



## staves Nancy Scherer's eviction by paying three months rent

By Kyla Woodard  
For Clay Today



GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Fighting eviction and hardship was never a part of the plan for retired Clay County Sheriff's Office patrol deputy Nancy Scherer. And, during what she called "the most difficult time in her life," she refused to lose faith.

"It's gotten to the point where I try to remain positive. I try to be positive, but when it's day in, day out [and] it's been like this for months, you get really discouraged. You pray a lot more," she said.

It wasn't until her community of first responders stepped in that Scherer said she had the chance to breathe and see a window of hope.

Scherer was the first female road patrol deputy and sergeant of patrol and investigations in Clay County. She was a teacher and was always working. Until her retirement in 1995, she couldn't remember when she wasn't on the go.

A recent medical emergency changed her life. She had back surgery several months ago. Last week, she had her right knee replaced. Now, she needs surgery to replace her left ankle.

"You never think it's going to happen to



Nancy Scherer

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Retired Clay County Sheriff's Office deputy Nancy Scherer recently had back surgery. Last week, she had her right knee replaced, and she's waiting for the same surgery for her left ankle. Nonetheless, the federal government still refused to classify her as being permanently disabled. Unable to walk or work and without financial benefits, she faced eviction from her apartment until Signal 35, a private fund to help Clay County first responders, intervened.



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"I need to hear from my stakeholders (my constituents) about what to do with five books that were left in the 'spicy' column," said Board Member Michele Hanson, referring to "Heroin" by Mindy McGinnis, among others.

## The 'spicy' newest chapter of the 'book ban' debate

School board listens, responds to community to author new media policy

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ORANGE PARK – School Board Members Michele Hanson, Erin Skipper and Mary Bolla invited the community to an open forum last Tuesday for feedback and suggestions to create a new media policy for library books.

The board members wanted to create a new media policy following months of being overwhelmed by challenges and inadequate policy to review them.

"We don't want to dictate policy for you. We want you to help us decide policy," Hanson said.

The county's "book ban" debate received considerable attention last year following Bruce Friedman's campaign to remove what he deemed pornogra-

phy from school libraries. In the last 18 months, Friedman has single-handedly submitted more than 600 book challenges – more than one challenge a day.

The current media policy, adopted last April, allows for the return of challenged books that do not violate FS 847, which forbids books "depicting nudity, sexual conduct, or sexual excitement" without "serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors."

This year, students needed a signed permission slip to "opt-in" to use school libraries.

The current media policy has been criticized for being transparent, inconsistent and having an appeal process that

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# Green Cove's Castro retires after 46 years

By Don Coble  
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Eliberto “Berto” Castro made \$3.47 an hour when he was hired by the city in 1977.

“And I was happy,” he said Tuesday night after receiving a standing ovation by the city council during his retirement ceremony.

Among other things, Castro swept streets, worked in the warehouse and with the city’s water department. He came to the city council to say goodbye.

“Back when he started, they swept the streets with a broom, and he wore out a broom in one day,” said Water Utilities Assistant Director Scott Schultz. “He never had a bad thing to say about any employee, about anyone. He was always happy.”

With a light agenda, the council easily

went through their other business, including:

- Awarding a \$4,700,360 bid to Besch and Smith to construct a sidewalk and add stormwater protection on West Street. The award incorporated two sections of the 2020 Community Development Block Grant with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Besch and Smith bid nearly \$4.964 million, but the company dropped \$263,413 in value engineering opportunities.

The project will be funded by CDBG grants, unspent funds from the 2023 budget and other stormwater proceeds.

- Approving a request to include State Road 16 Trail Projects into the North Florida Transportation Organization list of priority projects. The plan calls for the SR 16 West trail to be connected to the

Clay-Duval Trail for \$642,975 and for the intersection of SR 16 and U.S. Highway 17 from Reynolds Park to Spring Park for \$981,951.

- Approving the first reading of an ordinance that requires written permission to use the city’s seal for non-municipal purposes.

- And, approving dates for this year’s Food Truck Friday events at Spring Park, starting on March 1 and ending in November to coincide with the city’s 150-year celebration.

The city is currently working on the musical lineup for each month.

STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

One thing has been constant during the last 46 years in Green Cove Springs – Eliberto Castro’s smile and positive contributions as an employee for the city.



## Book from page 1

that takes too long. These were criticisms residents on both sides debated during the open forum. No one has criticized the current media policy more than Hanson herself.

“Our media specialists have suffered under the current policy, and I have felt so bad for them,” she said.

A major talking point was a desire for accountable, consistent community standards that objectively evaluate books.

Hanson said whether a challenged book violates FS 847 is usually black or white. But certain books are in a gray area: not deliberately pornographic but, nonetheless, contain explicit language and themes that may be inappropriate for minors. Hanson used the term “spicy” to describe these books. She cited “Heroin” by Mindy McGinnis as an example.

Parents, teachers, librarians and residents broke into groups to discuss a new media policy. They agreed to empower parental choice. Using markers, sticky notes and posters, the groups presented their viewpoints to the school board:

- “Let me decide for my child,” said one group.
- “All books should be returned to the shelves... This is the only option that supports all parental rights,” said another.
- “Elementary school (books) (should have) no sexual content whatsoever... pornography (has) no educational value,” was mentioned.
- “I, we, you cannot decide for other



The school board fostered a productive conversation with a diverse community. This may have been the first open forum format in the school board’s history.

parents. Only a parent can decide for their own child... return to opt-out to allow students to read except those whose parents want them restricted,” was discussed.

- “Books that ‘walk the line’ of the statute (FS 847) but don’t violate it should be (accessible in) high school (with) parental permission,” said one group.

- “We need a rubric to grade books that violate (Florida) law... (We need) a timeline for the review process... all age-appropriate content from history should be allowed,” was also mentioned.

Two groups proposed a “movie rating system” for books, following a rubric similar to the MPAA rating system used today (G, PG, PG-13, R, etc.). One group said the line in the sand should be drawn to differentiate between what can be “spicy” and

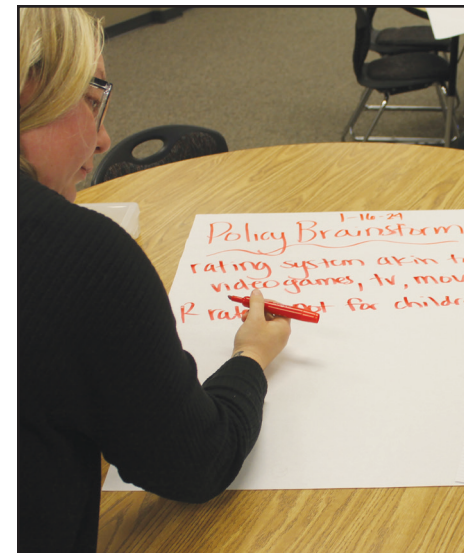
what should not be suitable.

“A lot of the ideas you shared make a lot of sense to me,” Hanson said.

Hansen was receptive to the community’s feedback. She said the school board would consider a community-proposed “opt-out” permission slip system and compare that alternative with the current “opt-in” system that is in place.

Skipper said the perspectives from the community and recommendations from media specialists would be the basis for designing the new media policy at the school board’s upcoming workshop on Jan. 23.

“Compromise is the bridge that leads to progress,” said Hanson, reading a quote from one table’s posterboard. “I couldn’t agree more.”



Parents, teachers, librarians and residents sat at round tables to brainstorm what they wanted to see differently in the new media policy.



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# Clay County wins statewide acclaim for high live-release rate

Nearly 99% of sheltered animals experience live outcomes

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CLAY COUNTY – Aymie Hellard smiled when it looked like two dogs were sizing each other up for a fight at Clay County Animal Services. As the shelter manager, she knew they were being playful.

Minutes later, one of the dogs was on her way home to a new life.

Success stories never get old at animal shelters, especially when it means a cat or dog escapes the indignant possibility of euthanasia. And when it comes to happy – and living – outcomes, few counties in Florida do it better than Clay County.

According to the Florida Shelter Animal Census data collected by the University of Florida's College of Veterinary Medicine, nearly 99% of all animals surrendered to shelters like Animal Services or Safe Animal Shelter are left alive. Only three other counties reported better outcomes.

"We try very hard to adopt out, send animals out to rescue and to foster out animals so we can mitigate the euthanasia rate," Hellard said. "We don't want to have to euthanize anything that can be adopted."

Safe Animal Shelter in Middleburg is the oldest no-kill shelter in the county. So far, 836 of 895 cats dropped off have been adopted. Even better, 388 of 401 dogs have



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Before letting it go home, Clay County Animal Services Shelter Manager Aymie Hellard ensured a dog up for adoption could get along with other dogs during a "meet and greet" session. While finding pets new homes is the goal, Hellard said it's essential for the animal and the family to establish a bond before they leave. Last week the Animal Services shelter was at capacity last weekend, so the county offered free adoptions. The result was 24 pets finding new homes.

gone to new "forever" homes. Since its inception in 1991, Safe has provided care to more than 18,000 cats and dogs until they were adopted.

The county's animal shelter on State Road 16 in Green Cove Springs has 79 kennels. Last week, it reached capacity, so officials decided to waive all adoption fees on Jan. 12-13. That resulted in 24 adoptions.

"Putting down animals is a last resort for any shelter, any reputable shelter," said County Animal Director Ernest T. Hagan. "That's not something we consider foremost of what we do."

While the number of live releases has improved, it's still not close to the 100% no-kill rate pushed by Best Friends Save Them All. The organization said the benchmark

for any state is a 90% live outcome, but it's advocating for 100% by 2025.

Typically, the number of pets suffering from irreparable medical or behavioral issues that compromise their quality of life and prevent them from being rehomed is not more than 10% of all dogs and cats entering shelters, according to Best Friends Save Them All. Florida's shelters reported 205,164 dogs and cats were put down in 2013. That number improved to 41,685 pets being killed in 2021. Last year, that number dropped to 20,653.

Animal Services only accepts dogs and cats but will find homes for livestock received in cruelty cases or strays. Also, all dogs and cats available for adoption have been spayed or neutered, microchipped,

and given the required vaccinations.

Last month, Animal Services launched the Bow Wow Breakout Club, which pairs a sheltered animal with a volunteer to spend the day away from the kennel. Hagan said what started as an afternoon for a walk and exploration can lead to an adoption.

"Sometimes they don't like to bring them back as quickly as they're supposed to," he said. "The ultimate thing is the owner gets attached to them."

Hellard said she's proud of her shelter's record. "It takes a lot of work to make sure these animals are taken care of and find a home," she said. "I love what we do. We love the animals. We love our community. We work hard to get these guys homes because they all deserve it."

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## How military spouses can find connection, support

By StatePoint Media  
For Clay Today

Military spouses sacrifice stable careers and time with loved ones due to constant moves to new duty stations and holding down the fort at home during their spouses' deployments. That's why the USO prioritizes providing community and support to military spouses. Here are some of the ways their programs are making an impact:

- **Friendship:** USO Coffee Connections are monthly gatherings where military spouses can relax, craft, do yoga, swap advice and go on outings. The goal is to build friendships among military spouses. When Jenna King's husband, Tech Sgt. Howard King was deployed to Poland with less than 24 hours' notice. She said she found a home away from home at USO Lakenheath in the U.K., which has been hosting Coffee Connections since the war in Ukraine began. She and her children visit the center often because of the warm welcome and sense of community she finds there. "There's something for each of us here," she said. "Being overseas, friends who are like family are the biggest blessing. And you can't turn down free coffee and snacks."

- **Support for new parents:** Military parents are often away from family and friends during their pregnancies and first months as new parents. USO Special Delivery presented by Johnson's are baby showers providing a home touch. They allow expectant parents and military spouses to connect and bond; this year, 72% of participants have stated in feedback surveys that this is the only baby shower they will receive. More than 20,000 parents have been served through this program since its 2013 launch, including 1st Lt. Erika Pearson, an active-duty service member in the Air Force. She knew her spouse, 1st Lt. Drew Pearson, could potentially be deployed around her due date. "The USO helped me make friends that I could rely on if my husband were to miss the birth and offered me resources I could reach out to if needed," says 1st Lt. Pearson.

- **Professional development:** Military spouses often have trouble finding their professional footing due to frequent relocations. That's where the USO can step in. Connecting service members and military spouses to resources that focus on employment, education, financial readiness, mentorship and veterans benefits, the USO Transition Program helps military families build a roadmap to achieve their goals and positions them for success through-

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## OPINIONS



## Greed driven most by lack of empathy for consumers

By Don Coble  
Managing Editor

Last year's average inflation rate was 4.1%, which, thankfully, isn't as steep as the 8% annual inflation rate that capped off 2022 or the 4.7% rate at the end of 2021. But since then, costs have only climbed, as demonstrated by the consumer price index, a frequently cited measure of buying power.



Don Coble

The CPI measures the price fluctuations of consumer goods and services. According to the CPI, inflation was higher – 4.06% in 2023 and 9.59% in 2022.

Oddly enough, the CPI doesn't typically include food or energy. I hate to remind the pencil pushers in Washington, D.C., but those numbers significantly impact a family's budget. That's why the only numbers that matter to me are what's on the bottom of the receipt, and that number is infuriating.

Those numbers mean prices are higher, and we have fewer dollars to spend.

I'm sick of companies taking advantage of hard-working people, especially during difficult financial times. The more the dollar shrinks, the more big business works to squeeze every dollar from a family's budget.

Just two years ago, you could get a two-liter bottle of soda at the grocery

store for about \$1. Now it's nearly \$4. Nationally, the average cost for a gallon of gasoline is \$3.20. It was \$2.40 at the start of 2021 and as much as \$5.06 in 2022.

According to the House Budget Committee, mortgage interest rates have risen from 2.7% in January 2021 to the current rate of 6.4% – the most rapid rate increase since the end of the Jimmy Carter presidency and the beginning of Ronald Reagan's term in 1981.

Equally alarming, renting has become more costly than buying. According to Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse, rent increased by 45.77% in the last three years to a monthly average of \$1,591 for a two-bedroom apartment.

People are finally pushing back.

Global supermarket chain Carrefour pulled all PepsiCo products from its shelves of 9,000 stores last week in France, Spain, Italy and Belgium because of "unacceptable price increases."

That means you can't buy Pepsi, Mountain Dew, Rice-A-Roni, Lay's potato chips, 7UP, Lipton Iced Tea, Cheetos or Quaker Oats products after PepsiCo increased its prices by more than 10% in seven consecutive quarters.

Although PepsiCo reported a 14% increase in profits, it defended higher prices because cooking oil now costs more following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Stew Leonard's, a New Jersey, New York and Connecticut supermarket chain, said it wouldn't accept any more big company price increases because their customers were finally pushing

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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.

**Oneiric:** (oh-NYE-rik) an adjective meaning "of or relating to dreams."

"The paintings, filled with fantastical imagery conjured by the artist's imagination, have a compellingly oneiric quality."

## This Week in History

### Five years ago, 2019

- The Clay Soil and Water Conservation District held its first-ever swearing-in ceremony for its four newly elected members. Today, the Clay Soil and Water Conservation District acts as a middleman between the industry and government agencies such as the Florida Forest Service, the St. Johns River Water Management District, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

- Pat Meeks, wife of then Orange Park Mayor Gary Meeks, finalized the sale of inherited land from her family to Clay County for use as a public park. The plot of land she sold, the plot of land she grew up on, would one day be known as "Rob Bradley Conservation Park at Nelson Point."

### 10 years ago, 2014

- The Board of County Commissioners wrote a letter to the county's Florida legislators condemning the controversial road fill material EZBase that JEA gave a Middleburg homeowner before he found the material contained toxins such as arsenic.

- The Clay County Sheriff's Office showed evidence that Ronnie Lee Stevens Jr. stole over \$150,000 worth of jewelry while he conducted pest control

inspections in homes as an employee for his family's business, Pest Xpress of Orange Park.

### 20 years ago, 2004

- The CBS TV Show "Survivor" held tryouts at Jacksonville's Avenues Mall, in which many Clay County residents attempted to make the cut.

- During his reelection campaign, Clay County Sheriff Scott Lancaster was charged with misusing county funds for

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### Send us a letter ...

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### Opinions ...

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# Letter to the Editor

## Reader: Recycling necessary because 'the earth is not a trash can'

Remembering the gargantuan amounts of previously recycled trash my family created during the pandemic when there was no recycling at all (that we were barely able to stuff into our trash cans), and then getting the news of all the things we're no longer allowed to recycle, and then seeing the paltry quantities of recyclables in my neighbors' bins this week, it seems a foregone conclusion that these changes were a half-step to no more recycling at all.

When they don't take the mounds of junk mail that come every week, the glass that accumulates from one's kitchen, or the myriad plastic containers that comprise the bulk of the bulk, it seems obvious we're on our way to no recycling.

As I often say, I hope smarter people than me are working to address these challenges. The earth is not a trash can — although I suspect it's inevitable space will become one — yet we seem unwilling to treat it that way.

**Cary Murphy Herold  
Fleming Island**

## History

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personal use. Subsequently, Lancaster was defeated by Sheriff Rick Beseler. Lancaster would eventually be brought on and then fired an investigator for sexually inappropriate remarks he made to several female coworkers.

### 30 years ago, 1994

- A 15-year-old Jacksonville teen was charged with exchanging gunfire with a Clay County Sheriff's Office deputy inside the food court at the Orange Park Mall using a .38-caliber handgun.

- An auctioneer helped sell off the remaining livestock at Wright's Clay County Farms near Green Cove Springs after being in business just shy of 30 years.

### 40 years ago, 1984

- Town of Orange Park officials dedicated a tree in the honor of former mayor James Lytle during a tree-planting ceremony marking its requalification as a Tree City USA.

- Actors at Orange Park Community Theatre prepared for a run of the Neil Simon play "The Gingerbread Lady" that was to be staged at the Orange Park Lions Club building.

### 50 years ago, 1984

- Moosehaven agreed to sell the Clay County School District 30 acres on Gano Avenue for \$55 an acre to build a new elementary school in the district, Grove Park Elementary.

- Clay Co. Sheriff's Office Sgt. Bill Hutchings reported that Tommy L. Dunham, 16, was shot in the head with a pistol on Washington Street in Green Cove Springs.

## Support

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out their service, as well as in their post-military life.

- Support while solo parenting: The burden of solo parenting can become especially apparent during deployments when military family members must struggle to find a new normal. For Tessa Michaelson Schmidt, connection with her husband Brett, a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, became complicated when he was deployed to Kuwait, where there is an eight-hour time difference, unreliable Wi-Fi on base, and the added pressure of being deployed near the frontlines. Because they and their two children have an incredible passion for reading, the USO Reading Program has been a blessing. Deployed service members can record themselves reading a book to their child. Then, the recording and a copy of the book are sent to that service member's family.

"They have a real response when they



hear his voice, and then we get the books in the mail, and they know they're books from daddy," says Schmidt, who explained that her children will often watch the videos of their father just before bed so that in a way, he is present for storytime.

The life of a military spouse is undeniably challenging. By the USO fostering community and providing connection sources, military spouses can feel supported and empowered.

## Greed

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A McDonald's in Connecticut sells the Big Mac combo meal — a sandwich, fries and soft drink — for \$17.59. The location wasn't in an airport, either.

I was a customer at the same car insurance company for more than 20 years. I have a good driving record and a 12-year-old car, but I got an \$800-a-year rate increase for my loyalty. The company told me it's because the cost of repairing and replacing cars has increased, so it passed those costs to its customers. I asked why reckless drivers weren't responsible for the extra costs. I didn't get an answer.

So, I pushed back. I changed companies. I'm contemplating doing the same with cable television.

Those of us with AT&T's U-verse or DirecTV took our local NBA and ABC broadcasts off the air for six weeks. Tenga Inc. owns channels 12 and 25 here, and according to AT&T, it dropped the stations because Tenga wanted more money.

That meant fans with DirecTV couldn't watch the Jacksonville-Baltimore game on Sunday Night Football because it was on NBC.

Also, local subscribers of DISH Network haven't been able to watch FOX30 since November 2022 because station owner Cox Media Group wanted more money.

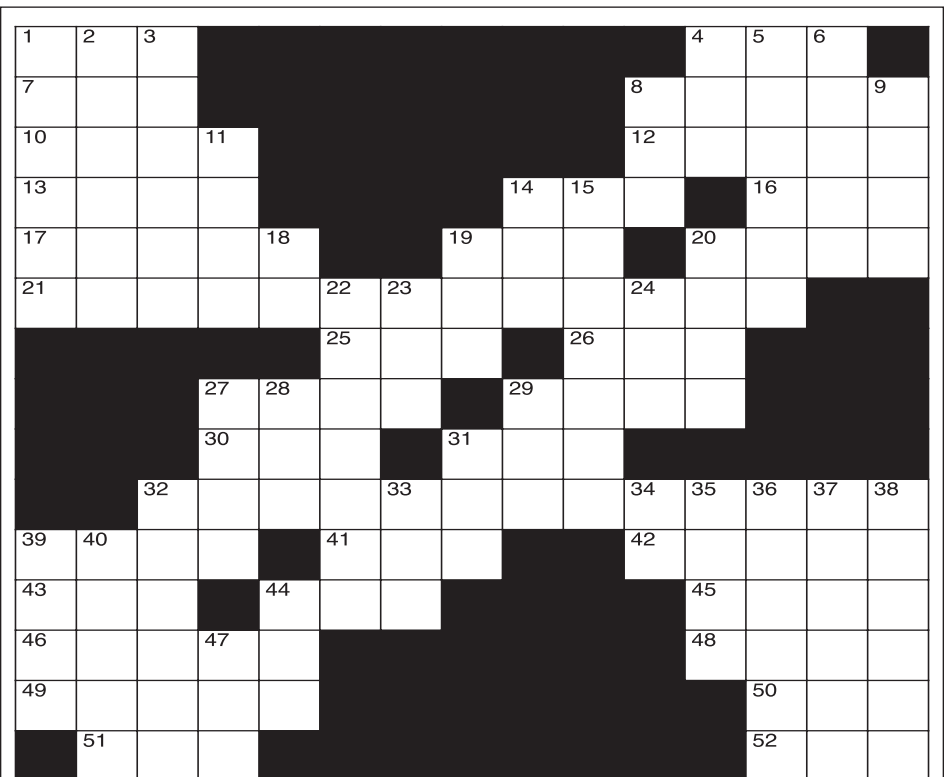
Tenga was originally part of Gannett Company. Tenga/Gannett has \$3 billion in revenues. AT&T acquired DirecTV in 2015, and together they have more than \$67 billion in revenues. Cox has annual revenues of \$21 billion, while DISH is worth \$3.08 billion.

And customers were caught in the middle of the money grab.

Last Saturday, NBC pushed its first-round playoff game between Kansas City and Miami to its streaming service, Peacock. The collective seething over the pay-per-view format came on the same day Tenga and DirecTV settled their stalemate.

More than 20 years ago, Eartha Kitt famously said, "Greed is so destructive. It destroys everything."

Things have changed since Kitt made that comment. Sadly, one thing never changes — greed.



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Microgram
4. Where golfers begin
7. Each
8. Warm weather metropolis
10. Coat with sticky substance
12. Girl's given name
13. Myth (Spanish)
14. Ultrahigh frequency
16. Former NBAer Jeremy
17. Where rockers work
19. Your consciousness of your own identity
20. Soft-finned fishes
21. Localities
25. Paddle
26. Union
27. Member of religious community
29. Small shrill flute
30. Small constellation in the Milky Way
31. They \_\_\_
32. College kid on vacation
39. de Armas and Gasteyer are two
41. Part of the human body

### CLUES DOWN

1. An insane person
2. \_\_\_ Boothe Luce, American author
3. Buttock muscles
4. Men's fashion accessory
5. "Hotel California" rockers
6. Electronic communication
8. Magnetomotive force (abbr.)
9. Hostelrys
11. A way to resound

14. Exclamation: yuck!
15. A resident of Indiana
18. Exclamation of surprise
19. Make a mistake
20. Boundary
22. Antilles island
23. It's used to make furniture
24. Clod
27. They indicate where places are
28. Bobby \_\_\_, NHL champ
29. Prints money
31. Honorable title (Turkish)
32. Appetizers
33. Midway between north and northwest
34. Spanish be
35. Breezed through
36. Grilled dishes
37. In a way, excites
38. Change mind
39. A French abbot
40. Popular candy
44. Partner to cheese
47. Wood or metal bolt





### Hundreds receive food on MLK Day of Service in Orange Park, Green Cove Springs

PHOTOS BY IMPACT CLAY

CLAY COUNTY – Cars started getting in line more than three hours before the first bag of food was distributed at Celebration Church last Saturday as part of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service. Across the county, volunteers with Impact Clay, The United Way and Feeding Northeast Florida were loading bags of food, including ice cream, during a drive-through event at Francis Vera Hall Park in Green Cove Springs. “Celebration Church is just one of our professional food distribution sites in Orange Park,” said Impact Clay CEO Connie Thomas. “Today was a perfect fit to come together and collaborate. This was an awesome day.”



# THE TURMERIC KITCHEN



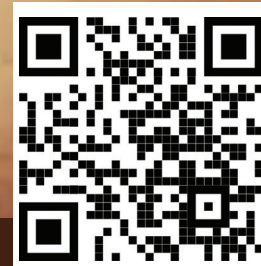
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# GCSPD Chief E.J. Guzman completes 'Yellow Brick Road'

10-week FBI training academy includes 6.1-mile advanced obstacle course

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – E.J. Guzman knows what it takes to be a good cop. The stars on his uniform and the keepsakes on his office walls and shelves confirm that.

But his mission to learn more about police work doesn't stop.

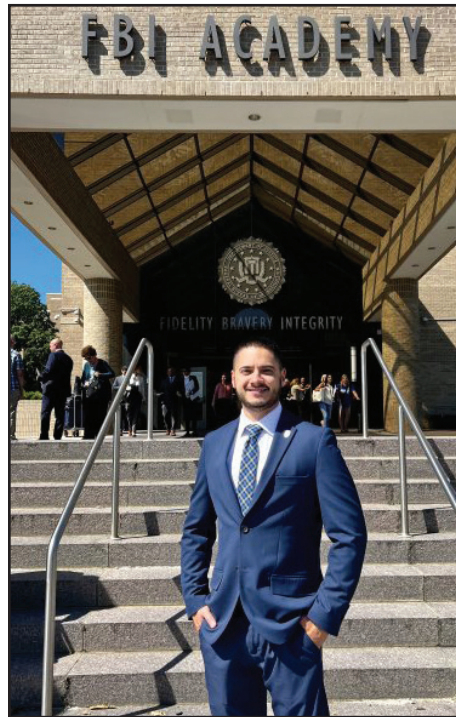
Since joining the Green Cove Springs Police Department 20 years ago, he has been a patrol officer, street crimes and field training officer, instructor and detective with the county-wide drug and vice task force. He has overseen Criminal Investigations, Communications, Accreditation and Training, School Resource Officers, Records and Evidence.

He achieved the rank of sergeant and then lieutenant. The city council appointed him the Acting Chief of Police following the death of Derek Asdot in 2021. Three months later, the council officially put him in charge of the agency that regularly handles more than 55,000 calls a year.

Despite achieving the highest rank at his agency, Guzman recently attended Class 287 at the FBI National Academy for three months to broaden his law enforcement skills. The academy in Quantico, Virginia, is the same facility where the FBI trains its new special agents and intelligence analysts.

"It's top-tier training, right? It's the FBI," Guzman said. "This course is renowned worldwide for its caliber. What it offers is really three things. It offers education through the FBI, normally through former or current FBI agents, and then it offers guest speakers from all aspects of law enforcement and public safety. And then the last thing it offers is networking because you are meeting top-level enforcement officials from all over the country and worldwide."

It also includes completing a 6.1-mile advanced obstacle course set up by the U.S. Marines. The grueling run includes climbing walls, running through creeks,



jumping through simulated windows, scaling rock faces with ropes, crawling under barbed wire in muddy water and maneuvering on cargo nets. Those who make it to the finish line leave with one of the most cherished tokens of law enforcement – a Yellow Brick Road Brick.

"That was the toughest part of the academy," Guzman said. "Not everyone made it because you have to qualify through other runs. Some people who went to the academy couldn't make the mile run in the allotted time, so they weren't able to do the course. They got a certificate for completing the educational portion of the program. But they won't get the brick right behind me that everyone seeks."

Guzman keeps his brick on a table behind his desk.

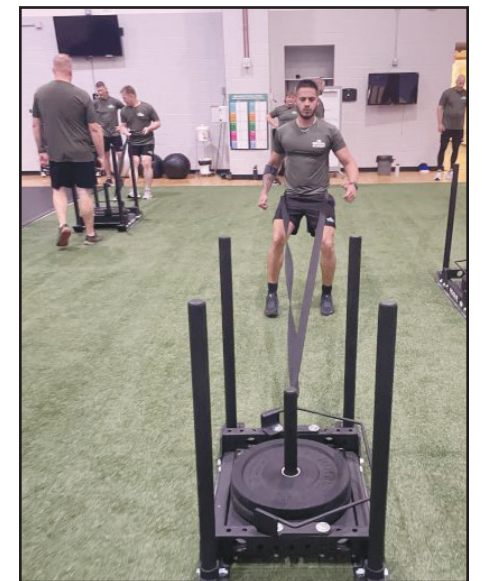
"It's a big deal," he said. "I knew I was going to make it based on my time runs. I did pretty well. Now, I had no doubt that the Yellow Brick Road was going to be tough."

According to the FBI, the academy immersed Guzman in coursework in intelligence theory, terrorism and terrorist



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Green Cove Springs Police Department Chief E.J. Guzman spent three months earning his FBI National Academy certification. The classes provided senior officers with advanced investigative, leadership and management training, concluding with running a 6.1-mile obstacle course. Those who pass the academy gain knowledge of how to serve their communities better. Afterward, they get a ceremonial yellow brick.



mindset, management science, law, behavioral science, law enforcement communication and forensic science to improve the administration of justice in local police departments.

Guzman said he believes the training will benefit everyone who carries a badge in Green Cove Springs.

"Absolutely, having good training has a ripple effect if you share what you've learned," he said.

Guzman said he's now focused on earn-

ing his Master's degree in management at the University of Florida.

"It's very similar to an MBA, and it's really tough," he said. "I started off taking three classes at a time, and then I dropped down to two classes. Then, I dropped down to one class when I got into this role (as police chief). Although I scaled back in my classes, I only have a few more classes left."

After that, E.J. Guzman will probably start looking for another challenge.

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## Mercedes M. Crump

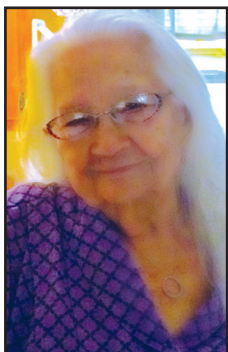
Mercedes M. Crump passed away on December 26, 2023, at age 101. She was born on February 24, 1922, in Oriente Province, Cuba to Jose and Marcella Vasquez.

She is survived by her children, Wanda Heck (Rick), Duel Crump, Betty Cook, Bert Brown (Rick) and Samuel Crump, Jr., grandchildren, Israel Dyson (Cathy), Kristen Brown Kaffa (Nick), Kerry Brown, Samuel Crump, III, Angie Starks (Al), James Cook; great-grandchildren, Tyler Dyson Taylor Thompson, Russell Thompson, Colby Thompson and Noelle Thompson and a host of relatives and friends.

The family extends a special thank you to Community Hospice.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at Aaron and Burney Bivens Funeral Home, 529 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, Florida 32073, (904) 264-1233.

She will be laid to rest at Jacksonville, Memory Gardens, Orange Park.



Mercedes M. Crump

grandpa. Jim enjoyed traveling, was an avid fisherman, loved the outdoors, cherished his family, and enjoyed sharing a laugh or a joke with his friends. He was a great gardener and enjoyed cooking. He was well known for making his turtle muligan.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his daughter Tammy Chasteen (Chris), sons Brian (Andrea), and Jeremy, as well as six grandchildren Taylor (Robert), Dalton, Chandler, Brianna, Grace, Blake, and one great-grandchild, Owen James. He is also survived by his brothers Sid (Carol), and Mike (Mari), as well as two nephews, Mike (Tricia), Tim (Nikki), and a niece, Stefanie (Cody).

Jim's Celebration of Life will take place on January 20, 2024, at 2 pm at 'Roger That Wings & Things' (formerly Ronnie's) in Green Cove Springs, FL. All are welcome to attend.

Please sign the family's online guestbook at [www.broadusraines.com](http://www.broadusraines.com)

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



James Andrew Houglan



## James Andrew Houglan

James Andrew Houglan, a Navy Veteran and longtime resident of Green Cove Springs, FL, peacefully passed away at home on January 13, 2024. He was known to many in the area as 'Hougie' and 'Jim' to his family. He was born on January 20, 1953, to Adam and Dorothy Houglan, in Red Bud, Illinois. He attended New Athens High School before enlisting in the U.S. Navy. He later retired as an Aviation Machinist for the Navy Civil Service.

Jim held many titles in his life, but his favorite was being a father and proud

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# Community Briefs

## Reinhold Foundation accepting applications for 'Celebrate Clay' awards

FLEMING ISLAND – The Paul E. and Klare N. Reinhold Foundation is accepting applications for the 2024 "Celebrate Clay" awards, a community service awards program that recognizes remarkable organizations and individuals serving the Clay County community.

Up to \$100,000 in cash awards, ranging from the \$1,000 Category Awards to the \$15,000 Paul E. Reinhold Community Service Award, will be presented at the 2024 "Celebrate Clay" awards breakfast on April 23. A panel of judges will vote on the best projects of 2023 to determine the recipients of the cash awards.

All 501 (c) 3 nonprofit groups, including school and church outreach groups that provided services to 2023 Clay County residents, are encouraged to apply. "Celebrate Clay" is a program to support the ongoing efforts of the charitable organizations in the community working to strengthen and enrich Clay County. Details and applications are available at [www.reinhold.net](http://www.reinhold.net). The application deadline is Jan. 30. For more information, contact Amy Parker, Executive Director, at (904) 269-5857 ext. 404 or at [aparker@reinhold.net](mailto:aparker@reinhold.net).

## Middleburg-Clay Hill Library to host four-day book sale

MIDDLEBURG – The Friends of the Middleburg-Clay Hill Library will host a four-day book sale from Jan. 24-27 at 2245 Aster Ave.

Friends of the Library Members can shop on Wednesday, Jan. 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. The public can shop on Jan. 25 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 26 from 9 a.m. to

5 p.m. and Jan. 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring your "Friends Bag" on Jan. 26 and fill it for \$5. Bags can be purchased for \$2. The organization only accepts cash and checks. Donations of books in good condition are always appreciated. All proceeds benefit the library.

## Fortis College to host free 'Give Kids A Smile' dental care event

ORANGE PARK – Fortis College will participate in the American Dental Association Foundation's "Give Kids A Smile" program by offering free dental care to youth on Feb. 2 from noon to 4 p.m.

Attendees will benefit from a comprehensive range of preventative services such as screening exams, fluoride varnish applications, coronal polishing and more. There will also be demonstrations featuring proper flossing and brushing techniques. The event is free and open to the public.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, more than half of young children aged six to eight have experienced at least one cavity in a baby tooth. Children 5 to 19 from low-income families are twice as likely to have cavities as compared to their counterparts.

"This event provides our students hands-on dental experience while simultaneously addressing a vital health need in our community," said Fortis College President Wyman Dickey. "We look forward to raising awareness for proper pediatric oral care and bringing the Orange Park community together – one smile at a time."

For more information, please visit [fortis.edu/campuses/florida/orange-park.html](http://fortis.edu/campuses/florida/orange-park.html).

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# Former Superintendent Charlie Van Zant to run Keystone Heights

City Council picks 'Hometown boy' as its City Manager

By Don Coble  
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — Despite admitting he lacked a background in running a city, the City Council decided former Clay County Schools Superintendent Charlie Van Zant's deep roots in the city were more valuable than experience.

The council voted, 3-2, on Jan. 3 to offer the job to Van Zant following the resignation of Lynn Rutkowski. He signed his contract and was on the job Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Three councilmen, including Tony Brown, who called Van Zant a "hometown boy," voted to approve Van Zant's appointment. The two councilwomen voted "no" to support former Redington Shores Town Administrator Jeff Shoobridge.

Van Zant was a combat pilot in Iraq and Afghanistan for the U.S. Army before serving 14 years on the Clay County School Board and four as the Superintendent of Schools. However, he's never worked in city government.

"They won't find anyone who cares more about this city, Keystone Heights, or this community," Van Zant told the council. "I won't be outworked. You won't ever have to come in and wonder if you need to help me do my job. I'd like the guidance to clarify your vision and purpose. You and the citizens of Keystone Heights can expect me to execute that with fidelity all the way until it's complete, or I have to come back to you and ask for more resources, whether that be time, money or other governmental agencies waiting."

Before making the decision, the council asked Rutkowski one final time to reconsider her decision to leave on Wednesday, Jan. 10. Councilwoman Christine Thompson motioned to give Rutkowski at least a \$10,000 a year raise and a city-owned car for official business.

Before voting, the council asked Rutkowski if she would accept the offer.

"I appreciate the consideration," she said. "Resigning from my position as city manager was one of the most difficult decisions I've made. Before all of the social media stuff that happened, the decision was made to resign. I did waver back and forth on whether or not it was the best decision for me because I love this job. And there's no doubt about that. And I think that all of you, and prior council members, can probably see that. If not, then I haven't done my job well. However, I do believe that it is time for me to go."

"So, I appreciate all counsel and your consideration; however, I'm going to have to say no."

Brown said, "At least we tried."

The council then spent more than four hours interviewing the final three candidates — Elmon Lee Garner, Shoobridge and Van Zant. Then, they narrowed the choice to Shoobridge and Van Zant. Apparently, Van Zant's ties to the community — he played football and graduated from Keystone Heights High — impressed all three councilmen.

"I've known Charlie since he was a kid," Brown said. "That's the benefit of being in a small town. I've watched him grow from being a kid playing football."

Van Zant lost his re-election for Superintendent to Addison Davis in 2016 and then to David Broskie in 2020.

"I'm just going to be honest with you guys. I will take some heat from some people because there are people who hold grudges and issues that have happened in the past when Mr. Van Zant was school board superintendent," Brown said. "They can't get over it. I've gotten over it, so I don't know why they can't get over it."

Brown also addressed Van Zant's lack of experience in a municipality setting.

"Does he have an experience in a municipality? No. He's got more experience than any of these other candidates in the way of his background and leadership," he said.



STAFF PHOTO BY JACK RANDALL

Outgoing City Manager Lynn Rutkowski welcomed Charlie Van Zant after he was selected to run Keystone Heights.

Van Zant said he would earn city management certifications from the Florida League of Cities and the Florida City and County Management Association.

"If I were offered this position, I plan to call a few city managers in the same situations with likewise budgets and constituent groups, and ask which courses helped the most first, and start there," Van Zant said.

"I'll make a commitment to you to be involved in those and get whatever certifications are necessary to learn the nuances of city government."

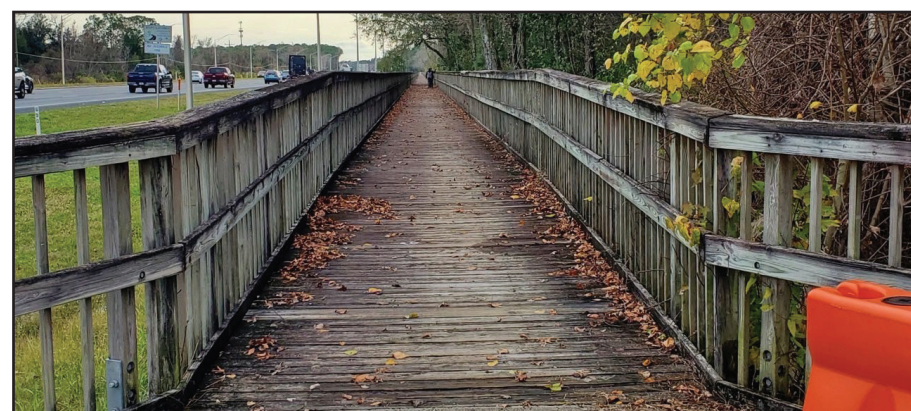
The council then debated the merits and faults.

Mayor Nina Rodenroth said he liked the opportunity to hire someone who could bring fresh ideas to the city.

"It comes down to outsider versus insider," she said. "It's great to have those relationships, but I think it's good to have someone from the outside come in right now. New lives on the street, a new face in the town. Let's see where that takes us."

"In my view, Charlie is head and shoulders..." Councilman Steve Hart trailed off.

"He's shown me sometimes actions speak louder than words, that he wants to do his job, but he wants to do it right," said Councilman Dan Lewandowski.



## Black Creek bike trail reopens following repairs

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FLEMING ISLAND — The Black Creek bike trail reopened on Friday, Jan. 12. It was previously closed in mid-October after a car collided with one of the support posts.



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# Rutkowski content with new life away from city government

Former city manager has no regrets following her resignation

By Don Coble  
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The morning after she turned the keys to the city over to her successor at city hall, Lynn Rutkowski still got up at 5 a.m. and started getting ready for a job she no longer has.

She drove past city hall and noticed a different car parked in a spot that was no longer hers.

That night, she went to bed without a headache, knowing the challenges of running Keystone Heights weren't her responsibility any longer.

"It's different, for sure," she said.

After serving Keystone Heights for nearly 11½ years as the city clerk, interim city manager and city manager, Rutkowski decided to leave city politics and start a new chapter in her career. For now, she's decompressing and not thinking about any of her options.

"I want to take some time off and rest and get out of the city manager vibe," she said. "Maybe by February, I will start gearing up again and considering the things I'm passionate about. I'm good with my decision. I'm sure I'll resurface next month."

Rutkowski was hired in 2012 as the city clerk. She served as the interim city manager after Scott Kornegay retired in 2020 before the city council hired her a few days later as the full-time replacement. The council also decided not to replace the city clerk's position.

With a 3-2 vote, the city picked former school superintendent Charlie Van Zant on Jan. 3 from a pool of 13 candidates to replace Rutkowski. The council also hired a new city clerk last month. Instead of arriving to work before sunrise and leaving after sunset, Rutkowski said she is learning to adjust to a new schedule.

"My son (Jacob) and I sat down and watched the hockey game the first night after I left, and during the intermission, he said it was the first time my phone didn't ring while we were doing something," she said. "That made me think. I got a lot done on my first day. There's certainly a transition, but it's nice to come home without a headache."

Her time at city hall came during a critical juncture for Keystone Heights. Like the rest of the world, it endured the struggles associated with the pandemic. Rutkowski convinced the city council and the Board of County Commissioners to spend nearly \$750,000 of CARES Act money to rebuild the Keystone Beach Pavillion for food distribution.

"Without a question, I'm very proud of what we accomplished with the Pavillion," she said. "Years ago, it was a shell of a building. We were able to bring in climate control and refrigeration. Now, it's rented just about every weekend. There are a lot of functions there."

Rutkowski also played a leading role in developing a Master Plan to get ahead of growth. There currently are 496 homes in the city, but there are plans to build as many as 500 more on a 13.88-acre sight off Sunrise Boulevard and nearly 37 acres at Fox Run Road.

"If that happens, the number of homes inside the city limits will double," she said. "That's a lot. You have to think about the water supply, traffic, parks and other infrastructure projects. These new developments will be geared toward new families, so you must get ahead of them."

A couple of residents used social media to criticize Rutkowski's work, especially the Smart City Initiative. They claim the project will use sensors to provide real-time information on things like local flooding, downed trees and traffic problems and will be used to "spy" on residents. They claimed modernizing its services would



STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Former Keystone Heights City Manager Lynn Rutkowski said she will take time off to relax and reorganize her plans before she "resurfaces" to start her career's next chapter.

cost the city its small-town charm.

"The only way I know how to do things was my way," Rutkowski said.

Some on the council didn't want to lose that doggedness. They asked if she would rescind the resignation on the same day

they interviewed the final three candidates. She declined.

She's ready to move on, although precisely what that means isn't clear.

## Expect delays as road work continues throughout county

For Clay Today

CLAY COUNTY – As the county continues to grow, so does the need to build or repair roads. Expect delays as crews work to make your drive a little more comfortable in the future.

CSX Railroad Crossing closures in Green Cove Springs. CSX Transportation will be installing new rail in the track's surface along parts of the CSX Jax Terminal



west of U.S. Highway 17. These dates are highly subject to change with or without notice simply due to many unforeseen cir-

cumstances that can occur in the field once the work begins. Crossings will be closed anywhere from three to five days, depending on the type of maintenance. This will be a full crossing closure, meaning no traffic can cross the racks until the repairs are complete.

Clay County railroad crossing closure dates include:

- Houston Street on Jan. 29
- Walburg Street on Jan. 29
- Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard on Jan. 29
- Center Street on Jan. 29
- Oak Street on Jan. 31

Bonded Transportation Program- Road construction is beginning for the Clay County Bonded Transportation Program projects in Middleburg, Green Cove Springs and Lake Asbury. Motorists should anticipate temporary lane closures and reduced speed zones as projects get underway. Visit the Bonded Transportation Dashboard for

anticipated start dates and project updates. Sign up for the project newsletters.

County Road 209 from Peters Creek Bridge to U.S. 17 in Lake Asbury. Bonded Transportation Program project No. 2 includes designing and reconstructing the two-lane roadway into four lanes with a median, turn lanes, bike lanes, curb and gutter and sidewalks. Pond construction and clearing is anticipated to begin in mid-January, and motorists can expect single-lane closures and flagging operations once work begins. All work is estimated to be completed in spring 2026.

County Road 209 from Sandridge Road to Peters Creek Bridge in Lake Asbury. Bonded Transportation Program project No. 3 includes operational improvements on County Road 209 (Russell Road) at the intersections of CR209B and CR739B; Oak Stream Drive and CR209; and Watkins

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# 'The Greatest Piano Men'

Perform at Thrasher-Horne

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ORANGE PARK – The show put on by “The Greatest Piano Men” wasn’t your typical piano recital. Part medley, part mash up, part stand-up comedy, the performance was a full-fledged rock concert that paid respect to some of the greatest to ever lay their hands on the keys. From Beethoven, Liberace, Stevie Wonder, to Billy Joel and many more, “The Greatest Piano Men” rocked out at the Thrasher-Horne last Friday, celebrating the world’s greatest

pianists and showmen. The performance opened with “The Greatest Piano Men” debuting a song for the first time. The audience at Thrasher-Horne was the first to ever hear it live, they said. “We’re not going to convince you that we’re someone we’re not,” said Donnie Kehr, one of the four members of the musical group. Kehr prepared to take the audience through a journey through music history. “(We’ll) be listening to the same keys that inspired us,” Kehr said.

Kehr assumed the role of Bill Joel and performed a rendition of “Only the Good Die Young” on the piano with the same technical poise, accentuated by the same catchy saxophone solo. “Uptown Girl” had playful interplay between staccato and legato interpretations. Bill Conners, one of the four members, assumed the swagger of Elton John and the crowd went wild for “Bennie and the Jets” and “Rocket Man.” David Maiocco assumed the persona and elegance of Liberace as if he were alive and on stage. Liberace was known

for whimsically mixing classical and pop music during renditions, and this was demonstrated during the performance. Pete Peterkin, a finalist of “America’s Got Talent,” became Ray Charles when he donned the sunglasses. “Hit the Road Jack” was a highlight, accentuated with another catchy sax solo. Indeed, the greatest piano men were on stage at Thrasher-Horne. The performance was a touching tribute to the artists who have inspired and shaped music to the sounds we enjoy today.

## It hurts just a pinch...

Farwell to beloved, unique restaurant

By Jack Randall  
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FLEMING ISLAND – I had the fortune of having breakfast one morning at Just a Pinch Café and Catering but the misfortune of not doing so many years earlier. Not that I have dyslexia, but “Just a Pinch” and “Pinch a Penny Pool, Patio and Spa” blended in my mind. Similar names – totally different industries – and the two establishments located in the same commercial complex only cemented my confusion.

When a coworker recommended Just a Pinch for breakfast, I could only taste chlorine. Dyslexia aside, I almost missed out on one of the top restaurants on Fleming Island. Sadly, a Facebook post announced the closure earlier this month due to personal reasons. Just a Pinch was a unique blend of Southern and Hawaiian culinary traditions. Co-owner Clea Greenwood brought the Southern charm. Co-owner Bernard Santiago brought the “pinch” of Hawaiian flavor. Words won’t do justice, but I will try



Just a Pinch Café and Catering loyal customers were shocked to learn the restaurant was closed. my best to describe some of the many flavorful concoctions: Chicken and Waffles, the Southern classic, was made with katsu chicken, a lightly breaded Japanese-style chicken

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### Fleming Island's Garrison on Union's President's List

JACKSON, Tenn. – Fleming Island's Riley Garrison was one of 340 students to earn a spot on the President's List at Union University. To make the list, a full-time student must achieve a 4.0-grade point average. Founded in 1823 and affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention, Union University is characterized by quality Christ-centered teaching and learning. Union offers liberal arts training in more than 100 majors and programs of study, along with professional programs in business, education and nursing.

### Six local students earn spots on Berry's Dean's List

ROME, Ga. – The Dean's List honors students who posted an academic average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale while carrying a class load of at least 12 hours during the semester.

Six former Clay County students are on the list: Ellie Rosenau, Hannah McDonald and Laura Pittman of Fleming Island, Brady Green of Green Cove Springs, Margaret Fackler, and Matthew Trinidad of Orange Park.

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### GCS's Helene Archer on Dean's List at Marquette

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Helene Archer of Green Cove Springs earned a spot on the Dean's List for the fall 2023 semester at Marquette University.

To make the Dean's List, students must have earned at least 12 credits for the fall 2023 semester and have no disqualifying grades. The GPA threshold varies by college – for the College of Education and the Klingler College of Arts and Sciences, undergraduate students must have at least a 3.7 to be on the Dean's List.

The undergraduate GPA requirement is 3.5 for the following colleges: the Diederich College of Communication, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health Sciences, the Opus College of Engineering and the College of Nursing. All other programs have a 3.75 GPA minimum.

### 37 Clay students earn academic notoriety at SNHU

MANCHESTER, N.H. – It is with great pleasure Southern New Hampshire University congratulates 37 students from Clay County on being selected to the Fall President's and Dean's lists. The fall terms run from September to December.

Fleming Island's Sayler Causey, Brandon Goins and Alexia Heninger, Green Cove Springs' Jessica Bowers, Bartholomew Rodriquez, Caitlynee Moreland and April Cheers, Orange Park's Heather Williams-Mitchell, Ngoc Pham, Aubrey Moorhouse, TaShay Singleton, Luis Cosmevelez, Jane Conroy, Christopher Smith and Carrissa Bell, Middleburg's Rebecca Borchardt, Paul Pannell, Duane McGill, Angela VanOstrand, Victoria Flemens and Cecily Jordan, Keystone Heights' Benjamin Carter, Emma Rose Rotermund, Izabella Rotermund and Joshua Raulerson of Keystone Heights and Oakleaf's Phylcia Mitchell, Kenneth Powell, Charity Deel, Adam Kinn and Jamie Crocker qualified for the President's List.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 or better for the reporting term are selected to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits during each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring,

and summer. Zack Silerzio of Green Cove Springs, Robin Duvall and Solomon Jegede of Middleburg, Alan Schuetz of Orange Park and Porche Jones, Chelsea Skeens and Theresa Harrington of Oakleaf earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.5 to 3.699 to be on the Dean's List.

Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired eight-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

Southern New Hampshire University is a private, nonprofit institution with a 91-year history of educating traditional-aged students and working adults.

### Two qualify for Dean's List at Mercer University

MACON, Ga. – Mercer University recently announced the Dean's List for the fall 2023 semester. Inclusion on these lists requires students to meet rigorous GPA standards specific to the college or school within the university.

The Dean's List included Avery Baskin of Green Cove Springs and Keyanna Hunt of Orange Park.

Founded in 1833, Mercer University is a dynamic and comprehensive center of undergraduate, graduate and professional education. The University enrolls over 9,100 students in 12 schools and colleges, studying liberal arts and sciences, law, pharmacy, medicine, business, engineering, education, theology, music, nursing, health professions and professional advancement.

### Local students excel at Columbia College

COLUMBIA, Mo. – Columbia College recently announced its Dean's List for the Fall 2023 Semester. To earn a spot on the Dean's List, a student must have completed 12 credit hours in 16 weeks and achieved a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0-point scale.

Local students on the list include Aiyi Xu from Fleming Island, Hellond Joseph and Zackery Robbins from Green Cove Springs, David Crider and Kendall Parrish from Middleburg and James Follins from Orange Park.

Founded in 1851, Columbia College has been helping students advance their lives through higher education for more than 170

years. As a private, nonprofit institution, the college takes pride in its small classes, experienced faculty and quality educational programs.

### Ted Brennan on Dean's List at Miami University

OXFORD, Ohio – Fleming Island's Ted Brennan earned a spot on the Dean's List at Miami University for the 2023 fall semester.

Miami University students who are ranked in the top 20% of undergraduate students within their division for the fall semester make the Dean's List.

Miami University is a public university nationally recognized as one of the most outstanding undergraduate institutions. With a student body of more than 22,600 undergraduates and 2,200 graduate students, Miami effectively combines a wide range of strong academic programs with faculty who love to teach and the personal attention ordinarily found only at much smaller institutions.

### Troy publishes its Chancellor's and Provost's lists for fall

Troy, Ala. – Troy is pleased to announce students who qualified for the Chancellor's List for the Fall Semester and Term 2 of the 2023-2024 academic year, including Gabrielle Deaton of Middleburg and Mason Richards of Orange Park.

Full-time undergraduate students registered for at least 12 semester hours and earning a grade point average of 4.0 qualify for the Chancellor's List.

Evan Brown of Orange Pak and Aleksandra Mach of Middleburg made the Provost's List.

Full-time undergraduate students registered for at least 12 semester hours and with a grade point average of at least 3.65 qualify for the Provost's List.

Troy University is a public, historic, international university with 22,500 students and 154,000 alumni. Students choose Troy for its quality academic programs, reasonable costs and availability of financial aid, outstanding faculty, and flexible in-class and online class offerings.

### Gray on its President's List; Thomas on Dean's List at Shenandoah University

WINCHESTER, Va. – Evan Gray, of Fleming Island, is one of 519 students who made the President's List at Shenandoah University for the Fall 2023 semester.

To qualify for this prestigious academic recognition, students enrolled in baccalaureate degree programs must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a semester GPA of 3.90 or higher.

Also, Gannon Thomas, of Fleming Island, earned a spot on the school's Dean's List.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students enrolled in baccalaureate degree programs must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a semester GPA of 3.50 or higher.

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## Haven Hospice receives \$25,000 dementia care grant

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – The Thomas A. Plein Foundation awarded Haven Hospice a \$25,000 grant to support its Dementia Care Program.

Haven's Dementia Care Program educates Haven team members, patient caregivers and community partners to improve the quality of life for individuals living with dementia. The program also aims to relieve caregiver stress.

Haven Hospice's mission is to provide hospice and palliative care across 18 Florida counties, including Haven-Custead Hospice Care Center at 745 Blanding Blvd.

The Plein Foundation's grant will go toward the creation of memory cafes and caregiver support groups, the purchase of life enrichment tools, like robotic animals, busy blankets, aromatherapy, baby dolls, puzzles and art supplies, that provide meaningful activities for patients; and the purchase of caregiver support guides and other resources to help them prepare for their loved one's dementia journey and alleviate the potential for caregiver burnout.

Haven is in the process of certifying 12 team members through Positive Approach to Care, LLC, and Teepa Snow. These certifications will ensure that Haven is sufficiently trained to provide ongoing education to staff, volunteers, community partners and patient caregivers. Funding from the Plein Foundation will be used to meet the needs of patients living with dementia in all 18 counties served by Haven.

"Haven found that a significant number of its patients year-over-year had a demen-



Haven Hospice Dementia Care program manager Anita Howard displays some of the resources provided by the program, including enrichment tools and educational materials for caregivers. The Plein Foundation awarded Haven with a \$25,000 grant.

tia diagnosis and that some families were struggling to meet the cognitive, physical and emotional needs associated with dementia.

Our team realized that special training and education were a must to help us identify ways to assist each patient and their caregiver(s) with having a better quality of life," said Anita Howard, Haven Dementia Care program manager. "Alzheimer's and other dementia-related diseases affect each person differently. The Plein Foundation's gift will allow Haven to help staff, families and community partners identify how to best care for those living with dementia. We are thankful for these funds and are already putting them to use at Haven and in the communities we serve."

## Delays from page 10

Road and CR209. This project will be completed in two phases, with utility relocation and other preliminary work beginning in January ahead of Phase 1 construction of the turn lanes at Watkins Road and Oak Stream Drive and sidewalk work on the east side of the road beginning Feb. 12. Motorists should expect single-lane closures in the work zone and a temporary closure and detour at Oak Stream Drive for sidewalk and crosswalk installation. Emergency crews will have full access. The speed limit will be reduced to 35 mph throughout the work zone.

Harbor Island Drive on Fleming Island. Anticipate daytime, single-lane closures

on Harbor Island Drive from U.S. 17 to Dockside Drive starting Jan. 15 for underdrain replacement work. The project is expected to take as many as 90 days to complete.

Ongoing projects include:  
Blanding Boulevard in Middleburg. Crews are constructing a new turn lane into the Clay County Regional Sports Complex on Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) south of Hall and Boree Road and north of State Road 16. Work to install pavement markings and barrier wall is complete, and traffic has been shifted to a temporary travel lane. Crews will be working along the road shoulder to expand the road this week. Anticipate daytime, single-lane closures. Work is estimated to be completed by March 2024.

## Roaring 20s on the River returns on Jan. 20

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – The Greater Federation of Women's Clubs – Orange Park will proudly present Roaring 20s on The River, an annual Charity Gala on Jan. 20 to benefit a variety of local charitable organizations, such as Miriam's Basket, the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, High School Student Scholarships, the Clay County Clothes Closet & Food Pantry, Safe Animal Shelter and many more.

The gala includes food stations with cuisine presented by the Chefs of The Club Continental, The Hilltop Restaurant, Santino's Italian Restaurant and the Irie Café. There will be cash, coffee and dessert bars. Entertainment will be provided by the Clay County Community Band and pianist Roger Wood. There is also a Silent Auction featuring recycled and painted LP albums and a guitar from local artists, as well as many items donated by local businesses.

The Club Continental is located at 2143 Astor St. in Orange Park. The event is 6-10 p.m. for an evening of entertainment and philanthropy. Costumes are not required but welcome. Come prepared to dance or enjoy an evening of music.

Tickets are available at orangepark-womansclub.com, Annabelle's Interiors at 38 College Dr. in Orange Park) or The Hall Closet at 1871 Wells Road in Orange Park).



Become more involved by sponsoring a dance or reserving a table. Contact Sandy Keller at (904) 264-8269 for additional information. The program provides shoes and clothing for displaced children, free books for children 5 and younger, scholarships for high school graduates and food and clothes for Clay County residents in need. Doing something for yourself is pleasurable, but doing something for others is meaningful. Join us at the Gala on Jan. 20 for a meaningful evening.

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Signal 35 was created by members representing the community, law enforcement, fire and rescue and emergency management in Clay County to help first responders and their families in times of need. Their first recipient was Nancy Scherer, the first woman Clay County Sheriff's Office deputy who fell three months behind on her rent while she dealt with several medical issues.

## Signal 35

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you, being disabled," Scherer said.

Initially, she just dealt with the sudden pain until it got to be too much.

"It got to the point where I could hear crunching. And it got worse. That's when I went to a foot specialist," Scherer said.

Scherer said she was diagnosed with a condition that results in a lack of cartilage between the bones in her knee and ankle.

Not being able to walk without assis-

tance from a walker or crutches, Scherer struggled to make ends meet. And, with Scherer unable to continue working, her income was limited, leaving her plagued with the pressure of paying her bills.

"I've got your bills. Your rent, car payment, your food, credit cards, house insurance, etcetera," Scherer said. "I found myself in a big dilemma."

With no family around to help, Scherer said she eventually succumbed to the pressure and nearly faced being evicted. Scherer said that moment left her feeling lost and depressed.

"I was sitting in a chair thinking, 'Well, what am I going to put in my car that I can keep when I get evicted,'" Scherer said.

Scherer began finding ways to stay afloat. Along with help from her daughter and a friend, Scherer said she began finding household antiques and coins to sell on Marketplace as a temporary solution.

"That's how I've gotten by. The grace of God just is it. First, having a lot of expensive jewelry helped a lot. Just really cutting down on food, cutting down on buying things. Just cutting corners everywhere I could look," Scherer said.

Amid her struggles, Scherer said she has always been reluctant to ask for help. She insisted on finding her own solutions.

"I don't like to ask for things. I'm not one that will say, 'Oh, I need this. I need that.' I will do without until it gets to the breaking point where I have no choice [but] to ask," Scherer said.

Scherer said that a stubborn and independent mindset came from being in law enforcement for a large portion of her life.

Because of her time as a Clay County deputy, Scherer said she had the opportunity to endure many impactful experiences and meet many influential faces. Two of which would help to change the trajectory of her future circumstances.

Scherer said Sheriff Michelle Cook and her senior executive assistant, Denise Flak, became her guardian angels. Flak and Cook introduced her to the Signal 35 Fund, which was launched early last year.

Headed by a local group of community members, the nonprofit was created to provide aid and funding to county first responders in need. The name Signal 35 comes from the county's radio call code for "officer needs assistance."

After hearing about Scherer's situation, Cook asked Signal 35 for help. As a result, Scherer became the first official recipient of the funding.

"The fund did exactly what it was intended to do: it helped support a Clay County first responder who was in need," Cook said.

The funding was a saving grace after reaching out to many charities without suc-

cess. With its help, Scherer said her rent was paid for three consecutive months.

"You have no idea what a relief that was," Scherer said.

In addition, Scherer said Flak brought her supplies and food bought with donations.

"We were able to give her the check from the Signal 35 foundation, but she was just shocked that somebody would help her to keep from being homeless," Flak said.

Signal 35 is a private nonprofit that operates solely on donations. It helps county fire and rescue, law enforcement and corrections officers, 911 dispatchers, fire and arson investigators, forensics personnel, flight medics, retirees, recruits, cadets and family members.

Scherer said she continues to be grateful for the help. She added the experience taught her how to appreciate all she has.

"I see a lot of need to help more people. We have not really addressed the problem with people with disabilities as much as they need to be," Scherer said.

But, even with the help, Scherer said she would soon return to the same predicament. With it being January, Scherer said her rent payments and struggles will resume, and she will be back at Square 1.

Originally, Scherer had hoped to complete her surgery in early December to give her enough time to recover while preparing to find a job. However, her surgery was canceled and rescheduled to last week.

"I was thinking I'd already be into a month of recovery by this time, and I could go back to work," she said.

Scherer said her daughter set up a GoFundMe account to help her. As of now, Scherer is just waiting it out. She is hoping for the best after her surgery.

"I've resolved that I might have to live in my car with my dog. If I can't get enough for rent for the next couple of months, I'll be living in my car," Scherer said.

She said she will keep fighting and hopes others in similar situations will do the same.

"Don't give up. Things will get better, eventually. Look at it as a hurdle, not a curse," she said.

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## Bangin Burgers to unleash flavor at Orange Park Mall this spring

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – TeAnna Jones, a self-proclaimed serial entrepreneur, is set to revolutionize the culinary scene at Orange Park Mall with the grand opening of her latest venture, Bangin Burgers, this spring.

Starting with a humble food truck in Cincinnati, Ohio, Jones relocated to Jacksonville with her husband last year and immediately began searching for a location to open the eatery. She found a home for Bangin Burgers when she saw the vibrancy of the food court at Orange Park Mall.

Jones' journey began during the challenging times of the COVID-19 pandemic, where she discovered her passion for crafting extraordinary burgers. Determined to turn her passion into a reality, she set a challenge for herself – sell 100 burgers in 30 days. Astonishingly, she not only met but exceeded her goal by hitting that goal in less than seven days.

The new space, currently undergoing construction, promises a unique experience that goes beyond an ordinary burger.

"Bangin Burgers as more than just another burger – it's an elevated experience aimed at leaving a lasting impression on every customer," Jones said.

TeAnna Jones brings a wealth of experience in customer service, currently managing a successful home healthcare agency. Her commitment to excellence is evident in the meticulous attention to detail that will define the Bangin Burgers experience. From mouthwatering classics to daring creations, the restaurant promises to be a haven for burger enthusiasts.

## Green assumes role of Manager of LTL Services for Atlantic Logistics

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Atlantic Logistics is pleased to announce the hiring Hollie Green as Manager of LTL Services. She will oversee the third-party logistics company's less-than-truckload, also known as or less-than-load shipping services for customers and carriers in small loads to quantities of freight. Green will also be re-

sponsible for the growth and development of the newly expanded business division, planning and managing support staff, daily operations and customer relations.

Her expertise includes more than 22 years of LTL and transportation industry knowledge as an account executive and manager. Green was born and raised in Jacksonville, FL, graduated from the local Paxon High, and is a Duval County resident. Additionally, she will be active with Atlantic Cares, the company's program to help those in need.

"I'm excited to begin this new chapter of my career with Atlantic Logistics," Green said. "Rob Hooper, Jr., CEO, and the team here have really grown the business over the last few years, and I'm thrilled to help that trend continue."

"Hollie brings a deep knowledge of the supply chain industry to an already talented group of team leaders. Her understanding of the LTL business and all its required nuances only strengthens our position for the future. We're thrilled she chose to continue her career journey with us. With her onboard, the sky's the limit," said the company's Chief Marketing Officer James Crichlow.

Atlantic Logistics was founded in 2001 as a Jacksonville-based, women-owned business by CEO Rob Hooper, Jr.'s mother Evie Hooper, and his father Bob Hooper. Atlantic Logistics is headquartered at 3003 Claire Lane, Suite 303 in Jacksonville, with an office at 150 S. Lawrence Blvd. in Keystone Heights.

For more information, call (800) 940.8712 or visit [shipatlantic.com](http://shipatlantic.com).

## New 55 and older community – Edenbrooke at Hyland Trail – underway in Green Cove

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – GreenPointe Developers proudly announces sales and construction are underway at Green Cove Springs' first new active adult living community, Edenbrooke at Hyland Trail by Lennar.

"Our goal at Hyland Trail is to create and offer a lifestyle for community residents and families in every phase of life," said Gregg Kern, Vice President of Development for GreenPointe Developers. "Edenbrooke at Hyland Trail by Lennar will offer an inspired, healthy and engaged lifestyle to the growing 55-plus active-adult population in Clay County."

Reserved for the exclusive use of Lennar's 55-plus residents and their guests, the Residents-only Amenity Center at Edenbrooke is designed with the active adult lifestyle in mind. Relax at the resort-



Hollie Green



Sales and construction have started for the Edenbrooke at Hyland Trail in Green Cove Springs.

style pool and spa, get energized at the Fitness Center or enjoy friendly competition on the two Tournament-Class Pickleball Courts. The Tavern Bar and Catering Kitchen is available for private events. There's

a social room, Billiards inside, an event lawn, Bocce Ball court outside, and a "paw-some" Dog Park amenity for Edenbrooke's

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### NOTICE OF ELECTION 2024 SUPER TUESDAY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS City of Keystone Heights Town of Orange Park

Pursuant to Section 100.021 of the Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the 2024 Super Tuesday Municipal Elections will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at each respective Municipality.

#### City of Keystone Heights

555 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights, FL 32656

Seats Three (3) and Five (5) for a three (3) year term of office on the Keystone Heights City Council.

#### Town of Orange Park

2042 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073

Seat Three (3) for a three (3) year term of office on the Orange Park Town Council.

Qualifying for all seats will open Monday, January 29th at NOON and remain open until Friday, February 2nd at NOON at the Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office.

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

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

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

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

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

### AVISO DE ELECCION ELECCIONES MUNICIPALES DEL SÚPER MARTES 2024 Ciudad de Keystone Heights Ciudad de Orange Park

De conformidad con la Sección 100.021 de los Estatutos de Florida, se notifica que las Elecciones Municipales del Súper Martes 2024 se llevarán a cabo el martes 9 de abril de 2024, de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. en cada Municipio respectivo.

#### Ciudad de Keystone Heights

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Asientos Tres (3) y Cinco (5) por un período de tres (3) años en el Consejo de la Ciudad de Keystone Heights.

#### Ciudad de Orange Park

2042 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073

Asiento Tres (3) por un período de tres (3) años en el Consejo Municipal de Orange Park.

La calificación para los asientos se abrirá el lunes 29 de enero a mediodía y permanecerá abierta hasta el mediodía del viernes 2 de febrero en la Oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay.

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

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

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

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

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





## Life & Legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.



Trumpeter dual-wielding two trumpets as he plays "When the Saints Go Marching In."



Parishioners from Advent Lutheran Church enjoyed breakfast after the Blessing of the Food led by Pastor Darrell Frazier.



"There's only one race: the human race. If one man can make an impact, imagine what would happen if we all came together. Together, we can accomplish the dream of Martin Luther King Jr. Let's make his dream a reality," said King Norton (center).



Retired Vice Adm. David Brewer delivered a heartfelt and personal message to children at Oakleaf High. He was reared in Orlando before embarking on what became a decorated naval career. Following his retirement from the Navy, he served as superintendent of the Los Angeles Unified School District, the second-largest school district in the nation, from 2006 to 2008.

## MLK Day speakers share their stories fighting for civil rights

Hundreds of residents celebrated the historic legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. last Monday at events at Advent Lutheran Church, Vera Francis Hall Park in Green Cove Springs and Oakleaf High. Here are highlights of each:

By Jack Randall  
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ORANGE PARK – When Dr. Leroy "Zke" Zimmerman stepped to the Advent Lutheran Church podium during the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Breakfast last Monday, the aroma of sizzling meats and freshly brewed coffee filled the parish hall.

Zimmerman recounted a notable moment in his stance on civil rights and equality. It was one month before the famous 1963 March on Washington.

The river that flowed through his hometown was the ideal place to cool off during the muggy summer months. However, the natural wonder was a symbol of the inequality of racism. Upriver was a whites-only section; downriver was Blacks-only, Zimmerman said.

Inspired by the civil rights leaders who paved the way, Zimmerman and nine other young Black men marched upstream with a demonstration permit with them.

"A girl approached me and spat on my face. But I did not move. I stood there at the river until it closed," he said.

Zimmerman was arrested two days later. The police officer who was transporting him was inspired.

"The officer turned around and said, 'You shocked everybody. We thought you were going to slap her into next week, but you didn't,'" Zimmerman said.

"That day (on the river), we gained a lot of respect from everyone in our community."

### Dr. Michael Henry: 'Reflection is a part of history'

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Dr. Michael Henry was once classmates with Mayor Connie Butler. He couldn't help but remi-



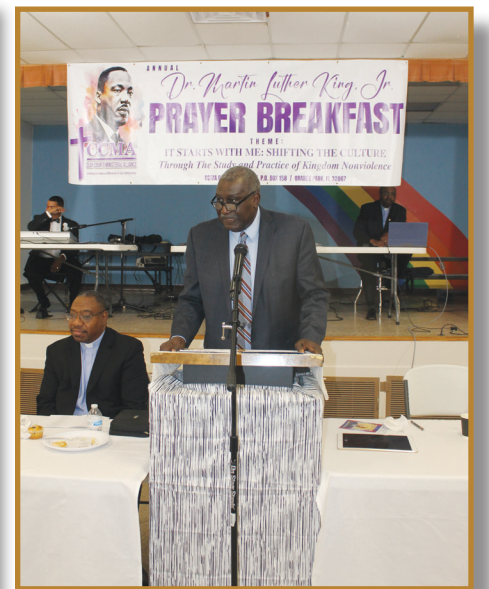
Dr. Michael Henry (right) delivered his "Lest We Not Forget" speech, affirming the importance of remembering history – especially the painful parts. Their sacrifice is in vain only if we forget, he said.

nise over fond memories. His father taught science at Dunbar High (now R.C. Bannerman Learning Center), which was designated as the all-black high school during segregation.

As a Black man with family from the South, Henry recounted how his ancestors suffered from violent racism during Jim Crow. It is still painful to him, but Henry stressed the importance of never forgetting one's history.

"Reflection is a part of remembering. There are those who want us to forget," Henry said.

Ten months ago, Henry's family was contacted by a professor from the University of Central Florida. As Henry stayed on the line, he realized that the call would not be pleasant. Henry said the words that



Dr. Leroy "Zke" Zimmerman is a retired educator and colonel and a Purple Heart recipient. He shared a moment from his life where he took a stand for civil rights.

the professor said over the phone were traumatic. The professor had just linked a lynching that occurred in 1925 to Henry's family tree.

Arthur Henry was murdered on the eve of Thanksgiving.

"There are those who don't want us to remember or reflect on our history and our struggle. And the struggle continues," Henry said. "We stand on the shoulders of giants and did not get here ourselves."

Henry honored Arther Henry, Martin Luther King Jr., and all those who sacrificed their lives to pursue freedom and equality.

"Only through sacrifice will justice be achieved."

### Vice Adm. David Brewer said America has the ability to chart new course

OAKLEAF – Retired Vice Admiral David Brewer watched the civil rights movement evolve from the late 1950s. He lived in an area of Central Florida where his parents could vote, although this was not the norm in the South. From a young age, he knew better than to take that freedom for granted.

"My parents could vote. They had a voice," Brewer said.

Brewer shared his perspective on the civil rights movement, which had economic and political sides. Many of the same struggles from the Civil Rights Era are still felt today. Progress has not been a straight line. Progress is more like a sine wave. Despite our problems – and because we have the freedom to think for ourselves and the ability to stand up for others – we get it right eventually, he said.

Brewer shared a fitting analogy from the Navy.

"America is like a ship. We have weathered through many storms in our history," he said.

Our nation is like a ship, and every election allows us, the constituents, to chart the next course. There are many hands on the helm, and there will be many more. The youth will one day lead us," he said.



# TAKE ME There

Art Guild of Orange Park celebrates a 'Last Look' in Sky Gallery

By Jack Randall  
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JACKSONVILLE – It is estimated that hundreds of thousands of travelers flew in and out of Jacksonville International Airport (JAX) over the holidays last year. As passengers rolled luggage over the marble floors, they might have taken the chance to see the "Take Me There!" exhibit at the Sky Gallery put on by the Art Guild of Orange Park.



Last Thursday, the Art Guild celebrated a "Last Look" at the spectacular paintings created by Clay County residents that welcomed home many travelers. Before the artists took down and packed up their work, they took a moment to reminisce on the significance of their paintings and shared the stories of the creations.

"Take Me There!" was a partnership between the Art Guild of Orange Park, Jacksonville Aviation Authority Arts & Culture Program and Clay County Tourism & Film Development.

Here are a few of the wonderful pieces that were on display last year.



Sophie Dare points to her two paintings "Tybee Waves from Savannah Beach" and "That Place with the Grapes." Indeed, fitting entries to the "Take Me There!" exhibit.



Kim Russell shares the story behind "Long Road Home." She was heading back home from Upstate New York when she was mesmerized by the morning's sunrise. "Stop the car!" she said. The piece is acrylic on photograph. Russell enjoys touching up photographs with paint.



President Phyllis Renninger and her husband, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners Jim Renninger, were proud of what this exhibit meant for the Art Guild of Orange Park and for all inspiring artists in Clay County.



Betty McKee's "Catching Hovsep and Emil" was the front and center piece passengers would first notice as they walked in. The piece was an ode to her creative influences. She has taken in their styles and has offered her own interpretation. "It's very austere and mystic and spiritual," she said.



Stephanie Pyren-Fortel shares what "Enchanted Forest" means to her. "I love the forest!" she said. "Unfortunately, Florida is knocking down so many of them." She said that the dove represents peace and the other represents war. "It's up to the viewer's interpretation," she said.



Elaine Marie Austin points to "Cape Florida." Lighthouses are a reoccurring motif in Austin's work. "The Lighthouse is my muse. I think it's important to bring more light into the world," she said. Instead of portraying what the lighthouse looked like, Austin wanted to capture the atmosphere and transmit what that sight felt like.



Mary Walker stands next to "Ameila Island." The painting is a scene from a little restaurant on Amelia Island. The two women in the background are herself and Jeannie Brockhausen, she said. "It was so nice to eat there!"



Left: Linda Hawkins could find no better inspiration for the "Take Me There!" exhibit than her trips to the Caribbean. "I couldn't think of a better setting," she said. "All you'd have to say is, 'Ready to go?' and I'll be there!" Hawkins was fascinated with Caribbean culture. The bright colors, the dancing and the music.



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**Superintendent Broskie: Senior essays can be worth two-year scholarship worth \$8,000**

*For Clay Today*

CLAY COUNTY – Superintendent Broskie, in partnership with Florida Prepaid, will provide two Clay County District School's current seniors a two-year college scholarship valued at \$8,000.

All entries are due by Friday, Feb. 23, by 4 p.m. to the county office at 900 Walnut St. in Green Cove Springs. Scholarship-winning essays will be announced by the end of March. Entries can be sent to [myoneclay/net/leadership/superintendent/flprepaid](mailto:myoneclay/net/leadership/superintendent/flprepaid). If you have questions regarding the entry packets, please contact Terri Dennis, Coordinator of Communications, at



Courtenay Hunt

[terri.dennis@myoneclay.net](mailto:terri.dennis@myoneclay.net).

**Art Guild of Orange Park accepting Courtenay Hunt scholarship applications**

ORANGE PARK – The Art Guild of Orange Park established a scholarship in 2002 for Clay County high school seniors who want to pursue a career in visual arts or art education. In 2013, the Art Guild named this scholarship in honor of prominent local artist Courtenay Hunt following his death at 95. He was a founding member of the Art Guild.



Hunt was recognized as Jacksonville's portrait artist in the 50s and 60s. In 1967, he was commissioned to paint a portrait of

Andrew Jackson, which still hangs in Jacksonville's City Hall.

This year's \$1,000 scholarship application is now available online at [artguildoforange.org](http://artguildoforange.org) and in each school's guidance office. The deadline for the application is April 1. Applicants will also present a portfolio of their work at an interview with the AGOP Scholarship Committee in April.

Other scholarship award considerations are the applicant's academic record, extracurricular activities, employment, community service, awards and recommendations.

In addition, the Art Guild will award the winner's art teacher \$100 for art supplies for the classroom.

For more information, contact the AGOP Scholarship Chair, Nancy Page, at [starlady01@comcast.net](mailto:starlady01@comcast.net) or (904) 945-0687.

**Clay County Cruzers offering \$2,000 scholarship**

CLAY COUNTY – Graduating seniors are eligible and encouraged to apply for a \$2,000 CCG Scholarship from the Clay County Cruzers.

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



Applicants are requested to write an essay of approximately 150 words and complete a short application form. Scholarship applications must be received by Clay County Cruzers on or before March 31.

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

Selected candidates may be asked to attend a Clay County Cruiser meeting to introduce themselves and describe their plans. Applications and essays should be mailed to: Clay County Cruzers, PO Box 65691, Orange Park, FL 32065-9998. Each applicant will be notified once their application is received. The winners will be announced in April.



## Support Clay County Special Olympics this week at Publix

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CLAY COUNTY – Visit your local Publix Supermarket to donate, and you'll get to hang a paper torch with your name on it in the store.

Publix, Special Olympics and Law Enforcement have partnered for more than 44 years to help people with intellectual disabilities achieve their dreams.

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munities to support thousands of Special Olympics athletes and their families.

Now through Sunday, Jan. 21, customers who visit any Clay County Publix location can help support Clay County Special Olympics Athletes with a donation, which can be made at the register during check-out for as little as \$1 or a specific desired amount. For more information about this fundraiser and many others, contact Sgt. Zach Cox at [zcox@claysheriff.com](mailto:zcox@claysheriff.com).

**Apple Awards Finalists**

Clay Education Foundation announced Apple Award finalists for Teacher, School-Related Employees of the Year. The winners will be honored at the Thrasher-Horne Center on February 8, at 6:30 p.m.



# 'Got Sneakers' gains footing to support Isaiah Carrasco's plight

By Lee Wardlaw  
lee@claytodayonline.com

ORANGE PARK – A message that transcends tragedy and exemplifies the strength of unity, the "Isaiah Strong" fundraiser from Got Sneakers, a zero-waste sneaker recycling organization, allows users to raise money.

The fundraiser started in September in honor of 17-year-old Isaiah Carrasco as he fights daily toward recovery from a tragic accident.

In a single-car accident 19 months ago, on June 12, 2022, Carrasco lost control of his vehicle. The car was crushed, and he was in critical condition after sustaining a diffuse axonal injury (DAI).

Carrasco regained consciousness after the accident, which is exceptionally rare for someone who suffers a coma from a DIA. After that victory, and as the months went by, he continued to learn mobility and communication, showing signs of improvement.

As Carrasco seeks to finish the course, the growing sneaker donation fundraising program serves a three-part purpose: helping pay medical expenses for his family, providing shoes to those in need and eliminating waste from local landfills.

Shoes are being collected at several businesses in Clay County, including Rock Star Nail Salon in Orange Park, Tony's Pizza and Martial Arts in Middleburg, KinderCare on Fleming Island, Bargain Boutique in Or-



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St. Luke Catholic Church Child Care in Middleburg got creative with their donation box, where residents can drop off used sneakers.

ange Park, and Lakeside Junior High.

The Orange Park Campus of the Business Club of the St. Johns River State College also joined the effort.

"I think (the decision made by the OPC Business Club and St. Johns River State College) to put out the boxes builds community. It helps college kids (further) understand the importance of giving back and working hard for each other," said DeAnn Burgess, advisor for Clay County Changemakers, who is playing a crucial role in heading the operation honoring Carrasco and his family.

Burgess said it's easy to join the cause.

"When shoes enter the box, that location calls us, and we come to pick them up," Burgess said.

She said they could continue to fight for Isaiah. If not, the volunteers will find another location in the Oakleaf area to donate.

Burgess said the initiative is significant. "It just shows that a lot of people want to participate and give back. We've had a lot of people just say, 'I've got a bag with a lot of sneakers in it. The sneakers don't even have to make it to the box. You can call us, and we will go pick them up for you,'" she said.

As a bonus, non-sneaker shoes people would like to give away will be donated to people in need.

"We're just hoping and praying for Isaiah's strong recovery. And we should all recognize the importance of helping one another because traumatic brain injuries can happen to anyone at any time," Burgess said.

Burgess has big goals for the fundraiser this year.

"I believe the 'Isaiah Strong' fundraiser can grow even more, and a lot of people are already aware of (this fundraiser)," she said.

Burgess has already sent out more than 17 bags filled with used sneakers to GotSneakers, and she has six more that will also soon be given to the nonprofit.

"These boxes just continue to fill and fill," she said.

If you would like to help Carrasco by participating in the initiative, please call Burgess at (904) 718-2062.

"Giving back to the county community is extremely important. There are a lot of needs and initiatives like the 'Isaiah Strong' GotSneakers fundraiser, which empowers people to give back. Also, people should be more aware of TBI and how it affects people's lives in states like Florida. Several people had to leave the state to get care, including Isaiah," she said.

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## FAITH WALK

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### Joseph: Resilience and Redemption

The story of Joseph, found in the book of Genesis, is one of the most captivating and inspiring narratives in the Old Testament. Joseph's journey from betrayal to blessing, marked by unwavering faith, resilience, and ultimate redemption, offers timeless lessons for us all.

Joseph was the beloved son of Jacob and Rachel, and he was doted on by his father. His brothers, consumed by jealousy, sold him into slavery when he was just a teenager. Despite the hardships and injustices he faced, Joseph's unwavering faith and moral integrity never wavered. In the house of Potiphar, an Egyptian official, he gained trust and was put in charge of the household.

However, he was unjustly accused of wrongdoing and thrown into prison. Even in prison, Joseph's faith remained unshaken. He interpreted dreams for fellow prisoners, including a prediction that the Pharaoh's cupbearer would be released and restored to his position. Joseph asked the cupbearer to remember him when he was released, but the cupbearer forgot.

It was not until two years later that Joseph's gift of dream interpretation would be recognized by Pharaoh himself. He was summoned to interpret a troubling dream that predicted seven years of prosperity followed by seven years of famine. Joseph's interpretation impressed Pharaoh, and he was elevated to the position of governor, second only to Pharaoh in authority. Through his wisdom and administrative skills, Joseph was able to save Egypt and the surrounding nations from the famine, including his own family.

In a remarkable twist of fate, Joseph's brothers came to Egypt seeking food and eventually discovered the truth about their brother. Joseph's response to his brothers' actions is a testament to his character and faith. He forgave them and reconciled with his family, bringing them to Egypt to live in safety and abundance.

The story of Joseph exemplifies the power of faith, resilience, and forgiveness. It demonstrates how, even in the face of adversity and betrayal, one's character and trust in God can lead to blessings and redemption. Joseph's journey from a pit to a position of great influence is a profound reminder that God can work through the most challenging circumstances to fulfill His plans. Genesis 50:20 encapsulates the essence of Joseph's story: "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good." This verse highlights God's sovereign and redemptive purposes in the midst of human trials, making Joseph's story a source of inspiration.

# Baptist Wellness Center open on Fleming Island

Variety of health and wellness programs provided at no cost to community

FLEMING ISLAND – Getting started on a plan for better health is more accessible now with the opening of the new Baptist Wellness Center at Fleming Island, which provides health and wellness services to the community – many at no cost.

Free services include biometric screenings, wellness coaching, health education for women, healthy cooking demonstrations, various holistic services and talks with physicians and other local health experts. Clients do not need to be Baptist Health patients to receive services.

Lisa Bradford, RN, a certified wellness coach and personal trainer, is available to help clients determine their health goals and develop a personalized plan.

Bradford has a passion for wellness and is a Clay County native excited to bring this accessible health service to her fellow neighbors and the surrounding community.



Lisa Bradford



"The Baptist Wellness Center is a place that will provide a welcoming experience where you will feel at home," she said. Bradford is looking forward to helping Clay County residents make a positive difference in their health.

One of the first steps in seeing a health coach is usually a biometric screening, which includes checking blood pressure, body composition, cholesterol, triglycerides and blood sugar. Each session lasts about an hour. Getting a health screening provides a good baseline to see progress.

"I'm here to be a supportive mentor and motivate people to make positive health

choices and realize their personal wellness goals," said Bradford, whose personal victories include completing three marathons and summiting Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Bradford acknowledges every client is different and so are their goals.

"For some, it's maintaining their health; for others, it's stepping it up to the next level. Whatever a person's goals are, our job is to help them get there with the right tools and motivation," she said.

Even minor improvements can yield big results.

"Small tweaks can make a big difference," Bradford said. "Just 150 minutes of activity a week – 30 minutes a day for five days – can lower your blood pressure and get your heart in better shape," she said.

A jogging path connecting to Black Creek Trail is conveniently located on the Baptist Clay campus.

The new Baptist Wellness Center is adjacent to the Baptist Clay hospital at Baptist HealthPlace at Fleming Island, 2310 Village Square Pkwy., Suite 101.

Fleming Island is the fifth Wellness Center Baptist Health has opened. Other locations include Nocatee, Riverside, Mandarin and Dunn Avenue.

For more information and to schedule an appointment, call (904) 516-1500.

## Business

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four-legged residents. Natural amenities, including a series of multi-purpose trails connecting neighborhood pocket parks, are perfect for walking, running and biking.

New Lennar homes are currently under construction at Edenbrooke at Hyland Trail. Lennar is offering nine floorplans ranging from 1,544 square feet to 3,016 square feet starting in the \$300,000s. Buyers can choose from two home collections – from stately single-family homes to charming villas – with two to three bedrooms and two to three baths.

Located along Sandridge Road, the Hyland Trail community is immediately adjacent to the 90-acre Ronnie Van Zant Memorial Park, which offers a disc golf course, sports fields, nature trails, a fishing pond with piers, pickleball courts and more. To learn more, visit [LiveHylandTrail.com/edenbrooke-55](http://LiveHylandTrail.com/edenbrooke-55).

### Orange Park's Bridgestone HosePower buys Cline Hose & Hydraulics

ORANGE PARK – Bridgestone HosePower (HosePower), a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Bridgestone Corporation, announced on Jan. 11 it has acquired Greenville, South Carolina-based Cline Hose & Hydraulics. The acquisition expands HosePower's leading hydraulic and industrial hose solutions and service business.

"Cline Hose & Hydraulics has an exceptional reputation for quality and has a very similar business model to Bridgestone HosePower," said Tom Henry, President and CEO of Bridgestone HosePower. "This acquisition expands upon our capabilities while increasing our capacity to service a larger customer base with speed and flexibility."

Cline Hose & Hydraulics is a family-owned business founded in 1948. During



the last 75 years, the Cline family has grown the company to include two retail locations in Greenville and Augusta, Georgia, along with a fleet of mobile service trucks to meet customer needs throughout the Southeast United States.

"We are honored to join Bridgestone HosePower, a company we've long admired as the leader in our industry," said Scott Cline, Co-Owner of Cline Hose & Hydraulics. "Bridgestone HosePower shares in our commitment to customer service. For 75 years, our family has taken great pride in exceeding customer expectations. Now, with HosePower, we will be able to serve more businesses, help more people, and provide more opportunities to employees."

Bridgestone HosePower has 47 locations across the country, including five OEM sales centers. Approved by each company's board of directors, the transaction closed on Dec. 29. Financial details of the transaction were not disclosed.

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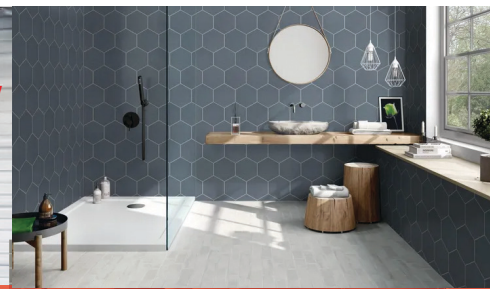
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# Back to 'Bach': Joey Graziadei named 28th 'Bachelor'



“Choir” (Disney+ — Jan. 31, Docuseries Premiere)

This 6-part documentary series follows the Detroit Youth Choir as they prepare for the performance of a lifetime. Through their eyes, audiences experience the highs and lows of life growing up in Detroit, navigating the challenges of balancing family, school and athletics, all while pursuing dreams of taking their talents to the next level and performing on one of the world’s biggest stages.



Joey Graziadei as seen in “The Golden Bachelor,” also on ABC

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A teaching tennis professional from Koloa, Hawaii, Graziadei first melted hearts on television with his near-winning stint in Charity Lawson’s season of “The Bachelorette.” One of two final matches for the leading lady, Graziadei left the show broken-hearted — and took the sympathies of many viewers with him — when Lawson chose Dotun Olubeko over him, leaving Graziadei as the season’s runner-up.

But the heartthrob wasn’t without prospective partners for long — during the “After the Show” special for the Season 27 finale, “The Bachelor” host Jesse Palmer introduced Graziadei to Lea Cayanan, a fellow Hawaiian and future contestant this season. While Cayanan was brought on the aftershow as somewhat of a teaser for things to come, Graziadei hardly

has to choose someone from his state — some 32 women await him, as announced by ABC on Sept. 16 of this year.

Among them are Zoe Antona (24), Rachel Nance (26), Allison Hollinger (26), Autumn Waggoner (26), Chandler Dewgard (24), Edwina Dorber (25), Evalin Clark (28), Erika Cardenas (25), Jennifer Tran (25), Katelyn DeBacker (26), Jessica Edwards (24), Kyra Brusich (26), Kelsey Anderson (25), Lauren Hollinger (28), Lexi Young (30), Marlena Haddad (26), Starr Skyler (25), Sandra Rabadi (26) and Sydney Gordon (28).

The youngest contestants this season are 23-year-olds Lea Cayanan, Taylor Wiens and Talyah Jackson. Los Angeles native Kelsey Toutsant, meanwhile, joins Samantha Hale and Madina Alam at the top of the age range, all at 31.

Most notable among the women vying for the new bachelor’s affections, however, would likely have to be 25-year-old Lincoln, Nebraska, beauty queen Samantha Washington. The daughter of retired NFL safety Brian Washington, who ended his career with the Kansas City Chiefs in 1996 after eight years in the league, Samantha has NFL ties herself, as a professional cheerleader for the Miami Dolphins. Looks like this potential connection could be rife with sports conversation.

Graziadei also flaunts some of his Canadian ties this season, bringing cameras north of the border to Montreal. Rumor has it Season 28 also filmed at Alberta’s Fairmont Jasper Park last October — a site that was previously arranged for Season 17 of “The Bachelorette” but was canned due to ongoing travel restrictions (presumably due to COVID-19) imposed by the Canadian government.

Similarly, Graziadei’s roster of potential matches also includes three Canadians: Maria Georgas (29) of Kleinburg, Ontario; Natalie Crepeau (25) of Sudbury, Ontario; and Chrisa Perez (26) of Abbotsford, British Columbia.

South of the Great White North, cameras continued rolling, capturing tons of footage in Agoura Hills, California, a quaint town in the Santa

Monica Mountains where several seasons of “The Bachelor” and “The Bachelorette” have previously been filmed. Punctuated by stately mansions, high-end restaurants, well-groomed parks and a lively nightlife — particularly where live music is concerned — Agoura Hills is the perfect location to bring a date ... or 32 dates, as it were.

When Agoura Hills becomes old hat, though, the private jet awaits to take Graziadei and his chosen guests abroad: Mdina, Malta; Tulum, Mexico; and Marbella, Spain, are all on the flight plan in Season 28. But for hardcore “Bachelor” fans, it’s not just about the places visited, it’s about the bachelor himself.

According to an August 2023 news release from ABC, “Graziadei is looking for a life partner who is outgoing, caring and shares his love for adventure and exploring the outdoors.”

The article also notes that “he loves hiking, surfing and ending his days watching the sunset,” but it makes sure to mention that “he has much more love to give, and the only thing missing is someone with whom to share his life.”

As the newest bachelor, Graziadei hopes to find all of this in one lucky, hopeful contestant. Having already been prepared to propose at least once in his life — to former Bachelorette Lawson — seasoned fans already know that the Season 28 star is ready to find the one and focus on their future together. A child of divorce himself (Graziadei shared the story of his father’s coming out and his parents’ subsequent split with Lawson and Palmer during the “Bachelorette” aftershow in August), Graziadei has since wished for someone with whom he can truly be himself, but he never expected it would lead to such a dramatic televised journey.

“This is crazy,” Graziadei told Palmer following “The Bachelorette” Season 20’s final rose ceremony. “I never expected this at all. I never knew this is what my life was turning into.”

Tune in to find out what happens next for Graziadei and stay tuned as his romantic journey continues throughout Season 28 of “The Bachelor,” premiering Monday, Jan. 22, on ABC.

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# Hot commodity: 'Superhot' searches for world's hottest pepper

From director Brian Skope ("Ranch to Table," 2021), "Superhot: The Spicy World of Pepper People" premieres Monday, Jan. 22, on Hulu.

This limited, 10-episode docuseries brings the heat, narrated by funnyman Ben Schwartz ("Parks and Recreation"), who takes viewers on a quest for the spiciest of spices. "Superhot" is a wild ride into the Spicy World of Pepper People — the self-proclaimed chili heads who have taken the chili pill and want to find out how deep the rabbit hole goes," Hulu describes.

"This 10-part series goes deep into a subculture fueled by spice: from the elite growers who strive to create new superhots to the chili eaters who chase the endorphin rush of consuming them. Along the way, one legendary chili head sets out on a quest to answer the spiciest of questions." The platform asks: "is there a pepper that can challenge the world's hottest?"

"Pepperheads" will know that the Carolina Reaper held this spicy title for years, only to be recently dethroned by the

tongue-burning chili Pepper X for 2023's Guinness World Records. According to the records, the Reaper pepper clocked in at 1.64 million Scoville heat units — SHU, a measurement of the pungency or "spiciness" of a pepper's heat — while this new, green, bell-shaped pepper boasted an impressively hot 2.69 million SHU.

Developed by American chemist Wilbur Scoville in 1912, this measurement — the Scoville scale — aims to classify the concentration of capsaicinoids, which are said to cause the heat that comes off peppers. While subjective, Scoville's scale is derived from the average capsaicinoid sensitivity people experience while eating specific hot chilis. The average jalapeno pepper, for example, scores an average between 3,000 and 8,000 on the Scoville scale, meaning this new pepper is almost 900 times hotter than its more common cousin.

Both the Carolina Reaper and Pepper X were grown by Puckerbutt Pepper Company founder Ed Currie on his farm in South Carolina. According to an article published by CNN: "Ed cultivated Pepper X on his farm for over 10 years,



Ben Schwartz narrates "Superhot: The Spicy World of Pepper People"

cross-breeding it with some of his hottest peppers to increase its capsaicin content."

Whether it remains the highest mark on Scoville's scale — well, "Superhot" plans to find out.

From paprika to jalapeno poppers, to Currie's Pepper X, explore a world of explosive flavor when all 10 episodes of "Superhot: The Spicy World of Pepper People" make their streaming debut Monday, Jan. 22, on Hulu.

## lifestyle

BY CAROLINE COLLACUTT

### Big on bugs: Disney docu-series delves into dung beetles, butterflies and bugways

"The stakes are high ... even if the critters are extraordinarily small," says Disney. Narrated by Awkwafina ("Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings," 2021), the creepy-crawly docuseries, "A Real Bug's Life," premieres Wednesday, Jan. 24, on Disney+.

"Inspired by the World of Disney and Pixar's 'A Bug's Life,' the new Disney+ Original series from National Geographic, 'A Real Bug's Life,' is an incredible adventure into nine different micro bug worlds around the globe, where the forces of nature play out on a miniature scale and where tiny creatures rely on amazing powers and extraordinary alliances to make it through each day," shared a recent release from Disney and National Geographic.

"With new developments in filming technology and narrated by fun and witty guide Awkwafina," they continue, "follow the incredible stories of the tiny heroes living in worlds beyond the imagination — from a jumping spider looking for a

home on the streets of New York to a Costa Rican orchid bee's first day on the job making perfume! Full of mind-blowing new behaviors and larger-than-life characters, this family-friendly series shows that 'A Real Bug's Life' can be every bit as fantastical as any animated film."

As the series travels from the African savanna to your own backyard, National Geographic promises that each episode will immerse viewers within a microcosm, where "tiny yet extraordinary creatures rely on their mighty abilities to make it through the day."

During the docuseries' first episode, called "The Big City," the team treks their high-tech cameras to the concrete jungle of New York City, where they "join a male jumping spider as he battles for real estate, a voracious fly as it dodges death, and cockroaches that emerge from a secret 'bugway' under cover of darkness. In the concrete jungle, only the streetwise can hustle for a living."

From there, episodes swing from the rainforests of Latin America, where newly



A bold jumping spider featured in "A Real Bug's Life"

hatched orchid bees and leafcutter ants take on their massive green surroundings, to a busy British farm, where a queen bumblebee reigns over his hive, and ladybugs (or ladybirds, as the English call them) keep the garden in check — even checking in with the dung beetles and acacia ants of the African savanna,

rounding the globe on a unique and educational adventure.

"[Taking] viewers on an unforgettable journey that exposes us to how these micro-sized creatures keep our world turning while facing monstrous forces and threats," the all-new series "A Real Bug's Life" premieres Wednesday, Jan. 24, on Disney+.

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- ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- FS1 Creighton at Seton Hall.** From Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. (Live)
- WCWJ (17.1) Virginia Tech at NC State.** From PNC Arena in Raleigh, N.C. (Live)
- WFOX (30.1) Marquette at St. John's.** From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Live)
- 12:30 p.m. USA Rhode Island at Dayton.** From UD Arena in Dayton, Ohio. (Live)
- NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 1 p.m. WJAX (47.1) San Diego State at Boise State.** From ExtraMile Arena in Boise, Idaho. (Live)
- 2 p.m. ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- FS1 Purdue at Iowa.** From Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa. (Live)
- WFOX (30.1) USC at Arizona State.** From Desert Financial Arena in Tempe, Ariz. (Live)
- 2:15 p.m. WCWJ (17.1) North Carolina at Boston College.** From the Conte Forum in Boston. (Live)
- 2:30 p.m. USA Duquesne at Saint Joseph's.** From Michael J. Hagan '85 Arena in Philadelphia. (Live)
- 3 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 4 p.m. ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- FS1 DePaul at Butler.** From Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (Live)
- 5 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 6 p.m. ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- FS1 Women's College Basketball San Jose State at San Diego State.** From Viejas Arena in San Diego. (Live)
- 8 p.m. FS1 WFOX (30.1) Connecticut at Villanova.** From Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia. (Live)
- 10 p.m. ESPN Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)



**FS1 Purdue at Iowa.** From Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa.

### SUNDAY

- 6 a.m. FS1 Marquette at St. John's.** From Madison Square Garden in New York.
- 8 a.m. FS1 Connecticut at Villanova.** From Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia.
- 12 p.m. FS1 Women's College Basketball Providence at Butler.** From Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. (Live)
- WCWJ (17.1) Women's College Basketball Clemson at Virginia Tech.** From Cassell Coliseum in Blacksburg, Va. (Live)
- WJAX (47.1) Michigan State at Maryland.** From Xfinity Center in College Park, Md. (Live)
- WTLV (12.1) Women's College Basketball Iowa at Ohio State.** From Schottenstein Center in Columbus, Ohio. (Live)
- 1 p.m. ESPN2 Memphis at Tulane.** From Devlin Fieldhouse in New Orleans. (Live)
- NBA TV NBA G League Basketball Sioux Falls Skyforce at Maine Celtics.** From Portland Expo Building in Portland, Maine. (Live)
- 3 p.m. ESPN ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 5 p.m. ESPN Women's College Basketball Women's college basketball coverage.**
- ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action.
- 6 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.

### MONDAY

- 12:30 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 2:30 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 4:30 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 6:30 p.m. FS1 Women's College Basketball St. John's at Seton Hall.** From Walsh Gymnasium in South Orange, N.J. (Live)
- 7 p.m. ESPN Wake Forest at North Carolina.** From the Dean E. Smith Center in Chapel Hill, N.C. (Live)
- ESPN2 Women's College Basketball UCLA at Utah.** From Jon M. Huntsman Center in Salt Lake City. (Live)
- NBA TV Center Court: San Antonio Spurs at Philadelphia 76ers.** From Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia. (Live)
- 8:30 p.m. FS1 Women's College Basketball Kansas State at Baylor.** From Paul and Alejandra Foster Pavilion in Waco, Texas. (Live)
- 9 p.m. ESPN Cincinnati at Kansas.** From Allen Fieldhouse in Lawrence, Kan. (Live)
- 10 p.m. NBA TV Atlanta Hawks at Sacramento Kings.** From Golden 1 Center in Sacramento, Calif. (Live)

### TUESDAY

- 11:30 a.m. NBA TV Atlanta Hawks at Sacramento Kings.** From Golden 1 Center in Sacramento, Calif.
- 2 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 4:30 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 6:30 p.m. FS1 Butler at Georgetown.** From Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C. (Live)
- 7 p.m. ESPN Texas at Oklahoma.** From the Lloyd Noble Center in Norman, Okla. (Live)
- ESPN2 Florida State at Syracuse.** From JMA Dome in Syracuse, N.Y. (Live)
- 7:30 p.m. TNT New York Knicks at Brooklyn Nets.** From Barclays Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. (Live)
- 8:30 p.m. FS1 Xavier at Creighton.** From CHI Health Center in Omaha, Neb. (Live)
- 10 p.m. TNT Los Angeles Lakers at Los Angeles Clippers.** From Crypto.com Arena in Los Angeles. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. FS1 Boise State at Fresno State.** From Save Mart Center in Fresno, Calif. (Live)

### WEDNESDAY

- 1 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 3 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 5 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 6:30 p.m. FS1 Providence at Seton Hall.** From Prudential Center in Newark, N.J. (Live)
- 7 p.m. ESPN2 Miami at Notre Dame.** From Purcell Pavilion in Notre Dame, Ind. (Live)
- 7:30 p.m. ESPN Auburn at Alabama.** From Coleman Coliseum in Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Live)
- 8:30 p.m. FS1 Villanova at St. John's.** From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Live)
- WJXX (25.1) Phoenix Suns at Dallas Mavericks.** From American Airlines Center in Dallas. (Live)
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 Teams TBA.** Men's college basketball action. (Live)
- 9:30 p.m. ESPN Oklahoma City Thunder at San Antonio Spurs.** From Frost Bank Center in San Antonio. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. FS1 Colorado State at Nevada.** From Lawlor Events Center in Reno, Nev. (Live)

### THURSDAY

- 1 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 3 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 5 p.m. NBA TV NBA TV Marquee Matchup** The best match-up of the week from around the Association.
- 7 p.m. ESPN2 SMU at North Texas.** From UNT Coliseum in Denton, Texas. (Live)
- 7:30 p.m. TNT Boston Celtics at Miami Heat.** From Kaseya Center in Miami. (Live)
- 8 p.m. ESPN Women's College Basketball South Carolina at LSU.** From Pete Maravich Assembly Center in Baton Rouge, La. (Live)
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 San Francisco at Gonzaga.** From McCarthey Athletic Center in Spokane, Wash. (Live)
- 10 p.m. TNT Sacramento Kings at Golden State Warriors.** From Chase Center in San Francisco. (Live)

## FOOTBALL

### FRIDAY

- 3 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 9 p.m. NFL High School Football Polynesian Bowl.** Action from high school football. (Live)
- 11:20 p.m. WJXT (4.1) Teal the Show** Insider stories and analysis from yesterday's Jaguars game.

### SATURDAY

- 7 a.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 4:30 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- WFOX (30.1) Divisional Round: Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League. (Live)
- 8 p.m. WJAX (47.1) Divisional Round: Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League. (Live)
- 8:30 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

### SUNDAY

- 6 a.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 8:30 a.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 3 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- WTLV (12.1) Divisional Round: Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League. (Live)
- 7 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

### MONDAY

- 3 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 8 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

**11:20 p.m. WJXT (4.1) Teal the Show** Insider stories and analysis from yesterday's Jaguars game.

### TUESDAY

- 3 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 8 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

### WEDNESDAY

**8 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

### THURSDAY

- 3 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.
- 8 p.m. NFL Teams TBA.** Football action from around the National Football League.

## GOLF

### FRIDAY

- 9 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, First Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii.
- 1 p.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, Second Round.** From Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando, Fla.
- 2 p.m. ESPN2 Golf Latin America Amateur Championship, Second Round.** From Santa Maria Golf Club in Panama City, Panama. (Live)
- 4 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Second Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif. (Live)
- 7 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Second Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Second Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.

### SATURDAY

- 8 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Second Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.
- 11 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Second Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii.
- 2 p.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, Third Round.** From Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando, Fla.
- 3 p.m. WTLV (12.1) LPGA Tour Golf Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, Third Round.** From Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando, Fla. (Live)
- 4 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Third Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif. (Live)
- 7 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Final Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Third Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.

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## SUNDAY

- 8 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Third Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.
- 10 a.m. ESPN2 Golf Latin America Amateur Championship, Final Round.** From Santa Maria Golf Club in Panama City, Panama. (Live)
- 11 a.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, Third Round.** From Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando, Fla.
- 1 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Final Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii.
- 4 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Final Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif. (Live)
- 7 p.m. ESPN2 Golf Latin America Amateur Championship, Final Round.** From Santa Maria Golf Club in Panama City, Panama.
- 8 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Final Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.
- 11 p.m. GOLF DP World Tour Golf Hero Dubai Desert Classic, Final Round.** From Emirates Golf Club in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

## MONDAY

- 9 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Final Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.
- 9 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf The American Express, Final Round.** From PGA West TPC Stadium Course in La Quinta, Calif.

## TUESDAY

- 9 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Champions Golf Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Final Round.** From Hualalai Golf Club in Kaupulehu, Hawaii.

## WEDNESDAY

- 7 a.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, Final Round.** From Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Orlando, Fla.
- 3 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, First Round.** From Torrey Pines South Course in San Diego. (Live)
- 8 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, First Round.** From Torrey Pines South Course in San Diego.
- 11:30 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, First Round.** From Torrey Pines South Course in San Diego.

## THURSDAY

- 8 a.m. GOLF DP World Tour Golf Ras Al Khaimah Championship, First Round.** From Al Hamra Golf Club in Al Jazirah

Al Hamra, Ra's al Khaymah, United Arab Emirates.

- 12 p.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf LPGA Drive On Championship, First Round.** From Bradenton Country Club in Bradenton, Fla. (Live)
- 3 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, Second Round.** From Torrey Pines South Course in San Diego.
- 8 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Farmers Insurance Open, Second Round.** From Torrey Pines South Course in San Diego.

## HOCKEY

### WEDNESDAY

- 7:30 p.m. TNT Carolina Hurricanes at Boston Bruins.** From TD Garden in Boston. (Live)
- 10 p.m. TNT Chicago Blackhawks at Seattle Kraken.** From Climate Pledge Arena in Seattle. (Live)

## HORSE RACING

### SUNDAY

- 2:30 p.m. FS1 Horse Racing America's Day At the Races.** The best racehorses square off in the premiere races from across the country. (Live)

## MOTORCYCLE RACING

### SATURDAY

- 11 a.m. FS1 Motorcycle Racing Arena Motocross Nationals: Topeka #2.** Coverage of motorcycle racing action from around the world.

## SKIING

### SATURDAY

- 5 p.m. WTLV (12.1) FIS Alpine Ski World Cup Kitzbühel - Men's Downhill.** Action from the top alpine skiing international circuit.

## SOCCER

### SATURDAY

- 7:30 a.m. USA Premier League Soccer Arsenal vs. Crystal Palace.** Arsenal is up against Crystal Palace at Emirates Stadium in matchround 21 of the Premier League. (Live)
- 12:30 p.m. WTLV (12.1) Premier League Soccer Brentford vs. Nottingham Forest.** Brentford hosts Nottingham Forest at Gtech Community Stadium in matchround 21 of the Premier League. (Live)
- 3 p.m. TNT Men's International Soccer Friendlies United States vs. Slovenia.** From Toyota Field in Madison, Ala. (Live)

### SUNDAY

- 9 a.m. USA Premier League Soccer Sheffield United vs. West Ham United.** Sheffield United takes on West Ham United

at Bramall Lane in matchround 21 of the Premier League. (Live)

- 11:30 a.m. USA Premier League Soccer AFC Bournemouth vs. Liverpool.** Bournemouth is up against Liverpool at Vitality Stadium in matchround 21 of the Premier League. (Live)
- 5:55 p.m. FS1 2024 CONMEBOL Pre-Olympic Soccer Tournament Argentina vs. Paraguay.** Coverage of the quadrennial, international men's under-23 tournament. From Venezuela. (Live)
- 10 p.m. FS1 Liga MX Soccer Santos Laguna vs. Monterrey.** From TSM Corona Stadium in Torreon, Coahuila, Mexico. (Live)

## MONDAY

- 2:45 p.m. USA Premier League Soccer Brighton & Hove Albion vs. Wolverhampton Wanderers.** Brighton & Hove Albion is up against Wolverhampton Wanderers at Amex Stadium in matchround 21. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. FS1 2024 CONMEBOL Pre-Olympic Soccer Tournament Argentina vs. Paraguay.** Coverage of the quadrennial, international men's under-23 tournament. From Venezuela.

## TENNIS

### FRIDAY

- 11 a.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Third Round.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Third Round.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (Live)

### SATURDAY

- 7 a.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Third Round.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Round of 16.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (Live)

### SUNDAY

- 7 a.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Round of 16.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Round of 16.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (Live)

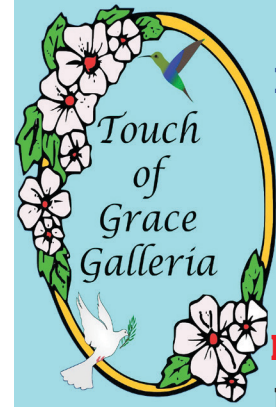
### MONDAY

- 12 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Round of 16.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 9 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Men's & Women's Quarterfinals.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (Live)

### TUESDAY

- 12 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Men's & Women's Quarterfinals.** From

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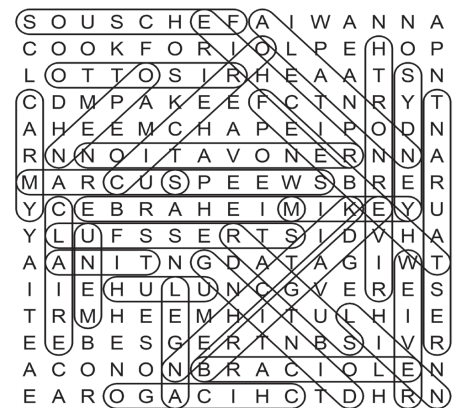
### WEDNESDAY

- 12 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Men's & Women's Quarterfinals.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

### THURSDAY

- 12 p.m. ESPN2 2024 Australian Open Tennis Women's Semifinals.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 10 p.m. ESPN 2024 Australian Open Tennis** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Australia. (Live)
- 10:30 p.m. ESPN 2024 Australian Open Tennis Men's Semifinals.** From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (Live)

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# Hunter Dickinson and Jayhawks get set to battle Cyclones



Another NCAA Big 12 match-up hits the court as the Kansas Jayhawks get set to take on the hungry Iowa State Cyclones, Saturday, Jan 27. Meeting the Cyclones at home, the game airs live on CBS from the James H. Hilton Coliseum in Ames, Iowa.

Entering the 2023-24 season, the Kansas Jayhawks are one of the favorites entering the year as a No. 2 seed in the NCAA.

Beginning this year on a five-game win streak, their success this season has been exceptional (9-1 as of Dec. 15), and with the major acquisition of a fourth-year transfer from Michigan State, Hunter Dickinson, a

projected second-round pick in the 2024 NBA Draft, the Jayhawks are looking to win it all.

Coming off his previous three seasons with Michigan, Dickinson is a presence at center, having averaged 18.5 points per game, 9.0 rebounds per game and 1.8 blocks per game last season.

With the Jayhawks kicking off the season on fire, Dickinson hasn't skipped a beat, improving in just about every area of his game, averaging 19.4 points per game while shooting for 63.7% from field goal range. On the defensive side, he's been a handful for teams in the paint, averaging 12.6 rebounds per game and an improved average of 2.4 blocks per game, proving to his team and himself he made the right off-season move.

Having shown right out the gates to be a star player for the Jayhawks and solidifying his position in collegiate basketball, his dominance at the center position is exactly what the Jayhawks need as they continue their chase for another Big 12 championship and national championship.

**Full name:** Hunter Dickinson  
**Birthdate:** Nov. 25, 2000 (23)  
**Birthplace:** Alexandria, Virginia  
**Height/weight:** 7-2/260 pounds

**Team(s):** Michigan (2020-2023), Kansas (2023-present)  
**High School:** DeMatha Catholic HS  
**Honors and Achievements:** Big

Ten Freshman of the Year (2021), 2x First-team All-Big Ten (2021, 2023), Big Ten All-Defensive Team (2022), Big Ten All-Freshman Team (2021)

# EPL's Best Goalscorers

Questions:	Answers:
1) Since the inception of the English Premier League (EPL) in 1992, this striker has defined goalscoring in English football. With 260 career EPL goals, name this all-time league scoring leader.	1) Ole Gunnar Solskjaer (Feb. 6, 1999)
2) Finding the back of the net across the nation — which player has scored against the most Premier League opponents?	2) Thierry Henry
3) Only one player in EPL history has scored for seven different Premier League clubs. Who is he?	3) Sergio Aguero
4) Upon scoring his 150th Premier League goal, Mohamed Salah joined which former Liverpool striker for 10th all-time in league scoring history?	4) Harry Kane (12/13, Tottenham)
5) Who was the inaugural recipient of the Premier League Golden Boot?	5) Teddy Sheringham
6) Rapidly moving up the goalscoring charts, his mark of 36 goals was a EPL record — all in his debut season. Name the record-setting Premier League newcomer.	6) Erling Haaland
7) Which player has scored the most EPL goals for one club?	7) Michael Owen
8) His 184 career EPL goals are the most for any player born outside the United Kingdom. Who is he?	8) Craig Bellamy
9) Name the only player to have currently won the Premier League Golden Boot four times.	9) Alan Shearer (39)
10) Super sub! Who was the first player in EPL history to score four goals as a substitute in a single match?	10) Frank Lampard

# Under the Radar



## “Rick and Morty” - Season 7 (Max — Jan. 22, Season Premiere)

This hit adult animated series follows nihilistic, sociopathic genius scientist, Rick (Ian Cardoni) who drags his timid, nerdy grandson, Morty (Harry Belden) on dangerous adventures across the multiverse. Chris Parnell, Spencer Grammer, Sarah Chalke, Kari Wahlgren and Dan Harmon also voice star.



## “Sexy Beast” (Paramount+ — Jan. 25, Series Premiere)

This original drama series, serving as a prequel to Jonathan Glazer's acclaimed 2000 film of the same name, explores the origins of Gal (James McArdle) and Don's (Emun Elliott) complicated relationship as they find themselves descending into the seductive madness of the London criminal world during the vibrant and volatile 1990s, while Gal's budding relationship with Deedee (Sarah Greene) threatens everything in their world.



## “In The Know” - Season 1 (Peacock — Jan. 25, Series Premiere)

Lauren Caspian (Zach Woods) is NPR's third most popular host. He's a well-meaning, hypocritical nimrod, just like you and me. He's also a stop motion puppet. Each episode follows the making of an episode of Lauren's show, “In the Know,” in which Lauren conducts in-depth interviews with real world human guests. Lauren collaborates with a diverse crew of NPR staff. They are also puppets and nimrods. Mike Judge, Caitlin Reilly, Charlie Bushnell, J. Smith-Cameron and Carl Tart also voice star.



## “On the Roam” (Available Now)

This eight episode, cinematic docuseries follows Jason Momoa as he travels the country chasing art, adventure, and friendship through the lens of craftsmanship, speaking to individuals ranging from motorcycle fabricators, to musicians, to athletes.



**“FEUD: Capote Vs. The Swans” (FX/FXX/ Hulu — Jan. 31/Feb. 1, Limited Series Premiere)**

This second installment in Ryan Murphy’s FEUD anthology is based on the bestselling book “Capote’s Women: A True Story of Love, Betrayal, and a Swan Song for an Era” by Laurence Leamer. Acclaimed writer Truman Capote (Tom Hollander) surrounded himself with a coterie of society’s most elite women, whom he nicknamed “the swans.” Enchanted and captivated by these doyennes, Capote ingratiated himself into their lives, befriendng them and becoming their confidante, only to ultimately betray them by writing a thinly veiled fictionalization of their lives, exposing their most intimate secrets.



**“Mr. & Mrs. Smith” - Season 1 (Prime Video — Feb. 2, Series Premiere)**

Two lonely strangers land a job working for a mysterious spy agency that offers them a glorious life of espionage, wealth, world travels and a dream brownstone in Manhattan. The catch: new identities in an arranged marriage as Mr. & Mrs. John (Donald Glover) and Jane Smith (Maya Erskine). Now hitched, John and Jane navigate a high risk mission every week while also facing a new relationship milestone. Their complex cover story becomes even more complicated when they catch real feelings for each other.



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**weblinks**

Without a shared language or the use of a translator, three American singles attempt to make connections with other singles from across the globe. The latest in TLC’s slate of dating-reality shows, this brand-new series, “Love & Translation,” premieres, Sunday, Jan. 21, on TLC. Coming from nine different countries worldwide, meet the first season’s singles by checking out: [tlc.com/shows/love-and-translation/photo-galleries/meet-the-love-and-translation-singles](http://tlc.com/shows/love-and-translation/photo-galleries/meet-the-love-and-translation-singles)

Meet Joey Graziadei: a 28-year-old tennis pro from Koloa, Hawaii. This sweet-smiling, outdoorsy family man first began his televised journey for love on Season 20 of “The Bachelorette.” Now, still searching for true love, Joey will meet over two dozen singles as he takes on the titular role in Season 28 of “The Bachelor,” premiering Monday, Jan. 22, on ABC. To meet the man behind this season’s roses, visit: [abc.com/shows/the-bachelor/video/most-recent/vdka35178582](http://abc.com/shows/the-bachelor/video/most-recent/vdka35178582)

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**Questions:**

- Which of the following is not part of The Bachelor franchise: “Bachelor in Paradise,” “Bachelor Pad,” “Bachelor Party” or “The Bachelor: Winter Games”?
- Who acted as the first Bachelor in the series’ very first season?
- How many seasons of “The Bachelor” aired before “The Bachelorette” made its debut?
- To date, who is the only Bachelor to have appeared as the lead of two different seasons?
- Who was the first Bachelor or Bachelorette to find lasting love on TV?
- Who was the first Bachelor to marry his final pick?
- In 2017, Rachel Lindsay became the first Black Bachelorette — who did she give her first and final roses to?
- Which spin-off featured the Bachelor franchise’s first same-sex couple?
- Name the two Bachelorettes who were both featured in Season 16 of “The Bachelorette.”
- Which season of “The Bachelor” was the first one hosted by Jesse Palmer?

- Answers:
- “Bachelor Party”
  - Alex Michel
  - 2
  - Brad Womack
  - Trista Rehn (now Sutter)
  - Sean Lowe
  - Bryan Abasolo
  - “Bachelor in Paradise”
  - Clare Crawley and Tayshia Adams
  - Season 26



# gametime

## crossword fun



### Across

- 1. "It's not great, but not terrible either"
- 4. Worry
- 8. Dupe
- 11. Muhammad \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Rolling rock?
- 13. Cold war grp.
- 14. Competitor in a TV obstacle course
- 17. Society girl
- 18. Actor Arnold
- 19. Stay away from
- 21. Plotting
- 24. Rejecting word
- 25. Part of "be"
- 26. "Let me think"
- 27. 11, on some watches
- 28. Steven Yeun/Ali Wong series

- 30. Nincompoop
- 32. Honey maker
- 34. Early Beatle Sutcliffe
- 35. Like some crispy fried fish
- 41. Bobby of hockey
- 42. French cheese
- 43. Blue hue
- 44. Bran source
- 45. Slip through the cracks
- 46. Links prop

### Down

- 1. Word before and after "oh"
- 2. Giants QB Manning
- 3. Caste member
- 4. Spare tire

- 5. Cold and wet
- 6. Actress Larue
- 7. Dress (up)
- 8. Cut corners
- 9. Previously
- 10. Cheap brand of beer, briefly
- 15. Actress Aniston
- 16. Wheel used in a game of chance
- 19. Social rebuff
- 20. "Where the heart is"
- 22. Uber alternative
- 23. Pass over
- 29. 1975 Pulitzer-winning film critic Roger
- 31. Deli hanger
- 33. Dwindles
- 34. \_\_\_ tracker
- 35. Ghost's cry
- 36. Prohibition \_\_\_
- 37. "What \_\_\_ the odds?"
- 38. Even finish
- 39. Scratch (out)
- 40. Salon application

Solution:  
Funambulist



## weblinks

With rising international tensions in the Indo-Pacific, a team of American NCIS agents and the Australian Federal Police (AFP) have been grafted into a multinational task force, jointly asked to keep naval crimes at bay within the planet's most contested patch of ocean. Further expanding the "NCIS" universe, the Season 1 finale of "NCIS: Sydney" airs Tuesday, Jan. 23, on CBS, with past episodes from the season available to stream at: [cbs.com/shows/ncis-sydney/](https://www.cbs.com/shows/ncis-sydney/)

Cookbook author and media personality Chrissy Teigen ("Chrissy's Court"), restaurateur and superchef David Chang ("Ugly Delicious") and comedian Joel Kim Booster ("Fire Island," 2022) host a series of unexpected and entertaining dinner parties around Los Angeles; With good food, great conversation and celebrity guests, "Chrissy & Dave Dine Out" premieres Wednesday, Jan. 24, on Freeform, before streaming the following day on Hulu. For a snippet from the series, check out: [youtube.com/watch?v=mieQeYJzW6w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mieQeYJzW6w)

Celebrating 10 years of touring, medium Theresa Caputo invites cameras to join her on her next set of live, international shows, in which she leads mediumship sessions with celebrities and fans in order to help them carry on without their departed loved ones. The journey begins as the first two episodes of the all-new series, "Theresa Caputo: Raising Spirits," premieres Thursday, Jan. 25, on Lifetime. For more information on the upcoming adventure, see: [mylifetime.com/shows/theresa-caputo-raising-spirits](https://www.mylifetime.com/shows/theresa-caputo-raising-spirits)

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## weblinks

Sharpen your skates and hit your mark: Figure skating fans gather at the Nationwide Arena in Columbus, Ohio, to watch on as the Championship Women's Free Skate takes place. With all three hours of the event broadcasting live, 2024's US Figure Skating Championship continues, airing Friday, Jan. 26, on NBC. The championship's complete schedule, along with a "Figure Skating 101," are available at: [columbusports.org/skate](https://www.columbusports.org/skate)

When Bennett (Oliver Renaud), a world-class aerialist, finds himself partnerless for his upcoming performance at a local arts festival, he asks former dancer Luna (Jocelyn Hudon) to recall her training and perform alongside him. An all-new romantic comedy, 2024's "Romance With a Twist" premieres Saturday, Jan. 27, on Hallmark, as part of the network's "New Year New Movies!" programming slate, found at: [hallmarkchannel.com/new-year-new-movies/new-year-new-movies-2024](https://www.hallmarkchannel.com/new-year-new-movies/new-year-new-movies-2024)



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To complete this puzzle, place the numbers 1-9 in the empty cells, so that every row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold outline) contains all nine digits.

Each number 1-9 may appear only once in each row, column and 3-by-3 box.

Solution on page 4

## celebrityfacts

### Mariska Hargitay of "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" on NBC and Peacock:

Before starting her association with "SVU," she appeared in the classic "Seinfeld" episode "The Pilot," playing an actress who auditioned to portray Elaine (which Hargitay actually did when the sitcom was starting).



## infocus

### "Orion and the Dark" (Netflix — Feb. 2, Movie Premiere)

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# celebrityfacts

## Ruth Wilson of "The Woman in the Wall" on Showtime and Paramount+:

Though she had wanted to leave "The Affair" earlier, she ended up departing from that show after its fourth season, with its fifth year turning out to be its last.





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## WORD SEARCH

Solution on page 16

In the grid below, twenty answers can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each answer that you find and list it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Answers can be found in all directions—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find the twenty answers in today's puzzle?

Today's Category: Synonyms for "cold"

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## Tracy Spiridakos of "Chicago P.D." on NBC and Peacock:

She was briefly absent from "Chicago P.D." while her character – Detective Hailey Upton – was worked into an episode of another of executive producer Dick Wolf's series, CBS' "FBI."



## Jodie Foster of "True Detective: Night Country" on HBO and Max:

She made her debut as a director on the 1991 movie "Little Man Tate," and she also has directed episodes of series including "Orange Is the New Black," "House of Cards" and "Black Mirror."

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### Crossword Solution Puzzle on Page 11

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P	S	V	R							

### Bingo Solution Puzzle on Page 16

Bingo — Solution

	W	H	A	C	K
Characters in "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"	Will	Hilary/Hattie/Helen	Ashley	Carlton	Kellogg
Things in a bathroom	Washcloth	Hair dryer	Free Space	Cotton swabs/Comb	Kleenex
Dances	Waltz	Highland Fling	Argentine Tango	Cha-cha/Charleston	Kizomba
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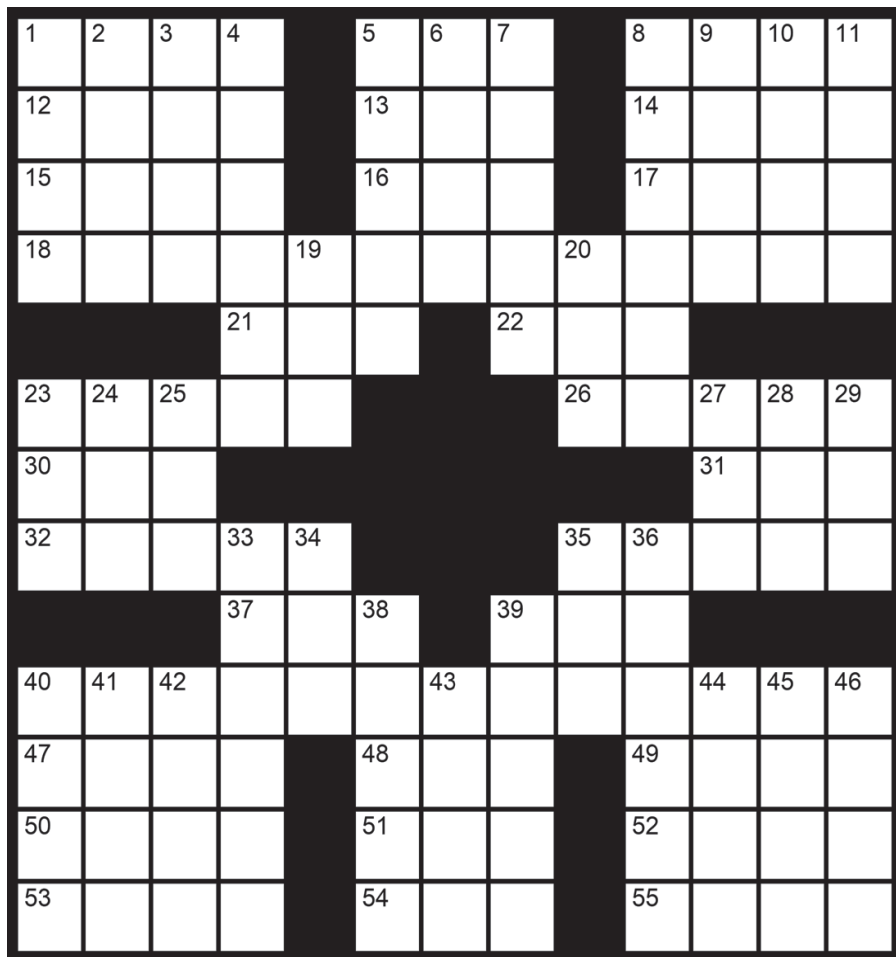
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**crossword fun**

Solution on page 10



**Across**

- 1. "30 \_\_\_\_"
- 5. "30 \_\_\_\_ 30"
- 8. Invitation initialism
- 12. Slender woodwind instrument

- 13. Mud bath locale
- 14. Israeli airline
- 15. List
- 16. Asian occasion
- 17. Hombre's home

- 18. Dystopian series starring Mackenzie Davis
- 21. Cut (off)
- 22. Turkey
- 23. Brash Nash
- 26. Piaggio transport
- 30. "\_\_\_\_ Tree Hill"
- 31. Consumes
- 32. Ketchup brand
- 35. James Roday Rodriguez comedy drama
- 37. Televises
- 39. Morning moisture
- 40. Whitney Cummings comedy
- 47. "The \_\_\_\_ Housewives"
- 48. Italian article
- 49. Durable wood
- 50. Commedia dell' \_\_\_\_
- 51. Slithery swimmer
- 52. Tip-off
- 53. Nudnik
- 54. Fishing aid
- 55. Jekyll's alter ego

- 5. Camera setting
- 6. Unlock
- 7. Assigned "PG" to, maybe
- 8. Withdraw
- 9. Czech or Serb
- 10. Bud holder
- 11. Think ahead
- 19. Charged item
- 20. Hon
- 23. Cry at fireworks
- 24. Animal with curved horns
- 25. TV room perhaps
- 27. Timid
- 28. Lobbying grp.
- 29. Volcano output
- 33. iPad, e.g.
- 34. What Marcie calls Peppermint Patty
- 35. Dowel
- 36. Juice supplier?
- 38. Site of Joan of Arc's demise
- 39. Passed out
- 40. Mouth, in slang
- 41. "\_\_\_\_ Here"
- 42. Feedback fill
- 43. Patella's place
- 44. Bank (on)
- 45. Sing the praises of
- 46. \_\_\_\_-Ball (arcade game)

**Down**

- 1. Deteriorates
- Life sentences?
- Pepsi, e.g.
- It lets off steam

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**300 ★★★** (2006) Badly outnumbered Spartan warriors clash with the Persian army at the Battle of Thermopylae. **AMC Thu. 8 p.m.**

## A

**Ant-Man and The Wasp ★★★** (2018) Ant-Man and the Wasp uncover secrets from the past while battling a powerful new enemy. **TBS Sat. 2:45 p.m.**

**Avatar ★★★** (2009) A former Marine (Sam Worthington) falls in love with a native (Zoe Saldana) of a lush alien world. **FX Fri. 8 p.m.**

## B

**Back to the Future ★★★** (1985) Teen (Michael J. Fox) goes to 1955 in crackpot's (Christopher Lloyd) DeLorean time machine. **TBS Sat. 10 p.m.**

**Back to the Future Part II ★★★** (1989) Young man (Michael J. Fox) and an inventor (Christopher Lloyd) take a time machine to 2015. **TBS Sat. 12:30 a.m.**

**Batman Begins ★★★** (2005) Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) becomes Gotham City's Dark Knight. **USA Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. 5 p.m.**

**Bells Are Ringing ★★★** (1960) A telephone operator (Judy Holliday) falls for a blocked writer (Dean Martin). **TCM Wed. 5:45 p.m.**

**Best in Show ★★★** (2000) Pampered pooches and their quirky owners compete in a prestigious dog show. **TCM Fri. 8 p.m.**

**Best Man, The ★★★** (1999) A writer (Taye Diggs) meets an old flame (Nia Long) at his friend's (Morris Chestnut) wedding. **BET Wed. 2 p.m.**

**Black Marble, The ★★★** (1980) Busted detective (Robert Foxworth) and policewoman (Paula Prentiss) track schnauzer. **TCM Fri. 1 a.m.**

**Blackboard Jungle, The ★★★** (1955) A lone teacher (Glenn Ford) fights a juvenile delinquent (Vic Morrow) and his trade-school gang. **TCM Sat. 2 p.m.**

**Bob's Burgers Movie, The ★★★** (2022) Bob and Linda struggle to keep their hamburger business afloat as the kids try to solve a mystery. **FX Wed. 6 p.m., Wed. 1 a.m.**

**Bohemian Rhapsody ★★★** (2018) Rocker Freddie Mercury defies stereotypes and convention as the popular lead singer of Queen. **FX Fri. 2 p.m.**

**Braveheart ★★★** (1995) A Scotsman (Mel Gibson) leads a revolt against the English king (Patrick McGoohan). **AMC nextThu. 1 a.m.**

**Bride Came C.O.D., The ★★★** (1941) Texas tycoon pays pilot (James Cagney) to fly daughter (Bette Davis) out of marriage. **TCM Fri. 1:15 p.m.**

**Bridesmaids ★★★** (2011) A woman's life unravels as she helps the bride, her lifelong friend, prepare for the wedding. **BRAVO Sat. 3:30 p.m., Sat. 8:30 p.m.**

## C

**Captain America: Civil War ★★★** (2016) A feud between Captain America (Chris Evans) and Iron Man leaves the Avengers in turmoil. **TBS Sun. 2 p.m.**

**Cast Away ★★★** (2000) A crash survivor (Tom Hanks) lives on a remote island for four years. **FX Fri. 5 p.m.**

**Cat on a Hot Tin Roof ★★★** (1958) An alcoholic (Paul Newman) and his wife visit his dying father (Burl Ives) in the South. **TCM Thu. 1:45 p.m.**

**Children of Men ★★★★** (2006) A disillusioned bureaucrat becomes an unlikely champion in the fight for mankind's survival. **SYFY Tue. 1:04 a.m.**

**Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs ★★★** (2009) An overabundance of food falls from the sky, overwhelming townspeople. **NICK Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. 2:45 p.m.**

**Cloverfield ★★★** (2008) Terrified New Yorkers witness a monstrous creature's attack on their city. **SYFY Sat. 7:35 p.m., Sun. 5:06 p.m.**

**Coco ★★★** (2017) A boy embarks on a journey through the colorful Land of the Dead to discover his family's history. **DISN Sat. 8 p.m.**

**Creed ★★★** (2015) Rocky Balboa acts as trainer and mentor to the son of his friend and former opponent, Apollo Creed. **AMC Fri. 10 p.m., Sat. 12 p.m., WE Thu. 7 p.m., Thu. 10 p.m.**

## D

**Dark Knight Rises, The ★★★** (2012) Batman re-emerges from his self-imposed exile to battle a merciless terrorist named Bane. **USA Sat. 8 p.m., Sun. 4:25 p.m.**

**Die Hard ★★★** (1988) A New York policeman (Bruce Willis) outwits foreign thugs in an L.A. high-rise. **AMC Sat. 7 p.m., Sun. 3 p.m.**

**Die Hard 2 ★★★** (1990) Police hero (Bruce Willis) spots military terrorists at D.C. airport. **AMC Sat. 10 p.m., Sun. 12:30 p.m.**

**Die Hard With a Vengeance ★★★** (1995) McClane (Bruce Willis), shopkeeper (Samuel L. Jackson) seek terrorist bomber (Jeremy Irons). **FX Thu. 12:30 p.m.**

**Dirty Dancing ★★★** (1987) Teen (Jennifer Grey) gets slinky with dance teacher (Patrick Swayze) in '63 Catskills. **AMC Mon. 10 p.m.**

**Django Unchained ★★★** (2012) A former slave and a German bounty hunter roam the American South in search of wanted criminals. **SYFY Thu. 8:30 p.m.**

## E

**Encanto ★★★** (2021) A Colombian girl must save an enchanted place that blesses children in her family with unique gifts. **DISN Sun. 8 p.m.**

## F

**Few Good Men, A ★★★** (1992) Navy lawyers (Tom Cruise, Demi Moore) defend Marines for a murder at Gitmo. **BBCA Sun. 2 p.m., Sun. 8 p.m.**

**First Blood ★★★** (1982) Rambo (Sylvester Stallone) takes on sheriff (Brian Dennehy) and National Guard. **AMC Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. 5 p.m.**

**Forgetting Sarah Marshall ★★★** (2008) A struggling musician encounters his ex-lover and her new boyfriend while vacationing in Hawaii. **BRAVO Sat. 1 p.m., Sat. 6 p.m.**

**Freaky ★★★** (2020) A mystical dagger causes a serial killer to magically switch bodies with a 17-year-old girl. **SYFY Sun. 9 p.m.**

**Free Guy ★★★** (2021) A bank teller tries to become a hero when he discovers he's a background player in a video game. **FX Sat. 10:30 p.m., Sun. 12:30 p.m.**

**Friday ★★★** (1995) L.A. buddies (Ice Cube, Chris Tucker) hang out on front porch. **BET Sat. 2 p.m.**

## G

**Galaxy Quest ★★★** (1999) Aliens enlist a sci-fi TV cast (Tim Allen, Sigourney Weaver, Alan Rickman) to fight a war. **BBCA Fri. 2:45 p.m.**

**Gandhi ★★★★★** (1982) Mohandas Gandhi (Ben Kingsley) uses nonviolent protest to lead India out of British rule. **TCM Wed. 8 p.m.**

**Gladiator ★★★** (2000) Gen. Maximus (Russell Crowe) seeks revenge for his family's deaths. **AMC Fri. 2:30 p.m.**

**Glass Bottom Boat, The ★★★** (1966) Spies follow PR woman (Doris Day) who works for space scientist (Rod Taylor). **TCM Tue. 6 p.m.**

**Groundhog Day ★★★** (1993) February 2nd keeps repeating for a TV weatherman sent to watch the groundhog in Punxsutawney, Pa. **AMC Mon. 5:30 p.m.**

**Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 ★★★** (2017) The team unravels the mystery of Peter Quill's true parentage in the outer reaches of the galaxy. **TBS Sun. 5 p.m.**

**Gypsy Moths, The ★★★** (1969) Old sky divers (Burt Lancaster, Gene Hackman) and young partner give crowd its money's worth. **TCM Sat. 10:15 p.m.**

## H

**Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison ★★★** (1957) Marine (Robert Mitchum) and nun (Deborah Kerr) stranded on Japanese-held island. **TCM Tue. 9:45 p.m.**

**Heiress, The ★★★** (1949) A fortune hunter charms a doctor's plain daughter (Olivia de Havilland) in 19th-century New York. **TCM Sun. 10 p.m.**

**Hitch ★★★** (2005) A smooth-talker (Will Smith) helps a shy accountant (Kevin James) woo an heiress. **BET Mon. 5 p.m.**

**Holiday Affair ★★★** (1949) Two men (Robert Mitchum, Wendell Corey) want to marry war widow (Janet Leigh) for Christmas. **TCM Wed. 2:30 p.m.**

## I

**I Know Where I'm Going! ★★★★★** (1945) Englishwoman (Wendy Hiller) seeks tycoon, loves naval officer (Roger Livesey) instead. **TCM Sun. 2:15 p.m.**

**Idiot's Delight ★★★** (1939) Song-and-dance man (Clark Gable) meets Russian countess (Norma Shearer) in Alps. **TCM Sun. 12:15 p.m.**

**Instant Family ★★★** (2018) A couple learn the joys and frustrations of parenthood when they decide to adopt three siblings. **FREE Thu. 8:30 p.m.**

**Invisible Man, The ★★★** (2020) A crazed scientist uses his power to become invisible to stalk and terrorize his ex-girlfriend. **SYFY Sun. 12:22 p.m.**

**Italian Job, The ★★★** (2003) A thief (Mark Wahlberg) and his crew plan to steal back their gold. **PARMT Fri. 8 p.m., Fri. 10:30 p.m.**

## J

**Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle ★★★** (2017) Four teens find adventure as adults inside a video game that transports them to the jungle. **FX Sun. 8 p.m., Sun. 10:30 p.m.**

## K

**Klute ★★★** (1971) A detective (Donald Sutherland) ties a case to a call girl (Jane Fonda) and a killer. **TCM Mon. 12:30 a.m.**

## L

**Late Show, The ★★★★★** (1977) Old L.A. private eye (Art Carney) solves murder with wacky woman (Lily Tomlin). **TCM Sat. 6 p.m.**

**League of Their Own, A ★★★** (1992) The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League begins in 1943 with a has-been as a manager. **AMC Mon. 2:30 p.m., BBCA Sun. 11 p.m.**

## M

**Martian, The ★★★** (2015) Left behind by his crew, a stranded astronaut (Matt Damon) must find a way to survive on Mars. **TNT Mon. 8 p.m., Tue. 4:15 p.m.**

**Mean Girls ★★★** (2004) A teen (Lindsay Lohan) becomes friends with three cruel schoolmates. **MTV Sun. 6 p.m., Sun. 11 p.m.**

**Men in Black ★★★** (1997) A veteran (Tommy Lee Jones) and a rookie (Will Smith) track aliens on Earth. **AMC Wed. 8 p.m., Thu. 3:30 p.m.**

**Mission: Impossible -- Ghost Protocol ★★★** (2011) After the IMF is shut down, Ethan Hunt and his team must clear the organization of wrongdoing. **PARMT Sat. 4 p.m., Sat. 12 a.m., Tue. 11 p.m.**

**Mission: Impossible III ★★★** (2006) Agent Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) squares off with a ruthless broker of arms and information. **PARMT Fri. 1 a.m., Sat. 1 p.m., Tue. 8 p.m.**

**Moana ★★★** (2016) A once-mighty demigod and a spirited teenager embark on an epic adventure across the ocean. **DISN Fri. 8 p.m.**

**Moneyball ★★★** (2011) A baseball manager (Brad Pitt) on a tight budget takes a new approach to assembling his team. **BBCA Sun. 5 p.m.**

## N

**Neighbors ★★★** (2014) Parents with a baby move into a new house but soon go to war with the neighboring noisy fraternity. **E! Mon. 5 p.m., Mon. 9 p.m.**

**Night of the Hunter, The ★★★** (1955) A wise matron (Lillian Gish) protects children hiding from a corrupt preacher (Robert Mitchum). **TCM Tue. 8 p.m.**

## O

**Other Guys, The ★★★** (2010) Two desk-bound detectives (Will Ferrell, Mark Wahlberg) get a chance to work on a real case. **MTV Sat. 3:30 p.m., Sat. 11 p.m.**

## P

**Philadelphia ★★★** (1993) Fired by his firm, a lawyer with AIDS fights back in court with help from his lawyer. **TCM Wed. 11:30 p.m.**

**Pretty Woman ★★★** (1990) A corporate raider (Richard Gere) hires a hooker (Julia Roberts) to act as a business escort. **FREE Wed. 3 p.m.**

**Producers, The ★★★** (1968) Broadway producer (Zero Mostel) and accountant (Gene Wilder) back sure-fire flop. **TCM Mon. 8 p.m.**

**Psycho ★★★★★** (1960) A woman (Janet Leigh) stops at a motel run by mad Norman Bates (Anthony Perkins). **TCM nextThu. 12:15 a.m.**

## R

**Ready or Not ★★★** (2019) A young bride's new in-laws hunt her with guns, crossbows and other weapons at a luxurious estate. **FREE Fri. 12 a.m.**

**Ready Player One ★★★** (2018) A teen searches for a hidden treasure in an expansive virtual reality universe in 2045. **TNT Fri. 4:30 p.m., Fri. 11 p.m.**

**Rise of the Planet of the Apes ★★★** (2011) A substance designed to help the brain repair itself gives rise to a superintelligent chimp. **SYFY Fri. 9:15 p.m., Sat. 2:50 p.m.**

**Role Models ★★★** (2008) Two wild guys (Sean William Scott, Paul Rudd) become mentors to two impressionable youths. **VH1 Sun. 8 p.m., Sun. 10:30 p.m.**

## S

**Shane ★★★★★** (1953) An ex-gunfighter (Alan Ladd) defends Wyoming homesteaders (Jean Arthur, Van Heflin). **TCM Thu. 9 p.m.**

**Sing ★★★** (2016) A pig, a mouse, a porcupine, a gorilla, an elephant and other animals enter a singing competition. **NICK Fri. 5:30 p.m., Sat. 12:15 p.m.**

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## 'Titanic' sets sail again on Showtime

The basic story had been told earlier in other films and television projects, but even though it matches a fictional romance to facts of the ocean disaster, the Oscar-winning 1997 version of "Titanic" is the definitive one for many people.

Being presented by Showtime on Sunday, Jan. 21, writer-director James Cameron's epic is a beautifully structured saga that cleverly takes the audience from contemporary times — as a treasure hunter (Bill Paxton) and his colleagues scour the ship's sunken wreckage — back to its maiden voyage in 1912, when it was launched with much pomp and circumstance.

Various passengers are introduced, including the allegedly "unsinkable" Molly Brown (played here by Kathy Bates), but two key characters are the ones who came to matter most to the vast majority of moviegoers: privileged Rose and stowaway Jack, roles that elevated the highly charismatic-together Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio to superstardom. (Their later reteaming in "Revolutionary Road" surely was a bid to benefit from their iconic teamwork here, good as they also are in that picture.)



Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet in "Titanic"

From evading Rose's spurned and vengeful fiance Cal (Billy Zane) to navigating blocked and/or flooded passageways, the couple's experience aboard the Titanic turns into an endless series of perils ... ultimately enhancing and fusing their affection for each other, to the point where the legendary phrase "I'll never let go" is much more than lip service.

For as personal as the Jack-and-Rose story is, the production that surrounds them is massive and impressive, certainly justifying the 11 Academy Award wins that included best picture and best director (and making for what was one of the highest-rated Oscar telecasts to date, since so many observers were invested in how the movie fared in that ceremony). Cameron united Paramount Pictures and 20th Century Fox together to finance the project, and the result is stunning visually, particularly in scenes of the ocean liner in its final throes.

One note about the music, since some viewers are bound to come back to the film for a certain part of it: The hugely popular "Titanic" theme song "My Heart Will Go On," composed by James Horner and Will Jennings and performed by Celine Dion, plays only over the closing credits.

Over 25 years after its release, "Titanic" remains a singular screen experience, the type that always will have a large and loyal base of devotees. And despite the many TV showings it's had (and its recent debut in the 4K Ultra HD home-video format), such viewership potential undoubtedly gives Showtime confidence in running it again.

### "THINNER: COLLECTOR'S EDITION"

An overweight lawyer, played by Robert John Burke (and a succession of body suits), suffers the title curse in director and co-screenwriter Tom Holland's effective 1996 version — available in a new Blu-ray release — of a Stephen King novel (which the horror icon wrote under the pseudonym Richard Bachman). The lawyer accidentally kills a woman with his car, and her grieving father then speaks a curse that makes the driver begin losing pounds at a very noticeable and ultimately alarming rate. Hoping to get his apparent fate canceled before it's too late, he asks a underworld-connected former client (Joe Mantegna) for help. King has a cameo role in a cast that also includes Lucinda Jenney, Bethany Joy Lenz (before she started TV's "One Tree Hill"), Michael Constantine and Kari Wuhrer. \*\*\* (R: AS, P, V)

### "JENNIFER 8"

Now getting a Blu-ray release, writer-director Bruce Robinson's 1992 melodrama gave Andy Garcia one of his first top-billed movie roles as a personally troubled detective who takes on the cold case of a murdered woman ... one of several blind victims who may have been targeted by a serial killer. Uma Thurman plays the also-sightless roommate of the most recent victim, and her eventual romantic involvement with the sleuth complicates an investigation that already is complex enough. Lance Henriksen, Kathy Baker, Kevin Conway and John Malkovich also are featured; the striking cinematography is by veteran cameraman Conrad Hall ("Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid"). Interestingly, the British cut of the film was almost 20 minutes shorter. \*\*\* (R: AS, N, P, V) [Also on DVD]

and Alexandra Daddario ("The White Lotus") as Lois Lane. Blu-ray extras: two "making-of" documentaries. \*\*\* (PG: P, V) (Also on 4K Ultra HD and Digital)

### "YOUR LUCKY DAY"

A hugely valuable lottery ticket is at the crux of a hostage situation in writer-director Daniel Brown's melodrama, set on Christmas Eve ... which could explain why the distributor waited an extra month to release it on home video. A convenience store is the setting as the tension mounts, with each of those present having to decide what they would do for a share of the winning jackpot. The ensemble cast includes Angus Cloud, Elliot Knight, Jessica Garza, Sterling Beaumont, Spencer Garrett and "Third Watch" and "Beverly Hills, 90210" alum Jason Wiles. \*\*\* (R: AS, P, V) (Also on Blu-ray and On Demand)

### "KINDERGARTEN COP"

One of Arnold Schwarzenegger's most accessible-for-all-ages makes its 4K Ultra HD debut, as the 1990 action-comedy casts him as an undercover police detective who poses as a schoolteacher to track a murderer (Richard Tyson). Directed by Ivan Reitman, the picture has its tougher moments, but it also has lots of humor as Schwarzenegger's character proves to be a fish out of water in dealing with youngsters in the classroom. (Among the kids is Odette Yustman, who grew up to be the actress currently known as Odette Annable.) Pamela Reed is enjoyable as the cop's sarcastic partner, Penelope Ann Miller is a fellow teacher and romantic interest, and Linda Hunt plays the school principal. Carroll Baker, Cathy Moriarty and (briefly) Angela Bassett also appear. \*\*\* (PG: AS, P, V) (Also on DVD and Blu-ray)

**Sophie's Choice** ★★★ (1982) A writer (Peter MacNicol) meets an Auschwitz survivor (Meryl Streep) and her lover (Kevin Kline). **TCM Mon. 9:45 p.m.**

**Soul** ★★★ (2020) A band teacher discovers what it truly means to have soul after traveling to another realm. **WJXX (25.1) Sun. 9 p.m.**

**Spider-Man 2** ★★★ (2004) Peter Parker (Tobey Maguire) fights a man who has mechanical tentacles. **FREE Mon. 1:30 p.m.**

**Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse** ★★★ (2018) Spider-Man battles the evil Kingpin, a hulking madman who can open portals to other universes. **FX Wed. 3:30 p.m.**

**Starship Troopers** ★★★ (1997) Earth's space fleet (Casper Van Dien, Dina Meyer, Denise Richards) battles gigantic insects. **BBCA Sat. 8:45 p.m., Thu. 2:15 p.m., Thu. 10:30 p.m.**

**Sundowners, The** ★★★ (1960) Irish shepherds (Deborah Kerr, Robert Mitchum) roam in 1920s Australia. **TCM Wed. 12 p.m.**

**Superbad** ★★★ (2007) Co-dependent high school teens hope to score booze and babes at a party. **COM Sat. 11:30 p.m.**

### T

**Taken** ★★★ (2008) A former spy (Liam Neeson) uses his particular set of skills to save his kidnapped daughter. **FX Tue. 3 p.m.**

**Tea and Sympathy** ★★★ (1956) Housemaster's (Leif Erickson) wife (Deborah Kerr) guides preppie (John Kerr) marked as sissy. **TCM Sat. 8 p.m.**

**Terminator 2: Judgment Day** ★★★★★ (1991) Two killer cyborgs battle over a teen's (Edward Furlong) life. **FX Sat. 2:30 p.m., Tue. 12 a.m., Wed. 12:30 p.m.**

**Thief of Bagdad, The** ★★★★★ (1940) A genie helps a boy (Sabu) help a prince (John Justin) to foil an evil vizier (Conrad Veidt). **TCM Mon. 4:45 p.m.**

**Thor: Ragnarok** ★★★ (2017) Thor must battle the Hulk in a gladiatorial duel and save his home world from the all-powerful Hela. **TBS Fri. 8 p.m., Sat. 5:15 p.m.**

**Tombstone** ★★★ (1993) Doc Holliday (Val Kilmer) joins Wyatt Earp (Kurt Russell) for the

OK Corral showdown. **AMC Sun. 6 p.m., Sun. 10:05 p.m.**

**Top Gun** ★★★ (1986) A hot-shot Navy jet pilot (Tom Cruise) downs MiGs and loves an astrophysicist (Kelly McGillis). **PARMT Mon. 8 p.m., Mon. 10:30 p.m.**

**Troy** ★★★ (2004) Warrior Achilles leads Greek forces in the Trojan War, ignited when Paris abducts Helen of Troy. **SYFY Fri. 6:15 p.m.**

**True Lies** ★★★ (1994) Washington wife (Jamie Lee Curtis) learns her husband (Arnold Schwarzenegger) is a spy. **SYFY Wed. 8:10 p.m., Thu. 3:02 p.m.**

**Tugboat Annie** ★★★ (1933) Tug captain (Marie Dressler) raises son (Robert Young) with tipsy husband (Wallace Beery) in tow. **TCM Fri. 3 p.m.**

**Twentieth Century** ★★★★★ (1934) Actress (Carole Lombard) deserts showman (John Barrymore), meets him on train. **TCM Sun. 8 p.m.**

**Two for the Seesaw** ★★★ (1962) An Omaha lawyer (Robert Mitchum) moves to New York and finds a bohemian lover (Shirley MacLaine). **TCM Tue. 1:30 a.m.**

**Two Weeks in Another Town** ★★★ (1962) A Hollywood actor (Kirk Douglas) and a director (Edward G. Robinson) try for a comeback. **TCM Thu. 3:45 p.m.**

### W

**West Side Story** ★★★ (2021) A burgeoning teenage romance helps to fuel the fire between two warring gangs in 1957 New York City. **FX Fri. 11:30 p.m.**

**Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?** ★★★★★ (1966) A professor (Richard Burton) and his wife (Elizabeth Taylor) carry on in front of guests. **TCM Thu. 5:45 p.m.**

**Wonder Woman** ★★★ (2017) Wonder Woman (Gal Gadot) discovers her full powers and true destiny while fighting alongside men. **TBS Fri. 1 a.m.**

**World War Z** ★★★ (2013) A former U.N. investigator is forced back into service to find the source of a zombie pandemic. **PARMT Sat. 7 p.m., Sat. 9:30 p.m.**

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### Family Viewing Ratings

**AS** Adult situations **P** Profanity **V** Violence **N** Nudity **GV** Graphic Violence



Zoe Saldana in "Special Ops: Lioness"

### "SPECIAL OPS: LIONESSE - SEASON ONE"

A veteran of Hallmark Channel who now does work for Great American Family, Jill Wagner teamed with writer-producer Taylor Sheridan ("Yellowstone," "Tulsa King") to create this international espionage thriller initially shown by Paramount+. Zoe Saldana has the central role of a military operative who has a special assignment at the front of the ongoing war against global terrorism. Nicole Kidman and Michael Kelly ("House of Cards") portray the supervisors of the largely female-driven Lioness program, which actually exists, and which Saldana's character works within alongside a Marine Raider (Laysia De Oliveira). Wagner effectively created a part for herself, since she also has a co-starring here; the cast includes

Morgan Freeman, LaMonica Garrett, James Jordan and Dave Annable ("Brothers & Sisters") as well. Wagner knew Sheridan from before his current run as a powerhouse producer who also supplies the series "Mayor of Kingston" and "Tulsa King" as well as the "Yellowstone" prequels "1883" and "1923." (Garrett, Jordan and Annable worked for Sheridan before in some of his other shows.) \*\*\* (Not rated: AS, P, V) (Also on Blu-ray)

### "JUSTICE LEAGUE: CRISIS ON INFINITE EARTHS - PART ONE"

Much as a live-action "Crisis on Infinite Earths" saga united the DC Comics-inspired series that The CW was televising at the time, this animated adventure debuting on Blu-ray draws together numerous DC characters as a massive danger threatens the existence of the entire universe. As the title suggests, there also will be a "Part Two"

and "Part Three" slated to be released in separate volumes later in 2024. Among those reprising their voice roles from earlier cartoon tales are Darren Criss ("Glee") as Superman, Jensen Ackles ("Supernatural") as Batman and Stana Katic ("Castle") as Wonder Woman. Also heard are Matt Bomer ("Fellow Travelers") as The Flash, Meg Donnelly ("The Winchesters") as Supergirl, Zachary Quinto ("Star Trek") as Lex Luthor



# What's Available **NOW** On **NETFLIX**



## “Jacqueline Novak: Get on Your Knees” (Jan. 23)

Comedian Jacqueline Novak’s break-out hit stand-up show, a word-of-mouth sensation Off-Broadway and directed for the stage by John Early, first took off in 2019, where audience members showed for repeat viewings across multiple sold-out runs. This year, Novak teamed up with director Natasha Lyonne and cinematographer Sam Levy (Rothaniel, Lady Bird) to film the show’s final performance as a concert film-meets-comedy special at historic Town Hall in New York City.



## “Queer Eye” - Season 8 (Jan. 24)

The Fab Five return to the city of New Orleans to jazz up the lives of their heroes — one emotional makeover at a time. Tackling all aspects of their lives, Antoni Porowski (food and wine), Tan France (fashion), Jonathan Van Ness (Grooming), Karamo Brown (Culture) and Bobby Berk (Interior Design) give their deserving heroes a fabulous dose of help and confidence.



## “Griselda” (Jan. 25)

Inspired by the life of the savvy and ambitious Griselda Blanco (Sofía Vergara), who created one of the most profitable cartels in history, this limited series takes place in 1970s-80s Miami. Blanco’s lethal blend of unsuspected savagery and charm helped her expertly navigate between business and family, leading her to become widely known as “the Godmother.” The series also stars Juliana Aidén Martínez, Vanessa Ferlito, Martín Rodríguez, Jose Velazquez, Martín Fajardo, Tony Graham and Orlando Pineda.



## “Masters of the Universe: Revolution” (Jan. 25)

The final installment of Kevin Smith’s animated adult version of “He-Man and the Masters of the Universe.” This time, Teela (Melissa Benoist) joins forces with He-Man (Chris Wood) and the other Masters in their quest to save Eternia from the grip of darkness. Mark Hamill and William Shatner also voice star.

# What's Available **NOW** On



## “A Real Bug’s Life” (Jan. 24)

Inspired by the World of Disney and Pixar’s “A Bug’s Life” (1998), this new Disney+ Original docuseries from National Geographic is an incredible adventure into nine different micro bug worlds around the globe, where tiny creatures rely on amazing powers and extraordinary alliances to make it through each day. Narrated by Awkwafina, follow the incredible stories of the tiny heroes living in worlds beyond the imagination.



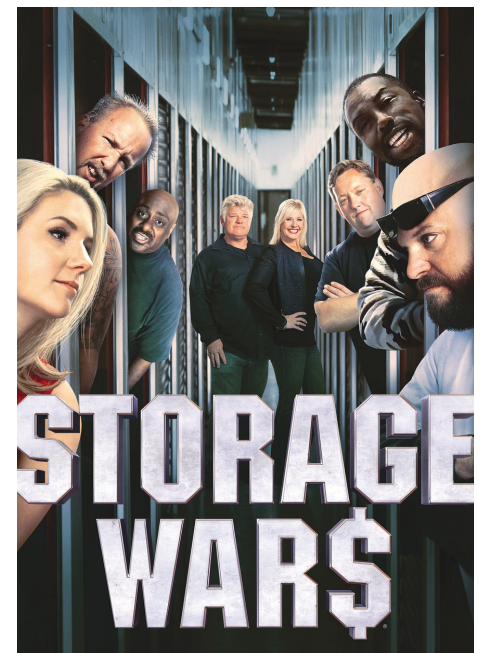
## “X-Men” (Available Now)

In a world where both Mutants and Humans fear each other, Marie, better known as Rogue (Anna Paquin), runs away from home and hitches a ride with another mutant, known as Logan, a.k.a. Wolverine (Hugh Jackman). Professor Charles Xavier (Patrick Stewart), who owns a school for young mutants, sends Storm (Halle Berry) and Cyclops (James Marsden) to bring them back before it is too late. Magneto (Ian McKellen), who believes a war is approaching, has an evil plan in mind, and needs young Rogue to help him.



## “Hamster & Gretel” - Season 1, New episodes (Available Now)

This music-filled, animated children’s series follows Kevin (Michael Cimino) and younger sister Gretel (Melissa Povenmire), who are about to be bestowed super powers by space aliens. But something goes awry, and it’s Gretel and her pet hamster (named Hamster) who suddenly have new abilities. Now, protective older brother Kevin must figure out how to work with both Gretel and her pet Hamster to protect their city from mysterious dangers.



## “Storage Wars” - Seasons 12 & 13 (Available Now)

Garage sales are an old-school waste of time, at least in the eyes of the treasure hunters featured in this reality series. It follows a group of bidders looking to strike it rich by buying repossessed storage units. They’re at once detectives and gamblers, as they get only a quick flashlight-aided peek inside the units before they decide if they want to make a bid, and for how much.



# What's Available NOW On **prime video**



## “Retribution” (Jan. 22)

When a mysterious caller puts a bomb under his car seat, Matt Turner (Liam Neeson) begins a high-speed chase across the city to complete a specific series of tasks. With his kids trapped in the back seat and a bomb that will explode if they get out of the car, a normal commute becomes a twisted game of life or death as Matt follows the stranger's increasingly dangerous instructions in a race against time to save his family.



## “Kevin James: Irregardless” (Jan. 23)

This highly anticipated, family-friendly special delivers a hilariously unfiltered take on parenting, marriage and getting older. As only Kevin James can, he covers a range of topics, from motivating children to put down their video games, to why he doesn't trust technology and how many Tater Tots he can fit in his mouth.



## “Expats” - Season 1 (Jan. 26)

Set against the complex tapestry of Hong Kong residents, this drama series depicts a multifaceted group of women after a single encounter sets off a chain of life-altering events that leaves everyone navigating the intricate balance between blame and accountability. Nicole Kidman, Sarayu Blue, Ji-young Yoo, Brian Tee and Jack Huston star.



## “You Hurt My Feelings” (Jan. 26)

Beth (Julia Louis-Dreyfus) is a successful novelist, though burdened by crippling doubt and self-confidence issues. Upon overhearing a brutal review from her seemingly supportive husband, Don (Tobias Menzies), Beth goes through a personal crisis questioning her life choices. Feeling betrayed, Beth reflects on her co-dependent marriage with Don and turns to the advice of her sister, Sarah (Michaela Watkins), also in a waning relationship with her husband, Mark (Arian Moayed), a struggling actor.

# What's Available NOW On **hulu**



## “Superhot: The Spicy World of Pepper People” (Jan. 22)

Superhot spicy peppers are on fire lately — but while most experiment with heat, others live their lives in pursuit of fire. This documentary miniseries is a wild ride into the world of the self-proclaimed “chili heads,” digging deep into a subculture fueled by spice. Exploring everything from the elite growers who strive to create new superhots, to the chili eaters who chase the endorphin rush, one chili head sets out on a quest to answer the questions: is there a pepper than can challenge the world's hottest?



## “King Richard” (Jan. 24)

Will Smith stars as Richard Williams, the father and coach of tennis superstars Venus (Saniyya Sidney) and Serena Williams (Demi Singleton), in this Oscar-winning biographical drama. The story follows the Williams family on their path to greatness.



## “Chrissy & Dave Dine Out” - Season 1 (Jan. 25)

Chrissy Teigen and David Chang are cracking the restaurant scene wide open alongside Joel Kim Booster in this new series. Taking viewers to must-try restaurants in Los Angeles that are unexpected and, at times, off the beaten path, David gets his hands dirty in the back of house with the restaurant's chef, while Chrissy and Joel will hold court in the front of house, hosting an always loose, unexpected and entertaining dinner party.



## “History's Greatest Heists with Pierce Brosnan” - Season 1 (Jan. 25)

Legendary James Bond actor Pierce Brosnan digs into some of the world's greatest capers as the host of this eight-episode docuseries. In each one-hour episode, the series uncovers the meticulous planning, daring execution and shocking aftermath behind one of the most elaborate real-life heists in history. Using dramatic recreations, dynamic storytelling and cutting-edge visual effects, alongside first-person witness accounts from the people who were there, the series embeds Brosnan into the case.



# BINGO

Fill in each box of the BINGO grid below with an answer that begins with the letter above each column and belongs to the category listed before each row. List one answer for each box, although there is more than one acceptable answer for many of the boxes.

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### It's been better 'Late' than never for Stephen Colbert



Stephen Colbert from "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert"

**Q: When a talk show is without its host at the last minute, as happened with Stephen Colbert recently, why isn't a guest host brought in rather than have repeat episodes scheduled? - Tim Donnelly, via e-mail**

A: Though Jimmy Kimmel has been taking summers off from his ABC show with guest hosts subbing for him, it's become the norm for the hosts whose names are in the shows' titles to remain the ones seen behind the desks, new episodes or not. There's a consistency that comes from that, and with the rivalry as it is between Kimmel, CBS's Colbert and NBC's Jimmy Fallon — friends though they are off-camera — that's very important to maintaining audience loyalty in an age where there's already sufficient viewership fragmentation. Late-night viewers were accustomed to seeing repeats for much of 2023, given the Hollywood strikes that prevented production of new episodes for some time. It's always preferable to have something fresh to present, but in a situation such as Colbert and the surgery he needed for his appendix (which came after another bout with COVID-19 for him), life sometimes overrides the best intentions professionally.

**Q: I recently saw "Youngblood" with Rob Lowe and Patrick Swayze on cable. Didn't they make another movie together? - Danielle Scott, Colorado Springs, Colo.**

A: They certainly did, and it's widely regarded as a modern classic. Three years before they made the 1986 hockey drama "Youngblood," the two actors were in the ensemble cast of the Francis Ford Coppola-directed drama "The Outsiders," based on the popular young-adult novel by S.E. Hinton. They played brothers in the story of Oklahoma youths trying to find their way in their socially separated locality.

"The Outsiders" is famous as a launching pad for many young talents of that time. Also in the group were Tom Cruise, Emilio Estevez, Matt Dillon, Ralph Macchio, C. Thomas Howell and Diane Lane. It's interesting that an appeal from a Fresno, California, school librarian and many of the school's students inspired Coppola to consider making the movie; a short-lived Fox TV-series version followed in 1990.

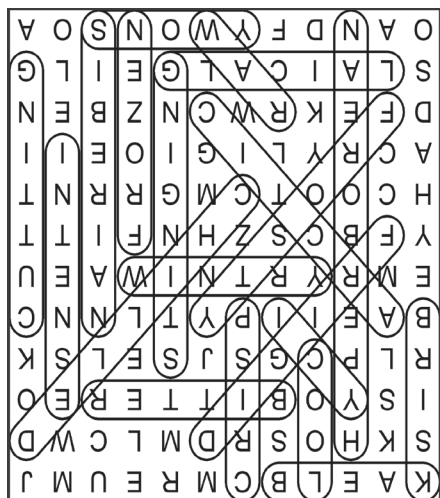
**Q: It was fun to see Tina Fey and Candice Bergen welcome Emma Stone to the club of five-time "Saturday Night Live" hosts. Wasn't Bergen one of the very first hosts of the show? - Dana Grant, via e-mail**

A: In fact, she was the fourth host, in an episode that aired in November 1975. (George Carlin, Paul Simon and Rob Reiner preceded her.) She evidently fared so well that she also was the eighth host, returning for another stint the following month. Bergen eventually became the founding female member of what has become known as "The Five-Timers Club" on "SNL," which she achieved in 1990.

**Q: I keep reading conflicting things about whether there will be another "Psych" movie. Will there be? - Chris Lewis, Buffalo, N.Y.**

A: Peacock — which has the corner on making new chapters of the franchise now — reportedly has been developing another one, which would be the fourth, and star James Roday Rodriguez has said one of the major challenges is in getting schedules to match up so that it actually can be filmed. The strikes by writers and actors last year complicated the timeline even more, but the ongoing popularity of the repeats of the original series confirm that fans still show up for it ... as they likely will for another "Psych" spinoff film.

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- 3. Bleak
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- 11. Frozen
- 12. Glacial
- 13. Hyperborean
- 14. Icy
- 15. Intense
- 16. Raw
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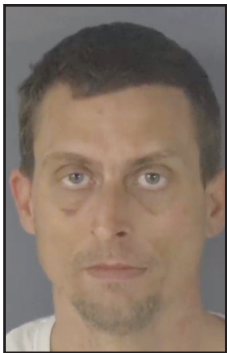
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## Man back behind bars for using drugs during probation counseling program

ORANGE PARK – A man on probation after being convicted of a series of felonies is back behind bars after he admitted to using drugs during court-ordered residential and community-based prison diversion.

Joshua Paul Roberson, 41, of Orange Park, now faces charges he violated the terms of his release for 21 counts of dealing in stolen property and one count each of grand theft and burglary. The incidents happened between 2014 and 2019, according to courthouse records.



Joshua Paul Roberson

According to the arrest reports, Roberson pleaded guilty to stealing several items from his grandparents and pawing them or selling them to a gold shop to support his drug habit. He was sentenced to eight years, with four years suspended, in prison in April 2019, followed by three years of drug offender probation. He also was required to submit to random drug testing at the probation office and complete the Crossroad Program. According to the Jan. 13 arrest report, a drug test at his probation office showed amphetamine and methamphetamine in his system. He was kicked out of the Crossroads Program for “a pattern of behavior that sets a negative consequence for the community.” He later admitted to using drugs at Crossroads.

Roberson will be in front of Judge Steven B. Whittington on Feb. 20. Until then, he will remain in the Clay County Jail without bond.

# Arrests & Bookings

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

## Tuesday, Jan. 16

Sean P. McNamara, 55, Keystone Heights, criminal mischief, burglary  
Julie A. Lafollette, 53, Middleburg, shoplifting  
Kathleen M. Roney, 40, Orange Park, fraudulent use of credit card  
Whitney L. Wilhite, 36, Green Cove Springs, violation of pretrial release conditions for protection against domestic violence  
William R. Parker, 28, Green Cove Springs, FTA-domestic battery by strangulation  
Allen D. Shugart, 36, Green Cove Springs, violation of jail rules  
Brandi L. Flemming, 45, Green Cove Springs, fugitive from justice

## Monday, Jan. 15

Emily A. Moran, 26, Orange Park, aggravated battery  
Joshua T.C. Rauch, 32, Green Cove Springs, possession-marijuana  
Elton C. Fortner, 19, Middleburg, DWLSR, no vehicle registration

## Sunday, Jan. 14

Dewayne L. Griffin, 63, Middleburg, shoplifting  
Theodore D. Stelly, 43, Middleburg, written/electronic threat to kill/do bodily harm  
Shaun L. Cummings, 40, Orange Park, FTA, DWLSR  
Joel D. Chavez, 32, Green Cove Springs, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, FTA  
Robbie L. Dorminey, 52, Keystone Heights, VOP-domestic battery  
Davin S.A. Hall, 27, Middleburg, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, disorderly intoxication

## Saturday, Jan. 13

Johnathon W. Richards, 26, Middleburg, DWLSR  
Jason J. Crawford, 49, Middleburg, shoplifting  
Veronica L. Johnson, 43, Middleburg, violation of pretrial release conditions for protection against domestic violence  
Geremias V. Ochoa, 34, Green Cove Springs, driving without valid license  
Pedro N.R. Perez, 24, Middleburg, driving without valid license  
Alton J. Kearse, 36, Middleburg, aggravated battery  
Nicholas J. Manning, 39, Middleburg, trespassing

## Friday, Jan. 12

Cody A. Carpenter, 31, Keystone Heights, VOP-community control  
Karla J. Gauthier, 33, Fleming Island, DSLSR  
Ashlee E. Mosher, 41, Green Cove

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## Convicted felon indicted for attempting to buy a firearm

JACKSONVILLE – U.S. Attorney Roger B. Handberg announced the return of an indictment charging Roberto Roman Ramirez, 50, of Orange Park, with making a false statement to a federally licensed firearms dealer during the attempted purchase of a firearm. If convicted, Ramirez faces up to five years in federal prison.

According to the indictment, Ramirez completed an ATF Form 4473 during the attempted purchase of a firearm from Academy Sports, a federally licensed firearms dealer. Ramirez indicated on the required paperwork that he was not a convicted felon. The indictment alleges that this was a false statement and that Ramirez was previously convicted in

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Springs, VOP-possession-cocaine  
Zaida A. Rockett, 23, Green Cove Springs, FTA-petit theft  
Percy L. Bell, 27, Orange Park, fugitive from justice  
Runisha Q. Caldwell, 39, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR  
Joshua P. Roberson, 41, Orange Park, 21 counts VOP-dealing in stolen property, VOP-grand theft, VOP-burglary  
Nichole D. Correia, 30, Green Cove Springs, attempting to flee/elude law enforcement with lights/siren active, DWLSR  
Michael A. Schmidt, 36, Green Cove Springs, possession-ammo/firearm by convicted felon

## Thursday, Jan. 11

David Dorvilus, 23, Orange Park, DUI  
Brett A. Cornwell, 51, Fleming Island, shoplifting  
Shauntoria J. Walker, 25, Green Cove Springs, FTA-traffic violation  
Andrew E. Herrera, 20, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-marijuana  
Whitney L. Wilhite, 36, Green Cove Springs, violation of pretrial release conditions for protection against domestic violence  
Bertram L. Price, 49, Orange Park, possession-cocaine  
Eduardo L. Valenzuela, 44, Green Cove Springs, criminal mischief  
Tanishia M. White, 40, Fleming Island, petit theft  
Alexander L. Santiago, 25, Green Cove Springs, VOP-lewd/lascivious behavior  
Christine D. Martin, 43, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-methamphetamine  
Terence E. Pettis, 33, Green Cove Springs, VOP-assault  
Derick A. Wallace, 34, Fleming Island,

possession-methamphetamine, possession-drug paraphernalia  
Sam M. Chambers, 49, Green Cove Springs, VOP-violation of pretrial release conditions for protection against domestic violence  
Sheri L. Clarke, 54, Orange Park, FTA  
Gary E. Boyd, 43, Green Cove Springs, violation of pretrial injunction for protection against domestic violence  
David E. Chesser, 34, Green Cove Springs, sexual assault of child  
Devin A. Butler, 23, Orange Park, DUI

## Wednesday, Jan. 10

Whitney L. Wilhite, 36, Orange Park, battery  
Colleen M. Coughlin, 37, Green Cove Springs, VOP-grand theft  
Jennifer M. Zieber, 32, Middleburg, two counts follow/harass/cyberstalking, resist/obstruct/oppose  
Sam M. Chambers, 49, Green Cove Springs, violation of injunction for protection against domestic violence  
Evodio M. Rivera, 29, Orange Park, domestic battery  
Jesse O. Johns, 24, Middleburg, FTA-no vehicle registration  
Jason A. Daniel, 33, Middleburg, possession-controlled substance, possession-methamphetamine, possession-fentanyl  
Tammy E. Simmons, 59, Middleburg, shoplifting



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# Thrasher-Horne Happenings

For ClayToday

## Sawyer Brown to 'Race' into Thrasher-Horne on May 1

ORANGE PARK – Sawyer Brown is a country music band formed in 1981 at a Pizza Hut restaurant in Apopka. Lead singer Mark Miller asked keyboardist Gregg "Hobie" Hubbard to play piano for a couple of songs he had written. The two left for Nashville, where they met with Florida drummer Joe Smyth, Michigan bass player Jim Scholten and original lead guitarist Bobby Randall.

They first called the band "Savanah" but renamed themselves "Sawyer Brown" after Sawyer Brown Road, the street where they rehearsed. Miller likes to say, "We thought it would be easier to get work if people thought we were one person."

Sawyer Brown will be close to home when they perform May 1 at the Thrasher-Horne Center. Tickets are available at the box office or thcenter.org.

The band played up to five sets a night, six days a week until they auditioned for the TV show Star Search in 1983. They auditioned to get the videotape to promote the band, yet they won the \$100,000 grand prize and record contract.

The band signed with Capitol Records and scored a Top 20 hit with their first single, "Leona," in 1984. That success was quickly followed by their first #1 hit, "Step That Step". Fans flock to the band's concerts year after year, whether the band performs in a stadium, state fair, or casino. More than anything, the live shows sustained the band until 1989's remake of the George Jones hit "The Race Is On," which put them back near the top of the charts.

## Shen Yun to perform 5,000-year journey of Chinese culture on Jan. 19

ORANGE PARK – Shen Yun will take the audience on an extraordinary journey through 5,000 years of divinely inspired culture on Jan. 19 at the Thrasher-Horne Center. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy a show that features Chinese culture before Communism. It's filled with courage and wisdom, light and hope. Exquisite beauty from the heavens, profound wisdom from dynasties past, timeless legends and ethnic

traditions all spring to life through classical Chinese dance, enchanting live orchestral music, authentic costumes, and patented interactive stage and backdrop integration.

Revisit a time when scholars and artists sought harmony with the Tao, the "Way" of the universe, and when divine beings walked upon the earth to inspire humanity. Be prepared for a theatrical experience that will take your breath away.

Tickets start at \$80 and are available at the box office or thcenter.org.

The show isn't for children 3 or younger.

To learn more about Shen Yun, visit shenyun.com/fl.

## Children's 'The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System' coming Jan. 22

ORANGE PARK – When the class gets lost on the way to the planetarium, Ms. Frizzle saves the day by blasting into outer space for an epic interplanetary field trip! But when both old and new rivalries threaten to tear the students apart, our young heroes must learn to pull together or risk losing forever in the solar system.

Hop on the Magic School Bus for a ride in this new musical adaptation by Theater Works USA based on the original book series published by Scholastic.

The production will be at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Jan. 22 at 10:30 a.m. Tickets start at \$19 and are available at the box office or thcenter.org. Groups of 10 or more are \$10 each by calling (904) 276-6815.

## Lorrie Morgan to perform many of her iconic hits on Feb. 2

ORANGE PARK – Lorrie Morgan is a Nashville native and the daughter of Country Music Hall of Fame member George Morgan. She debuted on the Grand Ole Opry stage at age 13, singing "Paper Roses."

Morgan married fellow



country singer Keith Whitley in 1986. She was signed to RCA Records in 1987, and her onslaught of hits began the following year. Whitley's tragic death of an alcohol overdose in 1989 left her a widowed working mother. Their duet "Til a Tear Becomes a Rose" earned her a 1990 CMA award.

She will appear at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Feb. 2 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$29 and are available at the box office or thcenter.org.

Her first three albums, Leave the Light On (1989), Something in Red (1991) and Watch Me (1992), all earned Platinum Record awards. Her Greatest Hits collection (1999) is also Platinum. War Paint (1994), Greater Need (1996) and Shakin' Things Up (1997) are all Gold Record winners.

She sang "The Sad Cafe" on Common Threads: Songs of the Eagles, which was named the CMA Album of the Year in 1994. Country fans voted Lorrie Morgan their TNN/Music City News Female Vocalist of the Year in 1994, 1996, 1997 and 1998.

Morgan has recorded in collaboration with her father, as well as Whitley, Frank Sinatra, Johnny Mathis, Tammy Wynette, The Beach Boys, Dolly Parton, Andy Williams, the New World Philharmonic and Pam Tillis. She's also toured with George Jones and shared a stage with Jerry Lee Lewis.

## 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.

*Sawyer Brown will be close to home when they perform May 1 at the Thrasher-Horne Center. Tickets are available at the box office or thcenter.org.*

## Grand Funk bringing 'We're An American Band' tour to town

ORANGE PARK – Multi-platinum-selling iconic group GRAND FUNK RAILROAD announced tour dates to their highly anticipated upcoming 'The American Band Tour,' in honor of the 50th anniversary of their 1973 "We're An American Band" platinum-selling single and album. One of those stops will be at the Thrasher-Horne Center on Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, which start at \$39, visit the box office or thcenter.org. One of rock's most definitive anthems, founding member Don Brewer (vocals and drums) was the soul writer and vocalist on "We're An American Band," which went all the way to No. 1 on the Billboard "Hot 100" chart on Sept. 29, 1973. "We're An American Band" came to me when we were flying to town on its "Phoenix Tour" in 1972," said Brewer of writing the song.

"We were being sued by our former manager, Terry Knight, and he was trying to stop us from performing. The line, 'We're comin' to your town, we'll help you party it down,' came to me first, and I wrote the song around that line, taking snippets of things going on during the tour at that time - like staying up all night with Freddy King playing poker, four young chiquitas in Omaha, sweet, sweet Connie in Little Rock, and, finally, the declaration, 'We're An American Band,' because it sounds great and sings well. I feel lucky and blessed every time we play it live."

## It's the truth: Rumours ATL to be on stage on Feb. 16

ORANGE PARK – Formed in 2014, Rumours, also known as Rumours ATL, has taken the United States by storm with its stage-scorching renditions of Fleetwood Mac songs. Fans from across the nation claim that Rumours is the band to see if you are looking for an authentic recreation of live Fleetwood Mac shows.

In less than seven, Rumours has landed itself the reputation of being the best Fleetwood Mac Tribute band and additionally has made fans internationally.

Fans can see for themselves on Feb. 16 when they play at the Thrasher-Horne Center. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are available at the box office or thcenter.org. Rumours are fronted by McKenzie Zimmerman (Stevie Nicks vocals), Adrienne Cottrell (keyboards and Christine McVie vocals), and Denny Hanson (guitar and Lindsey Buckingham vocals), John Spiegel on lead guitar, Jim Ramsdell on bass and Daniel Morrison on drums make up one of the best live band performances you will see at any show.

They will make you dance and sing along at the top of your lungs, and you'll even learn something new about Fleetwood Mac at each performance.

## Crime from page 37

federal court of conspiring to distribute over 100 kilograms of marijuana.

An indictment is merely a formal charge that a defendant has committed one or more violations of federal criminal law, and every defendant is presumed innocent

unless and until proven guilty.

This is another case uncovered through the FBI's National Instant Criminal Background Check System. All NICS denials are reported to federal law enforcement and are reviewed daily for potential criminal prosecution. Federal law makes it a felony offense to make a false statement to a firearms dealer when trying to purchase

a gun. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives investigated the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Frank Talbot is prosecuting it.

The 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 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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Fleming Island wrestler Dylan Beck, right, gets set to engage with Clay's Landon Martin in District Duals semifinal match won by Golden Eagles at Oakleaf High School. Fleming Island beat Clay and advanced to region on Fri., Jan. 19 in Kissimmee with a shot at Class 2A Final Four tournament on Sat., Jan. 20, also in Kissimmee.

## Eagles soar with win against Clay and Billy Saylor team title

By Randy Lefko  
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LIVE OAK - Fleming Island wrestling took two more giant steps toward another shot at a state title with a region 1-2A semifinal win over Clay on Thurs., Jan. 11 and a team title at the prestigious Billy Saylor Duals Invite at Suwannee High on Saturday.

"I want to keep them ready for the grind of the state championship weekend," said Fleming Island coach P.J. Cobbert, who beat Middleburg 57-16 in his region opener at Oakleaf High, then dispatched Clay 50-18 to advance to a repeat region

championship match against Tallahassee Lincoln on Friday, Jan. 19 at Osceola High with the state duals final on Saturday, Jan. 20. "We just do our style of wrestling which is wearing people down and we want to be as strong in the second day as the first. I think that part of our approach has been improved this season."

Also in their respective region, finals will be Tampa Jesuit (4th IBT last year) against Charlotte (3rd IBT), Merrit Island (11th IBT) against Miramar (45th IBT) and Lake Gibson (Duals, IBT champs) against Land O'Lakes (32nd IBT).

In 2023, Fleming Island followed a

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### A win for Clay

Clay High forward Kirra Dodson circles around after scoring first of two goals in 3-1 win over Oakleaf in final regular season game as district tournaments loom.

## Bronco girls top county rivals

Districts: Jan. 24-26

By Randy Lefko  
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MIDDLEBURG - It is well known how the Middleburg High School gymnasium has a certain "aura" to it with the past few years seeing a rise in the Bronco Nation successes with volleyball, softball, basketball and football having emerged recently as state contenders.

Notch one for the Broncos' girls weightlifting team, coached by Rhiannon Weiskopf, who Friday took down all challengers in the Clay County Weightlifting championships with a strategic attack in all weight classes that added up to 56 team points in Olympic lifts and 69 points in Traditional lifts.

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Ridgeview High weightlifting sisters Deja Hill, left, screaming for sister Jada Hill who competed at the Clay County Weightlifting championships held Friday at Middleburg High School.

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# Fleming Island girls hoops turning the corner

By Randy Lefko  
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FLEMING ISLAND - With a somewhat shocking upset of No. 8 in 5A St. Augustine (13-2) followed by a win over Oakleaf, the Fleming Island High girls basketball team, according to coach Michael Hayward, may finally have started to believe in their skills on the court.

"You know we have had a rough first half of the season, what five wins, 10 losses, but the team has slowly started to gel together and develop that trust of teammates that good teams have," said Hayward. "The losses hurt at first but also offer a learning curve for the team in what needs to be addressed. I always push them to lessen the mistakes and play as a team."

Ironically, St. Augustine's two losses are to Fleming Island and Ridgeview; 44-32 on December 6.

"They have beaten some pretty good teams along the way, but sometimes it's styles of play that make the difference," said Hayward. "We have seen a new level of play from London (guard London Jenkins), but great energy from the rest of the team has made her more valuable."

After a January 4 loss to Raines; 53-42, Hayward had a "passionate" chat with his team the week before St. Augustine.

"It stuck," said Hayward. "I challenged them to think about a 9-1 run to the district tournament and how momentum works in the second half of seasons. The district tournament had everyone at 0-0 to start and the team with the momentum had the advantage. That could be us."

Against St. Augustine, with Jenkins, a senior guard, landing 25 points, but, more importantly to Hayward, dishing out 11 assists with three steals, the rest of her teammates now have the confidence that she will find the open man.

"We have a good group of girls on the floor; Devyn Dudones, Victoria Noble and our kind of new players; freshman Amira Martin and junior Ariana Pierce, now seeing the bigger picture on the floor, the team is moving up and down the court as one," said Hayward. "London doesn't have to do everything on her own and she is sharing the game better with her teammates. It's good to watch the transformation."

Against St. Augustine, with Jenkins at 25 points, Dudones added 18 of six three-pointers with Noble hitting for seven, Pierce adding another eight and Kristina Gallagher getting nine points apiece.

"In that week before St. Augustine, Devyn was on fire in practice from the three and we decided to start her," said Hayward. "London, who also hit two threes, found her and she hit the shot."

On the rebound end, Pierce has asserted herself under the glass.

"She has a good wing span and can

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STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Fleming Island forward Lucas Horvath breaks for right foot shot on goal as one of his four scores in Golden Eagles 8-0 win over Middleburg on Friday.



Fleming Island midfielder Steve Gano sprints past Middleburg defender Caleb Burroughs.



Middleburg defender Hunter Hare puts some pressure on Fleming Island midfielder Daniel Vizcarrondo that wound up a free kick for Fleming Island.



Fleming Island midfielder Taylor Suarez high steps around Middleburg defender Hunter Hare in game won by Fleming Island on Friday.



Fleming Island's Devyn Dudones with steal against Oakleaf.

## AROUND THE COUNTY

### Clay

Clay was on a four-game win streak before a January 12 loss to Bishop Snyder 51-43 with the Lady Blues Devils getting 15 points from guard Teaghan Moses and 12 from freshman Aiyana Haynes. Haynes is averaging 11 points per game with Moses at just under 10; 9.8 points per game.

Clay has St. Johns Country Day School (11-4) on Mon., Jan. 5 in a probable biggest game of the season to test coach Doug Deters

### Oakleaf

Oakleaf, 5-10, got to within a 42-40 loss to Raines (12-7) in a glimpse of the probable district tournament potential of the Knights' lineup.

Oakleaf coach Fred Cole has lessened the gap of his losses with strategy with the two-point loss to Raines and a four-point loss to Andrew Jackson a week ago.

Senior Ja'Nease Bender has stepped up her game to 12.5 points per game.

### Ridgeview

Ridgeview came back to the courts with an overtime loss to University Christian, 37-32, after the Panthers beat UC in December 49-36. Nacoya Blocton led the scoring with 13 points with senior Nia Blocton held to five points as Ridgeview only got buckets from four players. UC outscored the Panthers 6-1 in overtime.

### Middleburg

Middleburg's girl's basketball held a two-game win streak before the Christmas break with the Lady Broncos adding two more in 2024 with wins over Keystone Heights and Impact Christian Academy.

### Keystone

Keystone Heights still has just one win at 1-14.

### Orange Park

Orange Park, 9-5, hosts University Christian for a 3:30 game at the OPHS MLK Jr. Invitational. The Lady Raiders got one win in three games in South Carolina and a home loss to Beachside to open 2024. Beachside is eighth-ranked in Class 6A with Ponte Vedra at seven; both in District 3-6A with Orange Park.

The Lady Raiders have three players in double figures; Piera Alexander at 13.6, Mychaela Parker at 13.3 and Hailey Revak at 10.8. Orange Park is ranked 17th in 6A with Ponte Vedra set for January 18 and defending 1A champion Hawthorne on January 22.



# Rivers' 3-pointers fuel Knights' 69-39 rout of Clay

By Ray Dimonda  
Correspondent

OAKLEAF - The Oakleaf High boys basketball team welcomed in the Clay High's Blue Devils for a Friday night match in the Palace at Oakleaf and more so turned the court into a dungeon for the Blue Devils. The Knights wasted no time quickly building a double-digit lead on the Blue Devils with 21 points alone from outside the arc led by point guard Aaron Rivers with five 3-pointers of his own. Oakleaf held Clay at arm's length all four quarters to keep the Knights' winning streak from Dec. 29, now at six games in a row, the second longest in school history, as they head into the Martin Luther King Jr. Tournament.

"Our starting group got us off to a great start tonight," said Oakleaf Head Coach Jason Price. "We again got after it in the third quarter, and we've been playing well. Our captains have taken over some leadership roles and it shows. Now it's just a matter of continuing to be consistent, and continue with the type of defense we have in the past, and this is just the tip of the iceberg of what these kids can do. I love it."

As the teams competed, Clay was first on the board at 7:02 before Oakleaf warmed up and went on an absolute tear in the first quarter with Rivers picking up two of his three-pointers, backed up by Jelani Wright hitting from outside. When the dust settled after the first stanza, the Knights, led by Rivers' 10 points, were already up 23-11. "You have to show up with the right mentality," said Clay Head Coach Jared



Oakleaf forward Joseph Dorvilus slam dunks against Clay.

Moses. "We didn't show up with the right mentality tonight and that's going to be the result right there when you play a team like Oakleaf."

Clay stopped a three-game slide just 24 hours prior with a win over cross-town rival Middleburg. The team knew if they didn't play lights-out defense against the Knights, it would be a hard, uphill battle.

Oakleaf played a strong zone defense most of the night, and when pressure was



CORRESPONDENT PHOTOS BY RAY DIMONDA

Oakleaf High got a sensational effort by guard Aaron Rivers, here blasting in for layup in Knights win over Clay on Friday. Rivers scored five three pointers to lead Knights to win.

needed, turned up the wick with some heavy pressure man-to-man which resulted in several Clay turnovers, cashed in by the Knights. Six foot-six-inch Austin Davenport had two dramatic slams off steals to light the room on fire.

The Knights worked in the deep bench players in the second quarter, testing who is ready to step up. The Blue Devils used the opportunity to get somewhat back into the game, outscoring Oakleaf in the second quarter 10-9 as Oakleaf still had a commanding lead of 32-21 at the break.

The third quarter was nothing but the Aaron Rivers show, including another three, 3-point shots on his way to adding 15 points to the Knights 28 point third quarter, smothering the Blue Devils 60-28.

The Knights again went deep on the bench for the final quarter, still adding nine more points while holding the Blue Devils to 11 to finish the 69-39 victory.

"This group is one of the better shooting teams I ever had, period," said Price. "They are starting to learn the defensive side the way we are capable of doing it. We have a more explosive offensive team, that's learning to play the defensive side of the ball in the last 10 games at a high level."

Looking forward to the tournament, opening against University Christian, Price said "I'm excited about the opportunity" knowing the team has a pair of new 6'9" transfers he'll face. "They will be a surprise team in the second half of this season."



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Fleming Island basketball came back from a 6-9 point deficit to tie Gulf Breeze off three pointers from Trace Burney and George Hamm, but fell 56-53 to a buzzer beater three pointer in a MLK Jr. Day Tournament game at San Jose Prep on Saturday. Fleming Island, who lost to Creekside the night before 71-55, falls to 9-9. Pictured are action from Kameron Baskin, left, Ayden Greenidge, one of Burney's three pointers and Carson Crawford on a blocked shot.





OPHS Martin Luther King, Jr. Invitational

# Spartans scorch Clay High; UC thumps Lady Raiders

**Broncos' win streak snapped**

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - St. Johns Country Day School girl's basketball got hot with three players landing key three-pointers in the fourth quarter as the Lady Spartans pulled away from a gritty Clay High squad to win 55-40 at the Orange Park High Martin Luther King, Jr., Invitational on Saturday.

In two other contests, Middleburg took a 59-37 loss to Bishop Snyder while Orange Park (9-6) got manhandled by University Christian (11-3) 55-30.

"We live and die by the sword of the three-pointers and we just got hot in that fourth quarter," said St. Johns coach Tyler Miller, who improved in his first season with Spartans to 13-4 overall. "It can be nerve-wracking when we are not hitting our outside shots, but we were able to hit the threes and open up the passing down low to Ashanti (center Ashanti Williams) for some layups."

With an anticipated three-point showdown between St. Johns' two gunslingers Mary Kate Kent and Kendall Proffitt and Clay's Teaghan Moses, the contest started slowly with both getting close, but ending



## Clay vs. St. Johns Country Day School; St. Johns up 22-16 at half

In first half action at the Orange Park High School Martin Luther King, Jr., Invitational on Monday, in first half action in game two, the St. Johns Country Day School got threes from guard Mary Kate Kent to end the half up 22-16. Clay, led by their own three point ace, Teaghan Moses got good action from guard Angel Pierce in the final moments to keep the game close. Pictured are (1) Clay forward Madison Kilgore battles with St. Johns guard Mary Kate Kent for rebound; (2) Clay guard Aiyana Haynes soars to block shot attempt by St. Johns guard Mary Kate Kent; (3) tough defense on Clay's Angel Pierce from Mary Kate Kent and center Ashanti Williams, and (4) two three point aces going head-to-head with St. Johns' Kendall Proffitt moving on Clay's Teaghan Moses.

up with more clunks than swishes.

"My girls were tough through most of the game and we wanted to stay close knowing they could get on a roll quickly," said Clay coach Doug Deters, who has turned a 3-20 slate from last year to an 11-6 mark this season. "When Aiyana (guard Aiyana Haynes) hit that buzzer-beater to end the third period with us just a point away, I thought that would swing the momentum for us. I think it kind of woke them up."

After Haynes' drive and toss over Proffitt got the game to 30-29 for the Spartans, Miller told his troops to keep shooting.

"When we shoot well outside, it opens up below and it started to click in the fourth," said Miller. "Ashanti is a good shooter in the paint and they had to come out to defend our outside shooting in that fourth quarter."

Clay, 46th in Class 5A, finishes with road trips to Palatka, Fleming Island and Middleburg in the upcoming week while St. Johns, 18th ranked in Class 2A and on a three-game win streak with wins over Bishop Snyder, Covenant School of Jacksonville and Clay, travels to Florida Deaf, then re-

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## Second half

St. Johns Country Day School fought off a gallant Clay comeback attempt with the Blue Devils closing to 26-25 in the third period behind free throws from center Hailie Miera and a layup from guard Angel Pierce before closing the third period with a buzzer-beater from guard Aiyana Haynes to get to 30-29. In the fourth, St. Johns got hot from three-point range with Mary Kate Kent and Kendall Proffitt landing bombs to 46-33 and Nadia Al-Awady cashing in with the dagger at 2:36 as the Spartans got the 55-40 win. St. Johns improves to 13-4 while Clay drops to 11-6. Pictured are (1) Clay guard Aiyana Haynes tosses a pass to guard Teaghan Moses while St. Johns coach Tyler Miller observes; (2) and (3) Kendall Proffitt and Mary Kate Kent both got hot from three-point range as the Spartans pulled away in the fourth quarter, and (4) St. Johns junior Nadia Al-Awady adds her name to the list of three-point shooters for coach Tyler Miller with this fourth quarter loft.







**Lady Raiders out-speeded by UC**

Orange Park High's team was recently hit with flu for the past month and a hard-running University Christian team, ranked eighth in Class 2A, did not slow down for the ailing Lady Raiders en route to a steal and deal 55-30 win Saturday afternoon at Orange Park High's Martin Luther King, Jr., Day invitational's final game. Pictured are (1) Orange Park guard Autumn Nesmith about to launch a three-point shot in front of UC coach Keith Stroud; (2) Orange Park guard Mariah Young goes baseline drive for points; (3) center Mychaela Parker has improved her paint game to 14 points per game with her power underneath; and (4) Orange Park guard Piera Alexander has been the leader of Raiders attack, here in traffic against University Christian.

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turns home to Duval Charter and 6A- For Orange Park, after two weeks of a devastating flu that hit the entire team and even coach Michael Nesmith, the return to the court against the hard-running 2A-University Christian team was probably not the result the Lady Raiders needed.

"We went to South Carolina for a Christmas tournament and one of our kids got the flu then it hit everyone on the team," said Nesmith, noting a hard-fought loss to Virginia twice state champion Carroll County in South Carolina followed by a loss to Beachside in Florida a week later. "I'd like to have that Beachside game back because that game was 10 days after our trip to South Carolina and we were just worn out. I'll play them anywhere; in the parking lot if they want because that was not us."

Against University Christian, ranked eighth in Class 2A, the Lady Raiders had no foot speed to counter the Christians' swift court coverage of sister guards Alanna Tatum, the team's top scorer at 14.4 points per game, and Kennedy Tatum who stole and dealt all afternoon for the 55-30 win.

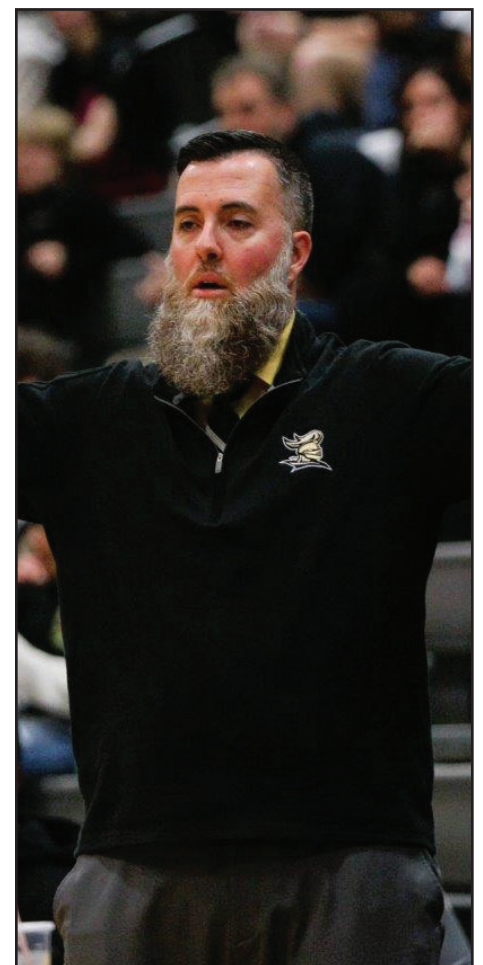
"I think we'll be healthy and ready when districts get here," said Nesmith.

For Middleburg, a six-game win streak screeched to a halt against Bishop Snyder as the Lady Broncos fell to 8-8 after turning a 3-7 start. Middleburg coach Lindsay Burghart, with a much-improved offensive attack, had wins over Matanzas, West Nassau, Keystone Heights, Impact Christian and Trinity Christian before falling to Snyder.

"After our loss to Florida Deaf, we discussed and spent time in practice focusing on end-of-game scenarios and this paid off big in a couple of our wins that came down to the buzzer," said Burghart. "The girls are finding a rhythm and playing for each other. Bishop Snyder is a talented team and even when we made a big run to cut it to six, they stayed calm and got the win."



Middleburg High girls basketball coach Lindsay Burghart turned a 3-7 start around with six straight wins before losing a Martin Luther King Day tournament game to Bishop Snyder on Saturday at Orange Park High School.



Oakleaf High coach Jason Price is on a roll as districts are looming with the Knights fast-paced attack getting Friday win over Clay, but falling 53-45 to tough University Christian team at ED White Martin Luther King Jr Day Invite. Aaron Rivers led scoring with 15 with Joseph Dorvilus adding 15. Knights are 12-5.



Orange Park got two wins over the weekend; one a 54-42 win over ED White with Archieve Triggs, pictured, pumping in 24 points and 12 rebounds, then a Saturday win in Ocala over Dunnellon 60-55 with Triggs hitting for 20 and Jacob Hensson adding 15. Raiders are 11-6 overall.





**Ridgeview vs. Orange Park wrestling action**

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Ridgeview makes late surge in final matches to finish with 39-31 dual meet win over Orange Park on Wed., Jan. 10 as area wrestlers turn their focus on individual championship preparations. Pictured, clockwise from top left, Braylon Hawkins vs. David Teixeira; Sean Davis vs. Joseph Ellis; Jason Barrett vs. Elijah Grant; Lukas Gerlach vs. Timothy Danz and Rahn Hutchinson vs. Brody Klinger.



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Nearly 400 runners braved a water-drenched running endeavor on the iconic Hellcat run series staged at the Green Cove Springs Military Museum as race director Chris Rodatz promised bad footing and wet weather on the treacherous cross-country courses of 50K (31 miles), 10K (6.2 miles) and 5K (3.1 miles).



Hellcat 50K male winner Richard Windman, 32, finished in three hours, 56 minutes, 58 seconds to win by about 20 minutes. In the 10K, the winner was Matt Nelson, 43, in 37:44 with Katie Gold, 43, third overall and top female in 44:32. In the 5K, Fleming Island High cross country ace Eve Schlotthauer, 13, won the female crown in 24:24 while Christopher Odom, 37, won the men's title in 22:53.

Hellcat 50K female champion was Joanna Campbell, 42, in 5:14:57, winner by about eight minutes.

Chris Rodatz has grown the Hellcat run series to one of the top ultradistance runs in America with an iconic museum as one of the perks.



Left: Clay High's Navy ROTC braved the cold conditions to be monitored on the course and to guard the coveted Hellcat trophies with the historic Hellcat planes on top.





# Eagles

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similar route; wins over Oakleaf and Middleburg to advance before beating Lincoln 47-12 to the Final Four. The Golden Eagles defeated Merritt Island 51-18 to face off with defending 2A Duals champion Lake Gibson with Gibson winning 37-19.

In 2022, Fleming Island lost to Tampa Jesuit 34-28 in the state semifinal with Jesuit losing to Lake Gibson in the final.

In 2021, Lake Gibson beat Palmetto Ridge 39-32 for the Class 2A title. In Class 3A, Fleming Island lost in the state semifinal to Riverdale who lost to South Dade in the championship match.

Cobbert, with a string of top-five finishes in both Duals and Individual state championships in the past decade; mainly in battles with South Dade in Class 3A and, more recently, with Lake Gibson in Class 2A.

“It doesn’t matter Class 2A or Class 3A, the wrestling is tougher at any state championship tournament,” said Cobbert. “The state meet is a very mental thing because everyone there is a great wrestler, and little things on the mat make a difference. It’s tough to stay focused when you have tired legs. We’ve addressed that.”

Tallahassee Lincoln, a long-time Class 2A stronghold, defeated Fort Walton Beach 54-21, then Gulf Breeze 40-32, in their region lineup to advance.

Clay, with a region opener win over Oakleaf, 44-25, knows of the science of state meets and two-day tournaments, but the Fleming Island prowess is just as pervasive as was evident in Live Oak just two days after the regions.

Cobbert, who entered two separate teams to keep his depth in action, went eight matches; one a BYE round, with a finals match against Suwannee High, a 44-30 win, being the only match that kept the Golden Eagles below a 50-point team total. Suwannee finished ninth in Class 1A last year.

Fleming Island had wins over Ft. Myers (59-15, 2 forfeits, one loss, 4 wins via pin), ED White (64-12, 2 forfeits, 6 wins via pin),

Fernandina Beach (57-6, loss to Christopher Chop at 175 to Nolan McKelvy, third 182 at West Nassau last year, 7 wins via pin); Columbia (71-12, 1 forfeit, 8 of 14 wins via pin); Oakleaf (62-15, 4 wins via forfeit, 5 wins via pin, one loss, 9-2, Connor Barnes over Calvin Wells); 1A-South Walton (59-18, loss to Shane Duhaylungsod at 126 to state qualifier Isaac Brinson, state qualifier, 5 wins via pin) and 1A-Suwannee (44-30, loss by pin to Calvin Wells at 106 to state qualifier Eli Jolicoeur and Dylan Beck at 157, 5-2, to 120 third placer Topher Pearson).

Oakleaf got wins over South Walton (48-28); Ft Myers (42-27); ED White (53-15); and Columbia (44-36) with losses to Suwannee (53-18), Fleming Island and Fernandina Beach (42-35).



Clay High's Aaron Stacey puts pin on in match with Oakleaf.



Fleming Island's Cooper Beck about to flatten Middleburg's Sean Blouin with Hall of Fame referee Pat Fairfax ready to slap the mat.



Fleming Island's Jordan Mukaddam wraps up Middleburg's Grady Woodard.



Clay's Ajax Sgro peeks over Oakleaf guy en route to Blue Devil win.

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– P.J. Cobbert



Top: Kaden Schaefer is unbeaten in 30 matches as Fleming Island rolls to a Duals Final Four ticket. Fleming Island's Matthew Newman did not get to see his Clay rival Joseph Bucci (injury) but took care of business with Jackson Hornbeck.



Fleming Island's Shane Duhaylungsod wraps up in Billy Saylor Invite on Saturday.



# Weightlifting

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The momentum that comes from our school-wide success is huge in helping us propel to the top," said Middleburg coach Rhiannon Weiskopf. "Our girls want to be recognized as being the best in their sport. We have high expectations in the classroom as well as the weight room and they step up to meet and exceed those expectations, which is one of the many reasons I am proud to be their coach."

Amongst the challengers was a defending state champion Clay High team, albeit with a graduation-depleted lineup but still with super champion Emma Heck and a new coach; Fleming Island with a coach determined to challenge for medals with probably the strongest returning lineup of young athletes, and also Oakleaf High, also with a new coach, but also with a strong tradition of state champion mettle.

On the bubble, Ridgeview has always



Two time Clay High state weightlift champ Emma Heck made short work with dominating first lifts to earn another county title.



Middleburg High girls weightlifting used a blast of depth; here with Madison Underwood and sister Carlee and Caylee Johnson to overpower the Clay County Championships on Friday in the Middleburg gym.

had a strong lineup, maybe just not enough of them, and the Panthers will send contenders to the state meet. St. Johns Country Day School, also with a slowly growing lineup number, punches away with a state champion already on the roster, but now with friends.

For Weiskopf, it seems depth at all positions was the key to her team success with the Broncos ahead of Fleming Island's 46 and Ridgeview's 40 in Olympics while besting Oakleaf in Traditional, 45, and Fleming Island, 44, right in the mix.

"I feel confident we will have the opportunity to take the most lifters MHS has ever taken to State in girls weightlifting this year," said Weiskopf. "Our girls are up for the challenge and excited to even be on the biggest stage."

In the top three finishers for most of the weight divisions, Middleburg and Fleming Island names were repeat placers with the Lady Broncos getting strong team points

from 1-2 finishes in both disciplines from Caylee Johnson and Madison Underwood at 154 and a 1-2 finish in Olympics from Kerra Clarida and Autumn Pelfry in Unlimited.

Middleburg got a 1-2 in Traditional at 110 with Ariana Seibel and Kalynn Gaiter finishing ahead in a close matchup with Ridgeview's Deja Hill. Hill had the best Olympic Snatch and tied with Seidel in Clean and Jerk, but Seidel had the best Bench Press in that division.

"My veteran lifters have consistently pushed themselves each meet to meet their own goals for this season" said Weiskopf. "They want to push themselves to get new maxes each week and county was an opportunity for them to show off their hard work. We will continue to maintain over the next few weeks to make sure they are ready for districts."

Fleming Island, on the other hand, with coach Sean Coultis, amping up a team of



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returners with new faces, got a handful of double first placers; tops in Olympics as well as Tradition, with Bradi Johnson winning both at 119; Lily O'Steen winning both at 169 and Leah Anderson winning both at 183.

Coultis almost had a fourth 1-2 finish with Leah Anderson winning Olympics at 101, but getting second to Middleburg's Ash Piniero in Traditional by just a pound; 211-210.

Clay's Emma Heck, as expected, dominated the numbers to take both titles at 129 with best lift totals in all three lifts; Olympic Snatch, Clean and Jerk and Bench Press, to win that division that included St. Johns Country Day School Olympic Snatch champion Addison Frisbee.

Also, for Clay, Ansley Lyda, at 199, crushed all three disciplines to win both disciplines with a 20-30 pound difference

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## Clay County Championships Girls Weightlifting

### Olympic Lifts

MHS 56  
FIHS 46  
RHS 40  
OHS 33  
CHS 27  
SJCDS 10  
OPHS 8  
KHHS 0

### Traditional Lifts

MHS 69  
OHS 45  
FIHS 44  
RHS 32  
CHS 22  
SJCDS 4  
OPHS 2  
KHHS 2

### 101 Olympic Lifts

1. Kyla Marshall FIHS 210 Total  
2. Jada Hill RHS 200 Total  
3. Trinity Woodley MHS 166 Total

### 101 Traditional Lifts

1. Ash Piniero MHS 211 Total  
2. Kyla Marshall FIHS 210 Total  
3. Jada Hill RHS 209 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Kyla Marshall FIHS 95lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Kyla Marshall FIHS 115  
**Best Bench Press:** Ash Piniero MHS 120 lbs.

### 110 Olympic Lifts

1. Deja Hill RHS 235 Total  
2. Kalynn Gaiter MHS 210 Total  
3. Kayleana Henry OPHS 196 Total

### 110 Traditional Lifts

1. Ariana Seibel MHS 255 Total  
2. Kalynn Gaiter MHS 245 Total

3. Deja Hill RHS 235 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Deja Hill RHS 105 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Deja Hill RHS/Arianna Seibel MHS 130 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Ariana Seidel MHS 125 lbs.

### 119 Olympic Lifts

1. Bradi Johnson FIHS 285 Total  
2. Nya Russell MHS 260 Total  
3. Kethnie Gedeon CHS 240 Total

### 119 Traditional Lifts

1. Bradi Johnson FIHS 290 Total  
2. Nya Russell MHS 275 Total  
3. Kethnie Gedeon CHS 260 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Bradi Johnson FIHS 120 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Bradi Johnson FIHS 165 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Nya Russell MHS 130 lbs.

### 129 Olympic Lifts

1. Emma Heck CHS 310 Total  
2. Addison Frisbee SJCDS 265 Total  
3. Danielle Gilbert OHS 260 Total

### 129 Traditional Lifts

1. Emma Heck CHS 310 Total  
2. Savanna Roberts OHS 270 Total  
3. Addison Frisbee SJCDS 255 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Emma Heck CHS 140 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Emma Heck CHS 170 Total

**Best Bench Press:** Emma Heck CHS 140 Total

### 139 Olympic Lifts

1. Kathryn Ward FIHS 290 Total  
2. Carly Johnson MHS 286 Total  
3. DeJean Mote OHS 285 Total

### 139 Traditional Lifts

1. DeJean Mote OHS 325 Total  
2. Kathryn Ward FIHS 315 Total  
3. Carly Johnson MHS 300 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Kathryn Ward FIHS 125

**Best Clean and Jerk:** DeJean Mote OHS, Carly Johnson MHS, Kathryn Ward FIHS 165

**Best Bench Press:** DeJean Mote OHS 160

### 154 Olympic Lifts

1. Caylee Johnson MHS 310 Total  
2. Madison Underwood MHS 300 Total  
3. Daelle Calixte RHS 260 Total

### 154 Traditional Lifts

1. Caylee Johnson MHS 345 Total  
2. Madison Underwood MHS 320 Total  
3. Daelle Calixte RHS 310 Total

**Best Olympic Snatch:** Madison Underwood MHS 130 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Caylee Johnson MHS 185 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Daelle Calixte RHS 165 lbs.

### 169 Olympic Lifts

1. Lily O'Steen FIHS 285 Total  
2. Bailey Parker CHS 280 Total  
3. Madison Roach RHS 275 Total

### 169 Traditional Lifts

1. Lily O'Steen FIHS 325 Total  
2. Madison Roach RHS 305 Total  
3. Emily Herren MHS 301 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Llana Benayon OHS 125 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Madison Roach RHS 175 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Lily O'Steen FIHS 160 lbs.

### 183 Olympic Lifts

1. Leah Anderson FIHS 285 Total  
2. G'Amymia Aiken OHS 275 total  
3. Harper Herring RHS 270 Total

### 183 Traditional Lifts

1. Leah Anderson FIHS 340 Total  
2. G'Amymia Aiken OHS 325 Total  
3. Harper Herring RHS 310 Total

**Best Olympic Snatch:** G'Amymia Aiken OHS, Leah Anderson FIHS 120 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Harper Herring RHS, Leah Anderson FIHS 165 165 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Leah Anderson FIHS 175 lbs.

### 199 Olympic Lifts

1. Ansley Lyda CHS 340 Total  
2. Danielle Ibe OHS 300 Total  
3. Ava Clinkscale MHS 285 Total

### 199 Traditional Lifts

1. Ansley Lyda CHS 350 Total  
2. Ava Clinkscale MHS 340 Total  
3. Danielle Ibe OHS 310 Total

### Best Olympic Snatch: Ansley Lyda CHS 150 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Ansley Lyda CHS 190 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Ava Clinkscale MHS 180 lbs.

### Unlimited Olympic Lifts

1. Kerra Clarida MHS 270 Total  
2. Autumn Pelfrey MHS 260 Total  
3. Alohilani Richburg OPHS 251 Total

### Unlimited Traditional Lifts

1. Christiana Beasley OHS 340 Total  
2. Autumn Pelfrey MHS 305 Total  
3. Alohilani Richburg OPHS 280 lbs.

**Best Olympic Snatch:** Kerra Clarida MHS 115 lbs.

**Best Clean and Jerk:** Christiana Beasley OHS 115 lbs.

**Best Bench Press:** Christiana Beasley OHS 175 lbs.





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Clay's High's Briana Mickler (top, left) is one of a handful of state champion returning veterans under new coach Autumn Null, a Clay High medalist herself. Right: St. Johns Country Day School's Addison Frisbee is overpowering in the Olympic Snatch and Clean and Jerk and should repeat as a state medalist.



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Left: Ridgeview's Naviah Mincey grimaces to get her weight up in front of coach Trentin Davis. Above: Middleburg's L'Nigh Connell sets for Clean and Jerk..

in her challengers including a best of 190 in clean and jerk that was best of the day just five pounds better than Caylee Johnson of Middleburg's 185 at 154.

For Oakleaf, veteran De'Jean Mote won at 139 Traditional with the best clean and jerk and bench press in that division knocking Fleming Island's Kathryn Ward to second in Traditional by 10 pounds with best bench press. Christiana Beasley won at Traditional in Unlimited.

Ridgeview got a first in Olympics and third in Tradition from Deja Hill in 110 and a second in Olympics and third in Tradition from sister Jada Hill at 101. Ania Haber, who returns to the battle after a weigh-in dispute at last year's districts kept her from advancing, punched in with seconds in Olympics and Tradition at 119 behind Fleming Island's Bradi Johnson. Daelle Calixter got thirds in both disciplines at 154 with Harper Herring also getting thirds in both at 183.

Keystone Heights got a best of seventh in Olympics from Ashlyn Brown in 154 while Orange Park got a best of third in Olympics at Unlimited from Alohilani Richburg; also fifth in Tradition, and a third in Olympics from Kayleana Henry at 110.

For St. Johns, Frisbee was second in Olympics and seventh in Traditional. Gabi Ocequera finished fifth in the Olympics for the Spartans. Unlimited Sasha Wallace was seventh in both disciplines.



Fleming Island's Bradi Johnson is one of coach Sean Coultis favorites to medal at state while Oakleaf's Ilana Benayon yells for energy under her Olympic Snatch lift.



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Winners from the 72nd annual Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Championship show off their medals after rocking qualifying rounds for the July 13 championship finals at First Baptist Church.

## Students compete in Knights of Columbus free throw championship

*For Clay Today*

ORANGE PARK - Students from Lakeside, Grove Park and S. Bryan Jennings competed in the Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Championship. Since 1972, the Knights of Columbus have sponsored a Free-Throw Championship for boys and girls aged 9 to 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. Boys and girls from around the area are invited to compete.

Knights of Columbus Council 7399 of St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church in Orange Park conducted preliminary competitions at S. Bryan Jennings and Lakeside Elementary. However, the preliminary competition for Grove Park Elementary was canceled due to inclement weather. However, interested competitors from Grove Park were invited to compete against the winners from the other two schools at Council 7399's finals on Saturday, July 13, held at the First Baptist Church gymnasium.

Volunteers from the Knights of Columbus conducted the contests. At the finals, parents and teachers from some of the

**The winners of the Knights of Columbus Council 7399's Free Throw Championship were:**

- Jordan Abosini (Lakeside) 9, Boys
- Jaxson Mauldin (Lakeside) 10, Boys
- Miles Collier (Grove Park) 11, Boys
- Andrew Jester (Grove Park) 12, Boys
- Paris Chamber (S. Bryan Jennings) 12, Girls



competing schools were on hand to encourage their favorites. Each participant was given three warm-up tosses followed by 15 consecutive free throw attempts. In the case of a tie, there was a 5-shot playoff. At the conclusion, the Knights of Columbus presented Free Throw Participation Certificates to all participants and Free Throw Champion Certificates, wall plaques, and commemorative patches to the winners.

The highlight of the competition was Jaxson Mauldin making 12 of his 15 free throws. These winners will now compete at the Knights of Columbus District Free Throw Championship will be held at Annunciation Catholic School at 9:00 am on January 27.







# Calendar

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**FLORIDA REP. BOBBY PAYNE:** will hold office hours on Jan. 18 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Keystone Heights City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence Blvd. For more information, contact Tammy Still at (352) 732-1244 or tammy.still@myfloridahouse.gov.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Jan. 18 at 10 a.m. at the Planning Department Conference Room, third floor, of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**FOOD AND FRIENDS WEEKLY FAMILY-STYLE MEAL:** will be served on Jan. 18 from 5-6:30 p.m. for families needing nourishment at River Christian Church, 5900 U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island. For more information, call (904) 458-4809.

**FREE HEALTH SERVICES:** provided by Comprehensive Health Center of Orlando and Clay County Fire Rescue's Community Paramedicine Program will be on Jan. 18 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Paramedicin Office at 2110 Blanding Blvd, Suite 8, in the Grande Ole Plaza in Middleburg. Residents can get free rapid testing and treatment, free health care insurance (must meet qualifications) and giveaways.

**ARBOR DAY:** will be recognized on Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. by the Garden Club of Keystone Heights at Keystone Heights Elementary, 335 SW Pecan St. The event is part of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. For more information, call (352) 603-5442.

**ADULT FRIDAY DENTAL CLINIC:** will open at 7 a.m. on Jan. 19 at the Clay County Dental Clinic, 1343 Idlewild Ave. in Green Cove Springs.

Volunteers will see Clay County patients through a lottery system. The only services available are filling and extractions.

**GARDEN CLUB OF ORANGE PARK:** will celebrate Arbor Day on Jan. 19 at 11 a.m. at its clubhouse at 1820 Smith St. The club will plant a tree to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. Light refreshments will be served following the planting.

**JUDY COLLINS:** will perform on Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach. For tickets, visit the box office or ticketmaster.com.

**ARBOR DAY IN GREEN COVE SPRINGS:** will be celebrated on Jan. 19 at 10 a.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St.

**ARBOR DAY IN ORANGE PARK:** will be at 11 a.m. on Jan. 19 at the Orange Park Dog Park on the corner of Fromhart Street and Gano Avenue.

**THE NEW YORK BEE GEES:** tribute band will play Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM AND BAILEY'S GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH:** will be on Jan. 19 at 7 p.m. at the VyStar Veteran's Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd., Jacksonville, at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**ROAR BEFORE THE ROLEX 24:** will be on Jan. 19-20 at the Daytona International Speedway, 1801 W. International Speedway Blvd. on Jan. 19-20. Session includes practice and qualifying

for The Rolex 24-hour race. For tickets, visit [daytonainternationalspeedway.com](http://daytonainternationalspeedway.com).

**IMPACT CLAY TRAIN:** will stop at Keystone Heights High, 900 Orchid Ave. on Jan. 20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The purpose is to link the community with available healthcare and community services. Hamburgers, train rides and engineer hats will be given away.

**MUTTS GONE NUTS UNLEASHED:** will perform on Jan. 20 at 2:30 p.m. at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**TOOL LENDING LIBRARY:** offered by Mission of the Dirt Road will be open for free tool loans on Jan. 20 from 9 a.m.-noon at 7790 State Road 100 in Keystone Heights. For more information, call (352) 478-8050.

**PAT MCGANN:** will play on Jan. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach. For tickets, visit the box office or ticketmaster.com.

**RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM AND BAILEY'S GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH:** will be on Jan. 20 at 7 p.m. at the VyStar Veteran's Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd., Jacksonville, on at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**GREEN COVE SPRINGS MARKET IN THE PARK:** will be on Jan. 20 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Walnut Street. Vendors will have their handcrafted goods, clothes and snacks on sale.

**RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM AND BAILEY'S GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH:** will be on Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. at the VyStar Veteran's Memorial Arena, 300 A. Philip Randolph Blvd., Jacksonville, at 7:30 p.m. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**BATMAN IN CONCERT 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** concert will be on Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**ORANGE PARK LIONS CLUB:** will meet on Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. at the Lions Club Clubhouse, 423 McIntosh Ave.

**CLAY COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL'S LITERACY NIGHT:** will be on Jan. 22 from 5:30-7 p.m. at Fleming Island High, 2233 Village Square Pkwy. Children from pre-kindergarten through second grade will hear from guest readers, play literacy games, create literacy crafts, receive a free book, enjoy refreshments, have their pictures taken and get information from vendors. To reserve a spot, visit [docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSeR5i.../viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/1FAIpQLSeR5i.../viewform).

**CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

will meet on Jan. 23 at 4 p.m. at the BCC meeting room, fourth floor, at Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL:** will meet on Jan. 23 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall Council Chambers, 2042 Park Ave.

**YACHT ROCK REVUE:** will be at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville, on Jan. 23 at 8 p.m. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP:** will be on Jan. 23 at 9 a.m. at District Multi-Purpose Center, 900 Walnut St. in Green Cove Springs.

**PUDDLES PITY PARTY:** will be on Jan. 24 at 8 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach. For tickets, visit the box office or ticketmaster.com.

**CHARLOTTE'S WEB:** will be performed on Jan. 24 at 10 a.m. and noon at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

**FOOD AND FRIENDS WEEKLY FAMILY-STYLE MEAL:** will be served on Jan. 25 from 5-6:30 p.m. for families needing nourishment at River Christian Church, 5900 U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island. For more information, call (904) 458-4809.

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** will meet on Jan. 25 at 10 a.m. at the Planning Department Conference Room, third floor, of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

**BOWLING FOR SOUP:** with Lit and the Dollyrats will perform on Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ponte Vedra Concert Hall, 1050 A1A North, Ponte Vedra Beach. For tickets, visit the box office or ticketmaster.com.

**COLLEGE DRIVE FOOD TRUCK NIGHT:** will be on Jan. 26 from 6-8 p.m. at the Asbury United Methodist Church parking lot, 16 College Dr. in Orange Park. Remember to bring your own chair to enjoy food and live music. For more information, write [cdifoodtrucknight@gmail.com](mailto:cdifoodtrucknight@gmail.com).

**ADULT FRIDAY DENTAL CLINIC:** will open at 7 a.m. on Jan. 26 at the Clay County Dental Clinic, 1343 Idlewild Ave. in Green Cove Springs. Volunteers will see Clay County patients through a lottery system. The only services available are filling and extractions.

**CARY ELWES:** will perform "The Princess Bride" on Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Florida Theatre, 128 Forsyth St., Jacksonville. For tickets, visit ticketmaster.com.

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## Pinch

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tender. Chicken Katsu Loco Moco was a traditional Hawaiian dish and a country-style breakfast: white rice, savory gravy, crispy chicken katsu, two eggs on top and a characteristic slice of Spam. The Hawaiian sweet bread was a fan favorite, and it was the perfect pairing to a warm cup of freshly brewed Kona coffee, cultivated from a strand of arabica coffee beans that flourish in the volcanic soil of Mount Loa.

The sensation originally opened in 2015 at a location across Fleming Island High. Originally, Just a Pinch intended to do catering solely, but its vendor required the company to be open for retail as well. Thus came the "Café" and "Catering."

Just a Pinch catered birthdays, weddings and graduations. One highlight was when it catered to the VIP area at the "Party in the Pines" music festival, performed

by Keith Urban, among others, where more than 1,200 entertainment staff and VIPs were served.

"That event made me a country fan. I have a cowboy hat in my car ready to go!" Santiago said while sharing that beloved memory.

For Santiago, the restaurant was his way of cherishing his Hawaiian heritage. I never met Greenwood, but I am sure she felt the same way with her Southern roots.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the restaurant. As a self-diagnosed picky eater, I didn't know what to expect when I walked in (pool water, pool noodles, etc.). I came in with an open mind and was wonderfully surprised. Cooking a meal is an important way to share one's culture, and nowhere was that more apparent than Just a Pinch.

Their delectable, one-of-a-kind menu will be missed.



## CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with F.S. 287.055 the Consultant's Competitive Negotiation ACT (CCNA), the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, will be accepting sealed qualifications which will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, February 19, 2024 for the following:

**RFP NO. 23/24-040, Design-Build of the Traffic Signal at Eagle Landing Parkway and Oakleaf Plantation Parkway** Proposals will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", Fourth Floor, 477 Houston St. Green Cove Springs, Florida and through the County's electronic bidding system as well. Bids will not be valid unless received by the bid deadline.

The solicitation package is available at: [HTTPS://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL](https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/claycounty/status-all).

In order to submit a response to this solicitation the respondent must be registered on Clay County's Public Portal.

For information concerning procedures for responding to this Proposal, contact Jessica Loos in the Purchasing Department at (904) 284-6388 or by email: [purchasing@claycountygov.com](mailto:purchasing@claycountygov.com).

Bidders are prohibited from contacting, by any means, whether orally, telephonically, electronically or in writing, any member of the Board, any County employee, including the County Manager, the County Attorney or the Commission Auditor, any member of the designated Evaluation Committee or any agent of the County regarding the Request for bids in any respect during the Request for Proposal Period. The Request for Proposal Period during which no contact may occur commences from the date of publication of the notice of a Request for Proposals and ends upon a Bid Decision becoming final, i.e. after the notice of bid protest period of 72 hours has expired. However, in the event of a notice of protest, the no contact rule continues in place during the Protest Period and does not end until a resolution of the protest has occurred and become final. The following exceptions exist to the no-contact rule:

a. Inquiries may be submitted to the Purchasing Department if specifically provided in the Request for Proposals;  
b. Pre-bid conferences provided for in the Request for Proposals; and  
c. Formal presentations by Bidders to the designated Evaluation Committee or to the Board or any committee thereof specifically contemplated in the Request for Proposals.

The Board reserves the right and power to reject any and all Proposals without cause and to waive technical and non-technical or non-material defects in the Request for Proposals or submittal of any Proposal, and in its discretion to re-advertise the Request for Proposals. The Board reserves the right to award Bids, quotes, or Proposals which would be in the Best Interest of the County. Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners has a local preference policy and Buy American policy. The complete policy for both can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/vendor-information>.

A PERSON OR AFFILIATE WHO HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE CONVICTED VENDOR LIST FOLLOWING A CONVICTION FOR A PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME MAY NOT SUBMIT A BID ON A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE ANY GOODS OR SERVICES TO A PUBLIC ENTITY, MAY NOT SUBMIT A BID ON A CONTRACT WITH A PUBLIC ENTITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR OF A PUBLIC BUILDING OR PUBLIC WORK, MAY NOT SUBMIT BIDS ON LEASES OF REAL PROPERTY TO A PUBLIC ENTITY, MAY NOT BE AWARDED OR PERFORM WORK AS A CONTRACTOR, SUPPLIER, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR CONSULTANT UNDER A CONTRACT WITH ANY PUBLIC ENTITY, AND MAY NOT TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH ANY PUBLIC ENTITY IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FLORIDA STATUTES, FOR CATEGORY TWO FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF BEING PLACED ON THE CONVICTED VENDOR LIST.

**Legal 97056 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

ELITE TOWING gives notice that on 02/12/2024 at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4353 CO RD 218 MIDDLEBURG FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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**Legal 97055 Published 1/18/2024 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

**SINGERS COMPANY MIDDLEBURG**, located at 2436 Cold Stream Ln, in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corpo-

rations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.  
Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida, this 12th day of January 2024.

RICHARDS STEPHANIE  
**Legal 97054 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES TOWING INC. gives notice that on 02/02/2024 at 12:00 PM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 4360 CR 218 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.

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**Legal 97052 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO.: 2023CA001265  
TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2018-6, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff,

vs.  
MICHAEL ATTIO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL ATTIO; BFS OPERATIONS LLC F/K/A BMC EAST, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated **January 10th, 2024**, entered in Civil Case No.: 2023CA001265 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2018-6, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, Plaintiff, and MICHAEL ATTIO; BFS OPERATIONS LLC F/K/A BMC EAST, LLC; are Defendants.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on the **8th day of March, 2024**, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit: **LOT 19, ORANGE PARK SOUTH, UNIT 15, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 30, PGS. 21 THROUGH 26, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If you fail to file a timely claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After the funds are reported as unclaimed, only the owner of record as of the date of the Lis pendens may claim the surplus.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING YOU ARE ENTITLED AT NO COST TO YOU TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR AT CRTINTRP@COJ.NET OR (904) 255-1895 AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE. OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on 1/12/2024.

TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE COURT  
By: Chelsey Mason  
Deputy Clerk

**Legal 97050 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** RB 401K PLAN & TRUST, 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.:** 2333/2019  
**Legal Description:** LOT 10 OAKLEAF VILLAGE CENTER UNIT 2 AS REC O R 3358 PG 1795

**Parcel ID No.:** 050425-007868-021-10  
**Opening Bid Amount:** \$22,256.00  
**Physical Address:** VILLAGE OAKS LN , ORANGE PARK  
**Classification:** VACANT RESIDENTIAL  
**Name in which assessed:** STAR CONSTRUCTION & ENG INC

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

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold

to the highest bidder online on the **13th day of March, 2024 at 9:30 A.M at www.clay.realtaxdeed.com.**

Dated this 12th day of January, 2024  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clay County Clerk & Comptroller  
Clay County, Florida

By: Christina Spadea  
Deputy Clerk  
**Legal 97048 Published 1/18/2024,**

1/25/2024, 2/1/2024 and 2/8/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 10-2023-CP-52  
Division A  
IN RE: ESTATE OF FRANCISCO MERCADOALLENDE Deceased.

The administration of the estate of FRANCISCO MERCADOALLENDE, deceased, whose date of death was September 7, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, 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 STATUTE 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 January 18, 2024.

Attorney for Personal Representative: DOUGLAS A. OBERDORFER, Esquire Attorney

Florida Bar Number: 0139092  
432 East Monroe Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202  
Telephone: (904) 354-5454  
Fax: (904) 350-9803  
E-Mail: [doug@oberdorferlaw.com](mailto:doug@oberdorferlaw.com)  
Secondary E-Mail: [service@oberdorferlaw.com](mailto:service@oberdorferlaw.com)

Personal Representative: DOUGLAS A. OBERDORFER  
432 East Monroe Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202  
**Legal 97047 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg, FL 32068 at date and time listed below.

CLAY COUNTY TOWING & RECOVERY AUCTION: February 12, 2024 @ 10:00 AM  
2017 TOYT. VIN# 5YFBURHE4HP650596

Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
**Legal 97046 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners (the Board) of Clay County, Florida (the County), will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Board's Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the purpose of considering entry into a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the purchase by the County of a certain parcel of real property being particularly described as follows:

**Two portions of Tax Parcel No. 46-05-26-010214-000-00; the first consisting of approximately 235 square feet and the second consisting of approximately 582 square feet.**

This notice is given pursuant to Section 125.355, Florida Statutes, and Clay County Ordinance 99-65. A copy of the Agreement is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, exclusive of legal holidays, in the Office of the County Attorney located on the 2nd Floor of the Clay County Administration Building at the foregoing address.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, any person who desires to appeal any decision with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations will need a record of the proceedings, and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made to include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing accommodations to participate in this matter should contact Clay County Risk Management by mail at P.O. Box 1366,

Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 278-4718, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Deaf and hard of hearing persons can access the telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Board of County Commissioners  
Clay County, Florida  
**Legal 96982 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of County Commissioners (the Board) of Clay County, Florida (the County), will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Board's Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the purpose of considering entry into a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the purchase by the County of a certain parcel of real property being particularly described as follows:

**A portion of Tax Parcel No. 46-05-26-010214-003-02, consisting of approximately 117 square feet.**

This notice is given pursuant to Section 125.355, Florida Statutes, and Clay County Ordinance 99-65. A copy of the Agreement is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, exclusive of legal holidays, in the Office of the County Attorney located on the 2nd Floor of the Clay County Administration Building at the foregoing address.

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Board of County Commissioners  
Clay County, Florida  
**Legal 96981 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

## REQUEST FOR BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, February 12, 2024, for the following:

RFB No. 23/24-041, Document Scanning Services

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter, on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 in the Clay County Administration Building, Conference Room "B", Fourth Floor, 477 Houston St. Green Cove Springs, Florida and through the County's electronic bidding system as well. Bids will not be valid unless received by the bid deadline.

The solicitation package is available at: [HTTPS://PROCUREMENT.OPENGOV.COM/PORTAL/CLAYCOUNTY?STATUS=ALL](https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/claycounty/status-all).

In order to submit a response to this solicitation the respondent must be registered on Clay County's Public Portal.

For information concerning procedures for responding to this Bid, contact Donna Fish in the Purchasing Department at (904) 278-3761 or by email: [purchasing@claycountygov.com](mailto:purchasing@claycountygov.com).

Bidders are prohibited from contacting, by any means, whether orally, telephonically, electronically or in writing, any member of the Board, any County employee, including the County Manager, the County Attorney or the Commission Auditor, any member of the designated Evaluation Committee or any agent of the County regarding the Request for bids in any respect during the Request for Bid Period. The Request for Bid Period during which no contact may occur commences from the date of publication of the notice of a Request for Bids and ends upon a Bid Decision becoming final, i.e. after the notice of bid protest period of 72 hours has expired. However, in the event of a notice of protest, the no contact rule continues in place during the Protest Period and does not end until a resolution of the protest has occurred and become final. The following exceptions exist to the no-contact rule:

a. Inquiries may be submitted to the Purchasing Department if specifically provided in the Request for Bids;

b. Pre-bid conferences provided for in the Request for Bids; and

c. Formal presentations by Bidders to the designated Evaluation Committee or to the Board or any committee thereof specifically contemplated in the Request for Bids.

The Board reserves the right and power to reject any and all Bids without cause

and to waive technical and non-technical or non-material defects in the Request for Bids or submittal of any Bid, and in its discretion to re-advertise the Request for Bids. The Board reserves the right to award Bids, quotes, or Proposals which would be in the Best Interest of the County. Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners has a local preference policy and Buy American policy. The complete policy for both can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/vendor-information>.

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

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on January 10, 2024

Heptylmes, LLC 1615 South Federal Highway Boca Raton, FL 33432 permit #189295-1. The project is located in Clay County, Section 30, Township 4S, Range 25E. The permit authorizes Construction and operation of a Stormwater Management System for a 11.94-acre project known as Old Jennings Tynes Grocery Center - Mass Grading as per plans received by the District on October 4, 2023. The receiving water body is Little Black Creek.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the St. Johns River Water Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the petition must be filed (received) either by delivery at the office of the District

Clerk at District Headquarters, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka FL 32178-1429 (4049 Reid St, Palatka, FL 32177) or by e-mail with the District Clerk at [Clerk@sjrwmd.com](mailto:Clerk@sjrwmd.com), within twenty-one (21) days

of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual notice).

A petition must comply with Sections 120.54(5)(b)4. and 120.569(2)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 28-106, F.A.C.

The District will not accept a petition sent by facsimile (fax). Mediation pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., may be available and choosing mediation does not affect your right to an administrative hearing.

A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the complete petition by the District Clerk at the District Headquarters in Palatka, Florida during the District's regular business hours. The District's regular business hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Petitions received by the District Clerk after the District's regular business hours shall be deemed filed as of 8 a.m. on the District's next regular business day.

The District's acceptance of petitions filed by e-mail is subject to certain conditions set forth in the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation (issued pursuant to Rule 28-

101.001, Florida Administrative Code), which is available for viewing at [floridas-water.com](http://floridas-water.com).

These conditions include, but are not limited to, the petition being in the form of a PDF or TIFF file and being capable of being stored and printed by the District. Further, pursuant to the District's Statement of Agency Organization and Operation, attempting to file a petition by facsimile (fax) is prohibited and shall not constitute filing.

The right to an administrative hearing and the relevant procedures to be followed are governed by Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code, and Rule 40C-

1.1007, Florida Administrative Code. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means the District's final action may be

different from the position taken by it in this notice. Failure to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing. (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.).

If you wish to do so, please visit [http://floridaswater.com/nor\\_dec/](http://floridaswater.com/nor_dec/) to read the complete Notice of Rights to determine any legal rights you may have concerning the District's decision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. You can also request the Notice of Rights by contacting the Director of Regulatory Support, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no. (386)329-4570.

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different from the position taken by it in this notice. Failure to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing. (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.).

If you wish to do so, please visit [http://floridaswater.com/nor\\_dec/](http://floridaswater.com/nor_dec/) to read the complete Notice of Rights to determine any legal rights you may have concerning the District's decision(s) on the permit application(s) described above. You can also request the Notice of Rights by contacting the Director of Regulatory Support, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL 32177-2529, tele. no. (386)329-4570.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO. 10-2023 CP-000646 CPAXXX  
IN RE: ESTATE OF JON H. TEMPLIN, Deceased

The administration of the estate of JON H. TEMPLIN, deceased, whose date of death was December 8, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN 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 STATUTE 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 January 18, 2024.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Richard A. Miller  
Florida Bar Number: 328911  
Miller Troiano, P.A.  
Post Office Box 8169  
Lakeland, FL 33802  
Telephone: (863) 688-7038  
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E-Mail: [rmiller@millerlawfl.com](mailto:rmiller@millerlawfl.com)  
Secondary E-Mail: [ddean@millerlawfl.com](mailto:ddean@millerlawfl.com)

Personal Representative: RICHARD A. MILLER  
2030 Wisteria Lane  
Lakeland, Florida 33813  
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## PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

3764 Jacobs Xing, Middleburg FL 32068, Tuesday, February 6, 2024 @ 12:00 PM.  
Gary StClair: Household Goods

The auction will be listed and advertised on [www.storageexpress.com](http://www.storageexpress.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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## PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on

February 1, 2024, at 10:00 AM at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068,

pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

2013 Toyota ID# 2T1BU4EE9DC970790  
2012 Kia ID# KNAFU4423C5644084  
2000 Chev ID# 1GNDD13W1Y2391438  
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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO.:2023-CP-612CPAXXX  
IN RE: ESTATE OF RONALD LEE DUGGER Deceased.



CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

The administration of the estate of RON-ALD LEE DUGGER, deceased, whose date of death was January 5, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Clay County Clerk of Court, Attn: Probate Department, Post Office Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 18, 2024.

Attorney for Personal Representative: ELIZABETH A. NEMETH OWENS, ESQ. The Nemeth Law Corporation Attorney for BRIDGET MCGINNIS Florida Bar Number: 52769 Post Office Box 8268 Fleming Island, Florida 32006 Telephone: (904) 215-3800 E-Mail: Libby@nemethlawcorp.com Personal Representative: BRIDGET MCGINNIS 1369 Heath Road Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 **Legal 96971 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**314-7121**  
**Time: 02:00PM CST**  
 KM019, Sapp, Alicia  
 Public sale terms, rules, and regulations will be made available on www.storage-treasures.com. All sales are subject to cancellation. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. Payment must be by credit/debit card, we do not accept checks or cash. Buyers must secure the units with their own personal locks. To claim tax-exempt status, original RESALE certificates for each space purchased is required. By KO Storage LLC, 10301 Wayzata Blvd, Minnetonka, MN 55305. (952)-314-7121. **Legal 96968 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 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 **WordWork, LLC**, located at 4918 Harvey Grant Road, in the County of Clay, in the City of Fleming Island, Florida, 32003 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Fleming Island, Florida, this 10th day of January 2024.  
 Diane G. Diamantis  
**Legal 96828 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:  
 1709 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg, FL 32068 Tuesday, February 6, 2024 @ 12:00 pm  
 Regina Thompson: Household Goods Matthew Smith: 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 until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.  
**Legal 96825 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Anyone knowing the identity or whereabouts of Buddy Sigmon a/k/a Buddy Alan Sigmon, please contact Andrew B. Freyer at 318.871.5007 or by mail at 209 Polk Street, Mansfield, Louisiana 71052. **Legal 96824 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2022-CA-000860 SWBC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff, v. IRWIN WHITE; JUDITH A. WHITE; UNKNOWN PARTY IN POSSESSION 1; UNKNOWN PARTY IN POSSESSION 2; ADMIRALS INLET PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants**  
 TO: Judith A. White  
 2095 Blue Heron Cove Drive Fleming Island FL 32009  
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property in Clay County, Florida:

Lot 1, Admirals Inlet, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 37, Pages 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, & 52, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on Anthony R. Smith, Esquire, the Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., 1201 S. Orlando Ave, Suite 430, Winter Park, FL 32789, on or before thirty (30) days from the date of first publication of this Notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; or a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. **If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding,**

**you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crinrtp@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.**  
 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Court at Clay County, Florida, this 8th day of January, 2024.  
 Tara S. Green  
 as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida  
 By: Chelsey Mason  
 DEPUTY CLERK  
**Legal 96727 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today Newspaper**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Invitation to Bid)**

Sealed bids will be received by the District School Board of Clay County until: **2:00 pm on Thursday, February 8, 2024** in the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.  
 at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of:  
**Lakeside Junior High School Restroom/Locker Room Renovations (C-25-2021)**  
 2750 Moody Ave, Orange Park FL 32073  
 Work includes: Removal and addition of walls; addition of doors and frames; renovation of group restrooms and replacement of fixtures; new locker room showers and associated plumbing; new metal PE lockers; painting existing and new work; new flooring. Complete scope is included in the Drawings and Specifications. All work shall be done according to the plans and specifications prepared by: **BRIAN BOATRIGHT ARCHITECT, INC.**, 914 Plainfield Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073  
 email all questions to brianboatrightaia@gmail.com  
 Plans are on file and available for purchase and on file with the following plan room:  
**LDI Reprinting Center**  
 550 Wells Road, Suite 8, Orange Park, FL 32073  
 (904) 579-4027  
 orangepark@ldireprinting.com  
 Any addenda will be sent automatically (electronically) to the known plan holders. Other delivery methods may be arranged with the architect. Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications not advised and neither the architect nor owner will be responsible for partial information given to subcontractors by the general contractors. **Electronic drawings and specifications will not be distributed.**  
**There will be Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting at the site on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 9:00am per Section 00100, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.**  
 Only contractors having been pre-qualified by the Clay County School District are eligible to submit bids for this project. Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids for this project (Florida Statutes). **DISCRIMINATION:** An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.  
 The owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit, with his bid, a bid bond or cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the base bid price, payable to the owner.  
**The successful bidder will be required to provide a performance, labor and material bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted bid amount.**  
 No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.  
 Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the invitation to bid, contract award, or recommendation for contract award, shall file a notice of protest with the superintendent of schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabula-

tions, or posting of the bid award and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the notice to protest. Failure to observe such timelines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The school board requires a protestor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.  
**Protest Bond Requirement:**  
 Should a contractor wish to protest the bid recommendation, the protestor shall be required to post a bond as follows:  
 I. Twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00), or 2% of the lowest accepted bid, whichever is greater, for projects valued over \$500,000.00; and  
 II. Five percent (5%) of the lowest accepted bid for all projects valued less than \$500,000.00.  
 Conditioned upon payment of all cost and fees, which may be adjusted against the protestor, in the administrative hearing. If at the hearing, the school board prevails, it may recover all costs and attorney's fees from the protestor; if the protestor prevails, the protestor shall recover from the school board, all costs and attorney's fees.  
 Bid Tabulations shall be posted in the Operations Reception area at 925 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, after the intended recommendation is announced on or about four (4) days after the bid opening. The Bid Tabulation will remain posted for a minimum period of 96 hours.  
 David Broskie, Superintendent  
 Clay County District Schools  
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**NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE PERSONAL PROPERTY**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No: 2023CA001439 Ally Bank v. Walton M Wade Defendant(s).**  
 TO: Walton M Wade: 2624 Country Club Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32073  
 Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.  
**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that a complaint for monetary damages and writ of replevin on personal property arising from contract has been commenced to recover possession of the following personal property, last known to be located in Clay County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:  
 2022 Jeep WRANGLER UNLIMITED (VIN No: 1C4HJXDM5NW1300074)  
 This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 750 Park of Commerce Blvd., Suite 130, Boca Raton, FL 33487, before twenty (28) 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.  
 WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 8th day of January, 2024.  
 Circuit and County Courts  
 By: Chelsey Mason  
 Deputy Clerk

**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; 330 East Bay Street, Suite 507-C, Jacksonville, Florida 32202; (904) 630-1897 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.**  
**Legal 96653 Published 1/18/2024, 1/25/2024, 2/1/2024 and 2/8/2024 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 **Black Creek Pressure Washing**, located at 49 Horsetail Ave, 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 4th day of January 2024.  
 William Toce  
**Legal 96650 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2023-CC-002096 BARNETT MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, LLC, A NEW MEXICO COMPANY Plaintiff, v. GOLDEN POND BOULEVARD TRUSTEE FOR CLAY COUNTY LAND TRUST #03-04-25-007865 -007-24 Defendant.**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to an Order of Final Judgement of foreclosure dated December 14, 2023, and entered in Case No.: 2023-CC-002096, of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein the property will sell to the highest bidder for cash at www.clayrealforeclose.com, the Clerk's website for on-line auctions at **10:00 a.m. on the 25 day of January, 2024**, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgement, to wit:  
**(LEGAL DESCRIPTION)**  
 LOT 24, OF OLDE SUTTON OAKS, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 32, PAGE(S) 52-57 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
**PROPERTY ADDRESS:** 2937 GOLDEN POND BLVD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073.  
 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodations in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provisions of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator at least 7 days before your scheduled appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
**Dated on January 5, 2024**  
**TARA S. GREEN**  
 As Clerk of the Court  
 By: Nicole Barrie  
 As Deputy Clerk  
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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2023CA001065 U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. MATTHEW PIERCE; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, et al. Defendant(s)**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 27, 2023, and entered in 2023CA001065 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and MATTHEW PIERCE; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION 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.clayrealforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on January 30, 2024, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**THE WEST 150 FEET OF THE EAST 870.02 FEET OF THE SOUTH 330 FEET, ALSO KNOWN AS PARCEL "E" SITUATED IN LOT 81-A, WEST BIG BRANCH, UNIT 2, SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, CLAY**

**COUNT FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE UNRECORDED PLAT THEREOF, PREPARED BY LOUIS E. MCKEE, REGISTERED SURVEYOR NO. 1221, ON JULY 22, 1969. TOGETHER WITH A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE SOUTHERLY 30 FEET, EXCEPT THE WEATERLY 150 FEET THEREOF, OF LOT 91-A, WEST BIG BRANCH, UNIT 2, SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH RANGE 23 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUCH EASEMENT TO BE USED FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF VARIOUS OWNERS OF PARCELS OF LAND SITUATED INN LOT 81-A, WEST BIG BRANCH, UNIT 2**  
**Property Address: 4010 RICHIE LN, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068**  
 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.  
 Dated this 30th day of November, 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 crinrtp@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 TO CREDITORS**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO.: 2023-CP-000661 DIVISION : CPAXXX IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLES HIGDON TIPPETTE, Deceased.**  
 The administration of the estate of CHARLES HIGDON TIPPETTE, deceased, File Number: 2023-CP-000661, Division CPAXXX is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.  
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.  
 All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.  
 ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
 The date of first publication of this Notice is January 11, 2024.  
 Attorney for Personal Representative David Horne, Esquire Fuller, dusinberre, Horne, PLLC  
 1845 East West Parkway, Suite 18 Fleming Island, Florida 32003 Telephone (904) 264-0585 Primary email: dhorne@fdhattorneys.com Secondary Email: twegmann@lawfuller.com tallman@fdhattorneys.com Personal Representative: James E. Tippet 7375 Clark Avenue Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 **Legal 96641 Published 1/11/2024 and 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

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**SECTION 00 11 16  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
(Invitation to Bid)**

Advertisement for bid will be made on: **January 11, 18, 25, 2024**  
Sealed bids will be received by the Clay County District Schools until **2:00 PM on February 13, 2024**  
In the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
At which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of **Middleburg High School –Restroom Renovations**  
**CCDS Project No. C-20-23/24**  
All work shall be done according to the plans and specifications prepared by: **Bhide & Hall Architect, P.A. 1329 Kingsley Ave., Suite C Orange Park, FL 32073**  
Email all questions to DShively@bhide-hall.com Include project number in subject line  
Plans are on file and open to inspection at the office of the Architect. CD'S are available for purchase from the Architect at cost. Limited supply, please call-in advance to order. Printed sets of the plans are also on file for purchase at cost in the following Plans Room:

**LDI Reproprinting Center**  
550 Wells Road, Suite 100  
Orange Park, FL 32073 Tel: 904/579-4027 Fax: 904/579-4154  
orangeprint@ldireproprinting.com  
Prime bidders, who will be submitting a bid to the owner, are required to register with the Architect their intention to bid and as a plan holder. Any addenda will be sent (electronically) to the known plan holders ONLY. Alternative delivery methods may be arranged with the Architect.  
Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications are not advised and neither the Architect nor owner will be responsible for partial information given to subcontractors by general contractors.

**There will be a MANDATORY Pre-bid Meeting at the site on January 30, 2024 at 10:00 AM per Section 002113, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.**  
Only Contractors having been pre-qualified by the School District of Clay County are eligible to submit bids for this project. **Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids** for this project (Florida Statutes).  
Florida Statutes require that all contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present must meet Level 2 screening requirements as described in S1012.32, Florida Statutes.  
**DISCRIMINATION:** An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.  
The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, a Bid Bond or Cashier's Check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid price, payable to the Owner.

**The successful bidder will be required to provide a Performance, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted Bid amount.**  
No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.  
Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the Invitation To Bid, Contract Award, or Recommendation for Contract Award, shall file a Notice of Protest with the Superintendent of Schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award, and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the Notice to Protest. Failure to observe such timelines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The School Board requires a protestor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

**Bond Requirement:**  
Should a contractor wish to protest the bid recommendation, the protestor shall be required to post a bond as follows:  
1. Five percent (5%) of the recommended award for all projects valued less than \$500,000.00; and  
2. Twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) for all projects in excess of \$500,000.00.  
Conditioned upon payment of all costs and fees, which may be adjusted against the protestor in the Administrative Hearing. If at the Hearing the School Board prevails, it may recover all costs and attorney's fees from the protestor; if the protestor prevails, the protestor shall recover from the School Board all costs and attorney's fees.  
Bid Tabulations shall be posted in the Operations Reception area at 925 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 after the intended recommendation is announced on or about four (4) days after the bid opening. The Bid Tabulation will remain posted for a minimum period of 96 hours.

**DISCRIMINATION:** An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to public entity, may not award or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

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**SECTION 001116  
INVITATION TO BID**

**1.01 PROJECT INFORMATION**  
A. Notice to Bidders: **Prequalified** bidders are invited to submit bids for Project as described in this Document according to the Instructions to Bidders.  
B. **Project Identification:** 23018 Clay High School Parking Lot Renovation / Redesign  
1. Project Location: 2025 State Road 16 W., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
C. **Owner:** School District of Clay County  
1. Owner's Representative: David Kramer, Project Manager  
D. **Architect:** Altman + Barrett Architects, 10245 Centurion Parkway North, Suite 105, Jacksonville, FL 32256  
E. **Project Description:** The project consists of infilling and relocating the existing site retention pond, reconstructing the vehicular circulation patterns which include the entrance driveways, the front parking lot and pedestrian walkways, along with the construction of a new stadium visitor bleacher system.  
F. **Construction Contract:** Bids will be received for the following Work:  
1. General Contract (all trades)  
1.02 BID SUBMITTAL AND OPENING  
A. Owner will receive sealed bids until the bid time and date at the location indicated below. Owner will consider bids prepared in compliance with the Instructions to Bidders issued by Owner, and delivered as follows:  
1. Advertise Dates: **January 11, 18 and 25, 2024.**  
2. Bid Date: **February 13, 2024.**  
3. Bid Time: **2:30 p.m.**, local time.  
4. Location: Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.  
Bidders will be thereafter publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of:  
Clay High School Parking Lot Renovation / Redesign  
CCDS Project No. C-01-23/24.  
1.03 BID SECURITY  
A. Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of [5] percent of the bid amount. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of [60] days after opening of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities.  
B. Bid Tabulations shall be posted in the Operations Reception area at 925 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 after the intended recommendation is announced on or about four (4) days after the bid opening. The Bid Tabulation will remain posted for a minimum period of 96 hours.

1.04 PREBID MEETING  
A. A **MANDATORY** Pre-bid Meeting for all bidders will be held at Clay High School on **January 30, 2024 at 10:00 p.m.**, local time. The purpose of the meeting will be to familiarize the bidders with the existing conditions, scope of work and special conditions, if any. Questions will be accepted and answered at the meeting. A sign-in sheet will be maintained by the architect/engineer for the purpose of certifying that a representative of the bidder was present at the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.

1.05 DOCUMENTS  
A. Printed Procurement and Contracting Documents: Obtain after January 11, 2024, by contacting: Mandarin Blueprinting, 12627 San Jose Blvd Suite 702, Jacksonville, FL 32223 or by calling (904) 880-2900. Documents will be provided to prime bidders only; only complete sets of documents will be issued.  
1. Payment: \$150.00 made payable to Mandarin Blueprinting.  
2. Shipping: Additional shipping charges may apply.  
B. Viewing Procurement and Contracting Documents: Examine on or after January 11, 2024 at www.altmanbarrettarchitects.com

1.06 TIME OF COMPLETION  
A. Bidders shall begin the Work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed. Project approval is anticipated to occur on **March 07, 2024**, for purposes of submitting re-view and material acquisition. Construction is expected to begin on **May 31, 2024**. Project completion is expected prior to **August 05, 2024.**  
1.07 BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS  
A. Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain insurance and bonds required for the Work. **A Performance Bond, a separate Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful Bidder.**  
B. Only Contractors having been pre-qualified by the School District of Clay County are eligible to submit bids for this project. Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids for this project (Florida Statutes).  
C. Florida Statutes require that all contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present must meet Level 2 screening requirements as described in S1012.32, Florida Statutes.

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The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, a Bid Bond or Cashier's Check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid price, payable to the Owner.  
The successful bidder will be required to provide a Performance, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted Bid amount.  
No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.  
Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the Invitation To Bid, Contract Award, or Recommendation for Contract Award, shall file a Notice of Protest with the Superintendent of Schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award, and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the Notice to Protest. Failure to observe such timelines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The School Board requires a protestor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

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**NOTICE TO CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FIRMS Request for Qualifications (RFQ) For Construction Management at Risk Services**

The School Board of Clay County, Office of Facilities Planning and Construction announces that Construction Management At-Risk services are required for the following Projects:  
**Classroom Additions**  
**Responses are due on or before February 1, 2024 and will be accepted until 3:30 p.m.**  
The selected Construction Manager(s) will provide preconstruction services including value engineering, constructability analysis, and estimating, as well as, developing a (GMP) Guaranteed Maximum Price.  
Scope of Work: Clay County District Schools is utilizing a "prototype reuse design" to construct new classroom wing additions across the district. The project scope shall consist of construction of a new classroom wing addition at the following locations:  
1. Lake Asbury Junior High School - Classroom Addition (32 Classrooms, approximately 29,850sf) on time and ready for students Fall 2025.  
2. Oakleaf Junior High School - Classroom Addition (32 Classrooms, approximately 29,850sf) on time and ready for students Fall 2025.  
3. Lake Asbury Elementary School - Classroom Addition (24 Classrooms, approximately 22,387sf) on time and ready for students Fall 2026.  
4. Ridgeout Elementary School - Classroom Addition (12 Classrooms, approximately 11,200sf) on time and ready for students Fall 2026.  
Selection of finalists for interviews will be made on the basis of construction manager qualifications, including but not limited to: experience and ability, financial capability, record keeping/administrative ability, critical path scheduling expertise, cost estimating, cost control ability, quality control, staff and consultants, distance from the construction site, and general knowledge of project type.  
Only firms having been pre-qualified by the School Board of Clay County are eligible to submit for this project. A firm that has not been pre-qualified is not eligible to submit for this project. Applications in triplicate, are to be sent to:  
Mr. Michael Kemp, Construction Director, Facility Planning & Construction, Clay County District Schools, 925 W. Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043  
**Applications must be documented as received no later than 3:30 p.m. on February 1, 2024.**  
For additional information contact Jeff Marks, Clay County District Schools, at 904-336-6821  
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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. 2023 CA 00099  
FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED LOANS STRUCTURED TRANSACTION TRUST, SERIES 2021-1, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
JACOB J. WILLIAMS; BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC F/K/A BIF TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; TRUIST BANK S/B/M/T SUNTRUST BANK; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVEUE, et al.  
Defendant(s).  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **November 27, 2023**, and entered in 2023 CA 00099 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FREDDIE MAC SEASONED LOANS STRUCTURED TRANSACTION TRUST, SERIES 2021-1 is the Plaintiff and JACOB J. WILLIAMS; BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC F/K/A BIF TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; TRUIST BANK S/B/M/T SUNTRUST BANK; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVEUE are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on **January 30, 2024**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 46, BLOCK 2, OF REPLAT OF FLORIDA FRONTIER UNIT ONE, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF FILED AT PLAT BOOK 13, PAGES 54-67, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Property Address: **5384 CUSTER STREET, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FL 32656**  
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 5th day of December, 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 [crin-trp@coj.net](mailto:crin-trp@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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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2023CA001113  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS  
WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MAYNELLE R. CROSBY, DECEASED; CLIFFORD P. CROSBY A/K/A CLIFFORD CROSBY ; ANNA CROSBY, et al.  
Defendant(s).  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **November 27, 2023**, and entered in 2023CA001113 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MAYNELLE R. CROSBY, DECEASED; CLIFFORD P. CROSBY A/K/A CLIFFORD CROSBY ; ANNA CROSBY are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on **January 31, 2024**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT(S) 23, OF FOXMEADOW, UNIT 3 AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 11-13, ET SEQ., OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Property Address: **4381 SADDLEHORN**

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CASE NO. 2023CA001019  
U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CRMSI REMIC SERIES 2006-02 - REMIC PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-02, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
CLIFFORD J. JOHNSON; REBECCA JOHNSON;  
ORANGE PARK COUNTRY CLUB OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., et al.  
Defendant(s).  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **November 27, 2023**, and entered in 2023CA001019 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR CRMSI REMIC SERIES 2006-02 - REMIC PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-02 is the Plaintiff and CLIFFORD J. JOHNSON; REBECCA JOHNSON; ORANGE PARK COUNTRY CLUB OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on **January 31, 2024**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 272, COUNTRY CLUB OF ORANGE PARK, UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 21, PAGES 29 THROUGH 40, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO CLIFFORD J. JOHNSON AND REBECCA JOHNSON, HIS WIFE BY DEED FROM CLIFFORD J. JOHNSON RECORDED 04/08/2002 IN DEED BOOK 2039 PAGE 179, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Property Address: **571 LITTLE FOX DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.  
Dated this 30 day of November, 2023.  
Tara S. Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Gracie Moore  
As Deputy Clerk  
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GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2022CA000534  
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E. FRAZIER AND DOTTIE BROWN FRAZIER A/K/A DOTTIE FRAZIER, et al.  
Defendant(s).  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **August 31, 2022**, and entered in 2022CA000534 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and JAMES EARL FRAZIER A/K/A JAMES E.

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PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
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Defendant(s).  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated **November 27, 2023**, and entered in 2023CA001113 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MAYNELLE R. CROSBY, DECEASED; CLIFFORD P. CROSBY A/K/A CLIFFORD CROSBY ; ANNA CROSBY are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at [www.clay.realforeclose.com](http://www.clay.realforeclose.com), at 10:00 AM, on **January 31, 2024**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT(S) 23, OF FOXMEADOW, UNIT 3 AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 11-13, ET SEQ., OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Property Address: **4381 SADDLEHORN**

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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. 2023CA001113  
PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS  
WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF MAYNELLE R. CROSBY, DECEASED; CLIFFORD P. CROSBY A/K/A CLIFFORD CROSBY ; ANNA CROSBY, et al.  
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**LOT(S) 23, OF FOXMEADOW, UNIT 3 AS RE**



CLAY COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF FLORIDA

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2022-DP-000113
DIVISION: JV- E
IN THE INTEREST OF: G.M.
DOB: 11/09/2022
A MINOR CHILD / TO: Cody McCormick, FATHER
Last known address: 4116 Sunnyside Dr Middleburg, FL 32068
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, G.M. born November 9, 2022. You are hereby commanded to appear before Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on February 13, 2024, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified. FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. AND YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THIS CHILD. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or 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 4th day of January 2024. Tara S. Green as Clerk of Said Court By: Tammy Rosenbaum Legal 96346 Published 1/11/2024, 1/18/2024, 1/25/2024 and 2/1/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: Lot 489 of TWO CREEKS, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 52 Page 62 through 104, of the public records of Clay County Florida. More commonly known as: 4259 Sandhill Crane Terrace, Middleburg, FL, 32068 ("Property") Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 28th day of December, 2023. Tara S. Green CLERK OF THE COUNTY COURT Robbin Tefft Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact the Administrative Office of the Court as far in advance as possible, but preferably at least (7) days before your scheduled court appearance or other court activity of the date the service is needed. Legal 96293 Published 1/11/2024 and 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is January 11, 2024. Attorney for Personal Representative: GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR., LL.M. Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar Number: 887950 Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M. Attorneys at Law, P.A. 1543 Kingsley Avenue, Suite 5 Orange Park, FL 32073 Telephone: (904) 264-8800 Fax: (904) 264-0155 Primary email address: grady@floridaelder.com Secondary email address: renee@floridaelder.com Personal Representative: WILLIAM T. CUMMINGS 3627 Westover Road Fleming Island, Florida 32003 Legal 96200 Published 1/11/2024 and 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to J. Anthony Van Ness, Esq. at VAN NESS LAW FIRM, PLC, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 1239 E. NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE #110, DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33442 on or before February 16, 2024 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. This notice is provided to Administrative Order No. 2065. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 2nd day of January , 2024. Tara S. Green CLAY COUNTY CLERK OF COURT By Gracie Moore As Deputy Clerk Legal 96096 Published 1/11/2024 and 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

lication of this Notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's counsel or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. Dated on this 21st day of December, 2023. TARA S. GREEN Clerk & Comptroller By: Robbin Tefft Deputy Clerk Legal 95157 Published 12/28/2023, 1/4/2024, 1/11/2024 and 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

IN RE: ESTATE OF LAWRENCE FRANK BRADLEY Deceased. The administration of the estate of Lawrence Frank Bradley, deceased, whose date of death was November 2, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Ave., PO Box 698 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is January 18, 2024. Attorney for Personal Representative: L. J. Arnold III Attorney Florida Bar Number: 154474 ARNOLD LAW 718 N. Orange Ave. PO Box 1570 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 Telephone: (904) 284-5618 Fax: (904) 284-5937 E-Mail: arnold3service@gmail.com Secondary E-Mail: marie.arnoldlaw@gmail.com Personal Representative: Alyson Cobb Morgan 1644 Players Club Drive Fleming Island, Florida 32003 Legal 97289 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 600 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, FL 32073, 02/06/2024 11:00 AM Jason Payne Household items Christine Rowland Household items Mary Johnson Household items Heather Ahmed Household items James Lasco Household items Kendra Lee Household items The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.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 96203 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Extra Space Storage #6162 2406 Hutton Ct. Middleburg FL, 32068, February 6, 2024, 10:00 AM. Kiara Gaines household items ottoman, table, chairs Stefanie Lynne Fleming household goods The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageexpress.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 96095 Published 1/18/2024 and 1/25/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2023CA001295 WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR OPTION ONE MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2001-C, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2001-C, Plaintiff, vs. RAYMOND G. CAMPPIRE; AUDREY L. CAMPPIRE A/K/A AUDREY R. CAMPPIRE A/K/A AUDREY CAMPPIRE, ET AL. Defendants To the following Defendant(s): GARY CHARLES LEWIS (CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN) Last Known Address: 5189 JENNINGS CREEK HWY, WHITLEYVILLE, TN 38588 Additional Address: 111 MAPLE ST. BELL BUCKLE, TN 37020 Additional Address: 536 MICAYNE CIR SE UNIT 3, SMYRNA, GA 30082 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property: LOT 97, BEDFORD OAKS SUBDIVISION UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO PLAT BOOK 12, PAGES 52 THROUGH 57, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A 2000 FLEETWOOD MOBILE HOME, ID#GAFLY39A14841F221 AND GAFLY-39B14841F221 A/K/A 6705 AUTUMNWOOD CT, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS FL 32656

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 2022-CG-001793 RBC TRAILERS 2, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. JIMMIE LEE MARTIN III, Defendant. TO: JIMMIE LEE MARTIN III 8876 A C SKINNER PARKWAY, UNIT 4503, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for damages for breach of contract relating to a new triple crown dump trailer, has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Matthew G. Davis, Esq., counsel for Plaintiff, RBC Trailers 2, LLC, whose address is 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3700, Tampa, FL 33602, within thirty (30) days after the first pub-

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 23-CC-1778 GOLDROCK INC. PLAINTIFF, vs. HOA PROBLEM SOLUTIONS 5 INC., DEFENDANT(S) NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 27, 2023, and entered in 2023-CC-001778 of the County Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Goldrock, Inc. is the Plaintiff and HOA Problem. Solutions 5 Inc. is the Defendant. Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00AM, on January 31, 2024, the following described property

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2023-CP-000662 Division A IN RE: ESTATE OF WILLIAM RUSSELL CUMMINGS, Deceased. The administration of the estate of WILLIAM RUSSELL CUMMINGS, deceased, whose date of death was April 20, 2021, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2024-CP-000007 Division B

PUBLIC AUCTION

On February 2, 2024, 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: 1FADP3F29EL153303 2014 FORD Legal 97288 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING FOR MAGNOLIA WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Magnolia West Community Development District ("District") will hold a meeting on February 6, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. at the Magnolia West Amenity Center located at 3490 Canyon Falls Drive Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting the District Manager, c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc, 3434 Colwell Avenue, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33614 ("District Manager's Office") at the District's website www.magnoliawestdcd.org or by emailing the District Manager at lgallagher@rizzetta.com and/or by telephoning 904-436-6270 during normal business hours. The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at such meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 436-6270 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Office. A person who decides to appeal any decision made at the meeting with respect to any matter considered at the meeting 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. Lesley Gallagher District Manager Legal 97093 Published 1/18/2024 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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