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Lincoln Memorial bought adjacent buildings off Wells Road with plans to expand its university system.

Lincoln Memorial to open veterinary school in Orange Park

Officials buy adjacent buildings on 12-acre lot off Wells Road

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – Lincoln Memorial University is pursuing accreditation for a second College of Veterinary Medicine and has named Kim Carney, DVM, MPH, DACVPM, CPH, CHES, its founding Dean.

The university has initiated the accreditation process with the American Veterinary Medical Association Commission on Education and will host a consultative site visit later this year.

LMU purchased two adjacent buildings with 130,000 square feet off Wells

Road at the Plaza At Wells Lake. The university is exploring moving several of its successful academic programs to the location to further LMU's mission of providing educational opportunities to communities in



Kim Carney

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Spring Park Elementary is the 43rd and newest school in the District.

Spring Park school opens

By Don Coble

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The moment children walked through the front doors of Spring Park Elementary, they quickly realized subtle differences.

The building is new and still smells of fresh paint. The floors shine; the walls are bright with teal green and blue paint; and the school mascot – Owls – is prominently displayed.

That happens with a new building that opened less than a month ago.



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Principal Tiffany Outman said SPE will focus on the minds and hearts of scholars.

Other changes are more profound. First, Principal Tiffany Outman calls the students who christened the school Thursday "scholars." Not students. Not children. Scholars.

Outman and her staff and faculty of

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School Board rejects purchase of Achieve 3000 program

District recognized for top academics in Florida

By Lee Wardlaw
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FLEMING ISLAND – The School Board voted against the purchase of Achieve 3000, a Blended Literacy Program for third-through-10th grade students, which would have cost the district \$619,995.

The discussion around the technology software that provides text sets, activities and individual reading levels for students, along with embedded and benchmark assessments, revolved around cost and two other issues: how much students would use the program and the place technology has in the classroom. Some board members said that enough technological tools are already available.

Superintendent David Broskie and some of the board members considered



Mary Bolla

tabling the complex item until their September meeting. But Michele Hanson, who strongly opposed the item, cited her background in education and wanted to vote. Board member Erin Skipper agreed “Vote! Vote!,” some members of the audience yelled.

Hanson emphasized organically engaging students. “You have to teach and reteach before a child reads an article, the standard you’re trying to assess,” she said.

Bolla was the only one to say “yes.” Bolla maintained her ideology the item was a useful educational tool for students. For example, through Achieve 3000, higher-achieving and lower-achieving students could dissect an article on the same topic, written for different reading levels, and then come together to deliberate concepts, she said.

In other business, teachers and students from the School District’s Career and Technical programs were recognized for earning national honors.

Maria Behnken was the National Middle School Advisor of the Year, and Jayna Lauer earned first place for National Career Prep for the Technology Student Association. Chandani Armogan, Jayna Lauer



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From left, Bobby Baggett, Timothy McKeehan and Greyson Tompkins reeled in major honors for the Schools District’s Career and Technical Program’s Technology Student Association, placing sixth at nationals. The School Board recognized the three for their achievements last Thursday night.

and Greyson Tompkins earned fifth place for Inventions and Innovations, while Bobby Baggett, Timothy McKeehan and Tompkins earned sixth place for System Control for the Technology Student Association. Shawn Saint-Vilus earned first place for Future Business Leaders of America’s Mission and Pledge. Clay County also received high benchmarks for this year’s State Assessment reviews, which Broskie presented.

Students not only ranked higher than

other Florida counties in many of these categories but also performed much better overall, testing at a much higher level than other counties in the state. Clay finished No. 2 in sixth-grade English Language Arts, No. 6 in 10th-grade ELA, No. 3 in sixth-grade math, No. 5 in eighth-grade math, No. 3 in Algebra One, No. 6 in fifth-grade science, No. 6 in eighth-grade science, No. 1 in seventh-grade Civics, No. 4 in U.S. History and No. 2 in Social Studies.

County commissioners receive Strategic Plan survey results

By Lee Wardlaw
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – County commissioners got an update on the Strategic Plan from Gabrielle Gunn, Director of Community and Social Services.

She provided a comprehensive report, which was compiled in collaboration with the Northeast Florida Regional Council, detailing recent progress the county and Regional Council made in developing the plan.

The core of Gunn’s presentation focused on a survey that included 400 residents from all five districts in the county. Constituents ranked their preferences across several critical factors, including quality and balance of life, growth management and development, the economy and infrastructure.

In District 1, residents placed a premium on infrastructure. In District 2, respondents slightly preferred infrastructure over the economy, with growth manage-

ment and development ranking lower than other districts. District 3 residents prioritized quality of life more than others but displayed lesser concern for the county economy.

Those respondents also showed slightly more concern for growth management and development. Gunn said all of these factors could be impacted by the district’s proximity to Duval County.

In District 4, residents valued infrastructure the most. The economy was the second-most important priority. They considered growth management and development the least.

In District 5, residents placed equal value on quality and balance of life and the economy, growth management, development and infrastructure.

Gunn then presented the strategic plan’s structure, which would incorporate themes and corresponding definitions. These themes would be supported by overarching goals, measurable objectives, and

policies to guide implementation.

The first theme identified was community development, which would revolve around smart growth, strategic development, and addressing the crucial issue of affordable housing.

The second theme was community health, which would focus on the well-being of the community in areas such as public safety, community services, and overall health.

The third theme emphasized good governance, focusing on communication, financial planning, and intergovernmental coordination. Infrastructure, the fourth theme, focused on roads and stormwater transportation, which included working with partners to develop their infrastructure. The fifth theme, quality of life, will aim to maintain and enhance the quality of life via parks, natural spaces, and resiliency.

In August, the county will establish 25-30 specific goals. In September, they will

incorporate ongoing projects with the new goals. In October and November, the county will meet with stakeholders to discuss priorities and goals and how they align. In December, they will present a refined plan to county commissioners.

Then, in January and February, they will seek to begin the rollout.

“I think this aligns with what we’re doing with what the Regional Council is doing as well, mutually. When you talk about affordable housing, stormwater resilience, and parks, we’re looking at all of that on a regional basis.

Our priorities align with the region,” councilman Jim Renninger said.

Assistant County Manager Troy Nagle underscored the importance of aligning each project with strategic priorities, each linked to specific themes, goals, and measurable objective. The approach would prevent resources from being allocated to projects that do not align with the county’s strategic focus.

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DeSantis: Criticism of black studies being twisted for political gains

By Jacob Ogles
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Gov. Ron DeSantis stood by Florida’s Black history standards in a nationally televised interview, reiterating that scholars wrote the controversial guidelines.

For weeks now, scrutiny has surrounded a curriculum approved by Florida’s Board of Education directing teachers to instruct, in part, that “slaves developed skills which, in some instances, could be applied for their personal benefit.”

In an interview about his presidential campaign, NBC News reporter Dasha Burns asked DeSantis about that language specifically.

The Governor suggested political opponents have twisted the meaning.

“That means they developed skills in spite of slavery, not because of slavery,” DeSantis said. “It was them (slaves) showing resourcefulness and then using those skills once slavery ended.”

He also stressed the language originated from scholars in the field. Members of the working group behind the standards have said two members, William Allen and Frances Presley Rice, pushed the inclusion of the controversial passage in the standards.

“The people that put those standards together were scholars of African American history,” DeSantis said. “These were not political standards.”

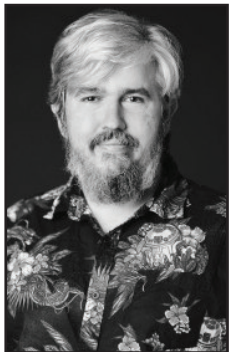
After Vice President Kamala Harris criticized the guidelines, DeSantis invited her to come to Florida to discuss the standards with him and Allen, a former U.S. Civil Rights Commission Chair. Harris declined.

“I tell you there is no roundtable, no lecture, no invitation we will accept to debate an undeniable fact. There were no redeeming qualities of slavery,” Harris said.

DeSantis defended other portions of his education agenda as Governor. He claimed to have removed many political messages from Florida’s classrooms.

“Florida eliminated critical race theory because it’s ideology, and we want education, not indoctrination. When we did that, a lot of people were saying, ‘Oh, you don’t want to teach about African American history,’” DeSantis said.

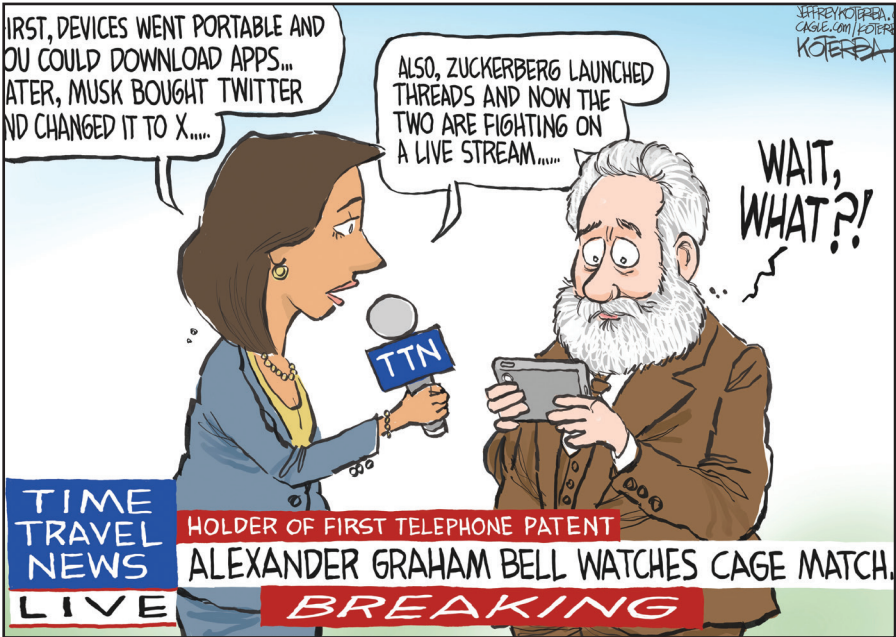
That led Florida to build up its Black history curriculum and make clear what



Jacob Ogles

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OPINIONS



It’s time to demand a cure for cancer

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

Long before they started charging carry-on service charges and aisle seats, it wasn’t easy to get a favor from the airlines in 1990. But I called anyway.

I told the customer service representative I needed to change my outbound flight from Orlando to Florence, South Carolina, to cover the Southern 500.

She asked why. I told her I had a court date. She asked what for. Divorce and custody.

Then she did something that caught me by surprise. She asked how I planned to win custody in a state where adultery isn’t grounds for custody – even if you caught your wife at a hotel with another guy.

I told her I had newspaper clips that proved where I was on particular nights. I also had hotel bills showing where she was on the same nights. The representative reminded me again adultery wasn’t grounds for custody.

If I’m covering the Orlando Magic-Sacramento Kings game and she’s away with the other guy who fed our children dinner? Did they have dinner?



Don Coble

SEE CURE, 5

Word OF THE WEEK

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

Quixotic: (kwik-sa-tick) an adjective that means impulsive and unpredictable.

“The man lived his life by a hopefully quixotic code of honor.”

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- An appeals judge denied Lucy Hoover’s challenge of a lower court’s ruling that she didn’t complete qualifying papers properly and on time to run against Kristina Mobley for a spot on the Clay County bench.
- Camp Blanding hosts a Korean War Ceremony with Korean Ambassador Cho Yung-Je presenting veteran William Barton with an award.
- The Orange Park Town Council gets the Kingsley East project back on track after meeting with the Public Works Department and contractor Besch and Smith.

10 years ago, 2013

- R.J. Corman Signaling plans to hire 59 high-tech, high-wage jobs on Fleming Island after earning tax breaks from the Economic Development Committee and Board of County Commission.
- Teacher throughout the school district set up their classrooms in preparation for the first day of school.
- The Clay County Economic Development Committee moves ahead with plans for the Big League Dreams project despite unrelenting pushback by residents.

20 years ago, 2003

- Barbara Kirkman earned the designation of certified election and registration administrator, the highest professional achievement for the Clay County Supervisor of Elections.
- A Wells Road Home Depot employee who was taking a nap inside his car during his lunch break was robbed at gunpoint.
- Clay County business leaders meet at Orange Park Town Hall for a disaster preparedness workshop.

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Send us a letter ...

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

Opinions ...

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Cure

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Tests revealed lung cancer. By the time they found it, the disease was already in her lung, brain, arm and hip. I asked the doctor how long will she go through chemotherapy and radiation. He said eight months. I remember thinking that was manageable.

Then he said the words I can never forget: “No sir, she has eight months to live.”

It’s hard to believe it was 18 years ago when I lightly grabbed Pam’s hand, heard her take a shallow breath and quietly slipped away. It was Aug. 10, 2005. At 3:02 p.m.

Eighteen years, and we’re still no clos-

History

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30 years ago, 1993

- Former Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles visited Clay County as part of an ongoing plan to spend more time in the community. Chiles received the key to the city at a meeting at the Orange Park Town Hall.
- Jacksonville’s James Lanier died after being hit by a train crossing County Road 315 in Green Cove Springs. According to witnesses, he tried to outrun the train at the crossing by running around the crossing arms.

Desantis

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should and should not be taught.

“That’s how that working group came into being,” DeSantis said. “They had copious standards. I mean, just really thorough. And we’re one of only 14 or 15 states that even have African American history standards.

“That was written by primarily African Americans themselves who were scholars, and they’ve been very clear. They are not saying that slavery was a positive good at all. And if you read the entire standards, it’s very clear that they’re showing that this was a grave injustice, and it contradicted the founding principles of our country.”

Democrats have asserted DeSantis and Republicans in the Legislature have forced their own politics into Florida’s school curricula. But the Governor said that’s not the case. “We’ve been involved in education, not indoctrination,” he said.

He pegged controversy around the standards on Harris and said the standards before the Vice President’s comments were being praised.

“Kamala Harris decided to come down and demagogue it and basically lie about it,” he said.

“And these guys who wrote it, they’ve defended what they’ve done. And so as Governor, I’m going to stand by them. I am not going to let people lie about things that are going on in Florida. That’s become a

er to stopping cancer.

Let’s face it, we all know there’s more money to be made by treating cancer than curing it. Call me a conspiracy nut if you want, but I refuse to accept that nearly two million people were diagnosed with cancer last year, and nearly 610,000 of those died.

Both of Pam’s brothers also died of cancer. Her older brother, who went to the race with her, died exactly 49 days before she did. He also had lung cancer.

I think about it every day. We now have cars that parallel park by themselves, and we can send an email to the other side of the planet in a second. And yet, cancer is allowed to ravage families with death, pain and despair.

Why?

- The BCC selects Bob Wilson as its new county manager.
- ## 40 years ago, 1983
- South Atlantic Financial Corporation tells homeowners in the Heritage Farms neighborhood it plans to send a crew to clean undeveloped lots.
 - The Clay County Sheriff’s Office said it won’t go along with other county employees who agreed to a five-and-a-half percent pay increase.
 - The county learns it could cost \$103,000 to make renovations at the Clay County Jail to comply with the state fire marshal’s office demands.

cottage industry. We have got to stop acting in bad faith in this country. There’s no way you can read that whole list of standards and come to any other conclusion that they are accurately depicting the injustice of slavery.”

Of note, Republicans have joined Harris in criticizing the standards, including U.S. Rep. Byron Donalds, a Naples Republican, and U.S. Sen. Tim Scott, one of DeSantis’ opponents for the Republican nomination for President.

“What slavery was really about was separating families, about mutilating humans and even raping their wives. It was just devastating,” Scott told press last month.

DeSantis said Scott was siding with Harris and against the state of Florida. “Don’t indulge those lies,” he said. “She’s saying that those standards that were developed by African American history scholars are somehow saying slavery was a good thing. That’s false. That is not what they said.”

Jacob Ogles has covered politics in Florida since 2000 for regional outlets, including SRQ Magazine in Sarasota, The News-Press in Fort Myers and The Daily Commercial in Leesburg. His work has appeared nationally in The Advocate, Wired and other publications. Events like SRQ’s Where The Votes Are workshops made Ogles one of Southwest Florida’s most respected political analysts, and outlets like WWSB ABC 7 and WSRQ Sarasota have featured his insights. He can be reached at jacobogles@hotmail.com.



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Long arm of law embrace back-to-school projects

CLAY COUNTY – Clay County District Schools Police Chief, Clay County Sheriff’s Office Sgt. Diana Coxen PACE Center for Girls Executive Director Genelle Thomas and CCSO Lt. Mike Layne Department joined forces this week to deliver book bags filled with school supplies to children at Quigley House, AMI Kids and PACE.

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 1. Russian painter
 6. Very fast jet
 9. Phillipine municipality
 13. Intestinal
 14. Small freshwater fish
 15. Algerian coastal city
 16. Vomit
 17. Famed astronomer
 18. Ghanaian currency
 19. Improved the condition of
 21. Int’l association of interpreters
 22. Infections
 23. Dish made with lentils
 24. Thou
 25. Former CIA
 28. Unit used to compare power levels
 29. Members of Pueblo people
 31. Myanmar monetary units
 33. Polished
 36. Signed a contract
 38. Nothing
 39. Once-ubiquitous department store
 41. Neural structures
 44. Thick piece of something
 45. Slang for trucks with trailers
 46. Longing
 48. Senior officer
 49. Levels of frequency
51. Bird’s beak
 52. Move rapidly downwards
 54. Koran chapters
 56. Stretches out
 60. Top of the human body
 61. A Chinese temple and Indian town are two
 62. Fertility god
 63. Sea eagle
 64. Dry
 65. Zodiac sign
 66. “Horizon Call of the Mountain” character
 67. Have the ability to
 68. Take somewhere
- CLUES DOWN

 1. “Iron Man” actress Leslie
 2. Wings
 3. Adjust the spacing
 4. They’re usually locked
 5. Atomic #43
 6. Wise individuals
 7. Horse mackerel
 8. Pearl Jam’s debut album
 9. Confines
 10. Colorless crystalline compound
 11. Unsatisfactorily
 12. Plant of the parsley family
 14. Determines time
 17. Causes the birth of
20. Small ornament on a watch chain
 21. Richly decorated cloth tapestry
 23. Vito Corleone was one
 25. Igbo musical instrument
 26. Put in harmony
 27. Japanese alcoholic drinks
 29. Tinseltown
 30. Closes tightly
 32. Songs sung to one’s lover
 34. One thousandth of an inch
 35. Small drink of whiskey
 37. Political divisions in ancient Greece
 40. Helps little firms
 42. Baby’s eating accessory
 43. Very long periods of time
 47. Small block of wood
 49. Town in Surrey, England
 50. Enquiry
 52. Murdered
 53. Bura-__: Chadic language
 55. Crater on Mars
 56. Mammal genus
 57. Sock
 58. Make
 59. Stony waste matter
 61. Partner to cheese
 65. Pound

Community Briefs

Health Department giving free back-to-school immunizations

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Department of Health Clay County will provide immunizations through Aug. 17 at the Clay County Fairgrounds from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

There is no cost, but there is a \$12 charge for DH680 or DH681 forms without a vaccine. Vaccinations also are offered at the Bear Run Clinic at 3229 Bear Run Blvd. in Orange Park. Call (904) 529-2800 to make an appointment.

The health department provides primary health services, disease screenings, birth certificates and immunization all year. A natural or adoptive parent, legal custodian or guardian or a person with a power of attorney to provide medical consent for a child must accompany children. Unless immunizations are recorded in Florida SHOTS, parents are required to bring immunization records.

Orange Park High planning its 50-year reunion

ORANGE PARK – The Class of 1973 from Orange Park High will celebrate its 50th reunion on Oct. 13 and 14.

Please call 904-910-7575 or 904-614-5659 for more information. Please join our Facebook group if you are a 1973 graduate. Hope to see you there!

Green Cove Springs Library to close for construction

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The library will be closed from Aug. 21 to Nov. 1 for a scheduled construction project.

Residents will be able to utilize the services at other branches – Fleming Island at 1895 Town Center Blvd., Keystone Heights at 175 Oriole St., Middleburg-Clay at 2245 Aster Ave. in Middleburg and Orange Park at 2054 Plainfield Ave.

Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Curt Towne Band add second concert

ST. AUGUSTINE – Part of Lynyrd Skynyrd's 50th-anniversary tour will include a show on Oct. 5 and 6 at the St. Augustine Amphitheatre. The Curt Towne Band will join the legendary band. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the show will start at 7:30 p.m.

Only a few tickets remain for the Oct. 6 show, prompting the promoter and bands to add a second one on Oct. 5. Tickets are available at the venue at 1340C A1A South or ticketmaster.com and vary between \$65 and \$170.50.

New law erases databank of former mail-in requests

CLAY COUNTY – Did you request a Vote by Mail ballot in 2022? Then you may have received an email from the Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office.

Last week, two emails were sent to approximately 18,600 voters who previously voted a Vote by Mail ballot in 2022, but don't presently have a request on file. A recent change in Florida law caused all Vote by Mail ballot requests to expire on Dec. 31. Moving forward, a voter will have to make a new request to Vote by Mail for each election cycle. Only a fraction of those who Voted by Mail in last year's election have renewed their requests. Of the 36,780 Clay County voters who requested a mail ballot for the 2022 General Election, less than 6,000 voters have ordered mail ballots for 2024. While the next election, the Presiden-

tial Preference Primary, isn't until March 19, Supervisor Chris H. Chambless encourages voters to be proactive. A request for a Vote by Mail ballot doesn't mean a voter must use it. If they haven't already voted their mail ballot, they may vote in person.

In the past, voters only needed to check a box on the Vote by Mail envelope to keep receiving mail ballots. While that's no longer an option, requesting a Vote by Mail ballot is still simple. Voters will need to provide either their Florida driver's license number or the last four digits of their Social Security number when they request in person, over the phone, through email, online at [ClayElections.gov](https://www.ClayElections.gov) or by scanning the QR code. Note that you cannot use the online portal if your information is protected. Instead, you will need to request by phone, in writing, or via email, providing your name, address, driver's license and/or last four digits of your Social Security number.

Spring Park

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75 welcomed 625 scholars on Thursday. Nearly 42,000 other students also returned to one of the district's 43 schools.

"Excitement and anticipation, I think, are the best words for opening a new school and welcoming all of our scholars," she said. "I know that they're excited, and they're anticipating a lot of fun. We can have happy excitement and nervous anticipation and all happening at the same time. Back to school brings a flurry of emotions.

"I like to call it the crown jewel of Clay County because if you're new, you have all of the new things."

The school was built on County Road 315 in one of the fast-growing areas in the county.

Outman came from Lake Asbury Elementary. She hand-picked every teacher and staff member.

“It was very much a blessing,” she said. “We have the best of the best here at SPE. I have two brand-new teachers who have

had a full year of internships. So all of the teachers on staff are well-trained and come with experience. I'm excited to see what we learn and grow together."

Outman said the scholars at Spring Park would be surrounded by the support that stimulates the mind and soul. One of her favorite sayings is on display in the front office lobby. It reads: "Believe There is Good in the World." Embedded in that saying are the words, "Be The Good."

“We also place a huge emphasis on caring for the whole child,” she said. “Not only do we have to take care of their minds, we have to take care of their hearts as well. And making sure that all children who come to school feel comfortable and are ready to learn are some of the things we’ve been talking about this week. How to alleviate those concerns and fears and do some daily check-ins with scholars because it is overwhelming. I remember the first time I walked the campus it wasn’t finished. It didn’t have a roof, and it was quite overwhelming. I know that

they are going to be experiencing those emotions as well.”



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Obituaries

Edna Moore Phelan

Edna Moore Phelan of Auburn, AL, a devoted wife, mother and adoring grandmother, died July 29, 2023 in Atlanta, GA at the age of 80.

Born February 2, 1943 in Brooklyn, NY, the daughter of Ralph and Madeline Moore, Edna graduated from Clay County (FL) High School where she was voted the most popular senior and Homecoming Queen before enrolling at Florida State University. While at FSU, Edna became a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and received her degree in Fashion Merchandising. During her days at FSU and as an active member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, she was in the original "Zeta Picker Band", a washboard band that started as a sorority rush skit and evolved into playing at various venues around Tallahassee. Playing the washboard with thimbles on her fingers, Edna and the band were invited to be on the TV program "The Ted Mac Amateur Hour" to open a new auditorium in St. Petersburg. In addition to the band, Edna had the distinct honor of being a member of the nationally famous Florida State Student Circus, specializing in the triple trapeze and swinging ladders.

It was at the end of her days at FSU when an invitation to a Naval Ball and an introduction to Naval Academy Midshipman Richard "Dick" Phelan would change her life. Around one year later, the two would marry, leading to a love affair that would last a lifetime. Following their marriage, they would live in numerous cities around the country as Dick was serving as



Edna Moore Phelan

a Navy Aviator, rising to the rank of Captain. During those early years while Dick was in Vietnam, Edna led the wives' support group, ensuring that all of the spouses were connected, comforted and taken care of, particularly wives of POW's including John McCain's first wife Carol.

The union of Edna and Dick brought about the next loves of her life, their four children Kelly (Parkman), Lindsay (Dendy), Scott and Todd Phelan, all born in different parts of the country due to their early nomadic Naval stations. Eventually, they settled back in her hometown of Orange Park for an extended period before moving to Northern Virginia as Dick was appointed to a position in the Pentagon. With his Naval career coming to a close, their final posting was in Auburn, AL as he was appointed Commanding Officer of Naval ROTC unit at Auburn University. While they assumed it to be a temporary posting when they arrived in 1988, they have never left, both becoming pillars in the Auburn community. Edna would work as a Media Specialist at Auburn Junior High School and was a member of the Auburn United Methodist Church.

In Auburn, Edna reconnected with Zeta, serving as its Housing Corporation President and Advisor for more than 24 years. Becoming actively involved in the design of the chapter room, the planning for the annual rush of incoming sisters, and contributing to its Breast Cancer philanthropy "Big Man on Campus" annual event, she was a guiding influence in the lives of many Auburn students. Edna was especially proud of her role with Zeta and its chapter room as it would become a tourist attraction when she would entertain her 10 grandkids. According to the Auburn Zeta's, "she showered our chapter with love, compassion and an infectious sense of spunk! Her genuine care and mentorship touched

the lives of countless sisters, inspiring us to become better individuals and fostering a stronger, united sisterhood. Her commitment to ZTA's values was unparalleled and she leaves behind a legacy that will continue to guide us as well as a true testament that "Zeta Is Forever."

It was those 10 grandkids that would become the next loves of her life and where she would take on the affectionate name of "MoMo". When all were born, those 10 grandkids ranged in ages from 8 years old to a new born, with three girls and seven boys, making for a perfectly fine chaotic adventure flawlessly led and coordinated by MoMo. Whether it was the family beach trip to Ponte Vedra, FL, the annual family photo or the yearly Christmas gathering, MoMo orchestrated them all to perfection, even sometimes re-doing the blowing out of birthday candles to make sure the picture was perfect. Not only did she entertain and dote on the 10 grandkids, particularly though her Instagram birthday postings of each "Grand", but she also instilled many life lessons that her grandkids called "MoMo-isms." She was an incredible and active presence in each of their lives and was always available to take charge at a moment's notice, regardless of the time or place.

The last love of her life was her country. Her love and dedication of the USA was constant, inspired through her upbringing in a military family, to marrying a military man to then planning the family vacation for the week of July 4th where she would lead the celebrations decked in the red, white and blue of her beloved USA. She was actively involved in assisting Dick in coordinating the annual Memorial Day Remembrance event in Auburn each year, the last of which honored Dick as Veteran of the Year.

Her dedication and loyalty to her husband, her children and their spouses, her grandchildren, her community, her sorority and her country is the essence of Edna Moore Phelan.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ralph and Madeline Moore and her brother Jimmy.

Survivors include her husband Richard (Dick) Phelan; daughters Kelly Parkman

(Mark) and Lindsay Dendy (David), sons Scott Phelan (Holly) Todd Phelan (Alice); grandchildren Hannah Grace Dendy, Alex Parkman, Lyla Phelan, Conner Phelan, Will Parkman, Davis Dendy, Riley Phelan, Charlie Parkman, Bennett Phelan and Ella Claire Dendy; and a brother, Ray Moore.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation to the Edna Moore Phelan Memorial Scholarship of the Gamma Rho Chapter of the Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at Auburn University. To make the donation please use the link: <https://zta.crowdchange.co/33757>

A Celebration of Life is planned for Sunday, August 13th at 3:00 p.m. CENTRAL TIME at the Auburn United Methodist Church, 137 South Gay Street, Auburn, AL. www.jeffcoattrant.com



Carolyn Flowers Bland

Carolyn Flowers Bland, 79, of Green Cove Springs, FL, passed away August 3, 2023

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

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Cloice "CJ" Luvell Joiner

Cloice "CJ" Luvell Joiner, 88, of Orange Park, FL, passed away August 6, 2023

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Obituaries

Betty Jean Torrence

Betty Jean Torrence, age 93, of Penney Farms, Florida, passed away on August 4, 2023. She was born on August 21, 1929, in Binghamton, New York. Betty was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Betty was a kind and caring woman who had a deep love for nature and animals, especially her beloved cats. She found solace in spending time outdoors, bird watching, and appreciating the beauty of the world around her. Her faith was an integral part of her life, and she was a devoted follower of God. Betty's warm and nurturing personality extended to her family, whom she cherished dearly. She was a dedicated wife to her beloved spouse, Calvin Torrence, and a loving mother to her children, Michael Torrence, Robert Torrence, Kathleen Torrence, and Barbara Castelli.

In her role as a homemaker, Betty created a loving and welcoming home for her family. She poured her heart into nurturing her children and creating a warm and inviting environment for them. Betty's talents extended beyond her role as a homemaker, as she had a passion for painting and expressed herself through her artwork and jewelry design. She also was an avid baseball fan and enjoyed watching her favorite teams the Texas Rangers and New York Yankees.

Betty's memory will be forever cherished by her surviving family members, including her brother Frank (Deborah), her son Robert, her daughter Kathleen (Robert), her daughter Barbara (Christopher), her grandson Jason (Jessica), her granddaughter Jessica, her grandson Gregory (Paige), her granddaughter Rachel (Dane), and her great-grandchildren Zackary, Annabelle, Stella, Ashlynn, Caroline, Claire, and Mack. She was preceded in death by



Betty Jean Torrence

her mother, Mary Obrochta McFee, her father, George Jones, her spouse, Calvin Torrence, and her son, Michael Torrence.

Betty will be remembered for her kind and loving nature, her devotion to her family, and her zest for life. She leaves behind a legacy of love and warmth that will continue to inspire those who knew her. A celebration of Betty's life will be held on Sunday, August 20th, at 11 am at Helm - Gallagher Funeral Home in Green Cove Springs. This will be an opportunity for family and friends to gather and remember the beautiful life that Betty lived.

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



James F. Garner

James F. Garner, Sr., 87, passed away on August 3, 2023, in Orange Park, FL. He was born on September 14, 1935, in Jacksonville, FL to the late J.D. Garner and Lois E. Stanford.

James was a railroad extraordinaire with forty-two years of service with CSX. He enjoyed riding the rails by steam engine or his motor cars. James was devoted to his family, church, and Children's Ministry.

James was preceded in death by his parents, J.D. Garner and Lois E. Stanford.

James is survived by his loving wife, Alice; children, Susanne, Jimmy (Cathy) and Teresa (Harry); seven grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren and a host of friends.

A visitation will be held on Monday,



James F. Garner

August 14, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. followed by a memorial service at 10:00 a.m., both at First Baptist Church of Orange Park, 1140 Kingsley Avenue,

Orange Park, FL 32073.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to the Children's Ministry at First Baptist Church of Orange Park.

Aaron and Burney Bivens Funeral Home, 529 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073, (904) 264-1233 is serving the family.



Zelda "Joyce" Rollen

Zelda "Joyce" Rollen, 73, of Orange Park, Florida, passed away on Friday, June 23, 2023.

Joyce was born to Grayson and Zaidee Rollen on November 21, 1949, and grew up in Selma, Alabama, where she graduated as the Valedictorian of Parrish High School in 1968.

While majoring in Chemistry at Auburn University, she participated in a cooperative research program at the CDC in Atlanta. She earned her B.S. in 1973.

Joyce was an avid reader and a classic film buff. Her love of movies led her to work at three theatres, including the historical Wilby Theatre in Selma and the Fox Theatre in Atlanta.

She spent several years at the CDC before moving to Orange Park, FL in 1982. She worked briefly for the Naval Drug Screening Lab prior to settling into a longer career as a chemical engineer for the Naval Air Depot.

She was the most extraordinary mix of southern, country girl, brilliant, methodi-



Zelda "Joyce" Rollen

cal scientist, and soft-hearted friend and advocate for every human and critter she ever met.

Her smile was a sly invitation, and her laugh would pull you into a world viewed through a storyteller's eyes. She joked that she had a knack for making a short story long. That she did, and she did so with such joy and enthusiasm that she made you feel as if you'd lived it right along with her.

Joyce opened her heart and home to a Dutch exchange student in 1989. She loved being a host mom so much that she welcomed seven more students from around the world. She cherished her "kids" throughout her life and traveled across the globe to visit them and their families. She also treasured her international adventures with her dear friends and niece.

She had a deep faith and lived a life of service, whether helping friends, family, her church, or community members. She was a devoted volunteer for Kairos and Kairos Outside, ministering to prisoners and their families. She was the Linen Queen at The Clothes Closet and Food, where she spent years washing, meticulously folding, and organizing linens for community members in need.

Joyce was preceded in death by her father and mother, Grayson and Zaidee Rollen, and her beloved big brother Terry Rollen. She is survived by her sister-in-law Terry, niece Suzanne, nephew Scott and his wife Stephanie, grandnephew Justin, and grandniece Audrey, as well as her international kids and 11 grandkids.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at 9:30 AM at Orange Park United Methodist Church, 2051 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL.

The service will start at 10:00 AM, led by Rev. Bob Standifer and Rev. Linda Standifer, and will be followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to: The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry P.O. Box 2892 Orange Park, FL 32067 <https://www.ccfpop.org/donate>



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The beauty of advocacy:

Maria Frost crowned ‘Mrs. Freedom USA’

By Kylie Cordell
For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – To act, dream, express every aspect of who we are, speak up for what we believe in, and challenge ourselves to achieve our goals.

That was the mission of Miss Freedom USA at its core.

Maria Frost, a Filipino-American, mother of three, and resident of Green Cove Springs, recently represented Clay County and won the Mrs. Freedom USA title for her division. She was crowned in Jacksonville. She said this was her first time entering a pageant as an adult.

“My friend, Lynn Liske, owner of Sessions Modeling in Jacksonville, asked if I would enter the Miss Freedom USA pageant. Her two daughters, Loreal and Lyndsay, participated in the pageant for the Ms. and Miss divisions. She told me they needed someone to represent the Mrs. division, and I enjoy trying new things, so I obliged, and that was it,” she said.

Frost said she owes her accomplishments to the Liskie family for their support and camaraderie. She also thanked Ms. Cheree of CG’s Hair Salon in Callahan, as well as Bellaza Hair Gallery, BAJ Lashes,

Salina’s Nails and Pura Vida, all on Fleming Island.

“I’m in Human Resources, so I’m used to presenting and addressing people, but I had to learn many pageant things, for instance, the Pageant walk. I’ve done some modeling before, but I haven’t done runway. They [Loreal and Lyndsay] had to educate me on that,” she said.

Besides walking a runway, delegates share their achievements and volunteer service, model fun fashion and evening gowns, and demonstrate their interview skills in front of a panel of judges, Frost said.

The Miss Freedom pageant is a stepping stone for different divisions (Teen and Miss) to get to the Miss Florida pageant. One lucky winner in each division walked away with a beautiful crown, sash, prizes and cash award. Although Frost said her pageantry days are over, she is excited to see what difference she can make in the community.

“One of the reasons I signed up is because the Pageant serves as a vehicle to showcase my cause on a different scale

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Green Cove Springs’ Maria Frost represented Clay County and won the Mrs. Freedom USA pageant.





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Clay Electric donates \$10,000 to The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK — Clay Electric Cooperative’s Steve Hollingsworth delivered a \$10,000 donation to the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry Monday morning.

The “big” gift will be used to “bolster our efforts in nourishing our valued clients. The profound impact of this gesture is nothing short of a blessing of magnanimous proportions for our community that relies on our support,” said Closet President Mandy Nelson.

“The collaboration in this endeavor is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to the positive ripple effect that this generous contribution from Clay Electric Cooperative will undoubtedly create,” said volunteer Anita Aultman.

The Pantry helps Clay County residents through times of crisis by assisting them to meet basic needs. Clay Electric’s Operation Round Up gave them a \$10,000 donation to bolster their food-related initiatives. This remarkable display of compassion will significantly enhance the Pantry’s capacity to extend help to even more needy individuals. We wholeheartedly encourage you to join in supporting The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry. To contribute, please visit ccfpop.org/.

According to Clay Electric, improving the quality of life of our members and strengthening our communities is their mission. Our Operation Round Up program is one of the main ways we do this.

As of October 2022, the company has helped 273 organizations by giving them more than \$5.2 million in grants.

Clay Electric implemented Operation Round Up in 2016. The program “rounds up” each participating member’s bill to the nearest dollar, and that tax-deductible amount goes directly to the Clay Electric Foundation.

Clay Electric has a long history of supporting charitable and community service organizations, from children’s programs and athletic organizations to food banks and scouting. Our leadership sees the Operation Round Up program as part of our cooperative heritage and values – people coming together to help their neighbors. Through Operation Round Up, our members have the opportunity to come together to create change in their communities through a foundation – something they couldn’t do individually on this scale.

Operation Round Up aims to address charitable needs and provide financial assistance to improve the quality of life in the 14 counties Clay Electric serves. Programs, projects and organizations are essential components of a community’s overall quality of life, emphasizing public safety, health care, self-sufficiency, and basic human needs.



Cutline: Steve Hollingsworth, left, from Clay Electric Cooperative’s Orange Park office delivered a “big” donation of \$10,000 to The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry in Orange Park to bolster the nutritional needs of valued customers.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Clay County Utility Authority has tentatively adopted a budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024. A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clay County Utility Authority Board Room, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.

BUDGET SUMMARY CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2023/2024

	Operating Fund	Capital Fund	Self Insurance Fund	Total Fund Budget
Revenues:				
Projected Cash at October 1, 2023	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 59,512,753	\$ 525,000	\$ 62,037,753
Water & Sewer Revenue	70,342,495			70,342,495
Miscellaneous Revenue/Borrowing	3,332,104	50,000,000		53,332,104
Fund Transfers		16,768,404		16,768,404
Total Revenues	\$ 75,674,599	\$ 126,281,157	\$ 525,000	\$ 202,480,756
Expenditures:				
Debt Service	\$ 9,919,127	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,919,127
Fund Transfers	16,768,404			16,768,404
Operation Expenses	44,199,888			44,199,888
Due in Lieu of Taxes	2,787,180			2,787,180
Capital Projects		97,742,820		97,742,820
Projected Cash at September 30, 2024	2,000,000	28,538,337	525,000	31,063,337
Total Expenditures	\$ 75,674,599	\$ 126,281,157	\$ 525,000	\$ 202,480,756

Additional information on the proposed budget is available at www.clayutility.org/rates or you can come to the office of the Clay County Utility Authority at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except legal holidays.

Following the public hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, The Board of Supervisors may adopt or modify the proposed budget.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 272-5999 x 2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Those requiring auditory assistance can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

If any person intends to appeal any decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend.

CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
Jeremy Johnston, Executive Director

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palachia and beyond. LMU-College of Veterinary Medicine Orange Park will be one of the new programs based at the institution’s newest learning site.

As the founding Dean, Carney will be responsible for shepherding the endeavor through accreditation, adopting a curriculum, recruiting faculty and staff and coordinating with the LMU-Richard A. Gillespie College of Veterinary Medicine (LMU-CVM) as the new college develops.

“We are developing an innovative Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program at Orange Park that an innovative leader will oversee,” said Stacy Anderson, DVM, PhD, DACVS-LA, the Dean of the LMU-Richard A. Gillespie College of Veterinary Medicine on the main campus in Harrogate, Tennessee.

Carney worked for LMU-CVM for six years in roles as professor and administrator. Carney’s vast experience includes serving as a long-term missionary in Bolivia, working in veterinary student ministry through didactic and practical courses and wet labs taught at Universidad Autonoma Gabriel Rene Moreno as well as rural development projects through partnerships with other ministries, and operating a veterinary practice in Harrogate for nearly 13 years.

“I am excited to lead the development of a new College of Veterinary Medicine in Orange Park, Florida,” Carney said. “With the experience and knowledge we’ve gained in the nearly 10 years since the first students entered the Lincoln Memorial University-Richard A. Gillespie College of Veterinary Medicine in Harrogate, I am confident that we can create an innovative program to serve the veterinary needs of our global community from our new proposed location in Florida.”

Carney earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (cum laude) at the University of Georgia in 2001, a Master of Public Health in Community Health at East Tennessee State University in 2021, a Graduate Certificate in Global Health at ETSU in 2021, and a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture/Animal Health (magna cum laude) from UGA in 1999. She is currently a PhD student in the Higher Education Administration program at the University of Tennessee.

There are 33 veterinary schools in 28 states. The American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges projects the need for another 41,000 veterinarians by 2030.

The AVMA Council on Education accredits DVM or equivalent educational programs. The AVMA COE assures all AVMA-accredited colleges of veterinary medicine meet minimum standards in veterinary medical education and that students enrolled in those colleges receive an education that will prepare them for entry-level positions. Learn more at AVMA.org. Lincoln Memorial University is a values-based learning community dedicated to providing educational experiences in the liberal arts and professional studies. The LMU-Richard A. Gillespie College of Veterinary Medicine is located on LMU’s main campus in Harrogate, Tennessee, with additional academic facilities in nearby Lee County, Virginia.

LEGAL NOTICE			
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AMENDING CERTAIN RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY.			
The Clay County Utility Authority (“CCUA”) will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 7:00 PM, in the Clay County Utility Authority’s Board Room, located at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment concerning the adoption of the 2023/2024 budgets.			
Note: All service rates are stated as monthly rates. Proposed 8.1% increase to all Base and Consumption charges. All changes noted below.			
SYSTEM BASE CHARGES:	Water	Wastewater	Reuse
Meter Size			
5/8" x 3/4"	\$12.28	\$27.86 *	\$18.58
3/4"	\$18.42	\$38.24	\$27.91
1"	\$30.79	\$69.65	\$46.45
1 & 1/2"	\$61.50	\$139.28	\$92.92
2"	\$98.43	\$222.91	\$148.64
3"	\$196.83	\$445.82	\$297.28
4"	\$307.57	\$696.37	\$464.50
6"	\$615.12	\$1,392.75	\$928.99
8"	\$984.20	\$2,228.96	\$1,486.40
10"	\$1,414.79	\$3,202.90	\$2,136.70
12"	\$2,642.94	\$5,988.47	\$3,993.74
*Residential Wastewater will be charged the same rate regardless of meter size			
WATER SURCHARGES:			
Alternative Water Supply Surcharge - Per Monthly Water Bill			\$1.18
CONSUMPTION CHARGES (based on 30 days):			
Water System Consumption Rates:			
Residential Service:			
First 6,000 gallons			\$1.70
Next 6,000 gallons			\$5.04
Next 6,000 gallons			\$6.53
All usage over 18,000 gallons			\$8.37
Note: Consumption charge per 1,000 gallons with allowance per meter equivalent ERC			
General Service:			
All consumption per 1,000 gallons (Excluding Potable Irrigation Meters)			\$2.54
General Service:			
Potable Irrigation Metered Services			
First 10,000 gallons			\$1.70
Next 15,000 gallons			\$5.04
Next 25,000 gallons			\$6.53
All usage over 50,000 gallons			\$8.37
Note: Consumption charge per 1,000 gallons with allowance per meter equivalent ERC			
Wastewater System Consumption Rates:			
Residential Service:			
All Meter Sizes (10,000 gallon cap)			\$4.16
Unmetered Flat Rate			\$59.84
Multi-family Unmetered per Unit			\$47.11
Note: Where reclaimed water is available the cap for residential wastewater usage will not apply			
General Service:			
Consumption charge per 1,000 gallons of metered water, no cap			\$5.07
Reclaimed Water Consumption Rates:			
Residential and General Service:			
First 15,000 gallons			\$0.92
Next 5,000 gallons			\$1.79
All usage over 20,000 gallons			\$2.71
Note: Consumption charge per 1,000 gallons with allowance per meter equivalent ERC			
CUSTOMER DEPOSIT: (per ERC)			
Security Deposit Amount:			
Initial Deposit	Water	Wastewater	Reuse
Initial Deposit for Customers Without SSN	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Annual Interest Rate of 0.94% will be paid on deposit held at least 6 months	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Note: A security deposit is required for all new accounts including transfers and existing accounts that become delinquent and require a field visit. An additional deposit will be required for accounts that are disconnected twice in one 12 month period.			
SERVICE CHARGES & MISCELLANEOUS FEES:			
After Hours Prepayment for New Service			\$250.00
Same Day Service Charge and After Hours Premise Visit Surcharge (Normal Hours 8 AM to 5 PM, M-F)			\$30.00
Initial Connection, Premise Visit Charge, Normal Reconnection, Reconnection due to Repair, and 2nd Trip			\$30.00
Special Meter Rereads, Hydrant Reading Charge and Backflow Test Final Notice			\$30.00
Nonpayment Charge Before 4:00 PM, Monday – Friday			\$30.00
Nonpayment Charge After 4:00 PM and before 9:00 PM, Monday – Friday			\$90.00
Nonpayment Charge on Weekends and Holidays			\$120.00
Nonpayment Charge Flat Rate Sewer Account			\$80.00
Late Notice Charge			\$3.30
Returned Check Charge			\$30.00
Hydrant Meter: Application Set Up, Relocation Charge, and Fee to Replace Cut Meter Lock			\$30.00
Meter Inspection Fee for New Meter Installations			\$30.00
Meter Testing Charge (5/8"x3/4" & 3/4")	(1" & Above Meters: Actual Cost)		\$70.00
Meter Reset Fee			\$130.00
Meter Tampering Charge			\$60.00
Replacement of Broken Curb Stop			\$80.00
Lien Charge (Charge does not include any recording costs, additional collection fees or attorney fees)			\$130.00
Violation Reconnection			\$30.00
Monthly Hydrant Base Charge (plus water at metered rates)			\$100.00
Hydrant Meter Deposit per Hydrant Policy			\$550.00 to \$1,210.00
Hydrant Meter One-Time Fill at CCUA Main Office (plus water at metered rates)			\$60.00
Waste Disposal Deposit per Septage Haulers Disposal Deposit Policy			
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Girl Scouts make Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs a little ‘greener’

Three spruce up pick-up area toward Girl Scout Silver Award

By Kyla Woodard
For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – With the help of three local girls looking to serve their community, the city just got a little more “green.”

For months, Girl Scout Cadettes Kamryn Thompson, Calley Thompson and Hanna LoTempio researched and learned about their surrounding area to develop a project sure to make a substantial impact.

The three scouts have been working toward reaching their highest achievement yet, the Girl Scout Silver Award. One of the highest to earn as a Girl Scout, the award allows Cadettes to explore their community and bring about change to specific issues.

After thorough research, girls looking to earn the achievement are urged to pick an issue in their community and take action.

Working as a group, the girls noticed that the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs needed some “beautifying.” With the use of plants, the girls of Troop 672 made that happen.

The scouts provided three different plant ventures to encourage some change to the landscape.



With Calley Thompson’s interactive “Plant Share” stand, residents can stop by the pantry to pick-up or drop-off a plant of their choice.

Kamryn Thompson took a hands-on approach to transforming the area by pulling weeds and planting new flower beds for the community.

LoTempio approached the project by planting her pollinator garden, which was sure to attract many butterflies.

Claiming a section of the food bank to work on, each girl began the process of transforming the outside area.

Food pantry volunteer Peggy Cloud said she remembers when the girls first brought them their proposal to do the project. She said their professionalism and ideas made the choice an easy decision.



Cadettes Kamryn Thompson, Calley Thompson and Hanna LoTempio decided to devote their Girl Scout Silver Award volunteer project to cleaning up flowerbeds and adding new plants at the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs.



“Each girl had a part for this proposal, and it was quite impressive...not only of how they presented themselves, but how they got in there and worked as hard as they did,” Cloud said.

Calley Thompson said her choice for her project came from having to take the time to build hers from scratch. Calley Thompson said she used the leftover wood in her house to make a stand. With her dad’s help, she could put the intricate structure together.

Additionally, Calley Thompson spray-painted the stand while hand-painting the smaller details to give it her unique charisma.

Calley noted her reason for participating in the project was to help her community and allow herself to get out and get active.

“It would have been easy, and it would have probably helped get me to do stuff. Because I’m usually laying down or just not doing anything,” Calley Thompson said.

Kamryn Thompson said the idea for her project came about when she noticed the area covered in weeds and grass. Her goal was to make the area more appealing to the community. Kamryn Thompson furthered that the process of carrying out the project came with a lot of effort.

From having the right tools to use and knowing what you’re digging up, Kamryn Thompson said it was an extensive process. However, she said it is a gesture that she hopes will impact the community in a positive way.

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St. Vincent's showers mothers with information, support and supplies

Attendance tripled for this year's annual event

By Lee Wardlaw
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MIDDLEBURG — Ascension St. Vincent's Clay County Hospital hosted its annual Community Baby Shower last Saturday for county mothers in honor of National Breastfeeding Week.

Along with St. Vincent's and other resourceful organizations like Check In, Healthy Start, Team Dad, Early Steps, Quigley House, Poison Control, Better Beginnings, Healthy Families, Pelvic Floor Kara, Dr. Hyler and Associations, Myers Pediatric Dentistry and others, the event provided a network of resources and support for birthing mothers in the county.

Gillian Linden is the mother of Leo, a six-month-old boy. The mother said the array of resources at the Baby Shower would serve as a major tool for her family moving forward, but most importantly, that the event should lay a foundation to help her fellow mothers throughout the county, especially those expecting a child.

"I'm so happy that so many moms are able to (access) these resources. I'm very, very glad because unless we all help each other out, motherhood can be very, very hard, but with these many resources in our community, it should make motherhood significantly easier. As a community, we can all take the burden off of each other," she said.

One phrase described how the hospital, organizers and vendors felt in reaction to the turnout: beyond thrilled.

Just ask Adrienne Geathers, who has served as a nurse manager at Family Birth Place at St Vincent's since its opening in 2016. The baby shower wasn't just a significant event for expectant mothers but a turnkey moment for Geathers and the hospital, which will celebrate its seventh anniversary on Aug. 24.

"Words don't describe it. It's amazing and wonderful that we're able to give back to our mothers," she said.

It wasn't just the biggest turnout for the event, it more than tripled last year's attendance, according to Geathers.

For the hospital and vendors, face-to-



The Nurse Manager at Family Birthplace, Adrienne Geathers was thrilled about the Community Baby Shower's turnout. The Community Baby Shower was an overwhelming success, drawing up to three times as many attendees as last year's event.

face exposure with clients was essential.

"Even though (we've been around) I still feel like a lot of people don't know we exist. This allows the community and our birthing mothers to let them know we're still here," she said.

But the biggest aspect, of course, was to help mothers through the array of programs and network of services.

Amanda Toivola is the Program Director for the Woman, Infants and Children for the Florida Department of Health in Clay County. She said the event is a great opportunity for county mothers to connect with the WIC program and other resources. She said WIC, a federally-funded nutrition program, provides healthy foods, nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, referrals for health care and more for low-income families.

Toivola said through the event, she hopes the program can reach more needy families.

"We hope to reach any participants that are not currently enrolled in the program. We see that a lot of times, participants don't think they are eligible because we are an income-based program. It's not until after we speak to them that they are really able to realize that they are able to receive the benefits," she said.



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

Large crowds of new and expectant mothers, their partners and families gathered for the Community Baby Shower at Asencion St. Vincent's Clay County Hospital on Saturday to learn the ropes of motherhood and connect with organizations and resources in the county. Below: Items like diaper cakes, pack-and-play bassinets, baby baskets, blankets and infant highchairs were available for raffle.



One of the hospital programs is "Design Your Birth," which tends to the needs of the mother and their partner.

"A lot of times when coming into a hospital, women feel like they lose all of the control. We feel like we're giving back some of that control," Geathers said.

The program offers a therapy room, birthing balls, and different position aids, among other services. Along with St. Vincent's and WIC, Chelsie Braswell of Healthy Start of the Florida DOH attended. Braswell represents Baker County, but she said her organization is statewide and serves Clay residents, regardless of location.

Healthy Start provides counseling, referral and support services to high-risk clients, prenatal and newborns up to one year of age, including substance-exposed newborns.

Services like childbirth education, parenting education, child development,

family planning counseling, breastfeeding support, grief support and smoking cessation are available. Free in-home care and community care is available.

"A lot of referrals come from offices and word of mouth, depending on the community, so actually being able to communicate face-to-face with these mothers to let them know about our program is a huge help," she said.

Braswell reiterated the importance of providing a network of resources to mothers from a wide range of organizations.

"These moms are able to interact with our program who otherwise wouldn't be able to, along with other vendors from Quigley House, to Poison Control, to the County Library to learn what's abatable to them. You never know what your baby is going to need until they get here. They don't come with manuals," Braswell said.

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State Farm helps build future with Habitat for Humanity home

By Lee Wardlaw
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MIDDLEBURG – Clay County Habitat for Humanity has joined forces with State Farm to construct a single-family home on Hibiscus Avenue.

Samantha and her two children will now call the beautiful residence, which is one story tall and includes four bedrooms and two bathrooms, their new home. Surrounded by pine trees and positioned on a one-acre plot, it should provide the perfect setting as she relocates to the area.

"She's been away from Florida for several years and has moved back now. She has to live with her parents for one year as she went through completing the process with Habitat," said Habitat Executive Director Carolyn Edwards.

State Farm will cover the cost of the air conditioning.

“State Farm has been a great supporter of the (Clay County Habitat for Humanity) for more than 10 years (annually) to go towards the rehab and construction of housing for the low-income population that we serve,” Edwards said.

One challenge of creating affordable housing in today's climate is the skyrocket-



PHOTO BY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Samantha got the keys to a new home in Middleburg on Hibiscus Avenue, the result of Clay County Habitat For Humanity's long-running partnership with State Farm.

ing cost of materials. Edwards also offered an insightful perspective into the rising

cost of rent.

"I tell you this, right now, anyone mak-

ing minimum wage has to work at least 91 hours a week to afford a two-bedroom house or apartment to pay rent," she said.

The house that Samatha is moving into will be much less expensive. According to Edwards, she will not pay more than 30% of her income.

“She will have money to pay her bills, take care of her family, and even have a little bit of money left over for savings. That’s money that goes back into the community,” Edwards said.

State Farm, the longtime partner, expressed pride in their relationship with Clay County Habitat for Humanity, forming a meaningful collaboration.

"State Farm is proud of our relationship with Clay County Habitat for Humanity. Habitat is helping families build homes to call their own," said Jose Soto, State Farm Corporate Responsibility Analyst.

Clay County Habitat for Humanity, established in 1977 with a mission to build and renovate safe, decent, and affordable housing in partnership with the community for low to moderate-income families, has constructed 179 homes during its time in the county, providing a "roof over the head" and stability to over 700 adults and children in Clay since their inception.

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“A lot of people come here to get food. And, not very many people pay attention to the outside. So, if we make it better and prettier, people will pay attention and help the community more,” Kamryn Thompson said.

With LoTempio's love of butterflies, she said her pollinator garden was an easy decision. She said her process consisted of researching the types of plants necessary to attract the colorful insects.

LoTempio added that her act of planting the garden was fueled by her need to improve her community.

"It makes my community a better

place," Hanna LoTempio said.

Despite the blazing hot sun, the girls continued to make their mark in the community, spending 50 hours dedicated to their projects. The girls said working as a group was an equal highlight of their experience.

Food pantry volunteer Bill Bland recalled wanting to help the girls when he saw them pulling up grass. However, he said he saw their persistence and drive the girls had to do it all on their own.

"Speaking for the food pantry as a whole, [we're] just overwhelmed with what these young girls have been able to accomplish for us," Bland said.

Finding a group to work with toward the prestigious award is one step of the venture. And, for the girls, that was an

easy action. Since they were Daisy-level Girl Scouts, all three girls have built a connection and friendship.

Sarah Thompson, the mother of both Kamryn and Calley, said that it had been an honor to watch the girls grow up together and help each other reach their goals.

"They have all different views, and they've come together, and they've learned how to cooperate and find common ground and work as a team. Not something young girls want to do these days," Thompson said.

Kelly LoTempio, the mother of LoTempio, said that she is proud of the girls for taking the time to impact the community, especially during summer.

“They didn’t have to do it. So, I think it’s really cool that they want to, and they’re

excited about it," Kelly LoTempio said.

Kamryn Thompson said her favorite thing about working with her teammates was their ability to communicate effectively and have fun together.

"The best thing was working with my group is we had a lot of great moments together. And, we make a lot of new ones. Being together for so long [and] making so many memories is one of the best things," Kamryn Thompson said.

Each girl's journey to becoming a Girl Scout is marked by their necessity to impact the world around them. And together, rain or shine, they hope to continue to do that.

“Making the world a better place is the best thing..for me being a Girl Scout,” Karmryn Thompson said.

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AMI Kids provides second chances for troubled boys

Program rebuilds opportunities for success

By Lee Wardlaw

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – AMI Kids of Clay County celebrated the graduation of three students last Monday. But that isn't the only thing new at the national, nonprofit school-based prevention program dedicated to increasing students' academic success, eliminating high-risk behavior problems and preparing them for the business world. They are taught the responsibilities of being a positive male figure in the family and community.

Paul Fry was hired as AMI's Career Coordinator in March, transitioning from his former position as a teacher and ESE Behavioral Specialist at Green Cove Springs Junior High. Fry said he is enjoying his new role and thriving in the position. He has many duties, but one true purpose: to help students prepare for the real world in any way possible.

"I work with them in (any way) to help them get their careers started. They are usually clueless about how to do it and too young for employment. It helps them get prepared for understanding their real-world needs," he said.

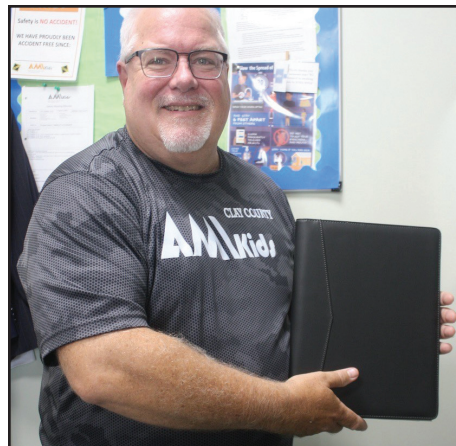
That included mock interviews conducted via the "trial by fire" method. Three representatives from the UF-IFAS Extension or others not associated with AMI's staff.

"We do it because it gives them real-world experience. We put (the program) all together by doing that," Fry said.

He is just one of the many moving parts of the hardworking staff that's required to tend to students who are not in legal trouble but have experienced behavioral problems in school.



Maria Przybylski is the long-time Executive Director of AMI Kids. Relocating from the program's Fort Walton Beach location, the New York native was integral in founding the organization in 2015.



Paul Fry, Career Coordinator since March, has enjoyed his transition to AMI Kids. A long-time teacher in the Schools District, Fry provided career preparation and helped students create a resume and cover letter. He invited representatives from the UF-IFAS Extension to conduct mock interviews.



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Dominick King, Chase Raines, Chaz Moore, and Ja'Michael Queen are all smiles. That's because they graduated from AMI Kids on Monday morning.

Executive Director Maria Przybylski, a New York native who relocated from Fort Walton Beach to establish the new program in the county, provided her definition of the prevention program. She said boys could end up in the school by participating in actions such as fighting or being written up for several referrals.

"They're not on probation or anything, and they haven't broken the law. Maybe they got nixed in teen court or something like that," she said.

When the unruly students arrive at the school, they are treated with care and respect, but the rules, including mandatory uniforms, are enforced. Students are searched in the morning. Vape pens and cell phones aren't allowed.

"But we love them and discipline them in a way where they learn some self-esteem," Przybylski said.

AMI's ranking system mimics the military, with captains, lieutenants, warrant officers, petty officers, seamen and recruits all currently undergoing "training" at the prevention program, which the schools district and Department of Juvenile Justice partially fund.

Only captains are allowed to wear clothes of their choice, a reward for their hard work. Along with regular school grades, the school uses a point-card system. The ranking system and point card system are all part of AMI's "Behavior Modification program," designed to weaken and eliminate antisocial behaviors, benefit the children and allow them to return to traditional schools.

Students also benefit through mentoring and treatment, Przybylski said.

Practicing "social skills" is another essential aspect of the program. Part of it means when a visitor, like a guest speaker, arrives at the classroom, students are required to greet and welcome them, maintaining solid eye contact and a firm handshake.

Days begin early and are long and tiring. Five vans pick up the 44 boys each morning, so there's no excuse for skipping classes. Attendance is at least 95%, according to Przybylski. In the meantime, the boys are completing community service for the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs and other organizations. One of the volunteer requirements include tending to the garden.

The environment compares to a military school, but there's plenty of fun, too. On a recent summer trip, Fry and another employee were able to take three students on a SCUBA diving trip at John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park in the Florida Keys.

"That's a life-changing experience," he said.

AMI visited the South Carolina Low Country to participate in competitions against other programs. The leisure field trip wasn't Michael Queen's favorite experience.

A hands-on experience with Green Cove Springs' Vallencourt Construction made a significant impression on him.

Queen was one of the graduates last week.

The experience gave him a feel of what a future career in the construction industry could look like. There are many other career fields and real-world experiences that

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Active After 50 returns to Thrasher-Horne Saturday

By For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – The Active After 50 Group, the largest producer of expos for consumers 50 and older in Northeast Florida, announces the fifth Annual Active After 50 Expo at the Thrasher-Horne Conference Center.

If you wish to remain healthy and active, you won't want to miss the Active After 50 Expo, a Lifestyle, Health & Active Aging event to be held Saturday, Aug. 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 283 College Dr.

Presented by Millennium Physician Group in association with Active After 50 Online, the event is free. Clay County Gen Xers, Baby Boomers, Seniors, Caregivers, family members and professionals who serve the Baby Boomer and Senior community are encouraged to attend.

More than 50 vendors will be on hand. Attendees will enjoy a diverse range of exhibitors, fitness and nutrition tips, live music, free health screenings, Pickleball,

Dance, Yoga Demos, job and volunteer opportunities and a free raffle with lots of door prizes. The generation gap is dwindling, boomers are rapidly becoming seniors and options for seniors have changed considerably.

"Seniors are living longer and healthier lives. It is so important to remain active," said Sara Malone, event director of the expo.

Also, for Pickleball players and those who want to learn how to play or current players who want to improve, Pam Hatch, USAPA Pickleball Ambassador and PPR Certified Pickleball Instructor, will be on hand to give free instruction. A full-sized pickleball court will be set up. If you don't have a paddle, one will be provided. Pam will give pickleball tips and an introduction to the game. Sponsored by Selkirk Sport. Pickleball instruction will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Kam Lee Martial Arts will demonstrate Tai Chi's benefits at 10:30 a.m. Make sure to visit their booth and learn about everything they offer! Following the Tai Chi demo, make sure you stay to watch Blue Lotus World Dance Group from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Blue Lotus will have their belly dancing group; they are always a popular attraction and provide plenty of fun and entertainment.

Make sure you participate in the Passport to Prizes program. By just collecting initials from participating vendors, you can

enter to win the grand prize – two tickets to Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons at the Florida Theatre. Additional prizes will also be given away.

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For additional expo vendor or attendee information, call (904) 829-4502 or email Sara@ActiveAfter50Group.com.

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that AMI exposes children to through their program. Educational opportunities are immense. Students can receive Occupational Safety and Health Administration 10-hour career training courses, which are available online. They can also become craft professionals through the National Center of Construction and Research. These are just two of several potential paths that students can take.

Students can earn Food Handler certifications from the National Restaurant Association and local restaurant associations. They will also have the opportunity to acquire healthcare and information technology certifications.

AMI also educates students on tax credits, Queen said. It's just another help-

ful thing today's youth could learn. When walking through the doors of AMI, students choose a career path, charting their ideal goals for the future.

AMI's program generally takes between 10 and 15 months.

Queen entered as an eighth grader and will exit as a sophomore. He said he has changed for the better.

"When I first came in, I thought it would be hard, but I realized that the smaller setting was better than a public school. Having fewer students makes it easier to focus on assignments. It helped me a lot," he said.

After graduation, the 10th grader plans to lock in on his business plans for a clothing brand. Queen will attend Fleming Island High, where he will run track and try out for the varsity basketball team to earn a scholarship at UCLA, hopefully.

"It's actually amazing here. You can do a lot of fun things here," he said.

Queen will graduate alongside his friend, Dominique King, who started the program as an eighth grader and will exit as a junior. The prevention program completely shifted King's mindset and kick-started his plans for the future.

"When I started here, I just came in with a really bad mindset. (Early on), my grades were really low, and now, I'm finally finishing up, and my mindset has changed. I realized everything that needs to get done. It's helped me focus more on my goals and future," he said.

King isn't sure whether he will attend Fleming Island or check into classes virtually, but either way, the 11th grader has a bright future.

"I want to go to a trade school or college to earn my business degree and open

an auto mechanic shop," he said.

Przybylski said all graduating classes are unique and are celebrated once they leave campus.

"You always celebrate (those students) returning to regular schools because they worked really, really, hard over time," Przybylski said.

After graduation, the AMI family remains intact forever. Przybylski pointed to a photo at a Jacksonville Jaguars game with a group of children hugging her. The picture includes both current and former students. It's just one example of a get-together between students and alums.

"They're still part of our family. We follow them forever. We also try to get them in a vocational mindset and have a great relationship with Vallencourt Construction and other businesses in the community. It gives them a vision," she said.

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Catherine Conroy was selected to win the Florence Nightingale Award, while Andrew Bowlby earned the Top Academic Award during St. Johns River State College's Associate in Science in Nursing graduation.

SJRSC hosts pinning ceremony for nurses

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK — St. Johns River State College recently held a pinning ceremony to recognize the Associate in Science in Nursing graduates from the Orange Park and Palatka campus programs. A continued tradition of Florence Nightingale, the pinning ceremony symbolizes the rite of passage into nursing and the care and devotion nurses provide. Graduates received a pin that serves as a reminder of their purpose to serve the sick and infirmed.

During the ceremony, ASN graduates Catherine Conroy and Ralph Sacco were

awarded the Florence Nightingale Award for demonstrating outstanding compassion toward others, leadership in class and devotion to clients and their families.

The Academic Excellence Award was awarded to Andrew Bowlby and Ariel Caban.

ASN graduates include Claudia Alfaro, Linda Alonzo, Clay Armstrong, Andrew Bowlby, Lisa Brasiel, Ariel Caban, Trina Cantwell-Quallio, Nicole Grace Colvin, Catherine-Paige Conroy, Ashley Czechowski, Taylor Drouin, Elizabeth Frazier, Jennifer Genton, Caitlyn Greene, Julianna Guer-



ra, Shaliyah Holliman, Hayla Huffman, Erin Hunter, Hanna Jensen, Brittany Johnson, Erin Kellogg, Jazmine Leaks, Diandra Mata, Candace Metts, Shanley Miller, Jessica Miracle, Elmira Mukhtazova, Kalei Myer, Brittanny Namwises, Sheyna Oliver, Alondra Oliveras, Akira Perez, Vanessa Regan, Leah Roberts, Raquel Rodriguez, Shekinah Rudolph, Emily Russom, Ralph Sacco, Wesley Trocchio, Lauren Welle and Jada Williams.

The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission accredits SJR State's nursing program.

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Romans 8:39 says, "No power in the sky above or in the earth below-indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord." Nothing you've ever experienced in the past or will experience in the future can remove you from God's loving presence. He is more powerful than it all!

We can trust that God is always right by our side. Isaiah 41:10 says, "Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand." God will fight for us, even in our fiercest battles. With His power behind us, we will always be victorious in whatever we face.

There are so many instances throughout scripture that teach us the same truth. Deuteronomy 31:8 reads, "Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; He will neither fail you nor abandon you."

Let this truth instill in us that we never have to fear or be discouraged in life, for God is with us. He will never give up on us. As we live our lives for God, His power will follow us wherever us go.

You can write the Pastor at pastor-billy@findtruelife.com.

Trinity Community Church moving to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

Soft opening on Aug. 19 after historic church closed in 2012



For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – Trinity Community Church is moving into a larger worship space to give you more room to hear God speak. Starting Sunday, Aug. 20, at 9:30 a.m., they'll be worshipping in the sanctuary of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church at 6865 Pine Ave.

Volunteers have done a lot of cleaning, painting, moving and arranging furniture for the soft opening. Trinity Community Church is a little more than a year old. The church's mission is to "spread God's biblical word through active participation in the community."

The church has volunteered with several local charitable organizations. It gives 9% of its income to the Quigley House, the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry, 4 Clay County schools and St. Jude's Children's Hospital. If there's something they can do to help in Clay County, please call them at (904) 884-6351.

The church thanked the Episcopal Diocese of Florida, First Baptist of Jacksonville, and the prayers, encouragement and financial support of many who have helped them launch. St. Margaret's Episcopal Church was opened in 1878 and remained open until 2012. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

Parishioners have been working to put the final touches on rebuilding and cleaning the sanctuary of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church at 6865 Pine Ave. on Fleming Island.





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Middleburg Civic Association sends 350 back to school with supplies



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MIDDLEBURG – The civic association assisted more than 350 children with supplies, vision screenings, physicals and a few with shoes at its clubhouse on Palmetto Street last Saturday. The nonprofit wanted to thank its sponsors and volunteers who participated in the successful event. The Clay County Sheriff's Office collected supplies at Middleburg and Orange substations and its headquarters in Green Cove Springs.



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Police Briefs

Man charged with exposing himself to passing car

MIDDLEBURG — A 41-year-old man was charged with exposing himself to two women on July 21 as they drove past a county-owned pump station at Coopers Hawk Way and Long Bay Road.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Jeremy Alan Frier, of Middleburg, drove to the station's parking lot, stood in the driveway and exposed himself as they drove past. He was charged with indecent

exposure.

One of the women identified him in a photo lineup during a follow-up investigation. He was arrested on Aug. 2.

Frier's bond was set at \$25,003.



Jeremy Frier

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, Aug. 8

Adam M. Lee, 31, Middleburg, domestic battery

Shaun D. Raley, 23, Keystone Heights, possession ammo/firearm by convicted felon

Charles M. Owensby, 67, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery

Donald T. Harrell, 57, Middleburg, criminal mischief, VOP-community control, aggravated assault with intent to commit felony, burglary

Derrick D. Rolack, 40, Orange Park, possession-cocaine, trafficking-cocaine, trafficking-heroin, possession-buprenorphine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Michael B. Cumbess, 43, Green Cove Springs, reckless driving

James F. Ferguson, 32, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery by strangulation

Sunnie L. McDermott, 26, Orange Park, domestic battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Archley P. Louis, 28, Green Cove Springs, aggravated assault on law enforcement, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test, DWLSR, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with disregard to others

Monday, Aug. 7

Christopher C. Fuller, 32, Keystone Heights, petit theft

Rodman A. Cleveland, 45, Orange Park, DWLSR

Jeremy J. Crouch, 28, Orange Park, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Ryan C. Powers, 41, Orange Park, petit theft, possession-cocaine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Crystal M. Castrinoes, 35, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia

Brandon S. Hudson, 39, Orange Park, advertising-drug paraphernalia, use/display/

carry firearm during felony

Kristopher M. Cladd, 21, Green Cove Springs, VOP-counterfeit prescription

Robert C. Lancaster, 65, Middleburg, DWLSR

William J. Litsch, 58, Fleming Island, battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, trespassing

James F. Lowe, 28, Oakleaf, violation of injunction, felony battery

Miguel A.C. Zepeda, 36, Orange Park, DUI

Sunday, Aug. 6

Thomas C. Baker, 40, Keystone Heights, shoplifting

Saturday, Aug. 5

Katherine A. Boyles, 33, Middleburg, domestic battery

Preston E. Knapp, 29, Orange Park, two counts battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, resist law enforcement with violence

Lester T. Mayne, 31, Middleburg, shoplifting

Kiovanny T.M. Collazo, 26, DUI

Friday, Aug. 4

Dylan M. Jarvis, 31, Orange Park, DUI

Chad A. Neuendorf, 43, Green Cove Springs, VOP-dealing/trafficking stolen property, VOP-fraud/false ownership for pawned items

Stacy T. Moore, 55, Green Cove Springs, FTA-domestic battery

Clay W. Woodall, 20, Green Cove Springs, VOP-community control

Kailea A. Myrick, 27, Orange Park, DUI

Thursday, Aug. 3

Cody T. Roberson, 27, Green Cove Springs, possession-fentanyl, DUI

Shawn D. Thornton, 31, Orange Park, trespassing

Sean R. Thornton, 32, Orange Park, trespassing

Ian C. Abercrombie, 41, Middleburg, DWLSR

Wesley S. Cowart, 36, Green Cove Springs, violation of pre-trial release conditions for protection against domestic violence

Earl C. Smith, 39, Middleburg, contempt of court

Terrance M. McClendon, 43, Green Cove



OPPD's Chalker honored for saving student's life

ORANGE PARK – The Town Council awarded Police Department officer Scott Chalker with the Life Saving Medal during last week's meeting for his actions while assigned as the SRO at Orange Park Junior High. A student began choking on his food in the cafeteria. The student rushed toward Chalker for help. Without hesitation, Chalker began the Heimlich maneuver and was able to dislodge the piece of food and save the student's life.



Springs, FTA-possession-firearm/ammo by convicted felon, FTA-carrying unlicensed concealed firearm, FTA-possession-cocaine, FTA-possession-fentanyl, FTA-possession-hydrocodone, FTA-possession-alprazolam, FTA-possession-tetrahedra

Haley I. Blevins, 24, Green Cove Springs, FTA-petit theft

Robert E. Wilson, 40, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-fentanyl

Wednesday, Aug. 2

Bernadette R. Thomas, 49, Middleburg, DWLSR

Timothy D. Feaster, 35, Orange Park, possession-suboxone, possession-drug paraphernalia

Gabriella J. Hicks, 24, Green Cove

Springs, domestic battery

Michael S. Lewis, 54, Maxville, battery

Thomas A. Brown, 42, Oakleaf, VOP-community control

Jeremy A. Frier, 41, Middleburg, indecent exposure

William J.D. Bright, 27, Middleburg, possession-marijuana

Clarissa A. Thomas, 29, Green Cove Springs, violation of pre-trial release conditions for protection against domestic violence

Levi B. Neeff, 43, Middleburg, two counts battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT, domestic batter



The five category winners from the Freedom USA pageant included Green Cove Springs' Maria Frost (second from left).

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outside of a local, grassroots level," she said. "And that animal advocacy."

Frost said she has always loved animals, even since she was a little girl. She currently has six rescue cats and a dog.

"I always find time to volunteer at the Safe Animal Shelter; community service is integral to who I am. I foster cats and help find forever homes for them," Frost said.

Her sister is a large part of why community service, especially animal advocacy, is essential to her, Frost said.

"My sister was studying veterinary science at the University of Florida. We have always rescued animals. She passed away during a car crash, but she was the one who really propelled me into action to do something good with my time," she said.

Frost has since partnered with several local nonprofit groups. Her next goal is to promote a TNR (trap, neuter, release) program and educate communities on spay and neuter programs.

"Our community services just don't have the staffing to do it effectively; they need our help," she said.

In addition to animal advocacy, Frost supports Miss Freedom USA's mission to support our military community, active duty and veterans, their families and the organizations supporting our heroes at home.

"Miss Freedom USA promotes the military and its supporting organizations, but more specifically, the Five Star Veterans Organization in Jacksonville, with whom they have a community partnership," Frost said.

There, veterans receive 24-hour housing, as well as mental health services. The veteran is immersed in different therapy modalities and outreach to reintegrate into society.

"I applaud all these people and organizations who support people in need, especially veterans because I come from a whole line of them," Frost said.

"My father was a Lt. Commander in the USN, my brother is a retired flight engineer from the USN, my nephew is retired from the US Marine Corps, and my mother was a Staff Sergeant in the Army Reserves," she said. "She could bark an order, that's for sure. But she also taught me to be altruistic and always give when possible."

It's important to celebrate the strength and unity of these women, like Maria, her sister and mother, who are breaking barriers and supporting each other to ensure a better world for everyone. Celebrate the beauty of freedom, grace, and intelligence and inspire others to ignite change together.

"Just go for it," Frost said. "If you are thinking about trying something new, just do it because you don't want to have any regrets at the end of the day. Believe in yourself. Have faith in yourself."

Orange Park's Chad Eagan advances in Jax Idol competition

By Don Coble

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ORANGE PARK – The Jax Idol competition started with 68 contestants; one by one, the field has been whittled to just four.

Including Orange Park's Chad Eagan.

The stylist at Bleach Please Salon on Wells Road survived another elimination round two weeks ago when the judges said his Latin-themed performance was among the four best.

The field will be narrowed again on Sunday afternoon at 4 at Lillian's Sports Grill in Jacksonville. The theme will be music from the 2020s. At stake is a spot in the competition finale.

"I'm having the time of my life," Eagan said. "You have to show versatility. I love performing."

Eagan will sing a duet with one of the judges, Jessica Stewart, then he will perform a solo. He hopes to move one step closer to winning a cash prize, studio time, a professional photo shoot and six paid bookings at premier events. Past winners now get prominent bookings on cruise ships and as opening acts for major shows.

Eagan and Stewart will sing "The Prayer."

Jax Idol isn't associated with the American Idol competition. And if it was, he



Chad Eagan, left, started as one of 68 contestants in the Jax Idol competition, but he's advanced through every round of eliminations to be in the Top Four. Two rounds are remaining, including Sunday at 4 p.m. at Lillian's Sports Grill in Jacksonville.

wouldn't be allowed to perform since the show's age limit is 29. Eagan is 35.

However, he said the most significant validation is to be heard.

So far, so good.



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Sweet tooth, not PIN, needed for Cupcake ATM at OP Mall

ORANGE PARK – If there already weren't enough choices at the Orange Park Mall Food Court, now you can buy cupcakes from an ATM near the Bungee Jump. The pink machines dispense small boxes of cupcakes simply by simply adding cash, swiping a credit card and making a selection. According to the parent company, Tiffany Lush Company, the most requested cupcake is red velvet with cream cheese icing. The cost range from \$4 to \$4.75. The ATMs offers snacks in high-traffic areas where building a bakery is not feasible.



STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE



Mall's Back to School Jam combines fashion and fun
ORANGE PARK – Hundreds spent the final weekend of the summer school break at the Back to School Jam at the Orange Park Mall. Sponsors of the event gave away 250 bookbags filled with school supplies, while Dillard's hosted its annual student fashion show. The department store offered participants a 20% discount, and more than 80 used the occasion to strut their new outfits – many bought at a discount. Students also got their faces painted, posed with Barbie, played in a bounce house, wore temporary tattoos, got free stickers, got free balloon animals and served free popcorn.



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Clay High senior wide receiver Payton Dykas makes fingertip grab that ended in a 70 yard score for offense in Blue Devils' Saturday scrimmage.

Blue Devils offense hits eight cylinders

Rapoza to Dykas: 70 YD TD

By Mike Zima
Correspondent

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Led by junior quarterback Merrick Rapoza, who ran for two touchdowns and threw for a third, and Payton Dykas, who had 152 receiving yards and a touchdown, the Clay High football offense raised expectations for the upcoming season by scoring four touchdowns in the Blue-White game at Clay High School on Sat., Aug. 5.

Clay head coach Kyle Kennard, 3-7 last year after two region berths, orchestrated a controlled scrimmage with eight

possessions for the varsity offense against the varsity defense and four possessions for the junior varsity offense against the junior varsity defense, with special teams plays inserted at the conclusion of most of the possessions. An FHSAA officiating crew monitored for infractions.

"It was a little sloppy, but we expected that," said Kennard. "Ball security is a major issue, we need to improve our blocking on the perimeter, and we need to clean up the penalties."

The referees called eight penalties, while the Blue Devils fumbled four times and threw three interceptions. The interceptions were all thrown by the junior

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First of three alums return to VB courts

MHS's Forkum primed to continue Prewitt legacy

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

MIDDLEBURG - Meredith Forkum has had some pretty good mentoring the past few years and 2023 will be a major step for the former Middleburg High volleyball standout.

"I think about her when I'm in this gym, for sure," said Forkum, 43, and a 1998 Middleburg grad who takes over for the 30-plus years that former Bronco coach Carrie Prewitt left her after retiring this year. "She set the bar pretty high and we intend to keep it there or push it higher. It's definitely different without her in the gym."

Prewitt hand-picked Forkum to take over for her at Middleburg having known

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STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Former Middleburg High volleyball standout Meredith Forkum, who has been assistant coach under long time coach Carrie Prewitt, takes over in 2023 as head volleyball coach for the storied program. Forkum will also have long time Prewitt assistant Keith Taylor on her sideline.



Knights defense to be formidable

STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

One of two inside linebackers for Oakleaf High's football team; Neil Whyte, will be part of a two man wrecking crew with teammate Dajon Brown as the Knights look to open new coach Chris Foy's season with a strong start.



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Williams adds firepower to Spartan VB staff

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - As a construction foreman of sorts, St. Johns Country Day School alum and former volleyball standout Jenna Williams probably knows what the foundation of a building is supposed to do.

“Coach Traci Livingston built a firm foundation here in volleyball (500-plus career wins) that I get to build on,” said Williams, who has been a construction manager to a major ownership company in America that creates capital improvements, takes over for Livingston after nearly a decade at Livingston’s side on the Lady Spartan bench. “I get to bring some higher level people to the gym and I have collegiate experience that I hope will take us to the next level.”

Note: Williams, just 31 years old, ad-

mittedly did not know who Bob Vila was in a comical exchange referring to her construction acumen.

Back up to the “higher level people”, Williams is casually referring to her new assistant coaches, Madison Dill-McDermott, a St. Johns standout, and Jauhna Smith, a Ridgeview High standout, now working with the Jacksonville Jaguars, in the same era in 2015. Smith and Dill-McDermott played against each other in their high school heydays.

“I did not know that and they did not tell me,” said Williams. “I know they are both assets to the program.”

Williams hoped that her two high-caliber assistants can bring a level of next level thinking to the girls on the court.

“I think they know a lot about Madison here and at University of Miami and coaching club in the area,” said Williams. “I don’t



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

St. Johns Country Day School’s first scholarship volleyball athlete, Jenna Williams, left, stands with her new assistant coaches, from left, former Ridgeview High and Erskine College standout Jauhna Smith and former St. Johns Country Day School and University of Miami standout Madison Dill-McDermott.

think the girls know as much about Jauhna, who also was a standout in high school (four district titles) and at Erskine College, as much, but her skills will become apparent as she coaches them.”

Both Dill-McDermott and Smith coached at area club teams and think their own playing experiences will give them insight to teaching the sport.

“I think it’s all about breaking down the athletes weaknesses and to build on them,” said Smith, who returned and coached at Ridgeview after her college days. “We

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her as a player and coach alongside her.

“Knowing Meredith as I do, I knew she had the heart and the vision to help grow this program with the values that we have nurtured and prioritized at MHS,” said Prewitt. “She was one of those players that always brought her best for the team and it is no different now that she is the head coach.”

Forkum, who played two years of college volleyball at Florida State College-Jacksonville, takes over for Prewitt and highlights an incoming season that sees two other county teams; Fleming Island and St. Johns Country Day School both recently naming former players as head coaches.

“I think it’s great for the area and the county to bring in alums,” said Forkum. “Maybe we played against each other at some point and that makes it even more interesting. We shall see.”



Two leaders for the Meredith Forkum era of Middleburg volleyball will be the sister combination of Camden, left, and Connor Rahn.

“It’s a different atmosphere for sure with Meredith running the gym,” said Taylor. “Carrie came in, was in full command and Meredith is one who lets the assistant coaches run the show from their expertise. Our normal from Prewitt is other teams are extraordinary. We expect much more from our girls.”

For Forkum, who has senior daughter Brooke on the Bronco varsity squad, along with two power hitters in the Rahn sisters; Connor and Camden, both at the six foot plus range.

“She left me with a good team to direct for my first season,” said Forkum. “Sometimes you get the keys and it’s a Volkswagen, I think she left a Porsche. Three players have been to Nationals this summer with Brooke and Connor both on Team Florida.”

For the summer, where Prewitt was



One of the longest tenure dads and coaches in Clay County volleyball is 22 year Bronco assistant coach Keith Taylor, whose daughter Stephanie was a standout player for two state championship runnerup finishes for Carrie Prewitt.

a mainstay of conditioning and teamwork building, Forkum did not have access to the Middleburg High gym for most of the summer and had to improvise.

“That was a little tricky, but we made it work,” said Forkum. “We did a lot of conditioning outside so that was different, especially with the hot days we’ve been having, but no complaints.”

Forkum will attend a preseason tournament at Bishop Kenny (Aug 19) to see some top-ranked teams to open her season then bring in perennial power Spruce Creek (Aug. 22) to open the season.

“I set the schedule in January and learned from Carrie that a strong schedule sets the tone of the team,” said Forkum. “We have always had tough schedules and that prepares us come playoff time.”

Spruce Creek, Leon, Fleming Island, Bishop Moore tournament, Ponte Vedra, Bishop Kenny are all on the Broncos schedule.

When asked what her footprint or trademark will be on 2023, Forkum coyly chuckled.

“That’s a tough question because Carrie leaves a legacy of preparation each season,” said Forkum. “Connor could be the best hitter in north Florida if not the state. Camden is going to be a force as well.”

Taylor noted that Forkum has kept the pace of the gym with her quiet ferocious competitiveness.

“She has that demeanor as a player for Carrie that she controls the gym, then she has the last few years learning how to teach that to her team,” said Forkum. “She’s a different, little calmer style, but that same demand is expected.”

Schermerhorn back at FIHS

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - As she strolled around her Fleming Island High School incoming volleyball team, former Golden Eagle volleyball standout Amy Schermerhorn appeared tentative about jumping up and slamming down a few balls that floated above her head.

"It does feel weird being back on the home court," said Schermerhorn, who excelled in three years at Southeastern University after two years at Fleming Island High; 2013, 2014. "I was junior varsity coach at Bishop Snyder the past few years and this came up."

Schermerhorn, 27, who was coached at Fleming Island by Michelle Fisher, had a high expectation of her troops given the talent level normally at Fleming Island.

"I would love to be around a while and kind of build a powerhouse program," said Schermerhorn. "It's here and I think all the

kids need is some strong discipline and focus to achieve it. Discipline, they will learn, is my trademark."

Fisher and Schermerhorn will be exchanging ideas in the classrooms to try and jump start the program run by now-Oakleaf High's new coach Jamie Reed.

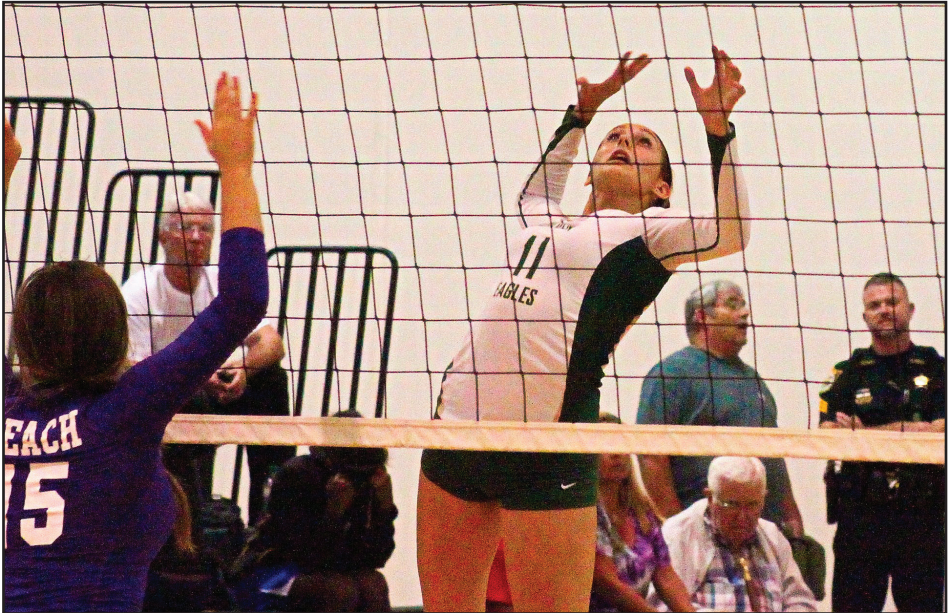
"The girls here are so athletic and if they focus on the discipline of the sport itself, they will be so much better," said Schermerhorn. "I played all the positions while at Southeastern so I got to feel all the positions."

At Southeastern, Schermerhorn had seasons of 68, 79 and 33 kills for her three varsity seasons with dig totals of 24, 28 and 12.

In 2017, Schermerhorn's senior season at Southeastern, the team finished with a 23-8 overall record, but lost in the Sun Conference semifinal to Webber International. The 23-8 record was the best since a 28-7 slate in 2010.



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO
Former Fleming Island High volleyball standout Amy Schermerhorn soared above the nets to deliver her scoring strikes. Schermerhorn also had a solid career at Southeastern University.



Fleming Island volleyball fans got to watch Amy Schermerhorn dominate from all points on the floor for Golden Eagles. Amy Schermerhorn's likeable demeanor belies an intense competitor hoping to push the Fleming Island program to a next level.

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strive to get them to a baseline of skills that we can improve."

For Dill-McDermott, the aura of St. Johns Country Day School's athletic success; girls soccer, boys soccer, baseball, track and cross country and even girls weightlifting recently, brings with it a campus camaraderie as well as a bit of pressure to succeed.

"There is that pressure, and a Final Four would be nice, but we are looking at a four or five year vision for the program much like what Coach Livingston achieved," said Dill-McDermott.

Williams did reveal that she had her own misstep as a youth despite her good fortunes.

"I got to do what a lot of young athletes strive for and that was to play at the next level at University of Mobile," said Williams, who was St. Johns first scholarship volleyball athlete in 2010. "But, I got com-

placent and kind of lost that dream. Traci Livingston saved me."

From Livingston, Williams sees her input to the program as possibly emulating Livingston's goal to create solid citizens on the volleyball floor.

"Coach Livingston was not all about the wins and losses, but in making great graduates," said Williams, a setter for Livingston with Rachel Brown as the top hitter for the Spartans. "My biggest push for the girls under my leadership is that you never give up. Athletes can always dig a little deeper."

Williams acknowledges that St. Johns has had strong regular season records (21 region berths under Livingston from 1997 to 2022 with two Final Fours 2001 Class 1A runner-up-2002 lost in state semifinal), but then dip into regions against a lot of region powerhouses in the past; St. Francis, Christ's Church, Oak Hall and St. John Paul II in Tallahassee.

"Our biggest local rival is Christ's Church Academy the past few years," said



St. Johns Country Day School's Madison Dill-McDermott was a striker way above the net with more than 1,000 kills in her Spartan career. Ridgeview High standout Jauhna Smith was a fiery competitor and a dominating net presence despite her 5'-9" size.



FIHS Cambree Hodge 12th at World Teen Golf

With a scintillating three under par 69 on her second round of championship play, Fleming Island High golfer Cambree Hodge battled the top leaders at the U.S. Kids Golf World Teen Championship to finish tied for 12th in the prestigious event held July 27-29 in Pinehurst, NC.

Hodge, who started with a somewhat sub-par 76 (4-Over), off a first-hole triple bogie, turned her game around in the second round and powered through with five birdies and just two bogies to knock her score to a three under 69 and position herself for a top 10 finish.

Eventual winner Olivia Hasselbach of Tampa (Carrollwood Day School) and Dagmar Soerensen of Denmark took a two-stroke lead into round two with a 71 and 70 to open the tournament in front of a handful of 73s behind them. Hodge was at 76.

In the second round, Laura Sofia Espinosa Gonzalez of Colombia torched the course with a 68, but Hodge was on her tail with her 69 to move up in the standings quickly.

Espinosa's round put her in the lead after two rounds with plenty of golfers lingering around for a shot to move up.

It was the third round that separated the leaders with four golfers punching in under 70; Hasselbach 68, Lavanya Gupta of India 68, and 69s from Ava Bunder of Indiana and Natalie Blonien of Oklahoma.

Hodge opened with a birdie for some optimism and hit for five pars to stay in the mix, but birdies at six, 11 and a nine on the par five 13 finished her with a 73 on the day and her 12th place finish.

Hasselbach and Gupta both crushed the course with 68 with Hasselbach winning by a stroke over Gonzalez's 211-212.



Fleming Island senior golfer Cambree Hodge, center, was in the mix for a top 10 finish into the third round of the US Kids World Golf Championships in North Carolina but finished 12th overall after three days of golf against the top teens in the world. Pictured left is Junior Chloe Blanc and senior Kalia Polete who attended the US Kids World Championships.

Gupta finished at 213.

Also playing were Addy Vogt of St. Johns Country Day School who finished at 25th with a 224 total (77, 75, 72), Kalia Polete of Fleming Island also who was 63rd with a 239 total (82, 76, 81) and Chloe Blanc of Fleming Island who was 95th at 253 (89, 86, 78).

Oakleaf up to next level

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF – Oakleaf High sports ramped up their 2022-2023 with some highlight football that put a ton of statistics on paper, but less losses while wrestling; boys and girls, stamped out their own legacy with state meet invites for fall action while, in the spring, softball and basketball (boys and girls) battled top contenders for critical playoff spots; plus a surprise track state champion, as the Knights look to bank some momentum for the upcoming sports year.

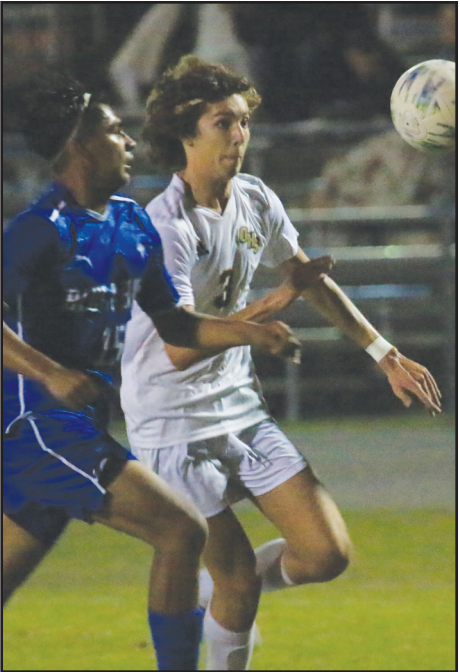
“Our highlight was probably the win over Fleming Island in football with our season kind of strange in that we put up massive statistics but did not close games to win to finish 5-5,” said outgoing football

coach and athletic director Marcus Miller, replaced by Chris Foy in football and Rodney Dubose as director, both seasoned area veterans in both disciplines.”As for the program in general, my goal always if I leave is to put the program whether it’s football or the entire program, in a good spot. I think we did that and those two gentlemen will continue that.”

Miller noted that Oakleaf’s football district, by far, was one of toughest in state with a nod to the probable Hall of Fame caliber coaches at schools like Bartram Trail, Buchholz and Fleming Island making the trek more arduous to advance.

“Those three coaches; Sutherland at Bartram, Whittemore at Buchholz and

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Above left: Clay High football coach Kyle Kennard would like to return to region playoff finishes for his Blue Devils and will rely on; right, junior quarterback Merrick Rapoza to direct an offense that features a tough running back, a top-drawer pass receiver and five guys on the offensive line that are trying to fit the Blue Devil tradition of strong up front.

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varsity.

The varsity offense started slowly, losing fumbles on two of its first three possessions, but fired on all cylinders late, scoring on four of its final five possessions. Rapoza, a junior who is locked in a battle with rising sophomore Landon Chadwick for the starting quarterback job, got the scoring started with a 70 yard bomb to senior Payton Dykas. Dykas ran a post pattern and outfought sophomore Gavin Baille for the ball, securing it after an initial tip while Baille fell to the ground. Dykas coasted the remaining 40 yards to the end zone.

Rapoza completed four of eight passes for 101 yards and did significant damage with his feet, rushing eight times for 104 yards. On the fifth possession, the 6’1, 185-pounder faked a handoff to fellow junior Antonio Thomas running right, ran left, evaded two tacklers and outran the safeties to the end zone for a 40 yard score. Rapoza ran the same play to the other side of the field on the seventh possession and found paydirt again, this time from 29 yards out.

Chadwick directed the varsity offense on four possessions, moving the ball through the air. He threw 11 passes, completing seven of them for 129 yards, and ran four times for a net of zero yards. He led an eighty yard scoring drive on the sixth possession, starting it with a 60-yard completion to Dykas. Running back Gino Addison finished it with an eight yard run, starting out to his right, cutting back left and crashing through the safeties to fall across the goal line.

Kennard was pleased with the play of both quarterbacks, noting that each brings a different skillset.

“Merrick is a big, physical kid, a good downhill runner who has a strong arm and who can throw the deep ball well. Landon is very fast, maybe the quicker of the two, is very accurate and throws a catchable ball.” Kennard is likely to play both quarterbacks, saying that the situation is fluid and that he may not name an official starter all year.

“They can both help us win games,” he said.

No matter which quarterback plays



more, it is clear that Dykas will be their main target. The 5’11”, 160-pound receiver, who scored 10 touchdowns while garnering Honorable Mention All-State FH-SAA honors last year, had five receptions for 152 yards on Saturday. No one else had more than one.

“Explosion,” said Kennard when asked what Dykas brings to the Clay offense. “He takes the top off of the defense. He is a great route runner and has great hands. He is the total package at wide receiver.”

Kennard expects a lot of production from the Blue Devils offense, which returns all but one starter from last year. The offense will also welcome Addison, a 5’11”, 175-pound sophomore who Kennard says

will share carries with senior Chandler Thomas. Addison, a transfer from Bradford County, ran for 39 yards on nine carries Saturday.

Linemen Will Kelly, Omar Goosby and Aaron Stacy return to anchor the Clay defense, which must find a new linebacker and four new defensive backs for its base 4-2-5 scheme. Kennard expects the defensive line to be the strength of his young defense.

“That is where our biggest, toughest guys are,” he said.

Kelly and Stacy recovered fumbles on Saturday, getting into the backfield to recover botched handoffs, while Goosby had a sack and a tackle for loss.

The Clay coaching staff remains the same as in 2022 except for the additions of wide receivers coach Marvin Burke and Darrell Smith, who will coach the secondary.

The Blue Devils travel to Jacksonville

Bishop Kenny High for a preseason classic on August 18 at 6:30 p.m., and begin the regular season at Fleming Island on August 25 at 7:30 p.m. Clay’s first home game is September 1 against Ridgeview.

The Blue Devils’ slate for 2023 is exactly the same schedule as they had for 2022, except that the away games last year are home games this year and the road games last year are home games in 2023. In addition to the early games with Fleming Island and Ridgeview, the line-up includes battles with fellow Clay County public schools Oakleaf, Orange Park and Middleburg. The District 3S-4 opponents will be Gainesville, Matanzas, Menendez and St. Augustine.

“I think we have a good football team. I am very optimistic,” said Kennard. “But there are no easy games on our schedule.”

Freshman safety Mikiese Battle had two interceptions for the junior varsity, returning one of the thefts 39 yards.



Knights look at 2s and 3s

Foy wants a good first look against Sandalwood

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Oakleaf High first year head football coach Chris Foy was looking for the next guy up from his talented Knights lineup in Saturday's team scrimmage at Oakleaf High School.

"This is about finding the right guys to come in when our top guys need a break," said Foy, who takes over for departed Marcus Miller in 2023 who left after a season as interim head coach for Frank Garis. "We wanted to see which guys will step up when the lights are on them. We have a lot of good young freshmen and sophomores and today is the day to see what they can do."

Foy did have is massive offensive and defensive probable starters on the field; defensive end J.J. Marsh-Mensie and linebackers Neil Whyte and Dajon Brown, but senior quarterback Brandon Wallace, Jr., was not on the field (family trip) and junior running back Chris Foy II was on the sidelines with sophomore defensive back and

wide receiver Denereo Jacobs, both top players for Foy.

"We know what they can do and they are talented enough to transition back into the lineup quickly," said Foy. "We want to find the guy who has been crashing practice and weightlifting and maybe gets to show off some football today."

With sophomore quarterback Jayvin Romero showing some pocket awareness with scrambles downfield, Foy got a good look at his pass protection detail and despite some fumbled snaps, the offense got a few downfield passes; one for a wide open score to wide to Kheinde May-Parker, but Foy kept the game in the middle of the field.

Marsh-Mensie got into the backfield on rushes including one hurry that caused a deflection in the end zone from a 10 yard first down start.

"He could have big season, he's that quick," said Foy, who had returner James Kitchens in the secondary at safety patroling centerfield. "Kitchens stays healthy (injury last season), we are good in the



secondary with Denereo and young guys like Jordin Pryce stepping up."

Foy gets his first game look on August 17 with Sandalwood (4M, 5-5 last year) and

Baldwin (2S regions, 9-3 last year) coming to Oakleaf for preseason action then their rivalry opener with Orange Park.



Keystone Heights sports teams ready



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO
Keystone Heights boys golf team features three seniors and one junior that will look to keep the strong golf program at Keystone Heights going. Shown are, from right, junior Ty Mitzel, senior Connor Guy, senior Alex Addington and senior Nick Binet with coach Ryan Begue.



Keystone Heights girls golf has had a rich history with state tournament berths in the past and it will be up to, from left, Ila Miller, a ninth grader, Aubrey Brooks an eighth grader Amber Cunningham, a senior, and Ashlynn Duncan, a seventh grader to do the job with coach Emily Begue.



Keystone Heights volleyball has been strong under the leadership of coach Kaitlyn Cline and 2023 should be no different; above, junior varsity, below varsity. The Lady Indians open with a preseason tournament at the JJVA complex in Jacksonville with the first regular season game on Mon., Aug. 21 vs. Bradford County.





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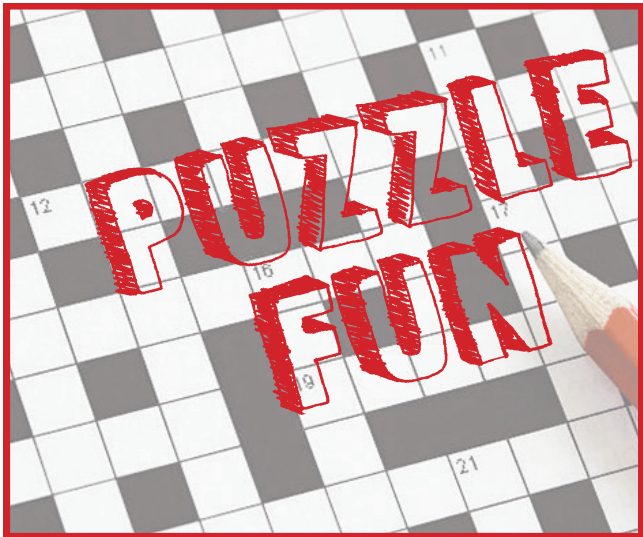
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Springs at Fleming Island were all three legendary," said Miller. "They made football fun and exciting, but, man, tough to get a win."

As athletic director, Miller pushed coaches and athletes to achieve their goals by buying into what was best for the entire program; top to bottom, rather than individually.

"The coaches and the kids moved the needle to a point that they were representing the entire school and school pride," said Miller. "To have baseball coaches at girls basketball, basketball coaches at wrestling matches and, generally, kids from one sport filling the gym for another sport makes playing hard for the school more fun."



Answer: Demi Lovato

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Clue: Winds fishing line

- B. 11 2 16 1**

Clue: Water vessel

- C. 11 16 4 1**

Clue: Lures prey

- D. 1 16 25 6 3 24**

Clue: Fishing supplies

Answers: A. reels B. boat C. bait D. tackle

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to fishing.

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Answer: Catch

Guess Who?

I am a singer born in New Mexico on August 20, 1992. I began my career on television, starring in a Disney series as well as with the Jonas Brothers. I also was a judge on "The X Factor USA" talent show.

Answer: Demi Lovato

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-376
Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF
CHUCK RIFTON STIVENDER,
Deceased.
The administration of the estate of CHUCK RIFTON STIVENDER, deceased, whose date of death was August 6, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION 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 OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: 2022CA000554
TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-6, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES A. MODICA; AQUA FINANCE, INC; CHASE BANK USA, N.A.; CLERK OF THE COURTS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; STATE OF FLORIDA; WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL AMERICA INC; VINCENT ANGELO MODICA; ANTHONY JAMES MODICA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES A. MODICA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 2nd day of August 2023, and entered in Case No. 2022CA000554, of the Circuit Court of the 4TH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-6, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE is the Plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES A. MODICA AQUA FINANCE, INC CHASE BANK USA, N.A. CLERK OF THE COURTS CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA STATE OF FLORIDA WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL AMERICA INC UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF VINCENT ANGELO MODICA ANTHONY JAMES MODICA UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES A. MODICA UNKNOWN TENANT; and IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. TARA S. GREEN as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at https://clay.realforeclose.com/ at, 10:00 AM on the 20th day of September 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 9, BLOCK 80, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 1 THROUGH 13, INCLUSIVE OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
TOGETHER WITH THAT 2000 REDMAN DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME IDENTIFIED BY VIN NUMBER (S): FLA14615275A AND FLA14615275B.
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If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
Dated this 3rd day of August 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: Jennifer Brosky
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: 2023-CA-001020- LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC., Plaintiff,
vs.
GERALD CORA; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GERALD CORA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 2 day of August 2023, and entered in Case No. 2023-CA-001020-, of the Circuit Court of the 4TH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC. is the Plaintiff and GERALD CORA UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GERALD CORA; and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. TARA S. GREEN as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at https://clay.realforeclose.com/ at, 10:00 AM on the 20 September 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 17, BLOCK 7, BELLAIR, UNIT 2, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 48 AND 49, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
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Dated this 3 day of August 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: Gracie Moore
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 08/25/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(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. 2FTRF07W51CA97898 2001 FORD
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-000346-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF
ROBERT WILLIAMS
Deceased.
The administration of the estate of ROBERT WILLIAMS, deceased, whose date of death was July 24, 2021, and whose social security number ended in 6176, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N Orange Ave # 308, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and addresses of 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 decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served

Property Address: 551 Bayhawk Court, Orange Park, FL 32073
Shall be sold by the Clerk of Court, **TARA S. GREEN**, on the **6th day of September, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. ON-LINE** at www.clay.realforeclose.com, to the highest bidder, for cash, after giving notice as required by section 45.031, Florida Statutes. 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. 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.
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 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.
WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on August 3, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
BY: Jennifer Brosky
Deputy Clerk
Legal 78755 Published 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-362
Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF
LEMMIE MARIE DAUGHERTY,
Deceased.
The administration of the estate of LEMMIE MARIE DAUGHERTY, deceased, whose date of death was May 6, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is August 10, 2023. Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Dale S. Wilson
Dale S. Wilson, Esquire
E-Mail Addresses: wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Telephone: (904)284-5618
Personal Representative:
Rebecca Kirkland Padgett
5883 Head Road
Fleming Island, FL 32003
Legal 78753 Published 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on
August 24, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068,
pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
2015 Volkswagen ID# 1VW-CV7A30FC073857
2004 Nissan ID# 1N4BA41E64C859899
2001 Harley Davidson ID# 1HD1B-SY161Y047400
2002 Acura ID# 19UUA56872A003100
2015 Ford ID# 1FMCU0G79FUC73634
Legal 78752 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-363
Division: B
IN RE: ESTATE OF
BART ANTHONY GREENWAY,
Deceased.
The administration of the estate of BART ANTHONY GREENWAY, deceased, whose date of death was October 29, 2015, is pending in the Circuit Court for

NOTICE OF HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICE NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

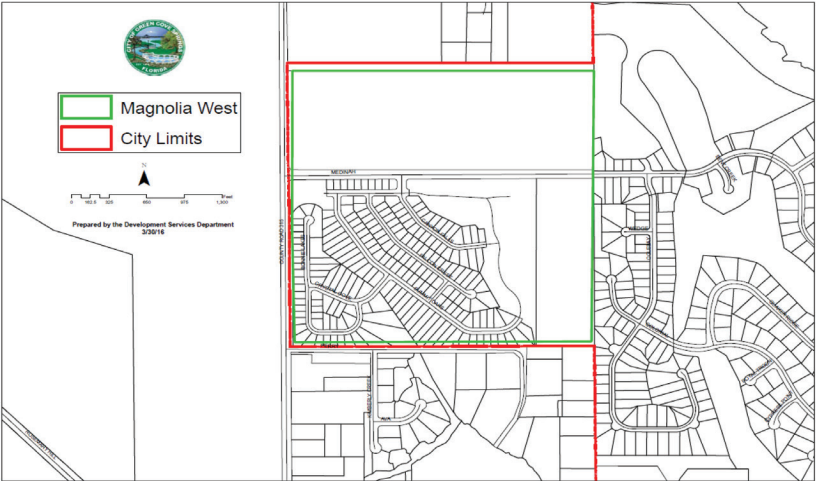
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Green Cove Springs, will conduct a public hearing to consider reimposing Solid Waste Service Assessments against certain improved residential properties located within the Magnolia West assessment area of the City, as shown below, for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024 and future fiscal years to fund the cost of solid waste and recyclable materials collection services, facilities, and programs, provided to such properties and to authorize collection of such assessments on the tax bill.

The hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 5, 2023, in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessments. All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the City Council within 20 days of this notice. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk, Erin West, (904) 297-7500, ext. 3307, at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

The Solid Waste Service Assessments will be generally computed by multiplying the number of dwelling units on each parcel by the rate of assessment. The rate of assessment for the upcoming fiscal year and future fiscal years shall be \$239.40 for each dwelling unit. Copies of the updated assessment roll, showing the amount of the assessment to be imposed against each parcel of property, and the legal documentation relating to the assessments are available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk, located at City Hall, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida.

The Solid Waste Service Assessments will be collected on the ad valorem tax bill to be mailed in November 2023, as authorized by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property which may result in a loss of title.

If you have any questions, please contact the City at (904) 297-7500, Monday through Thursday between 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.



City of Green Cove Springs
Erin West, City Clerk
321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
L. Steve Kennedy, City Manager

Legal 79259 published August 10, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Clay County, Florida, Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is August 10, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

/s/ Dale S. Wilson, Esquire
E-Mail Addresses:
wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Telephone: (904)284-5618
Personal Representative:
/s/ Brett W. Greenway
2213 Craven Road
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Legal 78615 Published 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-296
Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF SHEILA MACK DONALD, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of SHEILA MACK DONALD, deceased, whose date of death was March 19, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is PO Box 698 or 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is August 10, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

/s/ Dale S. Wilson, Esquire
E-Mail Addresses:
wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Telephone: (904)284-5618
Personal Representative:
Patricia Mack Wright
4033 Spring Creek Lane
Middleburg, FL 32068

Legal 78612 Published 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ZONING ATLAS CHANGE ZON-0123-00002

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, with the hearing taking place in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs, Florida. The proposed ordinance is entitled:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III OF THE CLAY COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, KNOWN AS THE ZONING AND LAND USE LDRS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE

93-16, AS AMENDED, PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY (TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS 05-05-26-014197-000-00, 06-05-26-014234-000-00, and 05-05-26-014204-000-00) FROM THEIR PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF AR (AGRICULTURAL/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO PS-3 (PRIVATE SERVICES); PROVIDING A DESCRIPTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The proposed ordinance would change the current zoning classification on approximately 9.56 acres from AR (Agricultural/Residential District) to PS-3 (Private Services) on the following land:

Location Address for ZON-0123-00002
Tax Parcel Identification Numbers 05-05-26-014197-000-00, 06-05-26-014234-000-00, and 05-05-26-014204-000-00.

Interested parties may appear at the hearings and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. After the public hearings the Board may take immediate action on the proposed ordinance, or may continue its deliberations at a date, time and place then announced without publishing further notice thereof. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection by the public at the Clay County Planning and Zoning Division, Third Floor of the Administration Building, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the hearings or at any subsequent hearing to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing accommodations to participate in this matter should contact Clay County Risk Management by mail at P.O. Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 278-4718, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Deaf and hard of hearing persons can access the telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).
Board of County Commissioners
Legal 78559 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: KEYS FUNDING LLC - 2021, 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.: 2496/2021
Legal Description: LOT 6 BARRINGTON ESTATES U-3 AS REC O R 2703 PG 1446

Parcel ID No.: 020525-008970-005-06
Opening Bid Amount: \$13,555.29
Physical Address: 1830 HOLLOW GLEN DR, MIDDLEBURG
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY
Name in which assessed: STEVEN M EVERETT & LORI L EVERETT

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 **4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023

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

Legal 78558 Published 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023 and 8/31/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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

Certificate No.: 1102/2021
Legal Description: (SUBJ TO CONSV ESMT PER O R 3131 PG 863 & 2862 PG 1259)PT OF S6T4R24 & S1T4R24 AS REC O R 3247 PG 870

Parcel ID No.: 010424-005524-018-16
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,239.69

Physical Address: OAKLEAF PLANTATION PKWY, ORANGE PARK
Classification: CNVR/ESMT
Name in which assessed: FHOP 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 **4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023

TARA S. GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 78557 Published 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023 and 8/31/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 168/2021
Legal Description: PT OF LOT 84 DUCK POND UNREC S1T5R23 AS REC O R 2069 PG 371

Parcel ID No.: 010523-000493-001-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$4,355.37

Physical Address: 5389 MUSCOVY, MIDDLEBURG

Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: JACINTA A BLACKMON

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 **4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 2nd day of August, 2023

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

Legal 78556 Published 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023 and 8/31/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 2023-CP-000385
In re: THE ESTATE OF ALISON ELIZABETH MILLAR, also known as ALISON E. MILLAR, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Alison Elizabeth Millar, also known as Alison E. Millar, whose date of death was April 18, 2023, and whose Social Security Number is ****-5416, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Courthouse, 825 N Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 10, 2023.

Personal Representative:

Anne E. Berglund
85153 Bostick Wood Drive
Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034
Attorneys for Personal Representative:
TAYLOR ARRUBLA HARDWICK P.A.
By /s/ Jennifer T. Arrubla
James J. Taylor Jr.
Florida Bar No. 334057
Jennifer T. Arrubla
Florida Bar No. 98804
420 S. Lawrence Blvd.
Keystone Heights, Florida 32656
Primary Email: Jennifer@tah-law.com
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Jim@tah-law.com
Kim@tah-law.com
352-473-8088 (telephone)
352-473-8161 (facsimile)

Legal 78555 Published 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE

NCRS gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles
at 7077 SR 21 Keystone Heights, FL 32656 904-801-6000
at date and time listed below:
NCRS AUCTION
September 1, 2023 @ 11:00 AM
2014 Chrysler VIN# 1C3CCBC-G9EN156481

2000 Hyun VIN #. KMHJW-35F9YU151789
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Legal 78431 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg, FL 32068
at date and time listed below.
CLAY COUNTY TOWING & RECOVERY AUCTION: September 1, 2023 @ 10:00 AM
2015 Ford VIN# 1FTEX1EP6FFC27163
1997 Toyt VIN #. JT3GP10V9V7022920
2015 Acur Vin#. 19VDE1F39FE008729
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Legal 78430 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to accept in business under the fictitious name of
HASSELL INSURANCE AGENCY located at 1857 Wells Road, Suite 219, in the County of Clay, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32073 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
Dated at Orange Park, Florida, this 31st day of July 2023.
Carter and Harry Insurance Company
Legal 78315 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2023CA001070
FINANCE OF AMERICA REVERSE LLC, vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF EMMA C. KING, DECEASED, et. al.

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

TO: SAMANTHA KING, whose residence is unknown and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 4, OLD JENNINGS JUNCTION UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 23, PAGE(S) 27 AND 28, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before 09/11/2023 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 28th day of July, 2023
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: Gracie Moore
DEPUTY CLERK
Legal 77983 Published 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 2023-CP-374
DIVISION: A

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JANE WOODLEY CUMMING, deceased. The administration of the estate of JANE WOODLEY CUMMING, deceased, whose date of death was April 12, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Courthouse, 825 Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this Court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF

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

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

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 3, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative: MARY C. COBB, Esquire
The Cobb Law Firm, P.A.
431 Stowe Avenue
Orange Park, FL 32073
(904) 269-5800

Florida Bar No.: 23972
Email: maryc.cobb@gmail.com
Personal Representative:
JACK A. WOODLEY
7013 Fontainebleau Crescent
Jacksonville, FL 32211

Legal 77980 Published 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE 4th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2023CC001020
UNIVERSAL LENDING TRUST 2, LLC, a New Mexico limited liability company, Plaintiff,

v.
ORANGE HOLDINGS 32065, LLC, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST PARCEL #15-04-25-007941-005-07, DATED JULY 14, 2015; and any

unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons, unknown entities, unknown parties or unknown spouses claiming by, through or under any of the above-named Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Consent Final Judgment to Foreclose Mortgage entered in this cause, in the County Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein UNIVERSAL LENDING TRUST 2, LLC, Plaintiff; ORANGE HOLDINGS 32065, LLC, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST PARCEL

#15-04-25-007941-005-07, DATED JULY 14, 2015; and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons, unknown entities, unknown parties or unknown spouses claiming by, through or under any of the above-named Defendants are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern/Standard Time) on the 6th day of September 2023, online at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com on the following described property as set forth in the Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 7, HICKORY GLEN UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGES 5 THROUGH 8 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property address: 3234 Woodglen Drive, Orange Park, Florida 32065

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

"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtntrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711."
WITNESS my hand and Seal of the Court on 27th day of July, 2023.

TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Nicole Barrie
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 77860 Published 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
Case No. 2023-CP-000355
Division: B

IN RE: ESTATE OF WILMA J. SCHNELL a/k/a WILMA JUNE SCHNELL, Deceased.

The administration of the Estate of Wilma J. Schnell a/k/a Wilma June Schnell, deceased, whose date of death was May 16, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court

for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is August 3, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Cameron H.P. White, Esq.
Florida Bar Number: 021343
Law Office of Cameron H.P. White, P.A.
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: KEYS FUNDING LLC - 2021, 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.: 2912/2021
Legal Description: LOT 25-A STONE CREEK @ EAGLE HARBOR O R 3048 PG 1515

Parcel ID No.: 090526-014176-009-38
Opening Bid Amount: \$15,166.74

Physical Address: 6376 ISLAND FOREST DR A FLEMING ISLAND
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ATTACHED

Name in which assessed: MARY B LISTER

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 26th day of July, 2023

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RAM TAX LIEN FUND LP 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.: 1268/2021
Legal Description: PT OF SW1/4 S5T5R24 A/K/A LOT 4 MIMOSA WOODS UNREC AS REC O R 1848 PG 1421

Parcel ID No.: 050524-005931-003-04
Opening Bid Amount: \$4,237.16
Physical Address: 101 PLANKTON AVE, MIDDLEBURG

Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: JOHN L & PATRICIA L HILLS, PATRICIA L HILLS
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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 26th day of July, 2023

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 904/2021
Legal Description: LOTS 22 & 23 BLK 84 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 1314 PG 602 1669
PG 2193 F/J & 2688 PG 671
Parcel ID No.: 220823-003972-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$18,749.45
Physical Address: 6072 JULLIARD AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: VIRGINIA MAYO BENNETT

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 26th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: RB TAX INVESTMENTS 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.: 2127/2021
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 35 MEADOWBROOK 10 AS REC O R 458 PG 594 & 887 PG 289
Parcel ID No.: 010425-011758-123-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$7,163.94
Physical Address: 409 LIBRA LN , ORANGE PARK
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY
Name in which assessed: COLLEEN FORTE (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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 26th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: DEL REY PACHECO, 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.: 921/2016
Legal Description: LOT 10 BLK 108 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3071 PG 2171, 3072 PG 502 & 3076 PG 501
Parcel ID No.: 160823-004468-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,701.61
Physical Address: 7090 SEWANEE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: TAX CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION INC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 26th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
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
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2022CA000534
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E. FRAZIER AND DOTTIE BROWN FRAZIER A/K/A

DOTTIE FRAZIER, et al.
Defendant(s)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **August 31, 2022**, and entered in 2022CA000534 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E. FRAZIER; DOTTIE BROWN FRAZIER A/K/A DOTTIE FRAZIER; SPENCER'S PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on **August 30, 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 164, SPENCER PLANTATION UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGE(S) 43 THROUGH 48, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 2784 WOOD STORK TRAIL, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 26 day of July, 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 crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
Legal 77649 Published 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION TO MODIFY CONSENT FINAL JUDGMENT (WITH MINOR OR DEPENDENT CHILD AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 10-2019-DR-000885-FM
DIVISION: E

IN RE: The Former Marriage of KATELYN NICOLE MCRAE n/k/a KATELYN NICOLE THRASHER, Former Wife/Mother And BEAU NICHOLAS MCRAE, Former Husband/Father
TO: BEAU NICHOLAS MCRAE
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 3414 Talisman Dr., Middleburg FL 32068

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Supplemental Petition to Modify Consent Final Judgment has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on KATELYN NICOLE THRASHER, at her attorney's address at: **DRAKE LAW FIRM, P.A., 4600 Touchton Rd. E., Bldg. 100, Suite 150, Jacksonville, FL 32246.** on or before, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at: **Clay County Clerk of Family Court, 825 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043** before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the supplemental petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the address(es) on record at the clerk's office. WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: July 25, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77647 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2021-DP-000088
DIVISION: JV- E
IN THE INTEREST OF:
T.M. D
DOB: 06/11/2021
A MINOR CHILD

THE STATE OF FLORIDA
TO:
Genie McHenry, MOTHER
Address Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, T.M.D. born June 11, 2021. You are hereby commanded to appear before 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 September 12, 2023, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.
FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS T.M.D. AND YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THIS CHILD.

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 crtntrp@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 25th day of July 2023.

Tara S. Green
As Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
Legal 77646 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF MEETINGS ARMSTRONG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors of the **Armstrong Community Development District** will hold their regularly scheduled public meetings for **Fiscal Year 2024** at 3:30 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065 on the second Thursday of each month as follows or otherwise noted:

October 12, 2023
November 9, 2023
December 14, 2023
January 11, 2024
February 8, 2024
March 14, 2024
April 11, 2024
May 9, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
June 13, 2024
July 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.
August 8, 2024
September 12, 2024

The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agendas for each meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meetings. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations for the meetings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meetings. 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 the 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
Manager
Legal 77645 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-354
Division: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSE NANETTE WEEKS, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of ROSE NANETTE WEEKS, Deceased, whose date of death was May 14, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is PO Box 698 or 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUB-

LICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is August 3, 2023.

Attorney for Personal Representative:
/s/ Dale S. Wilson
Dale S. Wilson, Esquire
E-Mail Addresses:
wilsdale@bellsouth.net
Florida Bar No. 176945
Dale S. Wilson PA
PO Box 1808
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Telephone: (904)284-5618

Personal Representative:
/s/ George Cary Weeks, III
7769 Forest Circle
Glen St. Mary, FL 32040
Legal 77530 Published 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 1609/2021
Legal Description: LOT 3 BLK 10 BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT 3 AS REC O R 3838 PG 1261
Parcel ID No.: 210524-006700-278-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,260.89
Physical Address: 4695 ROSEMARY ST , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: MATTHEW B RICKS

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77528 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 1798/2021
Legal Description: LOT 12 BLK 204 BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT 2 AS REC O R 3454 PG 1580
Parcel ID No.: 350524-006699-885-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,996.35
Physical Address: 2681 N PERIWINKLE AVE , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: HANH N HOANG & SANG HOANG VO

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77411 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 2010/2021
Legal Description: LOT 30 BLK 3 LAKESIDE TERRACE AS REC O R 299 PG 242 & 1869 PG 142
Parcel ID No.: 140824-007116-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,070.33
Physical Address: 7159 QUAIL ST ,

FLORAHOME
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: RALEIGH W & NADINE M BALLOU

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77410 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 2044/2021
Legal Description: PT NW1/4 OF SE1/4 AS REC O R 609 PGS 129-135
Parcel ID No.: 180824-007178-003-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,809.35
Physical Address: COUNTY ROAD 214 , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: OSCAR LEWIS

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77409 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 2098/2021
Legal Description: LOT 11 LIVE OAK FOREST AS REC O R 1481 PG 699(PUTNAM CO) & 4 038 PG 1527
Parcel ID No.: 310824-007852-034-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,673.11
Physical Address: 5499 DARWOOD ST , MELROSE
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: MARITZA MENDOSA & BENJAMIN M GOMEZ

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77408 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: SAVVY FL LLC FTB COLLATERAL ASSIGNEE, 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.: 3270/2021
Legal Description: PT W1/2 OF N1/2 LOT 4 AS REC O R 317 PG 439;703 PG 133;1652 PG 137;2522
PG 1905;3366 PG 1650 & 3824 PG 2028 EX PT O R 801 PG 400 & 1171 PG 474
Parcel ID No.: 020726-015750-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,511.03
Physical Address: 5217 S US HIGHWAY 17 , GREEN COVE SPRINGS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: LUKE A WILSON

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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 24th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN

Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77407 Published 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023 and 8/24/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: DEL REY PACHECO, 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.: 835/2016
Legal Description: LOT 1 BLK 82 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3144 PG 497
Parcel ID No.: 210823-003904-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,952.63
Physical Address: 6207 KENT 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 certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77034 Published 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 1026/2021
Legal Description: PT OF S33T8R23 A/K/A PRCL R&S AS REC O R 1364 PG 497;163 PG 1932;1720 PG 1122;1767 PG 402; 1783 PG 1750 & 2948 PG 1117 EX PT O R 3305 PG 434

Parcel ID No.: 330823-004923-008-09
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,505.66
Physical Address: COUNTY ROAD 214 , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: ANN S BEHR REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 207/2021
Legal Description: PT OF W1/2 OF SW1/4 SEC 16 & PT OF NE1/4 OF SE1/4 SEC 17 AS REC O R 3532 PG 1191 & 3623 PG 1837
Parcel ID No.: 160623-000587-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$56,937.71
Physical Address: 6305 KINGSLEY LAKE DR , STARKE
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY
Name in which assessed: FIRE LANE 24 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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 21st day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 1855/2021
Legal Description: LOT 12 PLANTATION FARMS SOUTH AS REC O R 863 PG 108
Parcel ID No.: 280724-006919-060-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,430.44
Physical Address: 5918 TRAWICK , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: DORIS M RODGERS
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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](#).**
Dated this 21st day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 77031 Published 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: FIG 20 LLC FBO SEC PTY, 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.: 2272/2021
Legal Description: LOT 23 BLK 2 RIDGEWOOD DIV SEC 19 O.P. AS REC O R 207 PG 6; 1436 PG 368 & 3089 PG 1341
Parcel ID No.: 220425-020517-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$18,501.03
Physical Address: 492 TAYLOR AVE A , ORANGE PARK
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: ROGER D WILLIS ET AL, VERA M WILLIS (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 **20th day of September, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](#).**
Dated this 21st day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76845 Published 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023, 8/10/2023 and 8/17/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Bid Advertisement - 44th
CST Ready Building
Addition/Alteration,
Florida Army National
Guard

STG Contracting Group, Inc., will be accepting bids as the Design-Build Contractor for 44th CST Ready Building Addition/Alteration, Florida Army National Guard, Project Number 120330. The project is located at the Camp Blanding Regional Training Institute, Starke, Florida. The project includes an addition (new construction) of approx. 10,200 gross square feet, with up to 7,023 square feet of alteration to the existing Ready Building. Work includes, but is not limited to, selective demolition, concrete, masonry, metal fabrications, reroof, fluid-applied membrane air barriers, standing-seam metal roof panels, firestopping, HM door, HM frames, door hardware, overhead coiling doors, aluminum entrances and store-fronts, LG metal framing, GWB, resilient flooring, painting, wall & door protection, egress path markings, PEMB systems, fire suppression systems, plumbing, gas piping, split system cooling and heat pumps, fuel-fired unit heaters, electrical, diesel generator, lightning protection, data, access control, video surveillance, site earthworks, site utilities, storm water, concrete paving, and asphalt paving. There will be a pre-bid meeting on Thursday, August 3, 2023, at 10:00 am located at the project site. It is suggested to arrive at the Main Gate Security at least 30 minutes earlier to obtain a base pass. A photo ID for all those entering the base for the Pre-Bid, along with car registration and vehicle insurance must be presented for base entry. **The pre-bid meeting will be mandatory for the following trades: Site, Demolition, Roofing, Plumbing, HVAC, Electrical, and PEMB erection subcontractors.** Requests for Information will be accepted up to 5:00 pm on Thursday, August 10, 2023. Sealed bids will be accepted at the STG Contracting Group Office located at 109 Nature Walk Parkway, Suite 103, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 no later than 5:00

pm on Monday, August 21, 2023. Sealed bids will be opened and tabulated at the office of STG on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. All bidders will be required to register with STG Contracting Group, Inc. Please contact Candace Williams (clw@stgcontractinggroup.com) for bid documents, including plans, specifications and bid form. Bids will be accepted only in the format of the bid form, without modification. In bidding this project you must comply with Section 20.055 of the Florida Statutes. All contractors are subject to the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders 12549 and 12689, 2 CFR part 180. Please note that all submitted quotations, bids or proposals are made to the Design-Build Firm and that the Owner is not a party. Direct all questions to the attention of Gene Stratton and John Lemen. Contact info: STG Contracting Group, Inc. 109 Nature Walk Parkway, Suite 103 St. Augustine, FL 32092 Phone (904) 287-9898 Fax (904) 217-3750 Email: gs@stgcontractinggroup.com Email: jkl@stgcontractinggroup.com
Legal 76726 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION
FOR SUPPLEMENTAL
PETITION TO
MODIFY PARENTAL
RESPONSIBILITY,
VISITATION OR
PARENTING PLAN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 2013-DR-2402
Division F
Marina Heil
Petitioner
and
Kirk Michael Heil
Respondent.
TO: Kirk Michael Heil
8057 Graff Lane, Jacksonville, Florida 32221
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Supplemental Petition to Modify Parental Responsibility, Visitation or Parenting Plan has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Christean Javera Hollinger, Esq whose address is 9526 Argyle Forest Blvd, Suite B2-325, Jacksonville, Florida 32222, on or before August 28, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. **If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.**
You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
Dated: July 14, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Leigh Lucroy
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76359 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ATCF II FLORIDA 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.: 2298/2021
Legal Description: PT OF LOT 16 BLK 8 RIDGEWOOD SEC 19 AS REC O R 1853 PG 864
Parcel ID No.: 230425-020602-001-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$28,564.20
Physical Address: 412 POLK AVE , ORANGE PARK
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: TERRY JANE MICHELLE DURHAM
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76353 Published 7/20/2023,

7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ATCF II FLORIDA 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.: 1906/2021
Legal Description: LOT 275 OAK FOREST AS REC O R 1607 PG 1415
Parcel ID No.: 030824-006919-360-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,226.81
Physical Address: 5600 INDIAN TRL , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: SYLVESTER LORENZO
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76352 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: LANE VANCE-LAVA ASSETS INC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 899/2020
Legal Description: LOT 7 BLK 95 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 3928 PG 1208
Parcel ID No.: 210823-004201-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,962.77
Physical Address: 7161 WHEATON ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT COMP PLAN
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 **23rd day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](#).**
Dated this 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76351 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 2047/2021
Legal Description: PT E1/2 OF W1/2 SUBJ TO OIL GAS & MINERAL RIGHTS AS REC O R 1995
PG 411 & 1996 PG 1274
Parcel ID No.: 180824-007231-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$54,486.80
Physical Address: 7275 BEAUTY BUSH LN , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: JOHN VINCENT HURST
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76350 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLOA OF FLORIDA LLC, FOR SECURED PARTY, 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.: 949/2021
Legal Description: PT OF TRACT H FLA FRONTIER REPLAT UNIT 1 AS REC O R 3534 PG 618
Parcel ID No.: 240823-007626-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,129.43
Physical Address: 0 CHALMETTE ST , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT COMMERCIAL
Name in which assessed: AEB HOME SERVICES 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 **23rd day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](#).**
Dated this 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76349 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLOA OF FLORIDA LLC, FOR SECURED PARTY, 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.: 2435/2021
Legal Description: LOT 46 BLK I LAKE-SIDE ESTATES UNIT 9 AS REC O R 3720 PG 633
Parcel ID No.: 380425-013787-332-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$95,568.81
Physical Address: 5519 BRADFORD CT , ORANGE PARK
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY
Name in which assessed: SHEILA D & THOMAS W WOOD, THOMAS W WOOD
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76344 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ATCF II FLORIDA 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.: 1907/2021
Legal Description: LOT 276 OAK FOREST AS REC O R 1607 PG 1420
Parcel ID No.: 030824-006919-361-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,226.81
Physical Address: 5594 INDIAN TRL , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: SYLVESTER LORENZO
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76343 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: LANE VANCE-LAVA ASSETS INC, the holder of the following certificate has

filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No.: 893/2020
Legal Description: LOT 12 BLK 94 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3142 PG 457
Parcel ID No.: 210823-004180-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,904.62
Physical Address: 7141 WESLEYAN DR , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: ELLA III 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 **23rd day of August, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at [www.clay.realtaxdeed.com](#).**
Dated this 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76342 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: MIKON FINANCIAL SERVICES INC & OCEAN BANK, 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.: 1703/2021
Legal Description: LOT 6 BLK 6 BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT 3 AS REC O R 1733 PG 1125 & 4071 PG 2118
Parcel ID No.: 280524-006700-236-01
Opening Bid Amount: \$5,496.90
Physical Address: 2763 PRIMROSE CIR , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: MAUREEN DYLINSKI BLUETT EL/E, BRETT DY-LINSKI
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76341 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: ATCF II FLORIDA 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:

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CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Certificate No.: 999/2021
Legal Description: LOTS 1 & 2 BLK 15 LAKE GENEVA S/D & W1/2 7TH ST (CLOSED) LY- ING ADJACENT TO LOT 1 BLK 15 AS REC O R 4216 PG 930
Parcel ID No.: 290823-021879-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$5,597.65
Physical Address: 7844 LAKE GENEVA LN , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: SINGLE FAMILY
Name in which assessed: JONATHAN MICHAEL LANEY
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76340 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLOA OF FLORIDA LLC, FOR SECURED PARTY, 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.: 2725/2021
Legal Description: PT LOT 15 SEC 8 O.P. O R 326 PGS 139 & 140; 2050 PG 715 & 2202 PG 608
Parcel ID No.: 080426-019919-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$4,082.07
Physical Address: GLEN ST , ORANGE PARK
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: JEREMIAH CORCORAN (TRUSTEE) & CHRIS LASHENOS
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 76339 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLOA OF FLORIDA LLC, FOR SECURED PARTY, 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.: 284/2021
Legal Description: LOT 22 PRCL 3A MCKAYS AS REC O R 990 PG 201
Parcel ID No.: 110823-001223-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$10,336.20
Physical Address: 5993 COUNTY ROAD 352 , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: KEITH L BERRYMAN
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 14th day of July, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76338 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DOMESTICATE FOREIGN ORDER FOR CHILD SUPPORT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 10-2023-DR-1045
Division F
Milagros V. Hudson
Petitioner
and
Jeremy J. Ferrell
Respondent.
TO: Jeremy John Ferrell
573 Oakleaf Plantation Pkwy, Unit 428, Orange Park, FL
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Domesticate Foreign Order for Child Support has been filed against you and that

you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Milagros Venus Hudson whose address is 3023 Stonewood Way, Orange Park, FL 32065, on or before **August 24, 2023**, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 825 North Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. **If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.** Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office. **WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.** Dated: July 11, 2023
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Tamiela Hampshire
Deputy Clerk
Legal 76056 Published 7/20/2023, 7/27/2023, 8/3/2023 and 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING/NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE LAKE ASBURY MASTER PLANNING AREA (LAMP) TRUNK MAIN CAPITAL COST RECOVERY POLICY

Clay County Utility Authority
Board Room
3176 Old Jennings Road
Middleburg, Florida
The Clay County Utility Authority will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. or consecutive to the Rate and Budget Hearing in the Clay County Utility Authority Board Room, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment concerning the adoption of the Lake

Asbury Master Planning Area (LAMP) Trunk Main Capital Cost Recovery Policy. It is Clay County Utility Authority's intention to pioneer potable water, wastewater, and, wherein available, reclaimed water transmission (trunk main) infrastructure to service key corridors within LAMP and to recover the cost of the extension of such infrastructure on a pro-rata and cost-effective basis by a fair appropriation of the cost thereof among the immediate benefitting users. All interested members of the public and media are welcome to attend. Additional information on the proposed LAMP Trunk Main Capital Cost Recovery Policy is available at www.clayutility.org or you can come to the office of the Clay County Utility Authority at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except legal holidays. Following the public hearing, which may be adjourned from time to time, The Board of Supervisors may adopt or modify the LAMP Trunk Main Capital Cost Recovery Policy. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 272-5999 x 2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Those requiring auditory assistance can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD). If any person intends to appeal any decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend. CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY
Jeremy Johnston, Executive Director
Legal 79267 Published 8/10/2023 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 17th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 23-7465
Division 44190
Abudu Olatunde Olalekan
Petitioner
and

Abudu Richardine
Respondent.
TO: Abudu Richardine
351 Crossing Blvd, Apt 1311, Orange Park, FL 32073
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 Abudu Olatunde Olalekan whose address is 8900 NW 54th Street, Sunrise, FL 33351, on or before September 5, 2023, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 201 SE 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. **If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.** Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office. **WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.** Dated: July 20, 2023.
BRENDA D. FORMAN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Angel Harris
Deputy Clerk
Legal 79266 Published 8/10/2023, 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023 and 8/31/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Steve Clines Diesel Repair** located at 5433 Hwy 17 S, in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
Dated at Fleming Island, Florida, this 7th day of August 2023.
Suzanne Cline
Legal 79264 Published 8/10/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME

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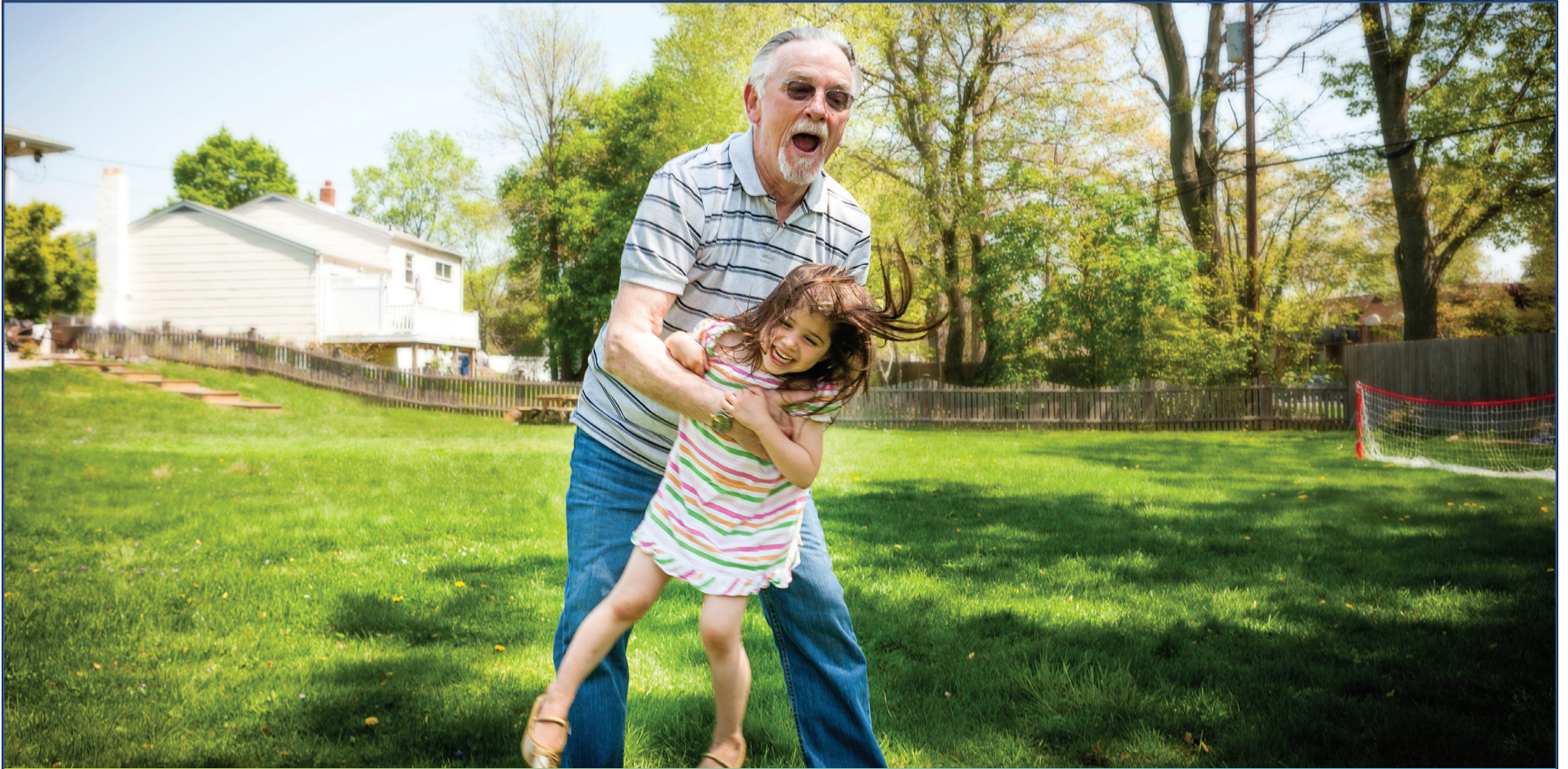
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