@claytodayonline.com

CLAY COUNTY – The Rolling Stoves Family Grill is a mobile catering delivery service and an event food truck serving a myriad of tasty options.

Sheena McLevy, founder and owner of the business, elected to kickstart The Rolling Stoves approximately one year ago today when she purchased her food truck from the Grub Brothers Creative Catering, an establishment with a similar operating model in Orange Park.

"I decided that it was an adventure that I wanted to get into, and I put it together in a few months," she said.

McLevy is a longtime resident of the community, and her favorite thing is to feed her fellow residents in the county that she loves so dearly.

"I was raised here. I love this county. My goal is just to be able to feed this county and do as much community outreach as I can to impact people," she said.

McLevy runs the family-owned operation alongside her fiancé and children.

As the hardworking mother and entre-

preneur further works towards reaching her career goals, she has one special goal in mind: aiding in the advancement of the career growth of her daughter, a teenager that was recently diagnosed with lupus.

Lupus is an inflammatory disease caused when the immune system attacks its tissues.

"The purpose of my business is to be able to have something for her to do when she gets out of high school, because her outcome is going to be a little bit different, so I want something she can have to help me run," she said.

The Rolling Stoves typically delivers their fresh-to-order drink and food items to HCA Florida Orange Park, Clay County Building Department and an array of other locations, while also actively participating in a myriad of community networking and nonprofit outreach events throughout the year.

Most recently, the food truck and catering service were on hand at Finally Friday, a business and networking event put on by the Clay County Chamber of Commerce on Friday, Jan. 6.



Most importantly, The Rolling Stoves will cater the Challenger Enterprises Prom, a big-ticket community event set for the Orange Park First Baptist Church at 1140 Kingsley Ave. on Jan. 28 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

As for the food, a loaded menu features several cuisines of choice, including breakfast, brunch, lunch, coffee and tea, deli sandwiches, dessert, energy drinks, and smoothies and juices.

But that's not all, as there truly is an option that will fit the liking of all taste buds.

Healthy food, comfort food, quick bites,

family style and children's menu are available.

As her small business continues to grow, McLevy envisions a further push towards the catering industry from the food truck industry in the career field that she loves.

"It's easier, and it gives me more time to network. I love feeding people, and I love what I do," McLevy said.

To reach out to The Rolling Stoves, please call or email (904) 625-6969 or trs-familygrill@gmail.com, or visit TRSGrill.com www.facebook.com/TheRollingStoves-familygrill.

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Clothes Closet and Food Pantry continues 70-year legacy of helping needy residents

By **Kylie Cordell**
For *Clay Today*

ORANGE PARK – The 15-car lot at the Orange Park Clothes Closet and Food Pantry was jammed packed. Cars are parked 40 feet down the road, trunks popped open to accommodate the brown paper bags filled with fresh meat, produce, as well as packaged and canned goods.

“Between food prices, rent prices, gas prices, and COVID, this past year has been

really tough,” said Pantry President Mandy Nelson. “We’ve had a huge spike this year. In years past, we allowed people to come every three months. Now, we deliver food every month.”

Nearly 6,000 Orange Park and Fleming Island residents come through the pantry doors yearly to receive essentials. In 2021 there were 1,814 households – and a total of 6,172 individuals served. And that only was for food.

In 2022, there were more than 3,050



PHOTOS BY KYLIE CORDELL

There are no paid employees at the pantry, which is about to celebrate its 71st birthday. Volunteers, from left, include Cathy Steven, Denise Holmquist, Mandy Nelson, Anita Aultman and Frank Zepka.

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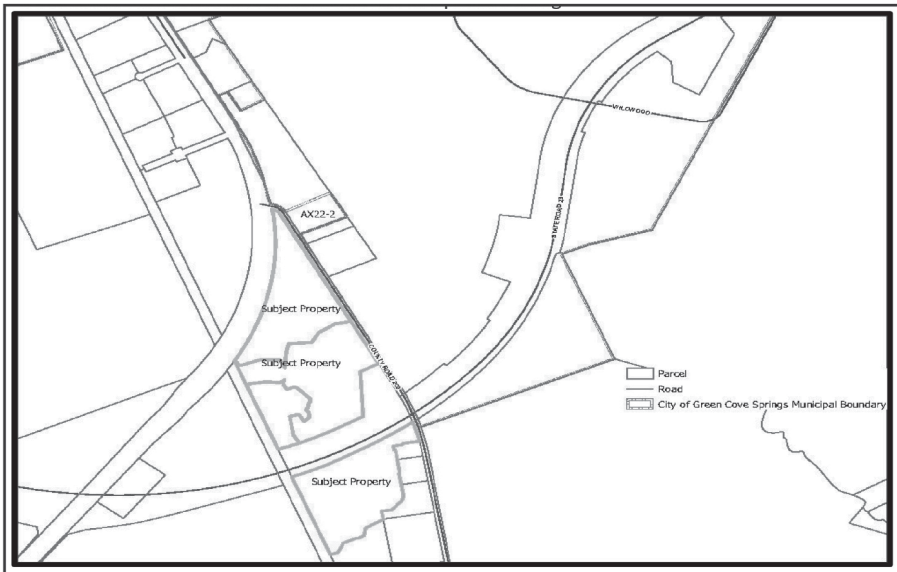
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households and 10,958 individuals served.

“We have seen an 84.7% increase in food needs over the course of five years,” Nelson said.

And this is just in Orange Park and on Fleming Island.

Last year, the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry celebrated its 70th year as an organization as one of the longest-standing Food Pantries in Clay County. It has changed locations nine times. Its current location at 1010 Fromhart St., across from the Orange Park Athletic Association fields, was built in 1996. Since then, the Closet has expanded twice to provide for overflow and the county’s growing need for food and clothing assistance.

“For clothing, they can come in every four months. Per person, they can get three of each item- shirts, pants, that kind of thing, with the exception of pajamas, coats, and purses. They can only take one of those. Shoes are two, but everything else they can get three of. And that’s three times a year,” Nelson said.

Items that don’t make it onto the main floor are tossed into trailer bins and sent to textiles in South Carolina for a nickle a pound.

“They come in fast and furious. It’s amazing. The community is very giving. What we need now are sorters,” Nelson said.

On the back wall, an overflow of black trashbags lies a large, mountainous heap, nearly to the ceiling, under a painting of Baby Jesus.

“If we get up to Baby Jesus there, it’s a fire code,” she said.

The carpeted floor where rows of clothes hung on metal racks becomes a grey linoleum, transitioning into a lighter shade at the far end of the building. The unstable Kmart shelves stacked with diapers, baby wipes, feminine products, toothbrushes, clothes detergent and toiletries, have been transformed into industrial, standing shelves.

“Half the time, we didn’t know what was over here because they have time to

stock the shelves, so we ended up with all these boxes everywhere,” said Secretary of the Board Kathy Ray. “So we put in better shelving which has been a key thing for us. Storage is huge. The more we can put out, the more we can do for our clients.”

Currently, the Closet receives deliveries from Winn Dixies and Walmart, as well as donations from local churches. They also work with food banks such as the Good Samaritan Food Pantry and Green Cove Springs Food Pantry. “We’ve had Orange Park donate funds, Hagan Ace Hardware and County Cruisers. We’ve got some interesting organizations who have helped out,” Nelson said.

In 2021, the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry received a State Farm Neighborhood Assist grant, awarded to 100 nonprofits nationwide.

“There were only 100 nonprofits nationwide that received \$25,000 and we were one of the hundred,” said grant writer, Anita Aultman. On average, the Food Pantry supports 60 and 70 families a week and spends \$5,000 to \$6,000 on food. “It made a tremendous difference,” she said.

The Closet continues to expand to assist Clay County residents through challenges and enable them to stand on their own two feet. However, it’s no easy task.

“Clay County has been amazing. Without them, we wouldn’t be able to keep our doors open,” Nelson said. “But we need volunteers to help us get out these donations.”

The operation is run entirely by volunteers.

“Our volunteer base has been down 25% since COVID. Our biggest need right now is sorting and volunteers to work in our food pantry,” Nelson said.

For more information about the Orange Park Clothes Closet and Food Pantry or to become a volunteer, contact their office at (904) 264 5239. Clients must be referred within 30 days of their request for services. Clients must also bring in valid identification and proof of address with acceptable zip codes 32006, 32073, 32065, 32097 and 32003.



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Community Briefs

Management team to speak at Chamber's Lunch and Learn

ORANGE PARK – Residents and Clay Chamber members are urged to meet the Clay County Assistant County Management Team on Jan. 19 at 11:30 a.m. at Haven-Custead Hospice Care Center at 745 Blanding Blvd. The event is sponsored by SouthState Bank.

Selected by County Manager Howard Wannamaker, ACM team members in-

clude Assistant County Manager Chereese Stewart, Deputy Director of Emergency Management Troy Nagle, Assistant County Manager Charlie Latham and Acting Fire Chief David Motes. They work daily with the county manager to implement and execute the policies, ordinances, and budgets adopted by the Board of County Commissioners and oversee the management and operations of Clay County. During the

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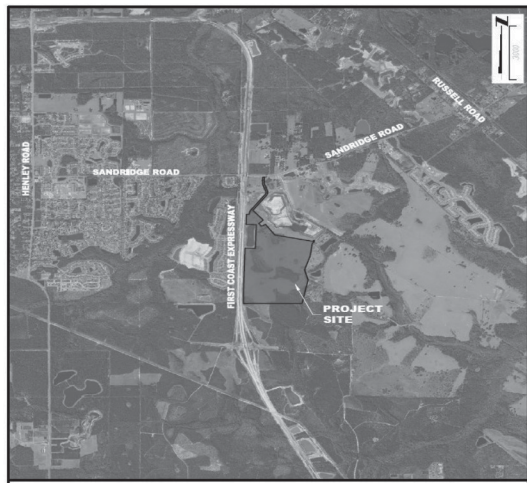
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Clay County Board of County Commissioners To Consider a Petition to Establish Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District

DATE: January 24, 2023

TIME: 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard

LOCATION: Clay County Administration Building
BCC Meeting Room, Fourth Floor
477 Houston Street
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, a public hearing will be held by the Clay County Board of County Commissioners on the 24th day of January, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard at the BCC Meeting Room, Fourth Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, to consider a petition to establish the Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District. The proposed Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District is comprised of 254.16 acres, generally located south of Sandridge Road, east of First Coast Expressway and west of Feed Mill Road in Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The petitioner has proposed to establish the Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District to plan, finance, acquire, construct, operate and maintain infrastructure and community facilities which may be authorized by such district under Florida law, including but not limited to: stormwater management system, roadway improvements, water and sewer systems, landscaping and signage, amenities and other infrastructure.



A copy of the petition is open to public inspection at the Clay County Attorney's Office, 2nd Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, (904) 269-6377.

All interested persons and affected units of general-purpose government shall be given an opportunity to appear at the hearing and present oral or written comments on the petition. Any persons or affected unit of general-purpose local government, who wish to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this public hearing will need a record of the proceedings. For that purpose, the person or unit of general-purpose local government may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made that includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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problems quicker," Burke said.

Participants agreed but said there needs to be better, more efficient communication with parents, especially parents who don't speak English.

The district also needs to consider working families when scheduling events and engagements.

The greatest need for fiscal and operational efficiency across the board was accessible transportation.

Broskie noted that the school district is working to address the lack of bus drivers. Another concern was how to manage growth within our community. "Many homes are being built in Clay County, so we

have to figure out how to keep up with all those students," he said.

Participants noted the district's respectful climate, culture and commitment to safety, including a single access point during school hours and monthly drills. However, they would like more interaction with local authorities to promote safe and supportive home and school environments.

The other two meetings will be on Jan. 19th at 6 p.m. at the Oakleaf High Media Center and on Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. at the Fleming Island High Media Center.

Feedback received during all three events and the district office's steering committees will help the District begin to craft initiatives toward the goals. The final draft will be presented to the school board for approval in June.

NOTICE OF ELECTION 2023 SUPER TUESDAY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS City of Green Cove Springs City of Keystone Heights Town of Orange Park

Pursuant to Section 100.021 of the Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the 2023 Super Tuesday Municipal Elections will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at each respective Municipality.

City of Green Cove Springs

321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Seats One (1) and Two (2) for a three (3) year term of office on the Green Cove Springs City Council.

City of Keystone Heights

555 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights, FL 32656
Seat Four (4) for a three (3) year term of office on the Keystone Heights City Council.

Town of Orange Park

2042 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073
Seats One (1) and Two (2) for a three (3) year term of office on the Orange Park Town Council.

Qualifying for all seats will open Monday, January 30th at NOON and remain open until Friday, February 3rd at NOON at the Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office.

Those interested in qualifying for Seats on the aforementioned City or Town Councils must be a qualified elector, a citizen of the United States and meet all other qualifying requirements as outlined in each respective Municipal Charter.

A Run-off Election, if necessary for any Municipality will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of May.

For further information, please contact the Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office at (904) 269-6350.

In accordance with the Sunshine Law of Florida, this meeting is open to the public.

Note: Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purposes, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

AVISO DE ELECCION ELECCIONES MUNICIPALES DEL SÚPER MARTES 2023 Ciudad de Green Cove Springs Ciudad de Keystone Heights Ciudad de Orange Park

De conformidad con la Sección 100.021 de los Estatutos de Florida, se notifica que las Elecciones Municipales del Súper Martes 2023 se llevarán a cabo el martes 11 de abril de 2023, de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. en cada Municipio respectivo.

Ciudad de Green Cove Springs

321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Asientos Uno (1) y Dos (2) por un período de tres (3) años en el Consejo de la Ciudad de Green Cove Springs.

Ciudad de Keystone Heights

555 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights, FL 32656
Asiento Cuatro (4) por un período de tres (3) años en el Consejo de la Ciudad de Keystone Heights.

Ciudad de Orange Park

2042 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073
Asientos Uno (1) y Dos (2) por un período de tres (3) años en el Consejo Municipal de Orange Park.

La calificación para los asientos se abrirá el lunes 30 de enero a mediodía y permanecerá abierta hasta la mediodía del viernes 3 de febrero en la Oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay.

Aquellos interesados en calificar para Asientos en los Consejos Municipales o Municipales mencionados anteriormente debe ser un elector calificado, un ciudadano de los Estados Unidos y cumplir con todos los demás requisitos de calificación como se detalla en cada Carta Municipal respectiva.

Una segunda vuelta electoral, si es necesario para cualquier municipio, se llevará a cabo el segundo martes de mayo.

Para obtener más información, comuníquese con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay, (904) 269-6350.

De acuerdo con la Ley Sunshine de Florida, esta reunión está abierta al público.

Nota: La Sección 286.0105, Estatutos de la Florida, establece que si una persona decide apelar cualquier decisión de la junta, agencia o comisión con respecto a cualquier asunto considerado en una reunión o audiencia, necesitará un registro de los procedimientos, y que, para tales fines, él o ella puede necesitar asegurarse de que se haga un registro literal de los procedimientos, el cual incluye el testimonio y la evidencia sobre los cuales se basará la apelación.

Legal 47828 published Jan. 5 and 19, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

Miracle

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But Richard beat the odds.

Born at 27 weeks and four days and weighing less than a pound, Richard's diapers were smaller than a pack of chewing gum. To date, Richard is one of the smallest babies ever born at Wolfson Children's Hospital, a part of Baptist Health.

"He didn't have to come home on oxygen. He didn't have to be incubated. He didn't have any brain bleeds. Our doctors don't understand it. He's a miracle," Taylor said.

Richard spent 124 days in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and was discharged on Nov. 17, 2021. He will be 2 in July.

Richard is now almost 18 months old and currently attends feeding, physical and occupational therapy and "is making amazing improvements" at his home in Green Cove Springs, according to his parents and nurses. Furthermore, Richard is being honored as part of the Wolfson 55, a group of children selected annually to represent all the others who received care at the hospital in Jacksonville.

Known as the "Wolfson 55," each child and family has a unique story about the strength and hope it takes to fight a health battle. These children will be the focus of this year's Wolfson Children's Challenge charity event, to be held on Jan. 28.

This year's challenge event will also feature a marathon, as well as shorter runs. The Marathon will begin at 121 Financial Ballpark, 301 A. Phillip Randolph Blvd. in Jacksonville along the St John's River.



Chris Busby's family has participated in the Wolfson marathon since 2016. The run honors 55 children who started their lives in NICU.

"It is a relay. It's a 55k relay, so basically, everyone runs a 5k loop," said Wolfson Children's Challenge Event Coordinator, Chris Busby. "There will also be a fun run at 2 pm. We do a one-mile lap around the stadium. It's really fun. Everyone gets a medal. Everyone gets celebrated. There are pictures of all of our Wolfson 55 honorees along the race route."

Individuals and teams of all abilities and fitness levels can participate in various races and fundraising opportunities at the 14th annual event, celebrating current and former patients of Wolfson Children's Hospital of Jacksonville and raising funds for lifesaving care.

"You get to run on the water and then

downtown. While that's going on, there are tent set-ups. There are amazing family and children's activities," Busby said. "Everyone gets to participate; even if you don't run, it's a great way to catch up with people. You see doctors and nurses. They love seeing the kids."

Busby's son Chase was a 2019 Wolfson 55 honoree. Now, he wishes to pay it forward and give back to the Wolfson community.

"We did our first Wolfson's Children Hospital relay in 2016. Since then, we did it every year, even during COVID. We've had anywhere from three to seven teams," he said.

This year, the Wolfson Children's Challenge hopes to raise \$125,000. All proceeds benefit the Wolfson Children's Challenge Endowment and help fund the purchase of lifesaving trauma equipment and technology for the hospital's most critically ill and injured patients.

"We've raised about \$55,000 in the last eight years. All of that money goes back into capital projects for the hospital," Busby said.

The race has raised more than \$4 million since its inception in 2008 and has helped fund several projects.

"They upgraded the trauma center to a tier one, the first one in the area," Busby said. "And they just finished an MIBG Therapy Room on the Oncology floor for treatment for neuroblastoma – a very rare, aggressive brain tumor.

"The amount of radiation the children receive during treatment, you have to suit up just to go into the room. Imagine if

you're a child, this is a very isolating, scary experience. So they actually created a side room for the parents and family members. They have two-way communication so the parent and child can talk while they de-radiate."

They will also continue to expand the NICU for overnight guests. There will be space for two parents to sleep, full showers and bathrooms, and a room on each floor where NICU parents can bond and seek joint care.

With financial support, Wolfson Children's Hospital can continue providing patients and families state-of-the-art care.

Those who want to give back to Wolfson Children's can participate in the event by signing up as a sponsor, organizing a relay team or competing. Registration is now open at wolfsonchildrenschallenge.com and closes on Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 5 pm. For more information about the event or to register online, visit wolfsonchildrenschallenge.com.

"It's awesome to be able to continue watching the program grow. Wolfson is one of the top children's hospitals in the Northeast. It's got one of the best oncology teams in the south. We're blessed to have all of our services there," Busby said.

Taylor Solomon agrees.

"The experience and care that they offer are just top-tier," she said. "We are so grateful to them, without a shadow of a doubt. They cared for him [Richard] as if he was their own. I don't know where we would be without them."

Baker

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County needed a veterans clinic in 2012. After three failed attempts, one was approved in 2015. But the battle was just getting started.

"We had a lot of challenges, setbacks and success," said U.S. Rep. Kat Cammack, who represented District 3 and Clay County when the project was approved. Holy buckets it was hard to get it considered, much less get it completed."

Cammack also fought emotions, but she focused on Baker's wife, Tina.

"This has been a long time coming," Cammack said. "Tina, we got it done."

The plan to put Baker's name on the clinic started with Cammack's predecessor, Rep. Ted Yoho. Cammack took over while she served as his chief of staff and she continued when she won her first term in 2020.

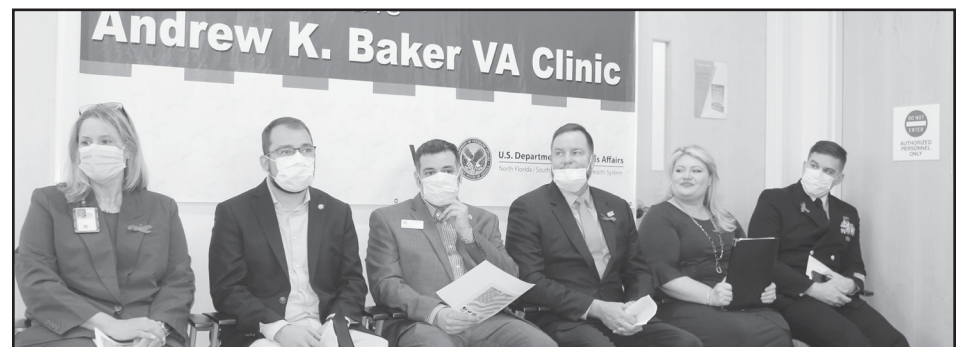
Antisubmarine Warfare Chief Baker died with his Trident 615 H-60 Seahawk crashed off the coast of North Carolina while trying to land on a frigate to refuel during a training event. All four on board were killed. Baker was attached to HS-3 homeported at NAS Jacksonville and he served on the USS Carl Vinson and USS Coral Sea as a Ship's Serviceman.



His wife, Tina Baker, spent years trying to make sure her husband's memory would be forever remembered.

Tina Baker originally presented a case to have an aircrew candidate school in Pensacola named after her husband, but he finished second in the voting, she said.

Supervisor of Elections Chris Chambless, also a veteran, conducted a special



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

Andrew K. Baker's son, Drew, fought tears when telling stories about his father before he was killed in a Navy SEAL training mission in 1997. The event attracted U.S. Reps Kat Cammack, left, and Aaron Bean.



election of service people from Clay County who were nominated for the re-naming. Baker won decisively.

"He was a simple man doing his job," Tina Baker said two years ago. "The things that come from simple things sometimes become life lessons. Now I can put this to bed. It's done. I have great peace from this."

The mix of rough seas, the pitch of a frigate, visual disorientation caused by night vision goggles and fatigue were likely factors in the accident. The Navy has since reviewed many of its training policies.

"It was a teachable moment," Tina Baker.

The son, who is about to be deployed, shared his family's joy in preserving his father's legacy.

"I want to thank all of the people of Clay County and the people of Middleburg," Drew Baker said. "Without you, it wouldn't be possible."

Paul Wane's guitar solo leads to 'whirlwind' of opportunities

Musician's Rising Star Foundation donates music studio to AMIkids Clay County

By Don Coble
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FLEMING ISLAND – Paul Wane is used to being on stage and in the spotlight. But he's equally at home talking with children about playing music.

Wane gained national notoriety with a blistering rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner" ahead of the Jacksonville Jaguars-Tennessee Titans final regular-season game. His guitar solo instantly went viral and made the local musician a star.

"I probably slept three or four hours the week after I played (at the game)," Wane said during a stop at Clay Today last Monday. "We're making the most of it. A lot of important people are calling me now. It's flattering. It's very humbling. To know that they even know my name is incredible."

Wane felt at home in front of 70,000 fans at TIAA Bank Field and millions watching ESPN on Jan. 7, but he was more comfortable talking with boys at AMIkids Clay County Wednesday about music. Wane's Rising Star Foundation was responsible for donating more than 200 instruments to local children before the game. The support – including a \$10,000 donation from Mor-

gan and Morgan – will help Wane expand his platform.

"This last week, a man named Joshua (Grant), who's the Director of Education for AMI Clay County school, called and said his kids wanted me to come out and be a guest speaker there," Wane said. "Like I said, with the help of Mike Murray (who refurbishes donated guitars for Rising Star children), we're going to be able to donate a music room to these kids – guitars, amplifiers, drums, PA system, the mixing board, the whole thing and set up a situation where they can learn the trade of music where you know some got some of the kids can learn to be sound engineers. Some kids can learn how to work for a production company as roadies and technicians, and some can learn to be musicians and singers.

"I try to keep the phones and the game controllers out of their hands so that they can use their little minds to be creative."

AMIkids is an organization that works with boys who've had trouble with schoolwork and behavior. AMIkids provides mentorships to give them positive alternatives.

Wane is the frontman for his band Duval County Line and the Paul Wane Experience, and most of his shows are based in Clay County. He's a regular every Thursday



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Paul Wane, far right, celebrates his first Rising Star event where he handed out instruments to local children three years ago.

night at the Howlin Wolf Bar in Melrose and considers Boogerville Hideout as one of his favorite venues.

Morgan and Morgan invited Wane to play at their tailgate party before last week's Super Wild Card game against the Los Angeles Chargers. That's when he was surprised by the richest gift to his foundation.

"I've only been to two Jaguars games and they won them both," Wane said. "Last week was crazy because everyone recognized me. I couldn't get a soft drink and peanuts. These last couple of weeks have been a whirlwind."

Wane's popularity now allows him to be more selective with play dates for DCL. They can pick when and where they play instead of accepting every gig to remain relevant.

"We have big things coming up," he said.

Including his foundation.

"You know, we just gave a guitar to a girl and she said her father got one from us a few years ago," Wane said. "That's the first time we've had a second-generation donation."

Wane said the idea to steer children toward music and away from the distractions of electronic games and the temptation to abuse drugs and alcohol always will be the biggest focus of his life.

"I started giving away guitars when I was a kid. I've been doing this my whole life," he said. "It was ingrained in me when my uncle gave me my first guitar when I was 8. So I was always a mover and a shaker as a kid, you know mowing yards and finding ways to make money. I earned my allowance. I just wanted to be a singer, but I was so a high-strung, annoying little kid I couldn't find anyone that wanted to accommodate me. So I had to learn how to play an instrument so I can sing."

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Fleming Island Elementary honors veterans with a rare Purple Star Distinction

By Lee Wardlaw

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FLEMING ISLAND – When House Bill 429 was established by the Florida Legislature, it was to recognize schools that support the unique needs of military families. This year, Fleming Island Elementary became the only school in Clay County to earn the honorable distinction.

On Jan. 13, the school commemorated the honor with a special flag-raising event and recognized its Purple Star School of Distinction status.

Students, officials and the community – many dressed in purple – were invited to the school courtyard.

Dark clouds provided an ominous start to the presentation, but the skies started to clear following the presentation of colors by the Fleming Island High NJROTC and the elementary school's chorus singing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"The sun came out. Maybe it was divine intervention, or maybe you just don't mess with the U.S. Armed Forces," said David Broskie, Clay County Superintendent of Schools.

Broskie and NAS Jacksonville Command Master Chief Shane R. Edwards joined Principal Jennifer Collins and each shared words of appreciation about the strongly-established military-connected programs for families and students.

"Each one of those people that comes to NAS Jacksonville has a family. They have little ones, they have husbands, and they have wives, and they have a lot of people that are deploying. What you have done here at Fleming Island is awesome, especially being the first in Clay County. Thank you for being leaders," Edwards said.

"Freedom isn't for free. It requires great costs. It requires people to sacrifice in many ways, and some of those sacrifices that occur affect the families of those that serve," Broskie added.

Earning the honorable distinction didn't come without a lot of hard work from students, faculty and staff, all of who played a major part in helping the school earn the honor.

To meet the requirements, a myriad of tasks were required for completion, Collins said during her speech.

This process included teacher training, establishing a transition program for new students moving to the school called Anchored For Life and hosting several events for military holidays, including Veterans' Day, Memorial Day, Month of the Military Child in April and Purple Up Day.

Another stipulation in the long-ranging list of requirements to earn Purple Heart School of Distinction status is that at least 5% of the school's open enrollment seats must be reserved for military students as defined by state statute. Professional development and training are offered to staff, and students provide a friendly, welcoming face and lead campus tours to military students in Anchored For Life, which is a



Alongside her hardworking faculty, staff, and students Fleming Island Elementary Principal Jennifer Collins helped deliver the Purple Star of Distinction School status for the school. The process involves a lot of paperwork, devoted dedication, but most importantly, establishing a culture of appreciation for U.S. military servicemembers and students. Collins stopped at one of the yellow ribbons adorned on a courtyard tree, each which holds a special meaning to students and staff that have parents or other loved ones fighting overseas.

student-led program.

But that's not all.

Military and Family Life Counselor, Darby Palmer, a military spouse for 25 years and licensed counselor for more than 20 years, is a full-time employee who serves as a liaison between the school and military families. Palmer provides individual support for students and families and puts on activities such as Lunch Bunches.

The crucial role she played was also key in helping Fleming Island earn the distinction.

Support for U.S. troops has been established as a strong part of the school's



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

Fleming Island Elementary students welcome district leaders, military families and community members to the courtyard flag pole on campus to celebrate the distinction that they worked so hard to earn.

culture, a fact that is proudly displayed in the halls of the elementary. A public display at the front office recognizes service members, veterans and military students.

Military traditions are simply part of the school's lifeblood.

When a child's family member is about to be deployed, the school hosts a yellow

ribbon ceremony. All students from the child's class are invited to watch as a commemorative ribbon is tied around a tree.

When the child's parent returns home, the ribbon is then removed.

"When the (parent) comes home, it's a celebration. It's very moving, very emotional," Collins said.



The Fleming Island High NJROTC stands at attention before presenting the U.S. colors at a flag-raising event on the morning of Friday, Jan. 13, to celebrate Fleming Island Elementary's designation as a Purple Star of Distinction School.

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Corrie Ten Boom was known for her heroic efforts to hide Jews from arrest and deportation to concentration camps during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands. She once said, "Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." We should give control to the One who is in control.

God's power and perspective is boundless, meaning He can accomplish anything in your life. He has a plan and purpose prepared for you, but you'll never fully realize those unless you hand control over to Him.

There is a reward for this type of living. Proverbs 10:16 says, "The wages of the righteous is life, but the earnings of the wicked are sin and death." We don't know what it truly means to live until we live attuned to the presence of God in our lives. True living means walking alongside God in everything you do. He brings out the fullness of life!

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We were made by Him and for Him. Ephesians 2:10 says, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." What does this mean for us? In simple terms it means we can trust in God's direction in our lives and fully relinquish control to Him. This is another step in living our best life!

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Fleming Island band already marching to raise money for next year's shows

By Lee Wardlaw

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FLEMING ISLAND – The Fleming Island High Golden Eagle Band may have just recently closed the book on fairytale season, but the musicians who will return next year already are busy with fundraising projects.

The school finished third last November at the Florida Marching Band Championship in Fort Lauderdale and the group then traveled to England to march in the New Year's Day parade in London.

To pay for its ambitious schedule, the band, fondly referred to as Eagle Band One, now will have an increased funding arm from the Friends of EBO heading into the 2023-24 school year.

The nonprofit was launched in 2021 with one simple goal in mind: to help offset student costs for uniforms, instruments and other expensive costs required to participate.

The tools needed to perform at the highest level are not cheap. Students often must pay to play, which oftentimes means the parents or students are forced to foot the bill.

For example, the cost for the London trip was \$90,000, which took 11 months to raise.

Band is an expensive endeavor and funding the competitive activity has become increasingly challenging for families. Band fees cover 25% of total expenses, with concessions only taking care of another 10%.

"We're really looking to fill that gap with sponsorships from corporations and small businesses," said Gina Blume, coordinator of the EBO Sponsorship Committee.

To help set aside costs for those that want to compete in the award-winning group, Friends of EBO began accepting tax-deductible donations in 2022.

After a podium finish at the state championship competition and an unforgettable experience in London, the Eagle Band One now is focusing on future projects.

That's why all funds to the nonprofit will be allocated toward the band for the next academic year and will be collected from now until Aug. 1.

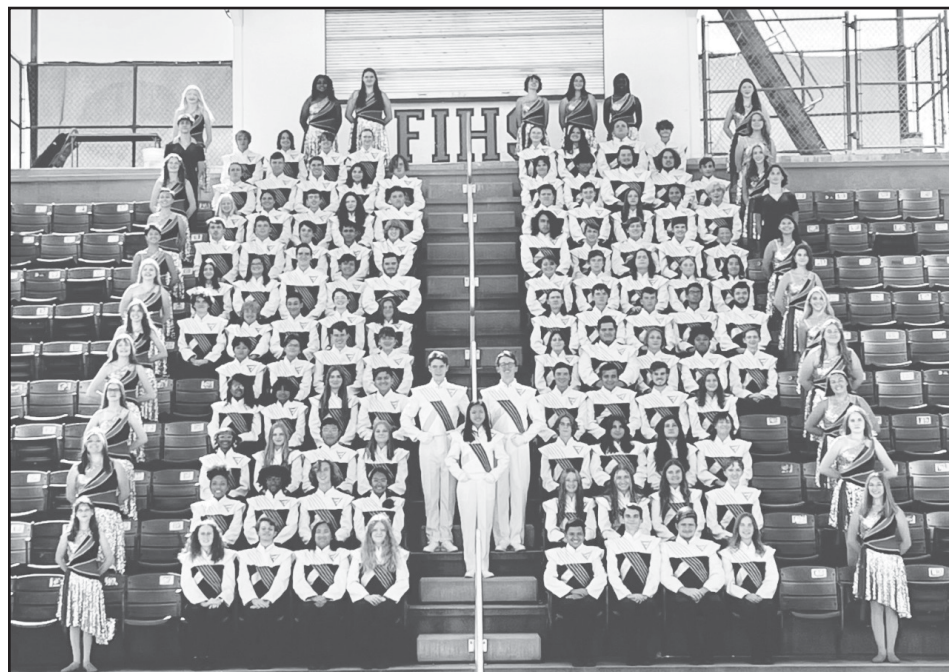
Five levels of sponsorship packages exist for corporate sponsor candidates and others seeking to donate.

For \$250, an Eaglet will be guaranteed inclusion in the EBO directory of 2023-24 supporters.

For \$700, an Eagle will be included in the directory as well as being provided two regular season football passes.

\$1,200-level sponsors will reap all Eagle benefits along with seeing their businesses' logo ordained at the football stadium concession stand.

Soaring Eagles who donate \$2,800 or more reap all Eagle rewards while also



The Golden Eagle Band

receiving a special announcement through the stadium's public address system during Eagle Band One halftime performances.

Eagle sponsors can also add a feather, meaning that donors can further their advertising efforts via social media, if they so choose.

Three sets of advertising packages allow participating sponsors to reach thousands of potential new clients on social media by featuring their brand's logo.

One month of advertising will cost \$150, full regular season advertising will cost \$300, and an entire year comes out to \$700.

The EBO's top five wishlist items include uniforms, drums, sound systems, concert tubas and concert chimes.

To provide a snapshot of the exorbitant expenses of maintaining a fully-functional competitive band, a full set of traditional uniforms are available at the price tag of \$60,000. Drums are \$5,000; sound systems range between \$15,000-20,000; and 10 tubas cost between \$6,000-8,000 each. Concert chimes cost \$10,000.

In the meantime, the clock is fast-ticking for the competitive group as they

soon prepare for another shot at the state championship.

In the colder months, the Winter Guard, an indoor version of Color Guard, and Velocity, another competitive band program, are in action.

Summer camp and the regular season will be back in full swing sooner than expected. Practice begins in May. Shortly after, in August, the stars will align for the Eagles to take another shot at the elusive state crown.

In the meantime, the dedicated nonprofit will be hard at work to determine the right partners to bring on board for a big upcoming season.

To reach out to the Eagle Band One Sponsorship Committee, please contact Blume at outsidetheboxNJ@gmail.com or at (609) 721-1515. You may also reach out to band directors Mara Rose at Mara.Rose@MyOneClay.net or Alexander Buck at Alexander.Buck@MyOneClay.net.

Please make checks payable to Friends of EBO and mail to: Fleming Island High School C/O, FIHS Band, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, FL 32003.



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Future farmers hog the spotlight during 'Showdown in the Springs Jackpot Swine Show'

By Kylie Cordell
For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – More than 200 exhibitors from Florida and Georgia put their best four feet – and curly tails – forward during the fifth annual "Showdown in the Springs Jackpot Swine Show" last Saturday at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

The event was hosted by the Clay County Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee. It was limited to participants between 8 and 21.

The show allowed members of 4-H and Future Farmers of America to build on their swine projects. Members purchase piglets, cared for them for six months, showcased them in regional competitions and sell them off at their local county fair.

In showmanship, exhibitors were judged on their ability to control and present their pig. That was followed by purebred market, crossbred market, purebred breeding, crossbred breeding and the Hometown category for Clay County contestants shows. The Hometown class featured a show record of 41 exhibitors.

Rylee Jannotti was the Hometown grand champion, while Maggie Mosley won the reserved grand champion. Rayghen Roberts finished third, followed by Isabella Cowherd in fourth and Mary Roberts in fifth.

Exhibitors said they show pigs for many reasons.

"Winning is a great feeling. Progressing with your pig from the beginning to the end and seeing how they have grown is amazing," said Ashley, 13.

Although many of the contestants are "in it to win it," Annabel, 18, was excited to be around like-minded people who share a

passion for agriculture and livestock.

"I look surrounding myself with other people that show. It's a great experience to talk with everyone," she said.

Ryan joined FFA during his freshman year and has been showing pigs since. Although he enjoys the competitive aspect of showing pigs, the best part is watching them grow up. "I train my pig 40 minutes a day. I try to work with them and get them to walk with me. You have to bond with them," he said.

Likewise, Chevy said showing pigs was an escape from everyday life, a chance to slow down and remove yourself from the daily grind. "It's a getaway. The barn's a quiet place and it's just you and the pig," he said.

Besides providing an opportunity to exhibit their pigs before the Clay County Agriculture Fair, the competition develops leadership skills in and outside the ring.

"They have to feed it, groom it. They learn how to train them and prepare them for the April show. They are completely responsible for their pig," said Kelly Mosley, a Clay County Farm Bureau Board Member.

The program not only helps build leadership skills, but it also helps support high school students through and beyond college beyond.

"Many people have exhibited their pigs at the Clay County Fair and put themselves through college raising livestock," she said.

Additionally, the Farm Bureau provides scholarships to graduating seniors and current college students whose parents or grandparents are Farm Bureau members. This scholarship program is very competitive, and the first preference will be given



Members of the Future Farmers of America and 4-H from North Florida and South Georgia hoped to impress judges during the 'Showdown in the Springs Jackpot Swine Show' last weekend at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

to applicants who will be pursuing a career in the field of agriculture.

Applications are available from a high school guidance counselor, FFA Adviser, Clay County Farm Bureau Facebook page or at the bureau at 2000 Henley Road in Middleburg. The Clay County Farm Bureau office must receive completed applications by Feb. 15.

"We also have another scholarship, the Katy Hendry Memorial Scholarship, which honors a beloved former agriculture teacher and FFA advisor of Clay County. That scholarship is for people who want to become agriculture teachers," Mosley said. "We have 10 agricultural teachers in our junior high and high schools, and four of the 10 teachers went through our Fair Program, so that's just one example of how they pay it forward."

The Farm Bureau also awards 10 \$200 mini-grants to teachers who want to do a

project related to agriculture. By offering these scholarships and grants, the Farm Bureau helps create future leaders in agriculture and within the community.

"Less than 2% of the population is involved in farming and ranching. They feed and clothe the world, and most people are many generations removed from the farm, so they have no idea what actually happens on a farm," Mosley said.

"So it's important for the Farm Bureau and other agricultural organizations that we do what we can to educate people, especially children, about where our food comes from."

To learn more about the Clay County Farm Bureau, visit the Florida Farm Bureau Federation website or join their Facebook Page. For additional information about scholarships, contact Terri Davis at (904) 282-0644.

Garden Club of Fleming Island learns to grow organic roses from cuttings

For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – Can you grow a rose from mere cuttings? If the answer is no, the woman to learn from is Pam Greenwald of Angel Gardens.

She was the recent speaker for the Garden Club of Fleming Island and she brought a "make and take" workshop, so everyone went home with new rose plants the same day. Everyone was excited to find out how to propagate roses organically.

Greenwald is the owner of Angel Gardens in Alachua County and is one of only four Commercial Organic Rose Growers in the world. She willingly shared her propagating methods in a fun and easy manner. Everyone learned a lot and felt the urgency of good rose care, free from chemical fertilizer and pesticides. She presents a program of care for roses and talked in an easy-to-understand manner.

For those who want to visit Greenwald in her nursery, go to angelgardens.com/.

It's located two miles north of the town of Alachua. She can answer any rose question you have.

Learning new ways of caring for plants is part of the mission of the Garden Club of Fleming Island. The group encouraged its members to try new ways of gardening. Hearing from experts who provide "hands-on" information is especially helpful.

The group's next meeting is on Feb. 13 at 10 a.m. at the Fleming Island Library.

The speaker will be Bob Warren, a local gardener from Green Cove Springs. He will be presenting "Growing Plants from Seeds."

Warren and his wife, Carolyn, manage a public Butterfly Garden. He has a small greenhouse and starts many of his plants from seed. Everyone will be given free seeds to help create more butterfly gardens.

The meets are free and open to the public.



Members of the Garden Club of Fleming Island not only learned how to cultivate organic roses from cuttings, they were able to take home their cuttings after the meeting.

Orange Park to inform residents about dangers of toxic air potatoes

By Lee Wardlaw
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ORANGE PARK – Members of the Orange Park Environmental Quality Board agreed to craft a public flier/brochure informing town residents of the dangerous environmental effects caused by the air potato at its meeting on Jan. 12.

The fast-growing, toxic plant species that are native to Florida have become an attractive nuisance in both public parks and private backyards.

The invasive species are poisonous to humans and many animals.

The air potato is capable of killing trees by suffocating them and blocking sunlight and can displace native plant species and disrupt natural processes like fire and water flow.

The plant has been listed as one of Florida's most invasive plant species since 1993, according to the UF-IFAS Center For Aquatic and Invasive Plants.

A motion was approved at Town Council's most recent session on Dec. 6 to allow for public information to be distributed about the invasive plant.

On Jan. 11, the EQB agreed on a timeline to roll out the flier/brochure.

First, EQB members verbally agreed to set a deadline for the flier's first draft.

The board's five members will be re-



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quired to send information, photos and any other items that they would like to see added to the flier to Stephen Smith, Economic and Community Development Director, by Thursday, Jan. 19.

The finalized details of the brochure will be hammered out at the EQB's next meeting on Feb. 9.

EQB members unanimously agreed that they would like to donate the vast majority of the session to hammer out final details.

By meeting this deadline, board mem-

bers would allow Smith to send the finished product to Emily Dockery, Events and Recreation Coordinator, with time to spare. If all goes as planned, Dockery would have at least two weeks to organize and print the materials.

The flier will warn residents of the harmful effects of the air potato would be included in the town's March utility bills. That would allow all town residents to get a closer look at the issue.

The board will seek to create a half to

one-page document, which would feature photographs and quick-hit bullet point-style information about the invasive plant species.

In other news, the EQB held discussions on fencing and security of town parks, with board member Michael Wallwork supporting keeping all town parks open 24 hours a day. Wallwork would also prefer for barriers and fences to be removed at the parks, if possible.

Wallwork cited San Diego as one template. The city's zoning code bans barriers and fences, and parks are open at all hours, Wallwork said.

With after-hours criminal activities happening in some town parks, which are tucked into neighborhoods bordering private homes, other officials demonstrated opposition to the idea.

On Dec. 28, for example, 18-year-old Drew Allan Wright III was shot to death at the Orange Park Athletic Association basketball courts.

EQB board members said they may talk about the plan with the Parks and Recreation Department at its next dual meeting.

The board also passed a motion, 4-0, to create an orientation session for EQB board members so they could re-familiarize themselves with the charter.

The training session will take place at the EQB's meeting in March.

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Keystone Heights JROTC, band, chorus headed to fast lane

School to lead pre-race ceremonies ahead of Daytona truck race

By Natalie Gilstrap
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – In 2021, the Daytona International Speedway invited the Keystone Heights Junior Officer Training Corps seniors to present the colors at the Daytona International Speedway after the group successfully presented the colors during the Supercross race a year earlier.

The group will be returning to the World Center of Racing to present the colors again on Feb. 17 for the NextEra Energy 250 for

the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series.

“It’s always an honor for us to show the patriotic spirit and this is a big venue. For a small town and a small program like Keystone Heights High School, that in itself is an honor,” said Richard Hall, Ret. Lt. Col. U.S. Army and JROTC Senior Army instructor.

There’s opening ceremony for the Friday night Prime Time race will be different than the previous ones. Not only will the school’s JROTC be presenting the colors, the Keystone Heights High Indian Marching Band and the school’s chorus will be participating in the opening ceremony as well.



Senior members of the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps will present the colors ahead of the Feb. 17 NextEra Energy 250 truck series race at the Daytona International Speedway. The Keystone Heights band and chorus also will be part of pre-race ceremonies.

The JROTC group is partnering with City Manager Lynn Rutkowski to encourage people to buy tickets and participate in the opening ceremony by holding the large American flag.

“We’re trying to grow this and lay it out more and more. Making it a full community partner type event,” Rutkowski said.

The ceremony will consist of the JROTC seniors presenting the American Flag and the State Flag along with a Captain of the Guard and two Rifle Guards.

“The Star-Spangled Banner” will be played by the marching band and “God Bless America” will be sung by the chorus while Keystone Heights residents will par-

ticipate in holding a large American Flag on the infield.

The JROTC is thankful for all the individuals that have partnered to make this opportunity a community event.

“It takes a lot of support from a lot of different people and a lot of different groups to make something like this happen,” Hall said. “We’re really excited to add the band and the chorus this year and hoping to really get active participation to hold the big flag from the community. We need at least 100 people to make that happen.”

For more information about tickets contact Rutkowski at (904) 796-3416 or email her at Rutkowski@keystoneheights.us.

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Prelude development inches step closer to approval in Green Cove

By Lee Wardlaw
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS — City council members considered the site development plan for a project that would bring a mixed-use project that could bring much-needed retail and restaurant space.

Blueprints for the four-story, development named Prelude are targeted for 310 Orange Ave. It would include 38 residential apartments, 8,726 square feet of retail space and 2,880 square feet of restaurant dining areas.

The council unanimously approved the site development plan, 5-0.

To gain approval for the site development plan, the Knights agreed to address



STAFF PHOT BY LEE WARDLAW

Green Cove Springs Mayor Matt Johnson and company sit at attention to answer while performing a necessary role in performing the town's governmental functions. On Tuesday, a site development plan at 310 Orange Ave. was the most pertinent item of discussion that was brought to the table.

concerns for transportation, potable water and sanitary sewer, solid waste, draining and parking.

"This is us doing our due diligence and working with the developer to try to make sure that these things don't compromise the quality of life that everyone has grown to enjoy, but also bring some of those services like retail and restaurant that have been asked for. It's a very important balance we have to strike, but we're off to a good start," said council member Steven Kelley.

According to the city's planning and zoning director Michael Daniels, plans call for a combination of restaurant and retail space on the first floor and restaurant and

a parking garage on the second story. The third and fourth floors would be reserved for 38 residential apartments. Of those, 20 would be single-room apartments, with the rest slated to include two rooms.

Blueprints originally had Prelude set as a three-story structure, but plans were later updated to accommodate the extra on-site parking spaces. Now, with 38 allotted spaces, each residential unit will be reserved one space.

The restaurant would be air-conditioned on the first floor and also include an open-air seating and bar area.

Before the Knights can break ground, they must gain approval for building

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Arrests & Bookings

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

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Israel A. Rivera, 56, Orange Park, domestic battery

Larry T. Burke, 23, Green Cove Springs, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia, possession-marijuana, possession-ammunition/firearm by convicted felon

Brandi M. France, 41, Middleburg, domestic child abuse

Sherman Q.T. Jones, 50, Green Cove Springs, battery

Brandon L. Jobe, 36, Green Cove Springs, VOP-DUI, VOP-driving without valid license

J.C. Lundskow, 50, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Devon P. Perez, 22, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-marijuana, FTA-possession-drug paraphernalia

Timothy S. Rahm, 48, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license

Daniel P. Novak, 40, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Shoun C.B. Powell, 23, Green Cove Springs, VOP-carrying concealed weapon, VOP-possession-controlled substance

Melissa J. Gray, 41, Green Cove Springs, FTA-trespassing, uttering forged instrument

Amanda R. Anglemyer, 35, Orange Park, battery on person 65 or older

William P. Hollabaugh, 44, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Rachel K. Webb, 23, Orange Park, DUI

Elijah J. Norris, 20, Green Cove Springs, VOP-burglary

Monday, Jan. 16

Jose M.R. Vazquez, 40, Green Cove Springs, possession-cocaine, resist/oppose law enforcement

Kim-Hien T. Nguyen, 47, Middleburg, shoplifting

Lynda Murray, 59, Orange Park, domestic battery

Thomas R. Lemrow, 73, Middleburg, DUI

John T. Meira, 21, Middleburg, FTA

Zachary D.T. Watts, 29, Green Cove Springs, possession-methamphetamine, possession-marijuana, possession-drug paraphernalia

Sunday, Jan. 15

Carey S. Hughes, 48, Keystone Heights, two counts non-support

Sarena C. Miles, 21, Fleming Island, shoplifting

Ashley M. Hill, 27, Middleburg, domestic battery

Arianna M. Harris, 21, Orange Park, shoplifting

Kalah D. White, 20, Orange Park, shoplifting

Jeremy J. Esquivel, 36, Orange Park, domestic battery

Marcus A. Coleman, 38, Green Cove Springs, battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, resist/oppose law enforcement, DUI, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement without regard for safety to others

Catherine A. Travis, 31, Green Cove Springs, possession-unlicensed firearm

Levi C. Chance, 26, Fleming Island, vandalism, disorderly intoxication, trespassing

Leiyah S. Johnson, 21, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication

Michael A.W. Casady, 30, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery

Saturday, Jan. 14

Rad Dzedzic, 35, Orange Park, carjacking with firearm/deadly weapon, aggravated assault with deadly weapon, use/display concealed firearm during felony

Amber N. Hart, 28, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery

Jeff T. Ball, 64, Green Cove Springs, aggravated assault with deadly weapon

Austin D. Cox, 25, Orange Park, aggravated battery on pregnant woman

Tony D. Sowell, 53, Middleburg, VOP-domestic battery

Michael V. Cruz, 23, Fleming Island, DUI

Friday, Jan. 13

Loranzia Outin, 46, Middleburg, FTA,

FTA-selling methamphetamine

Richard S. Vey, 55, Orange Park, trespassing

Travis M. Hupp, 43, Orange Park, vandalism

Jessica N. Lumpkin, 34, Green Cove Springs, obtaining groceries with intent to defraud

Jason E. Ricks, 50, Green Cove Springs, DUI

Terrance D. Alexander, 21, Orange Park, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Aaron L. Burkettm 27, Orange Park, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Allyson L. Hickox, 41, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Randall R. Smith, 33, Orange Park, grand theft, uttering forged/counterfeit bill

Hunter S. Jones, 22, Fleming Island, VOP-community control

William O.A. Alvarez, 32, Keystone Heights, DWLSR, riding a motorcycle without valid license

Luke M. Schneklath, 30, Green Cove Springs, VOP-community control

Claudin Fameux, 33, Orange Park, domestic battery

Thursday, Jan. 12

Jonathon P. Mehaffey, 31, Green Cove Springs, aggravated attempting to flee/elude law enforcement, two counts FTA-battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, FTA-trafficking methamphetamine, FTA-attempting to flee/elude law enforcement without regard for safety to others, FTA-possession-cocaine, FTA-possession-Alprazolam, FTA-possession-marijuana, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-grand theft auto, FTA-resist law enforcement with lights/siren active

Kyle L. Rios, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Jeshima D. Elliott, 46, Oakleaf, FTA

Travis M. Hupp, 43, Orange Park, shoplifting

Ahmad N. Pace, 18, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Christian Z. Kocher, 27, Keystone Heights, VOP-community control

Thomas C. Bigley, 55, Orange Park, battery

Antonyo J. Hatch, 41, Green Cove Springs, battery in jail

Damon J.H. Worth, 25, Melrose, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia

Amir N.R. Williams, 22, Orange Park, armed burglary

Jabari A. Taborn, 45, Orange Park, grand theft

John A. Wheeler, 33, Green Cove Springs, resist law enforcement with violence, threaten death/serious harm to law enforcement, DUI, DWLSR

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Joseph L. Henderson, 54, Middleburg, FTA-DWLSR

Stephen D. McDill, 48, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia, DUI

Isidro Martinez-Carvajal, 31, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license

Giovanni Rivera, 26, Middleburg, shoplifting

Police Brief

CCSO: Man jailed after attempting a carjacking on Wells Road

ORANGE PARK — A man was arrested for trying to carjack another man at a convenience store on Wells Road on Jan. 14.

Rad Dzedzic, 35, of Fleming Island, was charged with armed carjacking, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and the use of a concealed firearm during a felony after Clay County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a man being stabbed.

When they arrived, the victim said Dzedzic pulled a gun, but the victim kicked Dzedzic to the ground. The victim quickly took control — and the gun — to keep Dzedzic from leaving.

Dzedzic's finger apparently sustained a stab wound.

His bond was set at \$45,009.

Human Trafficking Awareness Month

No \$ale: Eliminating human trafficking starts with youBy **Kylie Cordell**For *Clay Today*

ORANGE PARK – The United States is one of the largest contributors of human trafficking in the world.

Approximately 800,000 victims are trafficked out of the country every year. More than 300,00 American children are at risk of sexual exploitation each year. Every 30 seconds, a child is sold.

U.S. law defines human trafficking as the use of force, fraud or coercion to compel a person into commercial sex acts or labor or services against his or her will. It is a billion-dollar industry, only second to the drug trade.

"For so long, we thought it was in other countries. It's all around us. It's right here," said Brenda Harris, the Director of Hope Is Restored, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the statewide effort to end human trafficking.

In 2020, 164,839 victims of human trafficking were identified by the Human Trafficking hotline. Nearly 740 confirmed cases of human trafficking were reported in Florida in the same year, which is only the tip of the iceberg.

"Florida is the third largest hub for human trafficking in the United States. The reason why is one, we're surrounded by water. And two, it's a high tourist area," Harris said.

Of these cases, 28% of the trafficked individuals were minors, and 85% were women. The average age used in the commercial sex trade industry is 11-14 years. And the numbers only account for reported cases. The total number varies wildly as it is very difficult to research.

"I asked myself, how can we live in the home of the free when so many are trapped in modern-day slavery today?" said Founder and Executive Director Erica Smith.

After attending a conference on Human Trafficking in 2018, Smith wanted to make people more aware of the atrocity happening in their community.

"Fast forward, I started working with several different organizations and doing what I could locally to spread awareness. Finally, in 2020, I dreamt about Hope Is Restored, and here we are," Smith said.

Located on 151 College Dr., Suites 1-2, Hope is Restored seeks to educate and empower communities to spread awareness about human trafficking and end modern-day slavery, as well as restore hope to those rescued from the atrocity of human trafficking. Since its inception, they have educated more than 1,000 people about human trafficking.

"Education is such a critical part of winning this fight. Our citizens need to know what human trafficking is, how individuals are snared into it, and what they can do," she said. "It's something that's been in plain sight, but people just didn't know what to look for. But we're finally able to share awareness and educate people about this issue. Now we're all seeing how great the



PHOTO BY KYLIE CORDELL

Hope is Restored Founder and Executive Director Erica Smith and Director Brenda Harris. need is."

By raising awareness and providing training, lives are saved.

"We also assist in the rescues of survivors. We house them and work towards restoration," Harris said. Only 1% of victims of human trafficking get rescued, she said.

"One of our victims, she managed to get away from her abuser, and we found her in a cemetery," said Smith.

The young woman found Hope Is Restored on Facebook from five states away. She was malnourished and had many medical needs.

"When our person could get to her, we started calling local shelters, but there was no room. We realized very quickly that if she were going to get somewhere safe, it would be us," Smith said. "We had to do it."

In 2020, Hope is Restored is Clay County's only safe haven for victims of human trafficking, as well as an educational resource. "We commit to two years of restoration. During that time, we are equipping them to become independent. We work with some of our sister organizations to work towards that next step," Harris said.

"The resources in our part of the journey are often medical needs, trauma counseling, and other resources like Mercy Support Services become critical after they get out. All of us are growing together. It's a group effort."

So what is being done in our community

to address this issue?

Hope is Restored announced a partnership with local government agencies and the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

"Our most recent rescue has been trafficked since she was 5 years old. It was at a massage parlor on Kingsley Avenue operating as a brothel. We worked with the Clay County Sheriff's Office to get her out and to a safe space," she said.

They will also be working with officers to address victims in times of crisis, as well as plans to "tighten up" the charges of child sexual exploitation. Sheriff Cook says "loopholes" in the law allow sexual predators to escape their charges.

Furthermore, Hope is Restored is working with the Clerk of Court's office in conjunction with the Florida Alliance to End Human Trafficking to create an "awareness event" open to the public.

The Human Trafficking Awareness Month and The Spot the Signs Forum will be held on Jan. 20th from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Clerk's Office in Green Cove Springs. Attendance is limited to the first 100 people.

"Everyone has to do their part. Our call to action as everyday citizens is to become educated and become aware of this issue," Harris said.

Harris said we also must report any suspicious behavior.

"The young woman told us that she didn't understand how no one was aware that she was in trouble. Many times, they are not well kept. They miss school. They're hungry. It's obvious that they are in a crisis situation," Harris said.

To report an occurrence or suspicion of human trafficking, contact local law enforcement, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's human trafficking number at 1(800) 342-0820 or the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1(888) 373-7888.

For more information about Hope is Restored, call Smith at (904) 413-1005 or visit their web page, hope-isrestored.org, for a list of contacts, to get involved or to become a sponsor or volunteer.

"We need all the help we can get," Harris said. "We have to help them with everything you can imagine – everything that a person needs, and at the same time, we're trying to keep the lights on. We're all volunteering. There's no salary being drawn, so we need resources to help our victims."

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permits and a stormwater permit.

The process of clearing debris can proceed, but until the building plan is finalized, the owner, the Knights can't start construction.

Those plans are expected to be submitted soon enough. The project is expected to be completed as soon as 2024.

In other business, the council approved the final reading of an ordinance allowing outdoor pool sales on Idlewild Avenue in the Gateway Corridor Commercial and C-2 Zoning District.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Kelley focused on preserving what makes the historic city sitting on the western bank of the St. John's River.

"We certainly want restrictions, but not too many restrictions so that the guy can't be too successful in business. We want to be business-friendly, but we also don't want the corridor to completely change to nothing but high-intensity retail," Kelley said of the motion.

Community

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panel discussion, they will share vital information on their jobs, the development of their new ACM roles, and their duties and responsibilities.

To register for the event, visit clay-countychamberofcommerce.growthzoneapp.com.

Middleburg-Clay High Library hosting book sale

MIDDLEBURG – The Friends of the Middleburg/Clay Hill Library will be selling books for three days, starting Jan. 26. The event on Jan. 26 will run from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., while books will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Jan. 27 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 28. The group only accepts cash and checks.

The organization also is accepting books and puzzles that are in good shape for the sale. For more information, call (904) 502-2605.

Wilkinson Junior High FFA selling Boston butts for Super Bowl

MIDDLEBURG – The Future Farmers of America organization at Wilkinson Junior High wants to help fans host the perfect Super Bowl party by selling 10-12-pound fully smoked Boston pork butts. Orders are being taken through Feb. 3, call the school at (904) 336-6175. Pickup is Friday, Feb. 10 from 4-6 p.m. at Tanner Rosenbaum's room. Super Bowl LVII is Feb. 12.



Jaguars' newest fans ready to cheer on their favorite team

ORANGE PARK – Neonatal Intensive Care Unit nurses at HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital got into the playoff spirit early by dressing up five of their patients in bright teal and black ahead of Saturday night's game against the Los Angeles Chargers.

JTA makes stop at Keystone Heights to study area's transportation needs

By **Natalie Gilstrap**
For *Clay Today*

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Jacksonville Transportation Authority is an independent state agency that designs and constructs bridges and highways. In addition, they provide transportation services to Duval and Clay County.

Through Clay Community Transportation, they also provide bus services along their designated bus routes which travel to Fleming Island, Gainesville, Green Cove Springs, Keystone Heights, Middleburg, Orange Park and Penney Farms. And it offers passenger pick-up for those living within three-quarters of a mile of the route. Lastly, they have paratransit services for the disabled and elderly.

The agency currently is conducting a study to improve its routes and services in Clay County, including a stop at the Keystone Heights Pavillion on Jan. 11.

"Services right now are limited within the county, so we're trying to make sure that we are helping all those who need public transportation," said Jeremy Norse-

worthy, Program Manager of Long Range and Regional Planning at JTA.

Since November, the agency has held five meetings in Clay County. The purpose of the meeting at Keystone Heights was to gain feedback and understand the transportation needs.

Its outcome was a success as locals along with Mayor Karen Lake, City Manager Lynn Rutkowski and City Council members Tony Brown and Christine Thompson at the event.

JTA presented an overview of their study and encouraged residents to complete a survey that would later be included in the study. Residents shared their input and asked questions regarding the types of services available, including hours, handicap accessibility and payments.

"I think it's good. This area needs more transportation options," said resident James Jackson.

After the meetings are completed, the agency will be present its analysis and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in February for future planning. The community can expect to



PHOTO BY NATALIE GILSTRAP

Residents had an opportunity to ask Jacksonville Transit Authority about future plans for the Lake Region during a town hall meeting last week at the Keystone Heights Beach Pavillion.

see transportation improvements once the BCC can choose the best course of action and incorporates it into the county budget.

"We look forward to the transportation services and meeting the Keystone Heights resident's needs because we get phone calls daily asking how to get individuals

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Wilkinson rolls to county wrestling title

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - With 20 wrestlers in the finals the Wilkinson Junior High wrestling team banked on numbers to an overwhelming Clay County title on Saturday at Green Cove Springs Junior High School.

"We always want the individual titles, but team titles come with numbers," said Wilkinson coach Chuck Gerber. "Our program has exploded the past few years with so many kids coming out for the team, we have had a lot of Wilkinson vs. Wilkinson in the final matches."

Wilkinson's numbers delivered with a 353.5 point total above Green Cove's 255 as runnerup and 254 for third place Lake Asbury in a fist-fight for the silver medal.

Oakleaf was third at 140, Lakeside fifth at 125.5 and Orange Park sixth at 88.5.

Wilkinson got their first champion as 80 with Bentley Williams holding off a late

SEE WRESTLING, 30



The Wilkinson Junior High wrestling team won the Clay County Junior High Wrestling championship in overwhelming fashion and will be heading to Lake City on Saturday for the Northeast Florida Athletic Conference title.



Lola Nanan and Kennady Renew, both weightlifters for Oakleaf High School, show a little energy prior to the Clay County championships held last Thursday at the school.

Knights, Blue Devils trade titles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Oakleaf High girls weightlifting coach Benjamin White may be trying to leave a legacy on his departure to Pedro Menendez High to take over that football program with a second team win over defending state champion Clay High as the Blue Devils and Lady Knights traded Clay County team titles at the Clay County Championships held at Oakleaf on Thurs., Jan. 12.


"The journey is not about me, but about leaving the program in a better spot than

SEE WEIGHTLIFTING, 29



Tournament at the RaiderDome

Orange Park forward Archieve Triggs III, in white, battles with three Providence players in Martin Luther King, Jr., Tournament bash at RaiderDome on Monday. Providence, top ranked in Class 3A (18-1) won 47-40. See page 28 for story.



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Eagles roll to Duals Finals

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island High wrestling left no doubt as to the best team in Clay County with a suffocating first place outing at their Region Duals round one and two matchups against Oakleaf and Middleburg.

Fleming Island took no rest from their duals action on Thursday with a team title at the Billy Saylor Invitational at Suwannee High School on Saturday, against with overwhelming results.

In Team Duals state rankings per Kabra Wrestling, Fleming Island is second to Lake Gibson with Brandon third with Middleburg 13th, Clay 17th and Oakleaf 18th, all in Class 2A.

"We are deep all the way across our lineup almost to the same level as the 2017 team with three state champions on it," said Fleming Island coach P.J. Cobbert. "Because we train and condition hard in our own room day after day gives us the mental confidence to take on two matches at the region duals then an invitational at Suwannee High two days later. It's all preparation for next week (Duals region finals and Final Four)."

Fleming Island travels to Osceola High School for the region 1-2A final and a spot into the Class 2A Final Four with a Friday match against Tallahassee Lincoln. Lincoln barely survived their region rounds with a 35-34 win over Fort Walton Beach and a 39-30 win over Gulf Breeze.

Fleming Island lost in the state semifinal last year to Tampa Jesuit 34-28 with Lake Gibson, the two time defending duals champion and champion of 2018 and 2019, the eventual champion over Jesuit 36-30. Jesuit was duals champion in 2020.

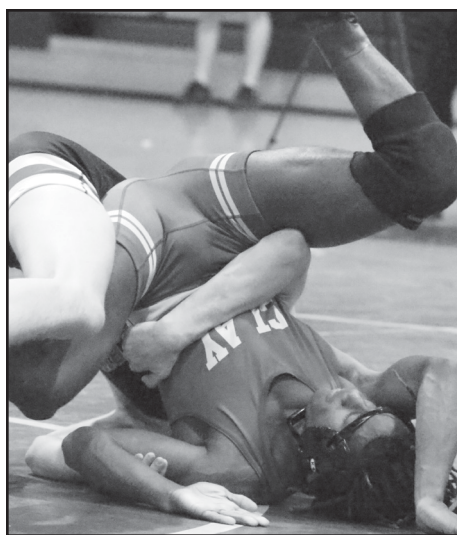
Fleming Island lost in the Class 3A state semifinal to Riverdale in 2021 and the 3A semifinal to South Dade in 2020.

From the first match, which had Fleming Island facing Oakleaf, a 78-0 disruption over the Knights, Fleming Island coach P.J. Cobbert noted that is dictate to the team was to get in, get out and get to the next round. Fleming Island pinned in all but one matches with Jayce Paridon the fastest at 38 seconds over Christopher McKee at 126. Cooper Beck, at 132, fought off Oakleaf's Sebastian Bonachea to win a 9-2 match.

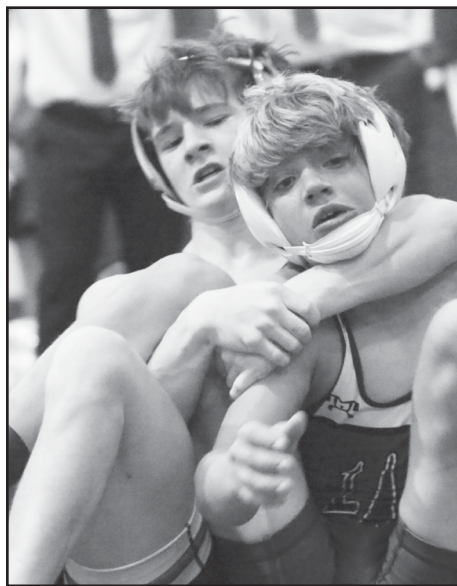
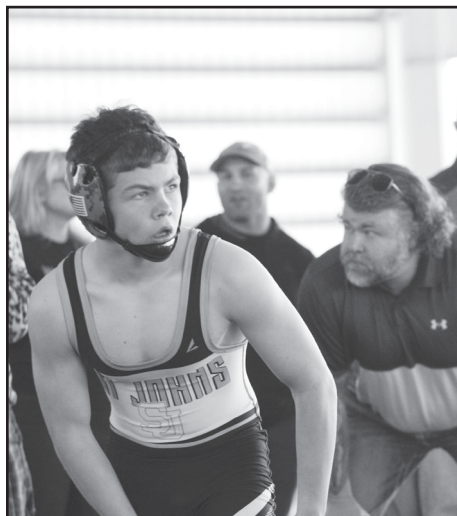
"We train with a 'Reps and Rest' mentality where we train hard, but then remember to rest and recover to maintain the intensity when we need to turn it on," said Cobberty.

Fleming Island, with some new faces in their initial varsity lineup, took short work to a game Middleburg High team with a 62-9 win to get to Osceola High School next week.

Middleburg coach Coll Robertson, who got a first-ever win over Clay for the renewed Bronco program, got better results on the scoreboard as far as pins away against Fleming Island, but nonetheless, fell decisively.



Clay High's Vontae Burke is upside in match with Middleburg's Wyatt Leduc at region duals win by Broncos.



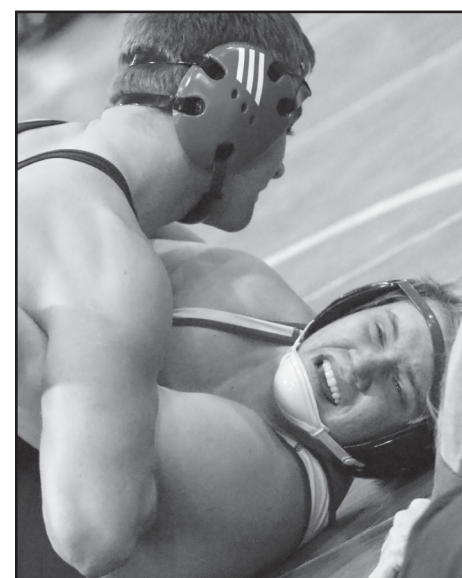
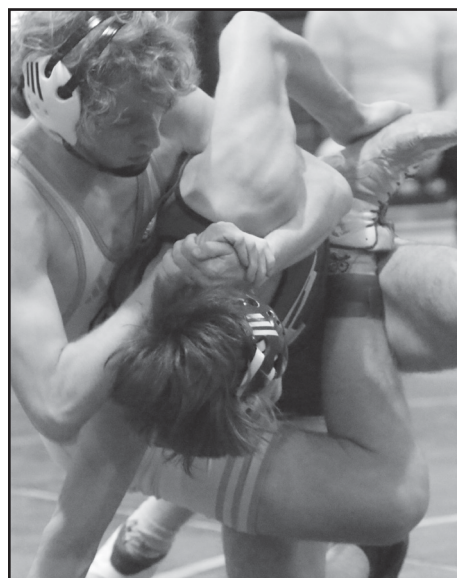
Left: Middleburg's Bryan Davis turned the tables on Clay's Drew Holmquist with an 11-7 win at 113. Clay High's DJ Williams gets set to hoist Daniel Raines of Middleburg for third period pin at 152.

"I know they are the best in the county, but I like that our team is okay battling them," said Robertson, who got the Broncos their first-ever district duals title last week. "We will learn a bit about ourselves from tonight's outcome because Fleming Island is one of the strongest programs and in a place we want to be. I told our guys to just wrestle hard and don't make it easy."

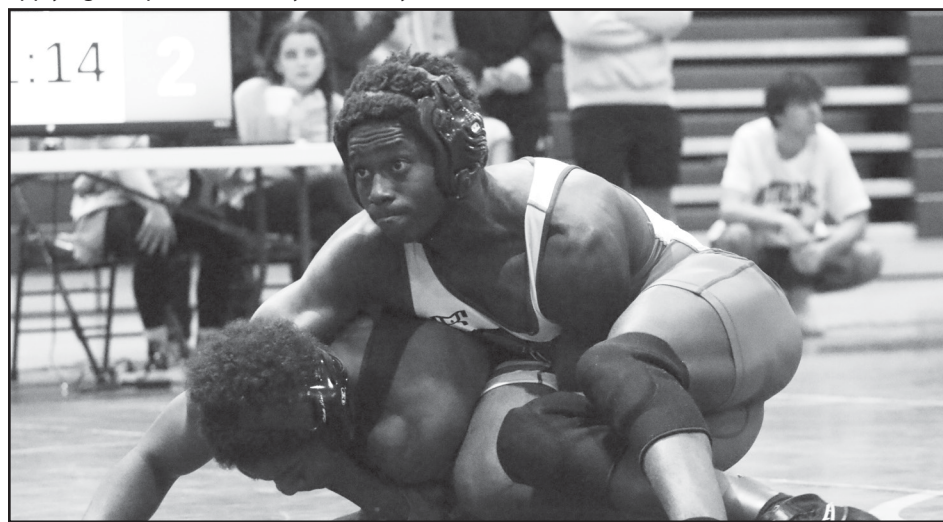
For Robertson, wins came to Wyatt Leduc at 132 who bested Cooper Beck 4-1 and Joseph Forte at 138 who beat Dylan



Fleming Island's Shane Duhaylungsod, right, has Oakleaf's Ian Hortinea upside for back points in region duals match.



Left: St. Johns Country Day School eighth grader Matthew Braddock was approved to wrestle for a state individual title by FHSAA vote of 5-0. Above left: Oakleaf High's Caleb Pope has wraps on in match against Fleming Island at region duals with, right, Middleburg's Tucker Cody applying arm pressure to Clay's Will Kelly.



Beck via a third period pin.

For Fleming Island, Matthew Kotler (152), Ronan Bozeman (170), Joshua Sandoval (182), Walter Poe (195), Jordan Mukkadam (106), Matthew Newman (113), Jayce Paridon (126) all pinned to win.

Middleburg won 45-33 over Clay with pins from Leduc over Vontae Burke at 132, Forte over Drew Loveland at 138, Logan Moore over David Lopez at 145, Aiden Thornton over Tayshawn Tate at 160, Keensdee Roseme over Hunter Roden at

170 and Porter Loveland over Aaron Stacy at 195.

Clay got pins from DJ Williams over Daniel Raines at 152 and Dominic Martin over Brad Darnold at 182.

At the Billy Saylor Invitational on Saturday, Cobbert got six wins in six matches with wins of 66-9 over South Walton, 72-6 over Union County, 72-0 over Columbia, 66-6 over Fernandina Beach, 84-0 over

Faucett 'gushes' with 3-pointers

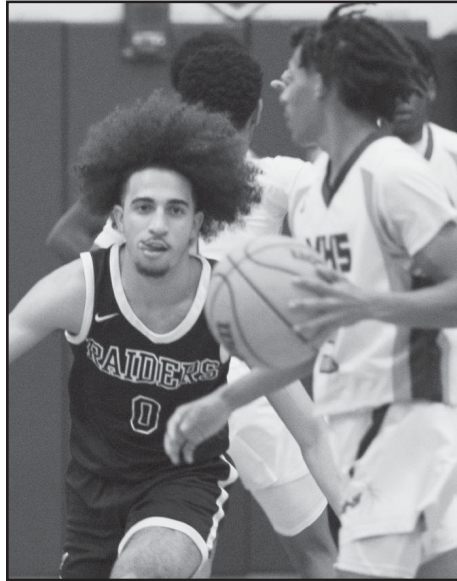
By Ray Dimonda
Correspondent

MANDARIN - After less than 24 hours earlier, losing a nail biter (52-49) to Fleming Island when the team just couldn't hit a three to tie the game, the Orange Park Raiders hitched up the wagon and made the trip over the Buckman Bridge to take on the Mandarin Mustangs for some Friday night revenge.

The Mustangs were on the receiving end of the Raiders vengeance as they came out on fire to get back into their winning ways hitting six 3-pointers, four coming from Raider guard Thomas Faucett alone. Faucett, hot on defense as well with several jams in the lane to slow the Mustangs, and bolstered by a huge defensive night from Johnnie Johnson under the glass, saw the Raiders hold the Mustangs to five stingy points in the first quarter on their way to a 60-39 shellacking of the Mustangs.

"This was good," said Raider Head Coach "K" Derek Kurnitsky. "After a really tough loss last night, I wasn't worried physically, but I wanted to see where we were at mentally. And we answered the bell, you know?"

It took the Raiders just 15 seconds to get on the board and from the speed of the reset, the Mustangs knew they picked a bad night to schedule the Raiders at home. With 2:00 left in the first quarter, Archieve Triggs III nailed a three pointer followed by a Johnson steal on the reset, laying up



Orange Park forward Deandre Dickerson has eye on ball on defense against Mandarin.

for another two. After another defensive shutdown, Faucett added his three to open the lead 18-5 as the first quarter buzzer sounded.

The second quarter was all Triggs on offense with eight points, assisted by Faucett hitting another of his three's. Johnson added with a foul shot draining to head into the locker room with the Mustangs head spinning; down 30-14.

The only lull in the game for the Raiders was out of the locker room where they were still very up tempo, but at one point throwing the ball up six times without a



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Orange Park High guard Thomas Faucett get around Mandarin defense in Raiders win on Friday. Faucett hit six three-pointers in the 60-39 win.

drain, almost as if the ball and net were opposing magnets. "We just come out in the third quarter and do that," said Kurnitsky. "It's the fourth game this week. So I can tell our legs were down a little bit."

Not letting things get too whacky, Coach K called for a timeout and settled his troops with his calming, focused talks. While the offense was getting the shooting sights recalibrated, the defense continued to keep the heat on the Mustangs. Then like a pilot light lighting off the main burners, the Raiders came alive in the last two minutes of the third quarter to send a clear message to the Mustangs that they were nowhere near done with them as Faucett banged out a pair of three's. Not to be outdone, Bryan Falcon hit for a three of his own, closing the quarter out 47-30.

The final stanza saw the Mustangs try an Orange Park favorite going half court heavy press defense to try and shake things up. Instead of rattling the Raiders, the press defense had the opposite effect,

literally electrifying the Raiders as Orange Park displayed their sharpest, fastest passing of the entire game. Mandarin simply could not stay up with the Raider speed and lost situational awareness after the ninth or tenth pass. Once they saw the Mustang' guard down, the Raiders drove the lane and finished with nothing but two's in the last 8:00.

"We didn't get rattled. We have spurts where we look amazing. We just have to bottle that up so we can do that all the time, you know?" With :25 seconds left to play, Coach K turned to his bench and said "If we hit 60, it's pizza Monday. As if on cue, with :02 seconds to play, the last basket dropped. "It's pizza Monday..." The Raiders so dominated, every player but two scored at some point during the game to complete the 60-39 victory, while holding every Mustang player but one to single digit scoring. "It was a good win for us. Anytime you can win on the road, it's good."



Panthers beat Broncos

Ridgeview High basketball coach Jerome Clyburn was an outstanding Orange Park High hoopster and found a way to get a Blanding Blvd win over rival Middleburg last week.



Raiders flex a bit on top-ranked Providence

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Orange Park High basketball coach Derek Kurnitsky and Orange Park High Athletic Director Destiny Brightman can both take a bow for staging one of the more exciting basketball events in recent RaiderDome history as the final game of seven contests on Martin Luther King, Jr., Day capped a festival of top-notch hoops action on Monday.

"We not only wanted to showcase our gymnasium and facility, but also wanted to bring in top talent to play against each other in a festival of basketball," said Brightman. "I think we got what we wanted. What a day!!"

Orange Park's girls basketball, in the penultimate game, won a 75-40 match against Leon to start the night's final contests. In the final contest of the night, Orange Park High's boys team versus the Class 3A top-ranked Providence Stallions, ranked fifth all classes in Florida at 18-1, Kurnitsky got as good an effort as he could ask for on his hometown court.

"We played real good against team like them, Iron sharpens Iron, we don't duck anybody," said Kurnitsky, 13-7 now, who



Raider guard Brian Falcone goes no look pass with coach Derek Kurnitsky watches in Monday game with Providence.

saw his Raiders fight to a 47-40 loss. "We came down at the end and made some mistakes that were costly against a team like Providence."

From the start, Providence looked to show off their top rankings with a quick 5-0 lead that caused Kurnitsky to issue a quick timeout.



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Orange Park guard Thomas Faucett goes to the floor; or to the backside of a Providence player, in steal move Monday night.

"Just told them to settle down and play our game," said Kurnitsky. "They were a little too hyped up."

Orange Park moved to a more deliberate attack with swing passes trying to find an opening in the Providence defense.

Near the end of the first quarter, the score was 24-22 as the Raiders' slowdown seemed effective.

Providence answered with a series of three pointers to stretch their lead to just 35-31 as the Raider defense stayed on the attack from midcourt with a Faucett three pointer at the halftime buzzer.

"You can't duplicate that kind of situation in a practice," said Kurnitsky. "To set up a three point final shot of the half and nail it against a team like Providence is a great confidence booster going into the lockers."

In the third quarter, Providence opened with a three pointer to squelch any Raider thoughts of a fast second half start.

Ball catching miscues by the Raiders caused Kurnitsky to opine loudly "God gave you two hands for a reason" as the Raiders struggled to keep pace as Providence moved to a 29-22 lead.

Near the end of the third, down 35-28,

Achieve Triggs hit his own buzzer beater to put the Raiders into the fourth quarter down just 35-31.

Both teams slowed their games to just a 39-33 game with half the fourth quarter gone with Providence issuing a half court pressure defense.

Providence pushed to 45-33 lead with a set of three pointers to open a gap Orange Park could not close.

Orange Park returns to the RaiderDome for a three-set of games with Oakleaf coming for a Saturday night special on Sat., Jan. 21. Oakleaf (16-1) lost a 58-53 overtime game to Providence in tournament play on December 9 and has rattled off 11 straight wins to bring a 16-1 record to the RaiderDome.

In one other game last week, Ridgeview improved to 6-13 with a 66-54 win over Middleburg while St. Johns Country Day School has a three game win streak after a 53-52 win over Covenant School of Jacksonville on Friday.

Fleming Island, 11-6, beat Orange Park on January 12, but lost to Palm Beach Lakes on Sat., Jan. 14 63-39. Fleming Island has a tough week coming with Riverside, Clay and Providence.

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Left: Fleming Island weightlifter Autumn Leviston concentrates on her catch in the Olympic Snatch event at the Clay County Championships held at Oakleaf. Right: Ridgeview High upper weightlifters, from left, Harper Herring and Tristan Oliver watch a teammate get set to go.

Weightlifting

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when I got here, something my dad taught me when he was a coach," said Oakleaf girls weightlifting coach Benjamin White. "Since I started coaching, I have always said that I wanted to be a head coach and, I think, my experiences over the last 10 years; five here with Oakleaf football, have me ready to take the shot at Pedro Menendez High School."

Oakleaf held off a Clay surge in the Traditional lift scoring with a 48-45 win over the Blue Devils with the Blue Devils turning the table in the Olympic scoring 49-47.

With a revamp on his program at Fleming Island High School, Fleming Island coach Sean Coultis got a one point third place over Ridgeview, 41-40, to take the bronze in the Olympic event. Fifth went to Middleburg with Orange Park and Keystone Heights tied at fifth.

"Fleming Island coach Sean Coultis and I both have a great opportunity to see what state championship coaching looks like with Clay High's Rodney Keller being the top program in Clay County, if not around the state," said White, noting the Lady Blue Devils dominating state team titles last year in both categories; Traditional and Olympic Snatch. "This year is a new format that gives teams more opportunity to score points with the format a three-prong scoring approach."

In Traditional, Middleburg was third at 42 with Ridgeview fourth at 36 followed by Fleming Island, Keystone Heights and Orange Park.

Scores are determined with the combination totals from Olympic Snatch, Clean and Jerk and Bench Press in a new format used at FHSAA competition.

Top lifter honors went to Fleming Island's Autumn Leviston in Traditional who edged Clay state champion Emma Heck in the pound for pound calculation. Heck totaled 345 in her 129 pound division while Leviston totaled 310 at 110.

In the Olympic best lifter honor, Ridgeview's Adriana Dimeo was top honors with a 310 total in her 119 pound weight



From Left: Oakleaf High's Ivy Gunn is state medal candidate for Knights squad with dominating performance. Clay High's Ansley Weseman could make medal noise for her senior season and Oakleaf Mighty Mite Lola Nanan presses up for Clean and Press attempt.

District Girls Weightlifting

Schedules/Venues

District 2-3A: Oakleaf to host January 27, 10 a.m. start.

District 5-2A: Ridgeview to host January 25, 3:30 p.m. start. (Ridgeview, Clay, Fleming Island, Orange Park, Middleburg)

District 6-1A: St. Johns Country Day School to host January 28, 11 a.m. start. (Keystone Heights, St. Johns Country Day School)

division with Heck against second with a 315 total at 129. Ridgeview took third in the category with 110 pounder Ania Haber hoistin a 245 total.

At 101, Deja Hill (RHS) won the Olympic title at 170 with Middleburg's Hannah Piniero winning in Tradition with a 205 total.

At 110, Haber won Olympics with a 245 total with Leviston winning Traditional at 310 with Haber second at 265.

At 119, Dimeo totaled 310 to win Olympics with a 300 total to also win Traditional.

At 129, Heck won Olympic in dominant fashion at 315 with a 345 total in Tradition as the lone 300-plus total in that category.

Trista Harrison of Middleburg was second in Olympics with Lillian Auble of Oakleaf second in Traditional.

At 139, Fleming Island's Jillian LaBelle, a top lacrosse athlete, won a 265 total battle in Olympic with Anna Shepard of Clay with Labelle winning by body weight. Dejean Mote of Oakleaf won Traditional with a 295 total with Shepard 10 pounds off in second.

At 154, Clay state champion Janiyah Stevens followed teammate Emma Heck's strategy with the only 300-plus total in Olympic for that win then a 345 total to win Traditional.

At 169, Oakleaf's Ivy Gunn hit a 310 total in Olympic to win there then a big 360

in Tradition with a 190 bench press.

Keystone Heights' Kaylee Wright was second at 270 and 335 chasing Gunn.

At 183, the return from injury to full power of Clay's Annalee Harbison was evident with her 295 winning Olympic with a massive 350 winning Tradition.

At 199, Oakleaf teammates Danielle Ibe and Caylin Volpe were separated from 1-2 by a 190.20-190.10 body weight difference, respectively, with both totaling 280 in Olympics. Both also tied at 310 in Tradition.

"Danielle and Cayling are both early lifters into the program that have elevated their game to a point that they could win a district or region title down the line," said White. "I saw my first team picture with 18 athletes and then realize that we have 60 girls now. The interest has been phenomenal around the county as the coaches and athletes both see the benefits of the sport as it pertains to muscle development into other sports."

At Unlimited, Clay state champion Kyleigh LaFary and teammate Kenya Tinajero went 1-2; 335-320, in Olympics and 395-380, to show off their impressive numbers heading to the state championships.



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Breakaways were the norm in Oakleaf against Ridgeview clash of titans with, left, Oakleaf's Trista Brown chasing Ridgeview's Nacoya Blocton while, right, Narissa Blocton chases Oakleaf's Kaylah Turner's layup attempt.

Lady Panthers show resilience in battle with Oakleaf

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - In a second thriller in less than an hour, the Oakleaf High girls basketball team showed off their fourth quarter tenacity in a thrilling 64-56 win over the Ridgeview High Lady Panthers that had the Orange Park RaiderDome fans sitting on the edge of the seats in one of the classic contests of the year.

"We knew this was going to be a big effort on our part as we enter the final phase of our season," said Ridgeview coach Tyler Miller, who holds a 14-6 record with St. Johns Country Day School next up on Tues., Jan. 17. "I think the team showed themselves that they can play against the best teams in the state and compete."

Ridgeview, 2-0 in district 2-5A, leads that lineup with Baker County second at 12-4, 2-1.

For Oakleaf, 19-1, 5-0 in district 3-6A, coach Fred Cole has top ranked Bishop Kenny as next game on Thurs., Jan. 19.

"Sometimes we need a game like this to test us before a run like we have with Bishop Kenny on Thursday," said Cole. "It was what I expected later on in the game. I thought they would keep pumping the ball



Ridgeview center Nia Blocton had strong shooting presence under the backboard despite defense of Oakleaf; here Trista Brown stretching.

down low with the two Blocton sisters having an height advantage on our girls. They started doing that late in the game and that's what made it close."

Oakleaf opened fast from a 5-0 start to an 18-11 first quarter lead led by layups from guard Kaylah Turner.

Ridgeview started to get the ball inside the paint with Nia and Nacoya Blocton both hammering the backboard as the Panthers built a 41-35 lead with a minute left off in-

side baskets; one a three point play, from Nia Blocton late in the quarter.

A Fantasia James three pointer from the corner put Oakleaf within a point at 41-40 as the Knights made an end-of-stanza run to keep the score tight.

Trista Brown, the fourth Amiga, got a steal and assist to a striking Turner to give Oakleaf a lead of 42-40.

Ridgeview answered with Nacoya Blocton making a layup and foul to a 43-42

lead for the Panthers with 7:44 to go.

With the score 44-44 at 6:58, both teams turned on the jets in a fast-pace pickup of the game with James getting hammered on a three point shot attempt and canning two of three foul shots to flip the momentum to Oakleaf 46-44.

Nia Blocton tied the game, 46-46, before hitting a drive layup plus a free throw to complete a three-point play to 48-46 for Ridgeview.

James again swished a three pointer from the corner to give Oakleaf a 49-48 lead as the game became an inside-outside battle on the floor.

Turner popped two jumpers to 53-48 as Oakleaf looked to tap the gas pedal with Turner adding two more off a steal and feed to Brown to 55-48.

Another corner three by James got to 60-52 for Oakleaf as Ridgeview could not close the gap of the Knights fourth quarter run and gun.

"I think we answered the question of how tough our team can be," said Nia Blocton. "We believed we could beat them and now we know we can be major players in the rest of the season."



Left: Oakleaf guard Trista Brown has filled in admirably with the injury to guard Kamiyah Jones who was key three point shooter for Knights offense. Center: Ridgeview coach Tyler Miller knew his fourth quarter energy would have to equal the vaunted Oakleaf attack. Right: Ridgeview forward Aniyah Campbell smiles after sinking go ahead basket late in second quarter as Panthers made move toward an upset.



Lake Asbury's Chance Adkins waits for referee's approval of his pin move on Green Cove's Allen Solbery at 75.

Wrestling

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charge from Lake Asbury's Wyatt Hickox to win 7-4.

Two more Wilkinson wins were added to Williams' momentum with Grayson Saucer beating Oakleaf's Braden Davis 5-2 in another thriller before Dyllan Kennedy pinned Orange Park's East Carroll at 90 in just 48 seconds.

In the second fastest pin of the finals, Wilkinson's Gavin Fisher popped Riley Caseja of Lake Asbury in 27 seconds.

Green Cove's first champion came from

Jaxson Linn at 106 with a 12-7 win over Nathan Harvey of Wilkinson

Lake Asbury got their first champion at 120 with Christian Mann pinning Curtis White of Wilkinson in 2:06.

Oakleaf got their first champion at 113 with Emmett Egger pinning Calvin Wells of Green Cove in 4:36.

Lakeside got their champion at 220 with Jay Shawn MCcloud pinning Wilkinson's Aiden Thompson in just 23 seconds for the fastest pin of the day.

Teams will travel to Lake City for the Northeast Florida Athletic Conference championships on Saturday.



Left: Lakeside's Giovanni Ansaldi goes upside down to try and topple Chazz Star of Wilkinson at 75. Right: Wilkinson's Grayson Saucer has handle for pin of Braden Davis of Oakleaf at 85.

Below: Wilkinson's Bentley Wilkinson (no pun intended) goes over top of Lake Asbury's Wyatt Hickox in tough win for Wilkinson.



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Left: Jacksonville Jaguar defender Tyson Campbell, No. 33, put rush on Los Angeles Charger kicker Cameron Dicker that forced Dicker's kick wide left to give Jaguars opening for 31-30 win in Wild Card playoff game on Saturday in TIAA Bank Field. Right: Jacksonville Jaguar kicker Riley Patterson lets go with winning field goal in Jaguars' 31-30 come-from-behind win over Los Angeles Chargers in Wild Card playoff.

27-0 to 31-30, who'd thunk it?

Jaguars advance in playoffs

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE - Jacksonville Jaguar quarterback Trevor Lawrence followed possibly his worst ever half of football with a highly-energized possibly best ever half of football as Jacksonville won their AFC Wild Card playoff game against the Los Angeles Chargers 31-30, with a field goal at 0:03 for the win.

Lawrence, who has been rescued by his defense the past two week; a pick six touchdown against the Dallas Cowboys and a scoop and score touchdown against the Tennessee Titans in the past two weekends, played horribly in the first half against the Chargers with four interceptions and a 27-0 score the left Jaguars' faithful maybe befuddled, but certainly not pessimistic.

"My teammates, even after the four interceptions, never gave up on me," said Lawrence, who was aided in the first half circus with a misplayed Chargers punt that was muffed and recovered by the Chargers in the Jaguar red zone. "My offense and defense both said they were with me in the lockers. Plus, when I came out, I don't think anyone left the stadium."

With the win, the Jaguars advance to face the Kansas City Chiefs for the division title in Kansas City on Saturday (4 p.m.). Kansas City had a bye weekend as the top seed.

With a raucous crowd possibly anticipating and Phoenix arising second half, Lawrence and his standout receivers' corps; Evan Engram, Zay Jones, Christian Kirk and Marvin Jones, Jr., connected with Lawrence telepathically and produced one of the more dramatic finishes in the Jaguars recent history; albeit with offensive wizardry. Throw in in the mix a superbly disguised Wing T end sweep from running back Travis Etienne and TIAA Bank Field was electrified.

"Hats off to our team, I told them this win is right up there even against my Super Bowl in with Philadelphia, there is no



Zay Jones finishes off scoring bomb that started Jaguars historic second half comeback.

quit in this locker room," said Jaguars coach Doug Pederson. "From an individual standpoint, and I played with and coached Brett Favre, this was one of the great performances I've ever seen from a quarterback."

With the Chargers banging Lawrence for four interceptions and the Charges rattling the Jaguar defense with scores of 13 yards and six yards from running back Austin Ekeler and a field goal in the first quarter and then two touchdown passes and a second field goal in the second quarter, the Jaguars dug a deep hole to get out of to continue their season.

"We've put ourselves in holes all season and have found a way to get out of some of them," said Pederson. "Just to have the resiliency, the fight and desire is what these guys are about. They just get out and get the job done."

In the second half, Lawrence was a totally revamp of his first 30 minutes with strikes of six yards to Jones, and 39 yards to a wide open Zay Jones to chip the lead down to 30-20 and give the packed TIAA Bank Field crowd renewed energy.

"The crowd was great; quiet when we



Above: Jaguars wide receiver Evan Engram grabs Trevor Lawrence bullet pass for score. Christian Kirk caught late fourth quarter score to put Jaguars at 30-26 with Trevor Lawrence, bottom right in post game interview, stretching over for key two point conversion.



were on offense, loud as heck on defense," said Lawrence, who sliced a quick scoring strike to Kirk near the middle of the fourth quarter after Engram carried a short slant 36 yards to the Charger 20. "We feel that."

Late in the fourth quarter at 30-28 with Lawrence stretching for a two point conversion after Kirk's catch, with a fourth and one near midfield to decide the game's outcome, Pederson dialed up a Wing T formation end run that caught the Chargers

defense stacked for a plunge up the middle of the line that netted 25 yards and set up kicker Riley Patterson's 36 yard field goal to win the game.

"That was cool," said was Patterson's reaction to whether the kick was his biggest ever.

Etienne finished with 109 yards on 20 carries while Lawrence threw for 288 yards with the four scores off 28 of 47 passes.

Duals

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West (forfeits), 53-15 over Suwannee, 57-12 over Ft. Myers and 66-6 over Raines.

Also on the weekend, Lincoln earned a tournament win at the Trojan Invitational ahead of Manatee and Clay as well as wins over Nease and Leon.

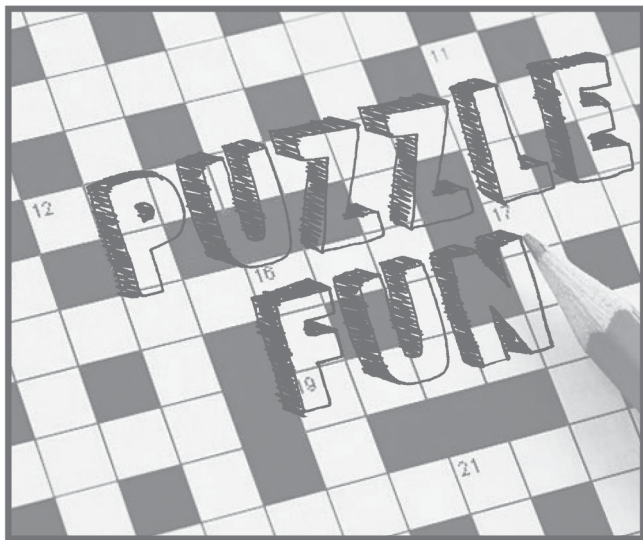
Clay got wins over Manatee B, Leon and Nease while losing to Manatee A in their first match and the final match against Lincoln.

Middleburg traveled to St. Cloud and took on 3A super power South Dade in the Milton Winter Memorial tournament and finished with a fifth place spot. South Dade, a numerous times Class 3A defending team champion, won by over 100 points over Harmony. Middleburg's Logan Moore at 145 finished as a runnerup in his weight class.

Also, St. Johns Country Day School eighth grade wrestler Matthew Braddock has won a decision to compete as a district 1A-District 4 individual wrestler. St. Johns athletic director Traci Livingston appealed to the FHSAA and noted that other wrestlers prior to Braddock have been able to wrestle as individuals. The FHSAA voted 5-0 in favor of Braddock wrestling as a member of the St. Johns Country Day School's district 4-1A team.

"I think it is awesome that the FHSAA that others have done this and they allowed to compete as a team," said St. Johns coach Rocky Bantag. "I think the FHSAA saw that Matthew has been a competitive wrestler with good results; a win at Wolfson High this weekend with wins over Creekside and Wolfson wrestlers, and that he can now compete for a state title at 106."

Bantag also noted the Braddock has been invited to wrestle in the annual Clay Rotary Invitational at Clay High School on Feb. 3-4.



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Solve the code to discover words related to Chinese New Year. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 17 = A)

- A. 7 14 24 17 13**
Clue: Relating to the moon
- B. 3 19 13 19 23 6 19 5 26**
Clue: Prediction based on stars or symbols
- C. 6 3 11 24 17**
Clue: Asian country
- D. 10 26 23 22 11 12 17 7**
Clue: Large celebration

Answers: A. Lunar B. horoscope C. China D. festival

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to Chinese new year.

TRABIB

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Answer: Rabbit

Guess Who?

I am a singer born in Nashville on January 8, 2000. I began my career on the show "Doc" when I was only 3. I also starred with my older sister on a popular Disney TV show. I released a solo album in 2016 and was nominated for a Grammy in 2021.

Answer: Noah Cyrus

LUNAR NEW YEAR WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

- AFRESH
- ASIA
- CALENDAR
- CELEBRATION
- CLEANING
- CULTURES
- DECORATE
- ENVELOPES
- FESTIVAL
- FIREWORKS
- GATHERING
- HOROSCOPE
- LANTERNS
- LIGHTS
- LION
- LUNISOLAR
- NEW
- PROSPEROUS
- RED
- REUNION
- RITUALS
- SPRING
- YEAR
- ZODIAC

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Left: Keystone Heights High coach Jessica Sykes Carter is befuddled by referee call in late stages of Fleming Island win at Orange Park High in Martin Luther King, Jr., Invitational. Right: Three major players in game two of MLK Invitational were, from left, Fleming Island's Victoria Noble and London Jenkins and Keystone Heights' Kiley Channell.

RaiderDome rocks on MLK Jr. Day

Pierce steals fuel Eagles thriller

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Fleming Island High's girls basketball got three late steals from sophomore Ariana Pierce that led to break-away layups from guard London Jenkins as the Golden Eagles pulled off a come-from-behind 47-46 win over Keystone Heights at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Invitational staged at Orange Park High School on Monday. With the Lady Indians, led by guard Kiley Channell's battle with the elusive Jenkins, Fleming Island's top scorer at about 20 points per game, utilizing an inside strategy of Channell drives and dishes to center Dezerea Bright, Fleming Island had to claw back having not led the game for the first three quarters.

Just before the end of the third quarter, at 20-17 Keystone Heights ahead, Fleming Island got a three pointer from guard Victoria Noble to tie the game at 20-20 with Channell canning a jumper at the buzzer to give Keystone Heights a slim 28-26 lead into the fourth quarter.

In the final stanza, with Fleming Island taking the lead at 34-28 at 4:28 to go off the third of three Pierce steals to Jenkins layups, Keystone Heights stayed in the game off free throws as Fleming Island had 10 team fouls with four minutes left in the game. Two more free throws from Channell got the game to 34-31 with 2:38 to go before Mattox broke for a layup to 36-31.

A Jaynell Hill for Keystone Heights rebound and layup put the game at 36-33 with 1:48. Channell, after a steal, hit one of two free throws to 37-34 with 1:29 to go with Keystone Heights getting two more free throws from Hill as Jenkins fouled out.

Hill hit one of two free to 37-35 before Channell was on the line with three seconds to go with two more freebies; missing the first and canning the second for the final



Keystone Heights center Dezerea Bright negotiates crowded lane.



Keystone Heights guard Kiley Channell tries to avoid Fleming Island's Mykayla Mattox on defense.



Kiley Channell dives for loose ball steal.



Kiley Channell's first of two free throws with three seconds and Fleming Island by two bounds off rim. Channell made second free for final score, 47-46, in thrilling contest between two Clay County programs.

score, 37-36. For the game, Jenkins finished with seven steals with Pierce adding six on top of four rebounds. Senior guard Mykayla Maddox had five assists and five rebounds. The win pushes Fleming Island to a 10-6 record while the Lady Indians

dropped to 13-7. Keystone Heights leads district 5-4A with a 4-0 district record as district tournaments start next week. Fleming Island, at 2-2 in district play, sits behind Oakleaf's 5-0 district slate, 19-1 overall record, in 3-6A.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER IMPOSITION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 170.07, FLORIDA STATUTES, BY THE SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL PURSUANT TO SECTION 197.3632(4)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES, BY THE SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors (“Board”) of the Shadowlawn Community Development District (“District”) will hold public hearings on February 9, 2023 at 1:30 P.M., at Reinhold Corporation, 1845 Town Center Blvd, Suite 105, Fleming Island, Florida 32003 to consider the adoption of an assessment roll, the imposition of special assessments to secure proposed bonds on benefited lands within the District, a depiction of which lands is shown below, and to provide for the levy, collection and enforcement of the special assessments.

The District is located entirely within unincorporated Clay County, Florida. The lands to be improved are generally located south and west of County Road 218, north of State Road 16 and east of Thunder Road, and are geographically depicted below and in the *Capital Improvement Plan*, dated October 20, 2022 (“Capital Improvement Plan”). The public hearing is being conducted pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, *Florida Statutes*. A description of the property to be assessed and the amount to be assessed to each piece or parcel of property may be ascertained at the office of the District Manager c/o Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33410 (“District Manager’s Office”).

The District is a unit of special-purpose local government responsible for providing infrastructure improvements for lands within the District. The infrastructure improvements are currently expected to include, but are not limited to, roadway improvements, stormwater management, potable water, reclaimed water and sewer utilities, underground electrical conduit, hardscape, landscape, irrigation fencing and signage improvements, amenity facilities and parks, and other infrastructure (“Improvements”), all as more specifically described in the Capital Improvement Plan, on file and available during normal business hours at the District Manager’s Office. According to the Capital Improvement Plan, the estimated cost of the Improvements is \$58,586,160.

The District intends to impose assessments on benefited lands in the manner set forth in the District’s *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated November 9, 2022 (“Assessment Report”), which is on file and available during normal business hours at the District Manager’s Office.

The purpose of any such assessment is to secure the bonds issued to fund the Improvements. As described in more detail in the Assessment Report, the District’s assessments will be levied against respective benefited lands within the District. The Assessment Report identifies maximum assessment amounts for each assessment area and land use category that is currently expected to be assessed. The lien for assessments is proposed to be allocated on an equal assessment per acre basis, and will be levied on an equivalent residential unit (“ERU”) basis at the time that such property is platted or subject to a site plan or sold.

The annual principal assessment levied against each parcel will be based on repayment over thirty (30) years of the total debt allocated to each parcel. The District expects to assess and collect sufficient revenues to retire no more than \$80,475,000 in debt, exclusive of fees and costs of collection or enforcement, discounts for early payment and interest. The proposed annual schedule of assessments is as follows:

Product Type	Total Number of Units	Total Cost Allocation*	Total Bond Assessments Apportionment	Bond Assessments Apportionment per Unit	Annual Debt Service Payment per Unit**
SF 40'	141	\$9,105,151.35	\$12,506,999.17	\$88,702.12	\$8,382.11
SF 50'	439	\$35,435,828.38	\$48,675,289.34	\$110,877.65	\$10,477.64
SF 60'	145	\$14,045,180.27	\$19,292,711.49	\$133,053.18	\$12,573.16
Total	725	\$58,586,160.00	\$80,475,000.00		

* Please note that cost allocations to units herein are based on the ERU benefit allocation illustrated in Table 4
 ** Includes county collection costs estimated at 2% (subject to change) and an early collection discount allowance estimated at 4% (subject to change)

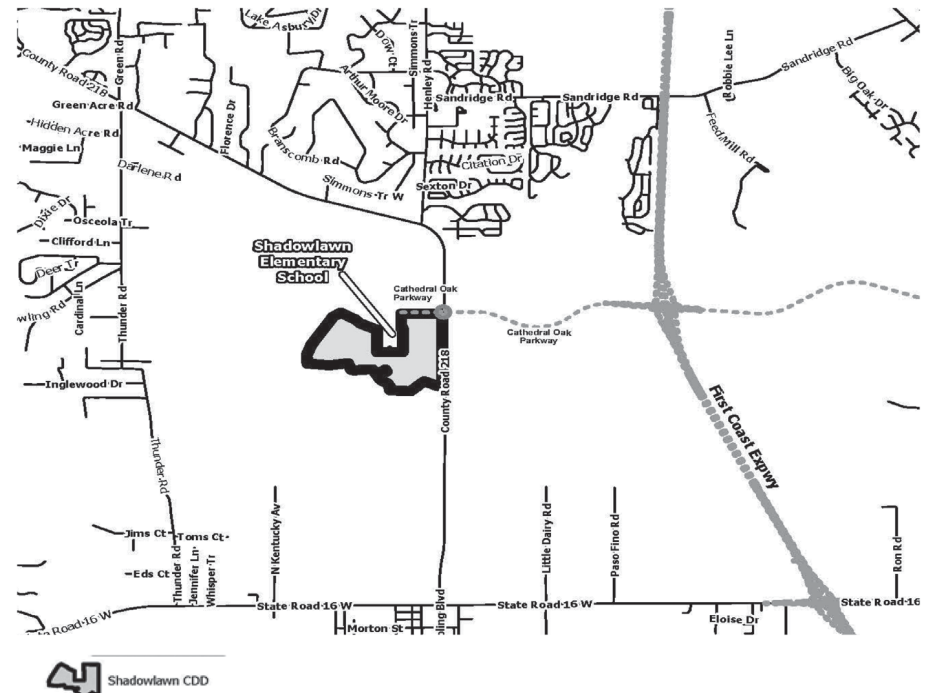
The assessments may be prepaid in whole at any time, or in some instances in part, or may be paid in not more than thirty (30) annual installments subsequent to the issuance of debt to finance the improvements. These annual assessments will be collected on the Clay County tax roll by the Tax Collector.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

Also, on February 9, 2023 at 1:30 P.M., at Reinhold Corporation, 1845 Town Center Blvd, Suite 105, Fleming Island, Florida 32003 the Board will hold a regular public meeting to consider any other business that may lawfully be considered by the District. The Board meeting and hearings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for special districts. The Board meeting and/or the public hearings may be continued in progress to a certain date and time announced at such meeting and/or hearings.

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

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

SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



RESOLUTION 2023-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; INDICATING THE LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF THOSE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WHOSE COST IS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE PORTION OF THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE DEFRAYED BY THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE MADE; PROVIDING WHEN SUCH SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE PAID; DESIGNATING LANDS UPON WHICH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT; ADOPTING A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board”) of the Shadowlawn Community Development District (the “District”) hereby determines to undertake, install, plan, establish, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, acquire, operate, and/or maintain the infrastructure improvements (the “Improvements”) described in the District’s Capital Improvement Plan, dated October 20, 2022, attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to pay the cost of the Improvements by special assessments pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes (the “Assessments”); and

WHEREAS, the District is empowered by Chapter 190, the Uniform Community Development District Act, Chapter 170, Supplemental and Alternative Method of Making Local Municipal Improvements, and Chapter 197, the Uniform Method for the Levy, Collection and Enforcement of Non-Ad Valorem Assessments, Florida Statutes, to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, operate, and maintain the Improvements and to impose, levy and collect the Assessments; and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that benefits will accrue to the property improved, the amount of those benefits, and that special assessments will be made in proportion to the benefits received as set forth in the *Master Special Assessment Methodology Report*, dated November 9, 2022, attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference and on file at 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (the “District Records Office”); and

WHEREAS, the District hereby determines that the Assessments to be levied will not exceed the benefit to the property improved.

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

1. Assessments shall be levied to defray a portion of the cost of the Improvements.
2. The nature and general location of, and plans and specifications for, the Improvements are described in Exhibit A, which is on file at the District Records Office. Exhibit B is also on file and available for public inspection at the same location.
3. The total estimated cost of the Improvements is \$58,586,160 (the “Estimated Cost”).
4. The Assessments will defray approximately \$80,475,000, which amounts include the Estimated Costs, plus financing-related costs, capitalized interest and a debt service reserve.

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5. The manner in which the Assessments shall be apportioned and paid is set forth in **Exhibit B**, including provisions for supplemental assessment resolutions.

6. The Assessments shall be levied, within the District, on all lots and lands adjoining and contiguous or bounding and abutting upon the Improvements or specially benefitted thereby and further designated by the assessment plat hereinafter provided for.

7. There is on file, at the District Records Office, an assessment plat showing the area to be assessed, with certain plans and specifications describing the Improvements and the estimated cost of the Improvements, all of which shall be open to inspection by the public.

8. Commencing with the year in which the Assessments are levied and confirmed, the Assessments shall be paid in not more than (30) thirty annual installments. The Assessments may be payable at the same time and in the same manner as are ad-valorem taxes and collected pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes; provided, however, that in the event the uniform non ad-valorem assessment method of collecting the Assessments is not available to the District in any year, or if determined by the District to be in its best interest, the Assessments may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law.

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

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

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

12. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of November, 2022.

ATTEST:

/s/ Craig Wrathell
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

/s/ George Egan
Chair/Vice Chair, Board of Supervisors

Exhibit A: Capital Improvement Plan, dated October 20, 2022

Exhibit B: Master Special Assessment Methodology Report, dated November 9, 2022

Legal 50653 published Jan. 12 and 19 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC AUCTION

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 7, 2023 at 10:00 am
Randy Pugh-Household Goods
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Legal 51873 Published 1/19/2023 and 1/26/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction for towing and storage costs. G & M Towing, Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.
2004 NISSAN VIN# 1N6AA06A34N592131
auction will be held at 9:00 a.m. 02/06/2023
G & M Towing Inc, located at 4995 Highway 17 S., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Legal 51872 Published 1/19/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION Case No. 102020CA000009CAAXXX
Trust Bank, successor by merger to Sun-Trust Bank Plaintiff,

vs. ROBERT L. STEWART, Jr. A/K/A ROBERT L. STEWART; et al.
Defendants.
TO: Unknown Spouse of Mary L. Gibbons f/k/a Mary G. Stewart
Last Known Address: 2785 Forman Cir, Middleburg, FL 32068
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Clay County, Florida:
PARCEL A

A PORTION OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/4 OF THE SAID NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 16' 00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID SOUTH 1/2, 210.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 36' 00" EAST 244.38 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 36' 00" EAST, 175.62 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46 DEGREES 56' 21" WEST, 94.58 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF FOREMAN CIRCLE (A 60 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY AS NOW ESTABLISHED COUNTY ROAD C-21-A); THENCE NORTH 43 DEGREES 03' 39" WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 212.36 FEET; THENCE NORTH 68 DEGREES 10' 09" EAST, 228.66 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL B
A PORTION OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/4 OF THE SAID NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22; THENCE SOUTH 89° 16' 00" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID SOUTH 1/2, 210.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00° 36' 00" EAST, 420.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89° 16' 00" EAST, 69.72 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00° 36' 00" EAST, 140.11 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89° 16' 00" WEST, 69.72 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY

RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF FOREMAN CIRCLE (A 60 FOOT RIGHT-OF-WAY AS NOW ESTABLISHED COUNTY ROAD C-21-A); THENCE NORTH 43° 03' 39" WEST ALONG SAID NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 103.37 FEET; THENCE NORTH 46° 56' 21" EAST, 94.58 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Julie York, Esquire, Brock & Scott, PLLC., the Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 2001 NW 64th St, Suite 130, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, within thirty (30) days of the first date of publication and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
DATED on January 10, 2023.
Tara Green
As Clerk of the Court
By Gracie Moore
As Deputy Clerk

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REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, February 02, 2023, for the following:
RFB NO. 22/23-27, GENERATOR FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, February 03, 2023 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", Fourth Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida and through the County's electronic bidding system as well. Bids will not be valid unless received by the bid deadline.

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. The solicitation package is available at: [HTTPS://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL](https://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL).
In order to submit a response to this solicitation the respondent must be registered on Clay County's Public Portal.
For information concerning procedures for responding to this Bid, contact Jessica Loos in the Purchasing Department at (904) 284-6388 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com.

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 during the Request for Bid Period. The Request for Bid Period during which no contact may occur commences from the date of publication of the notice of a Request for Bids and ends upon a Bid Decision becoming final, i.e. after the notice of bid protest period of 72 hours has expired. However, in the event of a notice of protest, the no contact rule continues in place during the Protest Period and does not end until a resolution of the protest has occurred and become final. The following exceptions exist to the no-contact rule:

a. Inquiries may be submitted to the Purchasing Department if specifically provided in the Request for Bids;
b. Pre-bid conferences provided for in the Request for Bids; and
c. 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 Board reserves the right and power to reject any and all Bids without cause and to waive technical and non-technical or non-material defects in the Request for Bids or submittal of any Bid, and in its discretion to re-advertise the Request for Bids. The Board reserves the right to award Bids, quotes, or Proposals which would be in the Best Interest of the County. 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>.
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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REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, February 23, 2023, for the following:
RFB NO. 22/23-25, COURTHOUSE CHILERS REPLACEMENT
Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, February 24, 2023 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", Fourth Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida and through the County's electronic bidding system as well. Bids will not be valid unless received by the bid deadline.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Ave Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, on February 2, 2023 at 1:00 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. The solicitation package is available at: [HTTPS://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL](https://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL).
In order to submit a response to this solicitation the respondent must be registered on Clay County's Public Portal.
For information concerning procedures for responding to this Bid, contact Jessica Loos in the Purchasing Department at (904) 284-6388 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com.

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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 Event Service Solutions located at 1855 Hickory Trace Dr, in the County of Clay, in the City of Fleming Island, Florida 32003 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Fleming Island, Florida, this 13th day of January 2023.
1st Logistics Solutions Inc.

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Job Posting

Planning & Permitting Coordinator – Economic & Community Development Department.

The Town of Orange Park is seeking candidates for the position of Planning & Permitting Coordinator in the Economic & Community Development Department. This full-time position performs work related to planning, zoning, and building permitting functions. This position involves detailed, responsible administrative work related to all functions within the Economic and Community Development Department, including: economic development and redevelopment, planning and zoning, code enforcement, permitting, and parks. This position interacts with the residents, business professionals, and community and governmental partners. This position requires occasional evening hours. Candidates must possess a high school diploma, or equivalent, and have a minimum of two (2) years' experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Starting salary of 36,768 plus excellent benefits. A full position description is available for viewing at <http://www.townoforange.org/town-government/jobs/>. Please send a letter of interest and completed employment application by Friday, February 3, 2023 to Town of Orange Park, Attn: Town Clerk, 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL, 32073 or crusso@townop.com. The Town is an equal opportunity employer.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing on an ordinance authorizing the use of golf carts on certain roads, streets and rights of way within the boundaries of the Town of Orange Park which have a posted speed limit of 25 miles per hour or less; establishing definitions; establishing safety requirements, conditions of operation, restrictions on the hours and areas of operation; establishing a hold harmless agreement as a condition of operation; establishing liability insurance requirements; establishing penalties for violations; providing for conflict, severability and an immediate effective date.

This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 in the Orange Park Town Hall Council Chambers, the corner of Park and Kingsley Avenue at 7:00 P.M. The Council of the Town of Orange Park will consider said ordinance for final action. Any person desiring to appeal any decision made by the Council 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 is made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies of this ordinance 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

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TO THE PATIENTS OF:

Vascular Surgery Associates of North Florida, P.A.
2140 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 14
Orange Park, FL. 32073 (904)276-7997
Kerry V. Rifkin, M.D.

Dr. Kerry Rifkin has closed his practice of Vascular Surgery. Electronic versions of patient's medical records are being stored at the DataSavers record storage facility located at 888 Suemac Road, Jacksonville, FL.

DataSavers contact information is
904-786-5749 or email requests@datasaversfl.com.

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE / AVISO LEGAL (Florida Statute 98.075 / Estatuto de Florida 98.075)

Notice is hereby given to the following person(s) with the last known address of:

Por la presente se notifica a las siguientes personas con la última dirección conocida de:

COOK JR, MICHAEL J
1805 DARTMOUTH DR
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

DRUMMOND, SHAUNNA C
3045 US HIGHWAY 17
GREEN COVE SPRINGS, 32043

GALLER, ROBERT EL
725 MYRTLE AVE
GREEN COVE SPRINGS, 32043

HAYS, CASEY L
8049 BLAZING STAR RD
MELROSE, 32666

JACKSON III, DARRY
1557 IBIS DR
ORANGE PARK, 32065

MILLER, OAKLEY E
1305 BONAVENTURE AVE
GREEN COVE SPRINGS, 32043

MORFORD, ZAIDEN M
4071-B PINTO RD
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

RYDELL, CASSANDRA N
400 WOODSIDE DR
ORANGE PARK, 32073

SAPP, AZELL
2638 SAPP LN
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

TAYLOR, CRYSTAL G
2869 SPRING DR
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

TIPPETT, DANIEL
7961 DARWOOD ST
MELROSE, 32666

WARE, WARREN O
133 MELANIE LN
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

WEAVER, ADRIAN D
3333 CHESTNUT RIDGE WAY
ORANGE PARK, 32065

YOUNG, NICOLE E
1692 HEREFORD RD
MIDDLEBURG, 32068

You are hereby notified that you are potentially ineligible to be registered to vote. Failure to respond to this notice within 30 days may result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor of Elections and removal of your name from the statewide voter registration system. You may contact the Supervisor of Elections office to receive information regarding the basis for the potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve the matter. If further assistance is needed, contact the Clay County Supervisor of Elections office.

Por la presente se le notifica que no es elegible para registrarse para votar. Si no responde a este aviso dentro de los 30 días, el Supervisor de Elecciones puede determinar que no es elegible y eliminar su nombre del sistema estatal de registro de votantes. Puede comunicarse con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones para recibir información sobre la base de la posible ineligibilidad y el procedimiento para resolver el asunto. Si necesita más ayuda, comuníquese con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay.

Chris H. Chambliss
Supervisor of Elections
Supervisor de Elecciones

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 02/03/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 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. WBADW7C54CE729901 2012 BMW

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 02/17/2023 at 09:00 AM the following vehicle(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. 3FAPP11321R158321 2001 FORD 1GCEK14V122121467 2002 CHEV 2FMDK4JC2BBA66347 2011 FORD
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CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY MEETING NOTICE

The Executive Director of the Clay County Utility Authority (CCUA) will conduct a workshop on Thursday, February 19, 2023, in the Board room of the Administrative Facility located at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida, commencing at 11:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter as those in attendance may convene. The purpose of the workshop is to hear and discuss public stakeholder comments on the proposed Lake Asbury Master Planning Area (LAMP) Trunk Main Capital Cost Recovery Policy.

All interested members of the public and media are welcome 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 Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Persons requiring auditory assistance may access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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

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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 Hagan Ace Hardware located at 1022 Blanding Boulevard, 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.

Date at Orange Park, Florida, this 5th day of January 2023.
Hagan Ace hardware of Anastasia, LLC
Hagan Ace Hardware of Blanding, Inc.
Hagan Ace Hardware of Hilliard, Inc.
Hagan Ace Hardware of Macclennny, L.L.C.
Hagan Ace Hardware of Green Cove Springs, LLC
Hagan Ace Hardware of Mandarin, L.L.C.
Hagan Ace Hardware of Palatka, LLC
Hagan Ace Hardware of St. Augustine, LLC
Hagan Ace Hardware of Yulee, Inc.
Hagan Ace Hardware of Orange Park, LLC
Hagan Ace Hardware of Callahan, Inc.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ROAD CLOSING PETITION

The Board of County Commissioners (the Board) of Clay County, Florida, has received a petition (the Petition) filed pursuant to Sections 336.09 and 336.10, Florida Statutes, on behalf of Troy Anderson, to close a portion of a certain public road hereinafter described. In accordance with the Petition, the Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room on the Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, to consider the adoption of a resolution pursuant to Section 336.10, Florida Statutes, closing, vacating and abandoning said portions of public roads, said portions being more particularly described as follows

All that part of Seminole Avenue according to the plat of Fellowship Park recorded in the Public Records of Clay County, Florida in Plat Book 2, Page 61, lying north of Middleburg Avenue and south of the portion of Seminole Avenue that was vacated in Resolution as recorded in Official Records Book 4421, Page 570 of the Public Records of said county.

All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard by the Board regarding the adoption of the resolution. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at number (904) 269-6376, no later than 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).

Board of County Commissioners
Clay County, Florida

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NOTICE OF IMPOSITION OF COMPREHENSIVE IMPACT FEES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, on December 13, 2022, in regular session, at a properly noticed public hearing, adopted Clay County Ordinance 2022-56, the Comprehensive Impact Fee Ordinance, which authorized the imposition of impact fees to fund capital improvements and additions to the Clay County Government, Jails, and Constitutional Facilities, Fire and Rescue Facilities, Law Enforcement Facilities, Parks and Recreation Facilities (Community Parks and Regional Parks), and Library and Cultural Facilities (the "Comprehensive Impact Fee") necessitated by future growth.

The Comprehensive Impact Fee rates will be imposed upon all Capital Facilities Impact Construction occurring within the incorporated and incorporated areas of the County, as set forth in the Ordinance and in accordance with Interlocals with the Municipalities, and shall be collected prior to Electrical Power Clearance for said Construction. The schedule of Comprehensive Impact Fee rates to be imposed commencing June 1, 2023, is available for review at the office of the Clay County Planning and Zoning Division, Third Floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

DATED THIS 19th day of January, 2023.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

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PUBLIC AUCTION

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 7, 2023 at 10:00am Alvin Mercado couch loves seat dining room set The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY,

FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No: 2022-CP-703

Division B
IN RE: ESTATE OF
WILLIAM JAMES CHRISTMAS,
Deceased.

The administration of the estate of William James Christmas, deceased, whose date of death was September 18, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 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 FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is January 12, 2023

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative: Amanda Shea Johnson 1819 Chatham Village Drive Fleming Island, FL 32003 Isl Dale S. Wilson Dale S. Wilson E-Mail Addresses: wilsdale@bellsouth.net Florida Bar No. 176945 Dale S. Wilson PA PO Box 1808 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Telephone: (904)284-5618

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No: 2018-CA-00557

Division: E
FIRST MORTGAGE STRATEGIES GROUP, INC, a Tennessee corporation Authorized to transact business in Florida, Plaintiff,

VS.
BILLY JOE GREENE a/k/a BILLY J. GREENE
a/k/a BILLY GREENE, KAREN DENISE SHEETS
a/k/a KAREN SHEETS, CHASE BANK USA, NA,
FRANK ANDREA, SUMMIT VIEW PROPERTIES,
LLC, STATE OF FLORIDA, UNKNOWN TENANT

#1 and UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 27, 2021, together with Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule and Set Mortgage Foreclosure Sale entered December 15, 2022 and entered in Case No. 2018-CA-00557 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein First Mortgage Strategies Group, Inc., is the Plaintiff and Billy Joe Greene a/k/a Billy J. Greene a/k/a Billy Greene, Karen Denise Sheets a/k/a Karen Sheets, Chase Bank Usa, NA, Frank Andrea, Summit View Properties, LLC, State of Florida, Unknown Tenant #1 and Unknown Tenant #2, are the Defendants. Tara S. Green, as the Clerk of the Court of the Circuit Court, shall sell the property located in Clay County, Florida, described as:

THE WEST 150 FEET OF THE SOUTH 300 FEET OF NORTH 300 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1650 FEET OF THE EAST 1320 OF WEST 4070 FEET OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING SHOWN AS LOT 6A ON A SURVEY OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, PROPOSED BY LOUIS H. MCKEE, DATED JUNE 14, 1998.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1997 NOBILITY 28' X 64' MOBILE HOME BEARING IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS: N16452A AND N16452B AFFIXED THERETO.

At public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash by ELECTRONIC SALE AT: www.Clay.RealForeclose.com. In accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, Florida at 10:00 A.M., on the 25th day of January, 2023.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

Dated this 19th day of December, 2022.
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Circuit Court
By Gracie Moore
As Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Invitation to Bid)

Sealed bids will be received by the School Board of Clay County until: February 7, 2023 at 11:00AM

in the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 W. Center Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of:

ORANGE PARK JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL – RESTROOM RENOVATION: PHASE III

1500 Gano Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073
CDS Project No. C-21-22/23
All work shall be done according to the plans and specifications prepared by:

ARCHITECTURE:
LICENSE NO. AR0017162
KASPER ARCHITECTS + ASSOCIATES INC.

10175 FORTUNE PARKWAY, SUITE 701 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256
(904) 683-9201 www.kasperarch.com

MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL:

POWELL & HINKLE ENGINEERING
1409 KINGSLEY AVENUE BLDG 12A,
ORANGE PARK FL 32073
(904) 264-5570

Email all Requests for Information to Projects@kasperarch.com by February 1, 2023 at 5:00pm. Please include the project number in the subject line.

Plans are on file and available for purchase at a cost in the following Plan Rooms:

LDI REPROPRINTING – ORANGE PARK
550 WELLS ROAD, SUITE 8
ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
(904) 579-4027

There will be a Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting at the site on January 27, 2023 at 9:00 AM per Section 000100, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.

Prime bidders, who will be submitting a bid to the owner, are required to register with the Architect their intention to bid and as a plan holder. Any addenda will be sent automatically (electronically) to the know plan holders. Other delivery methods may be arranged with the Architect. Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications are not advised and neither the Architect nor Owner will be responsible for

partial information given to subcontractors by the General Contractors.

Only Contractors having been pre-qualified by the School Board of Clay County are eligible to submit bids for this project. Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids for this project (Florida Statutes).

Florida Statutes require that all contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present must meet Level 2 screening requirements as described in S1012.32, Florida Statutes.

DISCRIMINATION: An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide 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 public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, a Bid Bond or Cashier's Check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid price, payable to the Owner.

The successful bidder will be required to provide a Recorded Performance, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted Bid amount.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the Invitation To Bid, Contract Award, or Recommendation for Contract Award, shall file a Notice of Protest with the Superintendent of Schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award, and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the Notice to Protest.

Failure to observe such timelines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The School Board requires a protestor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

Bond Requirement: Should a contractor wish to protest the bid recommendation, the protestor shall be required to post a bond as follows:

1. Five percent (5%) of the recommended award for all projects valued less than \$500,000.00; and

2. Twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) for all projects in excess of \$500,000.00.

Conditioned upon payment of all costs and fees which may be adjusted against the protestor in the Administrative Hearing. If at the Hearing the School Board prevails, it may recover all costs and attorney's fees from the protestor; if the protestor prevails, the protestor shall recover from the School Board all costs and attorney's fees.

Bid Tabulations shall be posted online or in the lobby area of 925 W. Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 after the intended recommendation is announced on or about four (4) days after the bid opening. The Bid Tabulation will remain posted for a minimum period of 96 hours.

David Broskie, Superintendent Clay County District Schools

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PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg, LLC will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder. The sale will take place online at selfstorageauction.com in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 ending Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 4:30pm on the following units. The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted:

Brian Blanton, Patricia A. Bullington, Valerie N. Craven, Tonya Davie, James R. Mosley, Brandie L. Senters, Michelle L. Sidders, and Robert & Nancy Wiseman.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives notice that on 02/09/2023 at 10:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at FIRST COAST TOWING INC - 2905 BLANDING BLVD. MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

1D4HD38K95F612574 2005 DODG
1FMCU9D7XCKC84027 2012 FORD
1FMZU32E0WZB18801 1998 FORD
3KPA25AB6JE088542 2018 KIA
3N1CP5BV7LL538848 2020 NISS
5NPDH4AE8DH264278 2013 HYUN
5XYZU3LB1DG122411 2013 HYUN
JN8AS5MT3DW007841 2013 NISS
KNADMA43XC6043958 2012 KIA
SHSRD68586UJ02754 2006 HOND

There will be a Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting at the site on January 27, 2023 at 9:00 AM per Section 000100, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.

Prime bidders, who will be submitting a bid to the owner, are required to register with the Architect their intention to bid and as a plan holder. Any addenda will be sent automatically (electronically) to the know plan holders. Other delivery methods may be arranged with the Architect. Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications are not advised and neither the Architect nor Owner will be responsible for

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO.: 2022-CP-000745

DIVISION : CPAXXX
IN RE: ESTATE OF ELSA SABELLA
a/k/a ELSA M. SABELLA

Deceased.

The administration of the estate of ELSA SABELLA, deceased, File Number: 2022-CP-000745, Division CPAXXX 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 WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is January 12, 2023.

Personal Representative: Arlet M. Sabella
1616 Hampton Place
Fleming Island, Florida 32003
Attorney for Personal Representative Dusinberre, Home, PLLC
David Home, Esquire
1845 East West Parkway, Suite 18 Fleming Island, Florida 32003 Telephone (904) 264-0585

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2022-CP-000677

Division B
IN RE: ESTATE OF
JIMMY W. SNEELGROVE,
Deceased.

The administration of the estate of JIMMY W. SNEELGROVE, deceased, whose date of death was July 25, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the 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 on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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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 12, 2023.

Attorney for Petitioner: 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
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Secondary email address: renee@floridae-lder.com
Petitioner:
TARA C. KEY
144 Sesame Street
Middleburg, Florida 32068

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 2022-CP-721 Division B IN RE: ESTATE OF REBECCA ANNE GILLIS, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of REBECCA ANNE GILLIS, deceased, whose date of death was August 26, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clerk of Court, PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 12, 2023.

Personal Representative:
Amy Hodges
1803 Sentry Oak Court
Fleming Island, FL 32003
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Dale S. Wilson Dale S. Wilson
E-Mail Addresses: wilsdale@bellsouth.net Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Telephone: (904)284-5618

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Invitation to Bid)

Sealed bids will be received by the District School Board of Clay County until: **1:00pm on Tuesday, February 7, 2023** in the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of: **MIDDLEBURG HIGH SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY SINGLE KEY ACCESS INITIATIVE** **3750 C.R. 220, Middleburg, FL 32068**

Work includes the replacement of cylinders and locksets campus-wide as well as selective door replacements. Complete scope is included in the Drawings and Specifications.

All work shall be done according to the plans and specifications prepared by: **BRIAN BOATRIGHT ARCHITECT, INC.** 914 Plainfield Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073

email all questions to brianboatrightaia@gmail.com include project number in subject line Plans are on file and open to inspection at the office of the architect and are available for purchase and on file with the following plan room:

LDI Reprinting Center
550 Wells Road, Suite 8, Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 579-4027
orangepark@ldireprinting.com

Any addenda will be sent automatically (electronically) to the known plan holders. Other delivery methods may be arranged with the architect. Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications are not advised and neither the architect nor owner will be responsible for partial information given to subcontractors by the general contractors. **Electronic drawings and specifications will not be distributed.**

There will be Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting at the site on Monday, January 30, 2023 at 9:00am per Section 00100, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.

Only contractors having been pre-qualified by the Clay County School District are eligible to submit bids for this project. Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids for this project (Florida Statutes).

DISCRIMINATION: An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide 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 public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

The owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit, with his bid, a bid bond or cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the base bid price, payable to the owner.

to the owner. **The successful bidder will be required to provide a performance, labor and material bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted bid amount.**

No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the invitation to bid, contract award, or recommendation for contract award, shall file a notice of protest with the superintendent of schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the notice to protest. Failure to observe such time-lines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The school board requires a protractor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

Protest Bond Requirement: Should a contractor wish to protest the bid recommendation, the protractor shall be required to post a bond as follows: I. Twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00), or 2% of the lowest accepted bid, whichever is greater, for projects valued over \$500,000.00; and II. Five percent (5%) of the lowest accepted bid for all projects valued less than \$500,000.00.

Conditioned upon payment of all cost and fees, which may be adjusted against the protractor, in the administrative hearing. If at the hearing, the school board prevails, it may recover all costs and attorney's fees from the protractor; if the protractor prevails, the protractor shall recover from the school board, all costs and attorney's fees.

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David Broskie, Superintendent
Clay County District Schools

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Invitation to Bid)

Sealed bids will be received by the District School Board of Clay County until: **2:00pm on Tuesday, February 7, 2023** in the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of: **MIDDLEBURG HIGH SCHOOL SAFETY & SECURITY SINGLE KEY ACCESS INITIATIVE** **3750 C.R. 220, Middleburg, FL 32068**

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The owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit, with his bid, a bid bond or cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the base bid price, payable to the owner.

The successful bidder will be required to provide a payment and performance bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted bid amount.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the invitation to bid, contract award, or recommendation for contract award, shall file a notice of protest with the superintendent of schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the notice to protest. Failure to observe such time-lines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The school board requires a protractor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

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David Broskie, Superintendent
Clay County District Schools

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NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

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

CASE NO. 2019CA001144
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 ALICE T. OLDANO A/K/A ALICE THOMAS OLDANO, 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 ALICE T. OLDANO A/K/A ALICE THOMAS OLDANO, 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:

THAT CERTAIN CONDOMINIUM PARCEL COMPOSED OF DWELLING UNIT NO. 19, IN THE GROVE CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FILED FOR RECORD IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 315, PAGE 215, OF THE CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH THE UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN SAID DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM TO BE AN APPURTENANCE TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED UNIT.

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 Ave., Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before

(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 4th day of January, 2023.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk

Legal 50065 Published 1/12/2023 and 1/19/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

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

2021 CA 001033
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST F, Plaintiff,
vs.
MYRNA M. AVARITT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MYRNA M. AVARITT; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order Resetting Sale entered on December 1, 2022 in Civil Case No. 2021 CA 001033, of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE OF STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST F is the Plaintiff, and MYRNA M. AVARITT is the Defendant.

The Clerk of the Court, Tara S. Green will sell to the highest bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com on February 1, 2023 at 10:00:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 1, BLOCK 114, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE 1, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1998 REDMAN MOBILE HOME, I.D. NOS. FLA 14613347A/B, TITLE NOS. 0075309672 AND 0075309673, RP DECAL NOS. R0765768 AND R0765769 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 4, 2023.

CLERK OF THE COURT
Tara S. Green
Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2019 CA 000907 HOME POINT FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

vs.
BELINDA PINNELL, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed April 14, 2022 entered in Civil Case No. 2019 CA 000907 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 1st day of February, 2023 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

The Northwest One Half of Lot 4, Block 1, in Orange Park Ridgewood Subdivision, Section 27, Clay County, Florida, more particularly described as following: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Washington Avenue for a point of beginning; thence Southeast 315.62 feet; thence Northeast 165 feet; thence Northwest 315.62 feet; thence 165 feet West to the point of beginning, said Section 27 being shown in plat recorded in Deed Book "G", Page 663, Current Public Records, 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. Dated this 21st day of October, 2022.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
By: Leigh Lucroy
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; TDD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtntrp@coj.net.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO. 2022CA000534
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E. FRAZIER AND DOTTIE BROWN FRAZIER A/K/A DOTTIE FRAZIER, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 31, 2022, and entered in 2022CA000534 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E. FRAZIER; DOTTIE BROWN FRAZIER A/K/A DOTTIE FRAZIER; SPENCER'S PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on March 15, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 164, SPENCER PLANTATION UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGE(S) 43 THROUGH 48, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 2784 WOOD STORK TRAIL, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

Dated this 3 day of January, 2023.
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Leigh Lucroy
As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@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.

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SHADOWLAWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NOTICE OF THE DISTRICT'S INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given that the Shadowlawn Community Development District (the "District") intends to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied by the District pursuant to Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. The Board of Supervisors of the District will conduct a public hearing on February 9, 2023 at 1:30 p.m., at Reinhold Corporation, 1845 Town Center Blvd, Suite 105, Fleming Island, FL 32003.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider the adoption of a resolution authorizing the District to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments (the "Uniform Method") to be levied by the District on properties located on land included in, or to be added to, the District.

The District may levy non-ad valorem special assessments for the purpose of financing, acquiring, maintaining and/or operating community development facilities, services and improvements within and without the boundaries of the District, to consist of, among other things, roadway improvements, water, reclaimed and sewer systems, hardscape, landscape, irrigation, fencing, signage, stormwater management, amenity center and community parks improvements, and any other lawful improvements or services of the District.

Owners of the properties to be assessed and other interested parties may appear at the public hearing and be heard regarding the use of the Uniform Method. This hearing is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearing may be continued to a date, time and location to be specified on the record at the hearing. There may be occasions when Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the hearing and/or meeting is asked to contact the District Office at 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, 561-571-0010, at least forty-eight (48) hours before the hearing and/or meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 who can aid you in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the hearing 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.
Craig Wrathell

District Manager

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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No: 10-2022-DR-001538
Division: F

Stephania PetitFrere, Petitioner
And
Esia Magis, Respondent
Dissolution of Marriage
TO: Esia Magis, 68 Jefferson Ave, Bayshore, NY 11706.

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 Stephanina PetitFrere, whose address is 1248 Ticonderoga Trl, Apt A, Orange Park, FL 32065 on or before 02/07/23 and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit 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 Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated 12/27/2022
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Annie Herrera
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

FIRST COAST TOWING gives notice that on 02/09/2023 at 10:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at FIRST COAST TOWING-2905 BLANDING BLVD. MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for its recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78. 1FMZU32EOWZB18801 1998 FORD 3N1CP5BV7LL538848 2020 NISS 5NPDH4AE8DH264278 2013 HYUN 5XZU3LB1DG122411 2013 HYUN KNADM4A3XC6043958 2012 KIA

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Derelict Vessel Publication Notice

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL HEIRS AND PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE BELOW DESCRIBED VESSEL. The following Vessel, to wit: Island Girl, has been determined to be derelict/abandoned and is unlawfully upon these waters of this state, to wit St. John's River/Shands Boat Ramp and must be removed within 21 days: otherwise it will be removed and disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. Owners, heirs and other legally interested parties may have the right to a hearing to challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or otherwise in violation of the law or to raise their interests before a tribunal.

Please contact the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Legal Office at (850) 487-1764 or efile@myfwc.com in order to assert a legal interest in this vessel. The owner or the party determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon the waters of this state in a derelict condition will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this vessel is not removed by the owner.

All heirs and other persons with a legal interest in this vessel must raise such interest within 21 days of the date of first publication of this Notice. All interests not raised by that time will be waived and forever barred. The date of first publication of this Notice is January 19, 2023.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Pursuant to Florida Statute 713.585, Mid-Florida Lien And Title Service, LLC, will sell at public sale for cash the following described vehicle(s) located at lienor's place to satisfy a claim of lien. 2008 LNDR VIN: SALME15498A283727. Lien Amt:\$3537.46. 2010 JAGU VIN: SAJWA0GB1ALR49590. Lien Amt:\$5951.74. 2013 JAGU VIN: SAJWA0E71D8S74278. Lien Amt:\$1514.81. Lienor/JAGUAR LAND ROVER JACKSONVILLE. 11217 ATLANTIC BLVD JACKSONVILLE, FL 904-642-1500. Sale Date: February 13, 2023, 10:00 AM.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To satisfy the owner's storage lien, KO Storage LLC will sell at public lien sale on February 15, 2023. The personal property in the below-listed units, which may include but are not limited to: Household goods, boxes/totes/bags, clothing, bedding, tools and toys. The public sale of these items will begin at 10AM on February 08, 2023 and end at 10AM on February 15, 2023. The public sale will take place on www.storage-reasures.com.

KO Storage of Keystone Heights - Annex, 1029 FL-100, Keystone Heights FL 32656, (952) 314-7121
Time: 10:00AM CST
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