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THE PLAYERS tees up support for Clothes Closet and Food Pantry

Organization donates \$15,000 for refrigerated van, food pantry

By Don Coble
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ORANGE PARK – Anita Aultman went about her chores on Aug. 29 like every other day at the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry. She talked with volunteers and helped stock the food pantry. There were clothes to sort and needy residents to comfort.

But she knew something was coming.

“It was hard for me to keep my mouth shut,” she said with a giggle.

A trio said they visited the nonprofit on Fromhart Stree to meet one of Aultman’s friends. In reality, it was a set-up.

THE PLAYERS Executive Director Lee Smith, PGA Tour’s Senior Director of Community Outreach Emily Bellock and Community Relations Director Marjorie Dennis when they unexpectedly made their intentions clear when they said they would push a fundraiser to replace a refrigerated van across the finish line.

“They said they wanted to see Jamie, and I said Jamie doesn’t actually know

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STAFF PHOTOS BY DON COBLE

Brad Satcher spends most of his waking moments creating patriotic artwork in an old horse barn behind his house. He focuses primarily on former and active military, first responders and law enforcement. He declined several national news outlet requests because he stays too busy and he’s “not making a statement.” In addition to creating more than 1,000 signs and flags in the past six years, he also taught himself to play classical music on the piano.

Lookin’ out my back door

Satcher’s Patriot’s Barn: Turning inspiration into patriotic creations

By Don Coble
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MIDDLEBURG – The faint sound of Creedence Clearwater Revival songs was interrupted by a whiny router and the screeching sounds of wood being trimmed on a typically hot Sunday afternoon last week.

Brad Satcher was covered in a work-

ing man’s glitter of sweat, woodchips and serenity when the cutting stopped.

Hot and grubby, Satcher never felt better. His horse stalls-turned-studio is where he finds peace. And it’s where he turns his passion for his community into one-of-a-kind projects that have attracted

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Orange Park High to open new stadium Friday night

Orange Park High faces Clay High 7 p.m.

By Lee Wardlaw
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ORANGE PARK – Orange Park and Clay highs have met on the football field several times. But on Friday, the matchup will have a different feel, as the stage is set for a historic night at the newly-refurbished Hoyt B. Cotney Stadium.

The Raiders will be under the “Friday Night Lights” with a newly-renovated, state-of-the-art version of the stadium, which got its first facelift since the original stadium was built by Clay County Jail inmates in 1962.

Students, fans, alumni, and the community will finally take a peek inside the Raiders’ new crown jewel.

“Generations of people and families from Clay County have attended school at Orange Park. (The stadium opening) is going to be a huge deal for past, present, and future Raiders. We hope to put our best foot forward, and I just can’t wait to see everybody at the game,” said second-year head coach Marcus Wimbley.

The stadium now will seat approximately 2,500 fans. Last year, the old stadium, which was 60 years old, could only be described with one word: dilapidated.

“The (old stadium) has been there almost as long as the school has been here. We were one of the only schools that still had an old concrete stadium. It was falling apart. There’s only so much glue and paint you can put on it. Even when you put paint on it, you could tell it was old,” said Joel



EVENTS

Schedule of Events for ribbon-cutting at Hoyt B. Cotney Stadium

- When:** Friday, Sept. 8
Where: Orange Park High
- **Business Tailgate Party, 4-6 p.m. at stadium parking lot.**
 - **Florida Blue Health Council’s Healthy Walk around stadium, 4:45 p.m. Admission is free.**
 - **Ribbon-cutting to open stadium, 5:20 p.m.**
- For tickets, visit gofan.co/app/events.**
- **Orange Park vs. Clay High, 7 p.m.**



STAFF PHOTOS BY LEE WARDLAW

The new stadium is complete with approximately 2,500 seats, 45 bathroom stalls, an upgraded press box, and a new and improved concession stand, among other amenities.

Wallace, a retired U.S. Navy veteran and school’s track coach.

The new stadium, which boasts 39 more restroom stalls – an increase from six to 45 – and it will have a new concession stand and press box.

“It does wonders for the program,” Wallace said.

“Keeping up with the Joneses” is not only a principle that applies to major college football programs. It assists in the survival of local high school football.

“In this day and age, it’s about the facilities that you have. Everyone is trying to upgrade their facilities and outdo each other in college football, and it’s the same way in high school. Kids are trying to go

whoever they think has the best facilities and whoever can present them with the best opportunity,” Wimbley said.

The coach, who finished 93-77 and won a state championship during 12 seasons of coaching in Memphis, Tennessee, finished 2-8 last year. But his team is halfway to last year’s win total following a 34-19 win against Jacksonville Episcopal last week.

The next renovation project will be to upgrade the field house and the weight room. “That’s our project for next year, so we’ll be able to compete with everyone in the county,” Wimbley said.

The new stadium resonates with Raiders players. Wallace, who estimated his

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Orange Park Council tentatively adopts reduced millage rate

By Lee Wardlaw
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ORANGE PARK – After originally deciding on a millage rate of 5.8781 in July, the Town Council unanimously approved a resolution to tentatively adopt a reduced millage rate of 5.077 during Tuesday night’s meeting.

The original rate created a higher ceiling to provide more flexibility, but the council determined they could lower it by nearly one mill.

The 5-0 vote marked the first time the millage rate was lowered since 2018. The rate will be levied against real and personal property within town limits.

Mayor Randy Anderson said there was just over \$35,700 in surplus monies in the

town’s budget, allowing the millage rate to be lowered. In other business, the council approved the County Chamber of Commerce to continue to lease Town Hall office space – but at a cost.

Town Manager Sarah Campbell said rental prices in July surged \$1.86 a square foot from last April, according to Economic Summary Reports from the Economic Development Corporation.

Winette Sandlin also supported the increase after calculating square footage rates. Campbell said the Chamber’s rent will result in an annual increase of \$2,790 to meet the standard. The new lease will cost the Chamber \$36,390.

They unanimously agreed to amend the Chamber’s contract to an 18-month lease that will start on Jan. 1.



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Town Council met on Tuesday to approve the millage rate for the upcoming year and move forward with an amended lease agreement for the County Chamber of Commerce’s office space at Town Hall.

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Paul Wane hits stage at Rock & Roll Hall of Fame

By Don Coble
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Paul Wane's life took an incredible turn on Jan. 8 when he delivered a riveting Star Spangled Banner guitar solo before the Jacksonville Jaguars-Tennessee Titans regular-season finale.

Not only did it garner him national acclaim, including stories in Guitar World and USA Today, it also aligned him with businesses supporting his music.

With help from sources like Morgan and Morgan, Wane had enough money to take his Duval County Line on a 16-state, 21-day tour.

"I had \$500, so I said, 'Let's go.' Man, we had a blast," Wane said.

The tour's highlight was an invitation to play with the house band at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.

The "Freedom Tour" also included five nights at Sturgis, South Dakota, where rock legends like Lynyrd Skynyrd, Blackberry Smoke, 38 Special, Foghat, Molly Hatchet, Great White, ZZ Top, Limp Bizkit and Styx have performed during the town's annual motorcycle rally.

Wane took his iconic U.S. flag-decorated guitar and the No. 23 jersey the Jaguars



gave him on stage for every show.

The group returned in time to play at Food Truck Friday at Spring Park in Green Cove Springs last week. In what's become customary, Wane presented a girl with a guitar as part of his Guitars for Kids program.

"We created another Rising Star," Wane said. "That's the coolest thing I do."



PHOTOS BY LISA WANE

Local musician Paul Wane and his band Duval County Line hit the road for a whirlwind tour that included 16 states. In addition to the band playing at Sturgis, Wane was invited to play with the house band at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio.



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Mack: Bureaucracy pulls reigns on students' education

By Henry Mack

Director of Higher Education, Workforce for TSG Advisors

Certifications and skills-based education are the future of K20 education.

In 2021, the Florida Legislature passed House Bill 1507, known as the "REACH Act" – Reimagining Education And Career Help. It was passed with much enthusiasm as it aimed to bring a more inclusive and integrated approach to how we train for today's future of work.

Since 2021, Florida has witnessed much success thanks to the bill's reforms and Gov. Ron DeSantis' leadership. Florida now enjoys:

- Record numbers of CTE students enrolled in its public schools.
- Record numbers of apprentices and participating employers.
- Record completions in its college workforce programs.
- Record numbers of adult learners enrolled in integrated education and training programs.
- A renewed commitment and enthusiasm for elevating Floridians with disabilities.
- A first-of-its-kind interagency workforce data dashboard to help colleges and universities meet workforce needs.

Despite the progress, the REACH Act came with some inefficiencies, additional bureaucracy and a frustrated field of educators. Among the bill's hiccups is the creation of the Credentials Review Committee – a new statutorily appointed committee under CareerSource's state workforce board, of which I used to be a member.

Together with the State Board of Education, the CRC is primarily responsible for determining what credentials, certifications, certificates, and degrees (yes, degrees) are valuable to the state. Being added to the "Master Credentials List" not only signifies importance in the eyes of the state; in many cases, it comes with hundreds of millions of dollars to school districts, colleges, universities and teachers in the form of direct performance money and teacher bonuses. In short, the idea is that money drives behavior.

Unfortunately, both the SBE and CRC recently passed on the addition of multiple in-demand certifications leading to middle- to high-wage jobs: Microsoft Office, Google Workspace and Adobe certifications.

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OPINIONS



Trying to reason with hurricane season: Don't be fooled by Idalia

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

CLAY COUNTY – I overheard a group of guys laughing about how county and weather officials once again warned of possible destruction projected to come with Hurricane Idalia last week, only to realize the storm was barely a whimper.

In Clay County, most of the storm tracks had the storm making landfall north of Tampa before cutting a path across Northeast Florida and exiting into the Atlantic Ocean just north of Jacksonville. That put our county in the storm's crosshairs. At one time, Camp Blanding was under a hurricane watch alert.

Less than 12 hours before it hit shore, Idalia jogged north and west and struck Keaton Beach, 75 miles southwest of Tallahassee.

No matter how many experts you put on a project, one thing never changes: Mother Nature's in charge and answers to nobody.

That brings us back to the people who said Idalia was proof again that news companies, weather services and government officials only want to illicit fear with its residents. It makes them look like they're earning their money.

But here's the deal. Idalia did hap-



Don Coble

pen. Clay County stood ready to face Idalia's wrath. But it turned and went another way. Others weren't as lucky. Our good fortune means others were unfortunate. Instead of lamenting being over-prepared and swept by zealous expectations, we should focus more on those who still don't have power or a roof over their heads.

It was a major hurricane. It teetered between Category 4 and 3 when it pounded the Big Bend coastline. Tell those folks everyone was looking for significant television ratings.

It's impossible to know exactly where a storm will travel. We have incomplete data from previous storms, water temperatures, storm speeds, conditions that influence the direction, and our best guesses.

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A year ago, we got fooled here by Hurricane Ian. Early in the forecast, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and National Hurricane Center projected Ian to hit Southwest Florida. As the storm approached the state, the model changed to the Tampa Bay area and Tallahassee.

The first forecast was correct, but it was too late for some to find higher ground. At the last minute – even with a

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Word OF THE WEEK

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

Logomachy: (lo-GAH-me-kee) is a noun that means an argument about words.

"We had a bit of a logomachy while creating our new company slogan."

This Week in History

Five years ago, 2018

- School district students enjoy an option for lunch after the school board approves a \$162,000 plan called "The Filling Station" to bring food trucks to schools.
- The Orange Park Town Council considers turning the home where former U.S. Senator and Presidential candidate John McCain lived at Fatio Lane after he returned from Vietnam.
- Green Cove Springs City Council hires Steve Kennedy as its new City Manager. Kennedy previously was the city manager at Kennesaw and Americus, Georgia.

10 years ago, 2013

- The Green Cove Springs Soul Food Festival announces it will add a beauty pageant to its annual festival.
- The Florida Department of Transportation announces it will repave Knight Boxx Road north to Kingsley Avenue at a cost of \$5.4 million.
- St. Vincent's Medical Center announces workers should report to work when the hospital opens on Oct. 1.

20 years ago, 2003

- After considering a 10% utility tax, the Board of County Commissioners voted 3-2 to impose a 4% tax on electricity use and metered or bottled gas.
- Sunseeker Entertainment, which specializes in concert promotion, opens in Orange Park and announces legendary Percy Sledge, who sang, "When a Man Loves a Woman," at the Florida Theater.
- Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies uses its K-9 unit to find a man wanted for attempted murder hiding in the woods near Black Creek.

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Opinions ...

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Hurricane

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a storm that was moving at 10 mph – Ian made a hard right-hand turn and tore through Fort Myers Beach and Sanibel Island. Many Southwest Florida residents were caught off guard, which led to 144 deaths.

Again, we were spared. Some ignored the warnings here; others belittled forecasters when it passed 150 miles south of the projected path.

Just because we were warned to be prepared and it didn't materialize doesn't mean it didn't happen. Hurricane Ian did happen – just not to us.

Early in the storm's development, the National Hurricane Center said Ian had a "low chance" of development. A day later, the organization reversed course.

How the models differed from leading agencies made Ian and Idalia so challenging to predict. A wider cone was drafted by incorporating the leading models. They were throwing their best predictions against the wall, hoping something would

stick.

Hurricanes don't follow the script because the atmosphere is constantly changing. That's why the NHC always warned people not to focus on the exact area of impact, especially from a long-term forecast.

The cone also projects the likely path of the storm's eye, but hurricane-force winds could extend as many as 50 miles from the center. Tropical-force winds are often felt more than 150 miles in every direction from the eye.

As they continue to clean up Idalia's damaging path through the Florida Gulf Coast, Georgia and South Carolina, forecasters have their eyes on two other potentially dangerous systems. One is projected to be a tropical depression or storm – or perhaps a hurricane – by the time you read this.

If our Office of Emergency Management suggests we stock up on water and take all the necessary precautions for a potentially bad storm, I will listen. I'd rather be prepared for a storm that misses me than unprepared for a storm that punches me in the mouth.



Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies help with the cleanup in Taylor County after Hurricane Idalia swept through the Big Bend area on Aug. 30. The county sent emergency management, law enforcement and fire rescue personnel to help victims of the storm.

History

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30 years ago, 1993

- Florida Education Commissioner Betty Castor met with St. Johns River Community College officials to celebrate a \$675,000 grant to create a tri-county Tech Prep Consortium to usher in a new era of vocational training in public schools.

- Clay County teachers went back into negotiations after they demanded a 9.9% pay raise while the county offered 2.7%.

- The Orange Park Police Department arrested a Jacksonville man, Daniel Scott Flesch, after he was caught with five

pounds of marijuana during a traffic stop on Plainfield Ave.

40 years ago, 1983

- Two Orange Park bar owners – Carl Post of Sea Diver Lounge and James M. Vincent of the Village Saloon, were arrested after they refused to follow a town ordinance to stop selling alcohol after midnight.

- Two Jacksonville men were arrested for breaking into three Orange Park churches – Assembly of God, Orange Park Presbyterian and First Baptist.

- An Eckerd Drugs sale ad offered a box of crayons for 69 cents and an eight-ounce jar of peanuts for 88 cents.

Education

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They also have no mechanism for incentivizing those essential "human" or "soft" skills employers increasingly now insist upon.

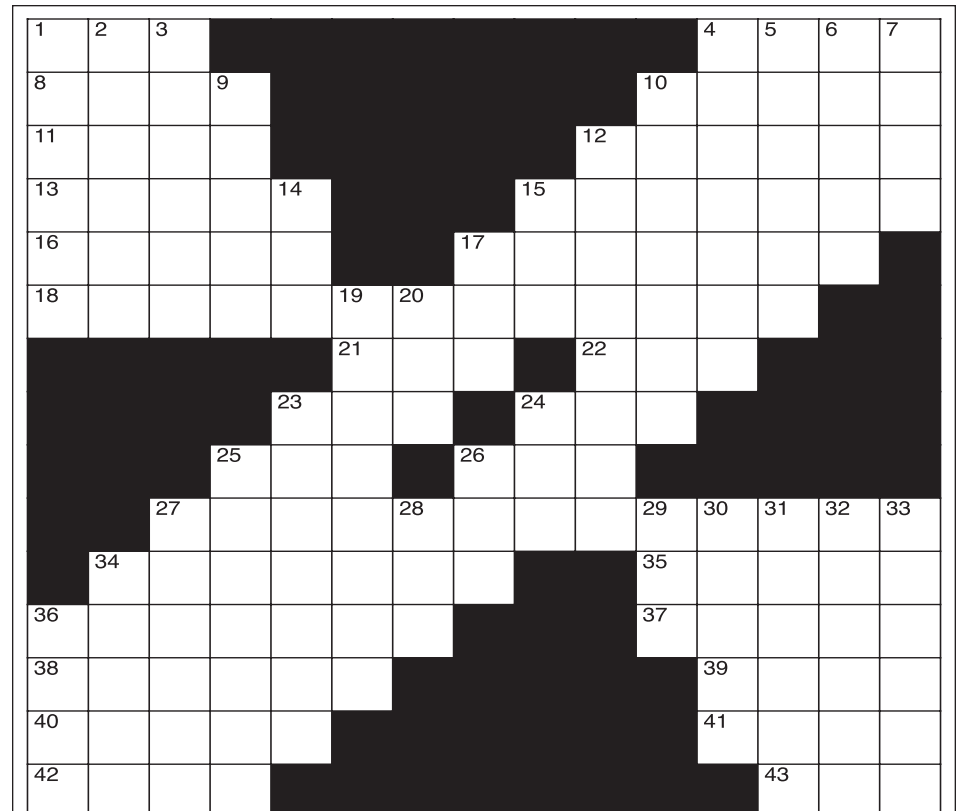
Certifications – third-party validation of one's mastery of in-demand skills — matter for economic progress. Florida is right to emphasize their attainment and insist on funding them only if they link to in-demand, high-paying occupations. However, the SBE and CRC continue to miss the mark in critical areas. For example, Google Workspace skills dominate Florida's small business operations. And while they enjoy the lion's share of office suite products, in addition to over 58% of school districts using Google Workspace, these certifications are without a place on the coveted MCL. Moreover, as two recent surveys showed – one by McKinsey and another by The

Florida Chamber – the proportion of businesses demanding empathy, communication and other interpersonal skills doubled since 2019.

During this Legislative Session, I hope to witness significant reforms in this area, and not just because I was once responsible for implementing the bill. Rather, my interest is student-driven.

Certifications and skills-based education are the future of K20 education. Suppose Florida continues to let bad government and bureaucracy get in the way. In that case, it will never become what the Governor has rightly charged it to become – the No. 1 in the nation for workforce education.

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CLUES ACROSS

- Outsourcing (abbr.)
- Post
- German city on edge of Black Forest
- "___, but goodie"
- Spiced stew
- Passionately
- Monetary units
- Group of living organisms
- Organic compound derived from ammonia
- High honors
- 5-year-olds' classes
- Swiss river
- Old woman
- Cash machine
- A way to soak
- Hair product
- Deride
- "The Blonde Bombshell"
- Cause to become insane
- Bluish greens

CLUES DOWN

- Native of Slovakia
- Deli meat
- Fibrous substance in fungi
- Cutting
- Vedder and Van Halen
- Horror comic novelist
- Rulers of Tunis
- Shaped like a circle
- Make a pig of oneself
- Aphorism
- Witness
- Single Lens Reflex

- Freshwater North American fish
- Nautical ropes
- Leg (slang)
- Pokes holes in
- Moved quickly on foot
- Fix-it shops
- Type of bread
- Repaired
- Synthetic diamond (abbr.)
- Type of drug (abbr.)
- German city along the Rhine
- Animal disease
- Martini necessities
- Get away from
- Village in Mali
- Djibouti franc

Labor Day ushers restrictions for teens working part-time jobs

By U.S. Department of Labor
For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – Now that children and students are back in class, the rules change for those who want to keep earning extra money in their spare time.

Young workers can still have a safe and rewarding work experience after Labor Day ... but with restrictions.

First, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, children younger than 18 are generally allowed to work for businesses entirely owned by their parents. The exceptions are mining and manufacturing companies or any business declared hazardous.

Hazardous duties include:

- Operating or cleaning power-driven meat processing machines like slicers, saws and choppers;
- Operating slicers used for meat, cheese and vegetables;
- Slaughtering, processing, rendering or packing meat and poultry;
- Operate power-driven circular saws, band saws, guillotine shears, chain saws, reciprocating saws, woodchippers, wood-working tools, nailing machines, sanders and abrasive cutting discs;
- Roofing, including work performed on the ground, such as removing the old roof;

- Driving or working outside as a driver's helper to assist with loading, unloading and securing cargo;

- Work where explosives are manufactured or stored;

- Jobs in wrecking, demolition and ship-breaking operations;

- Operate, ride or help use power-driven equipment like forklifts, non-automatic elevators, skid-steers, skid-steer loaders, backhoes, manlifts, scissor lifts, cherry pickers, work-assist platforms, boom trucks and cranes;

- Operate balers, compactors, including trash compactors, and paper-product machines;

- Mining, including sand and gravel operations;

- Work where they can be exposed to radioactive materials;

- Work where bricks, tile and similar products are manufactured;

- Industries that focus on logging or forestry, including fire prevention, timber tract management, logging or sawmilling;

- Operate, clean or repair power-driven bakery machines, including vertical dough and battery mixers, dough rollers, rounders, dividers and sheeters, cookie or cracker machines;

- Operate power-driven metal-working machines, including forming, punching and shearing machines;



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Clay High's Bailey Allbritton and Ridgeview's Dominick Ostrom, both 16, work as hosts at Dalton's Sports Grill in Lake Asbury. Both are old enough to continue their schedules as long as their duties don't hazardous responsibilities.

- Companies that do trenching and excavation work exceeding four feet in depth.

Child Labor laws allow teens 16 or 17 years old to work unlimited hours other than those declared hazardous.

Rules are far more restrictive for younger workers.

For example, teens 14 and 15 aren't allowed to work more than three hours a day on weekdays, including Fridays, and children of those ages cannot work more than 18 hours a week while school is in session. They also are limited to an eight-hour a day or more than 40 hours a week when isn't in session. Moreover, 14 and 15-year-olds can't work before 7 a.m. or after 7

p.m. during school. The exception is June 1 through Labor Day, when the nighttime curfew is extended to 9 p.m.

The same rules apply to home-schooled students, those who attend private schools or are dropouts.

Other restrictions apply to this age group, like performing baking operations, youth peddling like sign waving or door-to-door activities and working on ladders, scaffolds and their substitutes.

The only allowable jobs for children younger than 14 are delivering newspapers, babysitting, or working as an actor. The minimum wage for workers younger than 18 is \$7.25.

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Jeff Taylor selected as HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital CEO

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital welcomed Jeff Taylor as the hospital's new Chief Executive Officer on Friday, Sept. 1.

Taylor has more than 17 years of healthcare administration experience, including his most recent role as CEO at HCA Healthcare's Summerville Medical Center in Summerville, South Carolina.

"HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital has a proud past of providing extraordinary care to our community. Whether it is celebrating new life or caring for those with life-threatening illness or injury, we proudly care for each patient no matter the circumstance," Taylor said. "I am humbled by the opportunity to lead this organization into the future. I am impressed with our dedicated and highly skilled medical staff and colleagues and look forward to supporting them as we expand services and programs."

During his 12-year career with HCA Healthcare, Taylor has served as Chief Operating Officer at Menorah Medical Center, COO of Belton Regional Medical Center, and Administrator for the HCA Healthcare Mid-America Surgery Institute.

"Jeff is a compassionate leader who excels at building relationships with his colleagues, community leaders and physicians," said Hugh C. Tappan, President of HCA Healthcare's South Atlantic Division. "He has a track record of success and is a perfect fit for HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital."

Taylor replaces Lisa Valentine, who retired after being appointed CEO in 2019.

Taylor joined HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital during extensive growth and de-



Jeff Taylor

velopment.

Over the past couple of years, the hospital has invested more than \$220 million to expand capacity and elevate its services to meet the growing needs of its community, completed the five-story, 96-bed East Tower expansion that houses state-of-the-art rooms for medical and surgical patients and opened an additional 20-bed Intensive Care Unit.

Currently, the hospital is working on modernizing and expanding its Imaging assets, doubling the size of the Inpatient Rehabilitation unit and increasing its Cardiovascular Care capabilities.

Taylor earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Missouri Southern State University and his Master of Healthcare Administration degree from the University of Missouri.

He will be joined by his wife, Lauren, and their three children in moving to Northeast Florida.

Health department's vital records to move to Bear Run Clinic

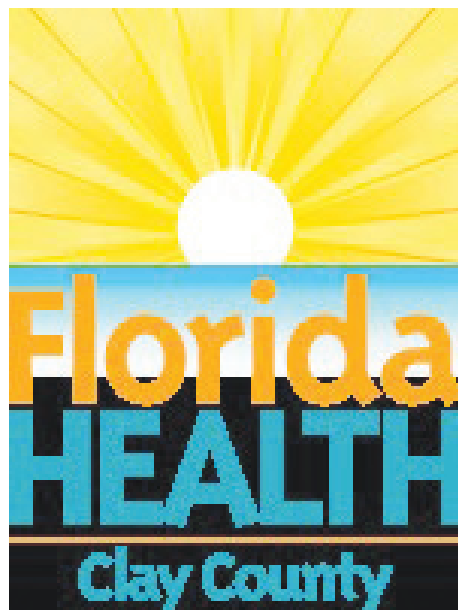
For Clay Today

FLEMING ISLAND – The Florida Department of Health in Clay County's Department of Vital Statistics, home to birth and death certificate services, has temporarily moved its location from the headquarters on Town Center Boulevard.


Vital Statistics will close at noon Friday, Sept. 8, and reopen at 8 a.m. on Sept. 11 at its Bear Run Clinic location, 3229 Bear Run Blvd. in Orange Park.

Biomedical Sharps Disposal Services will be temporarily unavailable at the Fleming Island location and is expected to resume in May 2024.

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Obituaries

Wanda Pahdoco McDaniel

Wanda Pahdoco McDaniel of Jacksonville, Florida passed away on August 23, 2023 at the age of 83. Wanda was born in Lawton, Oklahoma on October 13, 1939 to the late Jess Albert and Alma Lee Pahdoco. She graduated from Lawton High School in 1957, graduated from Cameron University and Oklahoma State University, and received a Masters degree in Education from Oklahoma University.



Wanda Pahdoco McDaniel

While visiting her long-time friends in Georgia, Sandra and Bill Cadle, Wanda met Cadle McDaniel who she later married. Wanda retired from a long career as an educator. Before teaching, Wanda worked at Fort Sill, Oklahoma for several years. She was an accounting teacher at the Margaret McEvoy girl's school in Macon, Georgia and was an adjunct instructor for the University of Oklahoma and Emory Riddle University teaching at the Federal Aviation Administration Management Training School.

Wanda lived in Palm Coast, Florida while teaching at the FAA Management school. She later moved to Orange Park, Florida to be closer to her son. After her son's death, she moved to Wyndom Lakes Assisted Living Center in Jacksonville, Florida and had recently transferred to the Riverwood Center.

Wanda was a devoted member of the Episcopal Church and a member of the Comanche Nation. She was preceded in death by her beloved son Jay Albert McDaniel, his dad Hugh Cadle McDaniel and her par-

ents. Wanda is survived by her grandson Jackson Hugh McDaniel and two step-grandchildren, Emily and Ethan Suto; and siblings Linda Pahdoco Elzie, Jim Pahdoco, Jo Vickers; and by many loving nephews and nieces.

The Broadus-Raines Funeral Home in Green Cove Spring, Florida is handling arrangements. A Celebration of Life service is planned for October 13, 2023.



Betty Anne Sewell Williams

Betty Anne Sewell Williams died Thursday, August 24, 2023. Mrs. Williams was born June 14, 1930 to Royce J. Sewell, Sr. and Flora Wilbanks Sewell in Toccoa, Georgia. She graduated from Toccoa High School and the Georgia State College for Women in Milledgeville. She began her teaching career in Atlanta city schools and retired from Clay County schools. Mrs. Williams and her late husband, W. C. "Bill" Williams, were residents of Green Cove Springs for over 50 years.



Betty Anne Sewell Williams

Surviving Betty Williams are her children, Laura Hanna and Guerry (Sandy) Williams of Marietta, Georgia. Three grandchildren, two nieces and a nephew also survive. A private memorial service for Mrs. Williams will be held this fall. Marietta Funeral Home, Marietta Georgia is assisting the family.

CDR Donald F. Walsh

CDR Donald F. Walsh USN ret, of Lake Asbury in Clay County, passed away on August 27, 2023. CDR Walsh is survived by his wife Johnnie Lou Walsh, son Michael F. Walsh, daughter Mary Ann Curry, four grandchildren: Amy Walsh, Katie Adams, David Troscclair, and Haley Smith. Additionally he is survived by five great grandchildren.



CDR Walsh joined the Navy in 1948 as an E-1 working in a blimp squadron and quickly progressed through the ranks. In 15 years he held all enlisted ranks through and including Master Chief before his promotion to Ensign. In the following 15 years he progressed through the officer ranks to Commander.



CDR Donald F. Walsh

CDR Walsh is a veteran of both the Korean and the Vietnam wars. And when he retired in 1978 he was in Officer in Charge of the Pinecastle Bombing Range.

Following his retirement CDR Walsh worked at Steuart Petroleum Company for 13 years. A few days after he left Steuart there was a fire at the plant and he was called in to advise on the resolution of the fire.

CDR Walsh married Johnnie Lou Walsh, his wife of 73 years, on May 2, 1952 and they had a wonderful, happy marriage until his passing.

CDR Walsh belonged to numerous military and civic associations e.g. Fleet Reserve, VFW, Military Officers Association, Naval Airship Association, Lake Asbury Civic Association, and the Lake Asbury Lake Lot Owners Association. CDR Walsh held a leadership position in many of these and was well respected by his peers and fellow members.

He will be sorely missed by all who knew him and loved him!

CDR Walsh: We salute you and your service to our military and our community!

A visitation for CDR Walsh will be held

Thursday, September 7, 2023 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Hardage - Giddens Holly Hill Funeral Home, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, FL 32068.

A graveside service will be Friday, September 8, 2023 from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM at Jacksonville National Cemetery, 4083 Lannie Road, Jacksonville, FL 32218.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.hollyhill-funerals.com for the Walsh family.



Diane P. Gose, née Martin

Diane P. Gose, née Martin earned her wings on August 27, 2023. She leaves behind a husband Robert Gose and two sons Michael Cariola and wife NiNi Cariola, son Brandon McWhirter.

She also has a stepdaughter Rebecca Friel and two stepsons Robert Gose IV who preceded her in death and Jack Gose. She has four grandchildren Brenden, Molly, Brooke, and Luke. She leaves behind three sisters and one brother Teresa Martin, Karen Montone, James T. Martin III and Robin Burke.



Diane P. Gose

Her sister Joann Prior preceded her in death. She has numerous nephews and nieces. A memorial will be held later.

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Clay County provides support for victims of Hurricane Idalia

Sheriff's Office, Fire Rescue, emergency management, Team Rubicon volunteers helping with rebuilding process

By Don Coble
don@claytodayonline.com

Even as Idalia, which had been downgraded to a tropical storm, was still churning a path through Georgia and South Carolina, several Clay County first responders were already organizing to help with rescue and rebuilding efforts.

Hours earlier, Hurricane Idalia was projected to bring 75 mph winds to Clay County. But the Category 3 storm made an unexpected jog to the north and west and tore into the rural area at Keaton Beach, 75 miles southwest of Tallahassee.

Spared the destruction, county officials were quickly dispatched to the area.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office sent 16 deputies, including Sheriff Michelle Cook, to Taylor and Suwannee counties. Fire Rescue sent 10 firefighters to Dixie County to fill in for local first responders who worked for days without time off. The Northeast Florida Region 3 All Hazards Team, which is comprised of emergency management officials from Clay, Duval and St. Johns counties, headed to Citrus County. And local emergency volunteers with Team Rubicon were sprinkled throughout the Big Bend area.

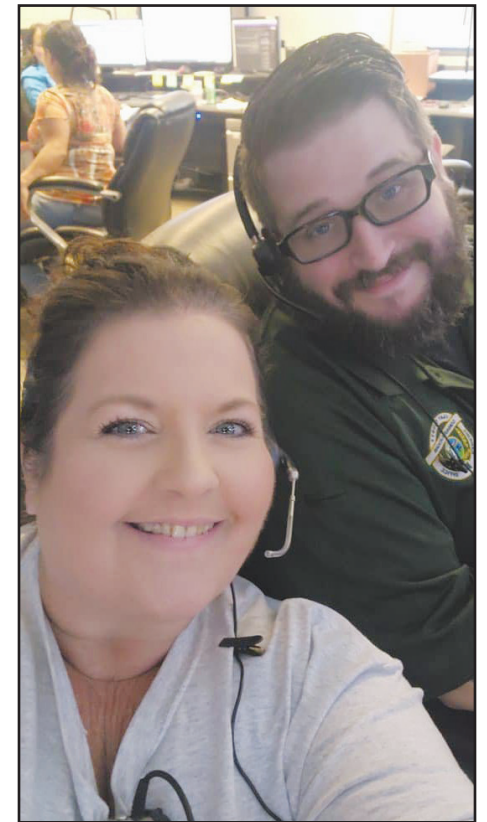
Cook represents the Florida Sheriff's

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Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook is one of nearly 50 who are part of the rescue and rebuilding process for those affected by Hurricane Idalia last week.



CCSO 911 dispatchers Sarah Lipe and Thomas Bowen are part of the emergency response in Taylor County, while 10 Clay County Fire Rescue firefighters are in Dixie County for the cleanup efforts after Idalia's direct hit as a Category 3 storm.



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Community Briefs



Prelaunch party for Vineyard's Boston Butt fundraiser Sept. 16

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Vineyard Transitional Center will host its Boston Butt fundraising prelaunch party on Sept. 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the facility's future home that's dedicated to providing life skill training, housing and counseling to former inmates from the Clay County Jail.

The Boston Butt Cookoff is one of Vineyard's most-popular fundraisers. Last year, the nonprofit sold more than 600 to support the fundraising project to build a new center at 518 Pine St.

The kickoff launch will include a free lunch of pork sliders and side dishes. Singer/songwriter Ashton Taylor will perform music. Patrons will be able to pre-order their smoked Thanksgiving Boston Butts.

For more information, contact Pastor John Sanders at (904) 305-4641 or Joseph Smith at (904) 343-1869.

After-school classes offered at Augusta Savage Center

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – There are several openings for after-school classes at the Augusta Savage Museum and Mentoring Center.

Fundamentals of Art by Johnny Mathis for children 10-16 will meet on Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Money Matters for Kids by Rich Holley for children 6-8 will be on Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Math Tutoring by Lucy Conrad for grades nine through 12 will be on Thursdays from

3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Counseling with Tammy Rowson for all grades will be on Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and Dance by La'Farrah Davis for children 4 to 16 will be on Mondays, starting on Sept. 11, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Children must register to attend. Registration forms are at greencovesprings.com.Augusta-Savage-Museum-Mentoring-Center.

County looking for suggestions on its Gateway to Clay project

CLAY COUNTY – Residents living on or near Wells Road are encouraged to complete a survey to share ideas for the Gateway to Clay initiative. The project is a partnership between public safety, government and businesses to improve Wells Road.

The survey is available at claycounty.gov/community/gateway-to-clay.

Jacksonville Symphony presenting two free concerts

JACKSONVILLE – The Jacksonville Symphony announces its annual Communi-

ty Concerts, presented by Haskell. A Symphony tradition, these concerts welcome all of Jacksonville to Jacoby Symphony Hall for a preview of the season's musical offerings. Performances will be on Friday, Sept. 15, and Saturday, Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Jacoby Symphony Hall.

Both Community Concert performances are free and open to all and will feature a lively mix of Classical and Pops favorites. Music Director Courtney Lewis, along with the ultra-talented musicians of the Jacksonville Symphony, is sure to deliver an exhilarating performance with something for every musical taste, showcasing the full versatility of the orchestra.

"Symphonic music has the power to bring people from all walks of life together in ways that few other art forms can," Lewis said. "I simply cannot wait to welcome the community to Jacoby Symphony Hall for these special concerts. I hope listeners will leave feeling overjoyed and inspired, ready to embark on a journey of symphonic excellence throughout the 23-24 season."

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Association. She has been going from county to county to ensure dozens of law enforcement agencies have the necessary resources and support and to troubleshoot any problems.

Cook said the Clay County Sheriff's Office also sent 16 deputies and two 911 dispatchers.

"I want the Clay County Sheriff's Office

The Northeast Florida Region 3 All Hazards Team was deployed to Citrus County to provide critical expertise to the heavily damaged area. The NE Florida team is comprised of emergency management offices in Clay, Duval and St. Johns counties.

to help the impacted communities because that builds goodwill. Right?," Cook said. "When something happens here, we know we can count on those guys to reciprocate."

Idalia made landfall on Wednesday, Aug. 30. It spent 31 hours ripping across the South before exiting into the Atlantic Ocean.

According to Gov. Ron DeSantis, 13 counties were part of the federal disaster declaration. The State Emergency Response Team has provided more than 230,000 meals, 150,000 bottles of water and 3,000 tarps at nine different points of distribution.

As victims of the storm filed damage reports, members of Team Rubicon, a nonprofit dedicated to helping people prepare, respond and recover from disasters, assessed the damage and arranged for repairs the following day.

CCSO deputies provided law enforcement at Steinhatchee in Taylor County, 19 miles southeast of landfall.

"Being a good neighbor is how people come together," Cook said. "You leave all the baggage at the door and roll up your sleeves and get busy."

As officials worked to clean up the mess Idalia left, another major storm was forming in the Atlantic Ocean by Wednesday. The National Hurricane Center predicted it to become a major hurricane before the weekend, but early spaghetti models forecast the storm to turn north and miss the United States.

But if it doesn't, county emergency teams will be ready to go where they're needed.

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track team consists of more than 60% of football players, is confident the new digs will rub off on them positively.

"When you play somewhere that's run down, it's harder to come out with as much pride. But now, when they take the field, I know they will have excitement. You'll be able to see it in their eyes," he said.

Just ask Austin Mills, a freshman running back who is gaining confidence while learning behind his teammates, or Donovan Bradley, a senior defensive back.

"I feel like it's an improvement (on behalf) of the program. It means that we're an up-and-coming program. If we look good, we play well," Mills said.

Bradley said the new stadium will bring more Raiders fans to games, where they will see an improvement.

"I (believe) we're going to have a great season and that we bring a lot to the table," he said.

Cotney Stadium is handicapped accessible. A ramp connects to the home grandstand, which is the main body of the stadium, and wheelchair accessible seating.

The scoreboard was changed prior to the destruction of the old stadium.



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is free, but a ticket is required. Up to four free tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Contact Haley Cox, Group Sales and Community Engagement Manager, for larger groups at hcox@jaxsymphony.org.

For more information and to claim tickets, visit JaxSymphony.org.

Senior Games returning to Jacksonville for 10 days

JACKSONVILLE – Senior athletes are invited to register for the Jacksonville Senior Games from Sept. 29 to Oct. 8.

Seasoned athletes 50 and older can compete in an Olympic-style event with competitive and novice classes.

The Florida Sports Foundation sanctions the games and are a qualifier for the Florida Senior Games State Championships.

Being healthy and active is not only important for physical and mental well-being. This is why the Forever Fit 50 and Beyond: Jacksonville Senior Games offers non-physical games and activities and plenty of social events that allow our participants to renew friendships, create new ones, and share experiences. In the spirit of good sportsmanship, anything is possible.

Events include 5K road race, powerlifting (bench press and deadlift), 5K and 10K cycling, singles and doubles table tennis, singles and doubles bowling, bridge, basketball free throws and spot shots, swimming, singles and doubles tennis, golf, Chinese Mah Jong and singles and doubles pickleball.

Age groups are 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89 and 90 and older.

For more information about the 2022 Forever Fit 50 and Beyond: Jacksonville Senior Games, call (904) 255-5667 or email adultsvcs@coj.net.

Quigley House's Casino night to raise funds, awareness for abuse survivors

FLEMING ISLAND – Quigley House will host the Monte Carlo Night on Sept. 30 at Sullivan Hall of Sacred Heart Catholic Church on U.S. Highway.

The \$100 admission includes a \$100 gameplay card, beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres, music, a cash 50/50 drawing, a silent auction and more. All proceeds from the event directly benefit victims of domestic and sexual violence, human trafficking, and stalking in Clay County. Join Quigley House in their mission to Educate, Equip, and Empower survivors and their families through advocacy and community education.

You may purchase tickets on Eventbrite, Quigley House's website at www.quigleyhouse.org or the Quigley House Facebook page. Quigley House is the only certified domestic violence and sexual assault center in the county. They provide the following services free to survivors of domestic violence, sexual violence, human trafficking, and stalking such as an emergency shelter, 24-hour crisis helpline, sexual assault forensic evidence collection exams, individual and group counseling, victim advocacy, Injunction for Protection legal assistance, court advocacy, case management, information and referrals, pet shelter, financial literacy and child advocacy.

You can find more information on Quigley House and its services on their website www.quigleyhouse.org.

Green Cove Springs Library to close for construction

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

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 night in St. Augustine

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.

Swine and Dine Derby leaving starting gate on Oct. 21

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Mark your calendar for an afternoon of food, music and pig races on Oct. 21 at the Swine and Dine Derby at the Clay County Fairgrounds. The event is sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Green Cove Springs and Fleming Island, and it includes admission, dinner, soft drink, pig races and entertainment. Beer and wine will be available for sale for \$5. All money benefits the organization's scholarship fund.

The band 5 Good Years will play. There also will be a derby hat contest, petting zoo, 50/50 raffle and games and activities for children.

The first pig race at 5 p.m. supports The Way Free Clinic and Clay County Dental Care. Race No. 2 is at 6 p.m. and benefits college scholarships for Clay County students.

The third race at 7 p.m. will go to the Rotarians for Development of Youth programs.

Advance tickets are \$35 for adults and \$12 for children until Oct. 16. They are available at ipswebdesign.wufoo.com. Tickets are \$40 for adults and \$12 for children at the gate.



Middleburg's Crawley graduates from Lee University

CLEVELAND, Tenn. – Jeffrey Bruce Crawley, of Middleburg, graduated Summa Cum Laude with an Associate of Science in Christian Ministry from Lee University.

He was among more than 160 students who received undergraduate and graduate diplomas.

Lee University is a private, Christ-centered university located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains.

Orange Park's Higdon makes Valdosta State's Dean's List

VALDOSTA, Ga. – Valdosta State University congratulated Julia Higdon, of Orange Park, for earning a spot on the Summer Dean's List.

Dean's List honors are reserved for the highest-achieving students at VSU. Higdon is one of more than 300 distinguished and accomplished students recognized for exemplifying excellence in the attainment of their educational goals.

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

Two local Troy State students study abroad

TROY, Ala. – More than 200 Troy University students studied around the world during the 2022-23 school year. Students studied in various programs on five continents in nearly 20 different countries to earn academic credit and gain international awareness.

Local students who studied abroad include Gabrielle Deaton of Middleburg and Logan Schimpf of Orange Park.

Troy University is a public, historic, international university with 22,500 students and 154,000 alumni.

Orange Park Tatoutes enroll at Georgia Southwestern

AMERICUS, Ga. – Delroy and Kenroy Tatoutes of Orange Park were two of more than 500 incoming freshmen who started classes at Georgia Southwestern University.

GSW President Dr. Neal Weaver gave each student a silver Presidential Challenge Coin to signify the beginning of their college journey at Georgia Southwestern. Upon graduation, they will receive a gold coin in its place, bestowing the silver coin to someone who significantly impacted them during their time at GSU.

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More than 100 companies, universities, military, technical schools host career night

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County juniors, seniors and their parents had the opportunity Tuesday night to visit more than 100 companies, universities, technical colleges, and the military to explore options after graduation. Hosted by the Clay County District Schools and Career Technical Education at the Clay County Fairgrounds, students were able to gather information from universities like Embry-Riddle Aeronautical, Florida, Central Florida, Florida State and South Florida, where they could learn about jobs and apprenticeships from U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Clay Electric and The American Electrical Academy.



Christina Troope joins Rep. Aaron Veterans' Affairs staff

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – U.S. Congressman Aaron Bean (FL-District 4) announced Tuesday the appointment of Christina Troope as the new Field Representative responsible for veterans' affairs.


As a key veteran liaison, Troope will handle veterans' issues and coordinate with the Department of Veterans Affairs and other stakeholders on behalf of the Fourth District, which includes Clay County.

"As a son of a WWII veteran, I understand that veterans' benefits are not entitlement – they're earned," Bean said. "Our veterans should never be stuck in the bureaucratic process or ever think twice about getting the care they need. That's

why I'm excited to have Christina onboard to assist the more than 70,000 veterans who call the Fourth District home. Christina's heart for service, unwavering care, and empathy will make her a trusted voice for our veterans' community."

Troope grew up in a family of active duty and retired military members and has seen the sacrifice of serving our nation first-hand. Troope brings several years of experience in government and education. She holds a Political Science and History degree from The University of Albany and a Master's degree in education from the University of West Georgia. Troope looks forward to working with Florida's patriots in her new role.

Bean's office reminded veterans if they, a friend or a family member need assistance accessing veterans' benefits, call (904) 319-9433 or email christina.troope@mail.house.gov.



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PGA Tour Community Relations Manager Marjorie Dennis, Senior Director of Community Outreach Emily Bellock and Executive Director Lee Smith surprised the volunteers at the Clothes Closet and Food Pantry in Orange Park with a \$15,000 donation that will allow the nonprofit to close on the purchase of a refrigerated van and fill the food pantry shelves for a month.

PLAYERS

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these people,” Aultman said. “I asked them to introduce themselves. You should have seen the shock on everyone’s faces.”

THE PLAYERS and the PGA Tour presented the Clothes Closet a check for \$15,000. The group needed \$10,000 to meet their \$100,000 goal for the van, and the charitable group took it a step further with an additional \$5,000 to stock the shelves with food for another month.

The idea started when Bellock read an Aug. 14 story about the Clothes Closet’s campaign to keep a significant portion of its food distribution operational. A patchwork of repairs was holding together their 12-year-old refrigerated van. A new one was needed because stores like Publix and Walmart require a refrigerated van to transport meat, eggs, milk and produce. It took four months to collect the initial \$90,000, and with the help of THE PLAYERS, the Clothes Closet placed its order for a new van last week. It’s expected to be delivered later this month or early in October.

The newsletter, Jax Today, features stories from area news outlets. It’s created and delivered through email by WJCT, the

public broadcasting station based in Jacksonville. Much of the information apparently was gleaned from stories reported by Clay Today, Aultman said.

According to a Tour spokesperson, Bellock told Smith they needed to donate the money. “He was on board,” a Tour representative said. “He said, ‘We can do this.’”

THE PLAYERS reached out to WJCT and got Aultman’s contact. Fifteen days later, they delivered the money – and hope to people who desperately needed help.

The volunteers moved Smith, so he decided to kick in an additional \$5,000.

The Tour said the PLAYERS hired Smith last May, and he’s new to Northeast Florida.

“From an outsider’s perspective, he was just so blown away by the incredible stuff they’re doing out there,” the spokesperson said.

Work to help Clay County residents in crisis is never done. The pantry assists those needing food, clothing, household items, furniture, baby equipment, homeless supplies and mobility aids. The refrigerated van will help that cause.

Now that the charity will keep its wheels rolling, there’s a new need for the group.

“Now we have to raise money to build a garage for it,” Aultman said.



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For Clay Today

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Dinosaur World Live will make a stop at the Thrasher-Horne Center on April 4 at 7 p.m. Tickets, which start at \$19, are available at the box office or at thcenter.org.

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Top of the World Carpenter's Tribute hits stage on Sept. 9

ORANGE PARK – TTop Of The World is The World's Premiere Tribute to The Carpenters! Fronted by singer Debbie Taylor, her Karen Carpenter vocal resemblance is absolutely astonishing. She is backed by a seven-piece band consisting of top-notch, professional industry musicians who have had amazing careers in their own right. The band members are all multi-instrumentalists and at times use three keyboards to recreate the incredibly complex arrangements created by Richard Carpen-



ter. Top of the World will make a one-night stop at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Sept. 9 at 6 p.m. Tickets are available at the box office or thcenter.org.

The attention to detail paired with saxophone, trumpet, flute and many more instruments complete every song to perfection. This show does not use tracks or pick up musicians like other shows. This is an eight-piece band that travels and performs all shows together.

Who can forget the incomparable music of the Carpenters? The popular brother/sister duo of the 70s and early 80s gave us some of the most unforgettable ballads and melodic pop songs of all time.

This Carpenters Tribute Band brings the most authentic versions of the

Christian music sensation The Newsboys here in October

ORANGE PARK – The Newsboys are one of the biggest bands in Christian

music history, having sold more than 10 million records across 23 recordings and garnering boundless accolades, including 1 RIAA Double Platinum certification and 8 Gold certifications, 33 No.1 radio hits, four GRAMMY nominations, two American Music Award nominations and multiple Dove Awards.

The popular band will appear for one night on Oct. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Center.

Tickets, which start at \$20, are available at the box office or at thcenter.org. With signature songs like "We Believe," "Born Again" and the unstoppable mega-hit "God's Not Dead" – which birthed a film franchise of the same name – Newsboys have continued to collect career-defining accolades at full speed ahead.

With VIP tickets, you will get the best seats in the house, a private photo op, early access to merchandise shopping, a VIP laminate and autographed tour poster. VIP doors are at 4 p.m. and you must be on

site with the doors open to receive all of the VIP perks.



Grammy award winner Ricky Skaggs coming to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK – During his 50-plus-year career, Ricky Skaggs has won 15 Grammy Awards, eight CMA Awards, nine ACM Awards, 13 International Bluegrass Music Association Awards, nine ICM Awards, two Dove Awards, three honorary Doctorate degrees and countless other awards. Ricky also has 12 consecutive Grammy-nominated albums from his Skaggs Family Records label.

Skaggs will bring his band, Kentucky Thunder, to the Thrasher-Horne stage on Feb. 9 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, on sale now to members, are available at the box office or at thcenter.org. Skaggs has been honored with inductions into the Gospel Music Association's Gospel Music Hall of Fame and the Musicians Hall of Fame in the past decade. In 2018, Skaggs was awarded membership into the National Fiddler Hall of Fame, the IBMA Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame and country music's greatest honor, the Country Music Hall of Fame. Most recently, he was awarded the prestigious National Medal of Arts in 2020.

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Couple renovate 98-year-old house into historic inn

The Inn at Palmetto combines past charm, modern conveniences

By Natalie Gilstrap
For Clay Today

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The Inn at Palmetto allows guests to enjoy the small-town experience with a careful blend of history and modern amenities.

Originally built in 1925 as a winter home, Kerry and Brad Collins bought and renovated the house to give guests a unique and charming stay.

“It’s a historic inn in downtown Keystone Heights,” Kerry Collins said. “The house was built in 1925, and we thoughtfully renovated it to keep the historic characteristics of the house but combine it with modern conveniences, which are your electric, plumbing, and AC.”

This two-story inn offers three charming decorated rooms that guests can rent. In addition, guests can enjoy the surrounding scenery through the inn’s wraparound porch and sunroom. Other amenities the inn offers are a living room, a dining room and a laundry room. A continental breakfast and coffee and tea are available every morning.

The Inn at Palmetto offers more than a place to stay. Located in the heart of the downtown, the inn provides guests with a unique opportunity to experience small-



PHOTOS BY NATALIE GILSTRAP

Brad and Kerry Collins bought the old winter home in Keystone Heights and added modern amenities while maintaining the historic charm at The Inn at Palmetto.

town life during their stay. Due to its location, guests are only a short distance from local parks, Lake Geneva, local restaurants and riding trails.

“You really get a sense of not just Keystone Heights but old Florida and that sense of hometown feel that people love to have,” Kerry Collins said.

The Collins are excited to be offering guests the charming small-town experience. Since its opening in March, the inn has gained foot traffic and continues growing. Collins sees the inn as bringing benefits to the community. She sees the town receiving increased revenue as guests shop and dine at the local restaurants. The town



will get greater exposure while fostering a sense of interest in the city. She hopes the inn will bring a sense of inspiration for individuals to invest in the community.

“When they see other people investing

in the community and making an effort, hopefully, it will inspire them to invest in their community as well,” she said.

To learn more about the inn visit their-natpalmetto.com.

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Elections Office's Chambless, DePaul, Mahan earn CERA certifications

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – Clay County Supervisor of Elections Chris H. Chambless received his recertification as a Certified Elections/Registration Administrator through the Election Center's Professional Education Program. The Professional Education Program is the only continuing professional education program specializing in voter registration and elections administration.

Along with Supervisor Chambless, Elections Services Manager Holly DePaul and Voter Services Manager Kemie Mahan also completed their professional certification as CERA graduates during the 38th National Conference.

Since 1994, the Election Center has partnered with Auburn University to offer professional certification as CERA status. Participants develop practical skills and working knowledge and receive continuing education units from Auburn and Election Center credit towards achieving the profession's highest designation. After completing coursework and additional requirements, a student can become a CERA. Obtaining and then maintaining CERA status requires dedication to the highest professional standards and a commitment to



continuing education. The Clay County Supervisor of Election Office strives for excellence and believes professional development is key to its success. Investing in our staff will only continue to improve

the election experience for voters as we head into another busy election season. If you have questions or need more information, call our office at (904) 269-6350 or visit ClayElections.gov.



Faith Walk

by Pastor Billy Register
True Life Church
Clay County

Is God Real?

Have you ever asked yourself, "Is God real?" It's a question that often lingers in our thoughts, especially when we face life's uncertainties. Let's take a moment to dive into the reassuring truth that yes, God is real, and His presence is woven into the very fabric of our existence. Drawing inspiration from Psalm 19 and other timeless scriptures, let's explore how this truth reveals itself in our lives.

Psalm 19:1-2 says, "The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known."

Psalm 19 invites us to gaze up at the sky and the world around us. It's like nature's way of whispering, "Hey, there's something bigger going on here." When we watch a sunrise or see the waves crashing on a shore, it's not just a random event – it's a display of God's creativity and power. The intricate design we see in nature points to a Creator who crafted it all with intention.

Stories in the Bible show us that God isn't distant, but rather personal and relatable. Take David, for instance. He wasn't a superhero, just a shepherd boy who became a king. His story reminds us that God works through ordinary people in extraordinary ways. It's a reminder that God's presence isn't limited to shocking, life-changing miracles – it's in the everyday moments too.

So, is God real? Absolutely! It's not about having all the answers or being presentable tangible proof. It's about opening our hearts to the signs, the whispers, and the moments that remind us of His reality. It's in the joy that bubbles up unexpectedly, the comfort that comes in times of need, and the strength to face challenges. God's presence is clearly evident all around us, if only we'd open our eyes and hearts to Him. Never forget that the question of God's reality isn't one that needs solving, but rather a truth waiting to be embraced. Look around, invest in God's Word, and listen to the stories of those who've felt His touch. You'll find that God's reality is as real as the air you breathe, and His love is a steady heartbeat that accompanies you every step of the way.

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

Community townhouses at Longbay hit the market

For Clay Today

MIDDLEBURG – Lennar is now selling homesites at Longbay, a new townhome community in Middleburg. Home prices will start from the high \$200,000s.

With 140 townhomes for sale, Longbay offers two unique floor plans for homebuyers. The new homes range in size from approximately 1,710 to 1,780 square feet of living space and include a one-car garage, three bedrooms and 2.5 bathrooms. "Longbay offers homebuyers low-maintenance living along with easy access to both our beautiful Northeast Florida coast and downtown Jacksonville," said Melanie Raub, Lennar Jacksonville Division President. "We are proud to offer these high-quality townhomes in such a convenient location at an affordable price."



Prices of the new townhomes will start in the upper \$200,000 range.

Located at 1852 Long Bay Road, residents of Longbay will enjoy proximity to the NAS Jacksonville, Oakleaf Town Center for shopping, dining and parks at Jennings State Forest.

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Police Briefs

Crush Cheerleading team founder charged with stealing squad's funds

ORANGE PARK – A 36-year-old organizer of a nonprofit cheerleading squad was arrested after the Clay County Sheriff's Office said she stiffened more than \$20,000, but less than \$100,000 of the team's funds.

Amanda Beth Herndon, of Orange Park, was charged with grand theft after an investigation revealed Herndon "used the account as if it were her personal bank account" from July 28, 2021, to July 1.

According to the affidavit for an arrest warrant, Crush Cheerleading was started by Herndon and two other people for a cheerleading squad to compete in national competitions. The other two partners, Stacie Garrahy and Paige Smith, reported the discrepancies to the CCSO. Herndon served as the organization's president, Garrahy was vice president, and Smith was secretary. Garrahy and Smith were volunteers and not paid, according to the affidavit.

Crush was created for girls aged 18 and younger.

Parents funded the squad, and money was supposed to go to uniforms, practice uniforms, cheerleading equipment, gym purchases and rentals, competition and hotel fees and private training classes.

In June 2021, Herndon opened an account at VyStar Credit Union, and Garrahy and Smith weren't given access to the account so they could monitor funds.

Garrahy and Smith became suspicious after receiving social media messages that Herndon was "profiting from Crush Cheerleading." Garrahy and Smith eventually were added to the account on July 3. They spent four days reviewing bank records and "discovered personal transactions that dated back to 2021 and were unrelated to Crush Cheerleading."

Garrahy and Smith reported their findings to CCSO on July 6.

According to the affidavit, Herndon refused to speak with sheriff's office investigators.

Investigators got information from Amazon on purchases made from the nonprofit account. On Aug. 22, they determined some transactions were made from the Crush Cheerleading account, not cheerleading-related. They said the purchases were for "personal use/gain." The amount of missing money was redacted from the affidavit.

Herndon was charged because she only had access to the account when the pur-

chases were made.

One parent told Clay Today that parents lost thousands of dollars.

"She has been carrying on as if nothing happened," she wrote. "Our girls nearly lost out on their cheer season. We, the parents, lost out on thousands of dollars we will more than likely never see again."

Herndon posted a \$50,003 bond and was released from the Clay County Jail.

Four inmates charged with brutal jailhouse attack

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Four men were charged with beating a man who they believed molested a 6-year-old boy.

Brandon Stephon Wilson, 23, Deashuan Michael Green, 19, Kevin Charles Barrows, 23, and Danny Ray Boree, 37, all were charged with battery in jail after Christopher Patrick Soto, 41, was severely beaten for nearly an hour in the jail's B-wing on Aug. 23.

According to a four-page arrest report, an inmate called deputies to say a "dude" was beaten.

Soto was found with visible wounds to his face. He said "the guy with all the tattoos" (Boree) was the man who instigated the attack.

Surveillance showed all four men hitting Soto. It started when Boree approached Soto's bunk and punched him in the face with a closed fist. Boree then was shown on another camera covering a surveillance camera with wet toilet paper.

The foursome took turns punching and slapping Soto.

All four men accused of attacking Soto said they beat him because they heard Soto had abused a boy. Clay County records, however, show Soto was charged with burglary of a

pickup truck, armed burglary and trespassing on school property (Ridgeview High) on May 26. Soto had charges dropped in 2017 of burglary and trespassing on school grounds after the court ruled he was incompetent to stand trial.

Soto has no record of sexually oriented offenses in Clay County.

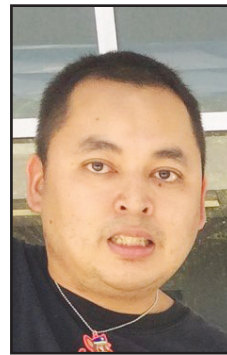
Boree was arrested on June 9 for trafficking methamphetamine, possession of cocaine and a firearm by a convicted felon and carrying a concealed unlicensed firearm.

Green was awaiting trial for murder following the shooting death of Jandel Rodriguez on Jan. 2, 2022, while he walked along Claremont Avenue in Orange Park. He also is awaiting trial for another jailhouse attack on March 10 that resulted in Dontae Cameron Reid with stab wounds to the back of his head.

Soto needed treatment at HCA Florida Orange Park Hospital.

Wilson was found guilty on June 13 of making threats and aggravated stalking. He was serving a one-year sentence.

Barrows was behind bars waiting to face two counts of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon Jan 28.



Christopher Soto



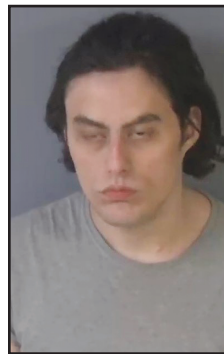
Brandon Stephon Wilson



Deashuan Green



Danny Ray Boree



Kevin Barrows

Gustafson pleads guilty to distributing methamphetamine

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. Attorney Roger B. Handberg announced Edward Sherwood Gustafson, IV, 30, Green Cove Springs pleaded guilty to possessing with the intent to distribute five grams or more of methamphetamine and possessing a firearm and ammunition as a convicted felon. Gustafson faces a minimum mandatory term of five years, up to 40 years in federal prison on the drug charge and up to 15 years in federal prison on the firearm and ammunition charge.

Gustafson also agreed to forfeit a Smith and Wesson pistol and 15 rounds of ammunition traceable to the firearm offense. Gustafson was arrested on May 9 and ordered detained. A sentencing date has not yet been set.

According to court documents, on Jan. 21, the Clay County Sheriff's Office members were looking for Gustafson based on an active felony arrest warrant. A CCSO deputy observed Gustafson driving and initiated a traffic stop. Upon stopping, Gustafson immediately got out of his truck and struggled with the deputy. The deputy eventually handcuffed and arrested Gus-



Edwin Sherwood Gustafson

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Arrests and 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, Sept. 5

David W. Bollinger, 56, Green Cove Springs, possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia, DUI, DWLSR

Denise L. Potter, 36, Middleburg, grand theft

Chrystal L. Stipp, 43, Orange Park, battery

Timmie L. Richardson, 52, Green Cove Springs, petit theft, FTA

Cesar A. Hiracheta, 33, Middleburg, driving without valid license

Michael L. Hilton, 39, Green Cove Springs, two counts DWLSR

Leslie W. Hunter, 39, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Lexie L. Moore, 22, Middleburg, fugitive from justice/FTA-DWLSR

Kathryn G. Boutros, 25, Middleburg, two counts burglary

Antonio G. Gonzalez, 32, Green Cove Springs, driving without valid license

James F. Lowe, 28, Green Cove Springs, two counts violation of release conditions

Neil A. Anderson, 40, Green Cove Springs, petit theft

Jewell E.A. Hayes, 24, Green Cove Springs, VOP-burglary

Jeremy R. Hale, 39, Middleburg, DUI, refusal to submit to BAL test

Donna S. Liberty, 63, Orange Pak, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with lights/siren active, knowingly giving false information to law enforce-

ment of alleged crime

Monday, Sept. 4

Cecilia R. Manning, 38, Middleburg, possession-drug paraphernalia, driving without valid license

Walter H. Perez, 18, Oakleaf, possession-xanax, possession-marijuana, trespassing

Kevin L. Carpenter, 41, Fleming Island, domestic battery of person 65 or older, vandalism, vandalism of vehicle, vandalism of cellphone, vandalism of law enforcement vehicle, resisting law enforcement, deprive 911 services from elderly

Sunday, Sept. 3

Kush R. Dave, 28, Orange Park, two counts possession-ammo/firearm by convicted felon

Yasmine D. Turner, 27, Orange Park, domestic battery

Gregory B. Wright, 75, Middleburg, aggravated assault with deadly weapon, battery

Peter R. Zawacky, 46, Green Cove Springs, DUI

Andre V. Smith, 37, introduce contraband into jail, possession-fentanyl, possession-methamphetamine

Michael S. Abrams, 47, Orange Park, possession-molly/ecstasy, possession-cocaine, possession-oxycodone, possession-marijuana

Lesilee D. Hampton, 47, Middleburg, domestic battery

Saturday, Sept. 2

Mark B. Ellis, 43, Fleming Island, indecent exposure

Kristen L. Smith, 42, Orange Park, two counts fraudulent use of credit card

Alexsander S. Vargas, 44, Orange Park, domestic battery

Kaleb M. Janosky, 23, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

Joshua E. McKean, 29, Middleburg, FTA-domestic battery

Amanda B. Herndon, 36, Orange Park, grand theft

Kimberly C. Lamberty, 33, Orange Park, domestic battery

Friday, Sept. 1

John T. Colon, 38, Middleburg, FTA David M. Parkes, 20, Green Cove Springs, domestic battery

Denice M. Marsh, 48, Orange Park, domestic battery

Nicholas, Gallego, 19, Orange Park, domestic/dating violence

Olivia M. Kemp, 27, Green Cove Springs, VOP-grand theft

Mary L. Barfield, 43, Middleburg, FTA-DWLSR

Brandi N. Lewis, 44, Green Cove Springs, VOP-reckless driving

Yifei Shu, 37, Middleburg, domestic battery

Thursday, Aug. 31

Brandi N. Lewis, 44, Green Cove Springs, child neglect, DUI

Allen T. Grimes, 32, Keystone Heights, grand theft auto

Shonda J. Riley, 48, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-drug paraphernalia

Justin K. Marable, 31, Middleburg, DWLSR

Travis W. Westberry, 32, Keystone Heights, violation of pre-trial release conditions for injunction for protection against domestic violence

Michael T. Skaff, 33, Middleburg, grand theft

Gregory R. Halcomb, 52, violation of pre-trial release conditions for injunction for protection against domestic violence

Joshua I.N. Cogburn, 36, causing bodily harm, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Damon S. Baker, 19, Orange Park,

possession-marijuana

Michael L. Hilton, 39, Green Cove Springs, non-support

Wednesday, Aug. 30

Keith L. Mays, 35, Green Cove Springs, violation of pre-trial release conditions

Justin L. Griffin, 36, Middleburg, possession-drug paraphernalia, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, providing false name/ID, FTA-DWLSR

Tuesday, Aug. 29

Virgil L. Ford, 28, Orange Park, battery, criminal mischief

Tanner N. Sciaratta, 25, Orange Park, domestic battery

Thomas I. Ross, 40, Green Cove Springs, grand theft

Melissa A. Barnes, 57, Keystone Heights, domestic battery

Tyler E. Cochran, 54, Green Cove Springs, battery

Robbie L. Dorminey, 51, Green Cove Springs, violation of pre-trial release conditions for protection against domestic violence

Matthew J. Williams, 19, Green Cove Springs, violation of pre-trial release conditions for protection against domestic violence, VOP-domestic battery

Charles P. Goddard, 37, Fleming Island, VOP-burglary

Timothy E. Rakes, 51, Fleming Island, DWLSR

Caleb W. Ertley, 32, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl, possession-tramadol, possession-hydrocodone, possession-drug paraphernalia

Wallace A. Mills, 33, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession-marijuana, possession-drug paraphernalia, providing false name/ID

Deante M. Gunn, 29, Green Cove Springs, VOP-DUI, VOP-DWLSR

Police

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tafson on the felony arrest warrant.

During a subsequent search of Gustafson's truck, law enforcement located a loaded Smith and Wesson pistol. Underneath the truck's hood, a travel bag was zip-tied to the engine bay area, which contained cocaine, methamphetamine, a scale for weighing drugs, approximately 50 small

baggies, and numerous pills. Further investigation determined the total weight of the methamphetamine was approximately 22 grams and that Gustafson had seven prior felony convictions, including felony domestic battery, fleeing and eluding law enforcement and shooting a deadly missile.


As a convicted felon, Gustafson was prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition under federal law.

This case was investigated by CCSO

and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives – Jacksonville Office. Assistant U.S. Kevin C. Frein is prosecuting it. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mai Tran is handling the forfeiture.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a program bringing together all levels of law enforcement and the communities they serve to reduce violent crime and gun violence and make our neighborhoods safer.

On May 26, 2021, the Department launched a violent crime reduction strategy strengthening PSN based on these core principles: fostering trust and legitimacy in our communities, supporting community-based organizations that help prevent violence from occurring in the first place, setting focused and strategic enforcement priorities and measuring the results.



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One of Satcher's prized pieces is a large map of the United States. He used a school map to handdraw each state individually. The project took 86 days to complete. Satcher posed with one of his newest creations for a law enforcement officer. Satcher said he's created more than 1,000 flags and patriotic pieces since 2017 in his horse stall-turned-workshop behind his house.

Satcher

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national attention.

Networks have called to do stories, but he'd rather spend his time turning stacks of boards into flags and keepsakes for first responders, military and friends. Their friendship and appreciation are all the recognition he desires.

"I just don't have time. I'm just me," Satcher said. "I love what I do. It ain't about me putting myself out. I don't want to nationalize anything. I'm a patriot. I love my family. I love my friends. I love this county with my whole heart."

Satcher's workshop is called "The Patriot's Barn." The floors are made of sawdust. Sunlight peeks through wooden slats. And the walls are covered with flags and other handmade patriotic commemorations.

His hands are hard and honest. His words aren't articulate yet imminently profound. And his word, not a signature, is all he needs to keep a promise.

Satcher goes to his safe place when he's not working the canning line during the day at Anheuser-Busch in Jacksonville. There are no televisions in the Barn. His mind is too busy for that kind of blather. He has a stereo in a small office that plays old Creedence songs. Other than the constant hum of a fan and the pulsating sounds of power tools, it's the only distractions he allows.

His family is 50 yards away – in air conditioning or in the swimming pool. They come out to the Barn to check on him but largely leave him to his creative hobby.

"They know my passions. They know my passion is to not be in the house," he said. "I've always been an outdoors person. I'd



His work is so respected and appreciated, many federal, state and local officials, including Sheriff Michelle Cook, drop by The Patriot's Barn to lend a hand. The workshop is open-aired. Satcher said he gets inspiration "smelling the air"

rather smell the air. I'd rather see the rain. I'd rather work with my hands than sit with a remote control, changing the channel. Being out here opens my mind up and my thought process. Looking around helps me do stuff, not watching a TV show. There's no script out here."

Florida Rep. Sam Garrison (Fleming Island) has known Satcher for years. He describes his friend with one word: "genuine."

Satcher's flag-making started in 2017. He got tired of replacing the cloth flag at his workshop, so he crafted one from wood. Each stripe is a separate board, held together by glue, paint, polish and reverence.

He worked with Nassau County Commissioner Klynt Farmer at Anheuser-Busch and asked Satcher to make one for him.

He completed the job and took it to



work, but Farmer took the week off. Satcher left the flag. Within days, he had 30 more requests.

Six years later, Satcher has crafted more than 1,000 of them – so many, "I'm not so sure. I never numbered them. Actually, it's a bit overwhelming."

Most now adorn the walls of national, state and local officials, law enforcement, first responders and the military.

"Brad is very eccentric and eclectic, and people don't realize how gifted he is as an artist," said Sheriff Michelle Cook. "And it's clear he loves his family. He loves this country. But he says that one of his biggest loves is Clay County."

Satcher's work has allowed him to meet President Donald Trump. He has members of the U.S. Congress, particularly Reps. Aaron Bean, John Rutherford and Kat Cammack, on speed dial. State officials like

Rob, Jennifer Bradley, and Garrison regularly visit the Barn.

"I just think in today's age, it is hard to find people that truly care about other people," said the President of Fraternal Order of Police, Steve Zona. "You know, whether you know Brad or not, he's always willing to help. He's the kind of guy who'd give you the shirt off his back whether he knows you or not."

Satcher said politics can't define his work. Being a patriot means doing the right thing, regardless of affiliations.

"It's just a blessing – the friends, the family. The friends I've met throughout this, the politicians, the senators, the governor, President (Donald) Trump, people on both sides – Republicans, Democrats, Independents," he said. "I've met so many people. You can't get involved in politics unless you get both sides, listening to each one's story and what they can provide, what they can do for you – not just what they can do for you but the community."

Cook not only visits, but she's also comfortable grabbing a saw, getting grimy and helping her dear friend create art.

"I would describe him as a family man, a patriot and a gifted artist," she said.

One of Satcher's biggest projects was constructing a map of the United States. He took a drawing of the states, hand-drew them to lumber and created the country state by state. It took 86 days to complete the job, and the 10-foot by seven-foot creation remains one of his most popular pieces. "You know what, he doesn't have any angles," Garrison said. "He's not running for office. He's not trying to leverage power control or all that stuff. He just cares about people. He has an infectious personality. As far as I'm concerned, he's the mayor of Middleburg."

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Oakleaf High gets \$3,000 grant from Whole Foods

By Don Coble
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OAKLEAF – Over the course of 10 years, the agriculture beds at Oakleaf High became worn and rickety. Time, sun and rain turned once-sturdy beams into crumbled heaps that turned agriscience classes into construction lessons.

Now the school can afford to replace all of them.

Career and Technical Education teacher Victoria Gwaltney secured a \$3,000 grant from the Whole Foods Foundation to replace the beds. The overhaul was overdue – and much appreciated.

“We’ve got 16 full-size beds and then some different ones we call rounds,” Gwaltney said. “It’s a recycled culvert from a ditch that we used to raise off the ground and grow other fruits and vegetables, herbs, and things.”

“The whole garden has been here since the first or second year since the school opened. So since like 2012, all that stuff out there is hidden, the 10-year mark. It’s fallen apart pretty badly and splinter-

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Sophomore Jasmine Conliffe and CTE teacher Victoria Gwaltney said the grant from Whole Foods’ foundation would help replace dilapidated raised beds used to grow flowers, vegetables and herbs.



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



Clay County opens 43rd school

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.

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

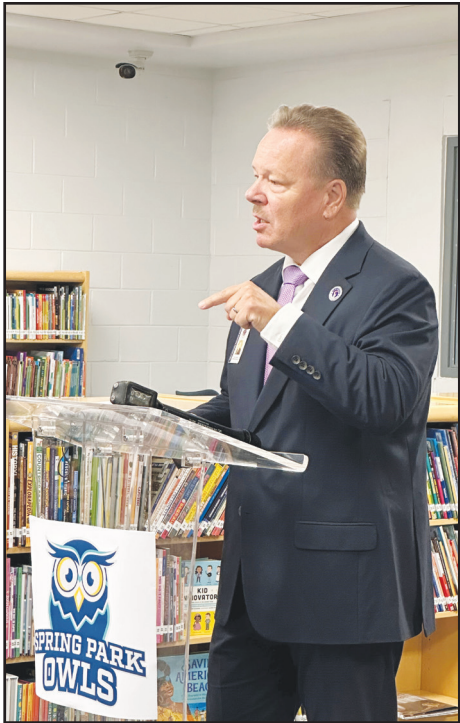
“Excitement and anticipation, I think, are the best words for opening a new school and welcoming all of our scholars,” she said. “I know that they’re excited,

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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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Filmmaker returns home to shoot feature film, 'Baby Tooth'

By Kylie Cordell
For School News

MIDDLEBURG – Drew Lewis Brown, an Oscar-winning Jacksonville filmmaker and 2010 graduate of Middleburg High, will return home next spring to shoot his debut feature film, "Baby Tooth." Filming will take place for three weeks across multiple locations in Northeast Florida.

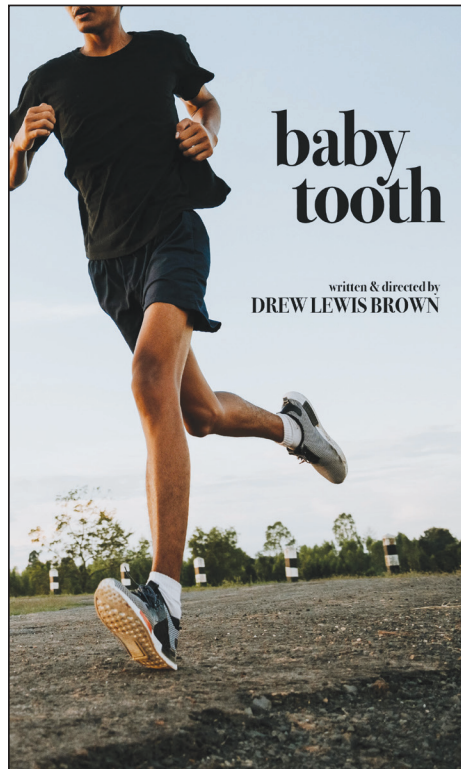
Duval and Clay counties were explicitly selected to be featured in the project. The production will employ a crew of local film professionals to tell the heartfelt story of a disconnected family coming together to provide care for their terminally ill grandmother.

"The movie takes place in a rural town that is very much based in Middleburg. I think it's quite possible that we will be able to scout specific locations that work for the film and go back to where the story really started," Brown said.

Brown started his filming career as a senior in high school, taking a TV production class to combine his interest in theater and the arts.

"I realized that film was really the medium that was for me. I was able to tap into all these different interests and really showcase who I am as an artist," Brown said. "I could not have understood that part about myself without the help of those teachers, Dave Thomas and Kim Lanoue. I am where I am today because of those experiences in the arts that I had in Clay County."

Brown graduated and later became an adjunct film professor at The Art Institute of Jacksonville, receiving a Student Academy Award in 2014 for his short film "Person." He was later awarded the Rising Star Award from the Jacksonville Mayor's Office for his "outstanding contributions



and achievements in Jacksonville's Film and Television Industry.

After 12 years, Brown will return to his roots to complete the most personal project of his career thus far.

"It's a story that is inspired by my own family's experiences," Brown said. It's a project that's really important to me, so I wanted to spend time on it."

The film tells the story of Jude, an insecure young actor, who returns to his rural hometown in northeast Florida to provide support for Grandma's caregivers – Jude's dismissive mother and resentful sister – before the family reaches their breaking point.

Brown said the film's screenplay was developed between 2019-2023, and the



project will be filmed in northeast Florida in early 2024.

The film was inspired by his family's journey with caregiving for his terminally ill grandmother in the final year of her life. "Baby Tooth" captures the selfless act of being a family caregiver with no prior medical knowledge, the looming threat of financial instability, the obligation to conform to societal expectations, and its impact on self-perception and caregiving decisions.

"I was a bit oblivious. I was living my life as a stage actor and filmmaker in Jacksonville," he said. "When I came to visit them for Christmas, I really came as an outsider. I was able to see the hard work and empathy that goes into caregiving."

This experience propelled Brown to write about his family's experience with the American elderly system, as well as a place to process his own emotions after returning home.

"The experience has been to get these words on paper. It was a private and vulnerable time in my family's life. But bridging these spaces and having these uncomfortable conversations has the ability to help others," Brown said.

Brown's "Baby Tooth" serves as a call to action for families to discuss the best path forward for aging loved ones.

"My hope with this film is that I will be able to not only help caregivers see themselves on the screen and understand the important role that they play in our society

– but also encourage families of aging loved ones to reach out to each other and have these conversations."

Additionally, Brown said the project can help communities empathize and understand their role in social change, like supporting the efforts to recognize caregiving as a job worthy of a living wage.

The film also allows viewers to support their local arts community.

"Baby Tooth" offers a unique tax benefit to all who contribute. The film is fiscally sponsored through the nonprofit organization Film Independent, meaning any monetary contribution from the general public is tax-deductible, and any non-monetary donation of goods, services, food and location rentals from local businesses is considered in-kind.

This unique opportunity allows locals to promote their businesses creatively, see their names in the film's credits, and support the Jacksonville arts community through charitable giving.

"It's important to be a champion for local arts. We can't go without them, and that starts by funding public arts education," he said.

Brown, alongside a cast of local actors, hosted live staged readings of the screenplay last weekend.

To get involved in Brown's upcoming film, attend the live readings or make a contribution, visit babytoothfilm.com. For information on Brown and his past work, visit drewlewisbrown.com.

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Ridgeview High senior Alex Romer flies up wall under watchful eyes of mom, Dawn, and dad, Pete, during training session at family's gym in Orange Park, Mighty Orion Fitness Gym. Romer competed on the television show American Ninja warrior recently.

Romer holds American Ninja secret

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - For Ridgeview High School senior Alex Romer, the tension of competing on TV is over, but the anxiety of not being able to talk about it is probably more taxing than his adventure.

"I'm not allowed to talk about how I did because of the show," said Romer, 17, who recently returned home from Los Angeles after a stint on the TV show American Ninja Warrior. "I submitted a video of my skills and they invited me. I went out, competed and now we wait."

Romer's segment is schedule to air in episode eight of the recently restarted show. American Ninja Warrior which will be starting its 14th season on NBC and, according to the NBC.com website, the show will feature a lower age limit (15 years old), but keeps the eventual \$1 million prize at the end if competitors continue to advance to the National Finals in Las Vegas. Athletes, like Romer, compete in numerous qualifying rounds and semifinals to advance.

"We have American Ninja gyms in the area and in Georgia and there is a Ninja League that we can compete at the local level against other gyms," said Romer. "It's all designed to keep us active and developing our skill set to be able to get on to the TV show."

Romer, a soccer and band member at Ridgeview, has been an American Ninja Warrior fan for nearly a decade after seeing the highly-competitive obstacle race show on television.

"He saw the show, then told us he wanted dad to build him some obstacles in the backyard," said Dawn Romer, who co-owns with her husband, Pete, Mighty Orion Fitness Gym on Blanding Blvd. "Alex did gymnastics for while, but has had the American Ninja on his mind since that day."

Romer, who has two siblings also into the Ninja craze, credits his dad's energy and skill to replicate the American Ninja obstacles on TV to the family's backyard, first, then to the Orion gym on Blanding.

"Pete retired from the US Navy and then the interest grew and he just kept



ing to the yard, then the business came into play," said Dawn Romer. "Our gym is a combination of seeing obstacles on TV, talking to other athletes and trying to replicate the courses we have seen."

Romer, with his freshman and sophomore years at Middleburg, then his junior year and upcoming senior season at Ridgeview, got his first whiff of Ninja in a home gym competition that Alex won that gave him the confidence of moving up.

"He won a competition in our first competition in our gym like March six years ago and then went to regionals six months later and finished second," said Dawn Romer, noting the Ninja craze has created leagues throughout the United States with a championship event in New Mexico. "From that, six years ago, and six months after his first competition, he went to the World Finals. That has put the bug in him."

Romer currently competes in the FINA League; Federation of Ninja Athletes.

"FINA has two courses, a speed course and an endurance course," said Alex Romer. "One is shorter with eight or nine smaller obstacles but it's fast. The endurance ones; 12 or more obstacles, can be brutal."

Romer has trained for his Ninja mainly with body weight fitness, technique building and running for endurance.

"I don't lift weights, but do all body weight training to simulate the needs of the course," said Romer. "I have pretty good finger strength because a lot of the courses have obstacles that you only

get fingerholds on. I carry around hand squeezing devices nearly all day; like 100 squeezes a day."

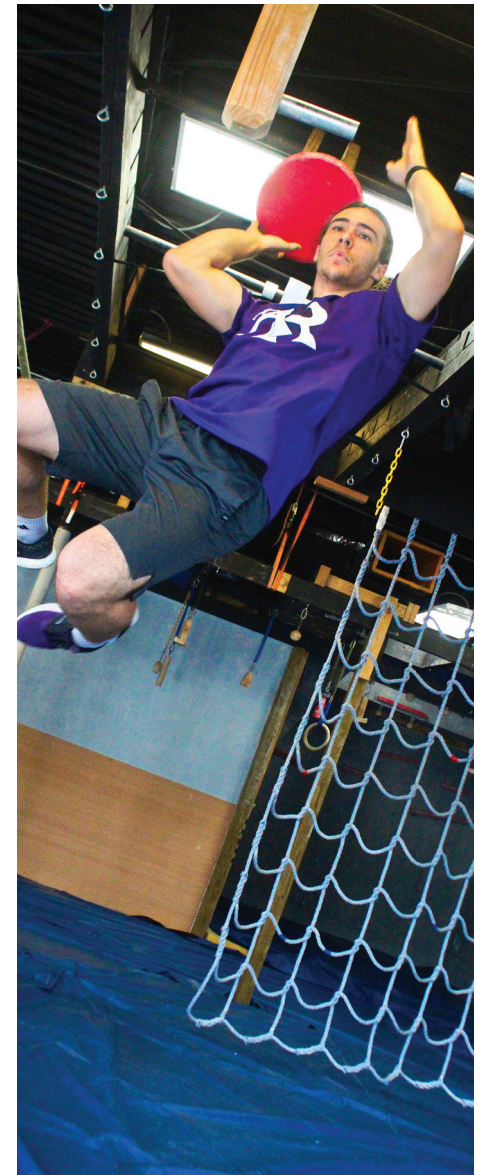
The one obstacle that is a constant in all Ninja competitions is the dreaded finishing wall; a run-up wall that stretches up to 22 feet with a lip that athletes grab with fingers and pull themselves up to the top to smash a bell at the end of a run.

"It's very daunting up close and in person," said Romer, who has three walls to train on in his home gym; 12 feet, 14 feet and 22 feet. "The key is to run up as far as you can then explode literally away from the wall before grabbing the lip. You have to fly."

Dawn Romer remarked of her son's ability in the air. "He flies and floats throughout the courses," said Dawn Romer. "It's cool to watch because he kind of floats; he flies when he launches from one obstacle to another. It's an art."

Dad Pete Romer, a former swimmer as a young athlete, appeared still fit enough to battle the courses and revelled in his family's love of the sport.

"To see him get to the show is awesome," said Pete Romer, noting he did plenty of obstacle courses in his Navy tenure. "I get inspiration from other gyms and other people to keep building the obstacles in our gym. We have one of the premiere obstacle builder's autograph on one of my designs."



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ing. It was getting a little dangerous.

"We've had to focus a lot on finding money to refurbish the raised bed garden. Now we have the money to actually do something."

The agriscience program is thriving at Oakleaf. In addition to beds used to grow flowers, herbs and vegetables, the school has a greenhouse and livestock barn.

Sophomore Jasmine Conliffe said learning how to build a new bed, not just maintain it, is something she's eager to learn.

"I just think it's a really good opportunity because learning how to plant stuff," she said. "For me, it's really fun. I like the fact that you can learn while planting stuff at school. Over the summer, I came out and helped pull weeds and made sure that we turned over crops."

"I don't know how they did that before. It's a classroom out there. I think it'll be a lot better now that we have new stuff."

Oakleaf is the second high school in the county to earn grant money. Ridgeway High received a \$5,000 ProStart Grow Grant from Rachael Ray's foundation two months ago. The money was designated to promote the school's culinary program. Gwaltney said she applied for the grant last February. She said she applied for the same grant a year ago, but the application was rejected.

"They told us they liked our request, and they kind of suggested if we kept applying, we'd get it," she said.

The school was notified of the award a couple of weeks ago.

The agriscience program is so popular at Oakleaf that master gardeners and garden clubs are frequent guests. Everything grown attracts butterflies and is given away to hungry families.

"We send a lot of stuff home with the kids," Gwaltney said.

Conliffe said she didn't know some

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– Sophomore Jasmine Conliffe

organizations were willing to help.

"I didn't know you could apply for school grants," she said. "I never really questioned where that money came from. That's good for future knowledge."

Despite the deterioration, Oakleaf earned the "People's Garden" designation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Conliffe said her attraction to agriscience is based on a desire to find ways to grow things in restricted spaces.

"The class teaches about garden spaces in an urban area," she said. "That's cool because we have so little space here, and it's so much fun. You can do raised beds at my house if you have the stuff to do it – and you want to do it."

STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Sophomore Jasmine Conliffe said the agriscience program at Oakleaf High has taught her how to be more self-reliant when it comes to growing flowers and vegetables. A \$3,000 grant from the Whole Foods Foundation will provide more resources to satisfy her thirst for knowledge.



FIHS Cambree Hodge places 12th at World Teen Golf



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 all attended the US Kids World Championships.

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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. 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).

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

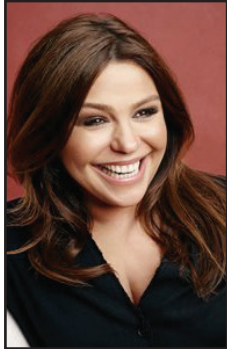
High school one of only 40 nationally to get rare award from TV star

By Kayden Zamor
For School News

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

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

"The culinary program will benefit heavily from this grant, allowing us to purchase a new refrigerator and buy more pasta," said culinary instructor Amy LaPierra.



Rachael Ray



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

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



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



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

Funding from RRF will allow schools to

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

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

Ridgeview was one of five schools selected from Florida.



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Brinkman goes from state, nationals to world

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Fleming Island High diving state champion Ava Brinkman made her big splash as a highly touted freshman with a record setting district title, but missed her shot to flash the cash at region and state with an unfortunate diving mishap that left her bruised and unable to continue.

"Just a freak accident, but enough to concern me a little," said Brinkman, now a junior to be and a sophomore district, region and state champion for the Golden Eagles swim team. "There was some anxiousness along the way, but I knew I just had to get back out there and dive."

Brinkman's storming-of-the-castle state title last year pushed her street cred to the highest level and, with a USA national championship meet coming up in Mission Viejo, California, a national title to add to her state awards is imminent.

Thus, with all the state accolade, Brinkman has been named a NISCA (National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association of America, INC) All American (Top 100 in USA) All American, according to a NISCA press release.

Brinkman is one of just four Florida divers on the list which includes Ava Anderson of Fort Lauderdale, a senior at Pine Crest School; Antonina Harned, a 4A state champion senior at Windermere High School, and Juliet Radich, a freshman at Cardinal Gibbons High School in Fort

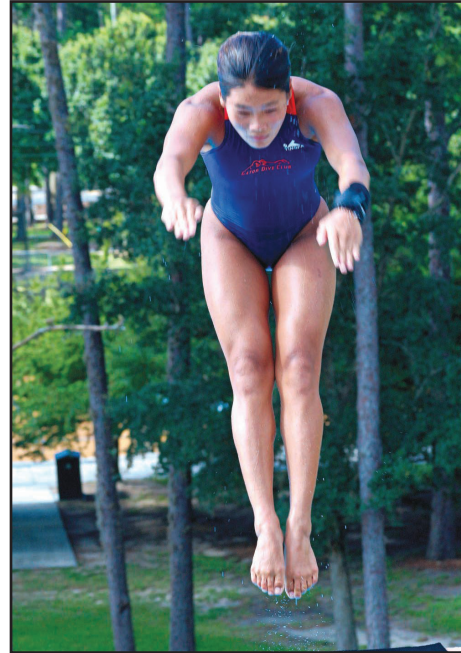


Fleming Island High School celebrated state championships at pregame ceremonies before the Clay vs. Fleming Island football game. Pictured is state champion Diver Ava Brinkman.

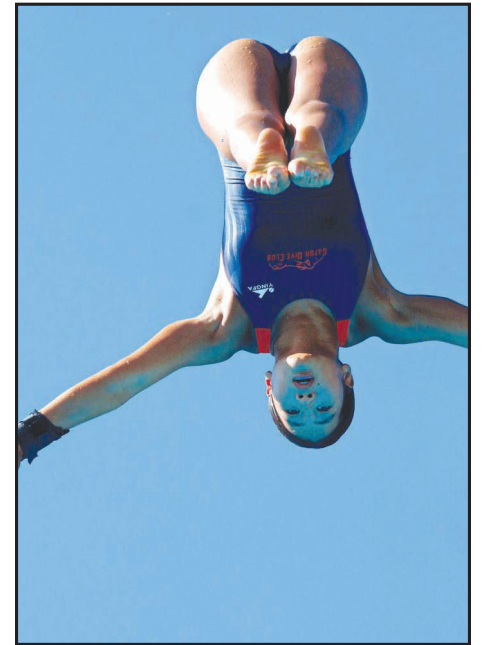
Lauderdale.

"I've competed this summer in regionals in Columbus, OH, then Zones in Cleveland to qualify for the national meet," said Brinkman. "I got second in platform in regions, and top 10 in zones. Top 10 goes to Nationals."

Brinkman qualified in the AAU Nationals in Orlando for a trip to Scotland to



Fleming Island High's first All-American diver, Ava Brinkman, displays her majestic style while getting congrats from Fleming Island High swim coach Sondra Santana after her state title last year.



Fleming Island High junior diver Ava Brinkman, left, has been mentored through a stellar career on the national scene and now on the international scene by coach Laurent Perez Gillooly, the assistant diving coach for the University of Florida.



compete at the international level in the Scottish National and Open Championships, including the British National Diving Cup, in Edinburgh on Dec. 14-17.

"I won platform in Orlando to qualify for Scotland," said Brinkman. "That will be my first international meet and very exciting."

One diver who has attacked the international scene in the past was former Orange Park High state champion Melisa Moses, now 51, and an area coach working with the University of North Florida. Moses was a springboard diving fourth place finisher in the 1996 Atlanta Olympics by less than two points and also a US National Champion in 1994-95 and a 1995 Pan American silver medalist in 1995.

"I have worked with Ava and she is such a smart athlete and a student of the sport," said Moses. "The journey into international competition is a matter of fine tuning every little detail of the dive from start to finish."

Moses commented that her fourth place finish in Atlanta, by a score of 509.64 to Canada's Annie Pelletier for third to 507.99 for Moses for fourth when asked if

she could have done anything in her dives to better her finish said a simple toe flex could have swayed the judges. Fifth place was equally close with a 507.27 score.

"When people ask me that, I say I could have flexed my toes a little bit more to finish my entry into the water," said Moses. "It's funny, but that little piece of the dive is what the judges see last. I was within two points of third and just .72 points ahead of fifth with the silver medal at 512.19."

For Brinkman, ironically, who acknowledged and concurred with Moses that the physical training of bettering her diving is important, but it truly is the little fine points of the dive.

"I'm going up against older, more experienced divers that have been subject to the judges nationally and internationally that see those little pieces of the dive," said Brinkman. "It's funny, but a perfectly executed dive in the air and heading to the water relies on the position of my feet and toes at the end of the dive to not negate the beautiful work in the air. The toes are the last thing they see. Loosely flexed toes or feet separated can become a major deduction."

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Clay High quarterback Landon Chadwick accounted for three touchdowns with two via air and one on the ground in Blue Devils' win over Ridgeview.

Blue Devils' offense rocks for 500 yards

Clay 42, Ridgeview 12

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Merrick Rapoza and Landon Chadwick executed Clay's two-quarterback system to perfection as the host Blue Devils rolled over Ridgeview 42-12 on September 1. Chadwick, a sophomore with a reputation for a strong and accurate arm, completed 10 of 11 passes for 132 yards and two touchdowns while rushing for 28 yards and another score. Rapoza, the 6'2", 210-pound battering ram who evokes memories of the University of Florida's Tim Tebow, ran for 117 yards and a touchdown on 13 carries, and completed four of seven passes for 54 yards. No mat-

ter which signal caller was behind center, the Clay offense dominated. After their initial drive stalled, the Blue Devils reached the goal line on their next seven drives.

The two-quarterback system works because each player supports the other and has bought into the idea of sharing the job. Rapoza said he likes the rotation because it keeps both him and Chadwick fresh. Chadwick noted the problems it presents for opponents.

"It keeps defenses on their heels," said Chadwick. "They do not know what is coming, because we have different skill sets."

At times, both quarterbacks are in the game at the same time, meaning that defenses do not know who is going to take the snap until the Blue Devils line up. Rapoza

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Nease runs to Bob Hans Cross Country title

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Nease High School has had its share of great cross country and track runners with Oregon freshman Rheinhard Harrison one of the top runners in the nation as a high schooler still holding the course record for the Bob Hans Memorial Cross Country Invitational held at Ridgeview High School

On Saturday, in the 2023 version, Nease dominated again with the top five finishers all from the Nease High boys team led by overall champion Matt Ryan in 16 minutes, three seconds.

"This team may be the best team from one through five that we have ever had," said Nease coach Ted Devos. "In

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STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Clay High cross country runner Erika Martinez battles with sunglass-clad Lilly Potts of Beachside High as both runners stride to the finish line of the Bob Hans Memorial Cross Country Invitational held Saturday at Ridgeview High School.



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Fleming Island Dreadnaught 8-Under quarterback Ace Malone tries to sneak into end zone in fourth quarter action at Fleming Island High School against Oakleaf's Renegades. Malone was stopped at the one, but Oakleaf fumbled in the end zone and Fleming Island recovered and scored the two-point conversion for an 8-6 win. See more photos, page 32.

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Orange Park sophomore quarterback **Gabe Taylor** led the Raiders to their first win of season with a 34-19 win over Episcopal behind sharp passing to Jermel Brown and Jaden Paulk including a 70 yard bomb to Brown.



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Indians shut out in season opener

By Ray Dimonda
Correspondent

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS - After holding the visiting Gainesville Eastside Rams, now 2-0, scoreless in the first quarter, the Keystone Heights High Indians football team gave up three unanswered second-quarter touchdowns. The Rams went on in the third quarter to add two more rolling up a 35-point lead. The Indians would hold the Rams to a scoreless final quarter. Even with getting the ball into the red zone numerous times, the Indians could not punch it into the endzone for a 35-0 season-opening shutout loss.

"It was very similar to the issues we were having last year," said Indians Head Coach Steve Reynolds. "Issues where we were very successful moving the ball, then inside the 25 to 30-yard line, we had some situations, we got behind the sticks. We knew this (Eastside) team was very explosive. We had to make them take their time to play into our hands. We couldn't sustain and hold the big play."

With Keystone on offense to begin the game, the Indians had an opportunity to make a statement and get on the board first. Keystone Heights went on the march and used their ground game of running back Cartez Daniels and Trey Jeffries along with the arm of quarterback Baylor Ford to move the ball. With the ball inside Rams territory, an attempt for a fresh set of downs failed. The team was too far out for a field goal, choosing to punt. The back and forth would go on for the entirety of the first quarter.

"I have to open my eyes more and read the plays better," said Daniels. "I have to look for the signs where I should cut it up-



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA

Keystone Heights quarterback Baylor Ford looks downfield for a pass in Indians' season opener against Eastside High, won by Eastside 35-0. Right: Keystone Heights High offensive lineman Braden Wester carries the Keystone K flag out in pregame ceremonies for Indians' season opener against Eastside.

field. I have to watch more films to work on what I did as well as what he (Rams running back Joshua Benjamin) did to help make myself better. I'll continue running, and just get myself in the best shape possible to continue to improve."

Trey Jeffries, while working on the defensive line, was called in several times at fullback to make holes for Daniels. In the second quarter, with Ford under center, Jeffries took a quick inside handoff for one of the biggest ground gains of the evening with a 21-yard clip.

"I just saw the hole to my left and just gunned it," said Jeffries. "I just took them head-on and tried to not lose any yards."

On defense, Jeffries did some damage to the Rams as he broke through the big

Ram's front line and got to the quarterback for a loss.

Asked as a leader on the team, what they work on this week as the team prepares for another home game, Jeffries said "We just need to lock in. Monday we just have to be honest with each other." Jeffries said before the coaches came in, "On Monday it tells the truth Monday. The players are all honest with each other about what we can do to get better; and improve."

Early in the second quarter, it was Rams quarterback Adrian Curtis (279 Yds passing, 5TDs: 80, 60, 40 YD TDs) who connected with tight end Chris Bishop to open the scoring. Anderson showed a great

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WEEK 3

Raiders up the ante for the season

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Amidst a storm scare that caused two area games to be either postponed or canceled; Oakleaf and Middleburg, Orange Park took the limelight for the week with an astounding effort of fast-striking offense to take out a highly-touted Episcopal team with a 34-19 win Friday night.

Orange Park, after a season-opening 42-0 pasting by Oakleaf, unleashes against Episcopal with senior speed merchant Jermel Brown and wideout Jaden Paulk capturing strikes from quarterback Gabe Taylor to light up the Episcopal secondary with plays of 69 yards (Brown TD), 45 yards (Paulk) and 29 yards (Joshua Johnson run TD) to top off a two-touchdown rush effort



CORRESPONDENT PHOTOS BY CARRIE CUNNINGHAM

Oakleaf High opened with a 42-0 win over Orange Park but had to sit home in a game against Baker County that was canceled late in the week.

from running back Joshua Johnson.

On defense, Orlando Jackson romped 70 yards to paydirt with a fumble to put the score at 27-10 in the third quarter. Jackson also had an interception.

With the Raiders to host Clay for game

three, Raider coach Marcus Wimberly must bank on the Episcopal game plan to make the Clay game a thriller after the Blue Devils rebounded from their season-open

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College update

KHHS Guy leads Florida Southern mens XC to team win

Courtesy FloridaSouthernAthletics

LAKELAND, Fla. — After rain and storms from the passing of Hurricane Idalia, the Florida Southern College Moccasins took home first place at the FSC Mocs Kick-Off race Friday morning at Holloway Park.

Graduate student Alex Guy (Keystone Heights) paced the team on the 6K course at Holloway Park running the waterlogged course in a time of 19:10.7 for third place individually out of 68 runners. Christian Giller (Seffner) took home fourth place, two seconds off Guy's pace (19:12.86) while Christopher Colavita (New Jersey) placed fifth on the home course (19:16.75).

In 2022, Guy competed in the Sunshine State Conference Championship (16th) and the NCAA South Region Championships (19th) with a school record 10Km

time of 31:45.4. The NCAA region race was Guy's third in his career at FSC (injured as sophomore). The Mocs hosted the season-opener and found themselves at the top of the team standings with 30 total points, holding off Tampa in second place with 40 team points.

"Tough test for our guys right out the gate; # 1 and # 3, SSC squads, plus an improving DI, USF team," Head Coach Matt Lesvassur stated. "Happy with the win, but beaming about the 17 second spread for our 1-5. We're young and we appear to be relatively deep. Congrats to Luke Kaelin (Creekside), who ran his first collegiate XC meet after shattering his ankle as a HS senior. His tenacity to come back from this injury has injected some toughness in this team."



Keystone Heights High grad Alex Guy is one of top runners for Florida Southern College and opened his season leading the Mocs to a team win at the FSC Mocs Kickoff race on Friday.

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loss to Fleming Island with a strong win over Ridgeview (See Mike Zima's story).

Clay showed off their own big play offense with a double quarterback system between Merrick Rapoza; a 40-yard run, and Landon Chadwick, two TD passes and 7-yard rush TD.

Clay did give up two big plays to Ridgeview running back Rayhn Hutchinson; 130 YDs, scores of 80 and 29 yds.

Ridgeview needs to find the sweet spot of offense and be more consistent with Hutchinson the main thrust now and quarterback Travon Malone hoisting a big arm and getting downfield, but the Panthers (0-2) not finding the end zone.

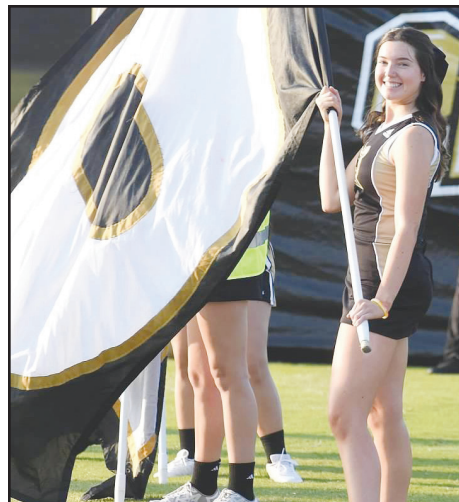
Gateway is also 0-2 with losses of 26-7 and 21-0 to Wesley Chapel and Lake Buena Vista. For Fleming Island and Oakleaf, with a September 15 showdown looming and both teams taking BYE weeks, the preparations, on paper, should be a chess match of strategy with the time before the game.

Fleming Island got a quick remake game with a flex game 41-6 win (Broughton 70 YD TD run, Cruz Pick six) over North Florida Educational Institute in place of two cancels to Rickards and Tampa Catholic and coach Chad Parker got to avoid two weeks away from game time for his team.

Oakleaf was to play Baker County but that game got canceled Friday with no replacement game available.

Oakleaf rocked Orange Park, but Baker County could have been a look-see for coach Chris Foy on whether his team was hitting on eight cylinders in the 42-0 romp. Orange Park got their engines in order with a strong win over Episcopal so Foy has to wonder where his team is. Baker County was to be that barometer prior to Fleming Island.

Note: Oakleaf treks into a gauntlet few weeks with Bolles, Creekside, Bradford and Buchholz on the docket after Fleming Island. For the Broncos, their game with



Oakleaf cheerleaders have plenty to cheer in Chris Foy's Knights program set for a September 15 showdown with Fleming Island.

Bishop Kenny was moved to October 20 due to weather, but Middleburg will host Bradford (2-0) in a doozy of a second test after Hawthorne.

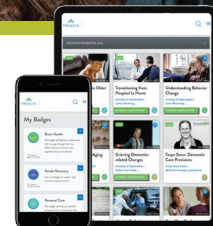
Bradford pumped Baker County 12-0, then Baldwin 40-6 to open their season and looks to bring big offense to the 'Burg, plus a legit kick return dude who went 84 to the house against Baker. Bradford hit a 48-yard scoring pass and the Middleburg secondary got tattooed against Hawthorne.

Big plays hurt the Broncos, but they held their ground in between. Keep the defensive heads on a swivel. Keystone Heights got smoked by an Eastside team filled with cheetahs and coach Steve Reynolds needs to right the ship to avoid a disaster first season. Basic Keystone Heights ball control might be the ticket. Fort White had a tough 19-13 win over Taylor County in their opener on August 26 and has been resting for a week. If it's a battle on the trench, Fort White got three scores off 92 yards rushing from senior Dakota Fisher. Stop him priority one. Quarterback Jaden Jackson passed for 193 yards with just 10 passes, but no scores and bombs of 52 and 36. Eastside tested the Keystone Heights secondary big.



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Keystone Heights running back Cartez Daniels follows blocking of teammate Clayton Shaw looking for open space in Indians season opener against Eastside.

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arm and speed out of the backfield when in trouble. While the quarterback was an issue, the other Ram standout was running back Joshua Benjamin who had impressive burst speed. Time and again, Keystone believed they had the run stopped, only to have Benjamin juke and break away for additional gains.

Referring to things to work on in the coming week, Reynolds reflected "I'm not

perfect. There was a play where I called it to the wrong side. That's something I've got to get ironed out to make sure we have smoother sailing. Half of this team has salty experience; the other half are pretty young still."

While not back to the drawing board for the Indians, it will be getting back to learning from the videos and making the adjustments in this early part of the season as the Indians will prepare for 1-0 Fort White Indians at home as Fort White comes off a bye week, and a 19-13 win over Taylor County two weeks ago.



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Raiders get first win vs. Episcopal

Orange Park High running back Joshua Jones high steps into end zone in Raiders win over Episcopal. Orange Park quarterback Gabe Taylor throws on the run in Episcopal win. Taylor had several long throws; one a 69 yard scoring strike to Jermel Brown.



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Left: Clay High running back Iven Addison goes air to avoid tackle by Ridgeview defender in Blue Devil win. Center: Clay wide receiver Antonio Thomas latches on to second quarter pass. Right: Ridgeview wide receiver Deshun Green looks for room on sideline after pass in Clay game.

Clay

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caught two of Chadwick's passes.

Clay racked up 502 yards of total offense, a staggering 357 of them in the first half as the Blue Devils raced to a 35-12 lead at the intermission. Clay scored on its only possession of a slower-paced third quarter and ended the game at the Panthers' five-yard line on their only drive of the fourth quarter. Head Coach Kyle Kennard had harped on execution in practice the week of the game and was pleased with the near-flawless offensive performance.

"Our kids were more physical than they were, they finished through the whistle, and they executed," Kennard said.

Clay's offensive line, consisting of Josh Hetz and Cody Mobley on the left side, center Donovan Davis, Jr. and brothers Maki Iscoa and Eli Iscoa on the right side, consistently opened holes for the running game. Aside from four incomplete passes, the Blue Devils gained positive yardage on every play they ran, and did not allow a sack.

The physical domination was laid bare in the second quarter when Kennard called three consecutive quarterback sneaks for Rapoza, who barreled over right guard for six yards to convert a fourth down, moved the pile for four yards on the next play, and quickly pushed past the Panthers for a two-yard touchdown run to cap a 67-yard drive. Rapoza, a Tebow and the Gators fan, said he prefers to go through tacklers rather than evade them.

"I want to make them [tacklers] not want to hit me," he said. "Every time they hit me, they are going to feel it."

The offensive line made life easier for freshman Iven Addison, who took all the carries from the running back position because starter Gino Addison sat out the game with a sore ankle. Iven Addison ran for 171 yards and two touchdowns on 18 carries.

Ridgeview had chances to make the game competitive but failed to score on two drives that advanced to the Clay 26-yard



Clay tight end Parker Dykas splits two Ridgeview defenders to get a few more yards. Below: Clay linebacker Chandler Thomas gets into a tumbled tackle with Ridgeview running back Rayhn Hutchinson.



line and two trips to the red zone. Already trailing 35-12, Panthers head coach Bryan Arnette turned down a field goal opportunity with two seconds left in the first half and the ball at the Clay 14-yard line. Instead, Ridgeview quarterback Travon Malone was hit as he threw by Clay's Jay'shawn McCloud, causing an errant pass that was intercepted by cornerback Chandler Thomas as the clock expired.

A fourth-quarter drive that had reached the Clay 5-yard line stalled when a shotgun snap went over the head of running back Rayhn Hutchinson and was recovered at the 15-yard line by McCloud.

McCloud was playing his first game at middle linebacker after Kennard and Clay defensive coordinator Craig Nosse decided to switch McCloud and Brayden Ringer, who had been playing linebacker.

The change worked beautifully, as McCloud had two sacks, two tackles for loss and the fumble recovery.

"McCloud is very explosive, and he plays much better in space," explained Kennard.

Hutchinson was a bright spot for Ridgeview, as he had been in Week 1 against Pedro Menendez. The senior, who in past years had played defense for the Panthers, ran for 130 yards on just eight carries, scoring both Panthers touchdowns. One of the scores was an 80-yard sprint around the right end, taking a direct snap from the wildcat quarterback position. The other was a 29-yard jaunt that brought the Panthers within 7-6 at the end of the first quarter.

"The kid has come so far," Arnette said of Hutchinson, whose family's house burned down last year. "Two years ago, he would have lost his cool, but tonight he showed a lot of poise and heart and embodies what we want our program to be."

Arnette was also pleased with the play of Malone, who was playing just his second game of organized football after not playing football since elementary school. Malone showed off an ability to extend plays by moving around in the pocket and completed 11 of 18 throws for 104 yards.

Kennard and Arnette are close friends who talk to each other almost every day and whose families socialize together. Kennard did not enjoy beating his friend but did not want to suffer the alternative.

"It sucks to play each other," he said. "But if one of us has to lose, it is going to be him."

Payton Dykas had two touchdown receptions for Clay, now 1-1. The Blue Devils travel to Orange Park on September 8 for what will be their third consecutive game against a Clay County rival. Ridgeview hosts Kissimmee Gateway that night in what Arnette views as a critical game for his young Panthers, who do not play on September 15. Gateway, like Ridgeview, is 0-2.

"A win would be huge," he said. "You want to make sure that morale is high leading into a bye."



168 pushups? No Problem

STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Clay High five year old cheerleader specialist Saylor Wyatt showed off some muscle with her pushups with the Blue Devil cheerleaders who hit the pushups for each Clay touchdown; six for the night for a total of 168 pushups on the night.

Rings for Clay state champs



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Clay High's girls weightlifting team got their state championship rings during halftime ceremonies Saturday with senior Anna Lee Harbison showing off her five state champion rings for her career.





Fleming Island High cross country is led by the duo of Graham Myers, left, and John Keester IV who both hit for sub-16 minute races at the Florida Horse Park Invitational in Ocala.



Fleming Island's girls cross country, here with Brooke Reynolds up front ahead of Katie Thompson and Reese Scott, has all but Thompson back for another shot at a state meet invite.

Angry Eagles bring superfast times to Ocala

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OCALA - Fleming Island High's self-proclaimed Angry Eagles cross country team answered some slower times at the season-opening Cecil Field Summer Classic a week ago with superfast times at Saturday's Florida Horse Park Invitational held in Ocala led by Graham Myers and John

Keester IV both running under the 16 minute mark.

"We just ran bad as a team at Cecil Field, but we regrouped and had a great effort in Ocala," said Fleming Island coach Dave Allen. "We haven't had our full team on the field yet and that's a factor as well."

For Myers, a senior, the faces ahead of him in his third-place finish in Ocala, in a

scintillating 15 minutes, 28.60 second effort were familiar with defending 3A champion Belen Jesuit's duo of Joshua Ruiz and Marcelo Mantecon going 1-2 in 15:24.90 and 15:25.40, respectively.

At Cecil Field, Myers ran 16:10 with Keester at 16:12.

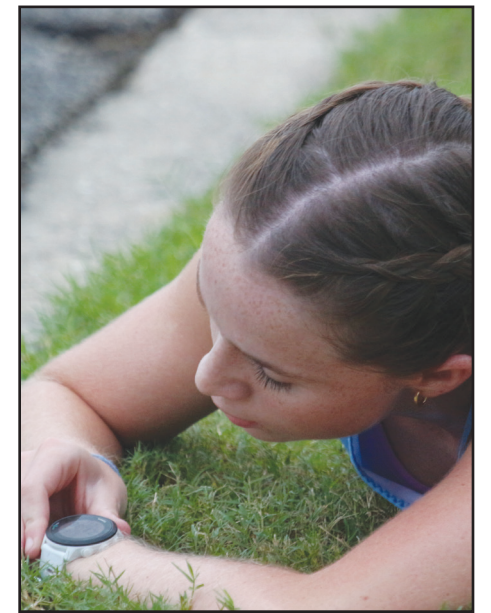
Ruiz and Myers have been state meet battlers with Ruiz putting Myers in third in

Class 3A last November; both runners behind double state champion Patrick Koon of Leon; 14:56, 15:37, 15:42.

"Graham shows up in the big races," said Allen. "Keester had a phenomenal race."

Keester, also a senior like Myers, blasted to a 15:51.80 finish for seventh place to

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Bob Hans Memorial

In one of the largest fields in recent years for the Bob Hans Memorial Cross Country Invitational at Ridgeview High on Saturday, area teams showed off some muscle prior to the girls and boys starts.

Harriers take on Bob Hans Invite

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Ridgeview junior hitter Katie Cole rears back for shot on goal against Providence. Right: Ridgeview senior blocker Kennedy Baugh gets above the net to attempt on block on Providence hitter.

Ridgeview rocks opener, Broncos drop consecutive games

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

After opening 2023 with a win over powerhouse Spruce Creek in August, the Middleburg High volleyball team, under first year head coach Meredith Forkum looked to go big on their next adventure with a trip to Tampa for the Nike Tournament of Champions Southeast hosted Sept. 1-2.

Unfortunately, the Lady Broncos screeched to a two-loss halt in Tampa with losses to Trinity Christian Academy and 7A region finalist Doral Academy before regrouping and winning three straight to enter the Silver championship bracket.

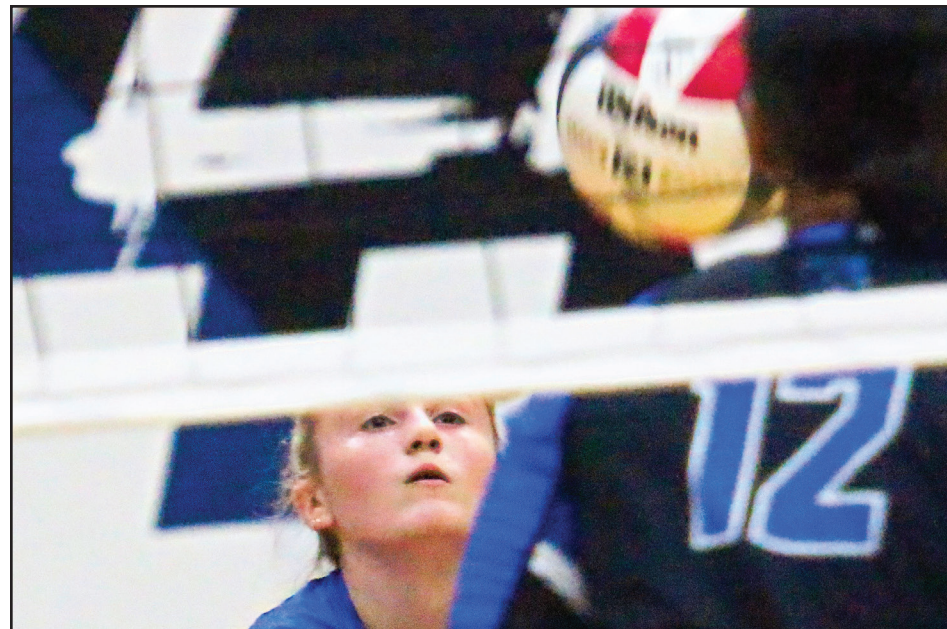
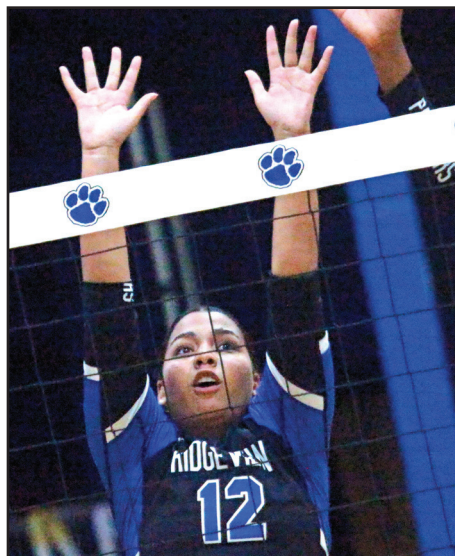
The Bronco's wins came over 7A-Central High of Fort Pierce, 2A-Canterbury of Fort Myers and 2A-Trinity Prep of Winter Park.

In their final game, against defending 5A champion Jensen Beach, the Lady Broncos ended their trip with a 2-1 loss.

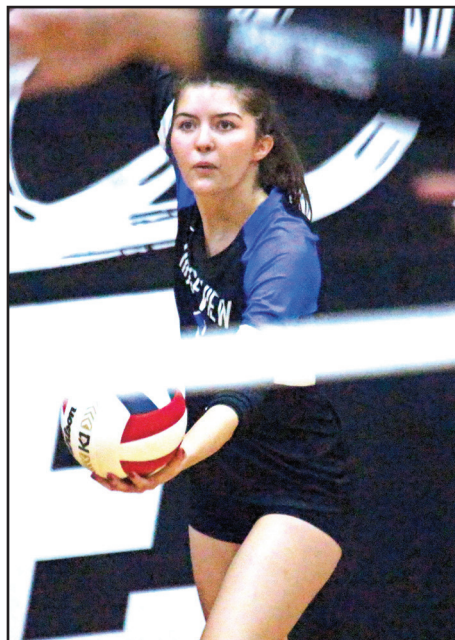
Stats-wise, junior Brooke Forkum led the team with 67 kills in 16 sets played with the Rahn sisters, senior Connor and sophomore Camden striking for 56 and 47 scores.

At Ridgeview, the Lady Panthers opened with Providence and blasted to a 3-0 win behind 13 kills from senior Haley Robinson. Ridgeview coach Steven Henry returns a bevy of senior talent from their region's final team of last year; Makenna Clark, Sydney Little, Nevaeh Baugh, Angel Morales, Kennedy Baugh, Brianna Adams, Mariah Bostic-Jones and Harper Herring that will inevitably create another deep region run that must visit Middleburg at some point.

Ridgeview takes on Oakleaf on September 5 with a September run featuring Bartram Trail, Bolles, Ponte Vedra, Bishop Kenny, Fleming Island and St. Johns Coun-



Ridgeview senior No. 12 Mariah Bostic-Jones stretches to stop shot by Providence. Above: Back defender Brianna Adams bumps ball up to net for Ridgeview hitters.



try Day School (2-2). Middleburg, now 4-3, goes on the road to Oakleaf and Orange Park, then has Fleming Island (4-1) at home.



Mussante tops for Florida Southern in XC opener

Courtesy of FloridaSouthernAthletics

LAKELAND – Emma Mussante (Middleburg) and Ellie Fluman (St. Augustine) paced Florida Southern women's cross country at the 2023 season opener at Holloway Park where the Moccasins placed third out of six teams at the FSC Mocs Kick-Off race Friday morning.

"Taking down a higher-ranked SSC squad like Embry Riddle is a bright spot of optimism for our ladies," Head Coach Stephanie Bylander said. "Emma 'Moose' Mussante and Ellie Fluman signaled that they're ready to compete with the individuals in the SSC. Freshmen Grace Reed, who like Luke Kaelin, is coming back from a catastrophic accident as a HS junior, led our newcomers to an impressive collegiate start."

Mussante, a junior, paced the team with a ninth place finish out of 64 total runners

on the waterlogged course. The junior from Middleburg, Fla. finished the 4.2K course in 15:45.25, just ahead of redshirt junior Ellie Fluman in 10th place (15:46.93).

Behind Mussante and Fluman, Grace Reed completed her first collegiate race in 16:03.78, good enough for 14th place. Kira Mothershed also ran in her first race as a Moccasins and took 17th place (16:08.37), finishing two places ahead of junior Mya Stam in 19th place (16:10.87), to close out the scorers for the Mocs.

Fleming Island grad Marisa Kortright is also a senior runner for Florida Southern.

The Moccasins will split race weekends on Sept. 15 when the team will compete at the Flacon Classic at the UM Cross Country Course in Montevallo, Ala. and the Mountain Dew Invitational at the Mark Bostick Golf Course in Gainesville, Fla. hosted by the University of Florida.

Run

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the past, we have had great ones and twos, but this team has equal talent from three to five. That wins tournaments."

With Nease executing a cross-country shutout with 15 points, Ponte Vedra chased for second with 43 points with Miles Wicks in the sixth overall spot.

Bishop Kenny finished third at a distant 145 points.

In the girl's race, Ponte Vedra proved Devos' point with the Lady Sharks capturing the top three spots led by Daisy Ross's 19:18 finish and two teammates just 10 seconds behind.

Bishop Kenny gave chase with 36 points to the Sharks winning 32 with Nease third at 91.

Locally, St. Johns Country Day School's

Rebecca Stratton was the top area finisher for the girls

in 14th place in 21:29 just ahead of Clay's Erika Martinez in 16th in 21:33. Third local was Oakleaf's Morgan Wade in 36th in 22:28.

For the boys, Oakleaf's Grant Keppel was the top area finisher in 25th place in 18:07 with Clay's Jacob Sanders just six seconds behind Keppel. Keystone Heights' Tyler Griffin edges Orange Park's Ty Obermeyer for the third spot with an 18:41 37th to Obermeyer's 18:42 for 38th.

In the boys teams' scores, Ridgeview finished seventh, Oakleaf was 10th, Keystone Heights was 12th, Orange Park was 13th, St. Johns was 14th, Clay was 15th, and Middleburg was 20th.

For the girls, St. Johns was 7th, Oakleaf was ninth, Ridgeview was 10th, Clay was 12th and Middleburg was 15th.

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MEETING DATES OF THE CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY

The Personnel Committee of the Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, which may be recessed from time to time, in the Board Room at the Administrative Office of the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given.

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.

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CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE

The Clay County School Board will hold a Special meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 5:05 p.m. in the Teacher Inservice Center located at 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing to adopt the 2023-2024 millage rates and final budget.

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NOTICE OF ACTION IN EMINENT DOMAIN AND NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2023-CA-1298

Division: A Parcels: 201 and 800 CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Petitioner,

PRISCILLA C. NORWOOD a/k/a PRISCILLA NORWOOD HARRIS, a/k/a PRISCILLA HARRIS, a married woman, STEWART HARRIS, a married man, FIRSTBANK, a Tennessee corporation, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., a Delaware corporation, and DIANE HUTCHINGS, Clay County Tax Collector, Respondents.

STATE OF FLORIDA TO: To the above named Respondents and all said Respondent who are living, and if any or all Respondent are deceased, the unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against any such deceased Respondent or Respondents, if alive, and if dead, their unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, legatees, grantees, credi-

tors, lienors, or other parties claiming by, through, under or against any such deceased Respondent or Respondents, and all other parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the Property described in the Petition in Eminent Domain, to-wit: Bond Program Project No. 2 Parcels 201 and 800 CR 209 from CR 315B to Highway 17

PARCEL 201A A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 ALSO KNOWN AS RUSSELL ROAD (A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 7153-150); THENCE DEPARTING THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 SOUTH 89°36'12" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 A DISTANCE OF 318.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 34°18'33" EAST A DISTANCE OF 304.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 25°12'45" WEST A DISTANCE OF 65.56 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°59'42" WEST A DISTANCE OF 520.58 FEET; THENCE NORTH 26°15'43" WEST A DISTANCE OF 275.41 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01°13'34" WEST A DISTANCE OF 60.62 FEET TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 NORTH 89°36'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 499.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL CONTAINING 3.91 ACRES, MORE OR LESS TOGETHER WITH PARCEL 201B A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 ALSO KNOWN AS RUSSELL ROAD (A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 7153-150); THENCE ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 SOUTH 42°25'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 86.38 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE ON THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 SOUTH 42°25'47" EAST A DISTANCE OF 361.20 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 AND THE NORTH EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 315B (A 80.00 FOOT WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PER FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MAP, SECTION NO. 71507-2601) AND TO A NON-TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTH, HAVING A RADIUS OF 321.62 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE AID NORTHERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 315B AND THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, THROUGH AN ANGLE OF 06°16'35", AN ARC DISTANCE OF 35.23 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING A DISTANCE SOUTH 44°30'21" WEST, 35.21 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTHERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CR 315B NORTH 05°32'08" WEST A DISTANCE OF 41.91 FEET; THENCE PARALLEL TO SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 NORTH 42°25'47" WEST A DISTANCE OF 338.70 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90°00'00" EAST A DISTANCE OF 13.55 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL CONTAINING 0.09 ACRES, MORE OR LESS TOGETHER WITH A PERPETUAL EASEMENT - PARCEL 800A A PORTION OF PARCEL ID: 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014446-001-02, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PARCEL 800B A PORTION OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 2858, PAGE 750 LOCATED ALONG THE SAID WESTERLY EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTRY ROAD 209 SOUTH 89°36'12" WEST ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 A DISTANCE OF 818.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE DEPARTING THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 SOUTH 01°13'34" EAST A DISTANCE OF 60.62 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°29'53" WEST A DISTANCE OF 287.11 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°03'01" WEST A DISTANCE OF 56.12 FEET TO THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00; THENCE ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE OF PARCEL ID 29-05-26-014448-000-00 NORTH 89°36'12" EAST A DISTANCE OF 285.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL CONTAINING 0.38 ACRES, MORE OR LESS A Petition in Eminent Domain has been filed to acquire certain Property interests in Clay County, Florida.

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

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a declaration of taking has been filed in this cause and that Petitioner will apply for an order of taking and any other order the Court deems proper before the Honorable Steven B. Whittington, one of the Judges of this Court, on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (thirty (30) minutes reserved) in Hearing Room 4-097 at the Judge William A. Wilkes Judicial Complex, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043.

All Respondents to this suit may request a hearing at the time and place designated and be heard. Any Respondent failing to file a request for hearing shall waive any right to object to the Order of Taking. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of this Court on the 31st day of August, 2023. TERESA S. GREEN CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Leigh Lucroy Deputy Clerk

Legal 82836 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 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.

Certificate No.: 202/2021 Legal Description: LOT 16 KINGSLEY COVE AS REC O R 4369 PG 587 Parcel ID No.: 150623-021646-002-16 Opening Bid Amount: \$8,033.66 Physical Address: 6349 CABANA TRC, STARKE

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: KC FARMS 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.

Florida Department of Transportation HYBRID PUBLIC MEETING

SR 21 (Blanding Boulevard) Access Management Project from south of Wells Road to the Ortega River Financial Management Number: 446808-1 Clay and Duval Counties, Florida

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Two invites you to the Hybrid Public Meeting for the SR 21 (Blanding Boulevard) Access Management Project (Financial Management No. 446808-1) in Clay and Duval Counties, Florida. This meeting will inform the public of the proposed improvements and serves as an official forum providing an opportunity for the public to express their opinions and concerns regarding the project.

This access management project is being conducted to relieve congestion and enhance safety at the Blanding Boulevard (SR 21) and Wells Road intersection. The project will redesign the Blanding Boulevard (SR 21)/Wells Road intersection to improve the traffic flow and enhance safety for all users. As part of this redesign, the existing median opening in front of the Taco Bell/Orange Park Mall entrance will be closed.

For your convenience, there are several options to participate in the public meeting including an in-person option, a virtual/online option, and a "Listen Only" option. All participants, regardless of the platform they choose, will receive the same information on the proposed project and all comments received in-person, virtually or electronically, will be given equal weight.

For more information regarding the project please visit the project website at www.nfroads.com/blanding.

Table with 3 columns: Meeting Date, Time, Location. Rows for Public Meeting Date (Monday, Sept 25), Virtual (Monday, Sept 25), and In-Person (Tuesday, Sept 26).

Persons wishing to submit written comments may do so at the public meeting or mail/email them to the address provided no later than October 6, 2023, to be included as part of the Public Meeting record.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Thomas Redding, Project Manager, at the number or email provided below at least seven (7) days before the meeting.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

For Additional Information Contact: Thomas Redding, PE, Project Manager Florida Department of Transportation 1109 S. Marion Avenue, MS 2007 Lake City, Florida 32025-5874 (386) 961-7520 Thomas.Redding@dot.state.fl.us Project Website: www.nfroads.com/blanding.

Legal 82859 published Sept. 7, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

NEW BUSINESS JUST AHEAD Starting a new business? Need to run a fictitious name advertisement? Email: legal@claytodayonline.com or call 904-579-2154 to request a form. Cost is \$35 and will run in the Clay Today Legals for one week. An affidavit will be mailed to you.

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Dated this 31st day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 82835 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 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.: 2056/2021
Legal Description: LOT 27 BLK 1 FLA FRONTIER REPLAT UNIT 1 AS REC O R 2557 PG 2136
Parcel ID No.: 190824-007292-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,785.73
Physical Address: 5196 COUNTY ROAD 214, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: DALIP SINGH

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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 31st day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 82834 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 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.: 629/2021
Legal Description: LOTS 20 & 21 BLK 32 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 484 PGS 122 & 124
Parcel ID No.: 200823-002920-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,170.04
Physical Address: 6430 BUCKNELL AVE., KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: STANLEY J CHUCK, C/O DOROTHY J CEBRA

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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 31st day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on September 21, 2023, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.74 of the Florida Statutes. 2015 Chevy ID# 1G1JC5SG54148383

Legal 82831 Published 9/7/2023 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. 2023CA000179
U.S. BANK NA, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, NA, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO LASALLE BANK NA, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES TRUST 2004-1, Plaintiff,
vs.
JOSEPH RUSSELL ECHOLS, JR., et. al. Defendant(s)
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ES-

TATE OF JANICE K. GILL, DECEASED, whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein. **YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

PART OF LOTS 4 AND 5, DEER PARK, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE SOUTH 00°25'39" EAST AND ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 18, A DISTANCE OF 108.87 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF CARTER SPENCER ROAD (AS NOW ESTABLISHED); THENCE NORTH 88°46'24" EAST ON SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1361.51 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT IN SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE; THENCE NORTH 58°12'39" EAST ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE SAID CARTER SPENCER ROAD (AS NOW ESTABLISHED) A DISTANCE OF 1288.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0°25'39" EAST ON THE CENTERLINE OF THAT PARTICULAR 50 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700 PAGE 151 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA A DISTANCE OF 879.83 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00°25' 39" EAST, ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE, A DISTANCE OF 202.66 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°39'42" EAST 369.75 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF SILVERMOSS CIRCLE, A 60 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES AND FOR FLAY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. POWER LINES AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 831, PAGE 388 (EXHIBIT B) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 00°25' 39" WEST ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE A DISTANCE OF 202.66 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°39'42" WEST 369.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MOBILE HOME BEARING AN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER TO BE DETERMINED. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 28th day of August, 2023

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: Rebecca Crews
DEPUTY CLERK

Legal 82830 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on dates below these vehicles will be sold at public sale on the date listed below at 10AM for monies owed on vehicle repair and storage cost pursuant to Florida Statutes 713.585 or Florida Statutes 713.78. Please note, parties claiming interest have right to a hearing prior to the date of sale with the Clerk of Courts as reflected in the notice. The owner has the right to recover possession of the vehicle without judicial proceedings as pursuant to Florida Statute 559.917. Any proceeds recovered from the sale of the vehicle over the amount of the lien will be deposited with the clerk of the court for disposition upon court order. "No Title Guaranteed, A Buyer Fee May Apply" at

10:00 AM October 18, 2023 FR7 Inc., 1282 Blanding Blvd Unit 6, Orange Park, FL 2010 JEEP 1J4PN2GK0AW166952 \$5,365.89
10:00 AM October 2, 2023 FR7 Inc., 1282 Blanding Blvd Unit 6, Orange Park, FL 2014 HYUN KM6SR4HF5EU075495 \$6841.00
2019 TOYT 5YFBURHE0KP885598 \$7811.72

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD AN ONLINE AUCTION FOR COUNTY OWNED REAL PROPERTY ON THE FOLLOWING DATES AND TIMES, ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE
BEGIN DATE: 8:00 AM, September 15, 2023
END DATE: 4:00 PM, October 13, 2023
LOCATION: www.govdeals.com
THE FOLLOWING REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA,

WILL BE SOLD AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER:
1. RE# 16-08-23-001567-003-00, 6392 ROLLING HILLS AVENUE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, PT OF SE1/4 S16T8R23 AS REC O R 4150 PG 703
2. RE# 28-08-23-021927-002-00, 7749 CYPRESS STREET, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, LOTS 7-10 BLK 34 LAKE GENEVA O R 1528 PG 380 & 2582 PG 840, 4599 PG 425
3. RE# 20-08-23-021899-004-00, TEMPLE STREET, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, PARCEL 4 BLK 20 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 3071 PG 2177; 3072 PG 494; 3076 PG 501 & 3780 PG 1240

Legal 82517 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 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 Utopia located at 1690 Freedom Drive, in the County of Clay, in the City of Middleburg, Florida 32068 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Middleburg, Florida, this 28th day of August 2023.
Utopia Products, LLC

Legal 82516 Published 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on dates below these vehicles will be sold at public sale on the date listed below at 10AM for monies owed on vehicle repair and storage cost pursuant to Florida Statutes 713.585 or Florida Statutes 713.78. Please note, parties claiming interest have right to a hearing prior to the date of sale with the Clerk of Courts as reflected in the notice. The owner has the right to recover possession of the vehicle without judicial proceedings as pursuant to Florida Statute 559.917. Any proceeds recovered from the sale of the vehicle over the amount of the lien will be deposited with the clerk of the court for disposition upon court order. "No Title Guaranteed, A Buyer Fee May Apply" at

10:00 AM October 2, 2023 Podium Auto Collision LLC, 8217 US Hwy 98 N Lot 1, Lakeland Fl. 2015 DODG 2C3CDZA-G9FH868914 \$19,999.23
2016 GMC 2GKALPEK3G6254936 \$20,880.29
2017 DODG 1C6RR6HT2HS769153 \$34,678.02

Legal 82515 Published 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Derelict Vessel Publication Notice

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL HEIRS AND PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE BELOW DESCRIBED VESSEL
The following Vessel, to wit: 1979 37' foot Endeavor, has been determined to be derelict/abandoned and is unlawfully upon these waters of this state, to wit Muddy Cove/St. Johns River and must be removed within 21 days; otherwise, it will be removed and disposed of pursuant to chapter 705, Florida Statutes. Owners, heirs and other legally interested parties may have the right to a hearing to challenge the determination that this vessel is derelict or otherwise in violation of the law or to raise their interests before a tribunal. Please contact the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Legal Office at (850) 487-1764 or efile@myfwc.com in order to assert a legal interest in this vessel. The owner or the party determined to be legally responsible for the vessel being upon the waters of this state in a derelict condition will be liable for the costs of removal, destruction, and disposal if this vessel is not removed by the owner.
All heirs and other persons with a legal interest in this vessel must raise such interest within 21 days of the date of first publication of this Notice. All interests not raised by that time will be waived and forever barred. The date of first publication of this Notice is September 7, 2023.

Legal 82513 Published 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2023-DP-18
DIVISION: JV-E
IN THE INTEREST OF:
L.C.
MINOR CHILD
THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO:
Alesia Caruso, Mother
2285 Marsh Hawk Lane, Apt. 11304
Fleming Island, Florida 32003
Last Known Address
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the GUARDIAN AD LITEM OFFICE for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above named child, L.C.,

who was born on February 7, 2023. You are hereby commanded to appear before the **Honorable Angela M. Cox**, at the Clay County Courthouse Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on **October 3, 2023 A.D.** for a trial on this termination of parental rights petition. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TRIAL CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PETITION FILED IN YOUR DEPENDENCY CASE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crintrp@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 23rd day of August, 2023.

Tara S. Green
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 82510 Published 9/7/2023, 9/14/2023, 9/21/2023 and 9/28/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

On September 19, 2023, at 9:00 AM, an auction will take place at 1046 Airpark Rd, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
The vehicles which will be auctioned include:
1FTEW1CM0BKD28261 2011 FORD

Legal 82373 Published 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Thursday the 21st day of September, 2023 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 996 Blanding Blvd, Orange Park, FL, 32065 Fishbein, Stephen 302 Boxes of misc, shelves, wooden chest, baskets, pictures, totes of misc. Kinchen, Michael 945 Misc items, computer tower, door, table ,armir,totes,boxes,armor, gates,workout machine,plastic shelving,vhs tapes, TV cabinet,rocking chair. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase by cash or credit/debit card per facility policy. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Thursday the 21st day of September, 2023 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 2000 Wells Road A, Orange Park, FL, 32073 Clay County Jackson, Nelson 338 Totes, Boxes, Fridge, Dryer, Mattress, Highchair, Side Tables, Futon Couch, Kitchen Chairs, Lamp Floor Lamp, Pictures, Legos, Martin, Morgan 653 Bicycle, TV, Cube Shelf, Boxes, Shoes, Baby Gate, Back Pack Cooler, Totes, Wire Shelf, Woodworth, Josie 103 Totes, Duffie Bags, Bicycle, Lamp, Desk Chair, Clothes, Shoes, Misc Items. Hurston, Doug 659 TV Trays, Gators Trash Bin, Boxes, Pictures, Guitar Case, Black Decker Yard Tools, Crock Ppt, Pots Pans, Totes, Gator Tool Box, Jackson, Jimmy 611 Fans, Wooden Chairs, Coolers, Totes, Back Packs, Bags, Boxes. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase by cash or credit/debit card per facility policy. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

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LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICE RFQ-SJR-04-2023 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES

St. Johns River State College (SJR State) is soliciting architectural services for the remodel and addition to the FloArts facility (Bldg. F) located on the Palatka Campus, 5001 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, FL 32177.

To be considered, qualifications must be submitted as prescribed in the RFQ-SJR-04-2023 Specifications Document. The specifications document may be obtained by sending a written request via e-mail to TerryThomas@sjrstate.edu or by clicking on this link to the college's webpage dedicated to this RFQ <https://www.sjrstate.edu/042023>.

RFQ responses, clearly marked on the outside with the firm name and RFQ-SJR-04-2023, must be received by **Mrs. Terry Thomas, Director of Capital Assets and Risk Management, St. Johns River State College, Business Office, 5001 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, FL 32177 by 2:00 p.m. on September 21, 2023.** Responses received by the deadline will be officially opened and firm names read aloud at 2:30 p.m. on September 21, 2023, in Room A152, Valhalla Hall in the Admin. Bldg. on the campus in Palatka. Faxed, e-mailed, conditional, late responses, and deliveries to an incorrect location will not be considered.

Information and notices will be posted on the college's web page dedicated to this RFQ at <https://www.sjrstate.edu/042023> as the process progresses. Responses will be evaluated by committee per criteria contained in the specifications document and will include interviews of top ranked candidates. A public meeting will be held on October 2, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in Room A-152 Valhalla Hall, Administration Building, on the SJR State Campus in Palatka to evaluate written responses and select candidates for interviews. Interviews, open to the public, will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. October 9, 2023, in Room A-152 on the Palatka Campus culminating in a public meeting at 1:30 p.m. for preparation of a ranked short-list of architects for action by the DBOT at their meeting at the SJR State Campus in Palatka on October 18, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Contract negotiations will begin with the top ranked firm following action by the DBOT.

SJR State reserves the right to reject any or all responses to the RFQ, to waive any or all informalities in regards thereto, and to award a contract which will be in the best interest of the College.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Thursday the 21st day of September, 2023 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 5585 US Highway 17, Fleming Island, FL, 32003 Clay County Solo, David F008 mattress, bed frame, ladder, lawn chairs, tv, ceiling fans, kids toys, scooter, tools, suitcase, smoker grill, power washer, misc. Breton, Kendra E129 Chairs, tv, coffee table, toaster and toaster oven, boxes, end table, printer and misc. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase by cash or credit/debit card per facility policy. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2023-CP-336
Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF RUTH PAULINE LAW Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Ruth Pauline Law, deceased, whose date of death was May 31, 2022, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is August 31, 2023.
Attorney for Personal Representative: SEAN E. HENGESBACH, ESQ.
Florida Bar Number: 0491551
5438 Spring Hill Drive
Spring Hill, Florida 34606
Telephone: (352) 683-1963
Fax: (352) 683-3847
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E-Mail: stephanie@naturecoastlaw.com
Personal Representative: Katherine Wisnoski
51535 Nicolette
Chesterfield, Michigan 48047

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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. 2022CA000709
MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.
PAMELA BELT AKA PAMELA PADGET BELT, et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 09, 2023, and entered in 2022CA000709 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein MIDFIRST BANK is the Plaintiff and PAMELA BELT AKA PAMELA PADGET BELT 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.realtaxdeed.com, at 10:00 AM, on **October 09, 2023**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 36, BLOCK 133, BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGE(S) 21 THROUGH33, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

TOGETHER WITH A 1986 PIEDMONT MOBILE HOME ID#5361773696A AND 5361773696B, RP# R0505715 AND R0505716, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE AFORD DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY AND INCORPORATED HEREIN.

Property Address: 2684 MYRTLE LOOP, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 25 day of August, 2023.

Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Leigh Lucroy
As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 81973 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2022CA001075
HMC ASSETS, LLC SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF CAM XI TRUST, Plaintiff,
v.

RAKA SHANA RAYCHAUDHURI, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated August 10, 2023, issued in and for Clay County, Florida, in Case No. 2022CA001075, wherein HMC ASSETS, LLC SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS SEPARATE TRUSTEE OF CAM XI TRUST is the Plaintiff, and RAKA SHANA RAYCHAUDHURI, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, FLEMING ISLAND PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., RIVER HILLS RESERVE OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/K/A PURNINA RAYCHAUDHURI and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/K/A RAKA SH-

CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

NA RAYCHAUDHURI are the Defendants. **The Clerk of the Court, TARA GREEN**, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes, on **October 09, 2023, at electronic sale beginning at 10:00 AM, at www.clay.realforeclose.com** the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure, to wit:
LOT 80, RIVER HILLS RESERVE UNIT 1, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 34, PAGE(S) 70 THROUGH 75, INCLUSIVE OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 Property Address: 1839 Hickory Trace Dr., Fleming Island, FL 32003
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.
 Dated: This 25th day of August, 2023.
TARA S. GREEN
 Clay County Clerk
 By: Gracie Moore
 Deputy Clerk
IMPORTANT
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtrinpr@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.

Legal 81972 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PATERNAL AUNT'S JOINT PETITION FOR ADOPTION AND PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF MOTHER'S PATERNAL RIGHTS:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 Case No.: 2023-DR-000358
 Division:
 In re: The Adoption of **KATHERINE LEAH VAN KEUREN** and **CAROLINE SABRINA VAN KEUREN**, Minor Children.
Jimmie Nitka
 7144 Paul Howard Dr
 Jacksonville FL 32222
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for **Paternal Aunt's Joint Petition for Adoption and Termination of Mother's Parental Rights** has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to, **Stephen Doty, Esq., 7545 Centurion Pkwy Suite 105, Jacksonville FL 32256, on before 20 days of publication of service**, 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.
 Instructions for Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.913(a)(2), Notice of Action For Family Cases With Minor or Dependent Child(ren) (06/18)
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: August 25, 2023.
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: Rebecca Crews
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE COUNTY COURT, JUDICIAL DISTRICT, IN AND FOR, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: 2022-CC-001701
 DIVISION: CC-C
TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
JENNIFER SATCHELL, ET AL.
 Defendants.
 Notice is given that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 23, 2023, in the above styled civil action of the County Court, in and for Clay County, Florida, in which THE ESTATE OF JENNIFER SATCHELL is the Defendant, and TWO CREEKS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., is the Plaintiff. The property will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 10:00 a.m. on **October 12, 2023**, on Clay County's Public Auction website: www.clay.realforeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, 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 property to be sold as set forth in the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure is more particularly described as:
 Lot 491, TWO CREEKS, a subdivision, according to the plat as recorded in Plat Book 52, Pages 62 through 104, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. Dated this 24th day of August, 2023.
 CLERK OF COUNTY COURT
 By: Nicole Barrie
 Deputy Clerk

Legal 81827 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:
1939 East West Parkway, Fleming Island, FL 32003
 September 19, 2023 at 10:00 am
Raphael Rivera- Household Goods
Tenise Haynes- Household Goods
Dominique Fanelle- household goods
Chris Coyle- Household Goods
 The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: 2023-CC-1136
 DIVISION:
ARBOR MILL AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff,
 vs.
AJITKUMAR HARIKRUSHNA PURANI, ET AL.
 Defendants.
 TO: AJITKUMAR HARIKRUSHNA PURANI, JAGRUTIBEN A. PURANI, JAYSHIL AJITKUMAR PURANI, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAYSHIL AJITKUMAR PURANI, MONIKA AJIT PURANI, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MONIKA AJIT PURANI, KHUSHUBU AJITKUMAR PURANI, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KHUSHUBU AJITKUMAR PURANI
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that the above-styled action to foreclose the lien on the following described property in Duval County, Florida:
 Lot 131, OF ARBOR MILL AT OAKLEAF

PLANTATION, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 58, Page 10, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.
 Property Address: 4224 Arbor Mill Circle Orange Park, Florida 32065
 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Crabtree Law Group, P.A., 8777 San Jose Boulevard, Building A, Suite 200, Jacksonville, Florida 32217. (Phone Number: (904)732-9701; Email: ems@crabtreefirm.com), Plaintiff's attorney within thirty (30) days after the 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. This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clay Today.
 DATED ON August 21, 2023.
TARA S GREEN
 CLERK OF COUNTY COURT
 By: Robbin Tefft
 Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtrinpr@coj.net or (904) 255-1695, at least seven (7) days prior to scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The online bidding and auction for Storage Rentals of America, 369 Blanding Blvd. will be held online at lockerfox.com through **September 21, 2023, at 11:00AM.**
 The entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien and other charges according to FL Statutes 83.801.
PERSONAL PROPERTY/HOUSEHOLD ITEMS:
Unit # Tenant or Business Name
 B07 Joyce Grace
 E46 Derrick Williams
 E48 Dior Jordan
 I20 Tyler Cyriaque
 I61 Louis Lozado
 K15 Richard Dernick
 M30 Martha Jones
 N206 Michael Ardolino
Total Units: 8
 Sale being held to satisfy Landlord's lien. The seller reserves the right to reject any/all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. **CASH ONLY.** Contents to be removed within 48 hours.
Storage Rentals of America
 369 Blanding Blvd.
 Orange Park, FL 32073
 904-977-6400

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: 2021-CC-000400
AUTUMN GLEN TOWNHOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Plaintiff,
 v.
JAMES L STOVALL, et al,
 Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS GIVEN that the undersigned Clerk of the Court will offer the following described property in Clay County, Florida;
 Street Address: 1605 Vineland Circle D Fleming Island, FL 32003
 Legal Description: Lot 12D, Autumn Glen, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 44, Page(s) 38 through 42., of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.
 for sale to the highest bidder, for cash on **October 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.** at www.clay.realforeclose.com, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure in this action

dated August 17, 2023.
 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
 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 Administrator (904) 630-2564 at least seven (7) days prior to your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 1-800-955-8771 for assistance.
 DATED This 22nd day of August, 2023.
 CLERK OF COURT
 By: Nicole Barrie
 Deputy Clerk

Legal 81575 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Notice of Meeting Pine Ridge Plantation Community Development District

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Pine Ridge Plantation Community Development District will be held on **Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Plantation Community Center, 4200 Pine Ridge Parkway, Middleburg, Florida 32068.** The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.
 Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.
Marilee Giles
 District Manager

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Notice of Meeting Armstrong Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Armstrong Community Development District will be held on **Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.** at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.
 Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.
 Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised

that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.
Marilee Giles
 District Manager

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NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 CASE NO. 2023CA000053
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
 Plaintiff,
 v.
SAMUEL L. THOMPSON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAMUEL L. THOMPSON; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; JAMES JONES, JR.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES JONES, JR.; BARBARA D. COCHRAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA D. COCHRAN;
 Defendants.
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 09, 2023, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as:

LOT 8 OF HAGANS RIDGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 53, PAGES 17, 18 AND 19, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
a/k/a 1713 HAGANS RIDGE CT, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-8591
 at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, online at www.clay.realforeclose.com, on **November 7, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM.** Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 21st day of August, 2023.
Tara S. Green
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: Jennifer Brosky
 Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 File No. 2023-CP- 414
 Division: A
 IN RE: ESTATE OF **BETTY G. HARRIS**
 Deceased.
 The administration of the estate of **BETTY G. HARRIS**, deceased, whose date of death was July 4, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida Probate Division, the address of which is PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The 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 31, 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/ Cynthia Harris Stewart
 1688 Muirfield Drive
 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

A-1 TOWING AND RECOVERY gives notice that on 09/25/2023 at 09:00 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 3052 JOE JOHNS RD MIDDLETOWN, 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.
J9A15NN091514 1979 JEP
11NB82F4K719944 1989 LINC
WWWMP7AN4CE513288 2012 VOLK
1C4NJRFB5GD626453 2016 JEEP

Legal 81427 Published 9/7/2023 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.: 205/2021
Legal Description: LOT 61 KINGSLEY COVE
Parcel ID No.: 150623-021646-002-61
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,199.36
Physical Address: 4072 BUENA VISTA AVE, STARKE
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: NUTTY BUD-DY 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 21st day of August, 2023
TARA S . GREEN
 Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
 Clay County, Florida
 By: Christina Spadea
 Deputy Clerk

Legal 81280 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: GLORIA J WARNICK, 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.: 1657/2017
Legal Description: PT LOT 9 SW OF RD BLACK CREEK ESTATES AS REC O R 919 PG 568
Parcel ID No.: 110524-006143-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,521.25
Physical Address: SCENIC DR , MIDDLETOWN
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: CECILE K ABRAM
 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 **15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 21st day of August, 2023
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: GRACE SALAS, 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.: 910/2017
Legal Description: LOT 19 BLK 96 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 3150 PG 963

Parcel ID No.: 210823-004239-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,005.18
Physical Address: 7184 RUTGERS ST, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: DENTON II 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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 2023

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Clay County, Florida
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: BUFFALO BILL 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.: 3639/2016
Legal Description: W1/2 LOT D WILES S/D OF LT 7 BLK 30 N CS DB 30 PG 356 & O R 1 PG

29 EX O R 126 PG 328 & 242 PG 134
Parcel ID No.: 380626-017901-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$4,112.99
Physical Address: WALBURG ST, GREEN COVE SPRINGS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: ESTATE OF LEWIS REDMOND C/O LEE P WASHINGTON JR
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 2023

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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: BEAMIF A LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 631/2020
Legal Description: LOTS 1, 5 & 6 BLK 17 HIGHRIDGE ESTATES AS REC O R 2535 PG 961

Parcel ID No.: 210823-002658-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,816.73
Physical Address: 7191 SKIDMORE ST, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: SONUEL LOUIS SAINT & GLADYS MESIDOR
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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 2023

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

Legal 81276 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: VINMAS

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

Certificate No.: 794/2021
Legal Description: LOT 17 BLK 79 HIGHRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 1029 PG 740

Parcel ID No.: 210823-003843-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,051.15
Physical Address: 6208 HUNTER AVE, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: CLARENCE L WILSON JR
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 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: VINMAS HOLDINGS LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 1996/2021
Legal Description: LOT 15 BLK 1 LAKESIDE TERRACE AS REC O R 3595 PG 1334

Parcel ID No.: 140824-007055-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,190.55
Physical Address: 7212 CARDINAL ST, FLORAHOME

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: TERRELL GLEN SWEAT
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 15th day of November, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 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: BRADFORD WILLIAMS, 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.: 3382/2020
Legal Description: LOT 10 EX W 18' BLK V SHANDS PLAT AS REC O R 36 PG 343, 1737 PG

1183, 1744 PG 1669, 3012 PG 1371 & 3031 PG 478
Parcel ID No.: 380626-018251-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,965.17
Physical Address: 1209 FORBES ST, GREEN COVE SPRINGS

Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL Name in which assessed: JEWEL BASKIN P/R
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 11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com. Dated this 21st day of August, 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: BEAMIF A LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No.: 2085/2021
Legal Description: LOTS 3-9 BUNDY PARK SEC 1 BLK 1 AS REC O R 1770 PG 894, 1777 PG 1910

1784 PG 1022 & 2865 PG 400
Parcel ID No.: 310824-007851-003-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,290.10
Physical Address: 0 HONEYDEW CIR,

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MELROSE
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: RONALD C TUCKER (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 **11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 21st day of August, 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: BUFFALO BILL 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.: 1939/2016
Legal Description: LOT 49B SUNNY-SIDE FARMS AS REC O R 1454 PG 212 & 2234 PG 316 (MINERALS)
Parcel ID No.: 360524-006761-108-01
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,697.67
Physical Address: 4060 SUNNYSIDE DR , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: MICHAEL P SINCLAIR

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 **11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 21st day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PARENTING/TIME SHARING

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE# 2014-DR-2102
Division F
Miles Tyler
Petitioner
and
Jessica Picklo
Respondent.
TO: Jessica Picklo
1904 Plainfield Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Family Court has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Miles Tyler whose address is 4468 Gray Hawk St. Orange Park, FL 32065, on or before October 2, 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: August 18, 2023.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Gracie Moore
Deputy Clerk

Legal 80881 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 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.: 2101/2021
Legal Description: LOT 4N LIVE OAK FOREST AS REC O R 1465 PG 964 &

1540 PG 624
Parcel ID No.: 310824-007852-074-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$4,621.07
Physical Address: 5521 DARWOOD ST , MELROSE
Classification: MOBILE HOME JOINED SFR UNIT
Name in which assessed: DIANE E TOMLINSON

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 17th day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 80729 Published 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023, 9/7/2023 and 9/14/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

2406 Hutton Ct. Middleburg Fl. 32068
September 19th, 2023 10:00 AM.
Cristin Hallstein
Household Goods
Judy Wheeler
Household Goods
Haley Dalton
Household Goods
Jeremy Wilkey
Household Goods
Bobbie J Papoosha
Household Goods
Kevin Golubovic
Household Goods
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Legal 80280 Published 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 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.: 1169/2021
Legal Description: PT OF NE1/4 OF NE1/4 S30T4R24 AS REC O R 3695 PG 437
Parcel ID No.: 300424-005629-003-75
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,643.27
Physical Address: PRIMROSE LN , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL W/SPECIAL FEATURES OR YARD ITEM
Name in which assessed: ALBINA KORPANOVA
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 **11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 14th day of August, 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: 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.: 468/2021
Legal Description: LOT 2 BLK 100 HIGHBRIDGE ESTATE AS REC O R 2497 PG 303
Parcel ID No.: 160823-004315-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,373.37
Physical Address: 6253 NORTHWEST-ERN AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: ROBERT C & DEANNA MARTELL, DEANNA MARTELL

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 **11th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 14th day of August, 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: NUSIGMA CAPITAL 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.: 365/2016
Legal Description: LOT 43 BLK 35 BIG TREE LAKES SEC A AS REC O R 1379 PG 1186 & 1653 PG 2164
Parcel ID No.: 140823-001437-309-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,757.29
Physical Address: 7445 ANTIETAM AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: KENNETH P MCGOWAN JR
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the **4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**
Dated this 14th day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

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SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 10-2022-DP-94
DIVISION: E
IN THE INTEREST OF:
L.P.
MINOR CHILD
THE STATE OF FLORIDA
TO:
Madison Padgett, Mother
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, L.P., who was born on October 17, 2022. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on **September 19, 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 OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PETITION FILED IN YOUR DEPENDENCY CASE.
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtintrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance 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 9th day of August, 2023.
Tara S. Green
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood

Legal 79755 Published 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 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.: 1687/2021
Legal Description: PT OF SE1/4 OF NE1/4 & PT OF NE1/4 OF SE1/4 S26T5R24 A/K/A PT LOT 17 MAGNOLIA WOODS AS REC O R 976 PG 211 & 3874 PG 284 EX PT O R 1294 PG 402 & 1877 PG 1665
Parcel ID No.: 260524-006612-001-24
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,364.08
Physical Address: SPRING DR , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: MARY L

JOHNSON & DONNA LYNN FARMER
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 8th day of August, 2023
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller
Clay County, Florida
By: Christina Spadea
Deputy Clerk

Legal 79552 Published 8/17/2023, 8/24/2023, 8/31/2023 and 9/7/2023 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individu-

als listed below at the location indicated: 4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL 32003
September 19, 2023, at 10:00am
Stacy Ruplinger
clothing, holiday items, furniture
Roxanne Van hof
household
Towns Sanford
household items/ furniture, boxes
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only, and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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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.: 1271/2021
Legal Description: PT OF SW1/4 S5T5R24 A/K/A LOT 11 MIMOSA WOODS UNREC AS REC O R 2862 PG 95
Parcel ID No.: 050524-005931-003-11
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,460.83
Physical Address: 73 PLANKTON AVE , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL W/SPECIAL FEATURES OR YARD ITEM
Name in which assessed: JEAN A MADDOX

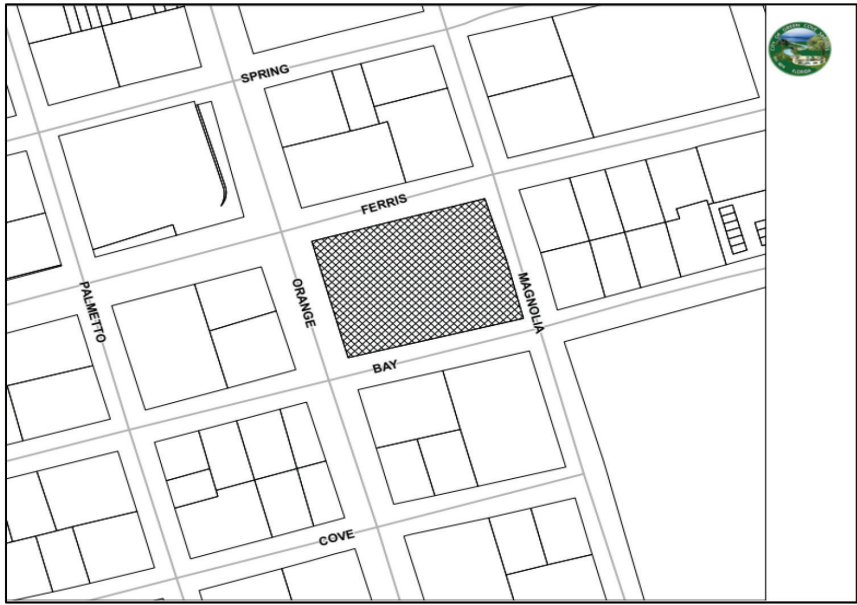
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Green Cove Springs City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 to consider a Development Agreement to be entered into pursuant to Sections 163.3220 through 163.3243, inclusive, Florida Statutes, between •200 N. Orange Avenue Holdings, LLC and the City of Green Cove Springs.

The following public hearing has been scheduled and will be held in the City Council Chambers, 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, to hear comments, if any, regarding the proposed Agreement:

City Council: Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter

The property is approximately 1.26 acres and is located on the east side of US 17, south of SR 16/Ferris Street. A detached legal description of the property is on file with the Development Services Department of the City, which is located at 321 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. The location of the property is further shown on the enclosed map:



The proposed Development Agreement is for the redevelopment of the existing 19,848 square foot Dollar Tree Plaza building and the addition of a 2,463 square foot outparcel building located at 206 S. Orange Avenue. The Development Agreement addresses public facility improvements, building and site design improvements, and permitting requirements.

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

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

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

All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing.

City of Green Cove Springs

Lyndie Knowles, Development Services Representative

321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

Steve Kennedy, City Manager

Legal 82987 published Sept. 7, 2023 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper.

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 8th day of August, 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: 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.: 1039/2021
Legal Description: LOT 3 BLK 7 POST-MASTERS RETIREMENT VILLAGE AS REC O R 2920 P G 420
Parcel ID No.: 330823-005074-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,509.31
Physical Address: 1ST AVE , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: HEDWIG MCELGUN

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 8th day of August, 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: BRADFORD WILLIAMS, 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.: 1663/2019
Legal Description: PT OF S1/2 OF NW1/4 & PT OF W1/2 OF NE1/4 AS REC O R 3441 PG 2028
Parcel ID No.: 220524-006492-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$3,356.13
Physical Address: STATE ROAD 21 , MIDDLEBURG
Classification: VACANT COMMERCIAL
Name in which assessed: CLAY INVESTMENTS LLC

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder online on the 4th day of October, 2023 at 9:30 A.M. at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.
Dated this 8th day of August, 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: BRADFORD WILLIAMS, 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.: 2681/2019
Legal Description: PT OF TRACT 4 BLK 25 & PT OF TRACT 4 BLK 26 FLA FARM LAND AS REC CO AS REC O R 3893 PG 186 & 4120 PG 1829
Parcel ID No.: 460525-010290-002-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$1,992.21
Physical Address: COUNTY ROAD 209B, GREEN COVE SPRINGS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: FYR SFR BORROWER 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 8th day of August, 2023
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Certificate No.: 4021/2017
Legal Description: LOT 12 BLK 6 LAKE GENEVA AS REC O R 101 PG 11 & 3161 PG 1523
Parcel ID No.: 280823-021804-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$2,120.37
Physical Address: STATE ROAD 100 , KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: VACANT RESIDENTIAL
Name in which assessed: BRAD LEE HAMILTON

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

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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 970
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

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PUBLIC AUCTION

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction.
For towing and storage costs. G & M Towing, Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.
2006 CHEVROLET VIN # 2G1WT58K169125228

Auction will be held at 9:00 AM 9/25/2023 at G & M Towing, Inc., located at 4995 Highway 17 S. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 .

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The St. Johns River State College District Board of Trustees will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 2 p.m. in the Viking Center (Room V0112) on the St. Augustine Campus, 2990 College Drive, St. Augustine, Florida. The agenda may include, but is not limited to business affairs, personnel matters, facilities items, academic and student affairs. Prior to the regular monthly meeting, a Board Workshop on SACSCOC On-Site Visit will be held at 1 p.m., and an Executive Session on Collective Bargaining will immediately follow the meeting, both in the same location as the board meeting. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in the noticed meeting should contact the College at the following address at least five days before the date of the scheduled meeting: Charles Romer, Director of Human Resources, 386-312-4074 or charlesromer@sjrstate.edu. Persons with speech or hearing impairments should contact the College using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2010CA000908
BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP,
Plaintiff,
vs.
LETHA D. DANIELL A/K/A LETHA R. DANIELL,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 18, 2023, and entered in 2010CA000908 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST is the Plaintiff and LETHA D. DANIELL A/K/A LETHA R. DANIELL; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LETHA D. DANIELL 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.realeforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on September 27, 2023, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 36; THENCE ON THE EAST LINE THEREOF RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" WEST, 3524.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" WEST, 175.10 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 51' 30" WEST, 622.02 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 08' 20" EAST 175.10 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 51' 30" EAST, 622.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Property Address: 3105 THUNDER RD, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 1 day of September, 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 crtrn@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 09/22/2023 at 12:00 PM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MID-LEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.
1FADP3F22EL104069 2014 FORD
1G1ZT51806F258713 2006 CHEV

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NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on December 29, 2007, a certain Mortgage was executed by JOHN-NY CROSBY a/k/a JOHN-NY CROSBY and CLAUDETTE CROSBY a/k/a CLAUDETTE JACKSON as mortgagor(s) in favor of AMERICAN REVERSE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, as mortgagee and was recorded on January 7, 2008, in Book 2980 and Page 470 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated January 19, 2018, and recorded on January 25, 2018, in Book 4050 and Page 1399 in the Official Records of Clay County, Florida; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that a Borrower has died and the Property is not the principal residence of at least one surviving borrower, and the outstanding balance remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and

WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of September 17, 2021, is \$115,463.32; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on December 21, 2021 in Book 4549 and Page 1913, notice is hereby given that on **September 25, 2023 at 10:00 AM, EDT** local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder:

(LOT 33, PLUM AND WITTENBERG, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION)
A PORTION OF TRACTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, ALSO BEING THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 142, PAGE 344 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, SOUTH 42° 32' 39" EAST, 330.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, 359.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 53° 23' 42" EAST, 300.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY PROJECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B", OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF 310.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING THE TERMINATION POINT OF SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, SAID TERMINATION POINT BEING THE RADIUS POINT OF A CUL-DE-SAC, SAID CUL-DE-SAC HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.0 FEET TO BE INCLUDED IN SAID EASEMENT; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 215.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02' 39" EAST, 343.09 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING IN A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 06° 31' 45" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16' 30" WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44' 04" WEST, 331.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
THE ABOVE DESCRIBED NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF 490.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID NON-EXCLUSIVE FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 35.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02' 39" EAST, 343.09 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING IN A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 06° 31' 45" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16' 30" WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44' 04" WEST, 331.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
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170.69 FEET TO THE POINT OF A REVERSE CURVE, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 20° 27' 10" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 65° 09' 13" WEST, 169.75 FEET TO SAID POINT OF REVERSE CURVE, SAID REVERSE CURVE BEING CONCAVE SOUTHEASTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 176.17 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID REVERSE CURVE, AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 70.61 FEET, LAST SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 22° 57' 50" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 63° 53' 53" WEST, 70.14 FEET; THENCE NORTH 44° 00' 56" WEST, 271.09 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ALSO TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, EXHIBIT "B" OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A PORTION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 33) IS SUBJECT TO A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES; THAT PORTION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS BEING SUBJECT TO SAID NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, BEING DESCRIBED AS: A PORTION OF TRACTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 3, ACCORDING TO MAP OF FLORIDA FARMER'S LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 49 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP OF FLORIDA FARMERS LAND COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, ALSO BEING THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 142, PAGE 344 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS; THENCE ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT 3, BLOCK 2, SOUTH 42° 32' 39" EAST, 330.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, 359.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 53° 23' 42" EAST, 300.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY PROJECTION OF, AND ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 700, PAGE 524, (EXHIBIT "B") OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A DISTANCE OF 490.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID NON-EXCLUSIVE FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 47° 27' 21" EAST, ON SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 35.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 46° 02' 39" EAST, 343.09 FEET TO A POINT ON THE CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 06° 31' 45" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16' 30" WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44' 04" WEST, 331.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

THE ABOVE DESCRIBED NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THAT PARTICULAR 60 FOOT WIDE NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS VOLUME 556, PAGE 34 (SCHEDULE "A", PARCEL II) OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LAST SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE, SAID CURVE BEING CONCAVE NORTHWESTERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 478.06 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG AND AROUND SAID CURVE AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF A 60 FOOT WIDE, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT, RUN AN ARC DISTANCE OF 55.87 FEET, SAID ARC OF CURVE HAVING A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 06° 31' 45" AND BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF SOUTH 58° 16' 30" WEST, 55.84 FEET; THENCE NORTH 42° 44' 04" WEST, 331.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Commonly known as: 2348 N. Fork Rd., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
The sale will be held at the Front Entrance to the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.
The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid \$119,354.48.
There will be no proration of taxes, rents

or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$11,935.45 in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$11,935.45 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$119,354.48 as of September 25, 2023, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

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