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Fair earns blue ribbon for record crowds, happy patrons

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Except for an occasional bird trying to find an easy meal of leftover fries or pretzels, the Clay County Fairgrounds were eerily quiet Monday.

Most of the rides that were thrilling patrons a day earlier had been disassembled and were on the way to their next stop at Sumter County. Livestock was back at their farms. Volunteers were still resting aching feet and tired eyes. And the countdown to next year's Clay County Agriculture Fair had already started on the marquee.

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Aya Osman

2023 Senior SPOTLIGHT

As high school seniors prepare for graduation, there are compelling stories of students who turned difficult challenges into success. Clay Today will profile one outstanding senior from every school in the county. This week, Aya Osman from Ridgeview.

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Fleming Island Honor Student nominated for Congress of Future Medical Leaders

By Kylie Cordell
For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – Stratton Fulker, a ninth-grade student at Fleming Island High, has been nominated to attend this year's National Congress of Future Medical Leaders and Physicians, an honors-only program for high school students wanting to become physicians or go into medical research. Stratton's nomination was announced by Dr. Mario Capecchi, winner of the Nobel Prize and the Science Director of the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists, for his outstanding academic achievement.

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"You are selected based on your GPA. It's for Honor's superior students in high school. If you have great qualities about yourself, they also look into that," Fulker said.

The Congress of Future Medical

Stratton Fulker was nominated to attend this year's Congress of Future Medical Leaders and Physicians near Boston this summer.

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School board approves manual for critiquing library material

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND- The school board unanimously approved the School Board Procedures Manual for Instructional Resources to clarify which books are allowed to be on school library shelves.

The vote was in response to House Bill 1467, which was approved by Gov. Ron DeSantis in March, that requires each school board to define its rules for training me-

dia personnel, reviewing and approving all books and publications. Part of this means the public and parents getting involved in the process.

The bill was approved to identify the objective material and list those which were removed. In the Clay County School District, 383 books have been pulled from the shelves. Eleven parent volunteers helped by reading any disputed books.

The bill also seeks to increase public

participation in the transparency of selections and website availability of all instructional materials before purchase.

The instructional materials were once again a central point of discussion during the public comment, with many residents and students lamenting the selection and removal process for the books, along with steps necessary for books to resurface on library shelves.

The board also approved the advertis-

ing of a notice for a public hearing for a policy that would designate the use of gender-specific bathrooms/restrooms, locker rooms and dressing rooms. In the policy, “biological sex” is defined as “the sex assigned to a particular student at birth.”

The proposed policy also allows for a reasonable alternative for those that request the consideration for any reason.

The public hearing will be held during the School Board’s June 1 meeting.

School board refuses to accept attorney Bickner’s resignation

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND – While creating an instructional manual to review books and the so-called “bathroom bill” were two fiery topics at last week’s school board meeting, another item caught board members’ attention – the resignation of board attorney J. Bruce Bickner in the middle of the meeting.

The board then voted not to accept his resignation on April 14, but it extended his contract through Dec. 30.



J. Bruce Bickner

The board still voted to approve the extension of his contract, 5-0, following a long, confusing and frequently hard-to-follow debate regarding the future of the attorney who has served the school board since 2000.

Confusion unraveled when member Beth Clark was asked why she pulled the item for discussion.

Clark admitted she was “blindsided” during the March 28 workshop, where talks started about Bickner leaving. She and other members later said they were unaware and unprepared to talk about his resignation.

Hansen suggested the board has plenty of available routes, including contracting an attorney alongside multiple other counties in the state. The representative said she called 16 counties and three individuals from the Florida School Board Association.

“There’s no simple reason that Mr. Bickner should remain for nine months.”

Ironically, that would leave the school board in the same position that Clark and others feared – being without an attorney. The last time that happened was during the beginning of Bickner’s four-year leave (2014-2018) from the position that he held for 19 years.

Clark said the school board should ter-

“I think that three of us were called out for a question, and generally, I need a little bit of time to understand the ramifications of those answers. I’m not used to being given an ultimatum without negotiations. All I could think at the workshop was that if I didn’t go along with this, the district would be without an attorney, so I gave in,” she said.

“I was totally unprepared for a discussion of the enormous impact for our county and our citizens. There was no mention of us going to talk about this topic as far as I could find,” said board member Michele Hanson.

“We have a lot of options, options we didn’t know existed,” she said.

The School Board has already been seeking to fill the position for five months.

Board members agreed Bickner should serve out his contract until the board finds a new candidate. Then, Bickner would become the school district’s attorney.

Superintendent David Broskie brought some clarity.

“I think that you are all on the same page in agreement with the stipulation that (Bickner) would stay on as the school board attorney in the current capacity

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Doug Benefield

Benefield wins seat on Orange Park Town Council

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ORANGE PARK – In the only contested contest for a seat on the town council, CPA Doug Benefield defeated longtime town resident and U.S. Air Force veteran Kenny Radwanski during Clay County’s Municipal Super Tuesday to retain the District 1 seat.

Benefield was appointed last August following the resignation of Councilman Eddie Henley.

Benefield received 67%, or 336 votes, to Radwanski’s 33% (164 votes).

Before being appointed to council, Benefield answered the call to vol-

unteer on the town’s Budget and Finance Committee, along with the Police Pension Board.

Some themes Benefield ran on included not raising taxes, particularly the elderly in the community, and keeping the community safe.

“We need to join together as a town to keep our taxes from rising so that our residents, especially our elderly, will not be priced out of homes that they have lived in throughout their lives. We need to keep our roads, streets, parks and river safe for families of all incomes to enjoy,” he said.

Benefield will seek to press forward with plans that he has already set in motion during a brief first term, such as his proposed neighborhood “budget friendly control devices” on various cut-throughs such as Plainfield, River Road., Holly Point, Bellair and Debarry, a device the councilman said he believes would encourage non-resident motorists to slow down on those streets and encourage non-residential traffic to avoid while passing through the town. His new full term will begin May 16 and last for three years.

Benefield told Clay Today he feels great about a well-ran campaign.

“It was a good campaign focusing on important things that I think this community cares about. Keeping taxes low is something I believe resonated with voters,” Benefield said.

The councilman is also excited to serve the town he grew up in.

“We’re excited. I grew up here, so it only makes sense,” he said.

Benefield’s opponent had still yet to concede the election after 9 p.m.

“Still didn’t receive the final votes yet from today’s election. Whether I win or lose the Seat 1 election, I am and will be here for all of the residents, all the time, every day. I will still be attending all town meetings and all town concerns. We residents are the town government’s checks and balances, all the time,” Radwanski said in a text. Susan Sandlin won Seat 2 on the town council because she was unopposed.

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Florida universities ban TikTok on state-owned devices

Restrictions include SJR State College, UNF

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Florida’s decision this week to immediately ban TikTok from its campus networks and college-owned devices is occurring amid broader bipartisan efforts in Florida’s Legislature to limit or prohibit students in public schools from using social media.

UF said it planned to start actively blocking use of TikTok and WeChat, an instant messaging app especially popular among Chinese students. Other universities – including University North Florida, St. Johns River State College, University of Florida, Florida State and University of Central Florida – already had similarly banned TikTok and WeChat, responding to a directive last week from the state’s Board of Governors calling the services a data security risk because their parent companies were based in China.

The latest bill moved through Florida’s Capitol to effectively ban TikTok for all public employers, including state and local government agencies, public schools, colleges and universities and more. It prohibits installing TikTok on a government-issued device or accessing TikTok over a government network, such as office or school Wi-Fi networks.

Meanwhile, other measures proposed by lawmakers would crack down on a broader number of social media services. One would require teachers to warn students about the social, emotional and physical effects of social media; prohibit students from using social media during classroom instruction; and require schools to block social media on their networks.

“These kids are walking around with a live digital hand grenade, and we’re not educating them on the safe use of it,” Burgess said.

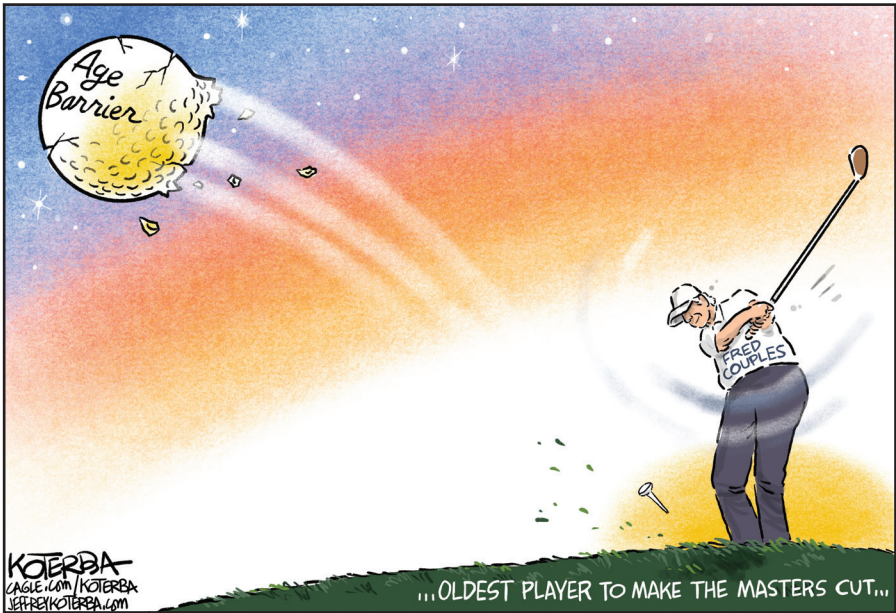
The House voted 110-0 last week to pass a companion bill, sponsored by Rep. Brad Yeager, a New Port Richey Republican.

Under those bills, classroom lessons would change based on grade level but cover kindergarten through 12th grade. Students below sixth grade would learn about internet safety, injury prevention and personal health. Lessons for older students would include how social media manipulates behavior, the spreading of misinformation and dating violence.

Students in high school would also learn how to use social media to their advantage with lessons on research skills,

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OPINIONS



State emphasizes behavioral health services in \$38 billion Medicaid plan

By Christine Jordan Sexton
For FloridaPolitics.com

Florida is finally moving ahead with a mammoth series of contracts that will control the future of the state’s \$38 billion Medicaid program and how care is delivered to the millions of poor or disabled residents who rely on the program.

The long-awaited invitation to negotiate released Tuesday by the state Agency for Health Care Administration puts an increased emphasis on the delivery of behavioral health services and, according to the ITN, the agency intends to award contracts to “nationally accredited plans that offer an enhanced delivery systems and integration of integration of behavioral and physical health services.”

Moreover, the ITN also includes the introduction of “plus plans,” designed to allow family members to receive their services from a Medicaid-managed single-care plan that provides Managed Medical Assistance, Long Term Care and specialty plans.

According to the bid documents, the goal of the plus plan is to improve the continuity of coverage for families and individuals.

“Enrollees will no longer need to change plans to access specialty population services, split families up among multiple plans or choose between accessing Specialty plans,” the ITN reads.

Florida Politics contacted several managed care plans for comment, but they were still reading the finer details of the ITN and declined comment.

Florida’s existing managed care contracts expire Dec. 31, and the ITN sets an ambitious timeline to ensure new contracts are negotiated, signed and executed by then.

Managed care plans must submit

their bids by noon on Aug. 15. The state anticipates holding a public opening of the bids at 3 p.m. the same day.

The agency will spend more than a month negotiating the multi-year contracts with managed care plans, anticipating that negotiations will begin on Oct. 2 and run through Nov. 17. Ultimately, AHCA hopes to post the notice of intent to award the six-year contracts, worth tens of billions for dollars, on Dec. 11.

There are steps between now and then, though. For instance, plans have until May 3 to review the ITN and electronically submit any questions to the state. The anticipated date for AHCA to respond to the questions and post the answers is June 27.

The new ITN could be a game changer for Medicaid managed care plans and the enrollees they serve. That’s because plans that aren’t chosen are essentially locked out of the health care safety net program for six years unless they acquire or merge with another health plan.

This is the third time the state has put its Medicaid Managed Care program up for competitive bid. According to the ITN, AHCA has used its past experiences to help inform the managed care networks it’s looking to contract with.

The ITN requires plans that want to provide LTC services to submit proposals that have them acting either as a comprehensive long-term care plan, a comprehensive long-term care-plus plan or a select comprehensive plan. Respondents wanting to provide MMA services will be required to submit proposals that have them acting either as a comprehensive LTC plan; a comprehensive LTC-plus plan; an MMA plan; or an MMA-plus plan.

Bidders wishing to provide specialty

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Word OF THE WEEK

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

Logorrhea: (la-ga-ree-ah) a noun that means uncontrollable talkativeness.

“When writing a term paper, avoid unnecessary logorrhea and stick to the point.”

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- After listening to several county department leaders, the Board of County Commissioners reverse course and vote to return Rescue Unit 19 to Orange Park.
- The school board votes to reinstate Orange Park art teacher Michael Bowman, who was dismissed after he was accused of receiving pay and training as park of a fraudulent work scheme.
- Cleveland Browns defensive back Jacob Hagen and UCF defensive lineman Seyvon Lowry visit Ridgeview Elementary to encourage students to embrace a “Finish Strong Attitude” ahead of the Florida Standards Assessment test.

10 years ago, 2013

- The Florida Charter School Appeal Commission approves the application for Orange Park Performing Arts Academy after the Clay County School Board denied the school’s application.
- Walmart announces it will open a Neighborhood Market on the corner of College Drive and County Road 220 in Middleburg.
- The Green Cove Springs City Council votes to borrow \$3.1 million to build a new police department headquarters.

20 years ago, 2003

- Former Orange Park Mayor Garry McIntyre is charged with battery after a woman in the public works office said he “patted her” down at town hall.
- An elderly man is found floating face down at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs.
- Green Cove Springs continues to debate whether to shuttle its fire department and merge with Clay County Fire Rescue.

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Opinions ...

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Plan

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services will be required to submit responses that have them serving as a comprehensive LTC-plus plan or an MMA-plus plan.

Aside from the modifications included in the ITN, there are other changes ahead for the state’s Medicaid managed care program. A 2022 law passed by the Legislature at the behest of AHCA cut the number of Medicaid regions from 11 to nine and replaced the numerical names for the regions with letter names. The new law also allows AHCA to award Medicaid-managed care contracts on either a statewide or regional basis. However, it did not eliminate a requirement that AHCA ink contracts with at least one provider service network in each

region. PSNs are networks formed by a group of providers that perform associated insurance functions, such as enrollee services, provider credentialing, claims processing and quality assurance.

The revamped program would “give families the freedom to choose a managed care plan, services, and programs that best suit the needs of all their family members; provide individuals and families the freedom to choose to participate in programs that will improve their health through the support of healthy behaviors and provision of robust chronic disease management; to provide enrollees with supports and opportunities to enter a Pathway to Prosperity toward the achievement of self-sufficiency where appropriate and for seniors to be able to live vibrant, fulfilling lives and age in their place of choice.”

History

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30 years ago, 1993

- A Green Cove Springs woman, Joan Susanna Burns, is arrested and charged with first degree murder of 87-year-old Lewis Hensley in St. Augustine.
- Middleburg High senior Jane Glover is selected as one of 20 finalists for the Johnson and Wales University Cooking Contest.
- Despite facing a lawsuit after a child drowned at Keystone Beach, the city de-

cides to reopen the popular site on Lake Geneva.

40 years ago, 1983

- Wayne Floyd Bateson, 30, is sentenced to 80 years in prison for kidnapping and raping a 43-year-old grandmother.
- Florida Container Express in Orange Park sets up donation spots to ship supplies to victims of flooding in Louisiana and Mississippi.
- Publix Supermarkets in Clay County change their policy and plan to be open on Sundays.

TikTok

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creating a digital resume and exploring career pathways.

Social media companies have long been the target of Gov. Ron DeSantis and the Republican-controlled Legislature, which passed a bill DeSantis signed in 2021 requiring large social media companies to publish standards that described how they decided to “censor, deplatform and shadow ban.” It also allowed Florida residents to sue social media companies for up to \$100,000 if they feel they were treated unfairly.

Federal courts overturned most parts of the law, saying it was an unconstitutional violation of the First Amendment, and DeSantis has asked the Supreme Court to intercede.

Republicans’ efforts to crack down on social media platforms also are occurring amid the party’s efforts to improve its allure among young voters, who are the most active users on social media and who generally identify as progressives.

Another bill would require social media platforms to provide disclaimers of “additive features” and would prohibit schools from using social media for educational purposes.

When users log in, minors would have to be shown a disclaimer about how social media can be addictive and harmful to their mental health. It would also describe

how the app might collect a user’s personal data “to further manipulate your viewable content,” according to the bill.

Large social media companies already have compliance statements, and having more disclaimers won’t protect children, said Chris Marchese, director of litigation for NetChoice, a trade association representing leading technology companies, including TikTok, Twitter, Google and Meta.

Marchese said educating children on risks would be more helpful than a disclaimer children could ignore. He said NetChoice supports social media safety lessons in schools but opposes banning social media for educational purposes.

Social media safety should be taught at all grade levels, said Jamie Kschoncz, a parent and teacher at Calusa Elementary in Boca Raton. She said some of her special needs students could be vulnerable to dangerous situations on social media.

In an AP psychology class, Addison Barno, a junior at Freedom High in Tampa, was assigned to care for a pretend infant and post pictures of her pretending to feed it as updates on Instagram. Barno, 16, said the lesson interested her because she is an avid Instagram user.

Her high school already blocks social media during classroom hours, but Barno said students use virtual private networks that can bypass such blocks.

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Keystone Heights voters maintain mayor’s role on city council

By Don Coble
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Voters overwhelmingly decided to maintain the practice of electing its mayor on Municipal Super Tuesday.

While other municipalities in the county select a mayor from the city and town councils, Keystone Heights will continue to elect four council members and a mayor. The vote to separate elections between councilmembers and the mayor was 107-34.

There were no contested seats on the city council, so the only option voters had was to cast ballots by mail. They were asked to decide on four charter amend-

ments. They approved two and voted no on the other two.

They agreed a majority of the city council is needed to set the maximum purchasing amount for bids. They also agreed to create a procedure in the city charter to censure or reprimand a council member for illegal or serious violations of city policy.

In addition to voting down a plan to select the mayor from the city council, voters also decided against a plan that would prohibit city council members from interfering with routine operations by the city manager.

Daniel Matt Johnson won Seat 4 on the city council because he was unopposed.

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11. Everyone has one	57. Mustachioed actor Elliott	28. ___ Diego
12. Brew	59. American Idol runner-up Clay	29. One point east of due south
13. Rectify	60. A way to soak	31. 007’s creator
15. Popular Dodge truck model	61. Car mechanics group	32. The NBA’s Toppin
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Parkinson's patients get support, solutions at monthly meetings

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND — John Holland shared a gripping testimony of his journey with Parkinson's, an incurable brain disorder that causes unintended or uncontrollable movements like shaking, stiffness and difficulty with balance and coordination.

Holland is just one real-life inspiration to the more than 60,000 Floridians and one million Americans that fight the battle with an illness he and so many others somehow manage to fight and overcome every day.

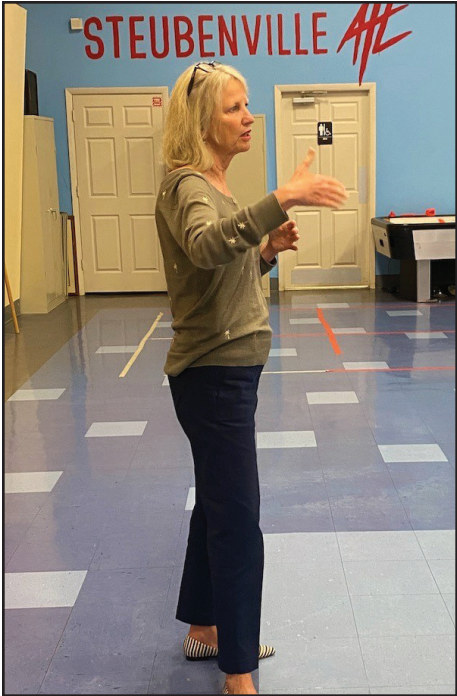
Kathy and Ray Lowery, a couple who recognize musical talent, treated an audience of 25 attendees to a litany of tunes last Saturday afternoon.

Alice Krauss is a representative from Brooks Rehabilitation Home Health, a non-profit that offers a complete array of care including inpatient facilities, outpatient care and physical therapy. She spoke about the several free activities offered via their Adaptive Sports and Recreation Program, where she serves as program manager.

Basketball, fishing, bowling, kayaking and shotgun trap shooting are just a few of the several activities at Brooks. For those whose condition creates difficulty holding equipment, handles and other gripping tools are available so everybody can participate.

These are just a few sights and sounds of a lively, enthusiastic gathering of the Parkinson's Support Group of Orange Park, which meets monthly at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Fleming Island.

"We hope to start some of those activities on that side of the bridge," chairman Gregg Hummer said enthusiastically.



More activities could soon be coming to the Parkinson's Support Group in concert with Brooks. But make no mistake: Saturday's gathering wasn't a typical club meeting. That's because April is Parkinson's Awareness Month.

Parkinson's awareness received official recognition from town and county officials and a proclamation from Gov. Ron DeSantis.

On April 4, Orange Park approved the measure and the Clay County Board of Commissioners proclaimed "Parkinson's Awareness Month in Clay County."

"We're proud that Orange Park and Clay County declared April as Parkinson's Awareness Month," Hummer said.

Support meetings are just one of the



Alice Krauss of Brooks Rehabilitation Home Health was a featured speaker at the Support Group's monthly meeting. She went into detail about several free activities the nonprofit provides for people suffering from Parkinson's disease, such as bowling, fishing, kayaking, basketball, trap shooting and several other fun-filled options.

available activities. This includes twice-weekly exercise classes at Sacred Heart on Mondays and Thursdays, dinner gatherings at local hotspots, educational sessions, Bingo and other social events. The first spring picnic will be on April 22 at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs.

Krauss said practicing tried-and-true methods to fight Parkinson's with social interaction and physical activity, were examples of topics for guest speakers. Others talk about nutrition, medication, education and rehabilitation.

The support group is the glue that kept Ken Thompson and his wife together during a rough-and-tumble battle with Parkinson's.

"We just started this journey, and we're

looking for group support. This group has set a strong foundation, and we've got some members that aren't here today that provide us with even more motivation to keep working.

Life is going to go on. The group teaches you that we may do things a bit slower but can do everything out there. It may just be as fast, but there is nothing we cannot do," he said.

"We accept the fact that we've got Parkinson's, and we live with it. We live with it the best we can. It's just keeping people active and coming together for the social events," Hummer said.

The group, existing as staunch, persistent, warrior-like individuals battling the disease, was founded in 2013.

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MotoSurf Games to make waves at Keystone's Lake Geneva for three days

Continental Cup Championship season opens on April 21-23

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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – MotoSurf America, one of the world's fastest-growing sports organizations, will return to Lake Geneva and Keystone Beach Pavilion from April 21-23.

After debuting a year ago, the group will stage three days of racing for riders of all ages. There are seven categories: Juniors, Women, Men Hobby, Men Pro, Electric Challenge, Electric Skateboard and JETSURF Tube Fun Race.

Qualifying and practice will be on Friday, April 21. Heat races, electric challenge and tube race will be on April 22 and category finals, skateboard races and closing ceremonies will be on April 23.

The stop at Keystone Heights is the first race in the MotoSurf Continental Cup championship.

According to MotoSurf America, the racing weekend will offer racing action for men, women and youth athletes. After the last year's success, electric-powered motorized surfboards will measure performances in the Electric Challenge relay race. More competition, a simplified racing format, a friendly atmosphere and unique experiences will be aired in a CBS Sports Network 30-minute documentary.

A year ago, 20-year-old four-time world MotoSurf champion Lukas Zoharsky competed on Lake Geneva. Races approached 40 mph around a closed, angled course. Racers with the fastest-timed laps were declared the winners.

"I've done lots of races since I started racing when I was 10 years old in Czech Republic," said Zoharsky, who has won in such exotic places as Abu Dhabi, Mexico, Russia, Singapore and Czech Republic. "There is not a lot of surfing in Czech Republic, but we have lakes."

With his muscular, low-center-of-gravity build, Zoharsky looked similar to a short,



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As many as 50 riders are expected to compete at Keystone Beach at Lake Geneva next weekend. The MotoSurf America competition is the first race in the Continental Cup Championship.

stocky wrestler. His success came from his ability to lock into the tight turns of the courses and maintain high speeds around the buoys.

"The gas-powered surfboards are a little lighter than the electric-powered surfboards that were part of an Electric Challenge round of competition as the boards are new to the sport," said Zoharsky, who

entered the sport because his dad was friends with the motor surfboard inventor, Martin Sula.

"The lithium battery makes them a little heavier and tricky in the tight corners to turn."

Zoharsky, who finished his high school education and is currently in a university for a master's degree, explained that the courses on the circuit are fairly similar, with each course with special parts of the track with splits and a "joker" buoy.

The three-day event was made possible by a collaboration between the City of Keystone Heights, Clay County Tourist Development Council and Airstream Ventures. The event is free for spectators.





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Robyn Leilani Shuey

Robyn Leilani Shuey, age 57, passed away on April 6, 2023, in St. Augustine, FL. Robyn was born on November 24, 1965, in Richmond, Va to parents Nelson and Amy (Sanderlin) Rosser. She graduated from Henrico High School with the class of 1984. Soon after graduating, Robyn met the love of her life, Tony Shuey, who then joined the US Navy.

They married on January 31, 1986 at Whidbey Island Navy Base. For the next 24 years, Robyn took on the role of serving our country as a Navy wife. Robyn and Tony went on many adventures together, but their favorite was giving life to their two sons, Dustin and Brady. They lived in Washington State, California, and Virginia before settling down in Clay County, Florida.

Robyn worked as a teacher's aide/secretary in the Clay Co School System for 18 years, mostly at Coppergate Elementary where she made lifetime friends and impacted the lives of many children.

Robyn decorated this world in animal print, gold, and glitter. She was a creative soul, who touched the lives of anyone she encountered. She presented with sass, loyalty, and humor that supported her free spirit personality. She loved music, fashion, decorating, and the beach, but most all she cherished the time she was able to spend with her sons. Robyn spent her life supporting their passion for baseball, surfing, skateboarding, and yearly family vacations to Outer Banks, North Carolina.

Robyn was preceded in death by her son, Dustin "Eric" Shuey, father Nelson Rosser, and dog, Molly.

Robyn is survived by her husband of 37 years, Tony Shuey of St. Augustine, her son, Brady Shuey and his fiancé Autumn Ray of Orange Park FL., her mother, Amy White of Richmond, VA, her daughter in love, Heather (Dustin) Hosmer of St. Augustine, dog Milly, and grand puppies Sammi and Ozzy.

A celebration of Robyn's life will be held

on Saturday, April 15, 2023 from 2-4pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 406 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, Florida 32073.

To honor Robyn, attire is: animal print, gold, glitter, beach casual, and/or Middleburg casual.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Curtis Allen Morrison

Curtis Allen Morrison, 88, of Middleburg, FL, passed away April 6, 2023

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

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



Margaret Ellen Bowen

Margaret Ellen Bowen, 84, of Orange Park, FL, passed away April 3, 2023.

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James Norris Bourque

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Robyn Leilani Shuey

Orange Park Hospital recognizes Donate Life Celebration

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – April is National Donate Life Month in honor of organ donation.

Local families of past patients of HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital who became organ donors will tell their stories in a ceremony, and we will have a moment of silence on April 14. The hospital will also be unveiling their names on its Organ Donor Memorial Wall.

The ceremony will start promptly at 11 a.m.

Middleburg VFW to host Guitars for Kids event on Saturday

MIDDLEBURG – VFW Post 8255 will host the 7th Annual Bear and Butch Benefit Run to benefit Paul Wane's Rising Star Guitars for Kids Foundation.

Registration at 2296 Aster Ave. in Middleburg starts at 8 a.m. and kickstands will go up on the poker run at 10:30 a.m.

The event includes raffles, a 50/50 drawing, vendors, T-shirts and live music featuring Rockin Machine from 3-4 p.m., Blind Intuition from 4:30-5:30 p.m./, Junk Drawer Band from 6-7 p.m. and Wane's Duval County Line from 7:30-9 p.m.

The cost is \$20 for a rider and \$10 for a passenger.

Dinner will be served by Cht'z & Giggles and G's BBQ.

Guitars for Kids has provided hundreds of musical instruments to local children to give them a more positive outlet than drugs and playing video games.

"This is all about substance abuse prevention," Wane said. "We need to give

them something else to do, something positive.

Salvation Army to serve Empty Bowls luncheon on April 18

MIDDLEBURG – The Salvation Army's Clay County Women's Auxiliary's 18th annual Empty Bowls Luncheon to bring attention and resources for the food pantry at Orange Park United Methodist Church will be on April 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Family Life Center at 2042 Reed St.

"This is the first time since the pandemic we've been able to do this," said Salvation Army Capt. Julie Chamberlain. "We had to shut it down for two years, so it's really nice to see it return."

Empty Bowls was created to help the community understand the nutritional needs of some residents. For \$20, guests can select a bowl and then sit down among the other guests, eat their soup, and learn a little about how their donation helped fill the empty bowls of people less fortunate in their community. Afterward, the bowls are theirs to keep.

Each meal consists of a bowl of soup, a glass of water and slices of bread. The meal is symbolic of the lack of substantial food options for many.

"All of the proceeds stay in Clay County," Chamberlain said. "The money goes toward supporting our feeding programs."

Students from St. Johns Country Day School, Oakleaf, Orange Park and Ridgeview highs and Wilkinson Junior High crafted some bowls that will sold at the event. According to the Salvation Army, the program creates and strengthens the

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Law Enforcement Torch Run blazes through Clay on Friday

By Don Coble
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FLEMING ISLAND – The men in blue will be wearing purple Friday as the county prepares to send a 20 of its athletes to the Florida Special Olympics Games at Walt Disney World.

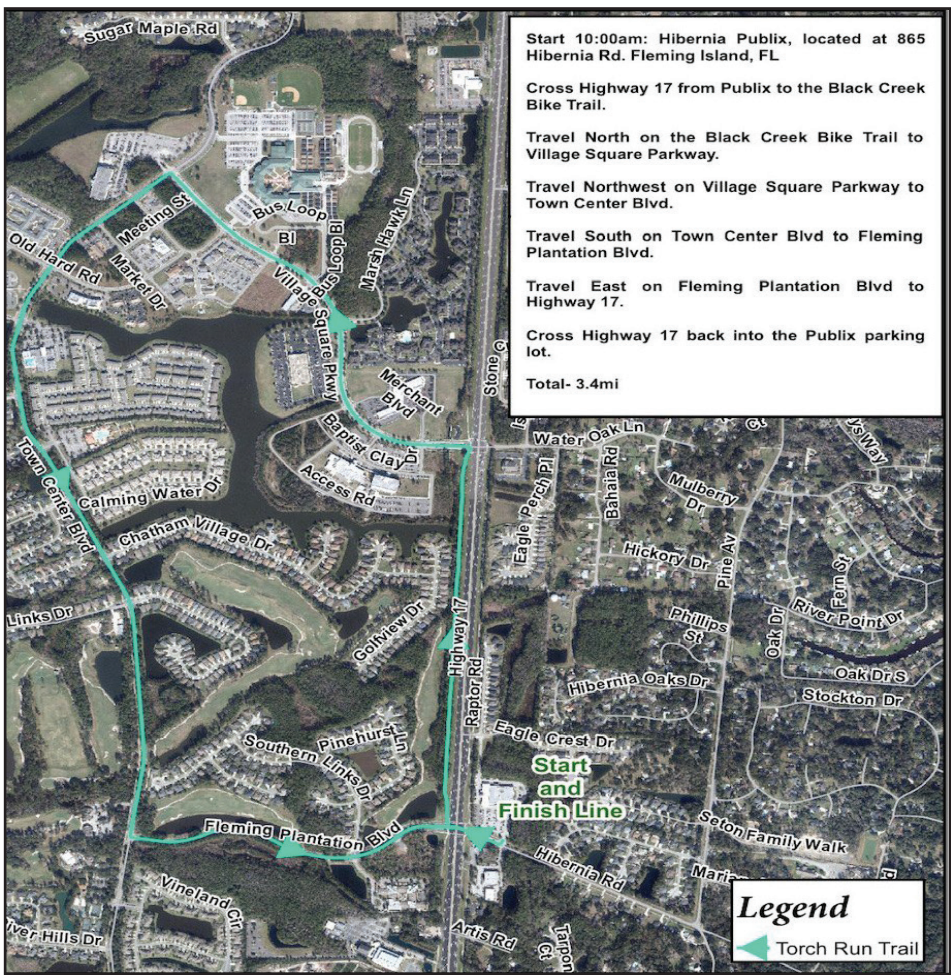
The annual Law Enforcement Torch Run will start in the Publix parking lot on Friday, April 14, at 10 a.m. The walk will cross U.S. Highway 17 to the Black Creek Bike Trail, go north on the trail to Village Square Parkway, then to Town Center Boulevard to Fleming Plantation Boulevard. After that, deputies and supporters will walk back to Publix. The total route will be 3.4 miles.

The Torch Run follows the most successful Tip-A-Cop program that will pay for athletes to attend the state games, organizer CCSO Sgt. Zach Cox said.

“This is just kind of getting everybody fired up ahead of the state games,” Cox said. “So our fundraiser is strictly for raising money for our Special Olympic athletes to attend the games in Orlando. The Torch



Law enforcement agencies throughout the state, including the Clay County Sheriff's Office, participated in the Torch Run.



Run is kind of like the county's farewell if you will. Clay County Special Olympics will pass the torch through our county, and then it will eventually make its way to Orlando to light the state games.”

Cox said anyone could join the walk by purchasing a purple T-shirt at the grocery store.

Clay County Fire Rescue will have two

ladder trucks draped over an intersection with an oversized American flag so walkers can pass underneath. It is a practice usually reserved for special occasions.

The Torch Run started in Escambia County on March 27 and will pass through all 67 Florida counties, ending up at Disney's Wide World of Sports on May 19 for the opening of the two-day state games.

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community, supports local schools, celebrates delicious food and beautiful pottery and educates people about hunger and poverty.

There will also be a silent auction and bake sale. All proceeds from this year's Empty Bowls Event will be used to keep The Salvation Army of Clay County's food pantry stocked with nutritious food and hygiene products.

Penney Retirement Community to welcome pianist Gail Smith

PENNEY FARMS – Renown pianist Gail Smith will play a recital at 7 p.m. as part of the Community Commemorate Concert Series on April 23 at Penney Memorial Church.

Smith has performed and taught internationally. In addition to being a concert pianist, she is also a music historian, author and piano instructor.


She will play selections by Johann Strauss, Frederic Chopin and Cesar Franck, as well as some of her own com-

positions.

Penney Memorial Church is located at 4465 Poling Blvd. at Penney Farms. The concert is free and open to the general public. Street parking is plentiful.

Prescription drug take-back hosted at Orange Park Hospital

ORANGE PARK – With April 22nd being National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, the team at HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital, in cooperation with the Clay County Sheriff's Office and the Drug Enforcement Agency, will be outside of the ER collecting



unwanted or expired prescription medications – for free.

The event is drive-thru style from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is no need to get out of the car, and the DEA safely discards all medicine.

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Leaders Conference will be held June 21-23 on the University of Massachusetts Lowell campus.

During the three-day congress, Fulker will join students from across the country and hear Nobel laureates and National Medal of Science winners talk about leading medical research. Participants will be advised by Ivy League and top medical school deans on what to expect in medical school. They will hear stories of patients living medical miracles, be inspired by fellow teen medical science prodigies, and learn about cutting-edge advances and the future in medicine and medical technology.

“We’re going to have a big conference with hundreds of students from around the country,” Fulker said. “We’re going to meet and talk to Nobel Prize winners. We’re going to view live surgery on a big screen and ask questions while they are operating.”

The event’s purpose is to motivate students who aspire to be physicians or medical scientists to stay true to their dream. The event will provide a path, plan and resources to help them reach their goal.

Fulker’s plan is to continue to pursue Advance Placement courses at Fleming Island and eventually enter the Dual enrollment program with a local college, where he will start on a pre-med track.

Fulker is pursuing a volunteer position in the Naval Hospital’s Surgery Unit



Stratton Fulker also plays football and lacrosse for the Golden Eagles.

through the American Red Cross. He credits his lacrosse Coach, former U.S. Naval Academy lacrosse ace, and NAS Jax neurologist Dr. John Hawley for inspiring him to pursue medicine and connecting him with volunteer opportunities.

“I have been a part of the Naval Hospital since 2004, and so I’ve heard good things about the program through the students who rotate through the clinic,” Dr. Hawley

said. “When Stratton mentioned that he wanted to go into medicine, I thought that it might be a good option for him.”

The base youth program consists of many programs specifically designed to offer participants in-person experience working with patients in a medical-type environment. The class consists of two weeks of full-time classroom training, after which participants are assigned to different clinics.

“You go through orientation, and the various specialists at the clinic volunteer their time to be with them. You might be in internal medicine one day, pediatrics another day; you bounce between the specialists depending on what your interests are,” Dr. Hawley said.

Fulker is most excited to work alongside doctors and view live surgery. However, he finds the connection with patients most valuable about the profession.

“The smile and happiness you get from the parents and the patient’s family, just to let them know that they are going to pull through and be okay, knowing that gives me joy for what I could do,” he said.

During a crucial time in America when we need more doctors and medical scientists, we must push to encourage more students to consider professions in the medical field and attract a more diverse group of students to medicine.

Focused, bright, and determined students like Stratton Fulker are our future, and he deserves all the mentoring and guidance we can give him.

Free financial-themed classes available to students

CLAY COUNTY – April is Money Makers Month at Outscool, a leading online education platform for children.

To help kids learn the importance of personal finance and money matters, Outscool is hosting FREE finance and entrepreneurial-themed classes during the month to help foster lifelong skills in money management and entrepreneurship. All of the classes will be hosted during live video chats with financial experts.

The schedule includes:

- The Power of Thinking Before Buying, hosted by Karen Holland of Gifting Sense, on April 18.
- Helping Learners Understand How to Pay for College, hosted by Amy Jenkins with Meadow, on April 28.
- I Am a Mogul; My First Business Plan: design your business plan with Tamara Zantell, the founder of Raising a Mogul, an expert on supporting learners to become entrepreneurs, on April 29.
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Orange Park DAR chapter pins Vietnam veterans

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The annual Vietnam Veterans ceremony on March 25 at the TAPS Memorial in Green Cove Springs was significant this year for Orange Park Sophia Fleming Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. The DAR Service for Veteran Committee members conducted their first pinning of Vietnam veterans from our community. Twelve Sophia Fleming members and one grandson volunteered, along with three husbands of DARs who accompanied their wives. Two of the chapter’s U.S. Navy veterans, Laura Livingston and Cheryl Gandee, pinned veterans at the chapter’s table. National Vietnam War Veterans Day honors the men and women who served and sacrificed during the longest conflict in American history.



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The Solite saga

Anonymous experts fear hazardous materials hidden at former plant

By Lee Wardlaw
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LAKE ASBURY – The melodrama between three generations of residents who face health and quality of life issues, the former Solite plant, a shell company, a potential buyer and the local community continued with political and legal wrangling.

An anonymous source said other potential environmental problems could be in store for the nearly 1,000-acre property in the Lake Asbury/Green Cove Springs area after five residents contacted County Commissioner Kristen Burke about major illness concerns they believe are connected to the parcel.

Those messages were forwarded to Florida Rep. Sam Garrison (R-Fleming Island), the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Clay Today since the newspaper launched its investigation into the former aggregate kiln company last month. Solite also is accused of hiding barrels of hazardous materials like jet fuel and hospital biohazards.

While a sale of the property was supposed to be finalized between Stoneridge Farms and Danhour Group CEO Micheal Danhour on Monday, March 20. The FDEP told Garrison and Sen. Jennifer Bradley (R-Fleming Island) during a 90-minute phone call on March 16 that two things remain unclear, including the sale itself.

William D. Preston, a Tallahassee-based attorney representing Stoneridge Farms and Danhour, responded to a phone call from Clay Today with a six-word statement: “I can’t (comment on the matter) because I don’t know.”



County officials want areas around the site of the former Solite plant to be tested by an independent, third-party group after some residents said hazardous materials were stored there.

A consent order has been upheld by the FDEP, which applies to the entire property. One unclear thing is how long it will take to test outside 264 acres that are already scheduled for testing. However, that testing will be conducted by Golder, a company that has been a client of Solite and their shell company, Stoneridge Farms, for more than 20 years, according to Burke.

FDEP is the only entity that can remove Golder from the project. Golder has already started testing peninsulas that connect to the main lake of the property.

Burke, Bradley and Garrison have been adamant that an independent, third-party complete the testing. The state hasn’t responded to their requests.

Anonymous test results forward to FDEP

Burke and two anonymous environmental experts have presented an extensive study was sent to County Manager Howard Wannamaker and County Attorney Courtney Grimm on March 30. That presentation

was forwarded to FDEP.

An anonymous expert shared his thoughts regarding a six-page document from May 2022 about “A Corrective Measures Study Addendum,” reviewed by the University of Florida Center for Environmental and Human Toxicology and the FDEP Business and District Support Program. Those test results from the Solid Waste Management Unit 11 Scrubber Pond and the SWMU-12 have now also come forward about the potential effects that toxins could seep into Black Creek and other local waterways.

The source said past tests already confirmed traces of arsenic, lead and cyanide in the soil on more than 200 acres of the property, which raises concerns about stormwater runoff.

During rain, stormwater that passes over hard surfaces cannot soak into the ground, so along the way, runoff can pick up pollutants like trash, chemicals, pills, dirt and sediment that creates harm to rivers, streams and lakes.

“This is why we have regulations regarding stormwater discharges,” the source said.

But not all runoff comes from impervious surfaces, he said.

Some runoff seeps into land, which is more-often-times is a natural process via excess rainwater that makes its way into waterways. That’s why property owners construct ditches and pipes to efficiently re-direct that water.

But evidence suggests the company practiced illegal and egregious health and safety practices like using hazardous materials to speed up burn processes. They also are accused of hiding cars, trucks, and boom lines in a the 100-foot-deep main lake and also constructing a drainage system, he said.

“The problem: if the land is contaminated, the runoff can pick up those contaminants and carry them into our waterways if illegal dumping of hazardous chemicals can be carried by stormwater to the same rivers, streams and lakes,” he said.

Former Solite employee and whistleblower Michael Zelinka said the waterways are believed to be part of a system of ponds, peninsulas and lakes designed to hide containers and toxic chemicals.

Health issues continue to plague residents near former plant

And while the chemicals are supposed to be in drums, according to testimony from Zelinka and two other ex-employees during a phone meeting last month with

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FDEP, Burke, Grimm and Wannamaker, the results could still go wrong.

“Even if those chemicals were in drums, those drums will invariably leak, and likely already have. In addition, there have been multiple allegations of improper burning in the old Solite kilns, resulting in ash that blanketed most of the Solite property and private lands and homes in the area. This ash was most likely hazardous

and would also be carried in runoff to our waterways,” Zelinka said of the kilns that would operate full speed at nighttime, the burning process infamously nicknamed “Balls to the Wall.”

The expert listed one potential area that could have been affected, which crosses under Doctor Ira Drive and then discharged into a canal that leads into Black Creek.

Several current and former residents near the old Solite plant have detailed some serious health issues, like cancer, joint and thyroid problems, serum lupus,



The plant closed 27 years ago, but health concerns have plagued the nearly 1,000-acre property since. Owners now want to sell the property to developers, but county officials said they first want the soil and water tested for contaminants.

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rheumatoid arthritis, lichen sclerosis, inflamed lymph nodes and hormonal problems like women growing facial hair.

Sheryl Barber Hartzog, who lived lived on Russell Road near the front of Solite for 30 years. She said brother died of a heart condition and her sister is awaiting a heart transplant.

“Our family has suffered with health issues and loved ones passing. I have two siblings that have the same heart failure,” she said.

“As you collect your letters from the Russell Road community, you will see how many families have suffered from the loss of family and friends. They still continue

with health issues related to this and contamination should be held accountable,” Hartzog said.

“We had high school bonfires, raked and handled the pine needles that had fallen, drank and bathed in well water that was contaminated, and ate the fruit off the trees we grew that had brown spots, and ate the cows we (harvested). I remember how many times my father had to drain the pond across the road from the house because all of the fish would die. I also recall that the fish had sores on them and this pond was fed by a stream that ran from the plant that ran alongside our house,” Theresa Barber Petty said.

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2023 Senior SPOTLIGHT

By Don Coble

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ORANGE PARK – Aya Osman had her blue graduation gown tucked under her arm in between classes Tuesday at Ridgeview High. Once considered too far away and too challenging, the sprightly senior now can now embrace a future.

A year ago, she couldn't think about graduation. She was too busy studying, too busy with her extracurricular meetings.

And fighting for her life.

A cancer diagnosis forced her to approach life in a series of "baby steps." Long-term goals, like graduation, was an unnecessary use of focus.

Treatment to kill the tumor in her arm was aggressive. Chemotherapy treatments required three-day hospital stays. But Osman never backed down,

"The first thing I thought was, 'What will I tell my friends? How am I supposed to manage, you know, arguably the hardest year of high school?' I wasn't really thinking too much about the logistics of what came with being diagnosed with cancer," she said.



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Aya Osman, who hopes to be a neurosurgeon, will graduate with a 4.77-grade point average. After battling cancer as a junior, she's now been cancer-free for a year.

"As serious as cancer is, you don't really think that much long-term," she said. "You sort of look more so in the moment."

She immersed herself in her schoolwork and social activities. Cancer be damned.

"It helped to distract yourself, and no matter what it may be, whether it was piano or schoolwork," she said. "It definitely helps curb the side effects of such a great diagnosis. It helps keep put your mind at ease and keeps you focused about something else."

Osman's mother brought her laptop to

the hospital so she wouldn't fall behind. She kept up with her International Baccalaureate schedule as doctors monitored her progress. She will graduate next month with a 4.77-grade point average, according to school principal Becky Murphy.

"I did everything on my laptop," Osman said. "So you know, I was laying down on my hospital bed and the nurses would come in checking heart rate, checking my temperature and whatnot.

While I would be rushing to finish an essay for IB history or English or having

the distraction of schoolwork, to be able to focus on something else really helped."

Osman said she someday wants to be a neurosurgeon. She hasn't decided which university she will attend, but she's successfully applied to more than a dozen schools.

And she will go to college cancer-free.

"I found out I was in remission last April," she said.

Since she stays so busy living in the moment, Osman still doesn't think too far into the future. More importantly, she wants to make a difference.

"I'm keeping tunnel vision focus," she said. "I'm in a lot of extracurricular clubs at school because it helps keep me distracted. One of my favorite activities has to be the Multicultural Club and Earth Club – multicultural club for raising awareness of unique and distinct cultures and to bring appreciation to other types of people so they can feel a sense of belonging at the school and the community."

As graduation approaches, Osman can finally embrace the prospect of a long and successful future.

"I'm sure it will be such a gratifying moment," she said. "I'm going to take it in and make sure to look at everyone out there who made it possible, including Mrs. Murphy right here, and all my teachers and friends."

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Food vendors like (from left) Jerry Stalvey, Abbi Bell, Sam Peachey and (below) Barbara Ryals said they all served more food this year than previous Clay County Agriculture Fairs. Demand was so high, Stalvey said he ran out of barbecue a day-and-a-half before the fair closed.

Food vendors feast on record sales at this year's fair

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS — Jerry Stalvey ran out of food during this year's Clay County Agriculture Fair. And after constantly smoking meat, scooping macaroni and cheese and serving French fries for more than a week, he was too tired to make a run to the grocery store.

"I'm going to run out tomorrow (a day before the fair closed), and when I do, I ain't cookin' no more," he said. "I've cooked

everything I had."

Stalvey's barbecue stand in the busy food court was busy the moment the fair opened on March 30 and stayed busy until midday on April 7 — a day before the fair closed.

The fair drew a record crowd of 156,480, and they certainly brought their appetites. Most food vendors said they also served a record number of hungry customers.

"This year has been big," said Barbara Ryals, who ran U-Do-It's Slush Factory. "It has been great, the best I've seen. And the people here have been great."

This year's fair was so successful that vendors could absorb lost revenue on the final two days. Heavy storms, and cold and rainy weather, affected the bottom line, but most had surpassed record numbers long before the first dark cloud appeared.

"We had our best year," said Abbi Bell, whose family ran the Cedar River Seafood stand, "and the last two days were a loss

because of the weather. Normally, the last two days are our busiest. We probably lost 20% of what we could have had. But we did more in the first nine days than we've done in the past. It was a record year for us."

Despite poor weather in the final two days, the fair still attracted more than 21,000 more patrons than its previous record year in 2019.

Bell said her booth sold 500 pounds — nearly 23,000 — of fried shrimp.

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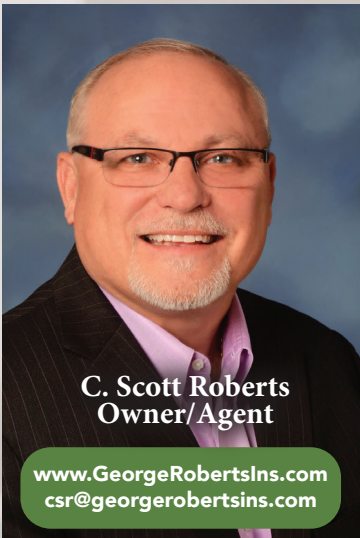
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Fair
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The fairgrounds were Ground Zero for Northeast Florida fun for nearly two weeks. Even with inclement weather in the last two days, everything ran smoothly. Even when finding a parking spot presented a challenge and lines were long at the rides, fair volunteers wanted to ensure everyone had a good time.

That's why this year's fair attracted a record 156,480 people. If not for the final weekend washout, Executive Director Tasha Hyder said this year's attendance could have been as much as 200,000.

"We are growing with the development around us," she said. "We knew it was going to be big, but I don't think we realized the numbers would be that big. If you think about it, if we didn't have bad weather (on the final) Saturday and Sunday, we probably would have been very close to 200,000. To be honest with you, on Saturdays, we averaged about 25,000-ish. And on Sunday, we average about 15,000 to 20,000 on that second Sunday. So imagine that we would have had good weather on Saturday and Sunday we would have been talking about right now."

The previous fair record was 147,948 in 2021.

"I didn't want to jinx myself, but this fair ran smoothly," Hyder said. "Even the setup was smooth. I credit my team for it. They worked really hard to make this the best fair yet."

Hyder credited the success of the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Fire and Rescue, Emergency Management and county officials.

This year's fair also broke three daily records – 23,475 for a Sunday, 8,808 for a Monday and 10,270 for a Wednesday.

Attendance was only 14,723 on the final Saturday, while Sunday's crowd was a fair-low 5,134. Saturday's entertainment was shut down for a thunderstorm shortly after dark, while fair-goers dealt with rain and cold temperatures on Sunday.

Despite the poor conditions on the final two days, attitudes seemed sunny. Vendors



Fair Executive Director said the focus on was guest services, which apparently included hugging a baby pig.

marveled at the crowds and the setup, and most reported record sales.

A warm and engaging attitude wasn't a mistake, Hyder said. It was a big part of their focus this year.

"This was the nicest place for people anywhere – nice because we focused on that issue," Hyder said. "After visiting the Clay County, Iowa fair, I realized that we had to focus on guest service a little bit more because we're in the South, and Southern hospitality needs to ring true to us. We focused on that this year, so it makes me feel happy."

Fair directors impressed that with their volunteers – all 1,000 of them.

"We talked to the volunteers," Hyder said. "We wanted everyone to have smiles. We wanted everyone to have a great time. We made it clear that nobody's forcing anybody to be here. They're all volunteers. So if they don't want to be here, or if they are not enjoying the area that they're in, let us know and we can find another place for them to volunteer."

The moment the lights went out on this year's fair, Hyder was thinking ahead to next year. It will open on April 4 and run through April 14.

The goal is to make the next event better. Compared to this year's success, Hyder's team knows it has a lot of work ahead of them.



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Stalvey said he cooked everything he had, including 200 chickens, 248 racks of ribs, 400 pounds of pork, 400 pounds of chicken gizzards, 130 pork chops, 800 pounds of French fries and 28 beef briskets.

"This is the biggest year we've had – and I've been coming here for 23 years," he said. "I want to thank everyone who came out and ate with us. If I'm still here, I'll be back next year."

Sam Peachey, who owns the wildly popular Peachey Baking Company, said the Clay County Fair is his favorite stop on the busy fair circuit. His stand sold so many Amish doughnuts he said it was impossible to calculate.

But he said he rolled out, deep fried and dipped nearly 4,000 pounds – that's two tons – of dough in a sugary glaze.

"We do a lot of big fairs, like the Strawberry Festival and State Fair, but this is our favorite, by far," Peachey said. "I don't know how many doughnuts we made, but this is the busiest year yet."

"Everyone here is so great. This is one of the best-run fairs. We love coming here."

Peachey's bakery is based in Sarasota. On April 2, the first Sunday of the fair, a record crowd of 23,475 filled the food court and created lines at each of the rides and exhibits. It also pushed food vendors to keep pace with the demands.

Coca-Cola said it sold more than 80 extra cases – nearly 2,000 bottles – of water compared to a year ago.

Fair-goers also were thirsty for lemonade. At one stand, a worker said his booth went through more than 200 pounds of sugar on the first weekend. Overall, they expected to use more than 500 pounds during the 11-day event.



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BY THE NUMBERS



1 Ranking for Lemonade & More concession at this year's fair.

4 Number to know for next year's fair. It will start 4/4/24 and run through 4/14/24.

5 Hours devoted to Sunflower Hours (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) on April 1 for fair-goers with hidden disabilities.

11 Days the fair is open.

36 Years the fair has operated in Clay County since 1987. (The 2020 fair was canceled by the pandemic).

47 Rides and game booths Deggeller Attractions had on the Midway.

118.1 Height in feet of Spaceport, the tallest ride at the fair.

248 Number of racks of ribs cooked by Stalvey's Catering (and they sold out).

500 Average number of pounds of sugar used at each lemonade stand.

1,136 Calories in a giant smoked turkey leg.

4,000 – Sticks of butter used to make one of Jim Victor's sculptures.

23,475 Record number of fair-goers for a Sunday who attended on April 2.

30,000 Dollars awarded to 23 high school and college scholarship winners.

156,480 Number of patrons who visited this year's fair, beating 2019's mark of 147,948 by 8,532.

Postcards from this year's Clay County Agriculture Fair

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Painted faces and pony rides. Doughnuts and Frisbee-catching dogs. Ferris wheels and funnel cakes. Merry-go-rounds and monster trucks. This year's Clay County Agriculture Fair had it all. Even with the final weekend – traditionally the two busiest days of the 11-day run – essentially being a washout by nasty weather, this year's event shattered the attendance record by more than 21,000. Fair-goers were treated to thrilling rides, an assortment of carnival food, agriculture and historical exhibits and, most of all, a good time. Here are several snapshots of this year's fair. Enjoy and mark your calendar for the start of next year's fair on April 4.



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE AND COURTESY OF CLAY COUNTY FAIR, CASSANDRA SHANK

Attorney

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until a new school board attorney is hired,’ he said. The board could then direct the newly-hired employee’s work.

However, they would need to re-advertise the role with a new job description, Broskie said.

“I think you’re all on the same page, but just talking in a different language,” he said.

Then, Bickner’s response:

‘I’m confused as to what you’re asking for. If you bring another attorney in, you’re talking about interviewing them on April 25.

If you’re lucky, you can make an offer in mid-May and hire someone between May 31 and June 15. Do you think they’re going to know what they’re doing? Do you think they’re going to walk in and know how to do everything? If you think you can find somebody like that, then

“We haven’t even done our interviews yet,” Clark said.

Bickner said he would be willing to complete his contract if all five members agreed he should stay.

“What I’m feeling right now is that three of you don’t want me to be sitting in this seat. If you want me to stay here for the

district, I will not stay until June but until I finish my contract. (But) if five people don’t feel that way, my suggestion is to strike this from the agenda tonight, and Friday is my last day.”

That comment was greeted with applause. However, after a long weekend of consideration, the attorney will remain at his post, with the school board focusing on working to improve communication that has been insufficient at times as they move forward in the process of seeking out a new candidate, according to board member Erin Skipper.

“We still made a motion to move forward

with the contract ending in December due to the circumstances,” Skipper said.

“I believe that everything was cleared up. The majority of us were essentially stuck due to frustration about how the ball was dropped with hiring an attorney. The only option we had was to keep the attorney until we had a new (one). Bickner would not do a month-by-month contract and it had to be rescinded until December with the knowledge that he would be leaving after,” she said. Skipper said that mistakes were made in advertising and conducting interviews for the position. “We did not want it to happen this way,” she said.

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Location Address for BOA-0323-0005

1449 Mahama Bluff Road

Tax Parcel Identification Number 28-05-26-014432-000-00

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Location Address for BOA-0323-0006

1811 Henley Road


Tax Parcel Identification Number 04-05-25-008997-000-00

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Faith Walk

by Pastor Billy Register
True Life Church
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Easter is over: Now what?

Easter has ended, and so too have our festivities in our homes and churches. But that doesn't mean that the message of Easter shouldn't stay with us, transform our lives, and fuel our faith each and every day of the year. Easter is not something to celebrate on a single day (or week) and then move on from. The truth and meaning of Easter must be something that we carry with us all year round. There is a power there that can, and will, transform our very lives and help us to walk in a vibrant and life-giving relationship with God.

Romans 8:9-11 reads, "But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you. And Christ lives within you, so even though your body will die because of sin, the Spirit gives you life because you have been made right with God. The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you."

This scripture is extremely powerful. It reminds us that the very same Spirit and power of God that raised Christ from the dead lives in us! If we follow Jesus in this life and are counted among the believers, we have the power of the Holy Spirit within us. This is the power that allows us to transcend our sinful human nature. It's the power that allows us to be carry the good news of the Gospel.

As a child of God, don't let a single day go by without considering the true power of the Easter message in your life. Jesus died for us and was resurrected, thus breaking the power of sin and death over our lives. That's a message that's important each and every day and NOT just on Easter. Let this be a message that you not only carry with you all year long, but that you share with every person that you can so they too can experience the life-altering truth of a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

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Girl Scouts: So much more than cookies

By Kylie Cordell
For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – Since 1917, the Girl Scout cookie program has been the largest girl-led business in the country.

For the 1.5 million girls that sell nationwide, the cookie program represents an opportunity for girls to demonstrate financial literacy skills, planning, budgeting, teamwork, innovative thinking and confident decision-making.

"Every Girl's learning experience has been different, but it's a great way to get that social aspect, as well as learn skills like money management and budgeting," said 14-year old cadet Peyton. "We have to make sure we are getting the right cash back to customers. We have to learn how to manage money, how to place an order, set priorities and time responsibilities."

When Girl Scouts set up booths in front of local businesses, both the Girl Scouts and the local businesses benefit. For 14-year old cadet Margaret, selling cookies is a way to network.

"That's how we learn about our community- we have to reach out to them for their help and maybe they will ask for our help," she said.

When you buy a box of Girl Scout Cookies, you simultaneously open new doors for girls to become involved in their communities and make the world around them a better place.

"That's why we have this, not only to help learn about each other and grow together as a troop but also to learn more about our community and find ways to help it. And not just our community but other people's communities as well," she said.

Every box of cookies sold provides invaluable experiences for Girl Scouts. All of the revenue from cookie activities funds Girl Scout activities and programs such as service projects, troop travel, and summer camp for girls nationwide.

"The cookie sales are a big part of what we do, but that's only what the public sees.



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While Girl Scouts are best known for their cookie sales, they also are involved in other projects that benefit the community.

The funds from those products not only help sustain the council, but it goes directly to the girls so they can participate in activities," said Girl Scouts of Gateway Council CEO Wendy Dordel.

"We ask the girls what they would like to do and help them plan that out. They put their vision out there, then we can help guide them through the right steps to make it possible."

Girl Scouts offer self-defense classes, auto mechanics, coding, and balancing a checkbook. They offer college readiness and career opportunities.

"We talk with a lot of people in the community to find out what they do and what that looks like. So there is a lot of opportunity for girls to investigate their interests and passions in that safe environment," she said.

For one, they are a girl-led troop. What does this mean? The girl leadership (or girl-led) model encourages girls to take increasing responsibility for planning and implementing activities. The Girl Scouts can – and do – it all.

"We are a Girl-Led troop. Our troop leader really tries to make sure that every decision is based on our interests," Peyton said. "We have gone to the beach. We've gone to MarineLand to watch dolphin shows. We have done horseback riding. We've done a drive-in movie. We've done self-defense classes. In a couple of weeks, we have a gun safety course and the different ways to handle a gun."

"A lot of times, we will use the funds to go towards our badges, too," 13-year old cadet Miya said. "We had an aviation

badge, and we got to go to the airbase and see the planes and talk with the mechanics there. We go to an escape room for our special agent badge. The cookies fund all that."

So the next time you see a Girl Scout at a cookie booth sale, please try to remember why she is there. Ask them what they are doing in their community. Ask them about their dreams, their passions, and their vision for a better world.

"Those types of deep interests are always very inspiring- to see how they are willing to take that risk or jump on their own," Dordel said. "They forge their own path."

Troop 310 is working towards their Silver Awards, the highest award cadets can achieve. Also known as Journeys, the suggested minimum time for earning your Girl Scout Silver Award is 50 hours. Projects include constructing a bee hotel for a local park to organizing a race for mental health awareness.

"We don't just learn how to knit and cook. That's what people don't release about the Girl Scouts. We do more than just sell cookies," Margaret said.

Although cookies publicize Girl Scouts, they are more than cookie sellers. They are leaders, risk-takers, innovators, problem solvers, limit-pushers and go-getters.

"The Girl Scouts will continue to change as girl change. I don't know what the badges or interests will look like in twenty years, but I do know that Girl Scouts will be there to help create programs that are unique to them," Dordel said.



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Melissa Etheridge’s tour to make stop on May 9

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK — Melissa Etheridge stormed onto the American rock scene in 1988 with the release of her critically acclaimed self-titled debut album, which led to an appearance on the 1989 Grammy Awards show.

For several years, her popularity grew around such memorable originals as “Bring Me Some Water,” “No Souvenirs” and “Ain’t It Heavy,” for which she won a Grammy in 1992. Etheridge, who will play at the Thrasher-Horne Center on May 9, hit her commercial and artistic stride with

her fourth album, “Yes I Am” in 1993.

The collection featured the massive hits, “I’m the Only One” and “Come to My Window,” a searing song of longing that brought Etheridge her second Grammy Award for Best Female Rock Performance. In 1995, Etheridge issued her highest charting album, “Your Little Secret,” which was distinguished by the hit single, “I Want to Come Over.” Her astounding success that year led to Etheridge receiving the Songwriter of the Year honor at the ASCAP Pop Awards in 1996.

Known for her confessional lyrics and raspy, smoky vocals, Etheridge has remained one of America’s favorite female singer-songwriters for more than two decades. In February 2007, Melissa Etheridge celebrated a career milestone with a victory in the Best Song category at the Academy Awards for “I Need to Wake Up,” written for the Al Gore documentary on global warming, “An Inconvenient Truth.” As a performer and songwriter, Etheridge has shown herself to be an artist who has never allowed “inconvenient truths” to keep her down. Earlier in her recording career, Etheridge acknowledged her sexual orientation when it was considered less than prudent to do so.

Tickets, which start at \$39, are available at thcenter.org.



Jay White’s Sweet Caroline Tour headed to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK — The Sweet Caroline Tour is a Neil Diamond Concert celebration starring the No. 1 Diamond performer in the world – Jay White. It is without question, the most authentic Neil Diamond Concert Experience on the planet.

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ing the hits and beloved gems with the same energy and artistry Diamond delivered during his incredible 50-year career.

White will bring his legacy tour to the Thrasher-Horne Center on Aug. 13.

During the past three decades, White has performed more than 10,000 concerts worldwide, reflecting the stage persona of an American Music Legend. Each expression of every Neil Diamond song performed by White evokes the power and the passion of a live Diamond performance. Jay is grateful that his years of dedication and devotion has convinced tens of thousands of Diamond fans that he is the closest thing to the Real Deal – and he’s also humbled to have been acknowledged and embraced by Neil, Neil’s family and Band for performing the Brooklyn-born singer/songwriters’ music live in concert in the most respectful, convincing way possible.

“Neil’s kindness and acceptance has always been greatly appreciated and I’m honored to have appeared with him on his ‘Stages’ Box Set DVD.

Now, more than ever, I will continue to pay homage, through each and every performance, to the man who has meant so much, to so many, for so long. Especially me,” White said.

Tickets, which start at \$29, are available at thcenter.org.

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Police Briefs

Person of interest in Orange Park rape arrested on Georgia warrant

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A man considered a person of interest in the March 13 rape of an Orange Park woman was arrested on April 5 by detectives with the Chatham County (Georgia) and Clay County sheriff’s offices.

Kasey Levi Lyons Dyak, 31, was taken to the Clay County Jail to face burglary, false imprisonment, rape and aggravated sodomy charges related to a June 1, 2019, attack on Whitmarsch Island, Georgia.

Police in Georgia said the woman woke up to a stranger after he broke into her apartment. He then sexually assaulted her.

Sheriff Michelle Cook there may be a tie to the Georgia crime and the recent rape in Clay County. A woman said a man sexually assaulted her around 6 a.m. on March 13 near Blairmore and Blanding boulevards. She said the assailant broke into her house.

“Here’s the tie back to Clay County: he is a person of interest for us in the sexual assault that occurred in the Blairmore-Blanding area on March 13,” Cook said. “Just a few weeks ago, this incident here locally is still an active investigation, so we can’t go into too much, but we’re asking anybody that has any information about Dyak, his activities about this case or any other case that he may have been involved in, too, give us a call at (904) 264-6512. You can send us a tip via SaferWatch.”

Dyak, whose bond was denied, is awaiting extradition back to Chatham County.



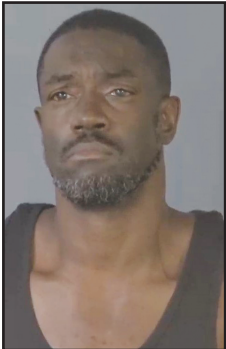
Kasey Dyak

CCSO: Shoplifter charged with trafficking fentanyl

ORANGE PARK – A man detained for a reported shoplifting at Dick’s Sporting Goods wound up going to jail for trafficking fentanyl.

In addition to the fentanyl charge, Derrick Hosea Dixon, 45, of Jacksonville, was booked for shoplifting shoes and football gloves, possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest after he was spotted riding a bicycle away from the Orange Park Mall on April 5. According to the arrest report, witnesses saw Dixon ride away with merchandise stuffed in a backpack. He was stopped by a Clay County Sheriff’s Office deputy and a witness identified Dixon at the scene.

During a search, deputies also found the drugs in the backpack. While the amount of fentanyl was redacted from the report, any seizure of four grams or more constitutes trafficking.



Derrick Dixon

His bond was set at \$237,512, and his next court appearance will be on May 1.

GCS’s Coleman sentenced for distributing child pornography

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. District Judge Marcia Morales Howard has sentenced Ethan Rabin Coleman, 33, Green Cove Springs, to six years and eight months in federal prison for distributing videos of children being sexually abused. The court also ordered Coleman to serve a five-year term of supervised release and pay \$31,000 to victims of his offenses. Coleman entered a guilty plea Oct. 20, 2022.

According to court documents, Homeland Security Investigations agents in Jacksonville received information from the

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that four files depicting child sexual abuse had been uploaded over the internet on Jan. 6, 2021.

The report indicated that the upload of the files came from an account with the username of “bige1131990,” with an email associated with ethanrabin1131990@gmail.com, and an Internet Protocol address that traced back to an address in Green Cove Springs. After reviewing the files and upon further investigation, HSI agents and the Clay County Sheriff’s Office executed a federal search warrant at the residence on Nov. 9, 2021. During the execution of the search warrant, agents encountered Coleman, who exited the home holding a phone in his hand.

An onsite preview of the phone yielded numerous files depicting the sexual abuse of children, including one of the files identified in the reported uploads.

During an interview with law enforcement, Coleman admitted that his email address is ethanrabin1131990@gmail.com and acknowledged that he “got banned for some reason” from a social media account reported by NCMEC.

At first, Coleman denied sending any child sexual abuse files over the social media application. When asked again, he acknowledged the files were shared in a group to which he belonged. Further, Coleman admitted to viewing the files multiple times after downloading files showing children being sexually abused from a file-sharing application onto his phone. He shared the images with others, and he acknowledged knowing the individuals depicted as being sexually abused were young, including a file showing the sexual assault of a toddler. When asked why he thought it was wrong, Coleman stated, “Because they’re little kids.”

“This predator, knowing it was images of children being sexually abused, decided to feed his perversion by collecting, viewing, and sharing the digital files many times over with others on the internet,” said Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)

Assistant Special Agent in Charge K. Jim Phillips. “Thanks to our partnership with the Clay County Sheriff’s Office and the efforts of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, we have pulled another predator offline and stopped him from his continued victimization of children.”

Homeland Security Investigations and CCSO investigated this case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Kelly S. Karase prosecuted it.

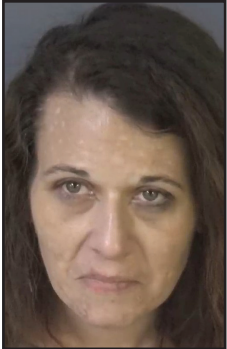
This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the U.S. Attorneys’ Offices and the Criminal Division’s Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.justice.gov/psc.

Trafficking fentanyl charge starts with seatbelt violation

ORANGE PARK – A Clay County Sheriff’s Office deputy saw a woman driving on Wells Road without a seatbelt, and the ticket quickly escalated into drug charges.

Adriel Robin Finley, 39, of Orange Park, was charged with trafficking cocaine and possession of fentanyl after she was pulled over on April 5 for not wearing her seatbelt. The deputy smelled marijuana smoke.

CCSO K-9 Ory alerted deputies of the likely presence of illegal narcotics. A search then led to the recovery of cocaine that was stuffed in her shorts. Her bond was set at \$80,006.



Andriel Finley

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, April 11

Terrence Ragsdale, 36, Oakleaf, domestic battery

Kyle M. Williams, 29, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery

Raheim D. Golden, 29, Orange Park, shoplifting, possession-fentanyl

Brian A. Werlein, 24, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance

Rylee E. Lewis, 24, Orange Park, DUI with BAL .15 or higher with passenger younger than 18

Jonnathan A. Martinez, 41, Middleburg, domestic battery

Bradley E. Sanford, 47, Orange Park, three counts FTA, possession-controlled substance, giving false name/ID to law enforcement

Monday, April 10

Charonise T. Braud, 30, Orange Park, aggravated battery with deadly weapon

Loudigi J.P. Charles, 22, Middleburg, attempt to defraud financial institution by schemes/false information, illegally obtaining property

Bonnie N. Oriol, 42, Green Cove Springs, FTA-possession-revoked driver’s license

Mark L. Matthew, 40, Middleburg, domestic battery of person 65 or older

Kyle G. Prevatt, 22, Orange Park, possession-ammo/firearm by convicted felon, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Jessica S. Seymour, 36, Orange Park,

FTA-DWLSR

Deborah F. Hulse, 57, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine

Sunday, April 9

Ryan E. Regan, 26, Middleburg, domestic battery

Angelica J. Brown, 31, Middleburg, child neglect

Kimo K. Davis, 21, Middleburg, aggravated battery on pregnant woman

Jason P. Poland, 36, Green Cove Springs, vandalism, resist/obstruct/oppose law

Commissioners extend ambulance contract with MT Medical

By Lee Wardlaw
lee@claytodayonline.com

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing to renew a public convenience and necessity service ambulance application for MT Medical.

Deputy Fire Chief Jason Boree told commissioners the contract should be renewed. He also said three other private providers currently hold Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity within county lines.

The motion passed, 4-0.

There also was a discussion on three public hearings to discuss the purchase and sale of real property for the county's Bonded Transportation Program.

The two of the trio included the purchase and sale agreement for land necessary to "harmonize the sidewalks" for two parcels of land off County Road 739 B, which would meet Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 compliance, according to Ed Dendor, Bonded Transportation Administrator.

The third purchase, which would complete harmonization with sidewalks, would be executed for a portion of CR 218.

Each of the motions passed unanimously. County Manager Howard Wanamaker will execute documents on behalf of the county.

Also on the docket was a review of the staff's ranking of two Request for Proposal submissions for solid waste transfer stations.



Ed Dendor, the Bonded Transportation Administrator for the County Council, talked about the purchase and sales agreement for three parcels that would "harmonize the sidewalks" on County Roads 739B and 218.

A committee composed of the Facilities Director, Environmental Services Director and Recycling Coordinator performed the evaluations, with Waste Management scoring a 95.7 and Solid Waste Southeast scoring 85.7. Staff recommended both companies to provide a presentation at their next meeting on April 25.

Calendar

PENNEY RETIREMENT CENTER: will celebrate its 10th Governor's Gold Seal Award for Excellence in long-term care on April 13 at 11 a.m. at The Pavilion for Health Care, 3465 Caroline Blvd.

CLAY COUNTY PUBLIC WORK-SHOP: to discuss Conservation Lands Program will be on April 13 at 6 p.m. at the Middleburg Public Library, 2245 Aster Ave. Residents are encouraged to talk about their priorities regarding the conservation of land and natural resources.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet on April 13 at 10 a.m. in the Planning Department Conference Room, third floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TORCH RUN: will be on April 14 and start at 10 a.m. at the Publix on County Road 220 on Fleming Island.

KENNY CHESNEY: will bring his "I Go Back" Tour with special guest Kelsea Ballerini on April 14 at 7:30 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place, in

Jacksonville. Tickets, which start at \$89, are available at ticketmaster.com.

SPRING CRAFT AND VENDOR FESTIVAL: The Keystone Heights Junior Woman's Club will be offered on April 15 from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. at the Women's Club, 6747 Womans Club Dr.

MIDDLEBURG SPRING FESTIVAL: will be on April 15 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Middleburg Civic Association, 2102 Palmetto St. Event includes a car show, food vendors, petting zoo, bounce house, crafts and live music. Free parking at Middleburg

Elementary.

MARKET IN THE PARK: will be on April 15 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Green Cove Springs City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

CLARKE HOUSE: will be open for tours on April 16 from 2-4 p.m. Clarke House is located at 1039 Kingsley Ave. in Orange Park.

SALVATION ARMY'S EMPTY BOWL: fundraising event will be on April 18 from 11 a.m-1 p.m. at Orange Park United Methodist Church's Family Life Center, 2042 Reed St.

Arrests

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enforcement

Dawn R. Kent, 46, Middleburg, shoplifting

Amber N. Carroll, 35, Keystone Heights, domestic battery, child abuse

Travis C. Tomlin, 25, Orange Park, domestic battery

Arsenio E. Ferguson, 35, Orange Park, DUI

Saturday, April 8

John G. Tabor, 55, Orange Park, felony domestic battery by strangulation, burglary

David M. Cartier, 27, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine

Malik R. Campbell, 27, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

David E. Helwig, 54, Middleburg, DUI

Trevor J. Tanner, 23, Green Cove Springs, possession-marijuana, possession-drug paraphernalia

Cameron A. McCall, 21, Middleburg, battery

Tylor J. Sleeper, 31, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia, failure to register vehicle,

driving without valid license

Ismar O.D. Vasquez, 21, Green Cove Springs, driving without valid license

William R. Bolger, 35, Orange Park, DUI

Friday, April 7

Steven M. Alba, 23, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery, tampering in misdemeanor proceeding

Christian J. Samaniego, 26, Middleburg, FTA

Gregory N. Locke, 30, Green Cove Springs, grand theft

Xavier A. Parks, 32, Orange Park, domestic battery

Zachary J.McKenzie, 26, Green Cove Springs, VOP-armed robbery

Desaree E.. Robinson, 31, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-controlled substance, VOP-possession-cocaine

Valena L. Burgess, 39, Green Cove Springs, FTA-failure to register vehicle

Robert C. Barron, 26, Green Cove Springs, DUI

Christopher L. Harris, 41, Orange Park, domestic battery

Thursday, April 6

Frank A. Brown, 42, Middleburt, assault with intent to do domestic violence

Ashley M. Owens, 38, Orange Park,

shoplifting, trespassing

Brandy J. Robinson, 40, Keystone Heights, DUI with property damage/injury

Tabius M. Booker, 39, Green Cove Springs, contempt of court

Antonio J. Sessions, 30, Orange Park, burglary while wearing mask/hood, burglary

Christopher J. Henderson, 31, Fleming Island, battery on law enforcement/fire-fighter/EMT

Daniel T. Summers, 37, Orange Park, DUI with BAL of .15 or greater

Shane D. Walls, 36, Green Cove Springs, two counts aggravated assault with deadly weapon

Kasey L.L. Dyak, 31, Orange Park, out of state fugitive warrant

Wednesday, April 5

James Perez, 56, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Kirk A. Kamish, 61, Middleburg, vandalism

Lindsay H. Turner, 37, Fleming Island, VOP-community control

Misty D. Skaggs, 42, Fleming Island, grand theft

Adriel R. Finley, 39, Orange Park, trafficking-cocaine, possession-fentanyl

Kasey L.L. Dyak, 31, Green Cove Springs, fugitive from justice

Eric T. Merrill, 38, Middleburg, possession-drug paraphernalia, possession-methamphetamine, knowingly providing false name/ID to law enforcement

Derrick H. Dixon, 45, Orange Park, shoplifting, trafficking-fentanyl, possession-controlled substance, possession-drug paraphernalia

Kirk A. Kamish,61, Middleburg, petit theft, criminal mischief

Victoria A. Velix, 35, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Quavades E.T. Bridges, 23, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession-marijuana with intent to sell/manufacture/deliver, possession-unlicensed firearm, possession-drug paraphernalia

Amanda L. Daughtery, 42, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance

Kenneth S. Smith, 47, Orange Park, DWSLR

Christopher O. Houser, 42, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, VOP-grand theft, VOP-criminal mischief

Clayton H. Hill, 41, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine



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Baseball



St. Johns Country Day School pitcher Jacob Thomas fires away at Clay batters in recent win.

Spartans jump ahead of Blue Devils

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - With a sterling pitching performance from senior Jacob Thomas, the St. Johns Country Day School jumped over Clay 4-0 after a week of wins to end March and, thus, put themselves as the top school from the county in the state baseball polls, according to MaxPreps statistics.

At 14-3 and with strength of schedules tabulated to date, the Spartans are at number 11 in the state poll with 7A Stone-man Douglas to the top pic at 17-0 and strength of schedule of 16.0. Second is the IMG Academy at 18-0 as the only two undefeated teams in the top 20.

Geographically, St. Johns, tops in Class 2A above The First Academy in Orlando, and Columbia Lake City, at 10, are the two north Florida schools in the mix with Panhandle power Pace in at sixth.

Clay, at 14-4, dropped to 36th with Oakleaf, 15-3, at 41, Fleming Island at 51 at 12-5.

Ridgeview, at 12-5 and with a win over Oakleaf last week, is at 17th in Class 5A and could be a dangerous unnoticed team from the area. Clay is sixth in 5A with Columbia third.

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Indians land Bulldog body blow



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Keystone Heights High weightlifter Anthony Rozier-Tyler celebrates final 270 pound bench press lift that "lifted" Indians to 56-53 win over Class 2A defending champion Suwannee High School at region championships at Suwannee High.

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

LIVE OAK - Intent on at least a respectable effort to push to the FHSAA boys weightlifting championships on Friday, the Keystone Heights High boys team, led by an explosive last bench press highlight from Anthony Rozier-Tyler, snuck out of Suwannee High School with a region 2-1A team title by just three points; 56-53, over the formerly Class 2A host Suwannee High Bulldogs, also the defending Class 2A team champion now in Class 1A in the Olympic Snatch scoring; second in Class 2A in Traditional.

"We missed a lot of our first and second lifts and against a team like Suwannee, now in Class 1A, you

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FHSAA Revised

FHSAA format now has two revised categories of championship lifting with the Olympics scoring and Traditional scoring. Lifters lift in three disciplines; Olympic Snatch, Clean and Jerk and Bench Press. Olympics is the total weight of Snatch and Clean and Jerk; Traditional is total of Clean and Jerk and Bench Press. In 2022, Olympic Snatch was scored as a lone lift total with Traditional still Clean and Jerk and Bench Press.

Class 1A championships: Sat., April 15 at RP Funding Center-Jenkins Arena, Lakeland

Class 1A: Lightweights 8 a.m. start, 1 p.m. Heavyweight starts



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Fleming Island finishes thirds in region 1-2A lifts

RHS Emmanuel, FIHS Davis double titles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

LIVE OAK - After a three point Class 3A point total in 2022, Fleming Island High's boys weightlifting team roared back into near state championship form (3A champs 2021) with two third place team finishes in their region 1-2A championships held Saturday at Suwannee High School Suwannee, the defending Class 2A champions, is now in Class 1A.

For the Golden Eagles, now in Class 2A instead of 3A, it was Choctowhatchee, just 16th in Class 2A last year, dominating at the top with a 44-29-28 score for first, second and third; Fort Walton Beach second in Traditional scoring, and a much closer 48-39-36 slate in Olympics with the same three teams. Also in the mix was a fifth in Traditional and a sixth in Olympics by Ridgeview; a sixth in Traditional and a

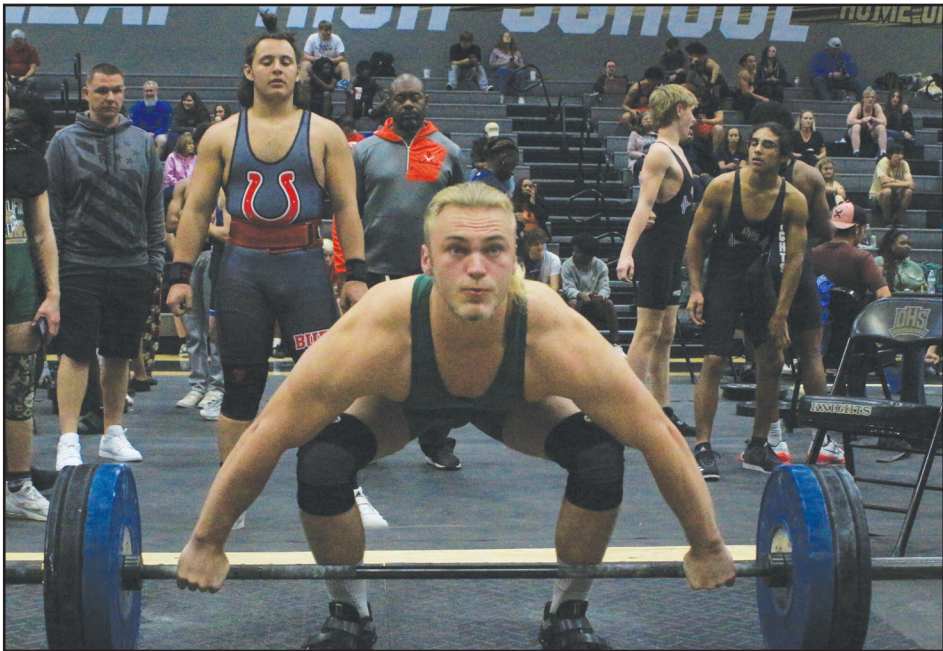
eight in Olympics by Middleburg. Orange Park finished at 15th with Clay at 17th in Traditional. Orange Park was 13th in Olympics and Clay finished 13th.

Fleming Island stayed in the chase behind the individual titles in Tradition from Zach Davis at 154 and Jered Rhodes at 199 with Davis also winning at Olympics with Tyler Beverly at 169 and Gage Isbell at Unlimited winning titles in Olympics.

For Ridgeview, Randy Emmanuel won at 129 in Olympics and Traditional with Collier Stephens at 238 winning in Traditional in a five point battle with Fort Walton Beach's Logan Cannon.

Middleburg earned titles from Josh Senear at 169 with teammate Gabe Harb second in Traditional at 169.

In weight class top 10 finishes, Fleming Island, in Olympics, had Nicholas Cruz in sixth at 119, fourth Tradition; Isaiah Ra-



Fleming Island weightlifter Jered Rhodes, with Middleburg's Khoda Moses watching behind sets for Olympic Snatch.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Fleming Island got a region title to Gage Isbell in the Unlimited division and also a third place team finish.

Class 2A championships
Sat., April 15 at RP Funding Center in Lakeland
Lightweights: 1 p.m. Heavyweights: 6 p.m.

mos eighth at 129; Joshua Pereira third at 139; Conner Russell seventh at 154, ninth in Traditional; Pierre Solorzano ninth at 183; Rhodes second at 199, and Kevin Reyes second at Unlimited. In Traditional, Tyler Williams was fifth at 169, Tabari Tucker was fifth at 183 and Isbel second at Unlimited with Braden Cunningham, also in Unlimited fifth.

For Ridgeview, in Tradition were Emmanuel, first in 129, Chris Baptiste, second in 139; Luis Medina, fourth in 169; Kimai Marshall, eighth in 169; Stephens, first at 238; Braylon Hawkins, fifth at 238. In Olympics, Emmanuel first at 129; Kimal Marshall, sixth at 169; Elias Cortes, 10th at 219; Stephens, fifth at 238 and Hawkins second at 238.

For Middleburg, in Olympics, Ethan Donahoo got ninth at 119; Aaron Gonzalez was seventh at 129; Aiden Walls was eighth

at 139; Riley Johns was fifth at 154; Luke Wheeler was eigfhth at 183; Colton Frew was sixth at 199; T.J. Lane was 10th at 199; Kohda Moses was third at 219; Tucker Cody was seventh at 219; Riley Steele was eighth at 238 and Charles Little was ninth at Unlimited. In Traditional, Donahoo was 10th, Gonzalez was 10th, Trent Robinson was seventh at 154, Johns was 10th, Josh Senear was first at 169; Gabe Harp was second at 169; T.J. Lane was sixth at 199; and Moses was sixth.

For Orange Park, in Traditional, David Lava was sixth at 154, Donaven Stevens was 10th at 183; Tyler Jackson was eighth in 219; Keith Bingham was 10th in 219, and Ean Huffaker was eighth in Unlimited. In Olympics, Huffacker was seventh in Unlimited.

For Clay, in Traditional, Zerek Migliore was seventh in 129.



By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLAGLER PALM COAST - Oakleaf High's Cristian Rodriguez won his 139 pound weight class in Tradition weightlifting to take the Region 1-3A championship as the Knights battled among the stalwarts of Florida's weightlifting programs Saturday at Flagler Palm Coast High School.

Rodriguez had the day's biggest Olympic Snatch lift with his 160 finish; a miss

Oakleaf High's Prince Savea poises for his lift in clean and jerk. Savea will be heading the Class 3A championships on Saturday in Lakeland.

Rodriguez tops in 3A region weightlifting

Class 3A championship meet
Sat., April 15 at RP Funding Center in Lakeland
Lightweights: 6 p.m., Heavyweights: 8 a.m.

at 170, then won the clean and jerk by 10 pounds with a 230 before the two frontrunners; Rodriguez and Niceville's Sebastian Brown ended their duel with both missing their third bench press lifts; 230 for Rodriguez, 220 for Brown to secure Rodriguez's title.

Oakleaf wound up seventh in team points with 10 points with Spruce Creek dominating with 46 points for the team

title. Navarre was second with 39 with Milton third at 24.

In the Olympic scoring, Spruce Creek beat Navarre, 43-28 with Pace third at 27. Oakleaf was seventh again with 12 points.

Finishing in the top 10 in Traditional were Noah Shevchook, eighth at 129; Isaiah Israel, eighth at 139; Elijah Shevchook, eighth at 169; Syncere White, 10th at 199; Nasir Bailey, ninth at 219; Krishawn Sanders eighth at Unlimited and Prince Savea, fourth at Unlimited.

In the top 10 for Olympic scoring were Noah Shevchook, seventh at 129; Elijah Shevchook, seventh at 169; Champ Spangler, fourth at 183 and Prince Savea, fifth at Unlimited.



Clay High batter Parker Lowrance takes big swing as his Blue Devil dugout watches in game action against St. Johns Country Day School.

Spartans

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In Class 6A, Oakleaf is just ahead of Fleming Island at sixth with the Golden Eagles 10th.

In 3A, Keystone Heights, with a solid 11-4 record, is 19th in Class 3A with Montverde Academy, 17-1, and Benjamin High,

16-1, at the top. Locally, Trinity Christian, 14-3 with win over Clay, is fourth; Providence, 14-4 with losses to Trinity Christian and St. Johns, has St. Johns again and Clay on April 18 to bolster their schedule. Providence boasts one of the highest strength of schedules in Class 3A at 11.5 behind a host of south Florida schools in the 12-above range.

HIGHLIGHTS Week of March 29-April 5

Spartan coach Tom Lucas only used Thoams for three innings and got three strikeouts, but kept the vaunted Clay bats at bay with solid defense in the field. Thomas also hit an RBI grounder off Clay pitcher Ethan Roberts to give the Spartans an early 2-0 cushion.

In the fourth Isaiah Mamea hit a monster double to the left field fences to score two runs off a walk and a single to put St. Johns up 4-0.

Clay had two baserunners in position; S. Alvers with a double, in the fourth and fifth innings but Spartan pitcher J.D. Hay shut down the scoring attempt.

St. Johns traveled to Clay with a week of wins over Baldwin, Bartram Trail, Providence, Fleming Island, 11-1 and Atlantic Coast.

The Spartans keep the schedule strong with Providence, Trinity Christian and Bishop Kenny on the docket.

Clay, who had a 5-0 loss to Trinity Christian followed by wins over Orange Park, Fleming Island and Yulee, will regroup after St. Johns to face Creekside, Santa Fe, Ridgeview and Providence in the next week.

Ridgeview had a three game losing streak on the line against Oakleaf; losses to Sandalwood, St. Joseph Academy and Fleming Island, 2-0, before taking out Oakleaf at Oakleaf 8-6 to save the week.

Against Fleming Island, with Billy Girgis on the mound, both teams were held scoreless by the good pitching; Wyatt Dietrich for Fleming Island with five strikeouts and just two hits, until the fifth inning where Girgis walked Ben Abrams then gave up a sharp RBI single from Josh Murray to centerfield for the Golden Eagles first run. Murray was later picked off on a second base steal attempt with Ridgeview catcher Clayton Gulbrand

rifling to shortstop Tommy Glasspoole.

Fleming Island scored in the seventh with Girgis hitting Anders Chadwell and Shea Thistleton hitting a fielders choice grounder with Chadwell at third.

Oakleaf, who followed a stunning win over St. Johns on March 22 with a Devin Outlaw dinger, kept rolling with wins over the likes of Ponte Vedra, St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra, Flagler Palm Coast and Union County before getting stuck with two losses; Fernandina Beach 9-5 and Ridgeview 8-6.

Oakleaf was down 4-0 to Ridgeview into the fifth off a handful of timely singles by the Panthers and a double from Douglas Langley as Oakleaf pitcher Jordan Clarke struggled to keep the bases clear with singles and hitting batters in the box.

Oakleaf's defensive highlight came on an outfield fly tracked down by centerfielder Nolan Cameron who shot a laser to home plate to nail Ridgeview's Cody Holland tagging up from third.

Oakleaf got the bases loaded in the fourth but Ridgeview pitcher Connor Howell kept them on base with two strikeouts and a groundout.

Keystone Heights went 2-2 for the week with losses to Newberry and Union County to end March followed by wins over Bradford and Baker County to start April.

Against Baker County (13-5), Keystone Heights got seven strikeouts from starter Benjamin Goforth and reliever Ross Jones to quiet the Wildcats bats.

Middleburg, 3-11, exploded for a two wins over Crescent City; 12-7, before losing a 5-1 lead in the fourth to four runs in the fifth and a gamewinner in the sixth off a sacrifice bunt from Clay batter Chase Haggard scored Josh Rouw who singled and moved to third on an error.

Orange Park halted a 10 game losing streak with an 8-3 win over First Coast on April 5.

Pascoe powering Raiders to wins

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Led by powerhitter Zoe Pascoe, a sophomore, the Orange Park High Lady Raiders softball has reversed a trend of losing season records with long time coach Lee Taylor and daughter Lexi, a former power player in the Lady Raiders hey days, seeing results with a youthful roster. Orange Park is holding a 10-4 season record thus far with 100 runs scored off a hitting barrage of 80 runs batted in and a team average near .358.

"Ultimately, we believe that if we play our game we will be victorious but, inexperience can be a gift and a curse," said Lee Taylor, coach of the Lady Raiders. "A gift because they don't necessarily understand the stature of the opponent or the magnitude of the situation so there is no need to be nervous or overthink the situation. From a curse perspective, they have not done it before."

With Pascoe pounding at the batters box with a .511 batting average with 15 runs batted in as Taylor has a half dozen players with .300-plus batting averages; Regan Barnett, a freshman, .447, 12 RBIs with four doubles; Addison Toledo, a sophomore, .442 with 10 RBIs with four doubles, and McKenna Bejarano, a junior, at .390 with 12 RBIs.

"While I do think their confidence will increase next year, we are still locked in this season with all our goals still in reach," said Taylor.

Orange Park's losses have been twice to Clay, ranked eighth in Class 5A, 7A-Mandarin, and their season opener against 7A-Creekside (13-4, ranked 18th in Class 7A, 57th in FL).



Orange Park pitcher McKenna Bejarano concentrates on pitch in win over Wolfson.

Lady Panthers look to turn the corner

ORANGE PARK - Ridgeview High first year coach Angela Agurkis got rocked to the tune of a 7-0 thrashing in front of her home crowd in February by area power Ponte Vedra and had to take some time to evaluate her answer.

With a bit of her champion pedigree inspirational chats in her huddle, the



Orange Park's big bat is sophomore Zoe Pascoe, here swinging away in win over Wolfson.

Panthers seem to have turned around what could have been a demoralizing end of season run to who opened April with big bats for wins over Ponte Vedra, 9-5, and Palatka, another area power program, an astounding 17-1.

"I think they've found their groove and I believe it is going to get stronger," said Agurkis. "I feel very confident in my girls and their want to win."

Of course, things don't get easier for the new coach who inherited a schedule designed by Final Four guy Casey Thompson and features upcoming games with Providence, Clay and Creekside.

Against Ponte Vedra (10-4), the heralded Clutch Much finish strategy of the past Panthers era appeared for probably the first time this season with Ponte Vedra struggling to keep the Panthers bats at bay all night. Ridgeview built a 4-0 lead into the third with two runners on base and sharp RBI singles from Nichole Deschamps and Saige Bialek and a third single from Mary Girgis to go up 4-0. Deschamps would single in one more run in the fifth to put Ridgeview up 5-0.

Then, Ponte Vedra stung Bialek with a solo homer to flex a bit of their own championship pedigree.

After leaving two runners on base, Ridgeview endured another solid shot on the first at bat with a double from Drew Gardner who eventually stole home to put two on the board for the Sharks.

Another exchange of innings and another monster double by Ponte Vedra's Kate Mickle made Agurkis' eyes roll backward as Ponte Vedra got to 5-3, then 5-5 before the inning ended.

Bialek took the three big bats personally and bashed her own double in the eighth inning with Girgis singling her to third and a error by Gardner in the right field giving Bialek the go ahead run. The hits kept coming with Kaitlyn Watts slamming a double to 8-5 and an error getting the final run.

Bialek showed her own championship mettle with two strikeouts and a grounder



Clay High weightlifter Emma Heck, with Clay weightlifting coach Rodney Keller, behind her, won a second Class 2A lifter of the year with Keller taking the Class 2A coach of the year.

DeLand’s Mia Rhodes Named Miss Weightlifting

GAINESVILLE – DeLand High School senior Mia Rhodes has been selected the 2023 Florida Dairy Farmers Miss Weightlifting.

Emma Heck of Clay High, the Class 2A Lifter of the Year, was a finalist this year after winning her second back-to-back titles in the Traditional and Olympic titles at 129.

Rhodes dominated the Class 3A 154-pound division in record-setting fashion. Her 240-pound clean-and-jerk set a state record, and combined with her 205-pound snatch effort, her 445-pound total also set the state record in her weight division.

Rhodes swept both the Traditional and Olympic style state championships. After winning both the International Weightlifting Federation World Championship and

the United States Youth National title last summer, Rhodes, who is a Team USA member, will continue her weightlifting in college while pursuing her goal of becoming a future USA Olympian.

The other finalist was Class 1A Lifter-of-the-Year Madison Atwood of Imagine School, who swept both titles in the 183-pound division.

John Mosure of Winter Springs High School earned Coach-of-the-Year honors after leading his squad to the Class 3A state title in Traditional and adding a second-place finish in Olympic-style competition. Winter Springs became the first Orlando area team to win a state girls weightlifting championship. The other coaching finalists were Clay High School’s Rodney Keller (2A) and Brittney Schearer of Suwannee (Class 1A).



Left: Keystone Heights High lifter Trey Jeffries lifts successful in front a host of Suwannee High fans in critical lift at region championships. Right: Keystone Heights High weightlifting coach Lantz Lowery watches intently as Suwannee’s Brandon Robinson who won the individual title over Trey Jeffries on his last lift.



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can’t do that and win,” said Keystone Heights High coach Lantz Lowery, who is a back to back state title coach in all disciplines and scoring. “This was a good first look at them in a championship atmosphere of course in their home gym and that makes things even tougher.”

In the Olympics format, Keystone Heights finished second to Suwannee by a more decisive score; 74-54.

“Their technique is flawless and they are disciplined in that format,” said Lowery. “We are more of a power lifting team and do better in the Traditional format. We’ll tweak our technique this week and hope to get a better effort at state.”

In the Traditional scoring, with Keystone Heights banking on massive bench press totals from their upper weight veterans; Bryar Schenk, Landon Hovsepian; both in 183 going second and third; Dakota Roper and Bryson Wester in 199; second and third; Larry Jeffries III in 219; Traditional champion, Rozier-Tyler in 238, Traditional champion, Lowery and coach

Steven Reynolds were feverishly crunching numbers for the possible upset.

“Our veterans; Landon, Bryar, Bo Overton, Wyatt Van Zant, did what they were supposed to do; clean lifts, competitive totals,” said Lowery. “We got the seconds and thirds; Landon, Reid Begue and Bryar, that we expected. They have to realize that we are the hunted now.”

In one of the more exciting weight class battles of the day, Rozier-Tyler waited and waited until his 238 weight class competitors finished their lifts before entering the fray.

“Coach says to don’t think, but just lift,” said Rozier-Tyler, who hit his first lift on bench press at 330 with an bench-rattle finish that nearly flipped the platform. “From there, it was just to get mentally ready to go big and push my confidence.”

Rozier-Tyler, with teammate Jeffries on his six; Jeffries after winning his 219 weight also with a 330 start and a 350 finish, had enough of the competitive fire to share with his teammate to get Rozier-Tyler smoothly past 350 and successful at 370 to a roaring gym crowd.

“It’s all about mental confidence,” said Lowery. “He has a a 375 maybe 380 in him and that may be what’s needed at state. For now, we have that in our back pocket.”

Jeffries, in equally dramatic fashion, missed on his opener in Olympic Snatch, but recovered to tie the best lift; 225, in the event then opened with two big clean and jerk lifts; 290 and 315 with Suwannee’s Brandon Robinson staying steady to his final 315 and Jeffries missing at a 325 attempt to get second by body weight. In lift totals, a tie is determined by body weights of individual lifters with Jeffries heavier at 216.10 to Robinson’s 201.30.

“He showed his was going to be competitive in a tough weight class and we will keep and eye on the numbers next week to decide his lifts,” said Lowery. “It’s sometimes a matter of five pounds here, 10 pounds there.”

In the lower weights session, Lowery got Brian Overton as Traditional champion at 169 with multiple top 10 finishes from Colton Hollingsworth and Jeddiah Tisdale at 119 (5th, 7th); Begue and VanZant at 139 (2nd, 3rd); Samuel Ulsch and Damien

Dunlap at 154 (2nd, 10th) and Overton and Vernell Jackson at 169 (1st, 9th).

At 183 and 199, Suwannee and Keystone Heights had double 1-2-3 finishes with Suwannee winning both weight groups and Keystone Heights getting second and third; Sam Wainwright at 183 with Hovsepian and Schenck; 640-615-575; and, at 199, Will Wainwright besting Dakota Roper and Bryson Wester, 675-575-560.

“Those two Wainwrights will be state champions if they show up,” said Lowery. “We get the second and third and we will be okay. We had our first title won on our guy going big against a favorite (Kaleb Vojnovski in 2021) for fourth place instead of fifth.”

In the Olympics scoring, Suwannee got five individual titles to cruise to that team title with Keystone Heights getting individual titles to Overton, and Rozier-Tyler with Van Zant and Begue second and fourth, Ulsch fifth, Schenck and Hovsepian second and third; Wester and Roper fifth and 10th; Jeffries second with Jayden Goodman third at 219, Jackson Herman third at 238 and Tyler Duncan fourth at Unlimited.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Fleming Island attacker Josie Waker sets up for shot on goal in Golden Eagles playoff win over Beachside High on Monday.

Lady Eagles capture first playoff win

By Mike Zima
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island's Jilian LaBelle scored 11 goals to lead the host Golden Eagles to the first district playoff win in program history on April 10, an 18-5 beatdown of Beachside in a District 3-1A quarterfinal.

"I am so proud of the girls," gushed Fleming Island head coach Brian Seech after the game. "I do not think they could have anticipated this at the beginning of the season."

Expectations were low because at the beginning of the season, the Golden Eagles 21-player roster featured seven freshmen and only three seniors, and Seech had

never been a head coach and had never coached girls lacrosse at any level. Yet, largely due to the heroics of LaBelle, who continues to etch her name in the Fleming Island record book while helping Seech devise practice plans, the Golden Eagles now stand at 9-5 on the season.

Seech was especially pleased that the Golden Eagles were able to execute their offense despite sloppy conditions caused by a light rain that fell throughout the game. Nine of the 18 Golden Eagles goals came off of assists.

"We were on our game tonight," he said. "Somebody, usually Sophie [Roberts], started with the ball at X [behind the goal].

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Krupsky's six goals sends Eagles to semifinals

By Mike Zima
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island lacrosse midfielder Will Krupsky scored six goals and had four assists as the Golden Eagles won a District 3-2A quarterfinal, 15-7 over Gainesville Buchholz on April 10.

Krupsky, who is headed to Jacksonville University on a lacrosse scholarship next fall, was the best payer on the field. When guarded by a single defender, the 6'2" senior either dodged him or shot over him, shooting right- or left-handed. When double-teamed, he found open team-

mates for easy putaways.

"He dominated," Fleming Island head coach John Hawley said of Krupsky. "Ninety-nine percent of the time he is going to beat his man and draw a slide. So that opens up off-ball opportunities."

After the Bobcats Reid Wagner scored the games first goal, Krupsky seized control for Fleming Island. He scored the next three goals, faking out his assigned defender outside of the box and setting his sights on the upper corners of the goal.

SEE LACROSSE, 32



Fleming Island striker Ty Teschner angles in for shot in Golden Eagles playoff win over Buchholz Monday night.

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to end the thriller.

Against Palatka, Agurkis' batters teed off to the tune of 14 hits including a Watts homer for the blowout.

Rankings

Statewide, in the north Florida area, Pace High in the Panhandle, Episcopal and Baldwin are the only programs in the Max-preps state wide rankings with Pace, 18-0, at fourth behind Parrish Community, Coral Springs Charter and Lake Brantley; Bartow fifth, owning the top five spots state wide, all classes.

Clay High, 11-5, is tops in the county at 66th with 5A champion Middleburg at 97th the only other county program in the top 100 all classes.

In Class 5A, Clay, 11-5, is eighth ranked with Parrish, 14-2, on top. Ponte Vedra is 14th, Middleburg is 16th and Ridgeview is 19th. Orange Park, 10-4, has been surprisingly consistent and is at 26th. Fleming Island, 5-11, is 41st.

In Class 6A, Oakleaf, 7-9, is 20th based off a 13.2 strength of schedule rating that is among the highest in Class 6A with 6A



Orange Park baserunner Sydnie Parrott eyes Wolfson pitcher with possible steal about to happen in Lady Raiders win.

runnerup to Middleburg last year South Lake at 17.3, Doral Academy, 14-3-1, at 16.3, and Hagerty, 12-5, at 15.9. Just seven schools in the top 20 in Class 6A have rougher schedules than Oakleaf.

On April 1, the Lady Knights showed up with a 6-3 loss to Bartow with Bartow hitting for a quick lead, but Oakleaf recover-

ing with three runs in the third. A Bartow homer in the third halted the momentum. Bartow got two more off an error and a late outfield throw to home plate.

Oakleaf's schedule stays rugged with Creekside, Baldwin, West Nassau and Ridgeview through April.

Clay, 11-5 and also with a youth-filled roster, has coach Matt Lewis using all of his coaching tactics to put his girls in success situations against a tough schedule.

Lewis has a win over Middleburg, a 3-1 loss to 1A powerhouse Trenton (a five year run of Final Fours with three state titles), a win over Ridgeview and a 5-0 loss to Episcopal. A 2-1 loss to 3A-Baldwin (13-2) off a pitching duel with senior Gabbi Ellis, who got the loss despite 10 strikeouts, was a big game test.

Problem was Baldwin pitcher Shaylen Byrd was up to the challenge with seven strikeouts on her end. Baldwin led 2-0 with Clay only able to respond in the fifth with their solo run off an Ellis RBI single. Baldwin nailed a nifty double play off a Clay bunt with two baserunners to end the game. Clay also had two baserunners in the sixth, but could not find home plate.

For the Broncos, coach Ashley Houston knows the course of action to keep her team on the path to playoff success and,

with a win over Providence and back to back losses to Baldwin, 9-1 and West Nassau, 6-3, the Broncos need to find the way to winning on the road against the best teams again.

Baker County (11-5) and FSU High (11-4) are games needed to rebound from big game losses.

One factor is the loss of powerhurler Mallory Forrester, now at Flagler College, and her amazing 271 strikeouts in last year's shredding of the state. Junior Morgan Beckham, who finished last year with 110 Ks as Houston's wing man on the mound, has just 45. Sophomore Lily Bennett has 65 at this point.

In Class 3A, Keystone Heights, 5-12, is ranked 33rd. Keystone Heights got highlights at the batters box from Kiley Channell at the prestigious Kissimmee Classic with her three homers in three games output. Channell hit homers in a 15-6 win over Cooper City with teammate Amberlea Wagner also bashing one, a 5-3 loss to Viera and a 6-2 loss to Lake Wales. Channell now has five homers for the season with 19 RBIs, five doubles and three triples. Wagner has two homers for the season and Abbie Roach has one.

In Class 2A, St. Johns Country Day School is 7-2.

Lakeside, Oakleaf win NEFAC track titles

Cougars baseball champions; Lake Asbury softball runnerup

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Lakeside and Oakleaf junior high schools won the boys and girls Northeast Florida Athletic Conference track titles on Thursday at Ridgeview High School.

Both teams flipped in the first and second spots, ironically, with Lakesides' boys

beating Oakleaf 131-117 while the Oakleaf girls beat Lakeside 142.33-85.0 in the girls action.

In baseball, Green Cove Springs took out unbeaten Lake Asbury in their NEFAC semifinal then dominated Oakleaf 13-0 in the baseball championship game at Middleburg.

At Clay High, the Lake Asbury Junior High girls softball lost a 10-4 championship game to once-beaten Baker County. Baker County's lone loss was to Green Cove Springs.

At the NEFAC track championships, Lakeside's boys dominated the hurdle events with a Tyson Janda and Jayvain Green going 1-2 in the 100 hurdles for 18 team points for the Gators.

Lakeside also dominated the weight throws with David Fuentes and Jay'Shawn McCloud going 1-2 in the discus and McCloud and teammate Christian Zampatti going 1-2 in discus.

In the 1600, Oakleaf's Jack Strombeck responded to a last lap surge by Lakeside's Cooper Stewart to win by a stretch in 5:06.86 to Stewart's 5:07.06 in one of the closest races of the night.

Oakleaf won by more than 22 seconds over Lake Asbury in the 4 x 800 with



Oakleaf's Syncere Murphy heads around final turn in 400 with Lakeside's Delmar White and Lake Asbury's Corey Johnson.



Lakeside 400 meter runner Vincent Copeland heads to finish. Copeland finished eighth at Northeast Florida Athletic Conference championship.

SEE TITLES, 31



Oakleaf's third leg of 4 x 100 Brooke Linscomb hands off to Skylar Smith in NEFAC championship race. Oakleaf won over Lakeside with 52.51 split.



Lake Asbury 4 x 100 relay gets good handoff from lead leg Gavin Ballie to Jake Mihalik en route to first place finish.



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Left: The Oakleaf Junior High girls track team and the Lakeside Junior High boys track team show off their Northeast Florida Athletic Conference championship trophy and belt after wins at Ridgeview High School.



Runners from Green Cove Springs and Lakeside battle in the 400 while, far right, 4 x 100 relay teams move the baton in their events.



Lake Asbury took the runner-up spot in the NEFAC softball championship against Baker County; pictured are pitcher Sadie Russo firing away, outfielder Saniya Velazquez with a solid fly ball catch, and third baseman, far right, Cloey Ballinger awaiting hit at the post. Second from right, Green Cove Springs pitcher Evan Durrence was masterful in Cougars' 13-0 NEFAC title win over Oakleaf.

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Strombeck running the second leg.

In the 100 meters, Oakleaf's Mike Connor outleaned Lakeside's Antonio Watkins by a 12.27-12.28 splits with Lake Asbury's Evan Gilbert in a hair behind for third at

12.32. Lakeside's Gavin Emile started fast and stayed ahead to win the 800 in 2:19.03 over a pair of Oakleaf challengers who finished over 2:27.30. For the Oakleaf girls, Brooke Linscomb dominated the 100 hurdles in 16.71 to win by more than a second over Green Cove's Amira Martin. Linscomb also won the long jump with a 15 foot jump to beat Erin Strother of Lake Asbury.

Lakeside got a dominant performance in the 100 with Karissa Lou running 5:55.49 to beat Malia Mazerac of Oakleaf by 22 seconds.

Oakleaf's girls got wins in the sprints with Skylar Smith and Jannilyah James going 1-3 in the 400; Dylan Fogle and Mazerac going 1-2 in the 800 and Oakleaf's girls taking the 4 x 400 relay over Green.

Five inches separated Oakleaf shotput-ter Rayna Autry and Lakeside's Sophia Butler with Autry winning at 32'-2". Autry was second in discus to Wilkinson's Annabelle Underwood, younger sister to Middleburg High state meet discus throwers Madison and Wyatt Underwood, both throwing and looking to qualify for state again this season.

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With their season on the line, Buchholz did not go away easily, staying within two goals until midway through the second quarter. The momentum shifted for good thanks to some sticky defense and good goaltending by Fleming Island’s Paul Walter. With Buchholz in possession and trailing 7-3, the Golden Eagles were called for a two minute penalty for cross checking. Before there was a stoppage of play, the Bobcats fired

two shots at Walter, who blocked the first and then caught the second. Once the man-up opportunity began, Walter made two more saves before Jace Van Lierop knocked Blake Tomlinson, scooped it up and raced all the way into the Buchholz box with it. The Fleming Island offense was able to kill the remaining penalty time, preserving the four-goal lead.

“Paul sees the ball beautifully from the cage,” said Hawley. “A big save like that, and stopping them on a penalty, that is a morale killer for the other team.”

Fleming Island led 8-3 at the intermission, thanks to a bounce shot by Ty Teschner that splashed into the back of the net off of a feed from Krupsky with 1:15 remaining in the half. The Golden Eagles improved to 8-9 and traveled to St. Augustine for a Class 2A District 3 semifinal against the Yellow Jackets on Tuesday, April 11. Fleming Island lost 10-9 in overtime to St. Augustine on March 8, so the rematch should have been closely contested.

Fleming Island’s boys lacrosse team enters the field for playoff game against Buchholz led by goalie Paul Walter.



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Green Cove Springs proposes to adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. O-11-2023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 105 OF THE CITY CODE; AMENDING CHAPTER 105, SEC. 105-2 TO ADD TRANSPORTATION LEVEL OF SERVICE BASED ON PERSON MILES CAPACITY; DELETING CHAPTER 105, SEC. 105-5 AND RENUMBERING SUBSEQUENT SECTIONS ACCORDINGLY; AMENDING THE CURRENT CHAPTER 105, SEC. 105-7 REGARDING TRANSPORTATION LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS; ADDING SECTIONS 105-7 ~ 105-32 TO CREATE A MOBILITY FEE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, RULES OF CONSTRUCTION, AND FINDINGS; ADOPTING THE MOBILITY FEE STUDY; PROVIDING FOR MUNICIPAL PARTICIPATION; IMPOSING MOBILITY FEES ON NEW CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR CALCULATION AND ALTERNATIVE CALCULATION PROCEDURES FOR MOBILITY FEES; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF MOBILITY FEE PROCEEDS; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING MOBILITY FEE DEFERRAL; PROVIDING FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MITIGATION PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR CHANGES IN SIZE AND USE; PROVIDING FOR DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION CREDIT; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE COLLECTION METHOD; PROVIDING FOR REVIEW HEARINGS; PROVIDING A REVIEW REQUIREMENT; PROVIDING FOR PERIODIC MOBILITY FEE RATE ADJUSTMENT; PROVIDING FOR A DECLARATION OF EXCLUSION FROM ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT; PROVIDING FOR ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING OF MOBILITY FEES; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF MOBILITY FEE RATES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following public hearings have been scheduled and will be held in the City Council Chambers, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, to hear comments, if any, regarding said Ordinance:

Planning and Zoning: Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter;
City Council: Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter;
City Council: Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter;

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.

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

All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing.

City of Green Cove Springs
Michael Daniels, Development Services Director
321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Steve Kennedy, City Manager

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Clay County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, April 27, 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 3-33 B.B.3.e.vii. to allow the placement of an accessory structure nearer to the front property line than the front of the principal building.

Location Address for BOA-0323-0004

1843 C.R. 209 B

Tax Parcel Identification Number 46-05-26-010290-000-00

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 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-0323-0004 published April 13, 2023 in Clay Today.

Clay County Board of Adjustment
Keith Hadden
Chairman



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Tractor Pull fills the fair arena

By Ray Dimonda
Correspondent

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - The National Tractor Pullers Association (NTPA) rolled into the Clay County Fair Grounds Cattleman's Arena for the fourth straight year Saturday night, with the arena not having an empty seat. Pulling fans ringed the standing room only fence to watch a massive display of man-made horsepower. Where Bull Riding and Barrel Racing normally fill the floor of the arena, tonight's smell of diesel, alcohol, racing fuel, and clay dust filled the air. Being an NTPA event means drivers from all over the country, and a team from Canada were coming to Clay County to earn

national points in the first pulling event on the NTPA national circuit. The most unique machine of the night had to go to Don Deane of Trafalgar, IN driving the Plumbe's Nitemare. The Modified Tractor that pulls on the national NTPA circuit has three helicopter turbine engines that all have output shafts which bolt into a mixer assembly transmission that combines all the power to a single output. The output goes into the gearbox and connects to the rear wheels. Don took his class win with a pull of 297.080 feet. He too had such a head of steam at the end of the pull, if the track didn't have an end built on it, he may still be pulling the sled with 60,000 pounds of added weight.



Don Deane, Trafalgar, Indiana, Plumbers Nitemare, first place, 297.08 feet

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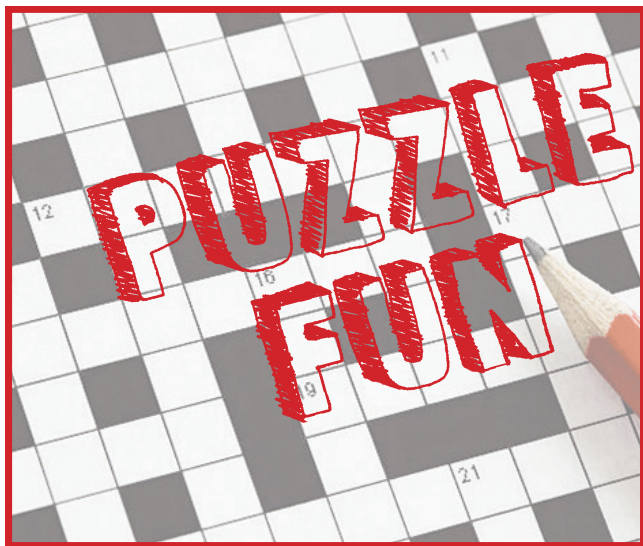
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Solve the code to discover words related to financial literacy.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
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Clue: Currency
- B. 4 6 6 5 2 23 13**
Clue: Banking relationship
- C. 14 4 22 4 23 6 12**
Clue: Make even
- D. 20 12 14 16 13**
Clue: Payment made or owed

Answers: A. money B. account C. balance D. debit

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to finance.

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Answer: Credit

Guess Who?

I am an actress born in New York on April 12, 1979. I made my film debut in 1994 in an adaptation of a book about women. My popular TV series about teenage angst only lasted one season, but I've had a successful career nonetheless.

Answer: Claire Danes

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

WORDS

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Then Sophie passing to Katie [Logan], who fed Jilly. It was like tic-tac-toe."

If there was a turning point, it came at the 17 minute mark of the first half when the Barracudas missed on two opportunities to narrow a 3-1 deficit to a single goal. First, Golden Eagles freshman goalie Esther Fernandes raised her stick to save a high shot attempt by Beachside's Emma Carrigan. Less than 30 seconds later, the Barracuda's Ava Wilkerson shot over the goal on a penalty shot. The loose ball was scooped up by Golden Eagles senior Baylee Jennings, who initiated a fast break that ended with Chloe Perry converting a bounce shot from the left wing. LaBelle found the back of the net twice in the next minute and 15 seconds, giving Fleming Island a comfortable 6-1 lead.

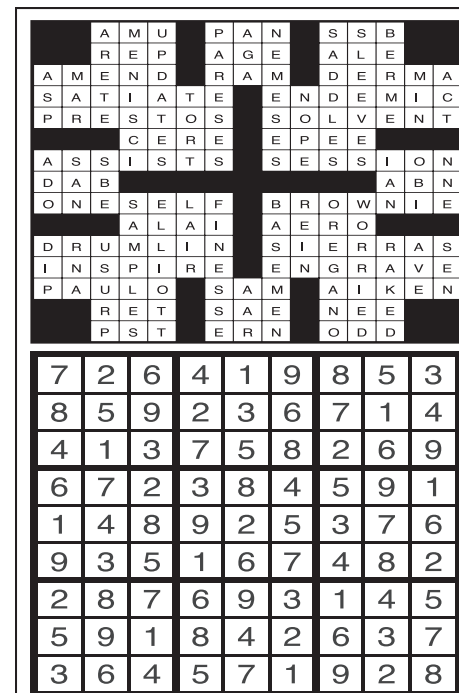
LaBelle scored eight of her goals during a dominant first half. At 5' 9" the senior makes an inviting target when she cuts to the goal, and scored seven of her goals after catching passes in traffic at the edge of the crease. Her most impressive goal was a left-handed drive from the eight meter line while running away from the goal, showing off a skill she has been working on in practice.

"I know that in the future, teams will try hard to take away my right hand," said LaBelle, who is headed to Anderson University in South Carolina on a lacrosse scholarship next fall. "So it's good to be comfortable with both."

The 11 goals set Fleming Island's single-game mark for most goals, breaking the record of 10 that LaBelle had set versus Flagler Palm Coast on April 5.

Katie Logan scored three goals, Roberts tallied two and Perry and Cailli Christenson had one apiece for Fleming Island. Roberts and Perry each had two assists, while Perry led all players with 10 ground balls.

The Golden Eagles traveled to Ponte Vedra to take on the top-seeded Sharks in the district semifinal on April 11. Results of that contest were not complete at press time.



NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2019-CA-001398
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE FOR STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST M, Plaintiff,
vs.
TIMOTHY LESTER; MIDLAND FUNDING LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 1; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TIMOTHY LESTER, Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale entered on January 13, 2023 in Case No. 2019-CA-001398 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, the Clerk of Court will on **APRIL 26, 2023 at 10:00 AM EST**, offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com the following described property situated in Clay County, Florida:
LOT 22, IN BLOCK 2, OF FOXRIDGE UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, PAGE(S) 17, 18, 19, 20, AND 21, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 946 Maple Ridge Court, Orange Park, FL 32065
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
Dated: April 10, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Gracie Moore
Deputy Clerk

Legal 65034 Published 4/13/2023 and 4/20/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT BY THE FLEMING ISLAND PLANTATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

In accordance with Chapters 190 and 120, Florida Statutes, the Fleming Island Plantation Community Development District (“**District**”) hereby gives notice of its intention to adopt its amended Amenity Rates (“**Amended Amenity Rates**”), all of which govern the operation of the District’s amenity facilities and other properties. The Amended Amenity Rates will address certain revisions to the District’s rules and policies governing the operation of the District’s amenity facilities and other properties.

The purpose and effect of the Amended Amenity Rates is to provide for efficient and effective District operations of the District’s amenity facilities and other properties by setting policies, regulations, rates and fees to implement the provisions of Section 190.035, Florida Statutes. Specific legal authority for the rules includes Sections 190.035(2), 190.011(5), 190.012, 120.54, 120.69 and 120.81, Florida Statutes (2020).

A public hearing will be conducted by the District on **May 23, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at Fleming Island Plantation Splash Park, 1510 Calming Water Drive, Fleming Island, Florida 32003**. A copy of the proposed rules and policies may be obtained by contacting the District Manager at 12574 Flagler Center Boulevard, Suite 101, Jacksonville, Florida 32258. Janice Eggleton Davis District Manager

Legal 65033 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, April 27, 2023, for the following:
RFQ NO. 22/23–47, Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) for Clay County Public Safety Facilities
Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Friday, April 28, 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.

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 Stephanie Puhalla 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.

Legal 65029 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE/NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT REVISIONS TO USE OF FACILITIES & GROUNDS MANUAL

Approval to Advertise: The School Board of Clay County, Florida (“the Board”) approved, on April 6, 2023, the advertisement of revisions to Use of Facilities & Grounds Manual.

Purpose & Effect: The proposed amendments are intended to simplify, update, and ensure alignment of School Board Policies with state law, federal law, State Board of Education Rules, and other applicable rules and regulations.

Access to Text of Proposed Amendments: The full text of the proposed revisions to Use of Facilities & Grounds Manual is available for inspection and copying by the public in the Office of the Superintendent for Clay County District Schools, located at 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The full text is also available via the School District’s website at www.oneclay.net under the School Board Meeting Links, School Board Agendas - April 6, 2023. The Superintendent is authorized to correct technical errors in grammar, numbering, section designations, and cross-references as may be necessary to reflect the intention of such Policy amendments.

Rule Making Authority: The Board is authorized to adopt revisions to Use of Facilities & Grounds Manual under sections 120.54, 1001.31, and 1001.32 of the Florida Statutes.

Laws Implemented: The laws implemented by the above-referenced policy revisions are noted under each section of the Policy.

Person(s) Originating Policy Changes: The proposed policy was originated by the Superintendent and his designee(s) in collaboration with the School Board Attorney.

Public Hearing: The Board intends to formally adopt the revisions to Use of Facilities & Grounds Manual following a public hearing. The public hearing shall be held on Thursday, June 1, 2023, during the course of the Board’s regular meeting, which begins at 6:00 p.m. and takes place in the Boardroom at the Teacher In-service Training Center at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Orange Park, Florida.

Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent’s Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or

speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD).

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Legal 65028 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SCHOOL BOARD OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE/NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT SCHOOL BOARD POLICY 1.16 DESIGNATION OF USER GENDER FOR BATHROOMS/ RESTROOMS, LOCKER ROOMS AND DRESSING ROOMS

Approval to Advertise: The School Board of Clay County, Florida (“the Board”) approves the advertisement of School Board Policy 1.16 Designation of User Gender for Bathrooms/Restrooms, Locker Rooms and Dressing Rooms.

Purpose & Effect: The proposed amendments are intended to simplify, update, and ensure alignment of School Board Policies with state law, federal law, State Board of Education Rules, and other applicable rules and regulations.

Access to Text of Proposed Amendments: The full text of the proposed School Board Policy 1.16 Designation of User Gender for Bathrooms/Restrooms, Locker Rooms and Dressing Rooms is available for inspection and copying by the public in the Office of the Superintendent for Clay County District Schools, located at 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The full text is also available via the School District’s website at www.oneclay.net under the School Board Meeting Links, School Board Agendas - April 6, 2023. The Superintendent is authorized to correct technical errors in grammar, numbering, section designations, and cross-references as may be necessary to reflect the intention of such Policy amendments.

Rule Making Authority: The Board is authorized to adopt School Board Policy 1.16 Designation of User Gender for Bathrooms/Restrooms, Locker Rooms and Dressing Rooms under sections 120.54, 1001.31, and 1001.32 of the Florida Statutes.

Laws Implemented: The laws implemented by the above-referenced policy revisions are noted under each section of the Policy.

Person(s) Originating Policy Changes: The proposed policy was originated by the Superintendent and his designee(s) in collaboration with the School Board Attorney.

Public Hearing: The Board intends to formally adopt the School Board Policy 1.16 Designation of User Gender for Bathrooms/Restrooms, Locker Rooms and Dressing Rooms following a public hearing. **The public hearing shall be held on Thursday, June 1, 2023**, during the course of the Board’s regular meeting, which begins at **6:00 p.m.** and takes place in the Boardroom at the Teacher In-service Training Center at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Orange Park, Florida.

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Legal 64657 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 04/28/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MID-LEBURG, 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. JTHBK1EG3A2356977 2010 LEXS

Legal 64656 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Orange Park, FL Lighthouse Aglow Int’L** located at 2584 Franklin Ct, in the County of Clay, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32073 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Orange Park, Florida, this 7th day of April 2023.
Alix Elizabeth Walsh
Legal 64652 Published 4/13/2023 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
May 2, 2023 at 10:00 am
Johnny S Dixon SR-Household items
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 64515 Published 4/13/2023 and 4/20/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Clay County School Board Public Notice

The Clay County School Board will a School Board Special Meeting for the purpose of holding interviews for the position of School Board Attorney on **Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.**, in the District Multi-Purpose Center located at the corner of Walnut Street and Gratio Place in Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043. The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent’s Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by contacting the Superintendent’s Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
Legal 64512 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Clay County School Board Public Notice

The Clay County School Board will hold a School Board Workshop on **Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**, in the District Multi-Purpose Center located at the corner of Walnut Street and Gratio Place in Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043, for the purpose of reviewing the agenda for the May 4, 2023 Regular Meeting. Additional items may be discussed. The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent’s Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by contacting the Superintendent’s Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Legal 64511 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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 amending Article V, Section 5.07.01 of the Land Development Regulations of the Town of Orange Park; amending the requirement of roll call voting to substantive matters related to quasi-judicial hearings; providing for conflicts, severability and an immediate effective date. This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 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 deciding 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

Legal 64510 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE
SCOTT’S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on April 27, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
2010 Chevrolet ID# 2CNALDE-W4A6283877
2009 Cadillac ID# 1GYEE637690133484
2019 Toyota ID# 4T1B11HK6KU444584
1996 Nissan ID# 1N6SD11S9TC372567
2003 Chevrolet ID# 21WH52K739405032
(6) 1997 Ford ID# 2FALP71W1VX164358

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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 self-storage-auction.com in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 ending Thursday, April 27, 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, Douglas & Debra Elbon, James Fagan, Jason Fitz, Nakia Oliver, Tina L. Qualls, Molly M Shepard, and Michelle L Sidders.

Legal 64508 Published 4/13/2023 and 4/20/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **My dear Honeychile** located at 548 Los Palmas Drive, 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 4th day of April 2023.
Bethany Auchter

Legal 64507 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE
Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg, FL 32068 at date and time listed below
CLAY COUNTY TOWING AUCTION: May 8, 2023 AT 10:00 AM
2016 NISS Vin # 1N6AD0ER7GN751879
2009 TOYT Vin # 4T1BE46K99U902428
2015 Chev Vin # 2G1FD1E3XF9295428
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Legal 64506 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Request for Proposals (RFP) WEBSITE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, AND IMPLEMENTATION

The Town of Orange Park, hereinafter referred to as the Town, is soliciting proposals to retain a firm for website design, development, and implementation. Proposal documents will be made available by 8:00 a.m., Friday, April 7, 2023 on the Town of Orange Park website www.townoforangepark.com. Submittals: Respondents shall submit their proposal to the Town Clerk’s Office at 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073 in a **SEALED** envelope or container and marked with the project title, time and due date, **no later than Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 4:00 PM**. The Town shall have the right to reject any or all bids in the Town’s best interest. Questions regarding this solicitation shall be addressed to Courtney Russo at crusso@townop.com.
BY: Sarah Campbell, Town Manager

Legal 64504 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JEFFREY W KOCH, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 653/2017
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 18 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2710 PG 1032
Parcel ID No.: 210823-002676-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,664.69
Physical Address: 7154 WESLEYAN , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: DAVID ANTHONY & YVONNE B WHITE
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com**.
Dated this 5th day of April, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 64353 Published 4/13/2023, 4/20/2023, 4/27/2023 and 5/4/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Businesses of Reconnaissance Brother Foundation** located at 7995 Valley Dr, in the County of Clay, in the City of Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Keystone Heights, Florida, this 5th day of April 2023.
Richard Judge

Legal 64350 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Be Right Back Foundation** located at 7995 Valley Dr, in the County of Clay, in the City of Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Keystone Heights, Florida, this 5th day of April 2023.
Richard Judge

Legal 64348 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME
Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **BRB Foundation** located at 7995 Valley Dr, in the County of Clay, in the City of Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Keystone Heights, Florida, this 5th day of April 2023.
Richard Judge

Legal 64347 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Regular Meeting & Budget Workshop of the Board of Supervisors Fleming Island Plantation Community Development District

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors (**Board**) of the Fleming Island Plantation Community Development District (**District**) will hold their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., at the Splash Park, located at 1510 Calming Water Drive, Fleming Island, Florida 32003. The Board will also hold a Budget Workshop (**the “Workshop”**) of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fleming Island Plantation Amenity Center, 2300 Town Center Boulevard, Fleming Island, Florida 32003. The Workshop is being held for the necessary public purpose of discussion regarding the District’s Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. Please note, no votes or final decisions may be made at the Workshop. Topics for discussion shall be limited to those set forth on the agenda. The meeting and workshop are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for Community Development Districts. This meeting and/or workshop may be

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continued to a date, time, and location to be specified on the record at the meeting and/or workshop without further publication of notice.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by accessing the District's website at www.fipcommunitycdd.com or by contacting the District Manager at Janice.Davis@inframark.com or 904-436-4102. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 7-1-1 or 800-955-8771 (TTY)/800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid 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 meeting/ or workshop is advised that person will 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.

Janice Eggleton Davis
District Manager

Legal 64345 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION IN EMINENT DOMAIN AND NOTICE OF HEARING OF CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE OF PROCESS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2023-CA-152

Parcels 105 & 805
STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Petitioner,
vs.
JANET T. HILL, a married woman; AMANDA ENGLISH; and DIANE HUTCHINGS, Clay County Tax Collector, Defendants.

STATE OF FLORIDA TO:

To the above named Defendants and all said Defendants who are living, and if any or all Defendants are deceased, the unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against any such deceased Defendant or Defendants, if alive, and, if dead, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, creditors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under, or against any such deceased Defendant or Defendants, and all other parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the property described in the Petition, to-wit: Item # 4307192

Parcels 105 & 805
CR 220 – Clay County
Section No. 71580 County Road No. 220 Clay County
F.P.No. 4307192
Parcel No. 105 Part "B"
Fee Simple

A Part Of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida, Being More Particularly Described As Follows:

Commence At The South 1/4 Corner Of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida; Thence North 00°15'24" West, Along The West Line Of The Southeast 1/4 Of Said Section 33, A Distance Of 617.42 Feet To The Baseline Of Survey Of County Road No. 220 (As Per Florida Department Of Transportation Right Of Way Map Section 71580, F.P.No. 4307192, Having A Variable Width Right Of Way); Thence North 34°46'39" East, Along Said Baseline Of Survey Of County Road No. 220, A Distance Of 1,292.37 Feet; Thence South 89°47'18" West, A Distance Of 61.03 Feet To The Intersection Of The Northwesterly Existing Right Of Way Line Of Said County Road No. 220, And The Southerly Existing Right Of Way Line Of Joe Johns Road (A 40.00 Foot Right Of Way As Recorded In Official Records Book 2013, Page 1704 Of The Public Records Of Clay County, Florida), And To The Point Of Beginning; Thence South 34°46'39" West, Along Said Northwesterly Existing Right Of Way Line Of County Road No. 220, A Distance Of 25.00 Feet; Thence North 27°43'01" West, A Distance Of 23.09 Feet To Said Southerly Existing Right Of Way Line Of Joe Johns Road; Thence North 89°47'18" East, Along Said Southerly Existing Right Of Way Line, A Distance Of 25.00 Feet To The Point Of Beginning.

Containing: 256 Square Feet, More Or Less.

Being a Part of Tax Parcel No. 330425-008145-000-00 and

Section No. 71580 County Road No. 220 Clay County
F.P.No. 4307192
Parcel No. 805 Perpetual Easement

A perpetual easement for the purpose of constructing removal/reinstallation of fence, tying in, conforming, harmonizing, and/or reconnecting existing grade, slope, pavement, drainage, utility, driveway, walkway, turnout, and/or other features, in, over, under, upon and through the following described land in Clay County, Florida, to wit:

A Part Of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida, Being More Particularly Described As Follows:

Commence At The South 1/4 Corner Of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida; Thence North 00°15'24" West, Along The West Line Of The Southeast 1/4 Of Said Section 33, A Distance Of 617.42 Feet To The Baseline Of Survey Of County Road No. 220 (As Per Florida Department Of Transportation

Right Of Way Map Section 71580, F.P.No. 4307192, Having A Variable Width Right Of Way); Thence North 34°46'39" East, Along Said Baseline Of Survey Of County Road No. 220, A Distance Of 1,232.37 Feet; Thence North 55°13'21" West, A Distance Of 50.00 Feet To The Northwest-erly Existing Right Of Way Line Of Said County Road No. 220, And To The Point Of Beginning; Thence South 34°46'39" West, Along Said Northwesterly Existing Right Of Way Line Of County Road No. 220 , A Distance Of 71.86 Feet; Thence North 55°13'21" West, A Distance Of 5.00 Feet; Thence North 34°46'39" East, A Distance Of 50.00 Feet; Thence North 27°43'01" West, A Distance Of 34.42 Feet; Thence South 89°47'18" West, A Distance Of 130.19 Feet; Thence North 00°12'42" West, A Distance Of 5.00 Feet To The Southerly Existing Right Of Way Line Of Joe Johns Road (A 40.00 Foot Right Of Way As Recorded In Official Records Book 2013, Page 1704 Of The Public Records Of Clay County, Florida); Thence North 89°47'18" East, Along Said Southerly Existing Right Of Way Line, A Distance Of 152.06 Feet; Thence South 27°43'01" East, A Distance Of 23.09 Feet To The Point Of Beginning.

Containing: 1,634 Square Feet, More Or Less.

Being a Part of Tax Parcel No. 330425-008145-000-00

A petition in eminent domain has been filed to acquire certain property interests in Clay County, Florida.

Each Defendant is required to serve written defenses to the petition on Petitioner's attorney, whose name and address are shown below, on or before **May 22, 2023** and to file the original of the defenses with the clerk of this court either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter, showing what right, title, interest or lien Defendant has in or to the property described in the petition and to show cause why that property should not be taken for the uses and purposes set forth in the petition. If any Defendant fails to do so, a default will be entered against that Defendant for the relief demanded in the petition.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a declaration of taking has been filed in this cause and that Petitioner will apply for an Order of Taking and any other order the court deems proper before the **Honorable Steven B. Whittington**, one of the Judges of this Court, on **Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.**, (45 minutes are reserved) in **Hearing Room 4-097 at the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida**. All Defendants to this suit may request a hearing at the time and place designated and be heard at the time and place designated and be heard. Any Defendant failing to file a request for hearing shall waive any right to object to the Order of Taking.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of this Court on the 30th day of March, 2023.

TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
By Gracie Moore
Deputy Clerk

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Clay County School Board until

2:00pm on Thursday, 16 May 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:

ROOFVIEW HIGH SCHOOL ROOF REPAIR/RENOVATION BUILDING 2

466 Madison Ave, Orange Park, FL 32065

Work includes tear-off and replacement of fiberglass shingle roofing and drip edge on Building 2; addition of a plywood flare on the roof edge to cover the existing internal gutter; addition of external gutters and downspouts in select areas, including tie-in to existing under sidewalk drainage lines in three locations; addition of stucco and metal fascia dormer and cricket at one area of lower roof; repair of damaged hard gypsum board and acoustical grid ceilings. 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 brianboatrighta@gmail.com

include project number in subject line

Plans are on file and available for purchase with the following plan room:

LDI Reprinting Center
550 Wells Road, Suite 8, Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 579-4027
orangepark@ldireprinting.com

Addenda will be posted with the plan room listed above. 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 Tuesday, 2 May 2023, at 2:00pm per Section 00100, Part 9.1. 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.

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 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.

Protest Bond Requirement:

Should a contractor wish to protest the bid recommendation, the protestor 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 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 in the Operations Reception area at 925 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 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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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 05/09/2023 at 09:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MID-LEBURG, 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.

4M2DV11W6RDJ45040 1994 MERC
1HGJ7128XL039957 1999 HOND
1J8GX48S02C165323 2002 JEEP
4A3AC44G42E081646 2002 MITS
1D7HA16KX3J653485 2003 DODG
JNKC5V4E6S5M410365 2005 INFI
5NMSG13D58H180838 2008 HYUN
YS3FB46V781124838 2008 SAA

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

FILE NO. 2023-CP-151

DIVISION B

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JOHN MICHAEL WARD, DECEASED.

The administration of the estate of John Michael Ward, deceased, whose date of death was January 16, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, 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 PUB-

LICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

First publication occurred on April 6, 2023.

Alison E. Hickman
Attorney for Petitioner
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1218 Cactus Cut Road
Middleburg, FL 32068
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Orange Park, FL 32065
Phone: 904-606-2181
Ashlee M. Hanko, Personal Representative

4365 Augusta Court
Bettendorf, IA 52722

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No. 2022-CP-586

Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF JEANNIE P. ALDERMAN Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Jeanie P. Alderman, deceased, whose date of death was March 8, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. 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 April 6, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Todd W. Henry
Attorney for Margye Jessica Winslow
Florida Bar No. 0077003
1555 Kingsley Avenue, Ste 405 Orange Park, Florida 32073
Telephone: (904) 264-6776 Fax:(904)269-3354

Personal Representative:
Margye Jessica Winslow
3010 Hidden Oaks Dr.
Middleburg, FL 32068

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No. 2122-CP-587

Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT GRAHAM ALDERMAN Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Robert Graham Alderman, deceased, whose date of death was January 25, 2021 is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. 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 m115t 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 DECEDENTS DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is April 6, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Todd W. Henry
Attorney for Margye Jessica Winslow
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1555 Kingsley Avenue, Ste 405 Orange Park, Florida 32073
Telephone: (904) 264-6776
Fax: (904) 269-3354

Personal Representative:
Margye Jessica Winslow
3010 Hidden Oaks Dr.
Middleburg, FL 32068

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CIVIL DIVISION:

CASE NO.: 2022-CA-001163-XXXX

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST 2021-R1, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2021-R1, Plaintiff,

vs.

DANIEL THIBEAULT; TAMMY THIBEAULT; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to **Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 22nd day of March 2023, and entered in Case No. 2022-CA-001163-XXXX**, of the Circuit Court of the 4TH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST 2021-R1, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2021-R1 is the Plaintiff and DANIEL THIBEAULT TAMMY THIBEAULT UNKNOWN TENANT; and IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants.

TARA S. GREEN as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at <https://clay.realforeclose.com/> at, **10:00 AM on the 8th day of May 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 31 WESTWOOD ROAD SOUTH A PART OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 34; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEG. 15 MIN. 00 SEC. EAST ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAJD SECTION 34, A DISTANCE OF 1000 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEG. 36 MIN. 00 SEC. EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1090.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEG. 36 MIN. 00 SEC. EAST A DISTANCE OF 160 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEG. 15 MIN. 00 SEC. WEST TO THE CENTERLINE OF THAT CERTAIN EASEMENT DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 532, PAGE 499 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID EASEMENT TO A POINT LYING SOUTH 00 DEG. 15 MIN. 00 SEC. WEST OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEG. 15 MIN. 00 SEC. EAST TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at 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.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2023.

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: Leigh Lurocy
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ROBIN ALAN FEISER, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 946/2019
Legal Description: LOT 15 BLK 109 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 2009 PG 238
Parcel ID No.: 160823-004491-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,710.22
Physical Address: 7080 SMITH ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: HIGHRIDGE DEV GROUP INC
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 31st day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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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. 2022CA000832

REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF THERESA ANDREWS, 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 DAWN ANDREWS A/K/A DAWN ANTIONETTE KELLER, 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:

A PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, OF JOHN AND ESTEARAH COLLIER; STARTING AT A POINT ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE STATE ROAD S -230-A AS THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE JOHN AND ESTEARAH COLLIER PROPERTY AND RUNNING FORTY (40) FEET NORTH TO SAID CORNER FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUNNING NORTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 380.0 FEET, MORE OR LESS, THENCE WEST A DISTANCE OF 229.66 FEET, MORE OR LESS; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 380.3 FEET, MORE OR LESS; THEN EAST, A DISTANCE OF 235.25 FEET MORE OR LESS 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 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 29th day of March, 2023.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

BY: Gracie Moore
DEPUTY CLERK

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

FILE NO.: 2022 CP 000676

DIVISION: A

IN RE: ESTATE OF DONALD FRED LEWIS, SR., Deceased.

The administration of the estate of **DONALD FRED LEWIS, SR.,** deceased, whose date of death was May 29, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court **WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER**

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is April 6, 2023.

JOHN DAVID HORNE

Fla. Bar No.: 10240783478 Red Oak Circle East

1845 East West Parkway, Suite 18Orange Park, Florida 32073

Fleming Island, Florida 32003 (904) 264-0585 – Phone

(904) 264-1714 – Fax

Jhorne@fdhattorneys.com – Primary

CPerryman@fdhattorneys.com.com – Secondary

Attorney for the Personal Representative

DONALD FRED LEWIS, JR.

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Orange Park, Florida, 32073

Personal Representative

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RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2021CA000848

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

NESTOR LAUZURIQUE, SR., ALMA J LAUZURIQUE ET AL.,

DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reset Foreclosure Sale Date, dated the March 15, 2023, and entered in Case No. 2021CA000848, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Freedom Mortgage Corporation is the Plaintiff and ALMA J LAUZURIQUE and UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are Defendants.

Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com at 10:00 a.m. on the 17th day of May 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 5, 6, 19 AND 20, BLOCK 5, OF THE TOWN OF LAKE GENEVA, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 38, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO, THOSE CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND LYING BETWEEN THE SOUTH SIDE OF LOTS 5 AND 6 DESCRIBED ABOVE AND THE SHORES OF LAKE GENEVA, AND THE PARCEL OF LAND LYING BETWEEN THE NORTH SIDE OF SAID LOTS 5 AND 6 AND THE SOUTH SIDE OF LOTS 19 AND 20 DESCRIBED ABOVE.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED.

IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods:

Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net.

Dated this 24th day of March, 2023.

Tara S. Green

Clerk of The Circuit Court

By: Rebecca Crews

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

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

CASE# 10-2022-DR-002190-AXXX-XX

Division F

Lisa Marie Williams

Petitioner

and

Deangilo L. Williams

Respondent.

TO: Deangilo Williams

1454 Orange Circle South, Orange Park,

FL 32073

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Divorce has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Lisa Marie Williams whose address is 1059 Amber Court, Orange Park, FL 32065, on or before May 7, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North 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: March 22, 2023.

Tara S. Green

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Dominique Clark

Deputy Clerk

Legal 63045 Published 3/30/2023, 4/6/2023, 4/13/2023 and 4/30/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: COINWISE 01 LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 3533/2017

Legal Description: LOT 7 BLK 29 N S GCS EX PT TO FREEMAN

Parcel ID No.: 380626-017844-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$4,827.83

Physical Address: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR BLVD , GREEN COVE SPRINGS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: JAMES R FOSTER HEIRS C/O ANGELINE WOOTEN

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Jewel Baskin

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ROGER BAUGH, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 3263/2016

Legal Description: LOT 3 & 4 BLK 9 FLEMING ISLAND ESTATES AS REC O R 1573 PG 165

Parcel ID No.: 380526-014833-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$9,092.44

Physical Address: FLEMING ST , FLEMING ISLAND

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: CARMAN P PARMAN

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MARK H FINK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 289/2016

Legal Description: LOT 17 WOODLAND ACRES AS REC O R 2100 PG 253

Parcel ID No.: 160823-001039-003-03

Opening Bid Amount: \$4,046.21

Physical Address: 7195 GAS LINE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: MARY W WHEELER

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MARK H FINK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 890/2016

Legal Description: LOT 20 BLK 97

HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2588 PG 530

Parcel ID No.: 210823-004271-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$1,902.80

Physical Address: 7156 DUKE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: SUZE OPONT

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MARK H FINK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 666/2016

Legal Description: LOT 1 BLK 23 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 736 PG 11

Parcel ID No.: 200823-002746-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$1,902.80

Physical Address: 6371 BELOIT AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: JAMES R MCALOON

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 7th day of June, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MARK H FINK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 4161/2016

Legal Description: LOTS 3 & 4 BLK K LAKE HILLCRES AS REC O R 2577 PG 1092

Parcel ID No.: 030923-021968-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$3,172.02

Physical Address: SWAN LAKE , MEL-ROSE

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: ASSURANCE INVESTMENTS LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MARK H FINK, the holder of the following certificate has filed said

certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 289/2016

Legal Description: LOT 17 WOODLAND ACRES AS REC O R 2100 PG 253

Parcel ID No.: 160823-001039-003-03

Opening Bid Amount: \$4,046.21

Physical Address: 7195 GAS LINE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL

Name in which assessed: MARY W WHEELER

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2023

TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

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TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadeo

Deputy Clerk

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REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, April 24, 2023, for the following:

RFB NO. 22/23-48, Sidewalk Replacement for the Community Disaster Block Grant Entitlement Program

This is a Federally Funded Project under Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Tuesday, April 25, 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 Administration Building, Conference Room "B", Fourth Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida, on April 07, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Proposals require a five (5%) percent bid bond and may not be withdrawn after the scheduled opening time for a period of thirty (30) days. The term bid bond shall include bonds or cashier or certified checks payable to the County. The solicitation package is available at: HTTPS://PROCUREMENT.OPENG.OV.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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LAKES AT BELLA LAGO 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 Lakes at Bella Lago Community Development District ("District") intends to use the

Legal Description: LOT 5 & 7 BLK 268 FELLOWSHIP PARK
Parcel ID No.: 330526-021172-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,179.14
Physical Address: RIVERS RD , GREEN COVE SPRINGS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: LOUIS LIEBL (HEIRS)
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 61939 Published 3/23/2023, 3/30/2023, 4/6/2023 and 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJEN-DRA INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 2509/2020
Legal Description: PT OF N 500' OF GOV LOT 2 S35T4R25 AS REC O R 2438 PG 1681 & 2577 PG 1897
Parcel ID No.: 350425-008230-020-01
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,037.35
Physical Address: BRICKYARD , MID-DLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: NICHOLE M KIRKPATRICK
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 61928 Published 3/23/2023, 3/30/2023, 4/6/2023 and 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJEN-DRA INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 2170/2020
Legal Description: LOT 96 BLK 5 FLA FRONTIER REPLAT UNIT 1 AS REC O R 2602 PG 1846 & 2976 PG 113
Parcel ID No.: 240823-007361-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,328.63
Physical Address: 5423 LAREDO ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: ROACHNIE MOHAMED
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ROBIN ALAN FEISER-FEISER INVESTMENT GROUP LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 881/2018
Legal Description: LOT 8 BLK 100 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3440 PG 1014
Parcel ID No.: 160823-004321-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,362.34
Physical Address: 6227 NORTHWEST-ERN AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CARTER LARRY GLASS JR
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2023-DR-000433
IN RE: THE INTEREST OF VALIENA NICHOLE HORN and, KAYLEE ANN HORN, Minor Children,
ANNALISA M. PHILLIPS, Petitioner, and KENNETH ELLSWORTH HORN, Respondent.
TO: KENNETH ELLSWORTH HORN
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you, and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Annalisa M. Phillips, c/o VeRonica R. Owens, Esq., whose address is 189 S Lawrence Blvd, Keystone Heights, FL 32656, on or before 30 days from the 1st day of publication, and file the original with the Clerk of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, Florida, 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 Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address 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: March 16, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN,
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case # 2023CA000232
THOMAS P. HAYS LIVING TRUST
EDWIN K. MARTIN LIVING TRUST
Plaintiff,
vs.
MARZ LORD & YAN HUO and any

person claiming by through or under n named Defendants & WORLD O WORLD CORPORATION
Defendants
TO: MARZ LORD & YAN HUO and any person claiming by through or under named Defendants.
YOUR ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint to Quiet a Tax Title has been filed against you in the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses to it, if any, to: Kevin Monahan
Attorney for Plaintiff
PO Box 2682
Palatka, FL 32178
(386)538-9935
on or before 30 days from 1st day of publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, at the Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; or a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.
WITNESS my hand and Seal of this Court on March 13, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE COURT
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 61048 Published 3/23/2023, 3/30/2023, 4/6/2023 and 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Island Life Mailboxes and Flags** located at 1856 Indian River Drive, 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 10th day of April 2023.
John W Stangle

Legal 65046 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ZONING ATLAS CHANGE ZON-0123-00002

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, both hearings taking place in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs, Florida. The proposed ordinance is entitled:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III OF THE CLAY COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, KNOWN AS THE ZONING AND LAND USE LDRS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 93-16, AS AMENDED, PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY (TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS 05-05-26-014197-000-00, 06-05-26-014234-000-00, and 05-05-26-014204-000-00) FROM THEIR PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF AR (AGRICULTURAL/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO PS-3 (PRIVATE SERVICES); PROVIDING A DESCRIPTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
The proposed ordinance would change the current zoning classification on approximately 9.56 acres from AR (Agricultural/Residential District) to PS-3 (Private Services) on the following land:
Location Address for ZON-0123-00002
Tax Parcel Identification Numbers 05-05-26-014197-000-00, 06-05-26-014234-000-00, and 05-05-26-014204-000-00
Interested parties may appear at the hearings and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. After the public hearings the Board may take immediate action on the proposed ordinance, or may continue its deliberations to a date, time and place then announced without publishing further notice thereof. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection by the public at the Clay County 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. 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 hearings or at any subsequent hearing 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 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).
Board of County Commissioners

Legal 65044 Published 4/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

CREEKVIEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR HYLAND TRAIL APF ROAD LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO OPEN PROPOSALS Clay County, Florida

Creekview Community Development District ("District" or "CDD"), located in Clay County, Florida, hereby announces that it is soliciting proposals to provide labor, materials, equipment and installation services necessary for the District's landscape project (**the "Project"**). The Project primarily consists of the installation of landscape material and related improvements located on the Hyland Trail APF Road. The Project is more particularly described in the project manual ("**Project Manual"**), which includes the plans and specifications for the Project. The District is a special purpose unit of local government established under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of financing, acquiring, constructing, installing, operating and maintaining community infrastructure improvements within the District.
To be eligible to submit a proposal, and in addition to any other requirements set forth in the Project Manual, an interested firm must hold all required local, state and federal licenses in good standing and be authorized to do business in Clay County and the State of Florida. **TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT.**
The Project Manual, consisting of the instructions to Proposers, contract forms, Proposal forms, and other materials, will be available upon request from **Alek Schroeder at England-Thims & Miller, Inc.** and are expected to be available beginning **April 13, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.** The District reserves the right in its sole discretion to make changes to the Project Manual up until the Proposal Deadline (defined herein), and to provide notice of such changes only to those Proposers who have picked up a bid package. Firms desiring to provide services for this Project must submit one (1) original and one (1) electronic copy (PDF format and all documents included on a USB flash drive) of the required Proposal no later than **May 12, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.** ("**Proposal Deadline"**), at the offices of **England-Thims & Miller, Inc.**, as referenced above, with electronic copies to Scott Wild, District Engineer, at wilds@etmnc.com, Ernesto Torres, District Manager, at torrese@whhassociates.com and Jennifer Kilinski, District Counsel, at jennifer@cddlawyers.com. Proposals shall be in the form provided in the Project Manual and submitted in

a sealed envelope, marked with a notation "RESPONSE TO PROPOSAL FOR CREEKVIEW CDD HYLAND TRAIL APF ROAD LANDSCAPE INSTALLATION." The District reserves the right to return unopened to the Proposer any Proposals received after the time and date stipulated above. Each Proposal shall remain binding for a minimum of sixty (60) days after the Proposal opening.
Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria included in the Project Manual. **The District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, make modifications to the work, award the contract in whole or in part with or without cause, and waive minor or technical irregularities in any Proposal, as it deems appropriate, and if the District determines in its discretion that it is in the District's best interests to do so.** Any protest of the Project Manual, including, but not limited to the terms and specifications, must be filed with the District within 72 hours of the receipt of the Project Manual, together with a protest bond in a form acceptable to the District and in the amount of \$100,000. In the event the protest is successful, the protest bond shall be refunded to the protestor. In the event the protest is unsuccessful, the protest bond shall be applied towards the District's costs, expenses and attorney's fees associated with hearing and defending the protest. Failure to timely file a protest, or failure to timely post a protest bond, will result in a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, and other law.
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING TO OPEN PROPOSALS
Pursuant to Section 255.0518, Florida Statutes, the proposals will be publicly opened at a special meeting of the District to be held at the Proposal Deadline at the offices of **England-Thims & Miller, Inc., located at 14775 Old St. Augustine Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32258.** The purpose of the special meeting will be to announce the names of the proposers and pricing. No decisions of the District's Board of Supervisors ("**Board"**) will be made at that time. A copy of the agenda for the meeting can be obtained from Ernesto Torres, District Manager, at torrese@whhassociates.com. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The meeting may be continued in progress without additional notice to a time, date, and location stated on the record.
Any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the District Office at 877-276-0889, at least 48 hours before the meetings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office.
Any and all questions relative to this Request for Proposals, the Project or the special meeting shall be directed in writing by e-mail only to **Ryan Clark, ETM Director of Landscape Architect at clarkr@etmnc.com, Alek Schroeder, ETM Project Manager, at schroedera@etmnc.com, Ernesto Torres, District Manager, at torrese@whhassociates.com and Jennifer Kilinski, District Counsel, at jennifer@cddlawyers.com. No phone inquiries please.**
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJEN-DRA INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 348/2020
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 36 BIG TREE LAKES SEC A AS REC O R 2643 PG 1519
Parcel ID No.: 140823-001437-323-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,557.10
Physical Address: 5518 LASSEN ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CLIFTON G MATTHEWS
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed

according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **17th day of May, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 20th day of March, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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