



Ryan Allen's fireworks shows, like this one, include a spectacular finish. The Green Cove Springs resident is one of a very few pyrotechnics in North Florida who specializes in big shows like at RiverFest in Spring Park.

Fourth of July:

A day of rest for fireworks technician

After working three private shows, GCS's Allen will take time off on Indepen-

By Don Coble don@claytodayonline.com

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – While most will be gazing skyward to watch fire-

works on the Fourth of July, Ryan Allen plans on relaxing with his feet up while hamburgers sizzle on the grill a few steps away.

He's had a close view of fireworks

shows most of his life, so the last thing he wants to do is take time away from his unexpected and much-needed time off

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Florida tweaks concealed carry law, eliminates classes, permits

By Don Coble don@claytodayonline.com

CLAY COUNTY – The only aspect of Florida's new carry and conceal law that changed on July 1 anyone with a lawfully-owned firearm no longer needs

to get a permit. And with the requirement of a permit being eliminated, gun owners aren't required to complete a firearm training class.



"Of course, we still recom-

mend everyone learns how to use a firearm," said Green Cove Springs Police Chief E.J. Guzman. "You don't need a permit, but you really should take a class."

There have been some confusing messages about the new law. It does not allow anyone to carry a weapon openly. Where a firearm is concealed and where they are permitted hasn't changed, Orange Park Police Lt. Cody Monroe said.

"My only suggestion to all those who decide they

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Former Orange Park Mayor Edna Griffith Greenewalt honored by town

By Lee Wardlaw

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ORANGE PARK – Residents crowded town hall last Friday to honor the service of former mayor Edna Griffith Greenewalt.

Several keynote speakers headlined the event, including Town Manager Sarah Campbell, who reflected on Edna's history and accomplishments in Orange Park, and her rise to power in local government.

Edna moved to Orange Park in 1965 with her husband, Capers, and their two children. She worked in several professions, including under attorney David Lewis and as a federal purchasing agent. She volunteered for the United Way of Orange Park, served on the town's Allocations and Charter Review Committees, and much more.

Greenewalt was elected as the first woman on the town council in 1992, defeating Harold Rymer by 20 votes.

She then became the town's first woman mayor from 1994-1995.

During her time in office, the formation of the Dudley Branch Task Force related

to flooding, the opening of the Orange Park Senior Center and the construction of a new Town Hall building were among her accomplishments.

"I think it's wonderful that we're pausing today to recognize Edna for her contributions in the community and to mark the pioneering role she played for women in local government here," Campbell said.

The next speaker was a close friend and confidant of Greenewalt's, Dee Talty. The pair bonded over the game of bridge long ago. Talty told Greenewalt how much she loved the public walking, running and biking path on River Road bordering St. Johns River, which she had strolled down for 10 years.

At that moment, Greenewalt let her friend in on a little secret: she was once the town's mayor, and establishing the sidewalk was one of her shining accomplishments in office.

"So I said, 'This is wonderful. Somebody really needs to show some appreciation (for making) this possible for so many of us. For me and everybody that walks down



STAFF PHOTO BY LEE WARDLAW

Councilman Doug Benefield, Vice Mayor Susana Thompson, Town Manager Sarah Campbell, and Town Manager Sarah Campbell stand at the podium to honor former first female councilwoman and mayor Edna Griffith Greenewalt. Her work to establish a public walking path by the St. Johns River was one of her biggest accomplishments in office, and her friend Dee Talty was monumental in helping get the plaque project off the ground.

there, it's therapeutic, not only physically, but mentally, and for people living alone. That's the only contact you have with other human beings, even if it's just saying hello when you're walking by," she said.

Plans to honor her accomplishments became a reality last week when a plaque was placed at the intersection of Kingsley and River roads.

Greenewalt also spoke, reflecting on her time in office, which was highlighted by the creation of the sidewalk.

"(Capers) wanted me to run. That was one of his goals, and he thought I had the knowledge and ability to do it. I never envisioned myself in public office, but I enjoyed it, and it was my pleasure to get the (sidewalk project) done," she said.

Nearly 150 new laws now on books in Florida

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – One of the most productive legislative sessions in Florida history resulted in nearly 150 new laws – most of which took effect on Friday, July 1.

Gov. Ron DeSantis signed the \$116.5 billion budget on June 15, which included nearly \$54.3 million for Clay County projects

The budget included record spending, which was offset by unexpectedly higher state tax revenues and federal stimulus money. It also included \$2.7 billion in tax relief for families dealing with high inflation

Some of the new laws included:

- The creation of a series of sales tax holidays for back-to-school clothes and supplies.
- The "Stop WOKE Act" that restricts how race-related concepts are taught in schools and training classes.
- Replacing the Florida Standards Assessments testing with three exams each year.
- Created a 12-year term limit on school board members.



The recent legislative session included several changes to the state's education programs, including the requirement of financial literacy classes and making library material more age appropriate.

- Prohibiting sexual orientation and gender identity studies from kindergarten-through-third grade. It also requires instruction to be age appropriate in older grades.
- Requires state universities and colleges to re-evaluate accreditation and tenures of professors at the end of each accreditation cycle.
 - Requires financial literacy be taught

in high school.

- Prevents abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy
- Expands the authority of physicians to prescribe controlled substances through telemedicine
- Offers \$5,000 bonuses for law enforcement offers and other first responders
- Dissolved Walt Disney Company's Reedy Creek Improvement District and five other districts in the state as the result of Disney's opposition to laws about gender identity and sexual orientation.
- Prohibits municipalities from making payments related to ransomware attacks.
- Expands the ability of minors to have their criminal records expunged if they complete a diversion program, as long as they weren't involved in a forcible felony that includes the manufacturing, purchase, transport, possession or use of firearms.
- Requires landlords to complete background checks of all employees.
- Requires special training for school librarians and media specialists who select library material to ensure they are "age appropriate."



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Ridgeview earns \$5,000 Rachael Ray ProStart Grow Grant

High school one of only 40 nationally to get rare award from TV star

By Kayden Zamor For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – Ridgeview High was honored with a grant from the Rachael Ray Foundation's ProStart Grow Grant to help the school improve its student experience and update its curriculum, classroom supplies, and educational opportunities for its culinary students.

More than 1,850 schools from 40 states representing nearly 165,000 students, participate in the program. Ridgeview was one of only 40 schools nationwide with a \$5,000 grant.

"The culinary program will benefit heavily from this

grant, allowing us to purchase a new refrigerator and buy more pasta," said culinary instructor Amy LaPierra.

Rachael Rav

LaPierra and two students were asked to write a three-paragraph essay on why Ridgeview should be considered. LaPierra said trying to condense so much information into three paragraphs was no easy





task

"This is huge for the culinary department. This will help us greatly for years to come" she said



Culinary students at Ridgeview will benefit with additional resources and supplies after earning a \$5,000 grant from the television food star.

According to the foundation, ProStart, a two-year technical education program focused on culinary arts and restaurant management who are closely connected to industry experts through guest speakers, class mentors, tours of local facilities, student competitions, and more — all to ensure the real-world experience is brought directly to the classroom. ProStart students finish the program ready to join the workforce and make an immediate impact in restaurants and food service.

Funding from RRF will allow schools to

upgrade or purchase new resources, build up their classrooms in preparation for return to school, and support teachers with whatever they need to help their students learn career-building skills.

"We are optimistic that these grants will give teachers some fresh opportunities to capture the imagination of their students and teach them why our industry is a place where they can build a career," Ray said.

Ridgeview was one of five schools selected from Florida.





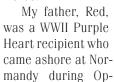
Bean: Why I voted in favor of Fiscal Responsibility Act

By Aaron Bean

U.S. Representative (R-District 4)

Everyone loves a winner. They love seeing someone reach for the stars and get everything they want. The phrase, "If you don't try, you can never succeed," comes to mind. It's important, life-changing. My eight siblings and I grew up living that

principle – passed down from our parents. And to-day, and every day, I look back on my childhood and draw inspiration from those life-altering words.





Aaron Bean

eration Overlord. While in France, he was wounded by enemy gunfire but survived. He later returned home to attend Western Kentucky University on the GI Bill. That's where he met my mother, Joan. At WKU, Dad joined the football team and quickly caught the attention of NFL recruits with his athleticism and skill.

After graduating, he was offered the opportunity of a lifetime to try out for the Chicago Bears. As a football fan, I can't imagine the excitement he must have felt at the chance to play in the NFL! But he was also offered a teaching job and assistant football coach position at Fernandina Beach High School in Florida. As a husband and father, he had a choice to make.

Teaching was a sure thing, but in football there are no guarantees. So, dad went with the sure thing. I spent many years thinking about that great opportunity before realizing it wasn't right. When my parents loaded everything they owned in a borrowed station wagon and started a new life in Florida, they never dreamed of the impact that one decision could have on their lives and the Fernandina Beach community. As teachers, my parents touched the lives of countless children who grew up to be visionaries, leaders, and world changers. That one decision had a lasting impact that reached far beyond my parents and our family.

Like my father must have felt, I want to take that tryout. I want to go for everything and get that seemingly huge win. I want every possible spending reduction and all the conservative policies that Republicans have been fighting for this Congress.

Governing in a divided government is not easy – people have different priorities – that's negotiation. I am here in Congress

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OPINIONS



Trying to sort through official symbols of intrigue

By Don Coble Managing Editor

Our state has such a sweet tooth we now have an official state dessert and a state pie. Strawberry shortcake became our dessert on July 1, joining key lime pie as the official pie, which earned its designation in 2006.

For me, it's impossible to pick just one, so I will honor both. It's my duty as a resident.

At the same time, I'm thankful I'm not in Nebraska, where Kool-Aid is the official beverage. And if you need another reason to consider



Don Coble

Indiana boring, that state's official drink is water.

If you dig deep enough, you can find

a lot of quirky symbols states like to embrace.

For example, Louisana is the only

state with an official doughnut – the beignet – and Tennessee has 10 official state songs, including "Tennessee Waltz" and "Rocky Top,"

Did you know John Denver performed two songs that became state symbols – "Take Me Home, Country Road" for West Virginia and "Rocky Mountain High" for Colorado?

Despite being home to Whitney Houston, Frank Sinatra, Bon Jovi and Bruce Springsteen, New Jersey is the only state that doesn't have a state song.

Wouldn't s"Born to Run" liven up any state gathering?

And you can't make this up: "Hang on Sloopy" by the McCoys is the official song of Ohio.

Massachusetts has seven state songs, all divided by genre. "Say Hello to Someone in Massachusetts" represents Polkas and "The Great State of Massachusetts" is for glee clubs. Oddly enough, the Bee Gees' "Massachusetts" didn't make the list. Maybe it's because they're from Redcliffe, Australia, and don't eat wicked clam bellies.

While we're at it, none of the top three performers from Tennessee sing country music songs. Even with Nashville being the home of the country industry, No. 1-selling artist Anna Mae Bullock — also known as Tina Turner — was born in Brownsville. Second-place Miley Cyrus is from Franklin, followed by Memphis' Justin Timberlake in third.

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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.

Manchet: (MAN-chut) a noun that means a fresh loaf of bread.

"Nancy used a recipe from an old English cookbook to make the manchet loaf."

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- Trumaine Muller's first-degree murder trial moves to federal court after a grand jury indicted him for selling a lethal dose of fentanyl to an Orange Park student.
- Candidate Lucy A. Hoover said she will appeal Seventh Judicial Circuit Court's ruling that she be removed from the county court ballot because she didn't file her election documents on time.
- Officials from several law enforcement, emergency management, fire rescue and the school district meet at Ridgeview High to create plans to respond to an active shooter.

10 years ago, 2013

- Opponents vow to continue to fight plans for an asphalt plant near County Road 15A in Green Cove Springs, despite the county commission's unanimous vote to approve the plant's rezoning request.
- Clay County Utility Authority said it will spend \$3.8 million to upgrade water meters.
- The Town of Orange Park and Northeast Florida Public Employees' Local 630 union agree to new terms after two months of negotiations.

20 years ago, 2003

- Highland Games Association's Richard Gordon announced his organization was moving their Scottish Games to the Clay County Fairgrounds.
- County Commissioners are tasked with finding a way to plug an expected \$3.6 million budget shortfall.
- Jason Elijah Bird is arrested in connection of at least nine arson incidents in the Eagle Harbor development.

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Send us a letter ...

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Opinions ...

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Symbols

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The top-selling country star is Kenny Chesney of Knoxville at No. 4. Before you say Elvis Presley, remember he was born in Tupelo, Mississippi.

In case you were wondering, according to Brilliant Maps, the Backstreet Boys are the top-selling artists from Florida, while Jim Morrison's The Doors are second and Tom Petty is third.

Meanwhile, Vermont lists maple as its official flavor, and California's official fabric is denim.

One great way to win a couple of dollars in a bet is to ask someone to identify the two official mascots of Auburn University. No, they're wrong. It's not Tigers and War Eagles. It's Tigers and Plainsmen. War Eagle is the battle cry, not the mascot.

However, it should be no surprise that chili is the official food of Texas and coal is the official rock of West Virginia.

State nicknames often don't match the facts, either.

What seemed odd at first is peach pie is considered the official dessert of Delaware. Then you learn California. South Carolina and New Jersey each grow more peaches than Georgia, the Peach State.

Although Nebraska is known as the Cornhusker State, more corn is grown in Iowa and Illinois. Louisiana has more alligators, and California has more oranges than Florida. But on the flip side, Florida has the most golf courses (more than 1,250) than any other state, and we're essentially tied with California for the most pickleball courts (the numbers change

Speaking of pickleball, according to the Sports and Fitness Industry Association, biking and running are the only two sports with greater participation rates for adults. And since you can burn as many as 350 calories in a 30-minute game, you can burn a big piece of strawberry shortcake and a slice of key lime pie at the same time.

College News

Endicott gets master's degree at UT-Martin

MARTIN, Tenn. – Middlebury's Joshua Tanner Endicott received his master's degree from the University of Tennessee at

Endicott received a Master of Sport Coach and Performance degree.

UT Martin is a comprehensive regional institution in the University of Tennessee System offering 18 bachelor's degree programs and six master's degree programs. The main campus in northwest Tennessee is one of five primary UT campuses. For more information, visit utm.edu.

Zivkovic earns master's degree at Georgia State

ATLANTA - Nicholas Zivkovic, of Fleming Island, earned a Master of Science degree in Sport Administration from Georgia State University.

More than 4,000 students graduated from Georgia State University during the spring 2023 semester at the associate's, bachelor's, master's, specialist and doctoral levels.

Georgia State University, an enterprising urban public research university. is a national leader in graduating students from widely diverse backgrounds.

Googe earns degree from **University of Mississippi**

UNIVERSITY, Miss. – Fleming Island's Courtney Googe was among the more than 3.100 students who earned their degrees from the University of Mississippi in May 2023.

Googe, who majored in Integrated

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Bean

because you gave me the honor to take on tough battles and make bold choices.

President Biden refused to negotiate for 97 days, and we were presented with only three options: raise the debt ceiling without any meaningful spending changes, default on America's obligations, or the Fiscal Responsibility Act.

Candidly, I hate that our negotiated debt ceiling agreement doesn't go far enough, but at some point, you are in a situation like my parents, and you take the

American people want, need, and deserve a sensible solution to address our soaring national debt. But to change the trajectory, we need to change how Washington operates. In other words, it's time to load up the station wagon and make a decision that puts us on a different path the Fiscal Responsibility Act. This bill isn't perfect, but it does represent a bold first step in the right direction to get our fiscal house in order and revive the American Dream.

That's why I voted in favor of American history's largest spending reduction package. We are cutting \$2.1 trillion from the federal budget, and for the first time in over a decade, Congress will spend less money next year than this year. But that's

This bill includes permitting reforms, so we can build roads, bridges, and pipelines faster to get America moving again. By simplifying the process, we will produce more oil and natural gas to restore our energy independence. We will get Americans back to work by enacting new work requirements for able-bodied adults on welfare. We will claw back \$28 billion in unspent COVID funds and increase funding for our national security and defense priorities. And we are doing all of this without raising taxes.

You sent me to Washington to reduce government spending, which remains my top priority. There is plenty more work to be done, and as we work to build on these structural policies, vou can be confident that I'm committed to the fight.

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CLUES ACROSS 1. Small deer

- 4. Khoikhoi peoples
- 9. South African statesman
- 14. Keyboard key
- 15. Remove
- 16. A conspicuous constellation 17. Data executive
- 18. Retired NASCAR driver
- 20. Tightens 22. A picture of the Virgin Mary 23. "The Mission" actor Jeremy
- 24. Confidently
- 28. More (Spanish)
 29. Sports highlight show (abbr.)
- 30. Hand out cards 31. Distinctive Asian antelope
- 33. Arabic greeting 37. Of I
- 38. Hip hop trio
- 39. Meat roll
- 41. One's mother (Brit.) -GYN
- 43. Belgian city
- 44. Plucks
- 46. Leak slowly
- 49. Denotes a particular region 50. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 51. Divides

- 58. Inland Empire Expanded
- Learning Symposium 59. Engaged in conflict
- 60. Former CBS sportscaster 64. Characterized by unity
- 65. Working-class
- 66. Corners
- _ de plume
- 68. Influential French artist
- 69. "Very" in musical terms 70. Financial account

CLUES DOWN

- Long, flat abdominal muscles
 Small Eurasian willow
- 3. Justified in terms of profitability 4. Required
- 5. River that starts in Turkey
- 6. Disfigure A way of communicating (abbr.)
- 8. Leaks slowly
- 9. Shady place under trees

- 10. Made a speech
- 11. Long, angry speech
- 12. Mortar trough
- 13. Autonomic nervous system 19. Southern India island
- 21. Grab quickly
- 24. Ancient Mesopotamian city
- 25. With three uneven sides

- 26. Football visionary Hunt
- 27. Primordial matters 31. Facing towards the flow of a
- glacier 32. "A Delicate Balance" writer
- 34. Emits coherent radiation
- 35. Commercial
- 36. Groups of foot bones 40. Out of print
- 41. Partner to cheese
- 45. German river
- 47. Concluding speech
- 48. Spanish dish
- 52. Prominent California cape
- Point 53. Any high mountain
- 54. Ethiopian lake
- 56. Mr.
- 57. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues 59. Large, flightless bird 60. Oil industry term (abbr.)

- 61. Something one can draw
- 62. Officers in charge
- 63. Greek island

History

other animals.

30 years ago, 1993

• The Green Cove Springs City Council agrees to extend a curfew for juveniles un-

to increased trash collection fees by 75

• The Clay County Sheriff's Office and

Florida Department of Health and Reha-

bilitative Services remove three children

from a home where they were found living

in a chicken house with cats, rabbits and

• The Orange Park Town Council votes

til Dec. 31.

40 years ago, 1983

- The list of applicants for the county administrator's job is pared from 97 to 11 by BCC members Talmadge Bennett and Dale Wilson.
- Sheriff Jennings Murrhee said his agency cracked a six-county-wide burglary ring that also included conspiracy to commit murder and a plan to help a Tennessee state prison inmate escape.
- Linda Strickland represented Clay County at the 1984 Miss Florida pageant.

Jim Hughes retires after 48 years at St. Catherine's Church piano

Longtime musical director plans to travel, worship in free time

By Kyla Woodard For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – For Jim Hughes, music is a way of life, a melody that brings an inner peace inside of him that he can't shake.

"That is when I feel closest to God and to the Lord. That is also when I feel closest to my faith community here. To be able to lead them in song," Jim Hughes said.

From a young age, Hughes has been spreading his gift throughout the walls of St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, leaving a lasting mark on those around him

But, after 48 years, Jim Hughes is saying goodbye to his special spot in front of the piano. Packing up his once-busy office and giving a final farewell as the devoted music director that changed the sounds of music from what it had always been.

As Hughes retires from his long-running position, he leaves a legacy that will be hard to replace.

His strong ties with the church began back in 1975. With his father in the military, Hughes said his family had transferred to Orange Park, near the church. Hughes said it was always a tradition for his family to find a Catholic church to be a part of, wherever they were.

"We always, as a family, every Sunday, no matter where we were, we found a Catholic church if we were out of town and in the state. So, this is where our family started to attend," Hughes said.

Hughes said his mother introduced him to then pastor. Father Edward Rooney.

"We moved here at the end of July. By the first week in September, I was playing one of the masses," Hughes said.

With the church being new at the time, Hughes said he brought much of his knowledge to the then-small parish.

"They had a traditional choir, but they didn't have any more contemporary sound masses. So, that's what I brought to St. Catherine's first. And [I] introduced a lot of new music for them," Jim Hughes said.

Father Rooney said he remembered when he met Hughes for the first time. The retired pastor told at that moment; he knew Hughes was a force to be reckoned with.

"Shortly after he moved in, I heard him play the guitar and recognized his talents. We had a folk group going at the time, and I asked Jim if he could accept the folk group's leadership, and he willingly said yes," Father Rooney said.

Hughes said his leadership started with one mass. Every year he picked up more.



Jim Hughes will step away from the piano at St. Catherine's of Siena Catholic Church after playing there for 48 years. Hughes also worked as a teacher in Clay County.

That was mainly due to his dual dedication as an elementary-level Clay County school system teacher. In college, Hughes said education wasn't his plan. Initially studying music, some clashings with his music professors propelled his path in a different direction.

"I was starting not to like music, and music was too important in my life not to like it. So, I went into education," Hughes said.

Teaching for 37 years, when Hughes fi-

nally retired, he was able to become a fulltime music director at the church. He said he went from doing one mass to several every week.

Shelly Hughes witnessed her husband's transition into full-time music ministry. Shelly met Jim when they were both members of the church. Jim's musical talent remains influential in their story. So much so that Shelly said she is not sure they would've ever met without it.

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When Jim first became music director at the church, Shelly said it was around that time that she decided to audition for the choir. Due to circumstances, Shelly said the commitment didn't last.

However, her connection to Jim did. The two would go on to run into each other several times, but Shelly said she didn't think anything of it.

"It didn't stick in my head. Neither of us ... in our head," Shelly said.

The next time the two met was for a church retreat to Orlando. Shelly said Jim toted his guitar around and never went anywhere without it. On the way there, the entire van decided to sing commercial jingles to bypass the long ride.

Playing by ear, she said Jim entertained the entire bus with melodic tunes. However, she said one jingle was hard for everyone to remember.

"Right before we got to the Serendipity, we were stuck on the old Kentucky Fried Chicken commercial jingle and we couldn't figure it out," Shelly said.

After the group dispersed, she didn't see Jim again until her next break. Later, feeling an arm wrap around her shoulder, Shelly said she turned to see Jim leaning into her ear.

"He sang the commercial jingle for Kentucky Fried Chicken, 'Get a bucket of chicken', and I was like, 'Oh my God, I'm in love with this man,'" Shelly said.

Shelly said that since then, the couple has joked that Jim's singing and musicality brought the two together. Their story comes full circle with the two marrying in the church they first met.

All while being the renowned music director at St. Catherine's, Hughes found time to produce and write most of the songs performed. Hughes said he has written and produced many albums.

Hughes said that the joy he gets when performing his songs doesn't just come from the music but the reaction that comes with it. He said seeing the congregation sing along to the songs is different and fulfilling, especially for a Catholic church.

Hughes said that traditional Catholic churches are known for not having a lot of singing other than the choir. He said that in the past, because of the Latin language, the congregation couldn't follow along to prayers and songs unless they had a missel in front of them.

"Before 1965, when the mass was in Latin, there was not a lot of involvement. People came to church, but they sat there," Jim said.

However, Hughes and his music ushered in a new style of worship, including singing about social issues that plague the community, such as immigration and racism

"There was a lot of good music out at that time, but it wasn't as personal as some of the music that has been written in the last 50 years," Jim said.

Vincent Reilly, previously the Director

of Faith Formation at the church, has known Hughes for 15 years. He said that in working with him for so long, he has been able to witness firsthand the legacy that Hughes has built.

"He has a special talent for writing music that makes the congregation sing. He's been recognized by many of his peers over the years for that ability," Reilly said.

Jim's passion for music has never wavered but only made him stronger, even in the midst of adversity. As a double amputee, Jim continues to use God and music as an uplifting motivation to keep going.

In 2002, Jim lost his left leg due to a bone infection. Diagnosed with diabetes as a child, Jim said the condition slowed down the healing process, causing the infection to get worse.

In a later accident, while traveling, Jim said he dropped a battery pack on his foot, crushing three of four arteries. In turn, he had to make the difficult decision to amputate his other leg.

"When you lose a limb like this, a lot of people feel like their life is over. This one has been gone for well over 20 years, and it didn't slow me down," Jim said.

Adapting to his circumstances, Jim said he never gave up. Deacon Larry Hart said he remembered how quickly Jim returned to the church after his amputation

"A couple of weeks after he lost one of his limbs, he was back at the keyboard singing at mass. It was amazing," Hart said

Hart said his relationship with Jim left a lasting impact on his life. He said while at St. Catherine's, Jim sang at all three of his daughters' weddings. Hart said Jim leaving will be tough for the church to face.

"It's going to be a void. It will be a gap among our masses because he's been such a strong ... presence. It's sort of like we don't know how good we have it until it's gone," Hart said.

Jim said he hopes retiring will give him more time to travel with his wife. With having loads of responsibility as the music director, Jim said off days for him were sparse. However, with time on his hands, Jim plans to use it in fulfilling ways.

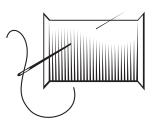
"I would like to be able just to relax and to do some traveling. I have six grandchildren, and three of them live here in the area. To spend more time with them, to watch them grow up. Those are the main things," Jim said.

As Jim lets go of his role, the church will not forget his legacy. And he said he would continue to be grateful for his time there and for the people he has been able to touch, not only as a music director but as a friend.

"I'm going to miss the community. Not just the physical grounds of St. Catherine's, but I'm going to miss the people. Being able to minister to them, to help lead them to have a better spirit-filled life with Christ," Jim said.



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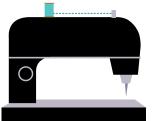
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Obituaries

ADC Paul B. Gonyon

ADC Paul B. Gonyon, 84, passed away peacefully at the Orange Park Moosehaven Schmitz Hospice on Wednesday, May 31st,

He was born in Burlington, Vermont on April 8th, 1939 to Edward and Dora (Kirby) Gonvon. He was predeceased by his wife. Leila Pauline (Hall), his sister Lorraine



(Wheel) of Burlington, VT, his brother Harold (Bozo) Gonyon, and his step-son Daniel Matthew Harper,

AVCM/USN-Retired.

Paul retired from the United States Navy as Chief Gonyon after 20 years of service. His career included working as a Flight Engineer in P-3's and as a mechanic on a variety of aircraft. His service in Vietnam as a P-3 Flight Engineer earned him Vietnam Service and Campaign Medals as well as an Air Medal (1 Strike). After retirement, he initially worked as a Deputy Clerk at the Clay County Courthouse. The pull of aviation ultimately brought him back to the Navy where he worked as an Estimator Planner for Jet Engines at the Naval Air Rework Facility in Jacksonville, FL until his retirement. He also ran a successful business on top of his Naval career, building Florida Rooms.

As a blended family, Papa loved his wife, Polly, dearly. He loved dancing with her, playing poker, and a good meal- especially a good hamburger. Always straight to the point, he will be remembered to all his sons, daughter, and immediate family as "The Chief" who guided us in our lives and assisted each of us in our careers, both in the Navy and in civilian life. He will be missed by all.

Chief Gonyon is survived by his children, sons James Anthony (Tony) Harper-Gonyon (Sherry), AW1/USN-Retired, Pastor Dr. Eric Gonyon (Jennifer), stepson Michael (Mike) Harper, LCDR/USN-Retired, daughter Tammy Lindley (James) and his two sisters: Sister Jeanne Gonyon of Beacon, NY, and Mona Vincent (Ronald) of Burlington. VT as well as and an extended blended family of 5 children, 13 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, 1 greatgreat-grandchild, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services for Paul B. Gonyon were held

at 10 a.m. on Tuesday. June 6, 2023 at Russel Haven of Rest, 2335 Sandridge Rd, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Interment will take place in the heritage cemetery onsite following services. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Navy & Marine Corp Relief Society.

Robert Balent October 28, 1945-June 16, 2023

Robert was born in Ohio to parents Charles and Eugenia Balent. He served 25 years in the Armed Services, both the Navy and the Army. Protecting our country. After the Armed Services he worked 21 years for the U.S. Government at Red River Army Depot. Upon his retirement, he moved to Orange Park.

He is survived by his wife Susan Balent, brother Tom Balent, sister Fran Bauman, his four children, Holly, Heather, Laura and Sean and his 11 grandchildren. He was a member of the 7th Infantry Cotton Balers, loved painting and drawing, and will be remembered lovingly by many.

Grace V. Jones

Grace V. Jones, 96, of Orange Park, FL, passed away June 22, 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.



Carol Louise Bailey

Carol Louise Bailey, 81, of Orange Park, FL, passed away June 26, 2023

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

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Superintendent David Broskie earns 'Excellence in Education Leadership Award'

By Kylie Cordell For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY - Clay County District Schools Superintendent David Broskie

Excellence in Education Leadership Award at the Association/School Superintendents annual summer conference. The conference honored several individuals who demonstrated educational excel-



David Broskie

The award featured seven categories to honor outstanding educators' work and achievements.

"I am very humbled and excited to have received the award." Broskie said.

The superintendent has had a long and distinguished 33-year career with the districts, taking various leadership roles. He began his career as a teacher and coach at Lakeside Junior High.

"Then I was an assistant principal at Clay High. I've been a principal at three different schools - Orange Park Junior High School, Middleburg High School, and Oakleaf High School, and all of them were A-ranks before the time I left there," he said. In March of 2020, Gov. Ron DeSantis appointed Broskie to fulfill Addison Davis' tenure after he left to run the Hillsborough County District. by Governor Ron DeSantis to lead Clay County Schools. That was a week before the worldwide pandemic and the closure of schools nationwide.

"I became the superintendent of schools at a very interesting time," Broskie said. However, just as with principals, teachers and district employees, Broskie became a rapid innovator as the world tried to adapt to the realities of the pandemic, skillfully

navigating the unique challenges presented during these unprecedented times.

"Being a good educational leader is one that is always focused on the mission, which in our case, is the students. It's always the students. And to make sure that we don't let other issues distract from our primary mission." Broskie said.

Under his leadership as Superintendent, Clay County schools maintained its "A" rating and continues to be a top-10 school district in the state, along with recording the highest graduation rate in the history of Clay County schools for our seven traditional high schools at 95% for the 2021-2022 school year."

Although Broskie was honored to receive the award and recognition for his commitment to county schools, he credits his success to Clay County's amazing team of administrators, teachers and support staff. "Education is the ultimate team sport. It requires three groups to work collaboratively for the success of our students in the school district," Broskie said.

"The first group is the educators that are in the classroom every day with students, those that lead schools. Then you have parents, the primary educators of their children, who support the mission of Clay County Schools. And the third is our community at large. A robust educational system benefits all Clay County, and therefore, all of our citizens should be involved."

Leaders mold and shape the future. from the mindset of students to the administrative policies that govern and protect the fundamental concepts of education. Leadership, Broskie said, starts with a vi-

"We continue to approach our job with a growth mindset, always aiming to improve what we do to make the educational experience of students in Clay County the best that they can be," he said.







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Fish tales:

Local angler shows secrets of landing prized bass

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CLAY COUNTY - As the Thursday Night Workin' Man's Bass Fishing Tournament enters its 12th week. 43-year-old Justin Gilligan is only 27th among 30 fellow competitors. But he's not worried.

Gilligan was born two hours south of Clay, and his ties kept him returning each summer. He moved to the area full-time at

With 10 weeks remaining in the tournament, the Lake Asbury resident is confident he can make a comeback, especially since he's fished these waters for nearly 40

Last week, he gave Clay Today a firsthand look at how the experienced fisherman perfects his craft of landing a trophy

He crawled the waters of Doctors Inlet and Doctors Lake with a trolling motor and foot pedal, looking to "get bit," a term Gilligan refers to when a fish hits his lure.

Lily pads on the rivers and creeks are some of his favorite places to cast the line. Before making a cast, he surveyed the

Justin Gilligan, 43, has fished the waters of the St. Johns River and surrounding areas for nearly 40 years. He lives and breathes bass fishing. Gilligan has a knack for landing big bass in the area, and his techniques are tried and true.

fore casting. If you see that the wind isn't blowing, but the lily pad is moving, that's a

While lily pads are one of Gilligan's fa-"Always look to your right or left be- vorite places to fish, he is a keen observer that the Lowcountry landscape offers plenty of other cover and habitat for bass.

"See those cattails by the rocks? Look for anything that's kind of different or out of the ordinary. Try to cast by the docks,

the tree limbs or anything (that might support bass habitat)," Gilligan said.

When fishing during tournament season, time is of the essence, so Gilligan will quickly navigate the St. Johns River in search of a prized "black bass.

We fished Doctors Inlet, Gilligan pointing to bright, popping bubbles that could be mistaken for anything. But a catch could be iust moments away.

If nothing bites, it's on to the next spot. The clock is ticking.

And that's exactly what happened.

"There's some fish right there. Let's hit that one last corner and get the hell out of here," he said.

Then we were on to the next.

We caught two fish in Jacksonville's Julington Creek, working purple and black worms and topwater frogs through lily

"If it's brackish water (the worms) are going to find a black bass. It's just the color of it. I don't know why they like purple and black. That's just the way it is," he said.

Frogs and worms aren't the only weapons in his arsenal. He keeps at least 14 rods in his boat and tools necessary to succeed, like nets, tackle, scissors, knives and

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waters for his next catch.

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Community News

Elections office looking for a few good people

CLAY COUNTY – If you're looking for a part-time job, the Supervisor of Elections Office may have something for you.

The office needs an Elections Services Clerk, Voter Services Clerk and election workers

Both clerk positions involve providing customer service and general office support. The position's responsibilities include performing data entry and general clerical tasks, providing customer service and assisting with the overall voting/election process.

The voter clerk will provide customer service and general office support. The position's responsibilities include performing data entry and general clerical tasks, providing customer service and assisting with the overall voting/election process.

Qualified candidates whould have a high school diploma or GED, one year of office/related experience, demonstrated communication and interpersonal skills, competency in computer skills and Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook), ability to understand Florida Election Laws and Rules and how they apply to election office operations, ability to set goals, plan and organize with minimal supervision, a valid Florida driver's license and good driving record. Sedentary

work involves standing or walking for brief periods, exerting up to 20 (40 for Election Services) pounds of force regularly, and moderate dexterity in operating machines or office equipment. The position may be exposed to extreme heat or cold, wet or humid conditions, bright or dim lights, dust or pollen, and traffic.

Workers will handle or use machines, tools, equipment or work aids involving judgment for safe use. Adherence to the enforcement of public safety or health standards.

Anyone interested in working at the election office is encouraged to visit clayelections.gov.

Florida Blue hosting free summer health expo on Saturday

ORANGE PARK — The Clay County Chamber of Commerce announces Florida Blue will be hosting a free summer health expo at the Orange Park Mall on Saturday, July 29 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Major Stage Sponsors include Baptist Clay and Ascension St. Vincent's Hospitals as major stage sponsors. Speakers include doctors and health professionals with valuable information on their area of expertise. There will be 30 vendor booths from a wide variety of health-related businesses. It's

also tax free shopping that day for back to school supplies and clothes.

For more information contact the Chamber at (904) 264-2651.

Soil and Water District needs someone to fill District 5 seat

CLAY COUNTY – Since one of five elected Supervisors on the Clay County Soil and Water Conservation District resigned, there is a vacancy for the District 5 Seat.

The district includes Green Cove Springs, Lake Asbury, Penney Farms and Virginia Village.

Any interested is welcome to attend a meeting or contact us for further information. The board meets the second Friday of the month at 9 a.m. at the UF IFAS Clay Extension Center, 2463 State Road 16 West. The center's phone number is (904) 284-6355.

The district constantly seeks advocates and help from community members to help with our mission to promote and educate on conserving our natural resources. Members of the public are always welcome to attend our meetings.



Fans encouraged to choose name for jaguar cub at Jacksonville Zoo

JACKSONVILLE – The newest resident at Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens still needs a name. The Zoo announced today an opportunity for the public to choose the name for its male jaguar cub born on April 7.

Through 28, Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens will be soliciting names from the public in a week-long naming contest in partnership with the Jaguars Foundation.

The community and the general public are invited to submit suggested names for a \$5 donation for each submission at www. jacksonvillezoo.org/NameThatJag . It costs more than \$10,000 annually to provide annual medical exams and feed the jaguars at Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens, so the Jaguars Foundation is matching up to \$10,000 in donations through the naming contest.

"The Jaguars Foundation is overjoyed to welcome a new big cat to our team here in Jacksonville," said Jaguars Chief Community Impact Officer Whitney Meyer. "The new jaguar cub is undoubtedly one of the cutest additions to our roster, and we are proud to support the zoo in caring for him and his family through a matching donation. We can't wait to hear the name suggestions that come from our fans!"

Names will only be accepted online through donations to support the Zoo's mission to connect communities with wildlife and wild places. The names chosen as finalists will go to a public poll in a one-day social media vote to determine the winner on Thursday, June 29.

24-hour ScriptCenter prescription kiosk opens at Naval Hospital Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE – Naval Hospital Jacksonville now has a 24-hour ScriptCenter prescription kiosk. The kiosk is just one of the many innovations from the

hospital to provide better service and reduce wait times for patients.

The ScriptCenter machine, which was installed at both the main hospital and Satellite pharmacies, has undergone a week of usage by staff to be aware of

its capabilities. The machine in the hospital will be located inside automatic doors near the quarterdeck, just steps away from the pharmacy and will be available 24 hours a day. "When you call-in a refill or activate new prescription, you can select the ScriptCenter for pick up," said Lt. Cmdr. Jose Pulido, Pharmacy department

head. "Even if you have someone pick up the script, the machine will take a photo to show who picked up medication. The only limitation on the new

machines are on prescriptions that need to be refrigerated."

Learn, win by downloading passport to Clay County history

CLAY COUNTY – For the second year, Clay County will encourage everyone to play along as they learn about the county's rich history. All you need is a mobile phone to participate in Clay County History Passport, and everyone is eligible to win prizes.

To download the passport adventure, visit exploreclay.com/passports/.

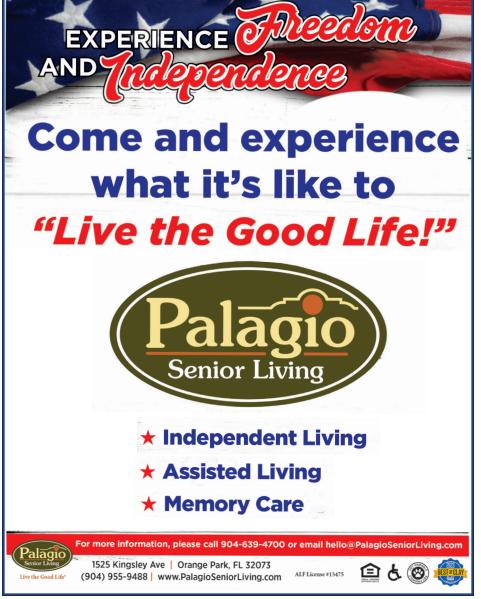
Some exciting places everyone can visit – and complete their passports – include the historic courthouse and jail in the Historic Triangle in Green Cove Springs, Camp Chowenwaw, Camp Blanding and Spring Park

Teens can work out for free this summer at Planet Fitness

CLAY COUNTY – Starting May 15, teens 14-to-17 years old can work out at Planet Fitness for free during the summer.

In addition, the company will be giving away \$200,000 in scholarships.

There are three Planet Fitness clubs in Clay County – 1980 Wells Road and 700 Blanding Boulevard, both in Orange Park, and 1514 County Road 220 on Fleming Island



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New officers installed for Rotary Club at Green Cove Springs

PENNEY FARMS – Richard Knoff was installed last by U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean as the new President of the Rotary Club of Green Cove Springs. Bean, a Rotarian for 32 years, addressed the club at Penney Retirement Center last Monday before administering the oath to Knoff. Elizabeth Dusinberre, John Bowles, Joseph Smith, Beth James and Nancy Keating also were installed as officers, while David Fieber, John Sanders, Harry Parrott and Teresa Scott were sworn in as directors. Sandra Royal, who's organized the CalaVida Festival in Green Cove Springs for the past 10 years, was recognized as the club's Citizen of the Year.

Clerk of Court Green receives Exceptional Service Award

For Clay Today

TALLAHASSEE – Florida Court Clerks and Comptrollers recently honored certain Clerks of Court with awards for exceptional service, including Clay County's Tara Green with the Legislative Advocate Award.

The awards were presented by FCCC President and Martin County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Carolyn Timmann last week during the association's annual summer conference.

"As an association, our success is the culmination of the tireless work of our members and their staff," Timmann said. "I'm proud to honor these colleagues and friends for the impact they have made to foster best practices and legislative changes in support of our operations and services for people and businesses across the state."

Other award recipients included: 2022–2023 Clerk of the Year, the Honorable Stacy Butterfield, Polk County Clerk of Court and Comptroller, and 2022–2023 Statesman, the Honorable John A. Crawford, Nassau County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller.

Green worked hand-in-hand with these and other key members to make sure legislators were informed and well



aware of the court system needs in our counties. As a result, Florida Court Clerks and Comptrollers celebrated the passage last month of its priority legislation that will provide more stable revenue sources for court-related services.

"This legislation is a significant step toward stabilizing the resources Clerks of the Court need to effectively serve our diverse communities and support our judicial and law enforcement partners," Timmann said.

Green agreed.

"The goal is to close the gap between available funds and current operating budgets for Clerks' services. Clerks look forward to continuing to work with their partners in the Legislature to support their important services for residents and businesses in Florida," she said.

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Conceal

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want to carry a concealed firearm in Florida is to seek out training," Monroe said. "Practice with your firearm. Learn the laws that govern the use of your firearm and lethal force.

"To anyone considering obtaining a firearm for their protection and carrying it concealed in Florida, we encourage you to reach out to your local law enforcement and ask about the laws that govern their use. Do your own research and learn everything you can. Become an asset with your firearm, not a liability."

Before July 1, a lawful gun owner needed to complete a four-hour class, instruction and pass a test. Florida now joins Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansa, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia and Wyoming to ratify a permitless concealed carry law.

Anyone carrying a concealed weapon must have identification. Also, the weapon must be concealed from sight, such as in a locked glovebox, purse or in holster.

Regardless, weapons aren't allowed in the following places:

- Any elementary or secondary school facility or administration building;
- Any police, sheriff or highway patrol station:
 - Any courthouse or courtroom;
 - Any polling place;
- Any meeting of the governing body of a county, public school district, municipal-

CONCEALED CARRY CHANGES

Here are some of the pertinent Bill 543 highlights:

To carry a concealed firearm in Florida, you must meet the same criteria required to qualify for a concealed weapons or firearms license as outlined in Florida Statutes Section 790.06.

You must be 21 years of age, a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident without a felony conviction and not have any disqualifying conditions as outline sin Florida Statutes 790.23.

Firearms are still prohibited in certain places

Private business or property owners have their right to prohibit

firearms. You may not carry a firearm into prohibited area in Florida Statutes Section 790.06, including, but limited to schools, colleges or universities, bars, courthouses and government meetings.

Open carry to STILL illegal in Florida under no circumstances.

You may only openly carry a firearm if you are engaged in or traveling to or from fishing, camping, hunting or target shooting.

The new law does not change who can purchase a firearm or the waiting period to purchase a firearm.

Licensed retailers must complete and submit the appropriate paperwork to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. There is still a mandatory three-day waiting period between the purchase and delivery of a firearm.

Conclealed Weapon or Firarm License will still be available and in effect.

The Florida Department of Agriculture will continue to maintain the program and issue new licenses. Concealed Weapon or Firearm Licenses will still have benefits, including reciprocity in other states that recognize Florida's CWFL, and the ability to purchase and take delivery of firearms the same day in lieu of the three-day waiting period.

ity or special district;

- Any meeting of the Legislature or a committee thereof:
- Any school, college or professional athletic event not related to firearms;
 - Any career center:
 - The inside of the passenger termi-

nal of any airport, unless the firearm is encased for shipping to be lawfully transported as baggage;

• Any portion of an establishment licensed to dispense alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, which portion of the establishment is primarily devoted to such purpose.

Also, there are other factors to be allowed for concealed carry, like:

- You must be a United States citizen;
 - You must be at least 21:
- You can't have any disqualifying felony convictions, no conviction for a crime relating to violence or drug abuse, and no misdemeanor charges for domestic violence
- Factors such as a history of drug or alcohol abuse, commitment to a mental institution, or dishonorable military discharge may also be reasons for concealed carry ineligibility.

The new law also eliminates a background check or a three-day waiting period when purchasing a new firearm.

Monroe said his agency would use social media and make appearances to stress the importance of safe gun ownership. OPPD also has free gunlocks available at its headquarters.

"One of the initiatives we plan to implement at the Orange Park Police Department will be social media messaging aimed at educating the public on laws that affect firearm carry and use," he said. "In addition, we offer free gunlocks through Project Child Safe. Responsible gun owners must consider utilizing locks and safes to prevent unauthorized access to their firearms — especially children who may live in a home with firearms. I think education with this new law will be key in ensuring the safety of our communities."

For more information, visit Clay County Sheriff's Office and Green Cove Springs and Orange Park police department social media pages.

County agrees to buy Clay Hill land for likely fire station

By Lee Wardlaw

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Board of County Commissioners approved the purchase and sales agreement for an 8.5-

acre parcel in the Clay Hill area for a future public safety facility.

The motion passed, 4-0. Adam Chapman, real estate acquisition manager for the county, said that the property is a flat, dry rectangle.

The property is across from Clay Hill Elementary on County Road 218.

One aspect remains most important, according to Chapman.

"The most important thing is that fire services want to be there," he said.

The county also reviewed this year's legislative priorities and previewed key issues they would be taking to the table to 2024 in a presentation.

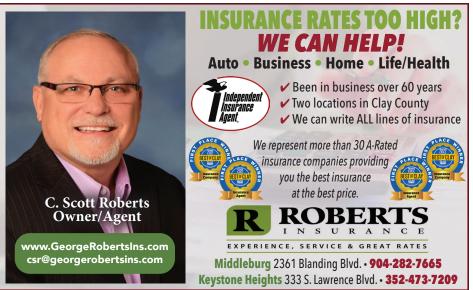
Six of eight projects were approved, and \$8 million of \$9 million requested was approved, including \$750,000 each for Fire Stations No. 20 and 24, \$3 million for a Substance Abuse Recovery Center, \$1 million for the Clay County Regional Sports Complex, \$1.5 million for turns lanes for the Sports Complex and \$1 million for the Sports C

lion for the Clay County Greenways Expansion.

Next year is already coming fast. The legislative session will convene on Jan. 9, and Cost of Living Adjustments to the Florida System Retirement plan and affordable housing will be considered for next year's legislative session.

An approval for a Right of Way Easement for Clay Electric for the Regional Sports Complex also passed unanimously.





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Fish

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safety equipment.

Tying on a swimbait or a purple punch bug (resembling a crawfish) with four or

five aught hooks are top options. But there's so much more.

"When it gets loud outside, you use a loud bait," he said.

On windy days, crankbaits, spinner-baits, swimbaits and jerk baits are top options. It allows the bass to hear better when the wind is howling, and water is being churned up.

There are plenty of other factors to consider, such as the tides. But above all, a fisherman's presentation of the lure is of utmost importance.

"It's all about presentation. Presentation is everything," Gilligan said.

Reel in the lure at just the right speed. It will appear to bass as a bait fish swimming through its natural environment. He calls it "swimming true."

"Your worm (or other) bait (needs) to be swimming true," Gilligan said.

Those are just a couple of his tricks. He's got plenty more. You'll have to meet him to learn the rest. If you do, you'll also hear his wide-ranging collection of fascinating stories on the water.

Gilligan is a product of the river and the coast. He remembers the topographical features of the St. Johns River and surrounding bodies of water by heart and knows each nook, cranny and fishing hole.

lows each nook, cranny and fishing hole.
You can tell by the way he runs his boat.

Fishing is a family passion passed down to him by his uncles, Terry Smith and Thomas Pinckney Smith. He's been launching out of Whitey's Fish Camp for as long as he can remember.

Gilligan points, waves, and tells stories of other fishing legends who participate in the Workin' Man's Tournament.

"My uncle would tie the Jon boat to his hip, and he would just take us through the waters, wade fishing," he said.

Outside of fishing, Gilligan also has plenty of stories to tell. He was a well-rounded athlete that played baseball, basketball, tennis and golf in high school, and when Gilligan wasn't busy doing that or holding a rod in his hands, he surfed the Atlantic

He was a talented tennis player who may have earned a collegiate scholarship. That was before he tore his rotator cuff at 16.

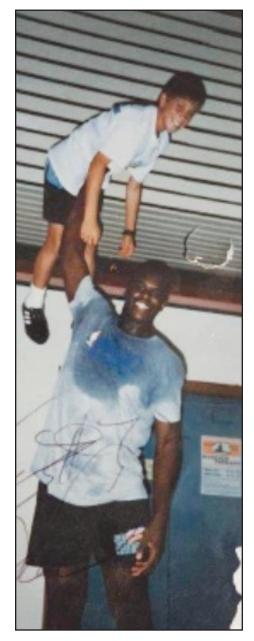
Gilligan privately performed agility and weight training for tennis at the same facility where the Orlando Magic practiced in the 1990s when he was in middle and high school.

He became acquaintances with many of the team's stars during that time, including Anthony Hardaway and Shaquille O'Neal.

Gilligan fondly recalled a story when the 7-foot-1, 305-pound O'Neal picked him up and held him 12 feet off the ground.

"(O'Neal) said, 'Hey little buddy,' and picked me up and (held) me way up in the air. I was freaking out," he said.

Gilligan was in the drilling business for



Gilligan was acquainted with former Orlando Magic center Shaquille O'Neal when he lived in Orlando.

more than 10 years, advancing to a senior geotechnical driller. But after a severe neck injury in 2021, he's been on worker's compensation for the past two years. He plans to return soon. It's a career he was passionate about and one where he could travel across the country.

College

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Marketing Communications, received a Bachelor of Science from the School of Journalism and New Media.

"Incredible achievements, character and resilience distinguish Our May 2023 class of graduates," said Chancellor Glenn Boyce. "They accomplished so much during their years at Ole Miss, and we can't wait to see all the ways they will pursue their passions and reach their full potential on their paths to a bright future."

Jones makes Dean's List at The Baptist College

GRACEVILLE – Middleburg High graduate Johanna Jones earned a spot on The Baptist College of Florida's Dean's List.

To make the list, students finish the semester with a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.99 on a 4.0 scale.

The Baptist College of Florida is a cooperating ministry of the Florida Baptist Convention and is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to offer associate, baccalaureate and master's degrees in the areas of divinity. general leadership, Christian studies, ministry, ministry studies, biblical studies, Christian education and leadership, psychology, missions, missions with a concentration in aviation, elementary education, education studies, worship leadership, music, music education, English, secondary education in English, history and social studies, business leadership and secondary education in history and social studies.

Trio from Clay earn spots on honor rolls at Alabama

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – A total of 12,487 students, including three from $\,$

Clay County, enrolled during Spring Semester 2023 at The University of Alabama qualified for the President's or Dean's lists with an academic record of 3.5 (or higher) grade point average or the president's list with an academic record of 4.0. These driven students are making waves across UA's more than 70 undergraduate programs and 12 colleges and schools.

Aysia Washington, of Oakleaf, was on the President's list, while Zackary Hickman and Lilly Hudson, both of Fleming Island, were on the Dean's List.

The University of Alabama, part of The University of Alabama System, is the state's flagship university.

Benda qualifies for Dean's List at Florida State

TALLAHASSEE – Kaylee Marie Benda, a 2022 graduate of Ridgeview High, earned a spot on the Florida State University's Dean's List. She currently has a cumulative grade point average of 3.904.

Benda is majoring in Environmental Science.

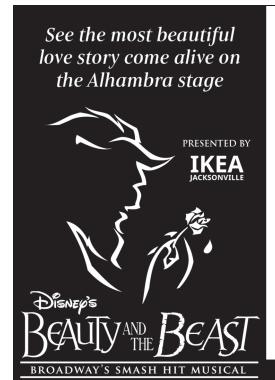
Pair qualify for honors at Kennesaw State

KENNESAW, Ga. – Miguel Rodriguez of Middleburg earned a spot on the Kennesaw State University President's List, while Jarod Yearwood of Orange Park was on the Dean's List.

Majoring in Finance, Rodriguez is among nearly 5,400 undergraduate students named to the Spring 2023 President's List.

To qualify, students must achieve a 4.0-grade point average and complete a minimum of nine credit hours.

Majoring in Geography, Yearwood is among more than 7,100 students named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List. To qualify, students must earn a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher and complete a minimum of nine credit hours.



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Fireworks

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The owner of North Florida Pyrotechnics put on a show for RiverFest on Memorial Day and will have three private shows on three nights leading up to Tuesday. After that, he's looking forward to peace and quiet.

"I'm taking the day off," he said. "It's for personal reasons and my family. It's a good choice since the Fourth falls on a Tuesday this year. It's the first time I've had a Fourth off in quite some time."

Allen is one of the few licensed pyrotechnics in Northeast Florida. It is a unique occupation that requires skill and attention. And as long as people like to watch and hear exploding mortars, his work will always be in demand.

"Because there are so few of us that do it, we are in high demand," the Green Cove Springs resident said. "We're all in the same boat. We can pick and choose what we want."

The COVID shutdowns threatened the profession – not just because organizations and municipalities decided not to gather, but because it became increasingly difficult to buy fireworks from overseas. Things are finally returning to normal, Allen said.

Changes in Florida law now make it legal for residents to set off their fireworks. Three years ago, people had to sign a declaration fireworks were necessary to scare off birds and animals from crops. Gov. Ron DeSantis changed that with a bill that allows detonation on just three days – Fourth of July, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Non-professional pyrotechnics will allow fireworks on the three selected days, including firecrackers, torpedoes, Dago bombs, Roman candles and Skyrockets.

Fireworks that are permissible all year include snakes, smoke bombs, party poppers and noisemakers.

While Allen knows there always will be a demand for a massive show like River-Fest, so he's not concerned about competition from a neighborhood gathering. He is, however, concerned about safety.



Ryan Allen decided he wanted to be a licensed pyrotechnic since he saw shows in Orange Beach, Alabama when he was a child.



Safety First

"There's a simple solution. This is what I do: I take a five-gallon bucket when we celebrate my children, and we fill it with water. We put the used shells in the water and put him in a big trash bag. After that, I take the bag to the street. Even if one of the wet shells starts to burn, it's at the street and not in the house. There's almost zero probability it will burn. You don't realize that these things are dangerous until you get burned, right?"



Fireworks in & around Clay County

July 3rd

121 Financial Park Immediately after Jumbo Shrimp game 301 A. Philip Randolph Blvd. Jacksonville

July 4th

City of Keystone Heights Our Country Day 4th of July Celebration, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Keystone Beach, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd. Russell Baptist Church Food Trucks and Fireworks, 7:30-9:30 p.m. 2299 Sandridge Road, Green Cove

Moosehaven American Pride Fourth of July, 5 p.m. 1701 Park Ave, Orange Park

Palatka 4th of July Celebration Riverfront Park, 4-10 p.m. 100 Memorial Pkwy.

St. Augustine Fireworks over the Matanzas Downtown Bayfront, 9:30 p.m. Menendez Street

"I'm a big stickler on firework safety," he said. "There are some important pointers for anyone who's going to go out there and buy fireworks. I remember reading a story (two) years ago where some gentleman went out and bought a pretty good amount of fireworks. And they shot them all, put their huge cakes and fireworks and devices in the trash can, and put the trash can in their garage."

The result was a heavily damaged home in the Eagle Landing area of Oakleaf.

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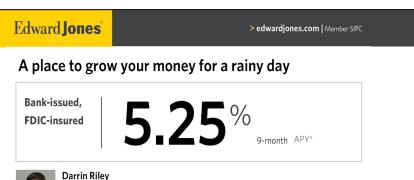
the wet shells starts to burn, it's at the street and not in the house. There's almost zero probability it will burn. You don't realize that these things are dangerous until you get burned, right?"

Allen also said residents should pick up the used wadding and sticks from other neighbors' yards.

After spending summers with his grandparents at Orange Beach, Alabama, Allen realized he wanted to be around fireworks. He watched large displays over the Gulf of Mexico on holidays.

"And that's what I did," he said.

While Allen will be taking the Fourth off, he will be back at RiverFest next year, launching colorful missiles from a barge over the St. Johns River.





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WORKING MAN'S BASS TOURNA-

MENT: will be on June 29 at 4:30 p.m. at Whitey's Fish Camp, 2032 County Road 220 on Fleming Island. Guaranteed \$500 prize to the winning two-person team. Call Daniel Green at (904) 449-9691 for more

CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD: will meet on June 29 at 6 p.m. in the Teacher Training Center at Fleming Island High, 2233 Village Square Pkwy.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT **REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on June 29 at 10 a.m. in the Planning Department Conference Room at the Administration Building, third floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

MARKET AND MUSIC AT THE COVE **PLAZA:** will be on July 1 from 4-8 p.m. at 1415 S. Orange Ave. in Green Cove Springs. Fresh produce, food trucks, home décor, music, jewelry and hourly giveaway will be offered. For more information, email showcaseevents17@gmail.com.

CLAY COUNTY PLANNING COMMIS-SION: will meet on July 1 at 5 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., in Green Cove Springs.

CLAY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOP-MENT COUNCIL: will meet on July 2 at 3:30 p.m. will meet at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., in Green Cove

CLAY COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVA-TION BOARD: will meet on July 3 at 5:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., in Green Cove Springs.

MATCHBOX TWENTY: will play on July 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place, in Jacksonville. Tickets, which start at \$50.25, are available at ticketmaster.com.

WORKING MAN'S BASS TOURNA-MENT: will be on July 6 at 4:30 p.m. at Whitey's Fish Camp, 2032 County Road 220 on Fleming Island. Guaranteed \$500 prize to the winning two-person team. Call

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CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD:

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2233 Village Square Pkwy.

in the Administration Building, fourth floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove

CLAY COUNTY PLANNING COMMIT-

TEE: will meet on July 6 and 5 p.m. in the Administration Building, fourth floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

SAD SUMMER FEST: featuring Taking Back Sunday, The Maine, PVRIS LS Dunes will be on July 6 at 2 p.m. at Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place, in Jacksonville adjacent to TIAA Bank Field. For tickets, which start at \$29.50, visit ticketmaster.com

CLAY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL: will meet on July 7 from 10-11 a.m. in the Administration Building, fourth floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY: will be on July 7 from 5-9:30 p.m. at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs. There will be several food trucks and live music by VOX. Bring your own chair and cooler to the free event.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMIS-SIONERS: will meet on July 8 at 4 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., in Green Cove Springs.

LAKE ASBURY/PENNEY FARMS AD-**VISORY COMMITTEE:** will meet on July 10 at 6 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUN-

CIL: special session will meet on July 11 at 5 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUN-CIL: will meet on July 11 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

WORKING MAN'S BASS TOURNA-

MENT: will be on July 13 at 4:30 p.m. at Whitey's Fish Camp, 2032 County Road 220 on Fleming Island. Guaranteed \$500 prize to the winning two-person team. Call Daniel Green at (904) 449-9691 for more information.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: will meet on July 13 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

DIERKS BENTLEY: will bring his Gravel and Gold Tour with Jordan Davis and

Caylee Hammack on July 13 at 7 p.m. to Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to TIAA Bank field. For tickets, which start at \$31, are available at ticketmaster.com.

CLIFF AVRIL FAMILY FOUNDATION: will host its annual Youth Football Camp on July 15 at 8 a.m. at Paul C. Armstrong Park, 2445 County Road 220, Middleburg. The event is free.

CLIFF AVRIL FAMILY FOUNDATION: will host its annual Family Fun Day on July 16 from 1-5 p.m. at Paul C. Armstrong Park, 2445 County Road 220, Middleburg. The event is free.

REEL FUN NIGHT: will be on July 16 at 8:30 p.m. at Orange Park Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave. The movie "Jungle Book" will be shown for free. Guests are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair.

BOY GEORGE AND CULTURE CLUB: will bring their Letting It Go Show with Howard Jones and Berlin on July 16 at 7 p.m. to Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to TIAA Bank field. For tickets, which start at \$22, are available at ticketmaster.com.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUN-CIL: will meet on July 18 at 7 p.m. at City

Hall, 321 Walnut St. **ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:**

will meet on July 18 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall,

Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to TIAA Bank field. For tickets, which start at \$39, are available

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22 at 7 p.m. to Daily's Place Amphitheater, 1 Daily's Place in Jacksonville adjacent to TIAA Bank field. For tickets, which start at \$39, are available at ticketmaster.com. Saturday's show is sold out.

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The Neighbors on July 20 at 8 p.m. to

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CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMIS-SIONERS: will meet on July 22 at 4 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., in Green Cove Springs.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUST-MENT: will meet on July 24 at 6 p.m. at the Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.



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Clay County Sheriff's Office hosting School Supply Drive

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – The Clay County Sheriff's Office will be collecting items for a School Supply Drive benefiting the Middleburg Civic Association and the Clay Education Foundation.

Items that are needed include back-packs, wired earplugs, No. 2 pencils, colored pencils, crayons, student scissors, pink erasers, glue, markers, college and wide-ruled composition books, notebook paper and spiral notebooks, graph paper, highlighters, black permanent markers, hand sanitizers, cleaning wipes, tissue boxes, blue, black and red ink pens, pencil boxes or pouches and two-prong folders with pockets.

Items can be dropped off at the Clay County Sheriff's Office headquarters, 901 N. Orange Ave. in Green Cove Springs, CCSO sub-stations at Orange Park, 212 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg, 3799 Irvin Ct. and Keystone Heights City Hall, 555 Lawrence Blvd.

BBQ season: Do you know where your beef came from?

By StatePoint Media For Clay Today

As barbecue season heats up with the Fourth of July holiday, you may wonder how to square your love for T-bone steaks and spareribs with your environmental concern. The good news? Science is delivering new, game-changing solutions to tackle the environmental footprint of the beef and livestock industries.

The problem

Approximately nine million dairy cows, 90 million beef cattle, 60 million swine and billions of poultry in the United States produce more than 100 times more organic waste than humans. But where human waste makes its way to a septic tank or sewage treatment plant, livestock waste is usually spread untreated on the ground as fertilizer.

While this practice has short-term agricultural benefits, it's ultimately a major contributor to several environmental and health issues. Phosphorous, nitrogen (mostly as ammonia), pathogens and bacteria from manure run off the soil and pollute waterways. This nutrient runoff fuels increasingly toxic algae blooms in fresh estuary and coastal salt waters, creating areas where most aquatic species can't survive. What's more, the highly mobile and volatile nitrogen from ammonia in animal waste can become airborne, a difficult and expensive to control problem that poses significant health risks to humans.

Finally, the 1.5 billion tons of manure generated in the United States annually



also plays a major role in climate change. Manure emits carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide, all potent greenhouse gases.

New solutions

An advanced livestock waste collection, treatment and recycling system from Bion Environmental Technologies Inc. transforms manure from a liability to an asset. It starts with an innovative barn design that houses the livestock, collects waste, and feeds the treatment system continually. This patented technology not only provides a comprehensive waste treatment that neutralizes pathogens, bacteria and ammonia and minimizes greenhouse gas emissions but also produces superior organic and climate- and water-smart, fertilizers with a low carbon footprint, as well as generates clean water and renewable natural gas.

Typical beef production uses an ex-

traordinary amount of water, particularly from crops for feed. With Bion, 30% of the waste stream is processed into recycled, clean water

And, thanks to the precise application of organic and climate-smart fertilizers the system produces, the resulting soil is healthier with a better balance of nutrients. In short, more abundant crops are produced, less water is used and greenhouse gas emissions are reduced.

Along with environmental stewardship and resource efficiency at the forefront of the technology's design, experts have been retained to ensure that animal accommodations, hygiene, care and feeding are all optimized for animal health and welfare. To learn more, visit bionenviro.com.

"Today's consumers want sustainable, transparent and 'better for you' food," said Bill O'Neill, Bion's CEO. "Through innovation, we are bringing real beef to both sustainable and ethical tables."



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Leigh, who has had a passion for reptiles, said that the business is catered towards children. He wants to educate children on reptiles and encourage them to interact with the real natural world and stay away from technology.

Leaping lizards

Fleming Island grad turns fondness of scary creatures into new business

By Lee Wardlaw lee@claytodayonline.com

FLEMING ISLAND – In a world consumed by digital devices and virtual experiences, one local high school graduate is on a mission to encourage children to put down their cellphones, close their laptop screens, and embrace the wonders of the natural world.

Deke Leigh, the founder of Cold Blooded Events, is captivating local audiences with his passion for reptiles and his program's hands-on educational experience.

Leigh's fascination with reptiles began in his early childhood, a passion that grew stronger. That, coupled with his concern for the detrimental effects of screen time on today's youth, Leigh decided to create Cold Blooded Events in February to bridge the gap between technology and nature.

"As of recently, I've been seeing how today's modern society has been too involved in the digital world, and there have been countless studies that prove that this is not a good thing. So, the alternative to that is to step back, appreciate what we have and the world we live in, and the creatures that inhabit it. That's why I started sharing what I'm interested in- reptiles," he said.

With an impressive collection of scaly (and captivating) creatures, including frogs, snakes, lizards, and a little Russian tortoise, Leigh offers engaging, informative, and interactive presentations that leave a lasting impression on his audiences.

He said that children are particularly enthralled by the unique opportunity to get up close and personal with the fascinating animals.

"People seem to enjoy it, and children absolutely love the creatures. After each booking I get, after each show I do, it just



inspires me to keep going," Leigh said.

Giant African bullfrogs, cane toads, Blue-tongued skinks, multiple species of pythons, Leopard geckos, iguanas, Chameleons, Bearded dragons and a Russian tortoise are all available to observe, admire and pet during his presentations.

There are also spiders, scorpions and cockroaches.

Despite initial reservations, even those with arachnophobia or entomophobia find themselves fascinated by the creatures after learning more about them and their function in the natural world.

"They freak out about them, but I get the best reaction from the roaches," he said.

Leigh hopes to add alligators to the mix in the future, but he said there are strict regulations by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. A minimum of 1,000 hours of volunteer work are required before he can obtain the necessary permits.

Leigh caters to different crowds,

whether it be a birthday party, corporate gathering, or downsized setting for individuals with a preference for smaller crowds, such as a child who prefers a more intimate experience. His experience typically spans an hour, featuring a 45-minute educational presentation and a 15-minute session where participants can handle the creatures. "The goal is the safety of both the animals and the audience. It's quite difficult and takes a toll (transporting the animals). I had to make and modify all of the travel bins to make it safe for the creatures," he said.

The one-hour reptile experience, priced vents@gmail.com.

at \$220, includes a travel fee. For those seeking a more in-depth encounter, a 90-minute experience is available at \$320. The 30-minute session, though, remains a popular option for intimate gatherings.

Taking proper care of the creatures is integral to Leigh's job. He ensures each animal receives the appropriate care and attention they need to thrive. While off the clock, he observes each animal's behavior and movements to paint a better picture of them to his audiences.

To get in touch with Leigh, call (904) 207-1177 or email him at coldbloodedevents@gmail.com.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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

ORDINANCE NO. 0-22-2023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 113, ARTICLE VI AND VII OF THE CITY CODE TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE CITY LANDSCAPE AND TREE REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING THE PURPOSE AND INTENT OF SECTION 113-242 ADDING AND AMENDING DEFINITIONS IN SECTION 113-243; AMENDING THE SUBDIVISION STREET TREE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION 113-246; AMENDING THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND MATERIALS REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 113-247; AMENDING THE TREE PRESERVATION REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION 113-248; AMENDING THE REMOVAL OF TREE REQUIREMENTS IN SECTION 113-275; AMENDING THE TREE **EXCEPTIONS AND EXEMPTIONS IN SECTION 113-276; AMENDING THE CONDITIONS FOR TREE REMOVAL IN SECTION 113-278; AMENDING** THE TREE REPLAEMENT REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN SECTION 113-279AMENDING THE CITY RECOMMENDED LIST OF PLANTS BY THE CITY IN SECTION 113-280; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Planning and Zoning Board: Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter

City Council: Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 7:00 pm or

shortly thereafter
City Council: Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at 7:00 pm or

shortly thereafter

Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this scheduled public hearing, he 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 application 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

Lyndie Knowles, Development Services Representative 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Steve Kennedy, City Manager

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Food Bridge continues to close nutritional gap for needy residents

By Lee Wardlaw

lee@claytodayonline.com

MIDDLEBURG – In 2002, four women created the "Food Bridge Ministry" at the Black Creek Methodist Church in Middleburg, and they haven't looked back since.

Fast forward nearly 21 years, and founders Mary J. Conner, Vickie Dyal, Millie J. Wilkes and Sandra Wilson have built a sustainable program, fed thousands of residents in a five-county area and made plenty of memories along the way.

It didn't come without plenty of blood, sweat, tears and sacrifice.

In the beginning, Wilkes, the Director of Operations, drove as far as Waycross, Georgia to pick up food for those in need from a distributor. The food was then dispersed to residents from Clay, Bradford, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns counties.

The commute is shorter, but the work-load is even more daunting.

That's because the operation started with about 20 families and has ballooned to about 250-300 a week.

Every weekday, Food Bridge's refrigerated truck travels through Middleburg and Orange Park, rotating between 11 different stores, which is contracted to through its covenant with Feeding Northeast Florida. Winn-Dixie, Publix, Walmart, Dollar General and Rose's locations in Clay all contribute to the mega-operation.

Stocking and sorting through foods are required throughout the week in prepara-



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

Millie Wilkes is the Director of Operations for the Food Bridge, ensuring a smoothly-running operation. She's been serving the community since the outreach started.

tion for the drive-through pickup on Thursdays. Whether the food is a meat or vegetable, canned or dry, all factors must be considered to which shelf an item be placed.

The Budington Building of Hope may appear modest from the outside, but it provides plenty of space that houses the operation for the growing food service operation. There are several rooms in the building, each of which provides plenty of storage space.

There is a dry food storage room that's prepared for emergencies and a giant walk-in freezer and refrigerator. Another room is dedicated to pets, stocked with dog and cat food. If that's not enough, another giant three-room apparatus is stocked with children's and adult clothes and books, whether

to prepare little ones for school, play, or Mom or Dad for their next job interview.

More than 70 registered volunteers help run the show each Thursday morning from 7:30-10:30, where hundreds of people form a line with their cars.

Wilkes said volunteers arrive as early as 5:15 a.m. and sometimes sooner. When cars start pouring into the parking lot, everyone gets busy. Plenty of manpower is needed to sort, package, and transport food for large, hungry families. Families with one to four members are provided 40 to 50 pounds of frozen meat, fresh produce, bread, dry goods and dairy products, while families of five or more receive 80 to 100 pounds.

Those who serve the Food Bridge rarely miss a beat. They've spent countless weeks serving families in 21 years. They have only been unavailable once during their tenure due to a major hurricane.

Loaders, sorters and cart pushers make their way up and down the hallway of the white-coated building, all while "bookies" speak with "clients" to take orders on needed items. Patrons are given identification cards, each equipped with a barcode and scanned during visits, all established for tracking purposes.

According to Wilkes, the bond between volunteers and those that serve is very tight-knit.

"We love them," she said.

This is especially true for volunteers working outside, who become incredibly close to the families they serve while taking orders and loading their vehicles.

"(Those volunteers) are very familiar with them. They know these families and (personal details) about them. It's a blessing to work with them," Wilkes said.

Volunteers are always needed, but drivers are of the utmost importance. All in all, the central core of full-time volunteers consists of elderly residents, who could certainly use the help of young, willing, helping hands. She encouraged so many want to join the Food Bridge.

"It's very rewarding. That's all I can say," she said.

Black Creek Methodist Church's pastor Brian Sanderson said the program has been an eye-opening experience.

"There's a lot of sad stories that come through here. A lot of times, I'll pray with them. They'll say, 'My daughter has cancer,' or 'My husband just passed away,' 'Can you come pray with me for a second?' We're proud to be doing this, and we'll keep doing it," he said.

He also said it gives residents a powerful opportunity to give back to the community.

"It's an opportunity to get outside of yourself and do something good for the community. It's tangible, and you can see your good deeds taking effect. It's something that's needful and lifesaving," Sanderson said.

To find out more, please visit black-creekmethodist.org/outreach/food-bridge.



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Northern Mockingbird: Florida's state bird

By Carolyn Warren Birds, Bees and Butterflies Chairman

ORANGE PARK - Florida's state bird is the Northern Mockingbird.

Why this bird? It was chosen because of its ability to adapt to Florida's diverse environment and survive in harsh conditions. The mockingbirds in Florida are nonmigratory, meaning they do not typically migrate to other areas during winter.

This bird has impressive vocal talents and is known for its mimicking ability and can learn up to 200 songs during its lifetime. Rather than singing their songs, the birds learn to repeat the songs of other species. They can also repeat dog barks, musical instruments, sirens, car alarms and cell phone ringtones.

These birds are very territorial and will defend their nests and fledglings. I know from experience. I've been hit on the shoulder and often targeted near a nest or a fledged young. They use a high perch as a defensive lookout point.

The mockingbird in my garden built a nest in the confederate jasmine. One photo shows she laid four eggs. Unfortunately, only one hatched. Another photo shows the day the baby mockingbird flew from the nest into the viburnum bush.









The 18th annual long-distance ride stretches to seven days from Georgia to Florida and back, affirming the five young men's physical, mental and spiritual transformation. The group will ride to Fleming Island on Sunday, July 9, and then to Ponte Vedra Beach on

Paul Anderson bike riders to make stop on Fleming Island during 520-mile tour

For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – Paul Anderson Youth Home, a fully accredited and licensed program dedicated to offering help to young men facing serious trouble or incarceration, is holding its 18th Annual Paul Anderson Bike Ride on Saturday, July 8, through Friday, July 14.

Expanded from five to seven days this year, five young men from the Home are set to cover more than 520 miles on an ambitious route that begins at the PAYH campus in Vidalia, Georgia.

The group will ride from Waycross, Georgia to Fleming Island on Sunday, July 9. A day later, they will head to Ponte Vedra Beach.

For nearly two decades, the Paul Anderson Bike Ride has commemorated a foundational moment in the history of the Paul Anderson Youth Home. At its founding in 1961, the former Olympic goldmedal winner decided to ride a bicycle from Vidalia, 1,200 miles to Omaha, Ne. His motivation then was the same as the five young men share today: to raise funds and awareness of the mission to give troubled young men a second chance through Christ. More than 60 years later, PAYH celebrates over 1,400 lives changed through a process of recovery, restoration and redemption.

"Paul was an incredibly determined man, so when he decided to ride a bike 1,200 miles to Omaha, I felt it was Christ

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working through him. All these years later. I get the same feeling when these strong young men take to the road, keeping Paul's legacy of faith and fitness alive," said Glenda Anderson Leonard, Co-Founder and President of PAYH.

The five riders, like all other young men at PAYH, have been working to overcome a range of challenges, including emotional issues, substance abuse, legal trouble and spiritual deficiencies. The physical challenge of riding more than 520 miles over the course of seven days exemplifies their newfound mental strength and physical fitness, essential elements of the PAYH program. They also honor God through their transformation and achievement. Additionally, riders are sponsored by donors to raise funds for the youth home.

"It takes character to volunteer for this ride, because it is not easy. This endeavor honors the young men's commitment to changing their lives, accepting the Lord's word, and the memory of Paul, who was such a gifted athlete," Anderson Leonard said.

The funds raised allow PAYH to carry out its mission more effectively of helping troubled youth. Supporters can meet the riders, contribute to their success, and become a part of the PAYH family at_payhbikeride.com.

To learn more about the Paul Anderson Youth Home and family resources, visit payh.org.



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There's an old saying, "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me." Actually, words can hurt. But they can also move the needle for good!

There is immense power in your words. They can hurt just as quickly as they can heal. Always think and pray before speaking: God will help to guide you in wielding the power of your words effectively and in a way that will encourage both you and others.

Sadly, this is not the way the world around us works so it will take some effort to change our mindset. Society and the culture throw around words carelessly and recklessly, many times causing great damage. Proverbs 12:18 says, "There is one who speaks rashly like the thrusts of a sword, But the tongue of the wise brings healing."

We should always carefully choose the words we speak. When we speak words of life, it helps us see the fullness of what is created within us and others. In fact, the scripture says our words carry the power of death and life. Proverbs 18:21 says, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue."

If we speak evil things, if we tell lies, and other types of negative speech, we are bringing ourselves down in every way. We can damage relationships, shame our character and reputation, and burn bridges of opportunity for our future. 1 Peter 3:10 says, "If you want to enjoy life and see many happy days, keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies."

Wise, loving, and empowering words can make a positive difference where they are spoken. Proverbs 20:15 says, "Wise words are more valuable than much gold and many rubies." Why is that? Because wise words benefit our lives in every way. They build deep and powerful relationships; they bring us godly character; and they create opportunities unlike anything we've experienced before.

So, let's be extremely mindful of the words we speak. Remember, "A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." Proverbs 15:1.

Ask God to help you recognize unhealthy patterns of speech. Then let's take action! Correct and improve the way we speak to others and see what a difference it makes.

You can write the Pastor at pastorbilly@findtruelife.com.

Pace Center welcomes new Executive Director

For Clay Today

MIDDLEBURG – Pace Center for Girls, a nationally-recognized model that provides education, counseling, training and advocacy for girls and young women, proudly announces the appointment of Genelle Thomas as Executive Director of Pace Clay.

"Genelle is a dynamic, collaborative leader who has the vision and experience to advance our mission and lead the center in Clay County," said Mary Marx, Pace President and CEO. "I look forward to

working alongside



Genelle Thomas

Genelle as she engages the Clay community in Pace's work and reaches more girls across Northeast Florida."

Thomas brings more than 20 years of nonprofit and youth development leader-

ship to Pace Clay. She has a proven record of community impact and most recently served as the Director of National Initiatives at Partners for Youth with Disabilities. She was instrumental in increasing sustainable fiscal support, launching new programming, and building coalitions during her tenure. In this role, she co-founded the National Disability Mentoring Coalition and co-chaired the Mentoring and Leadership Task Force through UNICEF's Global Partnership on Children with Disabilities.

"It's an honor to lead Pace Clay and empower my home community's next generation of girls and young women," said Genelle Thomas, Executive Director at Pace Clay. "When we focus on supporting girls, they gain the power to achieve success in all areas of their lives, leading to positive outcomes for themselves, their families and our Clay community."

Thomas is a University of North Florida 2023 JAIDE Institute Research Fellow, was recognized as a 2011 Woman of Influence by the Jacksonville Business Journal and received the "40 Under 40" Award in

2012. She has supported the growth and sustainability of many nonprofits through board membership, including ElderSource and The Pillowcase Project.

Thomas holds a bachelor's in psychology and master's in educational psychology from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management from Harvard University Extension School. She is completing a Doctor of Education from the University of North Florida. Founded in 1985, Pace provides free year-round middle and high school academics, case management, counseling, and life skills development in a safe and supportive environment that recognizes and deals with past trauma and builds upon girls' individual strengths. Dedicated to meeting girls' social, emotional and educational needs, Pace has a successful and proven program model that has changed the life trajectory of more than 40,000 girls and is recognized as one of the nation's leading advocates for girls in need.

For more information on Pace Center for Girls, visit www.pacecenter.org.

'Ship to Shore' exhibit opens at Clay County Courthouse

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Returning to the walls of the Clay County Courthouse for the second consecutive year is the amazing artwork of the First Coast Plein Air Painters.

Visitors can enjoy a gallery wall filled with colorful outdoor-themed art that prompts viewers to relax at a nearby shoreline or shaded park. The exhibit will remain on display through Aug. 21.

The Art in the Courthouse program is a partnership involving the Clerk/Comptroller's Office, Clay County judiciary, county officials, local art groups, civic organizations, the school system and more.

While done at other courthouses around our state and country, this program is a first for our courthouse, one that provides a permanent space for continuous display of community art that enriches all who visit.

Displays rotate through the gallery every two-to-three months and expansion of display space is underway. The gallery is accessible whenever the court-



house is open, typically Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Artists from the following seven groups are featured in 2023: First Coast Quilters Guild, Art Guild of Orange Park, Clay County Fair Art Contest Winners, First Coast Plein Air Painters, Jacksonville Artists Guild, Courthouse Employees and Youth Art and Photography from the Augusta Savage Center.

"It is extremely impressive, and we appreciate the opportunity to have this very high level of artistic talent displayed again and encourage everyone to stop by to view it," Clerk of Court and Comptroller Tara Green said.

Show No. 8, Ship to Shore, was expertly curated by FCPAP Show and Exhibit Director Carron Wedlund.

To learn more about FCPAP, their member artists, or about purchasing any of the artwork currently on display, please email Wedlund at wedlund1@bellsouth.net.





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Police Briefs

CCSO: Man shoots brother, sister who were protecting abused woman

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – A brother was

killed and his sister suffered severe gunshot wounds on June 24 after they tried to protect a friend from her boyfriend.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office Robbery-Homicide Unit arrested John Jacob Thornton, 20, of Starke, in connection with a



John Thornton

double shooting that resulted in the death of a 23-year-old man and injuries to his 21-year-old sister. The incident took place at a residence on State Road 100 in Keystone Heights.

On the day of the incident, CCSO deputies responded to a 911 call reporting a shooting. Upon arrival, they found an adult male with multiple gunshot wounds in the home's driveway. The man was pronounced dead by Clay County Fire Rescue who arrived at the scene. Deputies also discovered a woman victim with a gunshot wound inside the residence. She was promptly transported to a local hospital by CCFR for treatment.

The female victim provided deputies with the shooter's name, John Jacob Thornton, who fled the scene. CCSO immediately alerted surrounding agencies, describing the suspect and the pickup truck he was driving. Acting on this information, the Bradford County Sheriff's Office spotted

the suspect vehicle and observed Thornton entering Bradford County from Union County. BCSO subsequently apprehended Thornton, but not before Thornton rammed his car into a BCSO squad car while trying to flee.

The CCSO Robbery Homicide Unit initiated an investigation into the incident, conducting interviews and collecting forensic evidence at the scene with the assistance of CCSO Crime Scene Technicians. Once notified of Thornton's arrest by BCSO, CCSO Robbery-Homicide Detectives traveled to Bradford County, took custody of Thornton, and transported him back to the investigation headquarters in Clay County.

During their investigation, detectives discovered that both victims had occasionally allowed a friend to stay at their home. The woman friend was estranged from her boyfriend, Thornton, due to domestic violence. Thornton arrived uninvited at the home and was confronted by both victims, who told him to leave. After attempting to reenter the residence, Thornton shot both victims with a shotgun.

Thornton was arrested and is in custody at the Clay County Jail. He faces charges of second-degree murder and second-degree attempted murder.

"I would like to extend my condolences to the families of the victims and I hope the victim who is still hospitalized makes a fast and full recovery," Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook said. "The victims were trying to help a friend and sadly became the target of the suspect. Domestic violence is a real issue, and I encourage individuals who are victims of domestic violence or know someone who is to immediately contact the sheriff's office at (904) 264-6512. Reports

of domestic violence can also be submitted anonymously through the SaferWatch App."

Orange Park sailor gets 7 years for distributing child pornography

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. District Judge Brian J. Davis sentenced Tanner Michael Jackson, 25, of Orange Park, a U.S. Navy petty officer, to seven years in federal prison for distributing child sex abuse images. The court also ordered Jackson to serve 20 years of supervised release and register as a sex offender. In addition, he was ordered to pay \$5,000 in restitution to a victim of his offense. Jackson pleaded guilty on March 17.

According to the plea agreement, in early 2022, the Clay County Sheriff's Office received a tip that suspected child sexual abuse material had been shared via a social media application. Law enforcement obtained the subscriber information for the user who had sent the files, and the internet protocol address was traced to Jackson.

On Aug. 22, 2022, law enforcement investigators executed a federal search warrant at Jackson's residence and seized his phone. A forensic review of the phone yielded multiple files of child sexual abuse material.

"Those who choose to violate the innocence of children come from all walks of life, and unfortunately, that includes those who don the uniform of this country's military and take an oath to serve," said Homeland Security Investigations Jacksonville Assistant Special Agent in Charge K. Jim

Phillips. "Thanks to the partnerships we have in the Northeast Florida INTERCEPT Task Force, including the Clay County Sheriff's Office, and with assistance from the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, this sailor has lost the freedoms he swore to protect and will no longer be able to victimize innocent and vulnerable children."

CCSO, Homeland Security Investigations, the Northeast Florida INTERCEPT Task Force, and the Naval Criminal Investigation Service investigated the case. Former Assistant U.S. Attorney Kelly Karase and Assistant U.S. Attorney Brenna Falzetta prosecuted it.

It is another case brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 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.

Jacksonville woman charged with trafficking 'molly'

MIDDLEBURG — What started as an investigation of a possible domestic disturbance wound up with a Jacksonville woman being arrested for trafficking "molly."

According to the Clay County Sher-

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Arrests & Bookings

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

Tuesday, June 27

Robert S. Benefield, 44, Green Cove Springs, aggravated battery of person 65 or older

Noah J. Hale, 21, Middleburg, two counts battery of person 65 or older Michael D. Hrinda, 39, Keystone Heights, burglary, grand theft

John C. Whitten, 53, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Brittani D. Wilson, 28, Green Cove Springs, FTA-driving without valid license Bruce K. Westerman, 36, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWSLR

Raka S. Raychaudhuri, 55, Green Cove Springs, insurance fraud

Danielle M. Normandin, 31, Fleming

Island, two counts battery, possession-cocaine

Monday, June 26

Alyssa L. Blankenship, 29, Middleburg, possession-methamphetamine, possession-fentanyl, possession-alprazolam

Stacey L. Hopkins, 45, Orange Park, domestic battery

Justin S.T. Calley, 32, Middleburg, misuse 911 system

Arnold G. Goins, 53, Middleburg, domestic battery

Alexandria T. Laughlin, 43, Orange Park, intimidation written/electronic threat to kill

Derick R. Voss, 37, Green Cove Springs, violation of injunction for protection against domestic violence

Ana L. Mazzullo, 55, Fleming Island, FTA-disturbing the peace

Michael B. Sweat, 48, Orange Park, domestic battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Matthew D. Campbell, 39, Middleburg, DUI with BAL .15 or higher with passenger younger than 18

Sunday, June 25

Lorenzia L. Blount, 71, Green Cove Springs, DWSLR, driving unregistered vehicle

Marian E. Dusenbery, 53, Middleburg, domestic violence

Pablo Davila, 52, Middleburg, FTA-battery

Tyler S. Norris, 31, Starke, domestic battery by strangulation

Diana I. Aguilar, 31, Orange Park, aggravated domestic battery

Saturday, June 24

Alexander J. Guilfoyle, 22, Keystone Heights, domestic battery

Lauria K. Mills, 61, Middleburg, shoplift-

Jessica M. Smith, 26, Fleming Island, shoplifting

Amanda N. Smith, 30, Fleming Island, shoplifting

John Jacob Thornton, 20, Keystone Heights, murder, attempted murder

Carolyn S. Boyer, 69, Middleburg, VOP-community control

Carmen M. Hunnicutt, 61, Green Cove Springs, possession-drug paraphernalia

Friday, June 23

Bobby J. Mattson, 41, Middleburg, VOP-community control

Derick R. Voss, 37, Melrose, burglary, grand theft

Alicia N. Walker, 29, Green Cove Springs, VOP-attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with lights/siren active

Sheri N. Kemp, 49, Orange Park, tresassing

John F. Henry, 38, Orange Park, battery, child abuse

Thursday, June 22

Marilyn L. Flores, 20, Orange Park, shoplifting

Duncan J. Lloyd, 21, Keystone Heights, domestic battery

Talayzia M. Whitley, 19, Fleming Island, DWSI R

Ashley M. Royal, 35, Green Cove Springs, DWSLR

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Tanyah N. Darby, 21, Green Cove Springs, possession-cocaine, giving false name/ID, DWSLR

Noah C. Wilkins, 23, Middleburg, possession-marijuana

Ed T. McDower, 32, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl, possession-marijuana, possession-drug paraphernalia, VOP-community control

Wednesday, June 21

Lora L. Fraser, 41, Orange Park, FTA-DWSLR

Danielle T. Jennings, 54, Green Cove Springs, FTA-trespassing

Carlton J. Williams, 21, Green Cove Springs, VOP-burglary

Paul E. Simmons, 52, Middleburg, possession-controlled substance

Raymond C. Leathers, 48, Green Cove Springs, VOP-violation of injunction for protection, VOP-aggravated stalking/cyberstalking after injunction

Donald L. Savage, 39, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery by strangulation, VOP-possession-methamphetamine

Richard D. Whittington, 41, Green Cove Springs, FTA-aggravated battery of pregnant woman, FTA-battery

Mya N. Pena, 24, Orange Park, criminal mischief

BBB: Homeowners should be cautious before hiring contractor

By Better Business Bureau For Clay Today

As the demand for home improvement projects and repairs increases in Florida – especially during hurricane season, homeowners must be cautious when hiring a contractor. The state requires contractors to be licensed and insured, but not all contractors adhere to these regulations. Hiring an unlicensed contractor can put homeowners at risk for subpar work, financial loss and legal trouble.

As part of the current Unlicensed Activity Awareness Week, the Better Business Bureau and the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation remind Floridians to thoroughly research professionals and businesses before hiring and reporting suspected unlicensed individuals. Unlicensed activity is against the law – BBB and DBPR take unlicensed activity very seriously because it threatens the safety of Florida's consumers and takes away business from licensed professionals throughout the state.

Unlicensed activity occurs when an individual offers to perform or performs services requiring a state license and does not hold the required license. Florida law sets specific rules and guidelines for obtaining professional licensure, and the people who have met these requirements are held to professional standards.

"With summer and hurricane season in full swing, homeowners are searching for contractors to perform quality, affordable home improvement work," said DBPR Secretary Melanie S. Griffin. "I encourage homeowners to do their research and verify licenses at MyFloridaLicense.com to ensure they are hiring a licensed profes-



sional with the education and experience necessary to do the job correctly the first time."

To avoid these potential hazards, homeowners should research before hiring a contractor. The first step is to verify the contractor's license with DBPR. Homeowners can visit DBPR's website or call their customer contact center to check if the contractor is licensed and has a clean record. In addition to a license, homeowners should also ask for proof of insurance. Contractors should carry general liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance to protect themselves and the homeowner in case of an accident or injury. Once the contractor's license and insurance have been verified, homeowners should ask for references, and examples of work, check a contractor's track record at BBB.org, and look for the BBB Accredited Business Seal to know the company is committed to BBB's standards of trust in the marketplace.

"Choosing a licensed contractor is crucial for any home improvement project,"

said Karen Nalven, President/CEO of Better Business Bureau serving West Florida. "Homeowners should take the time to research their options. Go to BBB.org and make sure you are hiring someone who is both qualified and trustworthy."

Hiring a licensed contractor may require more effort and research, but it can save homeowners time, money, and headaches in the long run. Both BBB and DBPR have online resources to educate consumers on hiring a licensed professional and reporting unlicensed activity.

BBB provides information for consumers to help make informed buying decisions and find properly licensed professionals, BBB Accredited Contractors, and an easy-to-use checklist. Resources to help businesses build trust in the marketplace are also available at BBB.org/consumers

Consumers can verify professional licenses that fall under DBPR's jurisdiction by visiting MyFloridaLicense.com, calling (850) 487-1395, or downloading the free DBPR Mobile app through iTunes or the Google Play store.

Police

iff's Office, the agency was alerted about a couple possibly fighting in their car on Blanding Boulevard. After deputies deter-

mined there wasn't enough evidence to charge either, they were notified the driver of the car, Mohammod Adam, had an arrest warrant in Jacksonville.

Because the passenger, Tori Lynn Ward, 20, didn't have a valid license to drive Mo-



Tori Ward

hammod's car, CCSO called a tow company. They also made an inventory of the contents and found 21.65 grams of MDMA, also known as molly, in the passenger door panel. Ward's bond was set at \$25,003.

Middleburg man gets 17½ years for child pornography

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. District Judge Brian J. Davis sentenced Brandon Paul Smolinski, 36, of Middleburg, to 17 years and six months in federal prison for the distribution of child sexual abuse materials. His prison term is to be followed by 10 years of supervised release. The court also ordered Smolinski to pay \$33,500 in restitution to the victims of his offense. Smolinski pleaded guilty on March 22.

According to court documents, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office initiated an investigation after receiving information about five files of child sexual abuse material being sent over a social media application by a user. PCSO's investigation revealed that the files were sent from within the Putnam County Jail and traced the social media account to that of Smolinski, who was working for a transportation company that works inside the Putnam County Jail.

The company provided Smolinski's work schedule and confirmed that he worked in the Putnam County Jail on the dates and times the files were shared from within the facility. PCSO contacted the Clay County Sheriff's Office to request assistance at Smolinski's residence in Middleburg, and CCSO discovered additional information that the internet service at Smolinski's home was also used to upload files of CSAM using the same social media application.

Detectives from PCSO and CCSO approached Smolinski in the parking lot at the Putnam County Jail. During an interview with the detectives, Smolinski said he worked in the jail for approximately six months.

He further said he worked the night shift, and even though no one was supposed to bring their phones into the jail tower, he brought his phone and used it to log onto the secure Wi-Fi at the Putnam County Jail.

Smolinski admitted to having the social media application used to distribute the files of CSAM.

When shown particular files of CSAM distributed from his account, Smolinski acknowledged having seen the files and that they depicted children, estimating that one of the children being sexually abused in a video appeared "young, 10 years old." Smolinski said he would save

a video shared with him via chat groups on the app, and then would flip the videos around and re-send them out. When asked if he knew what he was doing was wrong, Smolinski replied, "Oh ... yes, ... 100% wrong." Smolinski said he had been involved in viewing and distributing CSAM for several years

During a forensic review of Smolinski's iPhone, law enforcement discovered multiple files of CSAM, including a file sent to Person A on June 27, 2022.

Also, on Smolinski's phone were several chat messages between Smolinski and Person A, during which they talked about exploiting children. Within the messages, Smolinski said his "favorite age" was "8-9-10-14. Somewhere in there, but I'm not picky."

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office investigated the case, the Clay County Sheriff's Office, and Homeland Security Investigations and the Northeast Florida INTERCEPT Task Force. Assistant U.S. Attorney Ashley Washington and former U.S. Attorney Kelly Karase prosecuted it.

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Is Dressel Back?

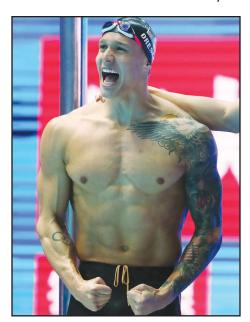
By Nicole Miller swimswam.com

INDIANAPOLIS - Since 2017, the men's 100 butterfly has been dominated by one name on American soil: Caeleb Dressel. Dressel, a Clay High School graduate in Green Cove Springs, FL, and the current world record holder in the event, has won this event at every US Trials meet since the 2017 US International Team Trials, becoming a staple on every roster. However, with Dressel just recently returning to competition following a several month long hiatus from swimming, the field looks as open as it has in several years.

The Dressel The Knowns

As the defending Olympic Champion, current World and American Record Holder, and the reigning US Trials Champion,

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Caeleb Dressel's history as top drawer at World Championships and Olympics has him still in the mix for the upcoming US World Trials in Indianapolis.



PHOTOS BY JOCELYN DUHAYLUNGSOD

The North Florida Wrestling Academy Purple team holds on to their runnerup and a handful of All-American medals after the team based out of Fleming Island finished second at

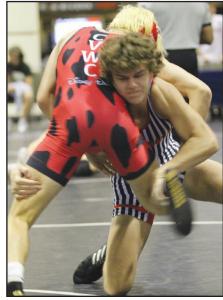
NFWA grapplers second in nation

By Randy Lefko Sports Editor

ORLANDO - Fresh from a second place state finish two months ago, the Fleming Island High wrestling team took little time off to prepare for the AAU Scholastic Duals in Orlando and the work paid off with a thrilling second place finish in what is considered the national championships of dual match wrestling.

"We took some time off after the high school season with a couple guys going to nationals in Virginia, a guy in Tulsa for a national meet and the rest of them back at the Warehouse just lifting," said North Florida Wrestling Academy director and coach P.J. Cobbert, also the Fleming Island High head wrestling coach. "The state meet stung a bit and the boys were back in the room within a week to prepare for this one and it paid off."

On the girls side on Friday, the Middleburg High girls wrestling squad, led by state champion Cheyenne Cruce, finished seventh in their division with Cruce maintaining her unbeaten streak through the grind of competing against



NFWA 145 pound wrestler Kaden Schaefer muscles under opponent in duals action in Orlando.

some of the best in the country.

"She knows she has a target on her back everytime she shows up, but her work ethic at home is brutal," said Mid-

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SJCDS Hodges steps to mound in **NCAA World Series**

VirginiaSports.com

OMAHA – After piling up runs during the regular season and through the first two weekends of the NCAA tournament. the University of Virginia baseball team arrived at the Men's College World Series with an offense that inspired fear in most opponents.

At Charles Schwab Field Omaha, however, the barrage of hits that had become these Cavaliers' trademark never materialized. And so an exceptional season ended on a disappointing note for UVA, which finished 50-15 after dropping two one-run games in Omaha. Two days after falling 6-5 to Florida, UVA lost 4-3 to Texas Christian University in the first elimination game of this MCWS.

On the pitchers mound for the Cavaliers, in the latter innings of the TCU

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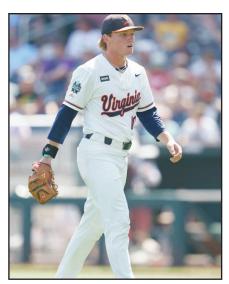


PHOTO COURTESY OF U OF VIRGINIA ATHLETICS St. Johns Country Day School graduate Bradley Hodges had a brief pitching stint in the eighth inning of the University of Virginia's double elimination loss to TCU. Hodges registered a strikeout on his first batter.



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Left: Florida Southern cross country got some record setting performances from Middleburg High's Emma Mussante, center w sunglasses while, right, Fleming Island High's Marisa Kortright, far left in photo, was key point getter in cross country and track. Both were named All-American Academic athletes.

Mussante, Kortright named Track/XC Academic All American

Special from Florida Southern Athletics

LAKELAND, Fla. â€" Five Florida Southern College women's cross country and track student-athletes were named to the 2022-23 College Sports Communicators (CSC), formerly CoSIDA, Women's Track and Field/Cross Country Academic All-District, when the association released the teams on Wednesday (May 31). The Moccasins saw Ellie Fluman, Marisa Kortright, Emma Mussante, Emery Roth and Carolina Titus receive the honor.

Kortright is a Fleming Island High School graduate. Mussante graduated from Middleburg High School.

Kortright, a 2021 USTFCCCA All-Academic Athlete as well as 2021 Second Team All-SSC performer in cross country, saw action in three regular season cross country

meets while also competing at the 2022 SSC Championship. The Middleburg, Fla. native is pursuing a degree in psychology at Florida Southern.

Mussante had a tremendous 2022-23 campaign as she led both the cross country and track teams this season. During the cross country campaign, she earned UST-FCCCA All-Academic Athlete distinction while being named Second Team All-SSC. During the outdoor track season, she broke the program's 5,000m record while posting the top time for the Mocs in three separate events. The sophomore competed in three regular season cross country meets while also seeing action at the SSC Championship and NCAA South Region Championship. She posted the top 5K time of the season for the Mocs at the Royals Cross Country Chal-

lenge while stopping the clock at 18:24.3. She then went on to compete in all eight outdoor meets for the Mocs while running the 800m, 1,500m and 5,000m. She posted the top times for the Mocs in all three events including her time of 2:21.69 in the 800m at the East Coast Relays, her mark of 4:45.22 in the 1,500m at the ERAU Spikes Classic and her school record performance in the 5,000m at the River City Relays of 17:24.37. She is currently working on her degree in psychology.

Fluman, from St. Augustine, earns her second career CSC Academic All-District honor after earning the distinction following the 2021-22 season. The junior is also a two-time USTFCCCA All-Academic Athlete selection as well.

Roth, from Atlanta, and a 2021 USTF-

CCCA All-Academic Athlete, saw action in three regular season cross country meets while also competing at the SSC Championship. Titus, out of Sarasota, repeats as a CSC Academic All-District selection after earning the distinction following the 2021-22 season. The junior, who primarily focuses on track, was the lone Moccasin to compete in the steeplechase, an event she holds the school record in.

The 2023 Academic All-District® Team, selected by College Sports Communicators, recognize the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances in the athletic realm and in the classroom. The CSC Academic All-America® program separately recognizes honorees in four divisions — NCAA Division I, NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III and NAIA.

Dressel

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Dressel has been at the top of the World Rankings in this event for years. Over this undisputed run of dominance in this event, Dressel has left little doubt about his ability to get his hands to the wall first. In any normal year, this event would be a runaway for him, as his best time ranks almost a second clear of any other active American swimmer.

The Unknowns

As previously mentioned, Dressel took several months off after his early departure from the 2022 World Championships last summer, just recently getting back into the pool. At the Atlanta Classic about a month ago, his first meet since the World Championships, Dressel clocked a time of 52.41. His swim was almost three seconds off of his best time, and only ranks him as the 8th-fastest American this season. He later entered the 100 butterfly at the FAST Senior Open a few weeks after the Atlanta Classic, but scratched everything except the 100 freestyle.

However, if Dressel has proven one thing over the course of his career, it's to never doubt his ability to get his hand to



Ryan Murphy

the wall first. It's likely that some of the swimmers ranked ahead of him, like Ryan Murphy, will not be swimming this event at Trials, increasing his odds of making it back to the World Championship stage. Though there's still doubt about whether he even swims the event at Trials, given his current circumstances, he'll have a shot if he does. It's also entirely possible Dressel forgoes this event all-together, opting to stick to the freestyle events and the Team USA relays.

The Challengers

The Veterans

Aside from Dressel, there's a swarm of veteran talent in this event lined up to take a shot at the top two.

Shaine Casas currently leads all Americans this season with his time of 50.80

from the Pro Swim Series stop on Ft. Lauderdale, making himself the only American to go under 51 seconds this season. Casas holds a best time of 50.40 that he swam at the 2022 US National Championship just a few weeks after the World Championships.

At the same Pro Swim Series stop that Casas' 50.80 came from, Michael Andrew dropped a 51.80 to make himself the third-fastest American this season. Andrew holds a best time of 50.80 from 2021, matching Casas season-best time. Given that Andrew was on-fire during the 2021 Olympic Trials, where he didn't even swim the 100 butterfly, his ceiling in the event is potentially much higher than his personal best indicates.

There's also a group of 200 butterfly specialists who could make a push here, including Trenton Julian, Luca Urlando, and Zach Harting. For Urlando and Harting, the question will be whether they elect to swim the event at all as Urlando is coming off a shoulder surgery and Harting has been more focused on solely the 200 butterfly in recent years. At last summer's World Championship Trials, Urlando placed 5th in this event (51.76) and Harting placed just behind him in 6th (52.23) Julian has been as fast at 52.15 this season, ranking just ahead of Dressel as the 7th-fastest American

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2022 U.S. International Team Trials Champion: Caeleb Dressel, 50.20 World Aquatics Cut- 51.96

Swimswam Picks

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Knights going explosive in 2023

By Randy Lefko Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Walking into the Oakleaf High football weightroom, one is surprised that there are not many bars with massive amounts of weights on them on any on the stations.

"We want explosiveness; that's by design," said Oakleaf head football coach Chris Foy, who enter his first season at Oakleaf with a searing eye on the fine points of body mechanics for his players. "It's not how much weight they can lift, but how much weight they can move. We want them to be athletic on the field and full tilt for four quarters."

Foy's troops; offensive and defensive linemen in the morning session of his summer programs were in the midst of jumping dead lifts with a trap bar; google that, while others, including the massively big guys like 310 pound Chase Johnson, 340 pound Quory Ambrose and 240 pound J.J. Marsh Mensie were hopping up on a 18 inches high platform.

"It's all about the hips and activating for power," said Foy. "In the weight room, it's all about fast moving, little rest and recovery and continued movement around the stations. Quory and J.J. have taken their game to a next level just by being here and understanding what we are doing."

Foy has traveled to a few position camps in the last month; Mercer University, University of Central Florida (twice), Charleston Southern and University of South Florida, to let his boys see coaching from the college level.

"It's good for them to see coaching from the next level and get an idea as to what will be expected once they leave high school," said Foy. "I like my guys to get coached by somebody else."

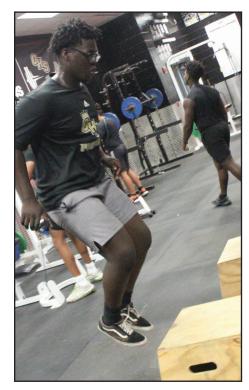
The coaching aspect adds to Foy's expected immediate impact on the Knights' program, but, coyly, Foy hopes that his guys see some of his credibility.

"I've been around the best coaches at the high school level and also at the college level," said Foy. "I hope maybe they get something from the college guys and come home thinking maybe their own head coach is doing okay."

Part of the traveling, Foy cited, was a chance to see the underbelly of his players and maybe some insight to their own internal drive to be successful on the field and off the field

"I think the most important part of the trips is that team camaraderie part," said Foy. "We get to see how they react with a little adversity; hotel rooms, roommates, different foods, bed checks, and even curfews. Some guys have never had to be accountable to their teammates at a high level."

Foy noted that the UCF camp was as brutal a session as any he has been to.





"That camp was all about punishment; a three day session with the first session all conditioning," said Foy. "They had a 12 station setup and it was brutal."

On the field, Foy emphasizes his conditioning program as one that will bring opportunity.

"The whole key to our program is for our guys to be ready at all parts of the game to take advantage of opportunities as they present themselves," said Foy. "It's hard to win at high school football on it own let alone when you are tired. That's why we work on the clock here."

At the skill camps, Foy noted that senior quarterback Brandon Wallace, Jr.; at Mercer and UCF, was impressive each time he touched the ball.

"He upped his game everytime he got a rep," said Foy. "We have to get him ready for all situations in game situations because he came in behind the guy last year (Drew Ammon)."

Next phase, Coy intimated, may be a trip to a local pool for his boys to not swim, but to run in the water. Stay tuned.

Oakleaf, as well as other area schools, will be at Tuesday's Jacksonville Jaguars 7 v 7 tournament for action against a day's worth of athletes.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Working for power and explosiveness on Monday Oakleaf High workout are, above, Amare Thomas, left, Lewis Innison on the hop and Jacob McClintock going atop an 18 block.





Key to the Oakleaf offense will be running back Chris Foy, Jr., who has shown soft hands on passes out of the backfield. Right: Linebacker Michael Ingram gets a fist pump from coach Kitt in passing drills.



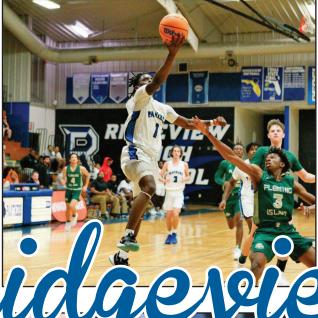


Brian Copeland rips the Trap Bar that comes with a jump at the end while Chris Jones gets air with Aiden Radzelovage on the 18 inch block.



Under the watchful eye of new athletic director Rodney Dubose, a former head coach at Westside High who groomed his son successfully for stints in high school, the US Naval Academy and a national championship run at University of West Florida, quarterback Brandon Wallace will be the focal point of Knights offense under coach Chris Foy, right.







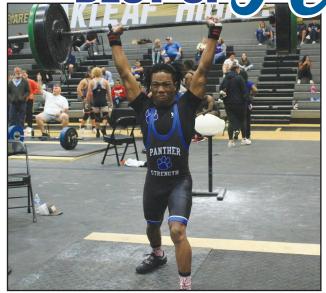














PHOTO BY BREVIN TOWNSELL/LARAMS

Rams welcome 2023 rookie class to SoFi Draft Lab for team BBQ

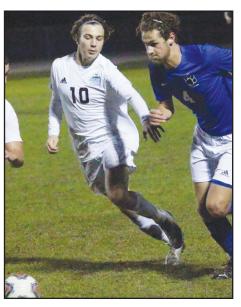
Cornhole, trivia, team bonding & more

The Los Angeles Rams hosted a barbecue and team bonding event at the SoFi Draft Lab for their 2023 rookie class. Rookies such as Fleming Island High School (FL) LB and state champion wrestler Ryan Smenda from Wake Forest, pictured left, OL Steve Avila, P Ethan Evans, WR Puka Nacua, QB Stetson Bennett, and more played games like cornhole and trivia, enjoyed a delicious BBQ spread, and engaged in an insightful talk with Rams legend Eric Dickerson.

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Wrestler

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dleburg coach Coll Robertson. "We had Wyatt LeDuc wrestle undefeated at 6-0 to earn an All-American medal for the team. This trip was the first for a Middleburg based team. The kids got a little beat up, but the experience of competing at this level is worth the trip. They can only get better next year because of this week."

The AAU Scholastic Duals is a weeklong wrestling festival featuring high school teams from around the country going head to head in dual meet fashion; teams versus teams rather than individual brackets, with pool play in the first days of the tournament and a gold, silver, bronze championship day at the event finale.

"It's a grind," said Cobbert, who was without his lone state champion on the high school team; Jayce Paridon, who wrestled just twice before leaving to wrestle in the All Stars division. "The team overcame that adversity and just wrestled harder to take up for the forfeit of losing Jayce. The team is stronger than one guy."

For Cobbert, the addition of "add-on" wrestlers; teams are allowed to add up to three off-team wrestlers to fill rosters, was a coup of sorts with the wily coach adding two Georgia state medalists and one Oakleaf High School state qualifier.

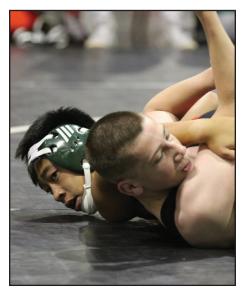
From Georgia, Cobbert had, at 182, Georgia 7A champion (also 116-0 won/lost record) from Camden County High Ryder Wilder; at 220, Georgia 6A champion Anthony Lowe from Brunswick High; at 285, River Creel, also from Brunswick and a sixth place finish in Georgia 6A; and, at 126, from Oakleaf High freshman state qualifier Sebastian Bonachea, fifth in 2A.

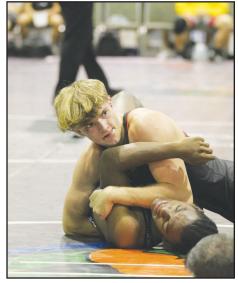
"These guys added some firepower to our lineup for sure," said Cobbert. "We also had Palatka state runnerup Mikade Harvey on our second team; NFWA Black, with Fleming Island High state weightlifting champion Kevin Reyes at 285. Both did well"

In the end, with the NFWA Black team facing off against a south Florida power-house; Eagle Empire Purple, Cobbert got some outstanding performances, but fell 36-26 to take the runnerup spot.

With Eagle Empire hosting a plethora of state medalists and nationally ranked athletes, NFWA Purple opened with Matthew Newman earning a tough 8-4 win that was followed by a loss to Jordan Mukkaddam at 113 and wins at 120 and 126 from Shane Duhaylungsod and Bonachea to put NFWA up 9-6. "Jordan had to wrestle off with Newman all year with Newman being a state medalist," said Cobbert. "Jordan had a great week and put himself in the mix for next year."

The early success did not last long as Eagle Empire got six straight wins with their own powerhouse lineup which included Miami Beach High's Aaron Lanster, 3A runnerup at 138 beating Laird Duhaylungsod 4-1, Southwest Miami's Lester Martinez beating Kaden Schaefer 8-3, and Camden County High's Konlin Weaver, a 2023 7A runnerup and twice prior a 7A state ti-







PHOTOS BY JOCELYN DUHAYLUNGSOD

Top left: Shane Duhaylungsod has his guy in a pretzel and just awaiting the referee mat slap. Center: Matthew Kottler is one of a handful of young wrestlers maturing into national premise with NFWA and Fleming Island High. Right: Matthew Newman had his own great Duals tournament while also training with Jordan Mukkaddam who excelled in the 113 pound category after a year of training against Newman.







Left: Chris Chop gets set to turn opponent; Chop; also in center, executes a near fall with just his legs in slick move in early rounds at AAU Scholastic Duals. Right: St. Johns Country Day School's Matthew Braddock, who petitioned and was allowed to wrestle as an individual athletes for St. Johns, will become a Fleming Island High freshman with a ton of national experience under his belt.

Wrestlers and won/lost totals

NFWA Black

(Community 1, 2nd place) 106 Matthew Newman 9-1

113 Jordan Mukkaddam 7-3
120 Shane Duhaylungsod 7-3
126 Sebastian Bonachea 9-1 (from Oakleaf)
132/138 Laird Duhaylungsod 8-2
138 Jayce Paridon 1-1
145 Kaden Schaefer 9-1
152/160 Matthew Kotler 7-3
160 Dylan Beck 5-5
170 Chris Chop 8-2
182 Ryder Wilder 10-0 (From Camden County, GA)

195/220 Anthony Lowe 10-0 (From

285 River Creel 10-0 (From Brunswick,

NFWA Oakleaf Knights (Communithy 1, 4th)

195/220 Walter Poe 7-3

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106 Matthew Braddock 5-4 (From SJCDS/FIHS) 113/120 Micah Caetano 4-5 120/126 Ion Hortinela 4-5
132 Cooper Beck 2-1
132 Kellon Duncan 1-5
138 Jaden Adams 3-6
145/152 Mikade Harvey 6-2 (From Palatka High)
145/152 Nicolas Moreno 2-3
152/160 Ghais Cooper 6-1
160 Preston Lewis 1-6
170/182 Sebastian Hutchinson 7-2
182 Nolan McKelvy 1-0
195 Bryant Taylor 3-6
285 Kevin Reves 7-2

Middleburg girls (RPA Wrestling, AS Gold, 7th)

100 Skyla Fisher 3-3 106 Fallon Dames 0-4 105 Memphis Moses 5-1 105 Lillan Bradshaw 2-2 110 Kailee Miller 5-5 115 Daniela Tabora 4-6 120/125 Sarah Walsh 3-7 130 Kylee Hopkins 1-9 135/140 Olivia Richie 9-1 135/140 Keira Suro 5-2 145/155 Katherine Stewart 7-3 140/145 Aryan Benson 1-3

155 Valentina Mora 3-6 170 Jayla Harrison 9-1 (From Oakleaf)

190 Cheyenne Cruce 10-0
HWT Jazzmine Moore 4-6 (From

Oakleaf)

Florida Girls All Stars (AS Gold, 9th)

106 Gavin Fisher 4-6

113 Brvan Davis 1-1

130 Kailani Barrientos 10-0 (From Oakleaf)

Middleburg

(Kame Style team, Community 1, 11th place)

120 Grady Woodard 7-3 126 Dylan Johns 3-7 132 Brady Glavin 8-2 (From Clay) 138 Parker Richards 1-9 145/152 Sean Blouin 5-5 152/160 Daniel Raines 3-6 170 David Hall 3-7 195 Porter Loveland 5-5 220 William Kelley 4-6 (from Clay) 285 Peter Nesheiwat 9-0

Middleburg

113 Bryan Davis 7-2

(Applied Pressure team in Developmental, finished 5th) 106 Gavin Fisher 4-5

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220 Tucker Cody 5-3

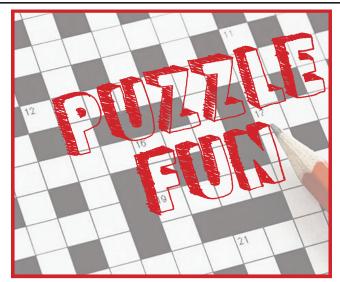
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tle winner, beating Chris Chop 2-1 at 170. Camden County won its ninth straight state title in 2023.

"That was the meat of their lineup and our guys put up a good fight," said Cobbert. "We'll relax a bit then regroup and watch some film to see where we can tweak our practices. This kind of competition puts a lot of different styles on the mat that we can put into our arsenal."

For Cobbert, who has been second now twice, and has been a top five finisher in most of his tenure, the National meet is a meat and potatoes kind of experience.

"It's a grind but we wrestle to exact pain and punishment right from the start," said Cobbert. "We had great technique tilting guys in Disney and that gets points. I know my guys are going to bring the battle to whomever is in front of them." CLAYTODAYONLINE.COM June 29, 2023 • CLAY TODAY 29



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Solve the code to discover words related to oceans.

Each number corresponds to a letter.

(Hint: 1 = s)

A. 1 5 12

Clue: Ocean

B. 16 12 9 5 1

Clue: Curling water

C. 13 20 12 2

Clue: Clawed crustacean

D. 1 24 5 3 3 1

Clue: Hard outer protection

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to oceans.

RECNUTR



Answer: Current

Guess Who?

Answers: A. sea

B. waves

 \mathcal{C}

crab

D.

I am an actor born in Georgia on June 27, 1999. I made my feature film debut at age 10 in a movie called "Get Low." However, it took a series featuring zombies to propel me to mainstream fame.

Answer: Chandler Riggs

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Hodges

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game, was freshman left hander Bradley Hodges, a graduate of St. Johns Country Day School in Orange Park, FL.

Hodges pitched in the eighth inning with the score 4-2 for TCU and struck out his first batter swinging to end the inning.

In the ninth, with Virginia now down just 4-3, Hodges opened on the mound and allowed single before a sacrifice bunt moved the baserunner to second. Hodges was relieved from there.

The Wahoos came to Omaha hitting .335, which ranked No. 1 nationally, and averaging 9.1 runs and 12 hits per game. Against Florida, the Hoos went 8-for-30 on a night when their bullpen struggled. Against TCU, the Cavaliers $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^M$ pitching was solid, but they went 5-for-32 at the plate.

"Baseball's a hard game,†All-America catcher Kyle Teel said. "You're going to go through times and periods of struggles, and it's always about bouncing back. But unfortunately we were going through that time these last couple games.â€

This was the Cavaliersâ \in TM sixth trip to the Menâ \in TMs College World Seriesâ \in Tall under head coach Brian Oâ \in TMConnorâ \in Tand theyâ \in TMd won at least one game in each of their previous five appearances. Theyâ \in TMve advanced to the championship series twice, finishing runner-up in 2014 and winning the NCAA title in 2015.

"We just couldn't get that one more big hit that we needed to win here in Omaha,†O'Connor said Sunday afternoon. "And sometimes, all the time, that's what it comes down to, that big clutch hit or that clutch pitch. And we just didn't get enough of that this weekend.

Virginia started junior left-hander Connelly Early, who allowed two runs in five innings. Graduate student Brian Edgington, in only his third relief appearance of the season, gave up five hits and two runs. The Cavaliers $\hat{a} \in \mathbb{T}^{M}$ final two pitchers, freshman Bradley Hodges and sophomore Jay Woolfolk, allowed only one hit between them.

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Fleming Island basketball campers

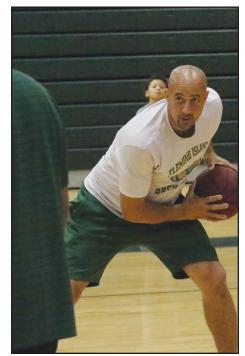
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With the new addition to the Fleming Island High girls basketball team, ex-ace Molly Ragle, who finished an outstanding college stint at Edward Waters College, Fleming Island girls coach Michael Hayward and boys coach Traavis Chandler hosted the Fleming Island Youth Basketball camp with assistance from boys assistant coach Patrick Miles.





















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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR **PUBLICATION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2021-DR-000055 DIVISION: F

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IN RE: THE FORMER MARRIAGE OF
JEREMIAH CERCY,
Petitioner/Farmer Husband,

Petitioner/Farmer Husband, and MACKENZIE CERCY, Respondent/Former Wife. TO: MACKENZIE CERCY YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Supplemental Petition for Modification has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on David M. Merritt, Esquire, of KENNY LEIGH & ASSOCIATES, Husband's attorney, whose address is 414 Old Hard Road, Suite 201, Fleming Island, FL 32003, on or before August 10, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this court at Judge William A. Wilkes Judicial Complex, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, either before service on Father's attorney or immediately

Springs, Florida 32043, either before service on Father's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the patien.

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LEGAL NOTICE / AVISO **LEGAL** (Florida Statute 98.075 / Estatuto de Florida 98.075) Notice is hereby given to the following person(s) with the last known address of: Por la presente se notifica a las siguientes personas con la última dirección conocida de:

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You are hereby notified that you are potentially ineligible to be registered to vote. Failure to respond to this notice within 30 days may result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor of Elections and removal of your name from the statewide voter registration system. You may contact the Supervisor of Elections office to receive information regarding the basis for the potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve the matter. If further assistance is needed, contact the Clay County Supervisor of Elections office.

Por la presente se le notifica que no es elegible para registrarse para votar. Si no responde a este aviso dentro de los 30 días, el Supervisor de Elecciones puede determinar que no es elegible y eliminar su nombre del sistema estatal de registro de votantes. Puede comunicarse con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones para recibir información sobre la base de la posible inelegibilidad y el procedimiento para resolver el asunto. Si necesita más ayuda, comuníquese con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay.

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Supervisor de Elecciones Legal 73918 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT**

Chris H. Chambless Supervisor of Elections

PURCHASE AT SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY **DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT Clay County,** Florida

Notice is hereby given that the South Village Community Development District ("District") will accept proposals from qualified firms interested in providing various golf course maintenance equipment. Detailed specifications ("Project Manual") will be available for qualified firms beginning Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (EST), from the District Manager, Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com. Firms desiring to provide a proposal electronically to the District Manager, Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com no later than Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., with a copy to Katie Buchanan at Katie.Buchanan@KutakRock.com and Jim Han at James.Hahn@HonoursGolf.com. Proposals received after the time and date stipulated above will be disqualified. Ranking of proposals will be made on the basis of qualifications according to the Evaluation Criteria contained within

disqualified.

Ranking of proposals will be made on the basis of qualifications according to the Evaluation Criteria contained within the Project Manual. The District has the right to reject any and all proposals and waive any technical errors, informalities or irregularities if it determines in its discretion it is in the best interest to do so. Any person who wishes to protest the Project Manual, or any component thereof, shall file with the District a written notice of protest within seventy-two (72) hours after the Project Manual is made available, together with a protest bond in a form acceptable to the District and in the amount of \$10,000, and shall file a formal written protest with the District within seven (7) calendar days after the date of timely filing the initial notice of protest. Filing will be perfected and deemed to have occurred upon receipt by the District Engineer. Failure to timely file a notice of protest or failure to timely file a normal written protest shall constitute a waiver of any right to object to or protest the contents of the Project Manual. The formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based.

Any and all questions relative to this project shall be in electronic mail to Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com.

Marilee Giles, District Manager South Village Community Development District

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PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on July 13, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida

Statutes. 2015 Volkswagen 1VWAT7A34FC055343

Legal 73914 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF AGENCY **ACTION TAKEN BY THE** ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on June 22, 2023:
D.R. Horton, Inc. – Jacksonville, 4220
Race Track Rd., St. Johns, FL 32259-2084 Permit# 142441-6. The project is located in Clay County, Section 38, Township 6 South, Range 26 East. The permit authorizes a surface water management system on 90.04 acres, for D.R. Horton, Inc. – Jacksonville known as Rookery Phase 1. The receiving water body is St. Johns River.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the St. Johns River Water Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the petition must be filed (received) either by delivery at the office of the District Clerk at District Headquarters, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka, FL 32177-10 rby e-mail with the District Clerk at Clerk@sjnwmd.com, within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual notice). A petition must comply with Sections 120.54(5) (b)4. and 120.569(2)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 28-106, F.A.C. The District will not accept a petition sent by facsimile (fax). Mediation pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., may be available and choosing mediation does not affect your right to an administrative hearing. A petition by the District Clerk at the District

Headquarters in Palatka, Florida during the District's regular business hours. The District's regular business hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Petitions received by the District Clerk after the District's regular business hours shall be deemed filed as of 8 a.m. on the District's next regular business day. The District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation (issued pursuant to Rule 28-101.001, Florida Administrative Code), which is available for viewing at www.sjrwmd.com. These conditions include, but are not limited to, the petition being in the form of a PDF or TIFF file and being capable of being stored and printed by the District. Eurther, pursuant to the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation, attempting to file a petition by facsimile (fax) is prohibited and shall not constitute filing.

The right to an administrative hearing and the relevant procedures to be followed are governed by Chapter 120, Florida Administrative Code, and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Organizative Loade. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means the District's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this notice. Failure to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative

hearing. (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.).
If you wish to do so, please visit http://
www.sjnwmd.com/nor_dec/ to read the
complete Notice of Rights to determine
any legal rights you may have concerning the District's decision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. You
can also request the Notice of Rights
by contacting the Director of Business
and Administrative Services, 4049 Reid
St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no.
(386)329-4570.
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Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

The St. Johns River State College District Board of Trustees will hold a special called meeting on Monday, July 10, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., in the Clifford B. Stearns Learning Resources Center (L0118) on the Orange Park Campus, 283 College Drive, Orange Park, Florida.

The agenda may include but is not limited to business affairs, personnel matters, facilities items, academic and student affairs. If any person wishes to appeal any decision made by the Board of Trustees of SJR State College with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to

participate in the noticed meeting should contact the College at the following address at least five days before the date of the scheduled meeting: Charles Romer, director of Human Resources, 386-312-4074 or CharlesRomer@sjrstate.edu. Persons with speech or hearing impairments should contact the College using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (voice).

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NOTICE OF **FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2022CA000759
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Poliability

vs. JORDAN A. ADAMS; SARAH M. ADAMS,

et al.
Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 31, 2023, and entered in 2022CA000759 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and JORDAN A. ADAMS; SARAH M. ADAMS are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green and JORDAN A. ADAMS; SARAH M. AD-AMS are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell

to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on July 31, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judg-ment, to wit:

ment, to wit:
LOTS TWO (2) AND THREE (3), SUNNY
ACRES, A SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING
TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED
IN PLAT

tion 45.031

accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.
Dated this 1st day of June, 2023.
Tara S. Green
AS Clerk of the Court
By: Jennifer Brosky
AS Deputy Clerk
IMPORTANT
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT.
If you are a person with a disability
who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding,
you are entitled at no cost to you, to the
provision of certain assistance. Please
contact the ADA Coordinator at crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least
7 days before 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 im-

MAGNOLIA WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Magnolia West Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting:

> DATE: August 1, 2023 TIME: 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

District business.

. Magnolia West Amenity Center 3490 Canyon Falls Drive Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 ("Fiscal Year 2023/2024"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other

Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

Land Use	Total # of Units	EAU Factor	Proposed O&M Assessment (including collection costs / early payment discounts)
Single Family	525	1.00	\$890.73

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("County") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

For Fiscal Year 2023/2024, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll does not

preclude the District from later electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time, such as direct billing.

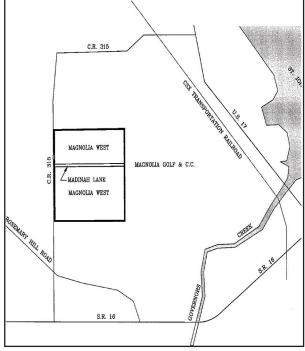
Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33614, Ph: (904) 436-6270 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

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

Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and meeting, and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty (20) days of publication of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Lesley Gallagher District Manager



Legal 72595 published June 22 & 29, in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

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

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

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Cross Creek North Community Development District ("District") will hold public hearings on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Cross Creek North Amenity Center, 2895 Big Oak Drive, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, to consider the adoption of an assessment roll, the imposition of special assessments to secure proposed bonds on benefited lands within the District, a depiction of which lands is shown below, and to provide for the levy, collection and enforcement of the special assessments. The streets and areas to be improved are depicted below and in the District's Supplemental Engineer's Report for the Capital Improvements for Series 2023 Project, dated April 3, 2023 ("Improvement Plan"). The public hearing is being conducted pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes. A description of the property to be assessed and the amount to be assessed to each piece or parcel of property may be ascertained at the office of the District's Manager, located at 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33614; Ph: (904) 436-6270 ("District Manager's Office").

The District is a unit of special-purpose local government responsible for providing infrastructure mprovements for lands within the District. The infrastructure improvements ("Improvements") are currently expected to include, but are not limited to, stormwater management system, roadway improvements, water and sewer utility systems, recreation improvements, wetland mitigation, and other infrastructure, all as more specifically described in the Improvement Plan, on file and available during nor mal business hours at the District Manager's Office.

The District intends to impose assessments on benefited lands within the District in the manner set forth in the District's Preliminary Supplemental Special Assessment Allocation Report, Special Assessment Bonds, Series 2023 dated June 13, 2023 ("Assessment Report"), which is on file and available during normal business hours at the District Manager's Office. The Assessment Report identifies each tax parcel identification number within the District and assessments per parcel for each land use category that is currently expected to be assessed. The method of allocating assessments for the Improvements to be funded by the District will initially be determined on an equal assessment per acre basis. The methodology is explained in more detail in the Assessment Report. Also as described in more detail in the Assessment Report, the District's assessments will be levied against all assessable lands within the District. Please consult the Assessment Report for more details.

The annual principal assessment levied against each parcel will be based on repayment over thirty (30) years of the total debt allocated to each parcel. The District expects to collect sufficient revenues to retire no more than \$12,195,000 in debt to be assessed by the District, exclusive of fees and costs of collection or enforcement, discounts for early payment and interest. The proposed schedule of assessments is as follows:

Product	Maximum Debt	Per Unit		
Туре	Allocation	Annual Installment		
Single Family 40'	\$34,744	\$3,130		
Single Family 50'	\$34,744	\$3,130		

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

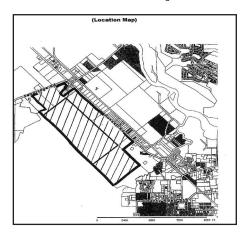
Also on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Cross Creek North Amenity Center, 2895 Big Oak Drive, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, the Board will hold a regular public meeting to conside any other business that may lawfully be considered by the District. The Board meeting and hearings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for commu-

nity development districts. The Board meeting and/ or the public hearings may be continued in progress to a date and time certain announced at the meeting and/or hearings.

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

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

Lesley Gallagher District Manager



RESOLUTION 2023-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DECLARING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: DESIGNATING THE NATURE AND THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS; DECLARING THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE PORTION TO BE PAID BY ASSESSMENTS, AND THE MANNER AND TIMING IN WHICH THE ASSESSMENTS ARE TO BE PAID; DESIGNATING THE LANDS UPON WHICH THE ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED; PROVIDING FOR AN ASSESSMENT PLAT AND A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL; ADDRESSING THE SETTING OF PUBLIC HEARINGS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND ADDRESSING CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS. the Cross Creek North Community Development District ("District") is a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under and pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes;

WHEREAS, the District is authorized by Chapter 190, *Florida Statutes*, to finance, fund, plan, establish, acquire, install, equip, operate, extend, construct, or reconstruct roadways, sewer and water distribution systems, stormwater management/earthwork improvements, landscape, irrigation and entry features, conservation and mitigation, street lighting and other infrastructure projects, and services necessitated by the development of, and serving lands within,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2018-07, the District has previously established the original Project as described in the Engineer's Report dated March 21, 2017 ("Original Project"), adopted an estimated cost of the Project, and levied a special assessment to support bonds issued by the District to fund the Project: and

WHEREAS, due to rising costs, the District previously adopted the Supplemental Engineer's Report dated January 18, 2022, which adopted revised Project costs, but did not revise the master assessment lien imposed by Resolution 2018-07; and

WHEREAS, the costs of the Original Project have continued to increase, and the District hereby determines to undertake, install, plan, establish, construct or reconstruct, enlarge or extend, equip, acquire, operate, and/or maintain the additions to the District's overall capital improvement plan as described in the District's Supplemental Engineer's Report, dated April , 2023 ("Project"), which is attached hereto as Exhib-

it A and incorporated herein by reference; and WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to pay for all or a portion of the cost of the Project by the levy of special assessments ("Assessments") using the methodology set forth in that Master Special Assessment Allocation Report, September 18, 2023, as supplemented by the Preliminary Supplemental Assessment Allocation Report which is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, incorporated herein by reference, and on file with the District Manager at c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc., 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33614 ("District Records Office");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

1. AUTHORITY FOR THIS RESOLUTION; INCOR-PORATION OF RECITALS. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of Florida law, including without limitation Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes. The recitals stated above are incorporated herein and are adopted by the Board as true and correct statements

2. **DECLARATION OF ASSESSMENTS.** The Board hereby declares that it has determined to undertake the Project and to defray all or a portion of the cost thereof by the Assessments.

3. DESIGNATING THE NATURE AND LOCATION

OF IMPROVEMENTS. The nature and general location of, and plans and specifications for, the Project are described in Exhibit A, which is on file at the District Records Office. Exhibit B is also on file and available for public inspection at the same location.

4. DECLARING THE TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF

THE IMPROVEMENTS, THE PORTION TO BE PAID BY ASSESSMENTS, AND THE MANNER AND TIMING IN WHICH THE ASSESSMENTS ARE TO BE PAID.

A. The total estimated cost of the Project is \$10,888,660 ("Estimated Cost").

B. The Assessments will defray no more than \$12,195,000, which is the anticipated maximum par value of any bonds and which includes all or a portion of the Estimated Cost, as well as other financing-related costs, as set forth in Exhibit B, and which is in addition to interest and collection costs. On an annual basis, the Assessments will defray no more than \$1,098,474 per year, again as set forth in Exhibit B.

C. The manner in which the Assessments shall be apportioned and paid is set forth in Exhibit B, as may be modified by supplemental assessment resolutions. The Assessments will constitute a "master" lien, which may be imposed without further public hearing in one or more separate liens each securing a series of bonds, and each as determined by supplemental assessment resolution. With respect to each lien securing a series of bonds, the special assessments shall be paid in not more than (30) thirty yearly installments. The special assessments may be payable at the same time and in the same manner as are ad-valorem taxes and collected pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes; provided, however, that in the event the uniform non ad-valorem assessment method of collecting the Assessments is not available to the District in any year, or if determined by the District to be in its best interest, the Assessments may be collected as is otherwise permitted by law, including but not limited to by direct bill. The decision to collect special assessments by any particular method - e.g., on the tax roll or by direct bill – does not mean that such method will be used to collect special assessments in future years, and the District reserves the right in its sole discretion to select collection methods in any given

year, regardless of past practices.

5. **DESIGNATING THE LANDS UPON WHICH** THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS SHALL BE LEVIED. The Assessments securing the Project shall be levied on the lands within the District, as described in Exhibit B, and as further designated by the assessment plat hereinafter provided for.

6. ASSESSMENT PLAT. Pursuant to Section

170.04, Florida Statutes, there is on file, at the District Records Office, an assessment plat showing the area to be assessed certain plans and specifications describing the Project and the estimated cost of the Project, all of which shall be open to inspection by the public.
7. PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ROLL. Pursuant

to Section 170.06, *Florida Statutes*, the District Manager has caused to be made a preliminary assessment roll, in accordance with the method of assessment described in Exhibit B hereto, which shows the lots

and lands assessed, the amount of benefit to and the assessment against each lot or parcel of land and the number of annual installments into which the assessment may be divided, which assessment roll is hereby adopted and approved as the District's preliminary assessment roll.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS DECLARED: DIRECTION TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE HEARINGS. Pursuant to Sections 170.07 and 197.3632(4)(b), Florida Statutes. among other provisions of Florida law, there are hereby declared two public hearings to be held as follows:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Date: July 26, 2023 Time:

1:00 pm Cross Creek North Amenity Location:

Center 2895 Big Oak Drive Green cove Springs, Florida 32043

The purpose of the public hearings is to hear comment and objections to the proposed special assessment program for District improvements as identified in the preliminary assessment roll, a copy of which is on file and as set forth in Exhibit B. Interested parties may appear at that hearing or submit their comments in writing prior to the hearings at the District Records Office.

Notice of said hearings shall be advertised in accordance with Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, and the District Manager is hereby authorized and directed to place said notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the County in which the District is located (by two publications one week apart with the first publication at least twenty (20) days prior to the date of the hearing established herein). The District Manager shall file a publisher's affidavit with the District Secretary verifying such publication of notice. The District Manager is further authorized and directed to give thirty (30) days written notice by mail of the time and place of this hearing to the owners of all property to be assessed and include in such notice the amount of the assessment for each such property owner, a description of the areas to be improved and notice that information concerning all assessments may be ascertained at the District Records Office. The District Manager shall file proof of such mailing by affidavit

with the District Secretary.

9. PUBLICATION OF RESOLUTION. Pursuant to Section 170.05, *Florida Statutes*, the District Manager is hereby directed to cause this Resolution to be published twice (once a week for two (2) weeks) in a newspaper of general circulation within the County in which the District is located and to provide such other notice as may be required by law or desired in the best interests of the District.

10. **CONFLICTS.** All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, superseded and repealed.

11. SEVERABILITY. If any section or part of a section of this resolution be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the validity, force, and effect of any other section or part of a section of this resolution shall not thereby be affected or impaired unless it clearly appears that such other section or part of a section of this resolution is wholly or necessarily dependent upon the section or part of a section so

held to be invalid or unconstitutional.

12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall ome effective upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of June,

CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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paired, call 711. Legal 73911 Published 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today

NOTICE OF **FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2022CA001051 SERVIS ONE, INC. DBA BSI FINANCIAL SERVICES,

Plaintiff, V.
MICHAEL A. ROTHEMEYER; JESSICA L.
ROTHEMEYER; AZALEA RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OF CLAY
COUNTY, INC.; CLAY COUNTY CLERK
OF COURT AND COMPTROLLER; ALL
UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR
AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO
THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAWING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR
INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN
DESCRIBED,
Defendant(s),
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant
to Final Judgment dated June 16, 2023
entered in Civil Case No. 2022CA001051
in Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit
in and for Clay County, Florida, Civil Division, wherein SERVIS ONE, INC. DBA
BSI FINANCIAL SERVICES,
Plaintiff and MICHAELA. ROTHEMEYER;
JESSICA L. ROTHEMEYER; AZALEA
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CLAY COUNTY INC. CLAY COUNTY

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Defendant(s)| Tara S. Green, Clerk of
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highest and best bidder for cash beginning at 10:00 AM at www.clay.realfore-close.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on August 14, 20:23 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 185, AZALEA RIDGE UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 57, PAGE 24, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PROPERTY Address: 1915 High Prairie Ln, Middleburg, FL 32068
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORETHE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.

THE COURT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ENLARGE THE TIME OF THE SALE.

NOTICE OF THE CHANGED TIME OF SALE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED HEREIN.

Tara S. Green

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Clay County, Florida
Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk of Court
Legal 73910 Published 6/29/2023 and
7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today
newspaper

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on June 8, 2023
Merritt-JADO, LLC 2066 Lord Baltimore Dr Baltimore, MD 21244-2501 permit #65850-211. The project is located in Clay County, Section 18 Township 4S Range 25E. The permit authorizes Minor Modification of Permit No. 65850-197 for Oakleaf Commerce Center to include the construction and operation of a 16.35-acre project as per plans received by the District on February 22, 2023. The receiving water

District on February 22, 2023. The receiving water body is Double Prong Branch.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an

an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the St. Johns River Water Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative and the statement of the statement of

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of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual no-

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hearing.

A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the complete

petition by the District Clerk at the District Headquar-ters in Palatka, Florida during the District's

regular business hours. The District's regular business hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., excluding weekends

and District holidays. Petitions received by the District Clerk after the District's regular

business hours shall be deemed filed as of 8 a.m. on the District's next regular business day. The

The District's acceptance of petitions filed by e-mail is subject to certain conditions set forth in the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation (issued pursuant to Pub 29.

Rule 28-101.001, Florida Administrative Code), which is available for viewing at floridas-

water.com.
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may be different from the position taken by it in this notice. Failure to file a petition for

administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing. (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.). If you wish to do so, please visit http:// floridaswater.com/nor_dec/ to read the complete Notice of Rights to determine any legal rights you may have concerning the District's decision(s) on the permit anollication(s) described above.

decision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. You can also request the Notice of Rights by contacting the Director of Regulatory Support, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no.

Legal 73412 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

A request for rezoning has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located at 2183 Park Avenue between Milwaukee Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. The parcel number is 41-04-26-018940-000-00. The Planning and Zoning Board will hold a public hearing for the proposed rezoning application on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general public. Information regarding the proposed change is noted below.

Application No. R-10-2023 Acreage: 0.924 +/Current Zoning District: Commercial Neighborhood (CN)
Proposed Zoning District: Commercial General (Cg)
Owner: Bailey's Real Estate, LLP
Current or previous use: Medical Equipment Sales
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Any person(s) deciding to appeal any decision made by the Planning and Zoning
Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from T:30 A.M. until 5:30 P.M. by appointment.

pointment. iurtney Russo, Town Clerk gal 73407 Published 6/29/2023 in ay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

A request to amend the Future Land Use Map of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located at 2183 Park Avenue between Milwaukee Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. The parcel number is 41-04-26-018940-000-00.

The Planning and Zoning Board of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing regarding this requested amendment on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue.

Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general public.

Information regarding the application and proposed changes is noted below:

Application No: CP-10-2023

Acreage: 0.924 +/
Current Land Use Category: Commer-

Application No: CP-10-2023
Acreage: 0.924 +/Current Land Use Category: Commercial Low Intensity (CLI)
Proposed Land Use Category: Commercial Medium Intensity (CMI)
Owner: Bailey's Real Estate, LLP
Current or previous use: Medical Equipment Sales

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respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies of the application may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 7:30 A.M. until 5:30 P.M. by appointment. Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 73406 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing on an ordinance amending age and licensing requirements for operation of a golf cart on public readways within the Town of Orange Park; requiring operators of golf carts under 18 years of age to possess a valid driver's license or valid learner's driver's license; requiring operators of golf carts 18 years of age or older to possess a valid form of government-issued photo identification; establishing penalties for violations; providing for conflict, severability and an immediate effective date.

This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 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 ac-

tion. 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 7:30 A.M. until 5:30 P.M. Interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard.

Courtney Russo, Town Clerk

Legal 73405 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The online bidding and auction for Storage Rentals of America, 369 Blanding Blvd. will be held online at lockerfox.com through June 29, 2023, at 11.00AM

11:00AM 11:00AM.
The entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien and other charges according to FL Statutes 83.801.
PERSONAL PROPERTY/HOUSEHOLD

ITEMS: Unit # Tenant or Business Name AOI JOSHUA ROBERTS A02 LISA ROBERTS

Total Units: 4 Sale being held to satisfy Landlords' lien. The seller reserves the right to reject any/ all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. CASH ONLY. Contents any unit from sale. CASH ONLY. Contents to be removed within 48 hours. Storage Rentals of America 369 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32073 904-977-6400 Legal 73404 Published 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY **PUBLICATION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 2014-DP-98 DIVISION: E IN THE INTEREST OF:

IN THE INTEREST OF:
D.M.
MINOR CHILD
THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM OFFICE TO:
Gordon Miller, III
9102 Northeast Glisan Street
Portland, Oregon 97220
Last Known Address
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled

tition has been filed in the above-styled Court by The GUARDIAN AD LITEM OF-FICE for termination of parental rights and

permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above named child, D.M., who was born on April 27, 2010. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on August 1, 2023. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified. FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PETITION FILED IN YOUR DEPENDENCY CASE. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtintrp@coj. net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 20th day of June, 2023. Tara S. Green

SANDRIDGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Sandridge Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting on:

> DATE: July 25, 2023 HOUR: 2:00 p.m. LOCATION: Holiday Inn and Suites

620 Wells Road Orange Park, Florida 32073

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024 ("Fiscal Year 2023/2024"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024: to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. Pursuant to Section 170.07, Florida Statutes, a description of the services to be funded by the O&M Assessments, and the properties to be improved and benefitted from the O&M Assessments, are all set forth in the Proposed Budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County

Land Use	Total # of Units / Acres	EAU Factor	Proposed Annual O&M Assessment (including collection costs / early payment discounts)	
Residential Unit	238	1.00	\$518.00	
Undeveloped Land	89.02	5.99	\$3,101.48	

("County") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal . Year 2023/2024.



For Fiscal Year 2023/2024, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments imposed on certain developed property and will directly collect the assessments imposed on the remaining benefitted property by sending out a bill prior to, or during, November 2023. It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title, or for direct billed assessments, may result in a foreclosure action, which also may result in a loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll or by direct billing does not preclude the District from later electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time.

Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, Ph: 877-276-0889 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

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

Please note that all affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearings and meeting and may also file written objections with the District Manager's Office within twenty days of publication of this notice. Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearings or meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

District Manager

 $Legal\,73256\,published\,in\,Clay\,County's\,Clay\,Today\,Newspaper\,on\,June\,29\,and\,July\,6,2023.$

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as Clerk of Said Court By: Denise Haselwood As Deputy Clerk Legal 73278 Published 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023, 7/13/2023 and 7/20/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2022CA000229 FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIES

PLAINTIFF.

PLAINTIFF, VS.

JAMIE INGOGLIA; PHILIP FLAHERTY; RAVINES CROSSING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., ET AL., DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE IS HERBEY GIVEN pursuant to Amended Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 16th day of June, 2023, and entered in Case No. 2022CA000229, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Freedom Mortgage Corporation is the Plaintiff and JAMIE INGOGLIA; PHILIP FLAHERTY; RAVINES CROSSING HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; and UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSES

SION 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 on-line at clay. realforeclosure.com at 10:00 AM on the 14th day of August, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 43, RAVINES CROSSING, UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 48, PAGES 51 THROUGH 57, IN-CLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

CLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs 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

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 20th day of June, 2023.

Tara S. Green
Clerk of The Circuit Court
By: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk Legal 73266 Published 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: DNA BUSI-NESS SOLUTIONS 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.: 3691/2019 Legal Description: LOT 7 BLK 153 FELLOWSHIP PARK
Parcel ID No.: 320526-021093-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,081.49
Physical Address: OFF COUNTY ROAD 315, GREEN COVE SPRINGS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: CONSTANCE JENSEN
Said property being in the County of Clay,

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 in such certificate snall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 20th day of June, 2023 TARA S. GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk
Legal 73119 Published 6/29/2023,
7/6/2023, 7/13/2023 and 7/20/2023 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

PUBLIC SALE

ELITE TOWING gives notice that on 07/17/2023 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 2865 BLANDING BLVD, MIDDLEBURG FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property de-

scribed below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 1939 East West Parkway, Fleming Island. FL 3203

Full State West Failury, rightling Island. FL 32003
July 11, 2023 at 10:00 am
Jasmine Wooten-Household Goods
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.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.

property. Legal 72971 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJEN-

DRA INC, the holder of the following cer-tificate 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

orissolatice, includes in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 2961/2020
Legal Description: PT OF GOV LOT 9 AS REC O R 212 PG 298,564 PG 171,1821 PG 300 2482 PG 64, 2610 PG 2052, 2822 PG 1530, 2823 PG 516 & 3131 PG 309
Parcel ID No.: 280526-014371-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$2,703.40 Physical Address: 3159 DOTHAN , GREEN COVE SPRINGS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL W/SPECIAL FEATURES OR YARD ITEM Name in which assessed: MARY KACZ-MAR & IAN CASLETON
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 16th day of June, 2023 TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 72962 Published 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023 and 7/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJEN-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJENDRA INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate to 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.: 1756/2020
Legal Description: LOT 18 BLK 146
BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT 1 AS REC
OR 1139 PG 520
Parcel ID No.: 320524-006698-458-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,068.79
Physical Address: 5333 CHICORY CIR, MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: PAUL E FRAZIER, C/O JANE M ALEXANDER
Said property being in the County of Clay,

ZIER, C/O JANE IN ALEARINGED 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

in such certificate snall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 16th day of June, 2023 TARAS. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Jewel Baskin

Bis: Jewel Baskin Deputy Clerk Legal 72961 Published 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023 and 7/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAJENDRA INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said 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.: 988/2020
Legal Description: PT OF N1/2 OF SW1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SW1/4 S26T8R23 A/K/A AS TP RCL 13
AS REC O R 3835 PG 2131: 4027 PG 272 & 4145 PG 1181
Parcel ID No.: 260823-004656-002-14
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,393.72
Physical Address: FOREST HILLS ,
MELROSE

MELROSE

MÉLROSE Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: MARIE Name in which assessed: MARIE THERESE VILLETE Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Elevida

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at

aay of August, 2023 at 9:30 A. www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 16th day of June, 2023 TARA S . GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Jewel Baskin Deputy Clerk

Legal 72960 Published 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023 and 7/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO. 2023-248-CP IN RE: ESTATE OF RAYMOND REECE MAYNE, Deceased

RAYMOND RECCE MAYNE,
Deceased
The administration of the estate of RAYMOND REECE MAYNE, deceased,
whose date of death was February 18th,
2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for
Clay County, Florida, Probate Division,
the address of which is 825 N Orange
Ave, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.
The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives and the personal representatives and the personal representatives attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedents estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this count 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 PERI-

SECTION 33.7.02 OF THE TENTION 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 June 22nd, 2023.
W.E. BISHOP, JR.
Florida Bar No. 091256
7535 SW 62nd Court,
Ocala, FL 34476
352/237-9225
MICHELLE LYNN SANDS
1916 Salt Creek Drive,
Fleming Island, FL 32003
Personal Representative
Legal 72613 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JU-DICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 2023CA-001120

OPULENT CONCEPTION, L.L.C., A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, Plaintiff,

Plaintiff, Vs. MARCUS ANTHONY and any unknown spouse, heirs, beneficiaries, legatees, devisees, grantees, creditors, assigns of MARCUS ANTHONY; and any other claimants by through or under MAR-CUS ANTHONY, Defendants.

Defendants.
To: MARCUS ANTHONY and any un-known spouse, heirs, beneficiaries, Defendants.

To: MARCUS ANTHONY and any unknown spouse, heirs, beneficiaries, legatees, devisees, grantees, creditors, assigns of MARCUS ANTHONY; and any other claimants by through or under MARCUS ANTHONY, claiming by or through them, if alive or dead and if dead or not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective unknown spouse, heirs, beneficiaries, legatees, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under, or against those unknown natural persons; and the several and respective unknown assigns, successors in interest, trustees, or any other person claiming by, through, under or against any corporation or other legal entity named or later named as a Defendant; and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named Defendants or parties or claiming to have any right, tide or interest in the properties hereinafter described.

described. YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to

described.
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title and for recission of deeds to the following property in Clay County, Florida: Lot 1, Block I, Grove Park, Unit No. 7, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 11, Page(s) 16 through 18. of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida; has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on D. Randall Briley, the Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 1525B The Greens way, 2nd Floor, Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250, on or before July 20, 2023, or within 35 days of the first date of publication of this notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint of Petition.
Dated this 16 day of June, 2023.
TARA GREEN
BY: Leigh Lucroy
Lena 72688 Published 6/22/2023

By: Leigh Lucroy Legal 72608 Published 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023 and 7/13/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JU-DICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2023-CA-000105 DIVISION: B YESIKA GONZALEZ, an

CREEKVIEW COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL. AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the Creekview Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting on:

> DATF. July 25, 2023 HOUR: 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Holiday Inn and Suites 620 Wells Road

Orange Park, Florida 32073

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024 ("Fiscal Year 2023/2024"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

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Lot Type*	Total #	EAU	Current Annual	Proposed Annual	Change in
	of Units	Factor	O&M Assessment	O&M Assessment	Annual
			(October 1, 2022	(October 1, 2023 –	Dollar
			- September 30,	September 30,	Amount
			2023)**	2024)**	
Unplatted Lands	747.50	1.98	\$0.00	\$792.51	\$792.51

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("County") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment hearing shall be held or notice provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

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Additional Provisions

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. A copy of the Proposed Budget, proposed assessment roll, and the agenda for the hearings and meeting may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, located at Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, Ph: 877-276-0889 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearings or meeting. There may be occasions when staff or board members may participate by speaker telephone.

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District Manager



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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

individual, Plaintiff,

vs. REINALDO PEREZ, an

HEINALE Individual, Defendant.
To: Reinaldo Perez
1614 Twin Oak Drive West
Middleburg, Clay County, Florida 32068-3928 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to partition the following property in Clay

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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to partition the following property in Clay County, Florida:
Lot 10, Block C, Replat of Oakhill Estates Unit One, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book, 18, Page(s) 47, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on W. David Talbert II, Esq., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Talbert Law Firm, 1930 San Marco Boulevard, Suite 202, Jacksonville, Florida 32207, on or before 30 days from the first publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
DATED on 16, June, 2023.
As Clerk of the Court By: Leigh Lucroy
As Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2022-CA-000401 WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR MFRA TRUST 2014-2, Plaintiff

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, SPOUSES, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANT-EES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDI-TORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CRISTIN L. CHASON, DECEASED, et.al., Defendarts

WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CRISTIN I. CHASON, DECEASED, et.al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated June 14, 2023, issued in and for Clay County, Florida, in Case No. 2022-CA-000401, wherein WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR MFRA TRUST 2014-2 is the Plaintiff, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, SPOUSES, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANT-EES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, . CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CRISTIN I. CHASON, DECEASED, STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR LEGACY MORTGAGE ASSET TRUST 2020-SLI, JACKSON PARMETER, A MINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, A MINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, AMINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, AMINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, AMINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, AMINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER AND NATURAL GUARDIAN, JASON WAYNE PARMETER, AMINOR CHILD IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF HER FATHER OF MARMETER AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE are the Defendants.

OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REV-ENUE SERVICE are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for. cash, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, on July 31, 2023, at electronic sale beginning at 10:00 AM, at www.clay.realforeclose.com the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure, to wit: PARCEL C OF A RESURVEY OF BLOCK 16 LAKEVIEW HIGHLANDS BY JOSEPH G. KNAPP, REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR-PER SURVEY DATED MARCH 12, 1971, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS. LOTS 4 AND 5 BLOCK 16 LAKEVIEW HIGHLANDS, AKA TRACT ONE OF LAKEVIEW HIGHLANDS, AKA TRACT ONE OF LAKEVIEW HIGHLANDS, AKCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2 PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. PROPERTY OWNER SCEED 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. June 15, 2023. TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk BY: Gracie Moore

Clay County Clerk By: Gracie Moore Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT

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

at (904)
255-1695 or crtintrp@coj.net at least 7"
days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification 1f the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF **FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2022CA000949 AMERISAVE MORTGAGE CORPORA-TION Plaintiff(s),

vs. GABRIELLA S. PEDDICORD;

Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiffs Final Judgment of Fore-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiffs Final Judgment of Fore-closure entered on June 14, 2023 in the above-captioned action, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.real-foreclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida. Statutes on the 31st day of July, 2023 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure or order, to wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF CLAY, CITY OF KEYSTONE HEIGHTS AND STATE OF FLORIDA:LOT I AND 2, BLOCK 5, CONNEAUT PARK ADDITION TO KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FLORIDA, AS PER LAWRENCE DEVELOPING COMPANY, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 56, Olf THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 315 Southwest Jasmine Avenue, Keystone Heights, FL 32656

Any person claiming an interest in the

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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

of the its peridens, must fine a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crtin-trp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

June 15, 2023.

Tara S. Green

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

AS Clerk of the Court

BY: Gracie Moore

Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF **FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2022CA000726

DIVISION
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB AS TRUSTEE OF WV 2017-1
GRANTOR TRUST,

GRANTOH THOST, Plaintiff, vs.

UNIKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, BENEFICIARIES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES

AND ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PERSONS OR SPOUSES CLAIMING BY,
THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST
THE ESTATE OF JUDITH A. RECTOR A/WA JUDITH A. RECTOR A/WA JUDITH RECTOR A/WA
JUDITH R. YNCLAN A/WA JUDITH R. ANDREWS
A/WA MONA DRIGGERS ANDREWS
A/WA MONA DRIGGERS, DECEASED;
KENNETH A. YNCLAN; TROY ASKEW;
VICKI LANGFORD; METROPOLITAN
MORTGAGE CO; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL
OTHER UNKNOWN TENANT #2; ALL
OTHER UNKNOWN TO BEDEAD OR ALIVE,
WHETHER SAME UNKNOWN PARTIES
MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR
OTHER CLAIMANTS
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursu-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursu NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an Order Resetting Sale entered on June 2, 2023 in Case No. 2022CA000726 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, the Clerk of Court will on JULY 12, 2023 at 10:00 A.M., 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: A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 8; THENCE ON THE WEST LINE THERE-

OF RUN SOUTH 01 DEGREE 59 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST 2933.06
FEET; THENCE SOUTH 27 DEGREES
07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST
452.58 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 34 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 08 SECONDS
EAST 375.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 55
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 50 SECONDS
WEST 397.39 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD
NO. 218, THENCE ON LAST SAID LINE AND
NO. 218 (FORMERLY STATE ROAD NO. 218); THENCE ON LAST SAID LINE AND
NOTHE ARC OF A CURVE CONCAVE
TO THE NORTHEASTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 5679.19 FEET, RUN
A CHORD DISTANCE OF 205.51 FEET
THE BEARING OF SAID CHORD BEING
SOUTH 37 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 59
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 55
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 488.57 FEET; THENCE NORTH 55
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 488.57 FEET; THENCE NORTH 55
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 380.59 FEET, RUN A CHORD DISTANCE OF 228.89 FEET, THE BEARING OF LAST SAID CHORD BEING
NORTH 37 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 52
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS
EAST 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 52
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 52
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 52
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 20
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 50
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 30
DISTANCE OF 129.35 FEET; THE BEARING OF LAST SAID CHORD BEING
NORTH 14 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 50
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 08
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 50
SECONDS EAST; THENCE NORTH 08
DEGREES 37 MINUTES 50
SECONDS EAST 150.40 FEET; THENCE
SOUTH 65 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 50
SECONDS EAST 17.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF
BEGINNING; THENCE
OR LESS TO THE CENTERLINE OF A
CREEK; THENCE SOUTH HER THORE
OR LESS TO THE DINT OF BEGINNING,
BEING 1.05 ACRES MORE OR LESS
IN AREA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT 1982 CAPE
MOBILE HOME, VIN # GAM120AOPC3074A, TITLE # 21643371.

TOGETHER WITH THAT 1982 CAPE
MOBILE HOME, VIN # GAM120AOPC3074A, TITLE # 21643371.

TOGETHER WITH THAT 1982 CAPE
MOBILE HOME, VIN # GAM120AOPC3074A, TITLE # 21

Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Leigh Lucroy Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk Legal 72592 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today

INTENTION TO LEASE

Pursuant to Section 373.093, Florida Stat-Pursuant to Section 373.093, Florida Statutes, the St. Johns River Water Management District ("District") gives notice of its intention to lease a half-acre of property, whose address is 5703 Green Road, Middleburg, FL 32088, located in the Black Creek Ravines Conservation Area, in Clay County, Florida to be used as a security residence. The property is anticipated to be leased August 1, 2023 at approximately 2:00 pm at District Headquarters, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL, 32177.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY,

FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-000279
Division B
IN RE: ESTATE OF
MARY FRANCES GENTRY,

IN RE: ESTATE OF MARY FRANCES GENTRY, Deceased.
The administration of the estate of MARY FRANCES GENTRY, deceased, whose date of death was March 13, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative 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 WITH-IN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS 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 73.3.702 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 June 22, 2023.
Attorney for Personal Representative: GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR., LL.M.

Florida Bar Number: 887950 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M. Attorneys at Law, P.A. 1543 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 5 Orange Park, FL 32073 Telephone: (904) 264-8800 Fax: (904) 264-0155 Primary email address: grady@floridae-Ider.com Secondary email address: renee@flori-daelder.com

Personal Representative: CHARLOTTE GENTRY RINER

1426 Starboard Court Fleming Island, Florida 32003 Legal 72310 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO: 2023-CA-001049 625 OAKLEAF PLANTATION # 714 LAND TRUST, PORTS OF IONNA, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, as trustee. company, as trustee, Plaintiff,

vs. CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST TRUST, (#06-04-25-007869-

SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. ADOPTION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT THE SAME; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

Upcoming Public Hearings, and Regular Meeting

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") for the South Village Community Development District ("District") will hold the following two public hearings and a regular meeting:

> DATE: August 8, 2023 TIME: 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Fagle Landing Residents Club 3975 Eagle Landing Parkway Orange Park, Florida 32065

The first public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, to receive public comment and objections on the District's proposed budget ("Proposed Budget") for the beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 ("Fiscal Year 2023/2024"). The second public hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 170, 190 and 197, Florida Statutes, to consider the imposition of operations and maintenance special assessments ("O&M Assessments") upon the lands located within the District, to fund the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024; to consider the adoption of an assessment roll; and, to provide for the levy, collection, and enforcement of assessments. At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board will, by resolution, adopt a budget and levy O&M Assessments as finally approved by the Board. A Board meeting of the District will also be held where the Board may consider any other District business.

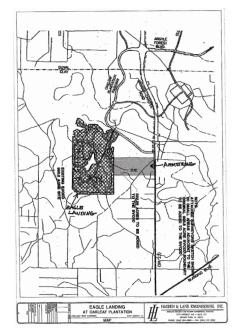
Description of Assessments

The District imposes O&M Assessments on benefitted property within the District for the purpose of funding the District's general administrative, operations, and maintenance budget. Pursuant to Florida Law, a description of the services to be funded by the O&M Assessments, and the properties to be improved and benefitted from the O&M Assessments, are all set forth in the Proposed Budget. A geographic depiction of the property potentially subject to the proposed O&M Assessments is identified in the map attached hereto. The table below shows the schedule of the proposed O&M Assessments, which are subject to change at the hearing:

Land Use	Total # of Units / Acres	EAU Factor	Proposed O&M Assessment (including collection costs / early payment discounts)
Single Family	1494	1	\$1749.00
Sales Center	1	6.4	\$3563.46

The proposed O&M Assessments as stated include collection costs and/or early payment discounts, which Clay County ("County") may impose on assessments that are collected on the County tax bill. Moreover, pursuant to Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, the lien amount shall serve as the "maximum rate" authorized by law for O&M Assessments, such that no assessment notice shall be provided in future years unless the assessments are proposed to be increased or another criterion within Section 197.3632(4), Florida Statutes, is met. Note that the O&M Assessments do not include any debt service assessments previously levied by the District and due to be collected for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.

For Fiscal Year 2023/2024, the District intends to have the County tax collector collect the assessments imposed on certain developed



property, and will directly collect the assessments imposed on the remaining benefitted property by sending out a bill prior to, or during, November 2023. It is important to pay your assessment because failure to pay will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in loss of title, or for direct billed assessments, may result in a foreclosure action, which also may result in a loss of title. The District's decision to collect assessments on the tax roll or by direct billing does not preclude the District from later electing to collect those or other assessments in a different manner at a future time.

Additional Provisions

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> Marilee Giles District Manager

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

070-40), NATIONS ASSET MANAGEMENT 1, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, as Trustee, Defendant,

company, as Trustee,
Defendant,
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to
the Agreed In Rem Final Judgment of
Foreclosure by Consent entered on June
2, 2023, in this cause, in the Circuit Court
of Clay County, Florida, the clerk shall
sell the property situated in Clay County,
Florida, described as:
UNIT #714 IN BUILDING NO. 7, PHASE
7, OF THE COVENTRY AT OAKLEAF
PLANTATION CONDOMINIUM A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE
DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM
HEREOF, AS RECORD IN OFFICIAL
RECORDS BOOK 2954, PAGE 1405,
OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS AMENDED.
More commonly known as: 625 OAKLEAF PLANTATION PARKWAY, #714,
Orange Park, Florida 32065, at public
sale, to the highest and best bidder, for
cash, online at: www.clay.realforeclose.
com, on July 5, 2023, beginning at
10:00AM.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the

10:00AM.

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

pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. TARA S GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BB; Jennifer Brosky DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT DATED. June 9, 2023. Legal 72305 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 2023CA001110 CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST 13-05-24-021388-182-54, Plaintiff(s),

v. MAPLE GARDENS ASSOCIATION, LLC,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a ju-NOTICE IS 'HEREBY GIVEN that a judicial sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment for Partition entered in the above styled cause of action. The Clerk of Court, Tara S. Green, shall sell the following described real property at a public sale online at https: //clay.realforeclose.com/ to the highest bidder or bidders for cash beginning at 10:00 a.m. on July 12, 2023 in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes:

bidders for cash beginning at 10:00 a.m. on July 12, 2023 in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes:

LOT 54, RAVINES REPLAT NO. 7, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 41, PAGE 42-45, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA Property Address: 3817 Nature Walk Court, Middleburg, FL 32068
Parcel Identification Number: 13-05-24-021388-182-54 (the "Property"). 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. Date: June 13, 2023.
CLERK OF COURT By: Gracie Moore Deputy Clerk Legal 72147 Published 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 2023-CA-000922-XXXX
PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC,
Plaintiff vs.

Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA E. MATTSON, et al.,

Defendants.
TO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY L.

Last Known Address: 305 COTTON-WOOD LN, FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32073

Last Known Audress: 305 COTTOM
WOOD LN, FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32073
Current Residence Unknown
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for
Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following
described property:
LOT 1, BLOCK 2, MEADOWBROOK
UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO THE MAP
OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN
PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 7 AND 8, OF THE
PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY,
FLORIDA.
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on De Cubas & Lewis,
P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address
s PO BOX 5026, CORAL SPRINGS, FL
3310 on or before at least thirty (30) days

tenses, ir any, to it, on De Cubas & Lewis, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is PO BOX 5026, CORAL SPRINGS, FL 33310 on or before at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the Clay Today newspaper.

and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at critintp@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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 12th day of June, 2023. TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Court By Leich Lucrov.

As Clerk of the Court By Leigh Lucroy As Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR **TEMPORARY CUSTODY** OF MINOR CHILD

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE# 23-DR-806

Division F David V. Smith Jr.

Alexis N. Smith

Alexis N. Smith
Respondent.
TO: Alexis N. Smith
4901 Sunbeam Rd, Apt 101
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for
Temporary Custody of Minor Child has
been filed against you and that you are
required to serve a copy of your writen
defenses, If any, to it on David V. Smith
Jr, whose address is 739 Sunny Stroll Dr,
Middleburg, FL 32068, on or before July
27, 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.
325 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs,
FL 32043

825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
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.

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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: June 12, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Jennifer Brosky.

By: Jennifer Brosky

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: BEAMIF A

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: BEAMIF A 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.: 840/2021

Legal Description: LOT 7 BLK 98 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC 0 R 3148 PG 1051

Parcel ID No.: 210823-004280-000-00

Opening Bid Amount: \$1,936.28

Physical Address: 7165 DUKE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: CRYSTAL I LLC

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

in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023 TARA S. GREEN
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 72009 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: VINMAS

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

Certificate No.: 879/2020

Legal Description: LOT 6 BLK 89

assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 879/2020
Legal Description: LOT 6 BLK 89
HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R
2828 PG 1993
Parcel ID No.: 210823-004101-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,932.32
Physical Address: 6253 EMORY AVE ,
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: AMERICAN
LAND INVESTORS CORP
Said property being in the County of Clay,
State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clav County Clerk & Comptroller

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: ROBERT W OTT-RCLOVERLAND 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.: 796/2020

Legal Description: LOT 13 BLK 67

HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2571

PG 1179

HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2571 PG 1179 Parcel ID No.: 220823-003594-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,678.25 Physical Address: 7218 SALEM DR , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: SUJATA J PATEL

PATEL
Said property being in the County of Clay,
State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed
according to law, the property described
in such certificate shall be sold
to the highest bidder online on the 9th
day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at
www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Lord J. 2005 Published 6/15/2023

Deputy Clerk Legal 72005 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ROBERT W OTT-RCLOVERLAND LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certifi-cate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 864/2021
Legal Description: LOT 6 BLK 66
HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R
3148 PG 1127
Parcel ID No.: 220823-003575-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,693.40
Physical Address: 6099 HARVARD AVE
, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CRYSTAL I
LLC
Said property being in the County of Clay,

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 9th day
of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.

of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtax/deed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 72003 Published 6/15/2023,
6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: BLUEBIRD PROPERTY HOLDINGS LLC, the holder

of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certifi-cate number and year of

cate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 876/2016

Certificate No.: 876/2016
Legal Description: LOT 2 BLK 95
HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R
2901 PG 963
Parcel ID No.: 210823-004196-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,774.33
Physical Address: 718I WHEATON ST,
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: NOISUFNOC
LLC (TRUSTEE)
Said property being in the County of Clay.

Name in which assessed: NOISUFNOC LLC (TRUSTEE)
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023 TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 72002 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JOHN ALBERT FONTAINE-JAF REAL ESTATE 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 as-

sessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 832/2016 Legal Description: LOT 4 BLK 80 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R

HIĞHRIDGE ÉSTATES AS REC O R 2853 PG 868 Parcel ID No.: 210823-003862-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,983.40 Physical Address: 6129 JUILLIARD AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: ANAMARIA FRAGA & OSVALDO J CODESIDO 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 9th

n such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 12th day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 71000 8 7 7000

By: Jewel Baskin Deputy Clerk Legal 71989 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RUBEN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RUBEN MORENO, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate has filed said derd 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.: 836/2018
Legal Description: LOT 17 BLK 89
HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2621
PG 1297
Parcel ID No.: 210823-004112-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,908.21

Parcel ID No.: 210823-004112-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,908.21
Physical Address: 6219 EMORY AVE ,
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: IRINA TITUEVA

VA
Said property being in the County of Clay,
State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed
according to law, the property described
in such certificate shall be sold
to the highest bidder online on the 9th
day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at
www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Parted this 9th days of June 2023

www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 8th day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea

puty Clerk gal 71476 Published 6/15/2023, 2/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in ly County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2007, a certain Mortgage was executed by JOHN-NY CROSBY a/k/a JOHNNIE CROSBY and CLAUDETTE CROSBY a/k/a CLAUDETTE JACKSON as mortgage and was recorded on January 7, 2008, in favor of AMERICAN REVERSE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as mortgagee and was recorded on January 7, 2008, in Book 2980 and Page 470 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated January 19, 2018, and recorded on January 25, 2018, in Book 4050 and Page 1399 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that a Borrower has died and the Property is not the principal residence of at least one surviving borrower, and the outstanding balance remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of July 17, 2023, is \$119,003.08; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of July 17, 2023, is \$119,003.08; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of July 17, 2023, is \$119,003.08; and The Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on December 21, 2021 in Book 4549 and Page 1913, notice is hereby given that on July 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM, EDT local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: (LOT 33, PLUM AND WITTENBERG, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION)

be sold at public auction to the highest bidder:
(LOT 33, PLUM AND WITTENBERG, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION)
A PORTION OF TRACTS 3 AND 4,
BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPAN'S SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTH-ERLY CORNER OF TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, ALSO BEING THE MOST EAST-ERLY CORNER OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFI-

CIAL RECORDS BOOK 142, PAGE 344
OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS THENCE
ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF
SAID TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, SOUTH 42°
23° 39° EAST, 330.0 FEET; THENCE
NORTH 47° 27′ 21° EAST, 359.6 SFEET;
THENCE SOUTH 53° 23′ 42° LEAST,
300.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27′ 21° EAST, 300.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27′ 21° EAST, 300.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 48° 22′ 42° LEAST,
300.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27′ 21° EAST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY
POP AGOTOWN BE CONCERNES, EGENES,
DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS
VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B°
OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF
310.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID FEET TO BE INCLUDED IN
SAID EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 215.0
FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02′ 38°
FEET TO SEET TO

ON A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF SOUTH 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 66° 31′ 45° AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16′ 30″ WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44′ 04″ WEST, 331.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE ABOVE DESCRIBED NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34′ (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SAID EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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SAID EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND STAND SHENGAGE SAID STAND STAND

be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount

due. If the high bidder is unable to close the If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$119,003.08 as of July 17, 2023, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in giving notices incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in missioner, and all other costs incurred in

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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Annalise Hayes DeLuca, Esc FBN:116897 Audrey J. Dixon, Esq., FBN: 39288 Ashley Elmore Drew, Esq., FBN: 87236 MCMICHAEL TAYLOR GRAY, LLC MCMICHAEL TAYLOR GRAY, LLC
Foreclosure Commissioner
3550 Engineering Drive, Suite 260
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092
Phone: 404.474.7149
Fax: 404.745.8121
Email: ServiceFL@mtglaw.com
STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Broward
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23rd day of May, 2023, by Audrey J. Dixon who is/are personally known to me.
Amy Peebles
Notary Public
Legal 71354 Published 6/15/2023

Notary Public Legal 71354 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay Coun-ty's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: DARLA VAN NIEUKERK, 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.: 780/2016
Legal Description: LOT 13 BLK 64

Legal Description: LOT 13 BLK 64 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3148 PG 1065

Parcel ID No.: 210823-003540-000-00 Parcel ID No.: 210823-003540-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,699.49
Physical Address: 6133 HARVARD AVE
,KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CRYSTAL I
LLC

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

Sate of Florida.

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

Dated this 7th day of June, 2023

TARA S. GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk Legal 71341 Published 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023, 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 23-DR-170
Division F
Sofia Robinson
Petitioner

and Craig Robinson Respondent

Craig Robinson
Respondent.
TO: Craig Robinson
Address Unknown
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for
dissolution of marriage has been filed
against you and that you are required to
serve a copy of your written defenses, if
any, to it on Sofia Robinson whose address is Confidential, on or before June
30, 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

case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents

fice. 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.

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: May 19, 2023 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Amie Herrera Deputy Clerk

By: Ame nerrera Deputy Clerk Legal 71041 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY **PUBLICATION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 10-2022-DP-000014 DIVISION: E

IN THE INTEREST OF:

MINOR CHILD THE STATE OF FLORIDA

April Greene, Mother
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Pe YOU ARE HÉREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above named child, W.T., who was born on October 20, 2012. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtrom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on July 11, 2023 A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR ATTHIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES

and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR
ATTHIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS
CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON
THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU
MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO
THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION
ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.
If you are a person with a disability
who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding,
you are entitled, at no cost to you, to
the provision of certain assistance.
Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or critintp@coj.
net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately
upon receiving this notification if the
time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are
hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court
and the Seal thereof, this 1st day of June,
2023.
Tara S Green

2023.
Tara S. Green
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 70564 Published 6/8/2023,
6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: FIG 20 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:

names in Wilcit it was accepted follows:
Certificate No.: 1623/2021
Legal Description: PT OF NE1/4 AS REC O R 122 PG 46
Parcel ID No.: 220524-006479-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$16,435.96
Physical Address: 2733 BURROUGHS ,
MIDDLEBURG
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY

Classification: SINGLE FAMILY Name in which assessed: HENRY T SUGGS (HEIRS)
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 9th day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Pated this 1st day of June 2023

www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 1st day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea

By: Christina Cpace
Deputy Clerk
Legal 70559 Published 6/8/2023,
6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JOCELYN MOLINA, 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:

assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 4150/2016 Legal Description: LOTS 13 & 24 BLK 32 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 76 PG

22 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 76 PG
273, 413 PG 482, 844
PG 317 & 1497 PG 1912
Parcel ID No.: 280823-021923-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,968.16
Physical Address: COUNTY ROAD 214,
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: KEITH E VAN
ASTEN, KYLE J VAN ASTEN
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 bidded online on the 9th

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Dated this 1st day of June, 2023

TARA S. GREEN

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

Deputy Clerk
Legal 70557 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JOCELYN

tificate 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:

assessed are as follows: Certificate No.: 905/2018 Legal Description: LOT 17 BLK 108 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R

HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 2498 PG 78 Parcel ID No.: 160823-004475-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,349.87 Physical Address: 7062 SEWANEE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: LOUIS M NARCISSE

NARCISSE
Said property being in the County of Clay,
State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed
according to law, the property described
in such certificate shall be sold
to the highest bidder online on the 9th
day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at
www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 1st day of June, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk Legal 70556 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE# 22-DR-2095

Division
Herman Donald Woodcock
Petitioner

and Elizabeth Watts Hayes

Elizabeth Watts Hayes
Respondent.
TO: Elizabeth Watts Hayes
Last Known Address: 231 E Pringle Circle,
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for
dissolution of marriage has been filed
against you and that you are required to
serve a copy of your written defenses,
If any, to it Herman Donald Woodcock
whose address is 501 South Vermont
Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043,
on or before July 15, 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.
The action is asking the court to decide

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Ine action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: 5of South Vermont Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Clay County, Florida 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.

fice. 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 slork's office.

this lawsuit will be manered of 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 compare the sections including ply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: May 31, 2023. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Gracie Moore

By: Gracie Moord Deputy Clerk Legal 70427 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: STEVEN C CULLEN, 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.: 896/2016
Legal Description: LTS 15 & 16 BLK 99 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3138 PG 224

99 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3138 PG 224 Parcel ID No.: 160823-004312-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$2,252.91 Physical Address: 6221 OBERLIN AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: VERONA V LLC Said property being in the County of Clay,

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 19th day of July, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay realtaxteed come.

day of July, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www. clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 30th day of May, 2023 TARA S. GREEN Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk Legal 70195 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION **FOR TAX DEED**

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Certificate No.: 682/2021

Legal Description: LOT 6 & 7 BLK 3 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 1630 PG 282

HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 1630 PG 282 Parcel ID No.: 210823-002386-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$9,531.92 Physical Address: 6318 AMHERST AVE ,KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: MOBILE HOME Name in which assessed: JACKI JOR-DAN

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. 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 19th day of July, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.

day of July, 2023 at 19:30 A.M at clay, realtaxdeed.com.

Dated this 30th day of May, 2023 TARA S. GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea

Deputy Clerk Legal 70194 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: STEVEN C

CULLEN, the holder of the following cer-tificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year

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.: 1078/2021
Legal Description: LOT 12 BLK I LAKE HILLCREST AS REC O R 86 PG 404
Parcel ID No.: 030923-021962-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$901.70
Physical Address GARDENIA AVE ,

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which :assessed: PATRICIA WHITEHEAD

WHITEHEAD
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 19th
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: STEVEN C

CULLEN, the holder of the following cer-tificate 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.: 1642/2018

Legal Description: PT OF SE1/4 S25T5R24 AS REC O R 1868 PG 86 & 1873 PG 1656 EX PT REC O R 3179 PG 34 Parcel ID No.: 250524-006593-005-01

rarcel ID No.: 250524-006593-005-01
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,623.94
Physical Address: 0 CLIFFORD LN ,
MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CARL T
MILLS

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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 19th
day of July, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.
clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Pared this 30th day of May 2023

clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 30th day of May, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk Legal 70174 Published 6/8/2023, 6/15/2023, 6/22/2023 and 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Meeting South Village Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the South Village Community Development District will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eagle Landing Residents Club, 3975 Eagle Landing Parkway, Orange Park Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Au-

gustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Marilee Giles
District Manager

District Manager
Legal 73940 Published 6/29/2023 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PURCHASE **CONSIDERATION OF** 2770 RUSSELL ROAD BY THE CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

The Clay County School Board is considering the purchase of 95 acres, more or less, of property in the Lake Asbury Master Plan located at 2770 Russell Road, Green Cove Springs, Florida. This property will be used for a future school site. The School Board will hold a public meeting to consider the purchase of this property at the regular School Board meeting on Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 6 p.m. at the Fleming Island High School TTC, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island Florida. For additional information please contact Lance Addison at lance.addison@myoneclay.net or (904) 336-6852. Legal 73938 Published 6/29/2023, 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on January 31, 2022
DFH LAND, LLC 14701 Philips Hwy Ste 200 Jacksonville, FL 32256-3743 permit #109615-8. The project is located in Clay County, Section 20 Township 4S Range 25E. The permit authorizes Construction and operation of a Stormwater Management System for a 24.46-acre project known as Challenger Townhomes as per plans received by the District on January 31, 2023. The receiving water body is Little Black Creek.

A person whose substantial interests are

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request

or may be attected has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the St. Johns River Water Management
District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative
Code (F.A.C.), the petition must be filed (received) either by delivery at the office of the District
Clerk at District Headquarters, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka FL 32178-1429 (4049 Reid St, Palatka,

1429, Palatka FL 32178-1429 (4049 Heid St, Palatka, FL 32177) or by e-mail with the District Clerk at Clerk@sjiwmd.com, within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to where the

of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual notice). A petition must comply with Sections 120.54(5(b)4. and 120.569(2)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 28-106, F.A.C. The District will not accept a petition sent by facsimile (fax). Mediation pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., may be available and choosing mediation does not affect your right to an administrative hearing. A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the complete

deemed filed upon receipt of the complete petition by the District Clerk at the District Headquarters in Palatka, Florida during the District's

ters in Palatika, Florida during the District's regular business hours. The District's regular business hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Petitions received by the District Clerk after the District's regular

business hours shall be deemed filed as of 8 a.m. on the District's next regular business day. The

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PDF or TIFF file and being capable of being stored and printed by the District. Further, pursuant to the District's Statement of Agency Organiza-tion and Operation, attempting to file a petition by

petition by facsimile (fax) is prohibited and shall not

constitute filing.
The right to an administrative hearing and the relevant procedures to be followed are

the relevant procedures to be followed are governed by Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code, and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative Code. Be-cause the administrative hearing process

is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means the District's final action

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this notice. Failure to line a period in can administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing. (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.). If you wish to do so, please visit http://floridaswater.com/nor_dec/ to read the complete Notice of Rights to determine any legal rights you may have concerning the District's decision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. uecision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. You can also request the Notice of Rights by contacting

by contacting the Director of Regulatory Support, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no. (386)329-

4570. Legal 73937 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER **MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on October 6, 2022
Reinhold Corporation 1845 Town Center Blvd Ste 105 Fleming Isle, FL 32003-3358
permit #174768-3. The project is located in Clay County, Section(s) 34,34,32 Township 5S Range 25E. The permit authorizes Construction and operation of a Stormwater Management System for a 96.0 acre(s) project known as CR218 Connector Roadway and Shadowlawn Drive Improvements as per plans received by the District on June 9, 2022.. The receiving water body is Bradley Creek, Black Creek. A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an entirestative hearing by filting a written

an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the St. Johns River Water Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative

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A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the complete

petition by the District Clerk at the District Headquar-ters in Palatka, Florida during the District's regular business hours. The District's regular business hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Petitions received by the District Clerk after the District's regular

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an administrative hearing within the req-uisite time frame shall constitute a

waiver of the right to an administrative hearing.

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

(Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.).
If you wish to do so, please visit http://
floridaswater.com/nor_dec/ to read the
complete Notice of
Rights to determine any legal rights
you may have concerning the District's
decision(s) on the

permit application(s) described above. You can also request the Notice of Rights

by contacting the Director of Regulatory Support, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no.

4570. Legal 73936 Published 6/29/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on July 25, 2022
DFH LAND, LLC 14701 Philips Hwy Ste 200 Jacksonville, FL 32256-3743 permit #174768-2. The project is located in Clay County, Section(s) 4,32,33 Township 6S, S Range 25E, 25E. The permit authorizes Construction and operation of a Stormwater Management System for a 268.82-acre project known as Parcel 61 - Shadowlawn Subdivision as per plans received by the District on June 23, 2022. The receiving water body is Bradley Creek A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written

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Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Ad-

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 07/14/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MID-DLEBURG, 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.
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS GOLF CARTS LEASE OR

PURCHASE AT SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY **DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT Clay County,** Florida

Florida

Notice is hereby given that the South Village Community Development District ("District") will accept proposals from qualified firms interested in providing a 54- to 60-month lease of 74 Electric Carts. Detailed specifications ("Project Manual") will be available for qualified firms beginning Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (EST), from the District Manager, Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com.
Firms desiring to provide a proposal for this project must submit their proposal electronically to the District Manager, Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com no later than Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., with a copy to Katie Buchanan ("Later HonoursGolf.com. Proposals received after the time and date stipulated above will be disqualified.
Ranking of proposals will be made on the basis of qualifications according to the Evaluation Criteria contained within the Project Manual. The District has the right to reject any and all proposals and waive any technical errors, informalities or irregularities if it determines in its discretion it is in the best interest to do so. Any person who wishes to protest the Project Manual is made available, together with a protest bond in a form acceptable to the District and in the amount of \$10,000, and shall file a formal written protest within seventy-two (72) hours after the Project Manual is made available, together with a protest bond in a form acceptable to the District and in the amount of \$10,000, and shall file a formal written protest within the District timpliner. Failure to timely file a formal written protest shall constitute a waiver of any right to object to or protest the contents of the Project Manual. The formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based.

Any and all questions relative to this project shall be in electronic mail to Marilee Giles at MGiles@gmsnf.com.

Marilee Giles, District Manager
South Village Community Development District

District
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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023CA001044
ALLIED FIRST BANK, SB DBA
SERVBANK,
Plaintiff,

ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIA-RIES, LEGATEES, DEVISEES, PER-SONAL REPRESENTATIVES, CREDI-TORS AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST LINDA D. CALDWELL, DE-DEFENDACES.

Defendants.
To the following Defendant(s):
ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, LEGATEES, DEVISEES, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, CREDITORS AND ANY OTHER PERSON
CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR
AGAINST LINDA D. CALDWELL, DECEASED

Lock Koown Address: 496 Bigmillo CT.

CEASED (Last Known Address: 496 Bienville CT, Alford, FL 32420)
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose based on boundaries established by acquiescence, on the following described reporter.

lished by acquiescence, on the following described property:
LOT 10, WELLS LANDING UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, PAGES 76 AND 77 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 617 WELLS LANDING DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR 2007 AND PROPERTY AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELLS LANDING DR 2007 AND PROPERTY ADDRESS: 017 WELL

LANDING DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Ghidotti Berger LLP, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1031 North Miami Beach Boulevard, North Miami Beach, FL 33162 on or before a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the Clay Today and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2010-08.

"IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR AT (904) 255-1695 OR CRTINTRP@COJ.NET AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS: IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711."

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 26th day of June, 2023. TARA S. GREEN
AS Clerk of Court By Jennifer Brosky
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 73930 Published 6/29/2023 and 7/6/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF **ENVIRONMENTAL** PROTECTION NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) gives notice that it

proposes to approve a No Further Action Proposal with Institutional Controls or with Engineering and Institutional Controls and issue a Site Rehabilitation Completion Order with Conditions for a contaminated site. Shannon Lake Enterprises Inc. is seeking this order in reference to DEP Site ID # 10/8841465, BP-Shannon Lake, 3138 Highway 220, Middleburg, Clay County, Florida and intends to restrict exposure to contamination in the following manner: groundwater restrictions. Complete copies of the No Further Action Proposal, the proposed Institutional Control, and the DEP's preliminary evaluation are available for public inspection online at Oculus, the online document management system. Please use the DEP Site, Facility or Project number listed on the DEP's preliminary evaluation to communicate with DEP or Oculus.

Local governments with jurisdiction over the property subject to the Institutional Control, real property owner(s) of any property subject to the Institutional Control and any party holding a materially affected encumbrance in the area subject to the control have 30 days from publication of this notice to provide comments to the DEP. Such comments should be sent to DEP, Samantha Fillmore, Sfillmore@ NorthStar.com

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: JWAVEST-ED 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.: 883/2021

assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 883/2021
Legal Description: LOT 19 BLK 71
HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 1736
PG 526 & 1865 PG
1230
Parcel ID No.: 220823-003656-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,705.41
Physical Address: 7231 LEHIGH DR ,
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: AUNDREA L
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Certificate No.: 923/2017
Legal Description: LOT 8 BLK 102
HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2497
PG 1977

Legal Description: LOI 8 BLK 102 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2497 PG 1977 Parcel ID No.: 160823-004355-000-00 Opening Bid Amount: \$1,860.70 Physical Address: 6213 OLGETHORPE AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: ARLANDE LEGER & JEAN MONESTIME Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 23rd day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 26th day of June, 2023 Clay County, Florida By: Christina Spadea Deputy Clerk

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Physical Address: 7244 LEHIGH DR , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
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