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## Workplace shooting rocks Orange Park

'Tragedy averted'

By Eric Cravey  
Managing Editor

ORANGE PARK – Chandler Garza said when he went to work Monday in the industrial

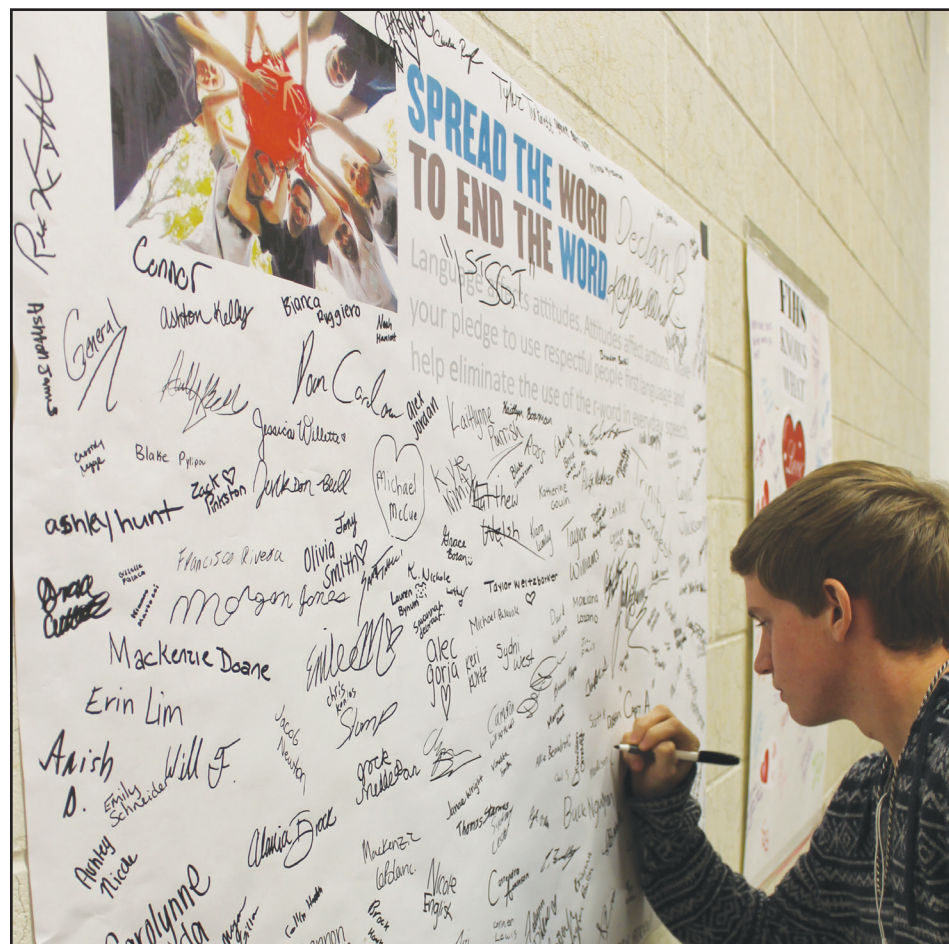
loop, it seemed like a normal day until a co-worker left during the lunch hour and returned with a semi-automatic handgun.

"I was running the saw to get the slabs out and I just heard a loud pop," Garza said.

Garza described the shooter, James Cameau, 34, a resident of the Astoria Hotel on Park Avenue, as "kind of a quiet guy." Cameau had worked at Jacksonville Granite at 124 Industrial Loop West for about a month. As the investigation unfolded

March 7, the Clay County Sheriff's Office found that Cameau entered the back of the building and began pointing a .22-caliber semi-automatic handgun at his 11 co-workers at point blank range before later

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STAFF PHOTO BY SARAH WAKEFIELD ROSSER

Dustin Tebedo, 17, a Fleming Island High senior, takes the pledge to end use of the 'R' word at an event at the school. See story on Page 8.

## Superintendent email leads to unfair labor practice filing

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser  
Staff Writer

FLEMING ISLAND – Less than one week after the Clay County Superintendent of schools sent out an email addressing today's impasse hearing, the Clay County Education Association has filed an unfair labor practice against the superintendent and the school board.

The email from Superintendent Charlie Van Zant Jr. to all district employees including School Board members was sent Mar. 4 at 3:26 p.m. during the period in which both sides are not allowed to discuss issue involved in the impasse between the Clay County Education Association and the district.

In his email, Van Zant discussed the structure of the March 10 meeting and

said arrangements were made for the meeting to be videotaped and that he is "and always will be in favor of raises for our employees."

His email arrived in district employee's inboxes during an insulated period in which neither side is to communicate about anything related to ongoing impasse issues.

"The insulated period is for the Superintendent and the Union, they're not supposed to have any ex parte communications with the school board or exchange information," said John Showalter, a designated agent for the Public Employees Relations Commission in Tallahassee. "That started once the School Board rejected the magistrate's hearing. Now it goes to the legislative body, the School Board, to resolve the dispute. Now they're supposed to act impartially. When they get to the legislative hearing, both sides will have the opportunity to speak. They're not supposed to be meeting



Charlie Van Zant Jr.

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# Clay largemouth bass study underway

By **Eric Cravey**  
Managing Editor

KINGSLEY LAKE – For the next two years, the waters of Kingsley Lake will be transformed into a lab for the practice of citizen-science.

As part of its fourth annual Trophy-Catch program, The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is enlisting sport fishermen and others to help collect data on the largemouth bass in order to learn more about how the fishery grows, lives and thrives. One of the overall goals is to determine how many bass live in the lake and why these Clay County-grown bass seem to live longer than other bass in Florida.

“We have a lot of these large bass and a lot of them are caught. We had virtually no data on them because they’re very hard for us to sample – by their nature they’re kind of an elusive fish. A lot of our sampling gears work in the shallow water and especially in the deeper lakes, these fish will stay deep most of the year that’s why they avoid anglers and why they become big,” said Allen Martin, regional fisheries administrator for FWC.

Martin and two FWC colleagues recently met with anglers in Kingsley Lake to explain details of how they are going to collect data from underneath the depths of the lake using 10 bass that have been inserted with electronic transponders. The FWC transponders will measure and broadcast each fish’s depth and temperature. The signals are heard and recorded by small, battery-powered receivers stationed around the lake, affixed to moorings that are either suspended below docks or anchored in open-water below submerged buoys.

“We have one of these [buoys] anchored out in the geometric center of the lake and then we have some other ones that are stationed kind of like spokes on a wheel. Most of them are attached to docks,” said Drew Dutterer, FWC research lead.

In tandem with the transponder data collection, anglers are being asked to help



Drew Dutterer, lead researcher with FWC, talks about the Kingsley Lake largemouth bass study with residents on Feb. 26 at the Kingsley Lake Community Center.

capture DNA samples from the fish so more study on their biology can be done in a lab.

“We would like to get fin clips – a small little piece of fin – to get a genetic fingerprint from each fish that gets entered into the TrophyCatch program. We may be able to do some gene-mining to understand a little bit more about the genetics of bass and which ones become trophy size and which ones don’t,” Dutterer said.

He urges anglers who encounter a buoy and receiver to “just leave it in place” so they can remain effective for the study.

FWC is also supplying special bottles that anglers will then place the fish fin clips in for safe, sanitary transport to the lab where the testing and data collection will be done.

Since its inception, the TrophyCatch has stressed the importance of catch and release of largemouth bass, but researchers also want anglers to be aware of dead bass they may find in Kingsley Lake. Dutterer said there is an array of data his team can glean from the fishes’ bodies in the lab.



STAFF PHOTOS BY ERIC CRAVEY

Transponders like there are implanted in 10 largemouth bass to collect data on how the fish grow and thrive in Kingsley Lake.

“I want to get the otoliths out of its head and what that is, is a bone that lays down a growth ring every year, just like rings on a tree trunk, and we can reliably age that fish,” Dutterer said.

He said, in previous years, Kingsley Lake has been known to host some of the oldest bass in Florida, with some living to

be up to 16 years old. The study will also help FWC biologists learn more about the unique character of the lake as well as the largemouth bass. In some spots, the lake is 82 feet deep, Dutterer said.

Martin said more “Hall of Fame” fish – those larger than 13 pounds – were caught in Kingsley Lake than were caught last year in the entire State of Texas’ similar program called Share Lunker. And, it’s this fact that helped jumpstart the current study.

“It’s through TrophyCatch that we were able to identify that Kingsley Lake is way different than a lot of lakes in the state,” Martin said.

However, the study will also take into account such lake characteristics as the temperature of the water and how it may impact the bass fishery.

“What else is different about Kingsley Lake? We know it’s got a lot of big bass in it right now, but it’s a lot deeper than any other lake in Florida,” Dutterer said.

“The thought being is that it probably stratifies in the summer with warmer water lying on top of colder water that’s more dense and if that cooler water on the bottom has oxygen in it, then it’s possibly that those bass are able to live in cooler water all summer long and it would keep their metabolism at a lower level and a lower metabolism probably transfers into better growth and a longer life span,” he said.

Martin and Dutterer agree that largemouth bass anglers are passionate about their sport and that is proven with a steady increase each year in the TrophyCatch program, which offers cash and prizes for anglers who catch and release bass and send photographs of their catch to FWC during the program. At least one Kingsley Lake resident is looking forward to the study and its results. “We are happy to see this study being conducted in our Florida Designated Outstanding Waterway and hope that it does provide a better understanding of the biology of the bass population in Kingsley Lake,” said Mike Romanelli of Kingsley Lake.

## Early voting ends Saturday

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Presidential Preference Primary Election takes place March 15 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters with Democratic or Republican Party affiliation must vote in the precinct of their legal residence.

In the meantime, Clay County voters who wish to get a head start can take to the polls beginning this weekend with Early Voting.

Early voting runs through Saturday, March 12 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Voters with Democratic or Republican Party affiliation may choose to cast their vote in person at any one of the following locations:

- Eagle Landing Residence Club, 3973 Eagle Landing Parkway
- Fleming Island Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd.
- Keystone Heights Tax Collector’s Office, 7380 State Rd. 100, Suite 10
- Middleburg Civic Center, 2102 Palmetto St.
- Orange Park Library, 2054 Plainfield Ave.
- Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office, 500 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, 32043

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# Four Clay residents reach blood donation milestones

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser  
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – On the front of Barry Mowers truck is a big sticker proudly announcing his achievement of donating 100 gallons of his own blood.

Mowers, and fellow Clay County residents Billy Conroy, Sandra Moore and Victor Gorday each recently reached the 100-gallon milestone, which was celebrated March 2 at the OneBlood Orange Park Donor Center at 2153 Kingsley Ave.

“As smart as people are, we haven’t figured out how to make this stuff out of corn oil or petroleum,” Mowers said.

The first time Mowers donated, he was a young man serving in the U.S. Navy.

“They said I could have the rest of the day off if I donated blood,” Mowers said.

Since then, Mowers said spending an hour every couple of weeks to donate platelets is an easy price to pay when someone is in need of a transfusion.

“It hurts to die compared to a needle,” Mowers said. “It’s close to an hour sitting here but it’s an hour well spent. Somebody lives or has a better day because I do this and that’s good for me.”

Like Mowers, Conroy said the first time he donated blood was in 1962 when he was in the U.S. Army.

“The incentive was, they told us, we’d be able to have the rest of the day off and we’d be allowed to go back to our bunks and take a nap,” Conroy said. “That was unheard of when I was in the Army.”

Since then, Conroy has donated more than 125 gallons and is the area’s highest



Barry Mowers of Orange Park recently donated his 100th gallon of blood, something he started doing in his twenties while serving in the U.S. Navy. Today, he donates platelets.

donor.

“It doesn’t feel any different than donating your first time,” Conroy said, who was donating blood while sitting next to Gorday, the region’s 12th, 100-gallon donor. “You’re doing something for somebody else. As far as the needles go, I’m one of the guys who jumps when he gets stuck with a needle. I keep coming back here because you get used to it.”

Conroy said the technology to collect platelets and blood has changed over the years and takes about half the time that it did in prior years.

“When I first started donating, they



Sandra Moore of Fleming Island was recently honored by OneBlood for being the region’s only female member of the 100-gallon club for having donated 110 gallons.

would take a pint of blood. They’d put it in a centrifuge machine, spin it off and take the platelets out of it, give you the blood back and they’d do that four more times. You were sitting there for a good three hours. Now, it takes about an hour and half,” Conroy said. “I’ve seen it change from when they stuck a needle in each arm and it went through a machine. Out one arm and back

in the other. Now, all in one arm so now you can read.”

The Doctors Inlet resident said he kept donating because of pure greed but has experienced many blessings in return.

“The reason I donated was out of greed, you heard that out front,” Conroy said. “Anything charitable will come back to you tenfold.”

Corbyn Camilleri, 7, and his younger brother Cai, 6, were born with Beta Thalassemia Major, which is similar to Sickle Cell Anemia but more severe. Only about 1,000 people suffer from the condition in the United States but the disease is more prevalent in India and China. Both children rely on transfusions to stay healthy and receive transfusions every two to three weeks. Corbyn Camilleri has received 105 transfusions and approximately seven gallons of blood while Cai Camilleri has received approximately 80 transfusions from donors like Mowers and Conroy.

Corbyn Camilleri said he has less energy before a transfusion and lots of energy afterwards.

“It makes me feel good because they’re giving me life,” he said.

Both Camilleri boys receive transfusions at Nemours Children’s Health System in Jacksonville. Although the boys

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## Grammy wins highlight unsung part of state's economic success

By Dominic Calabro

Last month, the 58th Annual Grammy Awards aired across the nation. And they had a certain Florida flair thanks to the hard work of various Full Sail University graduates.

The school, known for preparing students for careers in entertainment and media, announced that 14 graduates worked on 13 projects that won a Grammy during the awards program.



Dominic Calabro

Graduates worked on projects ranging from rising rap icon Kendrick Lamar's "To Pimp a Butterfly" to Christian rock group TobyMac's "This Is Not a Test." One, Brendan Morawski, earned his own Grammy award for his work on the Grammy Album of the Year, Taylor Swift's "1989."

And during the Oscars, 117 Full Sail graduates were credited on 21 Oscar-nominated films and 51 graduates were credited on eight Oscar-winning films recognized at the 88th annual Academy Awards. Graduates of Full Sail University have participated in industry roles on 14 Best Picture winning films over the last 21 years, including this year's Best Picture winner, "Spotlight."

The successes of these graduates prove that key investments by business and education leaders into our students and businesses will provide the keys to tremendous opportunities in these high-growth fields.

Another great example is occurring daily at Florida State University, which provides students significant opportunities to succeed in the music industry, ranking as the 12th best music school in the country. Investments in the program have given students the opportunity to pursue their dreams.

The FSU College of Music is home to two Grammy award winners, a former concert master of the New York Philharmonic, a Pulitzer prize-winning composer, a Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship recipient, and the world's preeminent scholar in medical music therapy.

U.S. News & Report magazine has ranked the FSU College of Music 12th in the nation and fifth among programs at public universities. The opera program in the College of Music ranks fifth in the nation and third among programs at public universities, according to the same report.

Florida needs to invest in the incentive providing a full sales tax exemption on the purchase of certain equipment used in the production of motion pictures, television productions, commercial advertising, and music video or sound recordings.

State economists estimated that qualified production companies could have ap-

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## From the editor

### The infection of the ugly 'R' word

One Sunday afternoon, my son and I had been kicking around the soccer ball outside and had sat down at the kitchen table for a snack. A tiny fellow at age four, he sat red-faced with sweat on his brow holding a cookie with both hands chatting with me, that is, until the doorbell rang.

My wife was up and nearby so she went to the door. However, before I knew it, Lochlin had raced to her side to see who it was.

I could hear bits of the conversation – it was a neighbor from down the street inquiring about a bicycle of which his foster son was suddenly using. The young man, Brandon, had told his foster dad that my wife had given him the bike, but because Brandon had had one scrape with the law already, the dad wanted to double check. Indeed, Beth had given Brandon the bicycle.

Lochlin – quite unaware of the issue with the bike and the accompanying questions bordering on allegations – raced back to the table and sat down to tackle the cookie once more.

"I told that brown man my name is Lochlin David Cravey," he said with an innocence that only a four-year-old can muster.

We'd always tempered our responses to him in order to prevent knee jerks or raised eyebrows with the goal of having clear, authentic communication. So, I took a second or three to respond.

"Now, why did you have to point out that the man was brown? He is actually a native of Japan," I recall the conversation clearly.

"I don't know," he said.

"Where did you learn that kind of talk," I asked, seeking to know.

"At my school," he said, again, innocence beaming with each syllable.

Instead of charting out plans to bust into the daycare center on Monday to "give them a piece of my mind," I took the moment as an opportunity to be the Dad I'd always wanted myself.

I used this opportunity to discuss race with my tiny tabula rasa of a child knowing that I had a tremendous opportunity to change the family narrative. My wife and I didn't speak like my father and we certainly didn't want our child to speak this way. The time had arrived to address the ugly 'R' word.

You see, I was raised in a tempestuous environment in which my father used racial slurs and launched epithets what seemed like all of the time. It was rather conflicting and demoralizing since the children of the very people he was castigating with what seemed like every syllable were my friends. It created a clearly confusing environment of us versus them.

And when I grew up and moved away, I learned that hatred is learned, but can also be unlearned. Parents obviously teach their children racial discrimination and hatred. They may not believe this or do it on purpose, but it happens.

And even though I had had that conversation with my son, I knew in my gut that I had to develop an environment for an ongoing conversation, I had to remain open – much like committing to learn something new every day as I grow older. But, nonetheless, I had started the conversation.

As the seventh child of nine children, I was the first one of the brood to enter kindergarten under full desegregation. My view and my approach is different from

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## Letters to *the Editor*

### Attention parents of students attending Clay County Schools!

Many of us moved to Clay County (Oakleaf, Fleming Island, etc.) specifically for the schools. Well, it is imperative that our parents speak up and out for supporting our hard working teachers that make this county's schools some of the best around.

The district continues to drag out yearly contract negotiations throughout each school year, only to continue to expect the teachers to work harder, longer, and with more testing regulations but no increase in pay.

Currently, all Clay County teachers are three steps behind on the salary schedule that was supposed to coincide with their years of experience. Not only that, but teachers in Clay County have gone seven years (will be eight if we continue to 'bank' on the May calculation as the superintendent and board wants) with any pay in-

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### Bad decisions hurt our children

I am extremely disappointed in the Superintendent and School Board Chairman. Their disregard for the teaching professionals in this county is appalling. It is obvious that the Superintendent is not in the least bit concerned with the people who spend more time with our beloved children than many parents. He is blatantly ignoring the suggestions of the magistrate. We have wonderful educators in Clay, we will lose them to other counties and other professions if they keep getting "the message" that they are not worthy of decent pay and most importantly professional respect.

The Chairman has scheduled a hearing about the teacher contracts at 9 a.m. on a school day. That sends a CLEAR message to teachers that she is NOT interested in hearing from them. She has also stated that she will schedule only 30 minutes for comments.

Before I started writing this letter, I called two school board members (I was planning to call them all) who told me they told the Chair that if she scheduled the meeting on Thursday they both had commitments and would not be able to attend. She scheduled the meeting anyway. Subsequently, Mrs. Carol Studdard and Mrs. Janice Kerekes had to cancel two very important appointments. I am grateful that at least those two see the value that our teachers bring to the children of Clay County.

Both the Superintendent and the School Board Chairman are up for re-election. I will be voting for a positive change because our children and our teachers deserve better. I hope you will use the power of your vote too!

Debby Terry  
Orange Park

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# Attention

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crease (no cost of living, increase on salary schedule, etc.).

Instead they have had to endure continued rising health care costs and inflation, ultimately earning less and less each year! If you want to continue to have excellent teachers in Clay County for your children, please speak up and let the school board members and superintendent know that you want your teachers supported financially and that you do vote and they are in elected positions!

Here is a link to the webpage with the school board members phone numbers and email links: <http://www.oneclay.net/school-board.html>. You can also find the superintendent's email link on this website.

And I know this is long, but I want to give you a personal example of how this has affected me and my family. About 1 and 1/2 years ago, my husband lost his job so we were having to support our family of five on one income (my income) for about a year. I knew it would be tough, but you would think that someone who had been working in their profession for 15 years, has a master's degree in the field, and gets a department head supplement would make enough to get by (challenging, but do-

able).

So imagine my surprise (which quickly turned to embarrassment, then frustration and anger) when we were struggling so much that I found out my salary was low enough to qualify for SNAP (food stamps)!! A 15 year experienced teacher with a master's degree gets paid so little that her salary qualifies for government help?! Teachers are the ones that prepare and pave the way for our future leaders, doctors, lawyers, scientists; yet, we pay them a salary that qualifies for government help. Does that even make sense??!

The sad part of this is that we knew what we were getting into...you don't go into teaching for money. We know that, but we aren't asking for the moon here! This year, all we were asking for was \$1,000 increase. That's it! Before taxes, for the entire year (not per month, etc.) - \$1,000 - since we haven't had anything for years!!

All I know is that my kids attend Clay County schools and I want them to have the best teachers available. And we all know that you get what you pay for. Awesome teachers are leaving, I see it happening more and more. Speak up before it's too late!!!

*Sandra Spencer, Oakleaf  
A hard working teacher and concerned parent*

## Teachers need respect

One thing that I learned from attending school in Clay County was to respect others. These lessons were imprinted from when I was a kindergartener at W.E. Cherry Elementary to the day the superintendent of schools handed me my diploma at Orange Park Senior High School.

I owe a great deal of my life to the educators who worked to ensure I had a future. I believe that the good reputation that this district has for quality education is

due in great part to the teachers. It is only fair, in my opinion, that the school board respect Clay County teachers with the appropriate compensation and contract. And, if such a result cannot be achieved, I ask that my friends and family in Clay County elect a school board that will respect its educators.

*John Louis Meeks Jr.  
Jacksonville*

## Editor

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that of all of my older siblings. Now, am I saying I am pure as the driven snow and blameless? Do I lose my cool sometimes and have bad thoughts? I think we all need to admit to ourselves that we all have

issues and -isms.

What's going on in the attempt to elect a new U.S. president right now in America is a shameful scourge and yet no one is willing to openly confront the man leading the pack, the man who is acting like a four-year-old. Perhaps it's an opportunity for America to sit down at the table, have a cookie and an authentic conversation.



### Orange Park resident turns 103

ORANGE PARK – Dorothy Severson said she had no particular advise on how to live to be 103, as her family celebrated her birthday on March 4. "There's no secret. You just live it," Severson said during a party at Oak View Rehabilitation Center on Kingsley Avenue in Orange Park. "I guess it probably is an accomplishment." A lifelong housewife and mother, Severson is described as an avid reader who loved to crochet. "I think every baby and bride in the family has one of her afghans," said Chris Severson, her daughter-in-law. Dorothy is shown here with five generations of her family. In back is her son Bob Severson, 77, and her grandson Robert Severson. In the front row, Dorothy Severson holds her great-granddaughter Lily Robinson who is shown with the infant's mother, Brittany Robinson, who is Dorothy's granddaughter.

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*Dominic M. Calabro is president and chief executive officer of Florida TaxWatch, a nonpartisan, nonprofit, research institute, where he has served for more than three decades. His column appears courtesy of Context Florida.*

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# Proposed project to save 10,000 driving hours

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser  
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – The Florida Department of Transportation is gearing up to carry out an estimated \$15-\$20 million road project near Wells Road and Interstate 295 that would save a combined 10,000 hours of travel time for commuters.

The FDOT held a public meeting at Orange Park Town Hall at 2042 Park Ave. on Feb. 29 for a proposed widening and reconstruction of a three mile stretch of U.S. Highway 17 from south of the Wells Road intersection to Birmingham Avenue. Additional improvements include ramp and intersection improvements at U.S. 17 and the I-295 off-ramps, Eldridge Avenue, Old Orange Park Road and Wells Road.

The major construction would add a

sliver of roadway just south of 4 Rivers Smokehouse connecting U.S. Highway 17 to Wells Road in two places.

“We’re looking at realigning Wells Road to line up with Old Orange Park Road,” said Jim Knight, Urban Planning Administrator for the FDOT. “By doing that, we can spread some of the movements out over the two signals instead of having them all concentrated at one signal. That allows us more efficiency to get more cars through.”

Knight said the FDOT has been aware of traffic capacity problems for years. To ease the congestion coming off the Buckman Bridge heading South on U.S. 17, the FDOT looked at different designs and are now seeking community feedback for the plan.

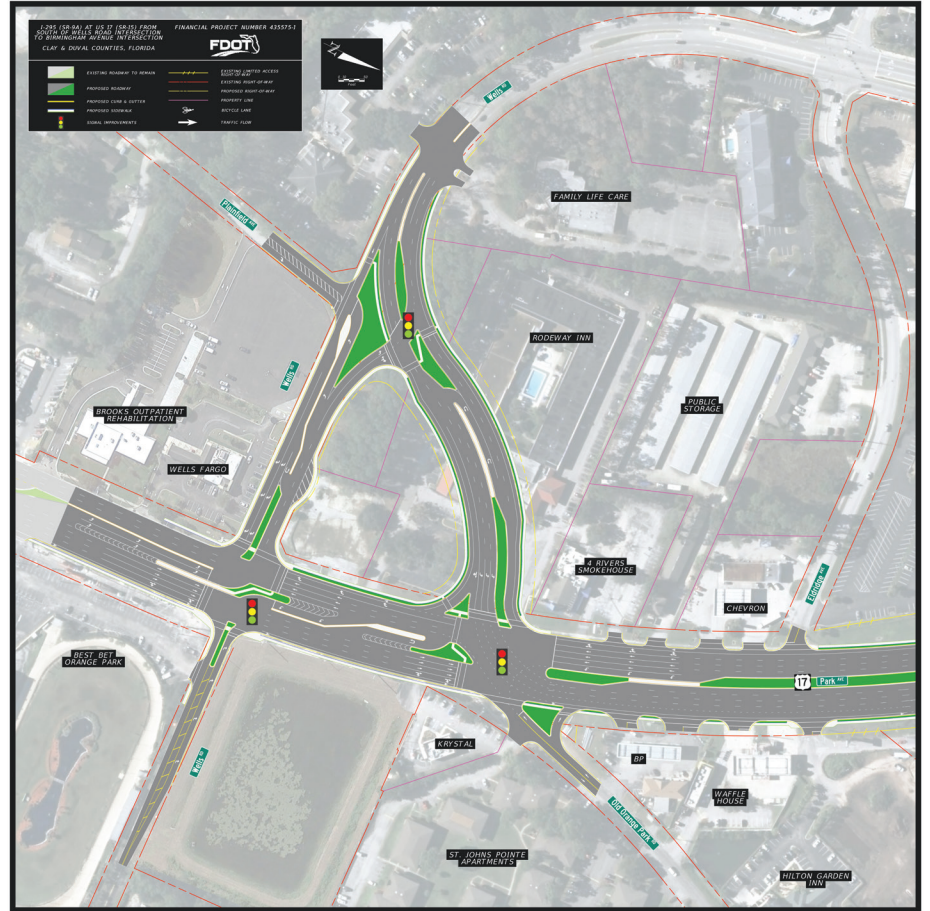
“When we recently worked on the 295 express lane project, we certainly have

been aware of capacity problems in this area for years,” Knight said. “But as we fix these other parts of 295 we look closely at the congestion at the interchanges and initially we looked at some pretty expensive concepts like building a second level down 17 that would be high level of impact, high

level of cost. Then we thought about this alternative type intersection and with that we were able to move a lot more volume through.”

This stretch of highway would cost ap-

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ORANGE PARK – Members of Orange Park American Legion Post No. 373 recently teamed up with 94 student cadets from the Navy Junior ROTC program at Ridgeview High to conduct a flag retirement ceremony at the school. American Legion officials donated more than 200 flags they had collected for the March 3 event in which all of the cadets got to retire at least one flag during the ceremony, according to rules of the U.S. Flag Code. "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem of display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning." The ceremony was very moving and served as great civics lesson for the cadets, said Lt. Cmdr. Robert Peterson, NJROTC instructor at the school.



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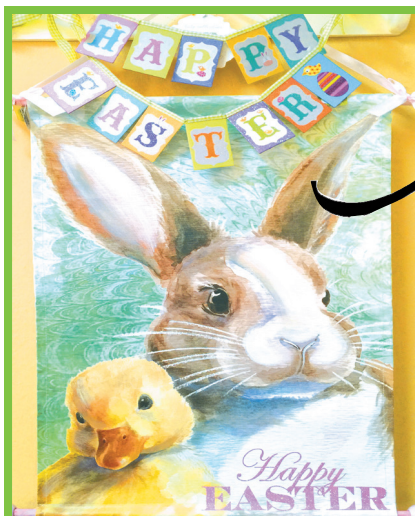
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# Students join in to end the 'R' word

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser  
Staff Writer

FLEMING ISLAND — Niyah Lewis grabbed a black marker, found a small patch of open space on a large paper banner and scribbled her name, pledging to eliminate one word from her vocabulary.

Along with fellow students at Fleming Island High, Lewis, 15, said she vowed to never use the word "retarded" and to continue treating those with intellectual disabilities with respect.

"One of my friend's has a younger brother with Down syndrome and she talked about how the word offended her and the struggles it caused her brother," said Lewis, a sophomore. "People with disabilities are people too. We shouldn't tell them that we're offended by certain things and hope that they respect us if we're saying the 'R' word. It's about showing those with disabilities the same respect."

Students from Middleburg High, Ridgeview High and Fleming Island High participated in a nationwide campaign to "Spread the Word to End the Word" Mar. 2 during school lunch periods.

Fleming Island's campaign student leader Shelby Babin, 17, said she got involved with the Special Olympics and the campus-wide campaign because of younger brother Caleb Egleston.

"I have a brother with special needs and he does Special Olympics," said Babin, a junior. "When he got involved with Special Olympics, so did I. If my little brother's going off to do something cool, I'm going to do it, too."

Babin said students who use the words "retard" or "retarded" in everyday conversations may not understand how it affects those with disabilities.

"They don't understand exactly what the word means," Babin said. "People use it as an everyday word but it's not. It's not a word that should be carelessly thrown around. It hurts because [people with special needs] don't look at themselves as different. They see themselves as regular people and just process things differently. People are people. There are plenty of other words to use in the dictionary. Why use that one?"

Ashley Hunt, 30, attended the campaign in the cafeteria to encourage students to sign the pledge and to answer questions. Hunt, who has competed in volleyball, basketball, bowling and cycling during past Special Olympics, said seeing students sign the oath was reassuring.

"It's amazing to see all these kids coming up to sign who have brothers or sisters who have disabilities like us," Hunt said, who attended Ridgeview High. "It means a lot to me."

Ridgeview High senior Madison White, 17, said their school had a huge turnout.

"We had a banner during all three lunches and we had tons of people sign it," White said. "People were able to sign the pledge knowing that they'll never use the 'R' word again. I pledged for a second time."

Cheryl Gunnells has a child with intellectual disabilities and said she constantly fights to help others understand that people with disabilities are often underestimated and misunderstood.

"When we use the word 'retarded' we



STAFF PHOTO BY SARAH WAKEFIELD ROSSER

Students at Fleming Island High School vowed through a written pledge to stop using the word "retarded" to describe people with disabilities, while also ceasing use of the word in casual conversation as a perjorative.

are telling them that they are less than because, if you look up this word in the dictionary, this is one of its definitions," Gunnells said. "I am here to tell you personally that it hurts. All these special young men and women want is to be accepted."

Gunnells said 2016 is the eighth year of the "Spread the Word" event nationally and believed it was time to bring it to Clay County.

"What better place to start than with the youth of our community? All we ask is that our county's citizens, young and old alike, take a moment to see how hurtful the word can be and then imagine if someone

you loved was spoken to in such a derogatory manner," Gunnells said.

Babin said many other students shared personal stories during the Mar. 2 campaign about having family members or friends with intellectual disabilities. Sharing those personal experiences will lead to tolerance and ultimately, the elimination of an offensive word.

"We've had a lot of people say they do have friends and relatives who are special needs," Babin said. "We've had one person come up and their group of friends followed because they realize it's an important thing to do."

## This Week in History

### 5 Years Ago, 2011

- Board of County Commissioners member Ronnie Robinson withdrew his motion to fire County Auditor Mike Price — citing Price was not doing his job — after the motion failed to get a second from fellow commissioners.

- In accepting the annual town audit from CPA firm James Moore & Company, Orange Park Town Manager Cindy Hall said the town's finances were solid having seen increases in the value of its pension the previous two years while also paying down \$670,374 in debt.

- Pam Lewis and William Gause both vied for Seat 1 on the Green Cove Springs

City Council, while Gause's son, William Lee, faced Mitch Timberlake for Seat 2. All four would enter their first-ever political campaigns.

### 10 Years Ago, 2006

- The Clay County Sheriff's Office charged Carson Wayne Parson, 42, of Jacksonville, with attempted murder and minor charges after he allegedly fired several shots from a .38-caliber handgun into a home on Evergreen Lane in Middleburg. After a chase with officers, police used a taser to subdue him.

- The county boards of commission-

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## Blood

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have never run into any shortage issues in America, Cai Camilleri, who was adopted from China, experienced shortages before he was adopted.

"Cai wasn't getting transfusions as often as he should because they have a shortage over there," said Joe Camilleri, the boys' father. "They wouldn't survive if they didn't get blood. If we didn't have these multi-gallon donors there would be a blood shortage and they would suffer. They're very healthy for their condition and that's because of the donors."

Sandra Moore of Fleming Island is the only female triple digit donor at 110 gallons. She started donating around 1990 and thinks about the people who will receive the blood and platelets created and replenished by her body every three days or so.

"Almost every time I give I think about my sister who had breast cancer," Moore said. "When she was going through treatment she had to have platelets so I know they're used for the critically ill."

Juan Mongalo, 91, of Orange Park, has

donated 17 gallons of blood and, until recently, rode his bike to the donation center. He said donating gave him a purpose and a chance to leave behind a legacy.

"When I go, I want to leave something behind worthwhile," Mangalo said.

Patrick Davies, 49, has been both a donor and a recipient of blood. Davies received 45 pints of blood during a liver transplant.

"It saved my life," Davies said. "Just knowing what the process is, I wasn't involved before I got sick so I'm trying to pass on the awareness. I received so I got to give back."

Odette Struys, OneBlood's marketing and communications director said the need for blood donors is constant.

"We are so proud of our donors because the selflessness of serving recipients like Corbyn and Cai and seeing them all here together puts all the puzzle pieces together," Struys said. "Our need is constant. We always need all types of blood because it's rare."

Mowers said donating has become so quick and simple there are no excuses.

"There are five or six centers in town," Mowers said. "If you're driving around, stop in."

the bang for the buck we're looking for."

Currently, the signal at Wells Road and U.S. 17 has four major phases, such as left turns and "through," in each light signal. Spreading the movements and the four major phases out over two different signals will decrease the number of phases at each light, Knight said.

"Say at the Wells Road signal, we have the North-South throughs and then we allow the North-South lefts and you can get the East-West rights at the same time but it's two phases so we effectively get substantially more green time to give to the lanes that are there so we get more cars through the lanes we have."

Currently, many drivers divert to River Road to avoid congestion on U.S. 17. The proposed plan would give drivers less incentive to leave the main artery.

"This [US Highway 17] becomes a more efficient route so people have less reason to divert to River Road," Knight said. "That's a plus to River Road. The negative is they can't go across from Wells but it's hard for people to believe that if you have a longer trip that's efficient it's better than a shorter trip that's more direct."

Philip Murphy is the president of Murphco of Florida Inc. and is the licensed owner and operator of the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites at 620 Wells Road. At the public meeting, Murphy said the proposed plan would make it easier for guests to get on and off I-295.

"When coming from Holiday Inn, it's a real bottleneck so we hope our guests can get on 295 quicker and off 295 quicker," Murphy said. "It's always a problem getting on 17, so this would divert it a little and making coming off the off-ramp easier. It would please us."

## Clay Electric lowers power cost for members

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Beginning this month, Clay Electric Co-op has lowered the cost of power for its members by \$3.20 per 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity. This means that members will pay \$113.90 for 1,000 kWh. Last month's cost was \$117.10.

The cooperative is able to lower the cost of power due to the dropping price of natural gas, which Seminole Electric Cooperative uses to generate a sizable portion of the wholesale electricity it provides Clay and eight other distribution cooperatives in Florida.

"Our lower power cost comes as a result of our power supplier continuing to purchase fuel at the lowest possible price," said Ricky Davis, general manager and chief executive officer. "Based on projections of the cost of fuel used to generate power, our cost of power should remain stable for months."

The lower cost of power will be reflected in a lower Power Cost Adjustment

on members' monthly power bills. The PCA decreased from \$24.60 last month to \$21.40 this month.

With this month's drop in the PCA, members' cost for 1,000 kWh is now the third lowest rate among the 15 electric cooperatives in Florida. Clay Electric is also lower than many of its neighboring utilities.

This month, members of Clay Electric who are entitled to a capital credits refund will see their capital credits refund credited to their bill, which means this month's bill will be even lower.

Capital credits are a reflection of the fact that Clay Electric is a not-for-profit cooperative. This means that any margins left over at the end of the year after all expenses are paid is set aside in each member's name to be refunded at a later date as capital credits, a unique benefit of being served by a member-owned cooperative.

## Orange Park Elementary registration underway

ORANGE PARK – Parents hoping to enroll their child in Clay County's only concept school should prepare to take part in an upcoming registration event.

The Clay County School District will hold its annual lottery for admitting students into Orange Park Elementary.

Registration takes place for one week at Orange Park Elementary and the lottery drawing takes place the following week at the Teacher Training Center on the cam-

pus of Fleming Island High School.

Orange Park Elementary will hold its open registration for the 2016-2017 school year March 28-April 1. Registrations will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, with additional hours, until 6:30 pm, on March 31.

Because Orange Park Elementary accepts students countywide instead of zoned boundaries, the school district does not provide transportation to school.

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proximately \$13 million and the entire three-mile stretch would cost upwards of \$20 million upon completion.

By 2020, the proposed concept would save commuters about 10,000 hours per day in travel time.

"In 2040 as things would be getting much worse with the no-build, that goes up to 60,000 hours a day," Knight said. "We would project about 60,000 hours per day of travel time savings if we build this versus if we don't and in the year 2020, about 10,000 hours."

Knight then stated that if an hour of commuters' time was valued at \$10 an hour, the traffic easement would save about \$25 million a year.

Less idling at stop lights would also save drivers gas and lessen their carbon footprint.

"A car idling for an hour burns probably a quarter of a gallon of gas," Knight said. "So you save 10,000 hours a day you're saving 2,500 gallons of gas per day."

Knight said the main concern from businesses located on the east side of Wells Road focused on the elimination of through traffic on Wells Road. Traffic would no longer be able to continuously move across Wells but would instead be routed to make a u-turn. Left turns from eastbound traffic on Wells Road would be forced to briefly head north to turn left onto the new stretch of highway.

"Wells would no longer go straight through because we want the efficiency," Knight said. "They'd turn right, u-turn and then go through. If we allow them to turn left we lose that efficiency and we don't get

## History

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ers of Clay and St. Johns counties met in a joint workshop to discuss the proposed route for the Outer Beltway. Commissioners agreed to pass official resolutions supporting the route just south of the existing Shands Bridge in Green Cove Springs.

- Clay County Fire Rescue said Linda Sinclair, 44, died in a house fire in the 2600 block of Carmel Court due to careless smoking.

### 20 Years Ago, 1996

- Tom and Donna Richards' plans to transport a Victorian home built in 1864 from Lake George via barge to Green Cove Springs caused citizens to become involved. They were opposed to the couple having to remove trees at the Green Cove Springs home site.

- The Clay Board of County Commissioners voted to file dual lawsuits against the City of Green Cove Springs and its Zoning Adjustment Board in the wake of the board's denial of a variance that would allow the sheriff to expand the county jail.

- Clay Today announced it would cease publishing five days a week to publishing on a twice weekly schedule.

### 30 Years Ago, 1986

- Green Cove Springs City Council announced that restrooms at Spring Park may soon be getting a makeover using funds from the Florida Department of Natural Resources' Recreation Development Assistance Program.

- As it prepared to hold its inaugural Freedom Fund event, Clay County NAACP President Isaac Brown said the chapter membership had increased to a record 60 members.

- Jennifer Moeller, 12, an eighth grader at Orange Park Christian Academy, spelled 'faddist' to win the Clay County Spelling Bee earning a trip to the regional spelling bee in Jacksonville.

### 40 Years Ago, 1976

- The Clay County Zoning Commission shot down a rezoning request from New Life Temple and its plan to transform 10 acres on Longhorn Road in Middleburg into the church's national headquarters, including a campground meeting facility.

- Apparel and boot shop Western World was putting the finishing touches on its Blanding Boulevard store in preparation for its grand opening.

- Lanny Lancaster, Clay County Supervisor of Elections, predicted a 50-60 percent voter turnout for the Presidential

# Chiappini's: The hidden gem of Santa Fe

Words and images by  
**Jamie Swann and Kelsey Oates**  
*OneTankMedia*

MELROSE – Nestled along the quiet banks of Lake Santa Fe sits a sleepy town filled with people who are anything but. The unincorporated community of Melrose has pride in its single stop light, which hangs like a beacon in the center of town.

But the true heart and soul of Melrose lies within a stucco-and-chicken-wire building on the corner at that stop light.

Located at the intersection of four counties – Putnam, Clay, Alachua and Bradford – Chiappini's is a straight shot down State Road 21, about 40 miles south of Orange Park.

The interior of Chiappini's gas station consists of walls lined with jackalopes, swamp monkeys, deer and bass, but it holds more than just taxidermied animals and gags. For 81 years, the blue and white building has been the town's corner store, full-service gas station, meeting place and bar.

Bait, beer and mounted animals that locals have hunted give life to Chiappini's and can be found all throughout the store.

Chiappini's, like Melrose itself, prides itself on its old-fashioned sense of community.

"This place is paradise," said life-



Melrose resident, Mark Tupperburg, poses with the infamous swamp monkey – a humorous legend that lives on the walls of Chiappini's.

long resident Chad Hovsepian regarding the town. "It's slow. It's a small town and there's water everywhere. There's no place better to live."

Upon first glance, the gas station seems quaint, almost storybook like. The building is covered with artistically painted ads on the fading white exterior that boasts everything from live bait, cold beer, hunting supplies and single cans of soda for 50 cents.

Pull up to the pumps and a man named Ed emerges from the double glass doors. With a smile on his face, Ed, playfully nicknamed EdWeiser by locals after the bar's favorite brew, is ready to pump gas, wash your windshield and even check your engine oil.

Follow EdWeiser inside to find a small crowd gathering around the bar, sipping on Busch beers and chatting about their day – a re-creating of a scene from a rural "Cheers" episode. The atmosphere creates a second home for locals that capitalizes on the strengths of friendships throughout the town.

But Chiappini's has also attracted a larger following. Legislators have traveled from Tallahassee to rub shoulders with locals and sip beers, while passers-by are often enticed to "stay a while" by the bar-gas station's friendly regulars.

Most afternoons, patrons with beer cans in hand sit on the bar's wooden porch or on the concrete steps leading out to the gas pumps. Small children wander inside to buy sodas or snacks while regulars gather in the back of the store to chat and share stories. Some also step outside to play yard games like cornhole and horse shoes.

On some days, dogs follow their owners up to the steps of Chiappini's where they wait outside for their owners to emerge. Melrose resident Shannon Sullivan used to bring her pet opossums into the bar when she visited.


The story of this small-town legend began in 1935 when a young Army soldier, Joseph Nicola Chiappini, returned from fighting in World War I. After being gifted land from the general he so devoutly served, Chiappini made the decision to capitalize on the lack of anything to do in the quiet town.

The resulting Chiappini's quickly became the town's gas station, bait and tackle, grocery store and bar. For 81 years, three generations of Chiappini brothers have dedicated themselves to making their business successful.

And it has been a resounding success.

Stories passed down through the Chiappini family recount soldiers during WWII using Chiappini's as a common pit stop along their 20-mile journey from Camp Blanding to the dance hall. Being the first place to get beer and wine, the soldiers would buy every last drop, as well as some gifts for their female companions that anxiously awaited their arrival. The local ladies would meet up with the soldiers and dance the night away, pushing their fears and relentless worrying to the back of their head, at least for the night.

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Since 1935, Chiappini's has been providing patrons with a full service gas station, ice cold beers, and endless amounts of stories along with smiles.

In the early 1950s, the remaining debt that the family owed to Gulf Oil for the establishment was paid off. It has since severed its official connection with Gulf, in part, perhaps, because of the unusual nature of the gas-station/bar/bait shop/convenience store.

Today, as a family, the Chiappini brothers, Mark and Robin work together to make sure that the business their father and grandfather worked so hard to maintain, remains a constant and proud name within Melrose.

Today, the same nurturing and welcoming feeling still lives within Chiappini's.

Not only is it the main gas station for the locals, it is a home for the residents of Melrose, who are each other's support systems and closest friends.

"When my daughter was sick, everyone here pitched in money and it saved my baby's life. They're family," said resident Jackie Fraga.

Another time, the Chiappinis held a "wake" in the establishment for a regular who had died.

Helping out the local community is one of Chiappini's proudest accomplishments. They have hosted annual events such as a chili cook off, and they have successfully helped local schools.

"Whether you're from Melrose or not, Chiappini's is everybody's home," said Mark Chiappini, owner.



## Chorale to embark on first-ever international tour

ORANGE PARK – The Orange Park Chorale is launching its most ambitious spring concert ever with four concerts in the next two months.

The first is this weekend where, on March 11, the chorale performs at 7:30 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church, 245 Kingsley Ave. in Orange Park. The chorale also presents a Sunday performance, March 13 at 3 p.m. at Riverside Presbyterian Church, 849 Park St. in Jacksonville.

The series aptly-named "Bon Voyage" will be prior to the chorale's first international tour in May. The chorale will travel to Italy where it will be joined by members of the Jacksonville University Chorus and the community where it will perform concerts in Venice, Florence, and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

The chorale will host a special send-off concert on April 24 at 6 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, 4171 Hendricks Ave. in Jacksonville.

The concert series concludes with its annual charity concert held to benefit a nonprofit organization from Orange Park. The chorale is committed to giving back our voices to benefit our community and this concert is one of our yearly highlight, according to a press release. The benefit concert is scheduled for May 21 at 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, U.S. Highway 17, Fleming Island.

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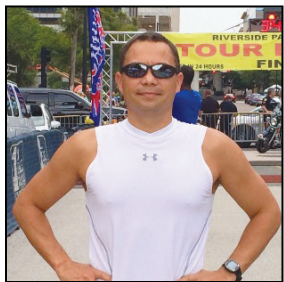
1. Birds
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12. Type of vessels
16. Used for baking or drying
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18. Many wombs
19. 'On the Waterfront' actor
24. Air conditioning
25. Heart condition
26. Curved shapes
27. The 7th letter of the Greek alphabet
28. Let it stand
29. Famous actor
30. Mated
31. High and low are types of these
33. Marsupial
34. African nation (Fr.)
37. Huge
38. Mountainous area in Puerto Rico
39. Crooked
42. Canadian law enforcers (abbr.)
43. Neat and smart in appearance
44. Intent

48. Reptile genus
49. A way to make full
50. Merchant
52. Michigan
53. Manifesting approval
55. Melancholic music
57. Massachusetts
58. Membrane of the cornea
59. Calendar month
62. Exam
63. Commission
64. Old English letters

**CLUES DOWN**

1. Olfactory sensations
2. Bon \_\_\_
3. Turn up
4. Bright
5. Thick piece of something
6. Cause to absorb water
7. Morning
8. 0 degrees C.
9. Dull, heavy sounds
10. Eisaku \_\_\_, Japanese Prime Minister
13. Tellurium
14. In an angry way
15. Homopterous insect
20. Above
21. Sodium

22. Aoris' father (Greek myth.)
23. They ring receipts
27. Periods of history
29. South Dakota
30. Mammal genus
31. Scotland's longest river
32. Potato state
33. \_\_\_ City, OK 74641
34. Connected with touch
35. Molding
36. High-energy physics
37. Of I
38. Small pieces of bread
39. Third day in Armenian calendar
40. They accompany the leader
41. 1,000 grams (kilogram)
43. Felis domesticus
44. Large, flightless birds
45. Felt deep affection for
46. Suffer death
47. Private rendezvous (pl.)
49. Not the winner
50. Touchdown
51. Ancient Egyptian sun god
53. Portuguese parish
54. Aromatic oil
56. Not down
60. Mister
61. Barium



## Orange Park Student's Inaugural Marathon High

Motivating this generation can be easy if you capture their hearts and minds for a worthy goal. It takes a special person with a unique passion to do this. This past fall, I had the privilege of meeting and training with Melissa McCrosky, director of guid-

ance at Orange Park High School, who did just that – motivated a group of teenage students to run their first half-marathon, which 13.1 miles. McCrosky, a runner and athlete of more than 10 years, joined up with local nonprofit Marathon High program for Orange Park's inaugural season.

### What is Marathon High and how did OPHS get involved?

"I heard talk about Marathon High on runs with the PRS Running Club. I didn't know many details, but I did know that it was a great way to get teenagers out running. I really wanted the teenagers at my school to be able to experience the life-changing opportunity that comes from running – from pushing yourself beyond your imagined limits, setting and achieving goals and building long-lasting friendships."

Marathon High is free program that is partnered with the Galloway Training Program and the 26.2 with Donna Breast Cancer Race serving Northeast Florida teens of all backgrounds and abilities in grades 9-12. The program is non-competitive and reaches out to many students who would normally not consider themselves as athletes.

### The Orange Park High Experience

The season started this past October with 15 students and eight volunteer faculty coaches. Faculty and students run side by side in assigned pace groups. Training consisted of two weekly runs after school and a long run on Saturday, which built from two to 14 miles over the course of about four months. Students and faculty endured hot, humid, rainy, windy and freezing cold weather from Kingsley Avenue to Doctors Lake Drive to Blanding Boulevard. Some suffered injuries, some had to drop out, but all experienced the rewards of training and friendships. "Saturday runs were the best, and we especially enjoyed the runs where our team joined with other local schools," McCrosky said.

Race Day Experience at the Donna Half-Marathon on Feb. 14

"Race day was amazing! We were met at the school at 5 a.m. by our Principal, Mr. Clayton Anderson, who came out to

wish us well. The students were excited! The coaches were excited! We were ready!" Two OP students and one coach ran their very first ever half marathon that day, and smiles and high fives abounded.

### Biggest Challenge

During this inaugural season at OPHS, the biggest challenge was retention of students. At the end of the season, there were just a handful of students that had stayed consistent with the training or weren't out due to injury or illness. "It was very easy to feel defeated that this season wasn't a 'life-changing' experience for many, but after reviewing pictures from the race, it was evident that the experience was indeed a life-changing experience for some, and that is worthy of celebration." Orange Park can't wait to do it again, and they are grateful to the Marathon High organization for this opportunity.

As an educator for the past 20 years, I was surely blessed to run with this inspiring group of teachers and students. The maturity of these students was evident as the weekly running grind was tough, but crossing the finish line was one of my best finishes. Running alongside a ninth grader this is what this young was saying to me: "There's the finish line, Mr. B, there's the finish line. You got this. Come on. You got this!"

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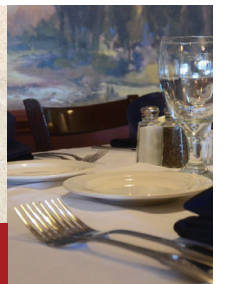
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# Beware of spring pollen allergies

By Raymond H. Zerba Jr.  
UF/IFAS Extension  
Horticulture Program Asst.

I have a brother-in-law who works outside each weekend and he is having terrific issues with all the pollen that is coating every flat surface in the landscape. He wanted to know how long he might have to suffer from this pollen. To answer him I went online and looked up North Florida Pollen Season.

As it turns out there a site called "Pollen Forecast" produced by the Weather Channel in Jacksonville. I learned that this time of year most pollen people are allergic to comes from trees – no surprise because many trees are in flower now. One of the picture's shown here is the male flower of a pine tree – one species shedding lots of pollen. It's only male flowers that produce pollen, female flowers do not (unless they are part of a flower that has both male and female portions – called a complete flower – example a rose).

Pines have both female (the cone) and male worm-like structures called catkins – flowers on the same plant. Oak trees are this way too, which is the second photo. We get pollen for as long as it takes for the male flowers to shed all they have, which is influenced by temperature, wind, and rainfall.

Pollen levels are usually highest in the morning and lowest in the afternoon. Tree pollens are most often encountered in our area in late winter to early spring. Grass pollens are not very prevalent now but will be starting up in May, going through the summer. Weed pollens are usually more of



a problem during fall to early winter.

Seasonal allergies can stop people in their tracks with sneezing attacks, watery eyes and noses, and in some, an inability to breathe. People, who are unaware of their particular allergies, often want to blame plants with bright, fragrant flowers, even though these are usually not the culprits. Goldenrod for instance, was long suspected of being a pollen allergen but

now we know it is not, because its pollen is too heavy to blow about and instead is pollinated by insects.

Brightly colored, fragrant flowers usually have heavy pollen that need insects for transfer (that's the purpose of color and scent – to attract), so they rarely use wind to move about but insect pollinated plants may still affect highly susceptible people if their pollen falls in hair or clothing.

The first step in gardening with allergies is to identify the plants that cause a problem for you. Your doctor can help with tests. Allergies can change over time, as can sensitivity. By knowing your allergies, you can begin developing avoidance strategies – such as not planting particular plants in your landscape or working outdoors only certain times of the day.

In the summer, people who mow often suffer from allergies from grass pollen – but realize that when mowing a typical lawn, you may be mowing more than just grass. If it has been dry, mowers may kick up lots of sand and other organic particu-



late matter, all of which can cause allergic reactions often blamed on pollen. For everyone, the University of Florida suggests that you mow using a "dust mask" covering you're your nose.

Want someone to answer a specific plant question? Go online to <http://clay.ifas.ufl.edu> and under the heading "Horticulture" (left hand side-bar) click on "Ask a Master Gardener." A reply will be sent plus a hyperlink to the appropriate University of Florida Fact Sheets. To speak to someone by phone, call 269-6355 or 284-6355.

## Urgent need for blood donations

JACKSONVILLE – The supply of blood has reached extremely low levels due to high usage in area hospitals. An immediate appeal is being issued for blood donors to donate at OneBlood (formerly The Blood Alliance), the local blood center, as soon as possible. Donated blood will help an ill or injured patient within a few days. The turn-around is fast.

To make an appointment, find a donor

center or a Big Red Bus near you please visit: [www.igiveblood.com](http://www.igiveblood.com) or call: 888.99.TBA.HERO (888.998.2243).

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power of their blood type and how to donate the specific components of their blood that are most needed by area hospitals.

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# Obituaries

## Arvid C. "Al" Miller

Arvid C. "Al" Miller, 78 of Green Cove Springs, Fla. passed away Friday, March 4, 2016 following a battle with Lewy Body disease. Mr. Miller was a native of Hastings, Mich. and moved to Green Cove Springs 20 years ago from Clay Hill.



Arvid C. "Al" Miller

He was a veteran of the US. Navy for seven years and retired from NAS in 2005 after 30 years. Later, Al retired again from Camp Blanding after seven years of service.



Over the years, Al was a mentor to many children and passed along his work ethic and life lessons. He enjoyed riding his Harley, singing, and playing his harmonica. Al never met a stranger and had a life motto of "Family First".

Mr. Miller was preceded in death by his brother John Miller and is survived by his wife of 25 years, Joann Miller, children, Dyanna Renee "Dida" Miller, Jason Poland, Travis Miller, Adam Warner, Garth Warner, Ron Roberson and Bryan Roberson, brother, Nathan Lee (Paulette) Miller, three sisters, Carolyn (Hal) Platt, Marcia (Jerry) Mahler, and Ruth (Jim) Wicker, mother-in-law, Helen Gonsalves, grandchildren, Hayden, Savanna, Preston, Ella and Haley, along with many other family members and friends.

Memorial Services will be held 11:00 AM Saturday, March 12, 2016 in Russell Baptist Church with Rev. Ron Baker officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to: Haven Hospice [www.havenhospice.org](http://www.havenhospice.org) or Lewy Body Dementia Association, [www.lbda.org](http://www.lbda.org) Arrangements are under the care of Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Family and friends may share their condolences at: [www.RHRFH.com](http://www.RHRFH.com) 904-284-7720



## Franklin Ray Gann

Mr. Franklin Ray Gann, 76, passed away Sunday, March 6, 2016 in Gainesville. Mr. Gann was born February 1, 1940 in Fayette, Ala., the son of Thomas and Mabel (Cannon) Hilton.

He resided in Keystone Heights for the past 17 years and was of the Baptist faith. In his pastime, he enjoyed golfing and being in the yard. His parents preceded him in death.

Survivors are his wife Cecelia M. Gann, 3 daughters, 2 sons, 2 brothers, 1 sister, numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren, and many extended family members.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home with Pastor David Adair officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation be made in Mr. Gann's honor to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478 Oklahoma City, Okla. 73123, 1-800-227-2345, or [www.donate.cancer.org](http://www.donate.cancer.org). Arrangements are under the care of Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home & Cremation, 1811 Idlewild Ave. Green Cove Springs, FL 32043904-284-9696. [www.helmgallagherfh.com](http://www.helmgallagherfh.com)



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## Carrie Ann Johnson

Carrie Ann Johnson, 31, of Green Cove Springs, Fla. passed away March 4, 2016. Please sign the family's online guestbook at [www.broadusraines.com](http://www.broadusraines.com). Arrangements under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (904) 284-4000



## John Richard Seibert Jr.

John Richard Seibert Jr. passed away on December 8, 2015.

John is survived by his loving wife, Chong Seibert, and daughters, Kristen and Jessica Seibert.

A funeral service was held on December 30, 2015 at Aaron and Burney Bivens Funeral Home, 529 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073, (904) 264-1233. Honors and burial followed the service at Jacksonville National Cemetery.



## Rob Edward "Knobbs" Hamm

Rob Edward "Knobbs" Hamm, 31 of Jacksonville, Fla. passed away March 5, 2016. Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 904-284-7720. [www.RHRFH.com](http://www.RHRFH.com)



## William Clayton Ramage

William Clayton Ramage, 43 of St. Augustine, passed away Thursday, March 3, 2016. Arrangements by Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home & Cremation Services. 904-284-9696 [www.helmgallagherfh.com](http://www.helmgallagherfh.com)



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## Bernice Wright

Bernice Wright, 74, of Green Cove Springs, Fla. passed away March 1, 2016. Please sign the family's online guestbook at [www.broadusraines.com](http://www.broadusraines.com). Arrangements under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (904) 284-4000a



## Keith Evan Rock

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## David Allen Johnson

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## Thaddeus R. Grant

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# In Spirit

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## OFF THE CHAIN

### Ministry helps men on the path to righteousness

**By Sarah Wakefield Rosser**  
*Staff Writer*

MIDDLEBURG – Thirteen years ago Victor Lopez went to prison but judging by the way he currently lives life, most people would not believe he has a history of violence, drug use and alcohol addiction.

Lopez's addiction to drugs and alcohol fueled poor decisions that landed him in prison in 2003.

"I grew up in a broken home and had anger issues and my escape was drugs and alcohol," said Lopez, who now lives in Live Oak, Fla. "I was arrested for aggravated battery, a felony and went to Lake Butler."

During his sentence in the Reception and Medical Center prison in Lake Butler, he befriended inmates going to a Bible study class every Friday night. That's where he met Daryl Townsend of Middleburg. Raised in the Catholic tradition, Lopez believed his salvation did not include baptism.

"In his study he said something con-

tradictory," Lopez said. "Baptism was how to be saved but I went back and told him, I'm going to prove you wrong. I went to the next Bible study just to get more information and realized my errors as far as my faith. I initiated one on one conversation

which led to many conversations. I needed to be a born again Christian. My Catholicism was incorrect."

With six months left to serve his

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Daryl Townsend, second from right, stands with a group of men who have either completed or are currently in the Off the Chain prison ministry he runs.

### Bonding and building College students help Habitat

**By Sarah Wakefield Rosser**  
*Staff Writer*

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Wearing a construction safety mask and large sunglasses to protect her eyes, Meghan Breen held open a garbage bag while a friend filled it with tufts of insulation, siding and broken tiles from a home demolition.

Breen and four others from Georgetown University's School of Law worked with 15 fraternity members from Case Western Reserve University to demolish a house here on Mar. 7 during Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge.

Instead of spending spring break traveling, celebrating or resting, students gave a small donation and spent the week swinging sledge hammers and removing a house to make room for brand new homes for qualifying families.

"The thing is when you're in law school you really can't spend time not doing law, not studying for class, not doing extracurriculars, not looking for jobs, not preparing so this is really the only thing you can do that doesn't involve the law to where you don't feel guilty about not spending your time in the library," said Breen, 29. "The selfish reason is to be able to not do law. The real reason is to be able to help other people."

Taking a break from 16-hour study sessions, Breen and four others drove down from Washington, D.C. for a week to volunteer with Clay County Habitat for Humanity. Breen is the president of the Habitat for Humanity chapter at Georgetown Law and decided that after last year's build in Delaware, it was time to build in warmer weather.

"Last year, we went to Delaware and it was freezing so the first day I was like I'm in charge next year and we're going to Florida," Breen said. "When I was growing up, we spent our summers

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# Chain

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sentence, Lopez planned to go back to Tallahassee where his ex-wife and daughter lived.

“Prison is an artificial environment,” said Townsend, who founded Off the Chain Ministries Inc., a not-for-profit prison ministry that provides men support during the transition from prison to outside life.

“The real test is when they get out, you know – wine, women and song. Some men can stay sober in prison but when they get out, they can’t. Most people in prison have had substance abuse issues and problems with drugs and alcohol so most of them don’t need to go back to where they’re from. In general, people, places and things need to change. Many of their families are dysfunctional. The whole idea was to get guys in a different environment.”

After Lopez got out of prison, he lived with Townsend and his wife and three children. Lopez went to their church, learned basic life skills, found a job and stayed sober.

Even though Townsend’s wife was skeptical at first about opening her home to a convicted felon, Townsend saw, after countless conversations and Bible studies together, Lopez was serious about changing his life.

“If I wanted to change my behavior and my ways I needed to make a change,” Lopez



Victor Lopez

said. “I’ve been out of prison for 10 years and remained faithful to the church and I help other men who have gone through transition.”

Lopez has remarried and has two sons, the oldest recently was baptized.

Townsend never thought starting two transition houses for recently released felons driven to change would be his life’s calling. He worked in the dairy industry for 20 years before starting Off the Chain. At the end of 2005, Townsend started the ministry where he visited two or three prisons and taught classes such as authentic manhood based on biblical scripture and counseled men. Choosing the inmates he felt would be committed staying sober, joining the church and finding employment Townsend opened up a transition house in Clay County.

“I was working intensively with the men,” Townsend said, who has worked with drug addicts and sexual predators. “I was working in two or three prisons several times a week teaching classes and counseling one on one. I realized they need help when they get out.”

The first transition home opened in 2006 and the second followed in 2009.

“They have a curfew, and obviously no drugs, no alcohol, no dating relationships with women while they’re in the program,” Townsend said. “It’s a minimum of six months but they can stay as long as they need to and as long as we have room. While they’re in there, they attend classes and sit down with me to learn about budgeting. Any money we spend on them, like getting them a driver’s license, the deal is they work and pay that back. Once they’re working they pay for use of the car. They pay for rent but until they’re working we provide all that for them.”

Currently, six men live as roommates

between the two houses but there is room for up to 10. Living together gives the men the opportunity to build meaningful, supportive relationships with the other men who are on the same path.

“It’s hard because most of the men have never had real relationships with other men,” Townsend said. “There may be guys they’ve partied with but they’ve had no real mentoring. Some of these men have never had a positive role model in their life, never had anybody in their family unit who showed them those things.”

Just as the prodigal son returned to his father’s house feeling he only deserved to be a servant, Townsend said that mindset is key for the rehabilitated men to live the life God intended and to move forward.

“If you’re not willing to come back with that same mindset, if you come out with a chip on your shoulder, people aren’t giving me a job, they owe me something, I’ve been mistreated, then you’re going to fail,” Townsend said. “If you’re coming out saying if anybody helps me, it’s grace. I don’t

deserve one bit of help because of all the harm I’ve done. If you don’t have that gratitude mindset, it makes a big difference. The word of God has to touch men’s hearts.”

Off the Chain Ministries treats the whole man – many of whom are repeat offenders – starting with the basics.

“It’s a vicious cycle so you go in and say here’s another way to live and I can help you learn to live that way. You don’t have to let your past define you,” Townsend said.

The Off the Chain program stuck for Lopez despite one slip in 10 years and they touch base fairly regularly. Lopez was baptized Jan. 20, 2006.

“My struggle and temptation is alcohol,” Lopez said, who has been married for eight years and worked for Miller Electric in Live Oak for 10. “I struggle with that but I know what I need to do. I don’t go to restaurants with alcohol. When I’m hit with a temptation I can talk with Daryl and he holds me accountable. It’s all based on accountability and staying strong to the faith and trying to do what God wants me to do.”



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## Faith Walk

### Strikeout

There is a great old poem that has brought loads of entertainment to multiple people for many years. The poem is “Casey at the Bat.” Written in 1888, it tells the story of the local baseball hero, Casey, who walked up to the plate to hit with two outs and two men on base in the bottom of the ninth inning. The crowd adoringly cried out with faithful expectancy as Casey stepped up to hit. They were two runs down but Casey was the winning run at the plate. Everyone in the stadium expected him to save the day. With two strikes on him, Casey swung his bat with great power at the third pitch. Then the poem says,

*“Oh, somewhere in this favored land  
the sun is shining bright;  
The band is playing somewhere, and  
somewhere hearts are light,  
And somewhere men are laughing, and  
somewhere children shout;  
But there is no joy in Mudville—mighty  
Casey has struck out.”*

Casey was not the only one to strike out at a crucial moment. It happens to everyone. Babe Ruth, the famed “Sultan of Swat,” struck out 1,330 times. So far, there are 114 major league players who struck out more times than he did. But Babe Ruth also hit 714 home runs in his career. Almost no one remembers the Babe’s strikeouts. But many fans know he hit 714 homers and for many years was the record holder.

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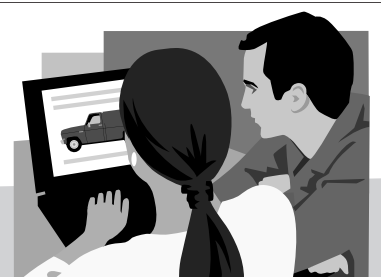
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# Habitat

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down here. It was crazy to me they hadn't come down here before so I said I think we're taking this outfit where there's sun."

The home at 415 N. Pine Ave. was built in the 1950's and is one of three properties donated to Habitat by Wells Fargo. The current home and paved driveway will be replaced by two or three homes, depending on the acquirement of a sliver of additional property between the lot and the adjoining property to the south.

Habitat for Humanity's Ryan McIntyre said the Collegiate Challenge brings dozens of students who can tackle major projects. Before the day was over, the group demolished exterior siding, insulation, sheet rock, plumbing and tile.

"They come out with a ton of energy," McIntyre said.

Fifteen members from the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity drove more than 13 hours from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio to volunteer. When they arrived on site the morning of Mar. 7, the house was fully intact but in less than one day, only the bare frame and floor of the house remained.

Case Western Reserve student Jonathan Healy, 20, said participating in the



STAFF PHOTOS BY SARAH WAKEFIELD ROSSER

College students converged at a home site on North Pine Avenue in Green Cove Springs this week as part of the Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge 2016. Students came from Case Western Reserve University and Georgetown University School of Law.



Sledge hammers were prevalent March 7 at a home site on North Pine Avenue as demolition got underway to remove a substandard home and replace it with new homes for needy Clay County families.



Students from throughout the U.S. take their spring breaks to volunteer nationwide for Habitat for Humanity, which helps needy families obtain affordable housing.

week long project focused on his fraternity's values.

"We have three cardinal values that nationally Sig Ep is based on," Healy said. "Virtue, diligence and brotherly love. We call it VDBL. All our programming is based around these cardinal values. That's kind of what we always try to live by."

A long standing tradition, members of Sigma Phi Epsilon volunteer each year for Habitat for Humanity and have served in Alabama and North Carolina. Service is a requirement in Case Western Reserve's Greek life but Healy said participating in service is about building relationships.

"It's nice because we can bond while we're doing the service instead of going home and doing individual service or relaxing," Healy said. "A lot of guys are willing to give up a week to do service and hang out when the work's all done. It's also a really good resume builder. It's always great to say oh, I took my spring break to go do some service but I think more than anything why we all do it is to bond. There are few other places where 15 guys can go. We pay for gas and a small fee to support the mission here but I know it's a combination of brotherhood and our values that brings everyone down together."



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# County attorney announces retirement

By Debra W. Buehn  
Correspondent

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – After more than 30 years of public service in the state of Florida, Clay County Attorney Mark Scruby is retiring.

Scruby's retirement was announced at Tuesday's Board of County Commissioners meeting by Chairwoman Diane Hutchings, who read from a memorandum Scruby had written to the commissioners informing them of his decision to retire.

Scruby's retirement will take place Aug. 31.

"As of the end of August this year, I will have completed 30 years of service in the Florida Retirement System, including my time as an assistant state attorney and as county attorney, and be eligible to retire with full benefits," Scruby said in his memo. "Coincidentally, this April will mark the thirtieth year I have served as county attorney," he continued.

Scruby said he had worked under "no less than 25 county commissioners" during his years of service.

In his memo, Scruby said he began his law career in 1982 as an assistant state attorney in the Eighth Judicial Circuit. He served in that capacity for "a little over three years," before joining his father in Orange Park, where they practiced law as Scruby & Scruby, he said.

"In April of 1986, the county engaged the firm to serve as its counsel on a part-time basis, and I assumed the role of county attorney at that time. On Oct. 1, 1989, I became the full-time county attorney and



Veterans groups are seeking public help to raise money for this TAPS monument to be erected in Green Cove Springs.

an employee of the county," Scruby said.

Scruby's announcement leaves the BCC with the task of finding a replacement, and how to go about that task.

The county attorney is one of three county employees that the Board of County Commissioners actually hires. The other two are the county manager and the county auditor.

The main topic of conversation Tuesday concerning the hiring process centered on whether the best way to proceed was to hire a search firm that specializes in such efforts, and whether it would be worth the cost.

Commissioner Wendell Davis, who has been on the BCC for some seven years and is in his last term-limited year of service, has been through the hiring process before, when a search firm was used to help

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# Tragedy

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taking his own life.

"I thought a slab fell over and was broke initially and then I turned around and saw him with the gun. I thought it was a cap gun at that point and then he started pointing it at people telling them to run, so I knew to run at that point," said Garza, the cousin of the lone victim in the shooting, Dean William Hagins Jr., 26, of Orange Park.

Hagins was able to run to a neighborhood on Balsa Court to the west of the industrial loop and call for help. He was transported to Orange Park Medical Center where, officials said, he is recovering.

CCSO officials received the first 911 call at 12:04 p.m. and deputies – along with the Orange Park Police Department – responded within six minutes.



James Cameau

"It was a terrifying experience. First, I just wanted to know if it was a real gun or not. After that, I just wanted to get out," Garza said.

Garza said he was able to flee the building along with his co-workers and get to safety. CCSO investigators found Cameau had shot inside the front passenger seat of Jacksonville Granite Owner Mike Rich's vehicle, which was parked at the shop.

"He was able to shoot at the owner, striking the owner's vehicle. At that point in time, we had units responding. Once our primary units got here, we go into an active shooter protocol. We had a response team enter the building and, at that point in time, we found our suspect barricaded in a closet where actually all of the security equipment is for that business," said CCSO Undersheriff Craig Aldrich.

"(Cameau) was watching our response team and watching our response. Once our reactionary team got in the building, they learned that he had, in fact, killed himself with a self-inflicted gunshot wound."

Aldrich described the scene as a "tragedy averted" as Cameau's gun jammed



STAFF PHOTO BY ERIC CRAVEY

The Clay County Sheriff's Office went to 124 Industrial Loop West in Orange Park March 7 to investigate a shooting in which shooter James Cameau, at left, took his life.

twice allowing the would-be victims to flee to safety.

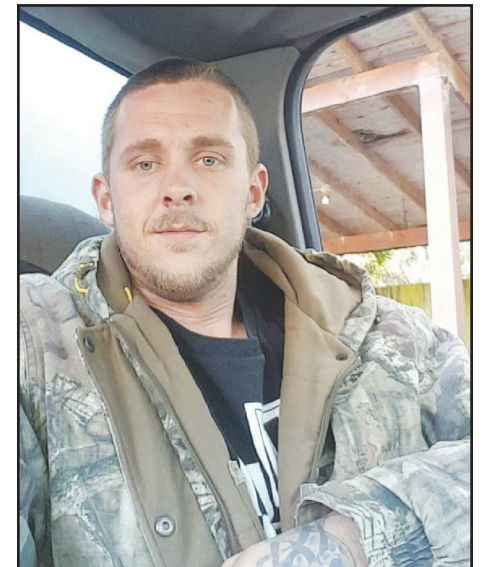
"It's certainly a tragedy averted because at least two people that he was at point-blank range with could have lost their life, so the good Lord was looking down on them," Aldrich said. "They're very fortunate."

While Garza said he has had a gun pointed at him at least once, this was different because it so unexpected. He and his co-workers were caught off guard.

"He seemed like a normal guy for the

most part. I mean, he just showed up, did his work and went home and that was it. He wasn't really one to make friends or anything, he was just doing his job," Garza said.

Aldrich said investigators did not have a motive in the shooting and it was unclear whether Cameau had kept the gun at the Astoria Hotel or some place between his workplace and his room. He did not have a timeframe for how long Cameau was away from the building before returning with the gun.



Dean William Hagins Jr., 26, was shot in the buttocks March 7 while escaping a shooting spree at Jacksonville Granite.

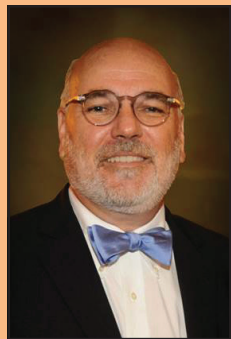
"Essentially, when he confronted the employees who were at the back of the business working, he walked up to them and said, 'You better run' and fired a round and the gun did not discharge. Racked another round into the weapon, [pointed the gun] at another employee and the gun did not fire again, did it a third time, the gun finally worked and that's when he started shooting at each employee that were still running and fleeing that particular area that they were in." Aldrich said.

Cameau had no prior felony record in Clay County, but was arrested in 2006 for DUI in Jacksonville.

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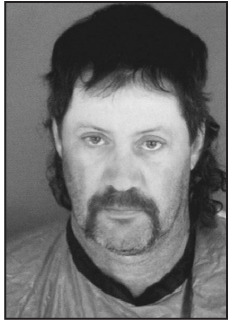
# Police Briefs

## Bloody stabbing ends in arrest

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – A Melrose man faces a felony aggravated assault with a deadly weapon charge following a stabbing investigation by the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

Police arrested Jeffrey Scott Sydenstricker, 46, on March 8 at 1:08 a.m. after police found he had allegedly stabbed a man inside the victim's home in the 5000 block of Country Road 214.

Police said Sydenstricker got into a verbal argument with the victim, Roger Ray Miller, 61, and then stabbed Miller on the left side of his neck.



Jeffrey Sydenstricker

Police said Sydenstricker had been at the nearby Smith Lake Bar before he walked into Miller's home.

Police said Miller was driven to McRae Elementary School and then life-flighted to UF Health hospital in Gainesville for treatment. When rescue personnel arrived at Miller's home, one of Miller's friends "was holding pressure" on Miller's neck to stanch the flow of blood.

The witness told police that Sydenstricker fled on foot after the stabbing into nearby woods where CCSO officers used police dogs to search for him.

Sydenstricker was booked into the Clay County Jail, where at press time, he remained held on \$75,003 bond.

## High school teacher arrested for shoplifting

FLEMING ISLAND – The Clay County Sheriff's Office has charged a Fleming Island High School math teacher with shoplifting at a local Walmart store.

Thomas John Pandich, 31, was arrested March 5 and charged with retail petit theft valued between \$100 and \$300.

According to the CCSO report, Pandich went into the Branan Field Road Walmart where he allegedly stole \$108.69 worth of merchandise.



Thomas Pandich

Pandich allegedly took four video gamer cards, a 12-pack of Redbull, a Nintendo 3DS video game, a pack of string cheese and a bag of oranges without paying for them.

"The defendant concealed the (4) video gamer cards in his shorts pocket, after which he selected (33) consumable miscellaneous grocery items (steak, green beans, ice cream, chips) valued at \$70.75 and then proceeded to the self-checkout register," states the police report. Once there the defendant failed to scan and purchase

all of the items selected."

Police said he then left the store without paying.

Officers booked Pandich into the Clay County Jail, but has since been released on an undisclosed bond.

## Middleburg men in Nassau County crash

YULEE, Fla. – Two men from Middleburg received serious injuries in a two-vehicle collision on State Road 200 near Timbercreek Boulevard in Nassau County on March 8.

The Florida Highway Patrol reports that Tyler Emanuel Gaughan, 20, of Middleburg, was driving a 2003 Chevrolet S-10 pickup truck when he failed to slow down for a school bus that was attempting to make a right turn around 6 a.m.

FHP said Gaughan's truck struck the school bus in the rear after Gaughan fell asleep prior to the crash.

A passenger in Gaughan's truck, Jacob Lee Forrester, 24, of Middleburg, was also seriously injured. Both men were transported to UF Health hospital in Jacksonville.

FHP said two school children, both age 8, were on the bus but were not injured.

Police said Gaughan was issued a citation for careless driving.

## Cocaine charge for Green Cove Springs man

ORANGE PARK – What began as a call for alleged drug activity in the 1300 block of Solar Circle in Orange Park recently ended in at least one drug arrest.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Jared Dane Podhany, 25, of Green Cove Springs, with one count of possession of cocaine.

According to the police report, the anonymous called told police that they had witnessed a male "bring pills out to different vehicles all day long."

A bulge in Podhany's front inner pocket led officers from the CCSO's Safe Streets Unit to conduct a pat down search, which resulted in "a small clear plastic container, containing an orange rock like substance and a white powder," states the CCSO report.

A field test proved the substance was cocaine.

Podhany was booked into the Clay County Jail, but has since been released on an undisclosed bond.

## Drunken knife assault ends in felony charge

MIDDLEBURG – What began as a ver-

bal assault involving racial slurs ended recently in a felony assault charge for a Middleburg man.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Gavin Christopher Lasater, 38, on March 3, following an investigation.

The victim told police that he was outside underneath his truck replacing the transmission when Lasater, his neighbor, walked into his yard on Sheraton Lakes Circle and began yelling racial slurs. According to the police, the victim told Lasater to leave, but did not, which made the victim fear he was going to be attacked.

According to the police report, Lasater was intoxicated, became aggressive and pulled out a knife on the victim. Police said the victim was able to avoid getting cut by Lasater by punching him in the face in self-defense.

After the investigation, Lasater was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill and was booked into the Clay County Jail. He has since been released on an undisclosed bond.

## Ponte Vedra man charged with heroin possession

ORANGE PARK – Authorities have arrested a Ponte Vedra Beach man for heroin possession following a traffic stop at Cedar Bend Drive and Wells Road.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office used drug-sniffing dogs on March 7 to alert them to the smell of the deadly, addictive drug, which has been on the rise in Clay County during the past year.

Police arrested Christian Carlos Johnson, 30, of Ponte Vedra Beach after they found a syringe in the 2007 Kia sedan he was driving.

"I then examined the defendant's arms and noticed needle marks, track marks, on his right arm, which is indicative of drug use," states the CCSO report. "I asked the defendant if he did not use drugs or a syringes, why were their [sic] needle marks on his arms."

Johnson was booked into the Clay County Jail on the felony charge. At press time, he remained held on \$25,003 bond.

## Records, record player burglars collared

MIDDLEBURG – An investigation into the theft of a record player and \$300 worth of records has ended in felony charges for four teens.

Austin Richard Benton, 16, Robert Showki Sheridan, 18, Joel Marcel King, 15, and Caleb Glenn King, 15, all of Middleburg, face one count each of burglary

following a March 6 investigation that started with a traffic stop in the 1300 block of Long Bay Road.

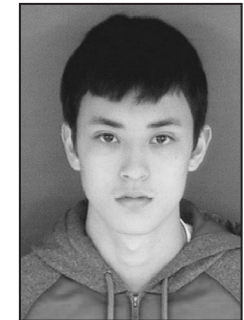
According to the police report, the teens took the stolen merchandise from a 77-year-old victim who had in-



Austin Richard Benton

herited the property from his recently-deceased father.

The three minors were booked and fingerprinted, while Sheridan was placed in the Clay County Jail, but has since been released on an undisclosed bond.



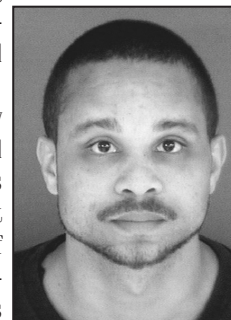
Robert Sheridan



Joel King



Caleb King



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Jared Podhany

# Arrests & Bookings

## Tues., March 8

Ashford, Erester, 33, Palatka, Fla., CCSO, Habitual Traffic

Benton, Raesean, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Brevaldo, Trevor, 31, Middleburg, CCSO, Writ of Attachment

Chamberlain, Charles, 42, Keystone Heights, CCSO, VOP - Child Abuse

Cooper, John, 38, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Violating Parole

Coppock, Christopher, 21, Orange Park, Judge, DWLSR

Craven, Joseph, 33, Jacksonville, GC-SPD, VOP - Possession of Less Than 20 g. Cannabis

Harris, Brandon, 19, Orange Park, CCSO, Trespassing

Hernandez, Dadiuska, 50, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Juvenile, 14, CCSO, Simple Battery, Battery on a School Official

Juvenile, 12, CCSO, Simple Battery

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Simple Battery

# Arrests

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Lopez Olmedo, Hugo, 45, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Fugitive From Justice

Mackenzie, Joel, 59, Middleburg, CCSO, Failing to File 6 Consecutive Tax Returns

Owens, Monica, 28, Orange Park, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Parrott, David, 33, Middleburg, CCSO, VOP - Domestic Battery

Pena, David, 32, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Fugitive From Justice

Plant, Ashley, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Prevatt, Tasha, 32, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - Petit Theft

Sydenstricker, Jeffrey, 46, Melrose, CCSO, Aggravated Battery With A Deadly Weapon

Wilkes, James, 34, Orange Park, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

## Mon., March 7

Agustin, Samuel, 27, Middleburg, CCSO, Criminal Mischief

Chasteen, Dacoda, 28, Hartselle, Ala., CCSO, VOP - Grand Theft

Cine, April, 46, Orange Park, OPPD, Failure to Appear for Court

Clifton, Christopher, 27, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Simple Battery

Coppock, Christopher, 21, Orange Park, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Dillman, Kristina, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Faircloth, Tommy, 26, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Hand, Amanda, 37, Middleburg, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Johnson, Christian, 30, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., CCSO, Possession of Heroin

Juvenile, 15, CCSO, Petit Theft

Kallead, Llahsmin, 24, Orange Park, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

Lovett, Chakiera, 26, Jacksonville, CCSO, VOP - Petit Theft

Williams, Elisha, 36, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

## Sun., March 6

Dow, Shannon, 24, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Juvenile, 15, CCSO, Three Counts of Burglary

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Two Counts of Burglary

Lilly, Emory, 31, Jacksonville, OPPD, Grand Theft Auto

Mixon, Colin, 30, Fleming Island, OPPD, Two Out of County Warrants

Richburg, Jessica, 24, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Rodriguez, Karlyne, 35, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR

Rooks, Sean, 31, Rapid City, S.D., CCSO, DUI

Sayles, George, 29, Jacksonville, CCSO, Two Counts of Simple Battery

Serino, Lourde, 25, Middleburg, CCSO, Violating Probation

Sheridan, Robert, 18, Middleburg,

CCSO, Two Counts of Burglary

Stewart, Derrick, 18, Orange Park, CCSO, Vandalism More Than \$200, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Young, Travis, 30, Jacksonville, OPPD, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

## Sat., March 5

Andrews, Lorraine, 61, Jacksonville, CCSO, Trespassing

Baker, Paul, 36, Orange Park, CCSO, Non-Support

Catton, Katherine, 20, St. Johns, Fla., CCSO, Petit Theft

Cummings, Jeremy, 35, Green Cove Springs, GCSFD, Criminal Mischief, Petit Theft

Deforest, Winthrop, 32, Fleming Island, CCSO, Petit Theft

Friedenberger, John, 28, Orange Park, CCSO, DWLSR

Golden, Laura, 51, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Horn, Kayla, 26, Jacksonville, OPPD, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Hough, Joshua, 30, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Merrilees, Michael, 33, Fleming Island, CCSO, DUI With Property Damage

Pandich, Thomas, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Perez, Kendrick, 36, Orange Park, CCSO, Resisting an Officer, Disorderly Intoxication

Rivera, Christian, 31, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Rodriguez, Emma, 50, Jacksonville, OPPD, DUI With Property Damage

Rodriguez, Karlyne, 35, Jacksonville, CCSO, Simple Battery

Santos, Miguel, 40, Middleburg, CCSO, Non-Support

Shirley, Stacy, 36, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Smendra, Aaron, 23, Jacksonville, OPPD, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Toomey, Caylee, 26, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Wright, La Jahmes, 18, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Zec, Crystal, 35, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

## Fri., March 4

Bridges, Billy, 39, Daytona Beach, Fla., CCSO, Non-Support

Coleman, Skylar, 18, Fleming Island, CCSO, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Alcohol Possession By Person Under 21, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Contreras, Ricardo, 44, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Battery

Deas, Horace, 50, Middleburg, CCSO, Aggravated Assault With a Deadly Weapon, Simple Battery

Julian, Joseph, 23, Fleming Island,

CCSO, Violate Probation - Community Control

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Petit Theft

Murphy, Kyle, 25, Orlando, CCSO, Two Counts of Burglary, Two Counts of Trespassing, Two Counts of Petit Theft, Dealing Stolen Property, Giving False Info to a Pawn Broker

Nichols, Kenneth, 28, Yulee, Fla., CCSO, Violate Probation - Community Control

Ohren, Marenthia, 21, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Pikes, Derun, 20, Jacksonville, CCSO, Retail Theft, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Disorderly Intoxication

Stanley, Michael, 33, Middleburg, CCSO, Contempt of Court

Vera, Denise, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Three Counts of Petit Theft

Zimmer, Pamela, 39, Orange Park, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Zuniga, Marcos, 19, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

## Thurs., March 3

Alvarez, Alberto, 34, Orange Park, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Babcock, Johnathan, 32, Middleburg, Judge, Contempt of Court - Child Support

Baptiste, Monique, 52, Middleburg, CCSO, Three Counts of Petit Theft

Brown, Felicia, 40, Jacksonville, CCSO, Non-Support

Carter, Darryl, 53, Orange Park, OPPD, DUI

Head, Damien, 39, Jacksonville, CCSO, VOP - Dealing Stolen Property

Higginbotham, April, 30, Orange Park, FHP, DWLSR

Johnson, Deangelo, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Juvenile, 14, CCSO, Simple Battery

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Vandalism

Kaminsky, Heather, 34, Crescent City, Fla., CCSO, Petit Theft

Lasater, Gavin, 38, Middleburg, CCSO, Aggravated Assault With a Deadly Weapon

Peavey, Christina, 31, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - Trespassing

Podhany, Jared, 25, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Possession of Cocaine

Pogue, Eugene, 38, Middleburg, CCSO, Four Counts of Petit Theft

Reyes, Bidkart, 40, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Violence On Officer Firefighter EMT, Resisting an Officer With Violence

Sanders, Catherine, 33, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Petit Theft, Violate Probation - Community Control

Smith, Miquel, 36, Orange Park, CCSO, Sale and Delivery of Marijuana

Tomlin, Jaye, 22, Jacksonville, CCSO, Two Counts of FTA - DWLSR

Wittenstein, Karly, 20, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - Petit Theft

## Wed., March 2

Adams, Timothy, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR

Amador, Matthew, 18, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Buchanan, Aubree, 30, Middleburg, CCSO, DUI, DWLSR, Refusing Balance Test

Daly, Thomas, 25, Fleming Island, CCSO, Violate Probation - Community Control

Duke-Taylor, Ruth, 22, Middleburg, CCSO, Aggravated Assault With Intent to Commit a Felony Edgington, Landon, 18, Jacksonville, OPPD, DWLSR

Franssen, Dakota, 20, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Hall, Christina, 37, Keystone Heights, CCSO, VOP - Possession of Cocaine, DWLSR

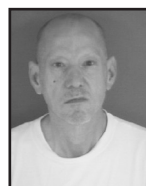
Jefferson, Marcus, 25, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Kelly, Robert, 42, Orange Park, CCSO, Criminal Mischief, Depriving A Person Use of 911, Domestic Battery - Dating, Petit

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## Clay County Sheriff's Office Most Wanted

As of Monday, March 7, 2016



William Lewis Waldman  
Fail to Register/ Fail to Report  
Location



Michael Gerard Gee Jr.  
Sale and Deliver Controlled  
Substance/VOP Possession with  
Intent to Sell



Christopher Lee Carr  
VOP Domestic Battery



David Michael Parrott  
VOP Domestic Battery



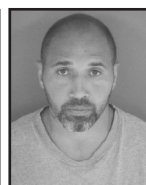
Mark Owen Craft  
VOP Domestic Battery



Joseph Lloyd Cormier Jr.  
NON-SUPPORT



Wayne Walter Peterson III  
NON-SUPPORT



Edward Junior Sims  
NON-SUPPORT



Courtney Milani Rooks  
NON-SUPPORT



Trevor Lloyd Brevardo  
NON-SUPPORT



Brandon Thomas Harris  
Trespass



Tasha Simons Prevatt  
FTA Petit Theft

**\*EDITOR'S NOTE: The Clay County Sheriff's Office provides photographs and related information about suspects appearing in Clay Today's Most Wanted section. Anyone with information on these subjects is asked to call CCSO at 284-7575.**

# CRIME WATCH

This is a weekly collection of crime reports from the Clay County Sheriff's Office Community Relations Unit meant to inform, educate and generate community feedback. To receive these alerts via email, go online to [www.claysheriff.com](http://www.claysheriff.com), click on the Sharing Tree logo and follow the instructions.

CCSO CONTACT NUMBERS: (MAIN) 264-6512 (EMERGENCY) 911 (COMMUNITY RELATIONS) 213-6114

## Thefts

3/08 an unlocked vehicle with the keys in the ignition was stolen from a home on Campo Drive in Keystone Heights.

3/07 a vehicle was stolen from a home on Sigsbee Road in Orange Park. There was no physical evidence of forced entry.

3/07 a vehicle was stolen from a home on Citation Drive in Lake Asbury.

3/07 the kiddie ride machine was vandalized and money stolen from it at Toys R Us on Wells Road near Orange Park.

3/07 a dropped wallet was stolen from the area of the Vystar ATM machine on Village Square Parkway on Fleming Island.

3/06 a vehicle was stolen from a business on Kingsley Avenue in Orange Park. There was no physical evidence of forced entry.

3/06 an unsecured bicycle was stolen from the area adjacent to the Orange Park Medical Center on Kingsley Avenue.

3/05/2016 a vehicle was stolen from the driveway of a residence on Knight Boxx Road in Doctors Inlet.

3/02 an unattended wallet was stolen from the Amenity Center on Town Center Boulevard on Fleming Island.

## Burglary to Structures

3/07 a residence was vandalized with graffiti spray painted on the inside walls and paint poured on appliances inside of the foreclosed home on Cosmos Avenue in Middleburg.

3/07 garden tools and a bicycle were stolen from the open garage at a home on Summit Drive in Argyle.

3/07 firearms and other items were stolen from a home on Silver Sands Circle in Keystone Heights.

3/06 items were stolen from a home on Wakemont Drive in Oakleaf Plantation.

## Arrests

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### Theft

King, Devin, 19, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft, Possession of Alcohol By Person Under 21, Burglary

McKay, Gerald, 57, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Battery

Mulligan, Joseph, 33, Jacksonville, CCSO, Battery on an Officer Firefighter EMT

Rea, Bobby, 49, Laurel Hill, Fla., CCSO, Writ of Attachment

Simms, Shaun, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Leaving the Scene of a Crash Involving Damage

Turnbull, Deanna, 33, Middleburg, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Woodson, Tyrell, 20, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

3/06 items were stolen from a home on North Mimosa Avenue in Middleburg.

## Burglary to Autos

3/07 a purse and other items were stolen from a vehicle at LA Fitness on Blanding Boulevard near Orange Park.

3/06 a firearm and other items were stolen from a vehicle at an apartment on Wells Road in Orange Park.

3/05 five vehicles were ransacked and burglarized at an apartment complex on Burwick Avenue in Orange Park.

3/04 miscellaneous electronics equipment was stolen from a vehicle at a residence on Northglen Circle north of Middleburg.

3/04 miscellaneous personal items

were stolen from a vehicle at a residence on Island Forest Drive on Fleming Island.

3/04 miscellaneous personal electronics items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at a home on King Street in Keystone Heights.

3/04 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from a vehicle at a residence on Keaton Chase Drive on Fleming Island.

3/03 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from a vehicle at a home on Crossing Boulevard in Orange Park.

## Criminal Mischief

3/08 the mailbox was damaged at a home on Citation Drive in Lake Asbury.

3/07 the tires were damaged on a vehicle at an apartment on Solar Circle in

Orange Park.

3/06 graffiti was spray painted on a side fence at a residence on Raggedy Point Road on Fleming Island.

3/06 graffiti was scratched into the walls of the bathroom at Spring Park on Walnut Street in Green Cove Springs.

3/04 a vehicle at a residence on Crossing Boulevard in Orange Park had its tires damaged.

3/03 on a vehicle at a residence on Wells Road in Orange Park suffered cosmetic damage to the paint.

3/03 the gazebo was damaged at the residential park in Yukon Court in Middleburg.

3/03 a fence was damaged on community property on Wavering Lane north of Middleburg.



**TEEN COURT:** Meets Mar. 10 and Mar. 31 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clay County Historical Courthouse, 915 Walnut St. in Green Cove Springs. Teens who volunteer can earn community service hours. Review dress code requirements at [www.clayclerk.com](http://www.clayclerk.com), or call Debbie Mueller at (904) 278-3602 for more information.

**DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:** Meets March 10, March 17, March 24 and March 31 at 10 a.m. in the Zoning Department Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The meeting is open to the public.

**HEALTH SEMINAR:** David W. Hayes, D.O. presents "Diabetes and Your Eyes" on March 10, at 5 p.m. with a light buffet with 5:30 p.m. presentation, Thrasher-Horne Conference Center, 283 College Dr., Orange Park, \$5/free for H2U members, RSVP at (800) 889-3627.

**BENEFIT PERFORMANCE:** March 10 at 8 p.m., "Run For Your Wife," Orange Park Community Theatre, 2900 Moody Ave. to benefit the adult reading programs of the Clay County Literacy Coalition. \$10 for adults. Order online at [http://www.clayliteracy.org/contact\\_us.htm](http://www.clayliteracy.org/contact_us.htm) or by phone, (904) 272-5988.

**CARING FOR THE CAREGIVER:** Presented by Community Hospice, March 11 at the Clay County Council on Aging, 604 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, Registration at 8:30 a.m. with program 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. Register at (904) 407-6790.

**SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT:** Holds its monthly meeting March 11 at 9 a.m., Clay County Extension, 2463 State Road 16 W, Green Cove Springs. Open to the public.

**CHORALE CONCERT:** The Cornerstone University Chorale of Grand

Rapids, Mich. performs at Grace Anglican Church, Fleming Island, March 11 at 7 p.m. co-hosted by the Robert E. Webber Institute For Worship Studies. Open to the public, an offering will be received. Info, (904) 541-1234.

**NEW GARDEN CLUB CIRCLE:** A new Saturday Circle Meeting of the Garden Club of Orange Park takes place March 12 at 10 a.m., GCOP Garden Center, 1820 Smith St. Info. Shirley Weimer (904) 264-2646.

**JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION NIGHT:** March 14, 5-7 p.m., Teen Court hosts a Juvenile Crime Prevention class at the Clay County Historical Courthouse, 915 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs. Mandatory for all Teen Court respondents and open to the public for free. Review dress code requirements at [www.clayclerk.com](http://www.clayclerk.com), or get more info, Debbie Mueller, (904) 278-3602.

**FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE:** Of the BCC meets March 15 at 9 a.m. in the BCC Meeting Room, Fourth Floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The meeting is open to the public.

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA:** N.E. Fl. Chapter 18 lunch meeting, March 16, 11 a.m. at the Naval Air Station Jacksonville Officer's Club. Lunch is \$14 and RSVPs are required by March 13; Dick Chadwell, (904) 264-5589. Guest speaker is Henry C. Newcomer, USAF (ret).

**MERCY NETWORK:** Meets March 17 at 10 a.m. at the Salvation Army Conference Room, 2795 County Road 220, Middleburg. The discussion will focus on Youth & Teen Services – what services and resources are offered by your agency, church or nonprofit organization.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** Historian Frank Haggard presents "The Mothball Fleet" and a discussion of the former Coca-Cola plant in Green Cove Springs on March 17 at 7 p.m. in the Chamber Room at Penney Farms Town Hall, 4100 Clark Ave. for this month's meeting of the Historical Society of Penney Farms.

**HERITAGE DAY:** March 19 at 8:30 a.m. at Beulah Baptist Church. Meet at the church located at 4579 State Rd 21, south of State Road 16 and drive to original Beulah Cemetery inside Camp Blanding.

**DEMOCRAT MINGLE:** Clay County Democratic Party hosts an Open House, March 19 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Democratic Party Office, 868 Blanding Blvd., Suite 124 in the Marshall's Plaza. Drop in to meet and mingle with Clay County Democrats. Info, (800) 501-2702.

**RUN FOR YOUR WIFE:** Orange Park Community Theatre, 2900 Moody Ave., presents "Run for Your Wife" through March 20, Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$18 and reservations can be made online at [www.opct.info](http://www.opct.info) or 904-276-2599.

**FREE CONCERT:** Wanda Dillaberry, entertainer and singer will give a special performance at the Fleming Island Headquarters Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd., March 21 at 6:30 p.m. No tickets required.

**12-POINTS DINNER:** To benefit the Black Creek District, Boy Scouts of America, March 22 at 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Sullivan Hall, U.S. Highway 17, Fleming Island. Honoring Sen. Rob Bradley of Fleming Island with keynote speaker FSU President John

# Calendar

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Thrasher.

**BEEKEEPING SHORTCOURSE:** Must register by March 22 for this March 26 class from 8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m., Clay County Extension office, 2463 State Road 16, Green Cove Springs. \$13

For singles, \$20 per couple to cover the purchase of material. Info, Michelle Alters or David Nistler at (904) 284-6355 or (904) 269-6355.

**TOBACCO FREE:** The Tobacco Free Partnership of Clay County meets March 23 at 2:30 p.m. in the board room of the Clay County Chamber of Commerce, 1734 Kingsley Ave. Info, (904) 237-4691.

**TOURISM COUNCIL:** The Tourist Development Council of the BCC meets March 23 at 3 p.m. in the BCC Meeting Room, 4th Floor Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs, Florida. Open to the public.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT:** March 24 at 11 a.m. at the Golf Club at Fleming Island Plantation, the Third Annual Haven Hospice Golf Tournament benefits unreimbursed programs and services for patients and families in the Clay County area. Single player registration is \$100. Info, Lauren Ferguson, (904) 465-7208.

**DOGGONE EASTER EGG HUNT:** Noon, March 26, Orange Park Town Hall. \$10 per dog with two egg hunts. Big dogs will begin at 12:30 p.m. and small dogs at 1:30 p.m. Each dog will receive a bandana, a grab bag of goodies and all dogs must be on a leash. To pre-register, visit pawfectionbakery.com.

**CLAY COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Meets March 30 at 3:30 p.m. at the Clay County Administration Office inside the Fleming Island Branch Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. Open to the public.

**OPEN HOUSE:** And Health Fair April 2 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at UF Health Family Medicine and Pediatrics – Plantation Oaks, 4215 Plantation Oaks Blvd.

**THEATRE GROUP:** The Vintage Players theatre group presents "Bits and Pieces" a dramatic presentation of light-hearted skits, scenes and monologues April 6 at the Fleming Island Public Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. from 6:30-7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend. No tickets required.

**90TH ANNIVERSARY:** Help Penney Retirement Community celebrate 90 years, April 9 "Dinner & Music Under the Oaks" from 5-8 p.m. and April 10 celebrate Penney Memorial Church with a church picnic with 10 a.m. worship and a noon covered-dish meal. It wraps up at 7 p.m. that night with a Commemorative Concert. (904) 521-7032.

**GOLF TOURNEY:** The Second Annual Lutheran Youth Golf Outing will be held at the Country Club of Orange Park on April 16 with a 1 p.m. shotgun start, followed by a dinner and awards banquet. Info, JerryNordseik@pastorjerry@gmail.com.

# BCC

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find the current county manager. Davis said the same team had also been used to help find the previous county manager, and both had been excellent choices.

The cost was well worth it, he said.

"I typically am not big on spending money on consultants, but this is a seriously important position to the board and how it conducts its business in the future," Davis said. "It was so well done the last time if that's the will of the board, I don't have any problem in this situation."

Vice Chairman Ronnie Robinson, who is also in his last term-limited year of service and was also present for the hiring of the current county manager, said he wondered if such a large search area was needed in this case. Last time, two of the candidates came from Alabama.

Robinson said there were plenty of good attorneys in the area and he didn't think they would have to "go to an Alabama to find an attorney."

"I think there will be a small radius that we will be able to find someone," he said.

Robinson later added that the overriding issue was the people who live in the county, saying, "We have to get the citi-

zens of Clay County the best representation we can."

Commissioner Wayne Bolla said he supported the idea of hiring a search firm.

"I think that's probably the way to go. This is a key position," he said.

Bolla also said this probably would be a good time to look as the work load in the legal department to see just what is required there in terms of personnel.

Hutchings said she was leaning in favor of hiring a search team.

"We probably need somebody to help not only with the search but with the process, where they help us come together and say 'What are you looking for,'" she said.

Hutchings said the issue will be on the BCC's next agenda, which will be the last for Commissioner Gavin Rollins, who is "being ordered to active-duty to serve overseas in a combat zone in support of Operation Enduring Freedom," according to a March 4 press release from Rollins. He is expected to return in the spring of 2017 after serving with his Florida Army National Guard Unit.

In other business, the BCC also received a presentation from the TAPS Monument Committee, which brought a representation of the sculpture it is trying to raise funds for that will honor all fallen warriors of Clay County from the Civil War

to the present and beyond.

The BCC already voted unanimously in August 2015, to approve the project in concept.

The monument will consist of a black marble base on which will be inscribed all the names of the county's fallen warriors. On top of the base will sit a bugle for the Civil War, three rifles (a Springfield for the Civil War, an M1 for WWI and the Korean War and an M16 for Vietnam forward). Topping off the entire sculpture is a helmet.

Gary Newman, president of the Vietnam Veterans of America, Clay County Chapter 1059, and chairman of the TAPS Monument Committee, said the monument will be on display in the lobby of the County Administration building for a while and then will be at the County Courthouse and rotate back and forth so citizens can view it and perhaps help support it.

The monument is being funded with an "Adopt-A-Brick" program in which bricks can be dedicated to anyone, military or not, for \$50. The nonprofit group has raised about a quarter of the \$25,000 in funding it needs, and are looking for support from the community.

"This is one of the most befitting symbolic representations that we could possibly give to the families of our fallen warriors here in Clay County," Newman said.

# Unfair

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meeting privately about the issues. They can talk about other things but it cannot be related to the impasse issues."

The Union filed the unfair labor practice Tuesday on grounds Van Zant's email violated rules pertaining to the insulated period.

"We have filed a ULP for two reasons," said Renna Lee Paiva, CCEA president. "One is Charlie's email. You cannot speak to our people and also we were in the period where you can't speak to School Board members and he sent it to everyone. That's a direct violation of the impasse laws. We believe that is a violation of the PERC laws." Paiva also said School Board Chairman Johnna McKinnon never

contacted her and asked about the date of the impasse hearing and whether it was convenient or not.

"I was never consulted," Paiva said.

According to the ULP document, on Feb. 25 the Board's superintendent and chief executive officer filed his exceptions to the special magistrate's report initiating the insulated period. Responding to Clay Today on behalf of Van Zant, contracted labor attorney Eric Holshouser said the Superintendent's recent e-mail to all District employees was also inadvertently sent to School Board members and because the union accepted the special magistrate's recommendation, the email did not violate laws pertaining to the impasse hearing.

"As a District employee, the CCEA President concurrently was sent the e-mail so in my opinion the communication was in no way improper," Holshouser said

in an email. "Indeed, the content of the e-mail did not involve any issue to be addressed at the impasse hearing on Thursday. The union has accepted the special magistrate's recommendation to adopt the District's teacher salary proposal."

However, Van Zant's email stated specific language about the CCEA's proposal regarding salaries and benefits.

"The salary and benefit package that CCEA has proposed would cost the district \$5.8 million," Van Zant's email stated. "CCEA, at the 3rd meeting, declared impasse with the District and brought us to where we are now, although we offered to reopen negotiations if the fourth quarter calculation showed our reserves at three percent or greater."

The impasse hearing is scheduled for 9 a.m. at the Teacher Training Center at Fleming Island High.



PHOTO BY PATRICK CRAWFORD

## There she is...

ORANGE PARK – Orange Park High School Principal Clayton Anderson crowned Katherine Berlin as Miss OPHS 2016 on March 5. Berlin's talent was a piano performance of the song "He's a Pirate" by Klaus Badelt from "Pirates of the Caribbean." Her platform is Helping Kids in Need and her goal is to help local students who are economically challenged. Her prize winnings include a six-month membership to the Dye-Clay YMCA, a gift certificate to Donna Norville Alterations, a gift certificate to C & D Pageantry, a specially designed appearance shirt, a free photo session in crown and sash and a Senior Session with DKeller Designs, valued at over \$300. Along with the Miss OPHS sash, crown and flowers, Berlin also won a \$500 academic scholarship, a Miss OPHS ring, a Homecoming ticket, a prom ticket, a grad bash ticket, and athletic pass, valued at over \$4,200.



**Air Rifle teams gets \$250 donation**

FLEMING ISLAND – Members of the Military Officers Association of America,



N.E. Florida Chapter recently donated \$250 to the air rifle team of the NJROTC unit at Fleming Island High. From left are, Air Rifle Team Captain Aaron Parker Here, Wayne Elliott of the MOAA, FIHS NJROTC Instructor David Keller, MOAA's Richard Chadwell and NJROTC Cadet Shannon

Beechum during the Feb. 26 presentation. Photo submitted by Reganne Chadwell.

**Jordan awarded scholarship**

ORANGE PARK – The National Consortium of Breast Centers recently awarded an Orange Park Medical Center employee with the Natosha Lynne Morton Memorial Scholarship. Stacy Jordan, an outpatient imaging su-



Stacy Jordan

pervisor and breast imaging navigator at OPMC, used the \$575 scholarship to attend a three-day conference as part of her studies at St. Johns River State College where she is getting a bachelor's degree in healthcare administration. A lifelong supporter of breast cancer detection, Morton was center director at Houston Northwest Medical Center where she was actively involved with numerous charities involving the detection, education, and treatment of breast cancer patients. The scholarship honors breast health professionals who exhibit character, compassion, and caring in conjunction with providing the best possible care to patients.

**Jim's Car Care Tip Of The Week: STOPABILITY**

This is not a "real" word but I think we all know what it means. How your car responds to breaking is paramount to your safety and the safety of others. Spring is always a good time to inspect the brake system, including lines, hoses, parking brake and brake fluid for proper level. Stop by or schedule an appointment so we can check your ability to stop safely.

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## Grapplers come home with hardware

### Class 2A MHS Shoen second, OPHS Reid third

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

KISSIMMEE – Middleburg High senior Jonathan Shoen and Orange Park High junior Marcus Reid Jr., returned to the FHSAA state wrestling championships on March 4-5 with a little chip on their collective shoulders and the duo left Kissimmee's Silver Spurs Arena with a much deeper respect in what coaches refer to as "the process" or the "big show."

"There is something about the experience that can get to the young athlete in any sport," said Middleburg High coach Richard Wetherill. "Even in professional sports, the first time at something like the Super Bowl or World Series makes the best young athlete cringe with the pressure just in showing up. The second time is always much easier."

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STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Clay High senior Derek Miller hoists Lake Highland Prep's Ashton Habel in Class 1A championship match won 11-4 by Miller as Blue Devils finished second to Prep in team points.

### Miller thrashes 132 class; Clay second

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

KISSIMMEE – The Class 1A final between Clay High senior Derek Miller and Lake Highland Prep eighth grader Ashton Habel was teetering on the verge of becoming a backyard brawl very quickly as both athletes went after each other with equal velocity right from the opening whistle.

"I beat him at the Clay Rotary earlier this year (9-2 in semifinals) and he wanted his revenge," said Miller, who won the high-flying rematch 11-4 with two monstrous face-to-face throws that created collective moans from both wrestlers as well as the Silver Spurs Arena spectators. "I was just a step ahead of him in getting

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### Fleming Island sixth in 3A Smenda, Davis charge to third

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

KISSIMMEE – Fleming Island High's wrestling team got two third place finishers from wrestlers that both will return next year, but rode the proverbial Disney roller-coaster with an early second place position in team points, a drop to eighth place after day one and a final sixth place final finish at the Class 3A wrestling state championships March 4-5 in Kissimmee.

"We had some young guys not wrestle well on day one that came back and got some team points on day two," said Fleming Island senior Xaiver Sampsel, who finished fourth at 132 on his third visit to the state meet (Sixth 2015). "Our guys we thought would medal did and that pushed us up a little in the final couple of rounds. We had a school record four guys in the semifinal rounds. Every year, we have

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Middleburg High senior 170 pound wrestler Jonathan Shoen, left, brought home a silver medal for Broncos wrestling program.



Fleming Island sophomore Ryan Smenda will return with junior Jason Davis after both stormed to third place finishes in 3A.



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# Clay

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the upper hand on those tie-ups."

In their championship matchup, Miller, who came to Clay High after two state placings as a Kentucky high schooler, maintained control of the score quickly with an opening salvo of throws and releases pushing the score to a quick 9-4 that Miller held on to into the third period where a final takedown brought the final 11-4 score.

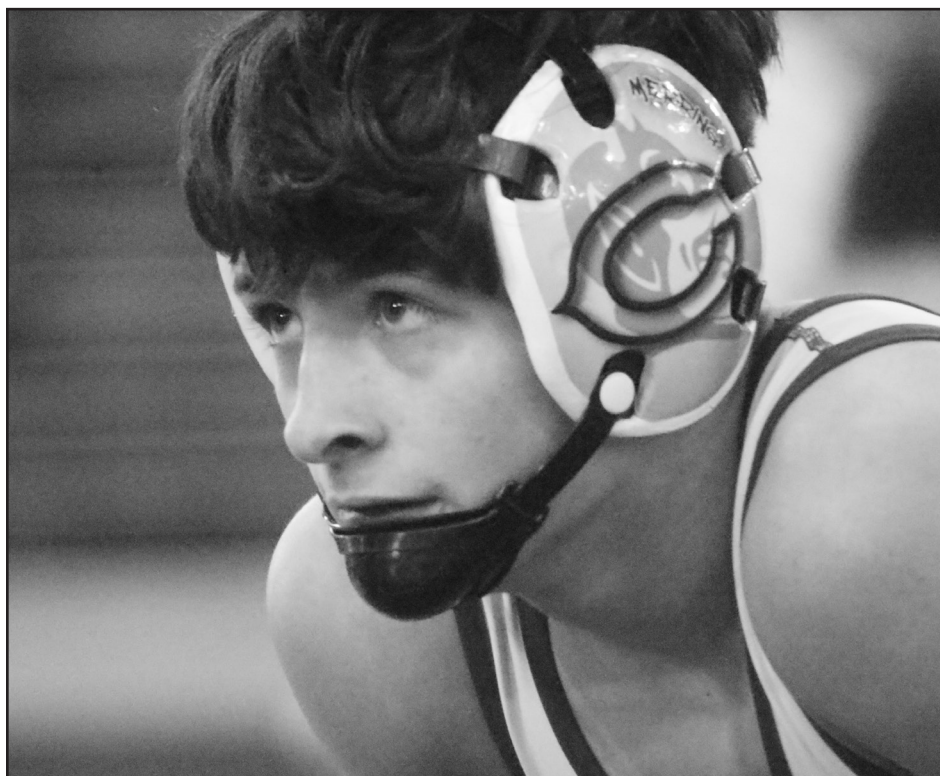
"He came to us with a tremendous skill set right from the start and we just worked on little things from there," said Clay coach Jim Reape, who was introduced as a National Wrestling Hall of Famer in the championship opening ceremonies. "He is probably one of the finest athletes we have ever had since Virgil McDuffie, a 119 state champ in 2004."

Habeil defeated defending state champion Richard McClanahan in his second round match in double overtime 2-0 to advance. Miller had beaten McClanahan in their region 1-1A final a week ago.

Clay used Miller's title points to move close to eventual state champion Lake Highland Prep, but the outcome was pretty secured by the championship rounds with Prep winning with a remarkable 296.5 team points to Clay's runnerup total of 178.5 and Arnold's third place 114.5.

"They are one of the best in the nation and anytime we get a shot to take one on, it is always going to be a battle," said Reape. "We have had a little fall from the top the past two years and this team has taken it upon themselves to get Clay wrestling back in as a top three team."

Pushing the Blue Devils' point total was a runnerup finish from junior Chris Merring at 113 who lost a 15-7 decision to Lake Highland's second champion of the night, Noah Castillo, also an eighth grader. Merring returned to the state meet after a



## Second at 113

Clay High junior Chris Merring returned from a fast exit in 2015 to battle into the Class 1A state championship match against Lake Highland Prep's Noah Castillo. Merring lost a 15-7 decision to finish second.



## Fifth at 106

Clay High freshman Lou Gagliardo got a little battered and bruised but came back strong to take fifth in the 106 pound division in his first foray at the state meet experience.

quick two losses in 2015 to pin his way to the final with falls of 1:05, 4:16 and 2:00.

"I have the best training partner in Peyton Hughes at Clay and he pushed me to be better," said Merring. "My whole zen thing that coach Reape talks about changed to make myself more aware of my place on the mat."

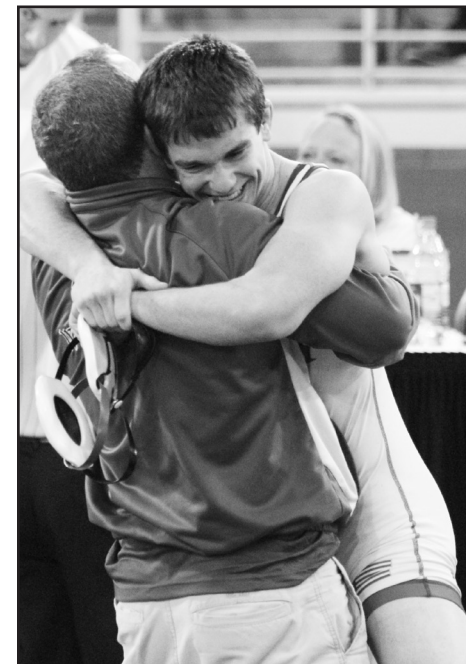
Adding more team points for the Blue Devils were third place finishes from senior Dale Browning at 126, junior Kaleb Collins at 195 and senior Roland Samec at 285.

Browning, a four-time state meet competitor, got his best finish on his final try with Samec, a three-timer, getting his first and only medal. Collins, fourth last year, improved with a 7-3 win over Cam Brown of Florida High, who Collins beat in their region 1-1A final a week ago.

Samec, who has stayed steady for three seasons as a strong late-season finisher, came into the 2016 season late due to a state semifinal football season for Clay High, learned some more effective moves this season, thanks to former Clay High state champion Cy Wainwright, an NCAA Division II national champ and the head coach at Coker College.

"Coach Reape saved my life by keeping me in wrestling and I've learned a lot from coach Cy about using other tactics in my attack," said Samec, who executed two ankle picks to score points in his third place match. "There's no reward without a little risk as coach Reape always says."

Also scoring valuable team points, senior Julian Summa took fourth at 138, freshman Lou Gagliardo finished fifth at 106, junior Keath Sawdo took fifth at 145



## Third at 126

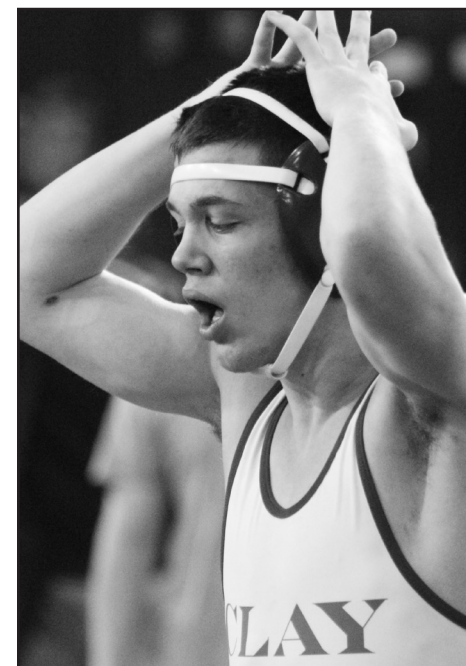
Clay senior Dale Browning stormed back in his fourth visit to the state meet for third.

with back-to-back come from behind wins in his final two matches and sophomore Connor Green, who took sixth at 152. Freshman Dylan Taylor, son of Green Cove Springs wrestling icon Greg Taylor, took sixth at 120 in his first shot at the state meet.

"Dylan's bracket was super with ranked guys up and down the lineup," said Reape. "He wrestled very brave against a lot of good guys."

At 182, freshman Abbott Taylor won his first match then lost two to end his first visit while, at 220, senior Jeremy Beau-lieu, with a booted ankle with a strained tendon, pinned his opening match before losing in round two. In consolations, Beau-lieu pinned in the opening match but lost 8-3 in the quarters.

"To come in with a badly injured foot and get one match from the top four is pretty tough," said Reape.



## Fifth at 145

Clay junior Keath Sawdo fought off two late charges in his final two matches to finish with a fifth place medal.



## Third at 285

Clay High senior Roland Samec gives coach Jim Reape a bear hug after taking third place match in final visit to state meet.

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**Top Left:** Strong Lawrence Taylor-like defense from Maxine Knox kept the shutout in tact.

**Top right:** Hard running and pass catching from Calvin "Megatron" Johnson-like Gianni Ruemmeley put Raiders offense in position for numerous scores.

**Center left:** Running back Tory Cole charges in John Riggins-like fashion for a fourth quarter score.

**Center right:** Speedy tailback Gabby Dimichele blasted in Tony Dorsett-like fashion to a 35 yard scamper for final touchdown in the fourth quarter.

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# Eagles

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gotten a little closer with the program getting higher rankings in the state."

With 11 wrestlers blasting into the state meet schedule from a strong first-ever region title against state powers Winter Springs and Flagler Palm Coast, Fleming Island's final team ranking was under a host of south Florida superpowers with defending state champion South Dade High of Homestead again taking the top spot with 140.0 points over Miami Southridge's 107.0 points. St. Thomas Aquinas of Fort Lauderdale, Southwest Miami and Osceola High of Kissimmee filled the top five team spots with Fleming Island's sixth place total of 72.0 just ahead of Winter Springs' 68.0 and Flagler's 66.0.

"At the least, we showed that the district and region titles were not flukes because we outdid both Winter Springs and Flagler here," said Sampsel.

Top finishers for the Golden Eagles were sophomore Ryan Smenda and junior Jason Davis who both took thirds in their respective weight divisions, 182 and 195.

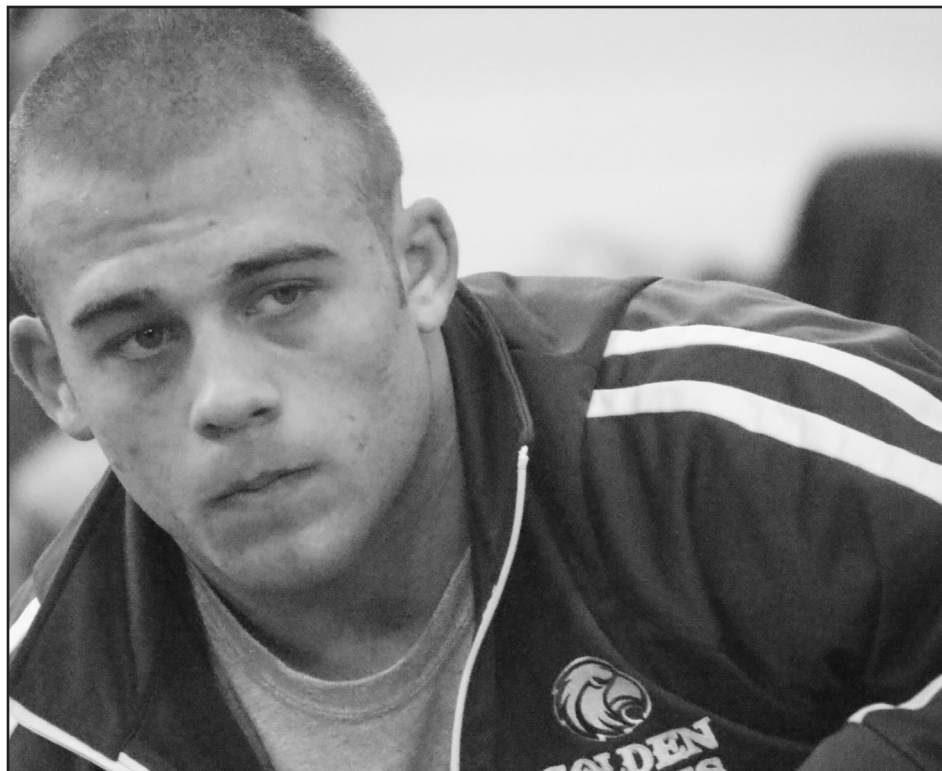
Davis, a third place finisher in 2A last year with Oakleaf High School, was tenuously watching the first two rounds of competition with his eye on South Dade defending champion Chei Hill, who started on the bottom end of Davis's bracket to set up a much-anticipate semifinals' rematch. Davis and Hill had met once before in tournament play with Hill taking out Davis with a double leg takedown to pin combination at the Osceola Knockout Christmas Tournament.

In their first two matches, both wrestlers dominated with Davis, 50-2, pinning his first match and winning 17-4 in his second to face Hill in the semifinal. Hill, 60-1, won an 8-5 decision and pinned before facing Davis. In their semifinal, Hill struck quickly with the same double leg takedown



## Fourth at 132

Fleming Island senior Xavier Sampsel got bloodied, but wrestled hard to a fourth place finish at 132.



## Third at 195

Fleming Island junior Jason Davis suffered a semifinal loss to eventual state champion Chei Hill of South Dade before coming back to take third place in the 195 pound division. Davis won third at 195 in 2015 as a sophomore for Oakleaf High School.

to pin combination to end Davis' hopes of a finals' finish.

"He caught Jason with his legs too close and took him down with a double leg," said Cobbert. "We had devised a good strategy to avoid his speed, but he got Jason with his legs crossed and there wasn't much he could do."

In the consolation rounds, Davis went to overtime to win his consolation semifinal before winning 6-4 over Timber Creek's Jackson Safford, a 28-4 junior.

Smenda, with his trademark spraddle pin move, a favorite of the Golden Eagle fans while being one of the more embarrassing pin combinations in wrestling, had been getting some pre-tournament recognition as only a sophomore and he did not disappoint his following.

In the consolation semifinal, Smenda caught Freedom High's Darrell Wallace with the same spraddle pin move he stuck him with in the region final last week to win a 6-3 decision this time as time ran out.

"Smenda got some cautions called against him late in that consolation match, but he got the Freedom guy caught again in the spraddle," said Cobbert. "He just ran out of time this time."

Smenda, 54-6, would get the 6-3 win over Wallace before winning third place with a 4-2 win over Glen Eisman, a 58 win/8 loss senior from Cypress Bay High.

Fleming Island's final two semifinalists, senior John Martorano at 170, and senior Xavier Sampsel at 132, both medaled in their final season with Martorano improving to fifth from his sixth place finish in 2015 and Sampsel taking fourth after a sixth place finish also in 2015. Sampsel and Martorano have three visits to the state meet in their Fleming Island careers.

"It's kind of weird knowing that this is the final time here," said Martorano, who had an ankle injury earlier in the season.



## Fifth at 170

Fleming Island senior John Martorano got one more podium step to fifth from his sixth place finish at 160 in 2015.

"It's been a rough ride, but the sport of wrestling is a tough sport."

Martorano got to the semifinals with a pin and a 10-6 win before losing a 9-4 decision to eventual champion Dacoda Flenard, 51-1 Northport High senior. Martorano got pinned in his consolation semifinal then finished off a 13-9 fifth place win.

"My semi-final guy was strong," said Martorano. "I thought I matched up well but he was just too strong to push around."

Sampsel, also dinged for the season with shoulder and knee injuries, told himself to turn off the pain meter for the weekend.

"I've been in a pretty rough weight class the past two years against some of the best guys out there," said Sampsel, who defeated Class 1A 132 pound champion Derek Miller of Clay earlier this year. "You just have to keep going, recover, rehab and train."

Sampsel lost his second match to eventual champion Kishan Clarke of Riverview High by a narrow 7-5 score before wrestling back to avenge a 5-2 region championship loss to Winter Springs' Cole Mitchell in the consolation semifinal with a lightning-fast first period pin. Sampsel faced South Dade's Brevin Balmededa and lost a hard-fought 2-0 decision to finish fourth.

The rest of the Fleming Island lineup, mainly underclassmen due to return next year, got some valuable state meet experience with hopes of coming back with a little less inhibition.

At 106, freshman Albie Snedaker lost his first match 11-10 before pinning, winning 6-4 and being pinned in the consolation quarterfinals.

At 113, freshman Deandre Demus, with a heavily bandaged knee from a regions match, was questionable and did not make weight on day one.

"He couldn't run or workout all week,"

said Cobbert. "He may have placed and medaled."

At 120, sophomore Jacob Sandoval lost his first match 16-2 to fifth place finisher Lucas Rodriguez of Gateway High of Kissimmee before winning a 13-2 major decision in the consolations. Sandoval lost a 9-4 third match to end his state meet.

At 126, in one of the surprise exits of the weekend, Fleming Island senior Tracy Davis was beaten on his first match 4-3 then eliminated in consolations.

At 138, sophomore Paul Detwiler went 2-2 with two impressive wins; 11-5 and 9-0, with a final 3-2 loss.

At 220, sophomore Jose Concepcion won his first match 7-2, lost 8-3 in round two, then fell 9-3 in consolations.



Fleming Island sophomore Paul Detwiler battled in a tough 138 pound bracket and is one of three underclassmen returning next year for coach P.J. Cobbert.

# Raiders

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With perennial powerhouse Brandon winning with 159.0 team points over Riverdale's 140.0 points, Middleburg, Orange Park and Ridgeview finished well out of the top 20 with the Broncos 22nd at 23 points, Orange Park 27th with 20 points and Ridgeview 57th with just three points.

For Shoen, a sixth place 2015 finish at 170 pounds turned into a state runnerup spot at the same 170 pounds that brought a new respect for the necessary tools to earn the coveted state champion title.

"The speed that my guy moved from one move to another was impressive," said Shoen, after he was pinned in the third period in his championship final against Olympic Heights senior Laurence Kosoy, owner of a 55 wins, just one loss season record and a third place at 160 in 2015. "He's only been beat once for a reason."

Kosoy moved through the match with agility around Shoen's athleticism that kept him from immediate danger.

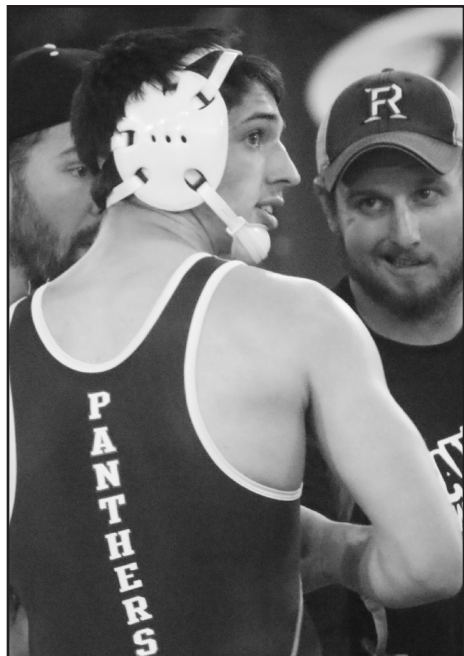
"Jonathan has a way of finding an angle that can surprise his opponent," said Wetherill. "He likes to roll around and use his length (height) to his advantage."

Shoen, who advanced with wins of 8-7, a pin and a 10-7 win to the final, was contemplative of his high school career.

"I'm glad I was able to get through the same district to region to state regiment and then improve my final standing," said Shoen.

Reid was joined by teammates Saeid Ejmali and Natorian Lee, two first-timers who both finished out of the medals with Ejmali going winless in two matches and Lee winning two and losing two.

"I wanted to come back and improve on last year and I did," said Reid, a junior who placed sixth last year after suffering an illness on the second day of competition in 2015. "I will work harder and get stronger for next year and hope to improve. At this rate, a sixth, a third, a first is next in line."



Ridgeview High senior Daryn Tucker lost both of his first two matches by just one point each to end his state championship visit at 0-2.



Middleburg High freshman Briar Jackson got his first look at the state meet level of competition in the 113 weight division after contributing to the Broncos' district and region titles.



Orange Park sophomore Saeid Ejmali, a region champion for the Raiders, lost a first round overtime match to eventual third place finisher Lawrence Scrivens of team champion Brandon High School. Ejmali lost his consolation match to end his visit at 0-2.

For first year Raider coach Justin Daniels, the trio of Raiders that visited Kissimmee will, hopefully, set the tone for the Raiders wrestling program to return to a high ranking statewide.

"All three guys return from this state meet and they will be the leaders for next year's team," said Daniels. "We will elevate our schedule to wrestle tough teams and push the kids to perform at a high level. Today was the reward for the hard work."

Reid started his Friday morning in Kissimmee with an 8-4 win over Kyle Irwin, a junior from Belleview, before losing an overtime 5-1 decision to Drew Harrington, a junior with a 45-8 record from Dixie Hollins High School. Reid would remember Harrington on Saturday.

"I felt a little sick for that second one and told myself to get past the loss and start to think about wrestling back to the medals," said Reid. "I did not want to go home empty handed."

Reid would storm back with wins of 7-0 and 3-0 to get to the 3rd/4th championship

match against Harrington where Reid returned his first round loss with a 3-2 win.

"It was a little payback," said Reid. "I knew I was moving better the second time with him."

For Lee, a junior, and Ejmali, a sopho-

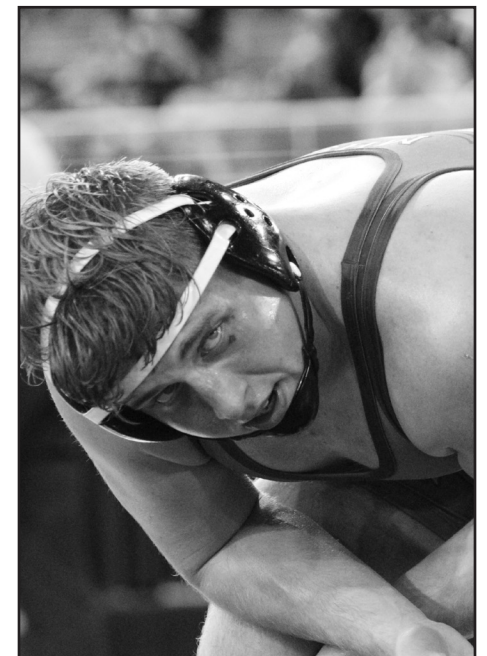
more, the experience of the state meet is what Daniels hopes can fuel the off season training.

"They are both young and aggressive wrestlers," said Daniels. "Natorian got matched against a wrestler that offered a style he hadn't seen before and Saeid just needs to muscle up because he was in a very tough weight class."

For the Broncos, senior Dylan Rosetti lost his first match to former Clay and Matanzas high wrestler Andrew Klopman, now a junior at Jensen Beach, before storming back with two wins before losing in the consolation quarterfinals to end his high school career with two state meet visits. Klopman would finish fourth.

Bronco freshman Briar Jackson at 113 went 0-2, sophomore Kurt Jackson lost twice at 195 in his first shot in Kissimmee with senior Ammon Meeks winning one and losing two at 220 also in his first state meet invite.

For Ridgeview, senior Daryn Tucker, the region runnerup to Shoen, lost his two Friday matches with senior teammate Trevor Belden, region runnerup to Ejmali, losing his first and going 1-1 in wrestlebacks.



Middleburg High senior Ammon Meeks lost a grueling double overtime first match before ending his first state meet visit at 0-2.



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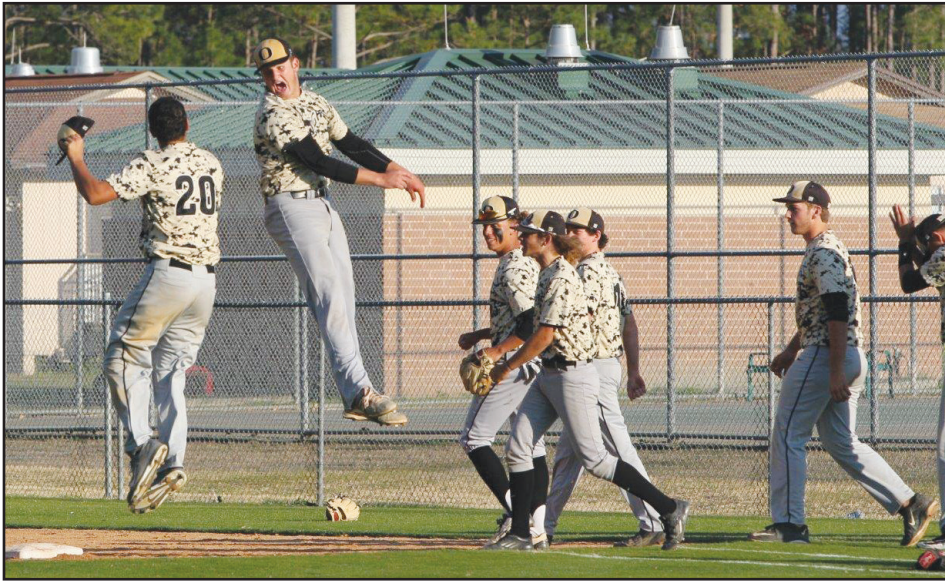


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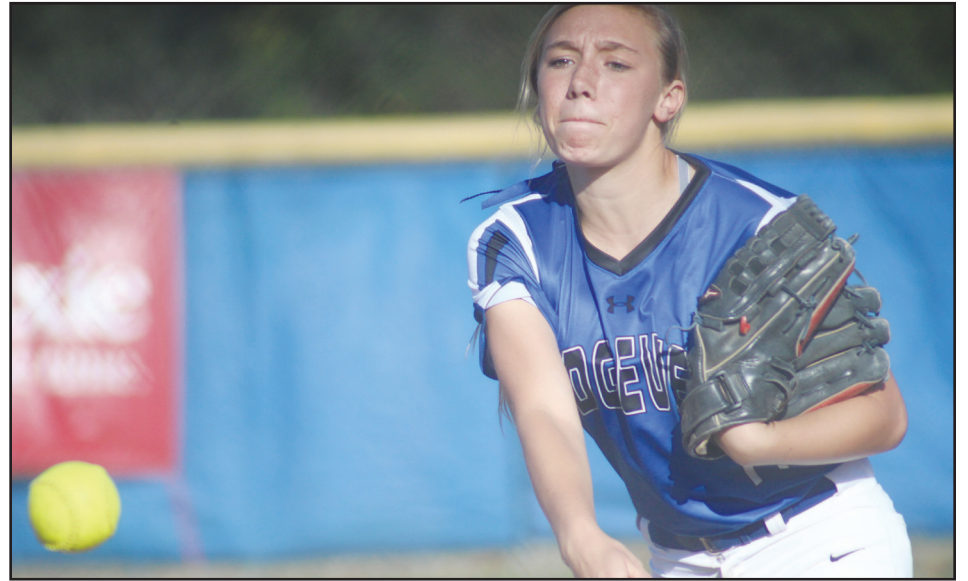
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Oakleaf High players Will Pillsbury, facing camera, and Chris Mauloni, No. 20, celebrate after finishing off 2-1 district 2-8A win over Fleming Island (6-3) on Fri., March 4. Knights scored two seventh inning runs to win game and put Knights (6-3) back in running for top spot in district.



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Ridgeview High relief pitcher Becca Medrano watches her pitch head to plate in Panthers 13-0 non-district loss to Fleming Island High on Mon., March 7 at Ridgeview. Ridgeview falls to 4-8 overall. Fleming Island improves to 6-6.



Orange Park base runner Brandon Dumas takes off in front of Clay shortstop Cole Escher in early innings of Blue Devils 9-1 win over Raiders on March 4. Raiders traveled to Clay on March 10 and lost a 21-2 match. Clay's record is now 8-4. Orange Park is 1-8.



Ridgeview High centerfielder Carlos Gonzalez snares long fly ball in Panthers 11-1 district win over Menendez on March 3. Panthers lost a 10-4 March 7 game to St. Josephs falling to 9-2 overall.



Orange Park pitcher Hunter Hackney concentrates with pitching duties in Raiders 9-1 loss to Clay High on March 3. Raiders lost a second game to Clay on Friday 21-2.

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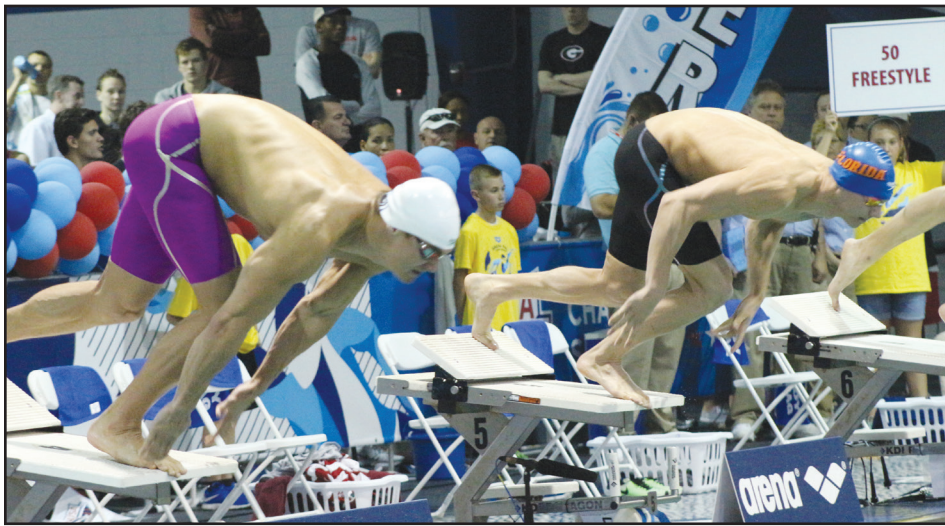
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Clay High grad Caeleb Dressel, right, explodes from 50 free start block against Olympic champion Nathan Adrian at USA Pro Swim Series final. Adrian won with Dressel second.

## Dressel tangos with Olympic greats

By Randy Lefko  
Sports Editor

ORLANDO – University of Florida sophomore swimmer Caeleb Dressel, fresh off of three record-setting performances at the Southeastern Conference Championships last week, put his mettle to the test against three-time Olympic gold medalist Nathan Adrian in the 2016 Arena Pro Swim Series staged at Orlando's Central YMCA pool.



Caeleb Dressel, warming up for his 50 free final, will be prepping for the upcoming NCAA championships then the US Olympic Trials. Dressel is defending NCAA 50 free champ.

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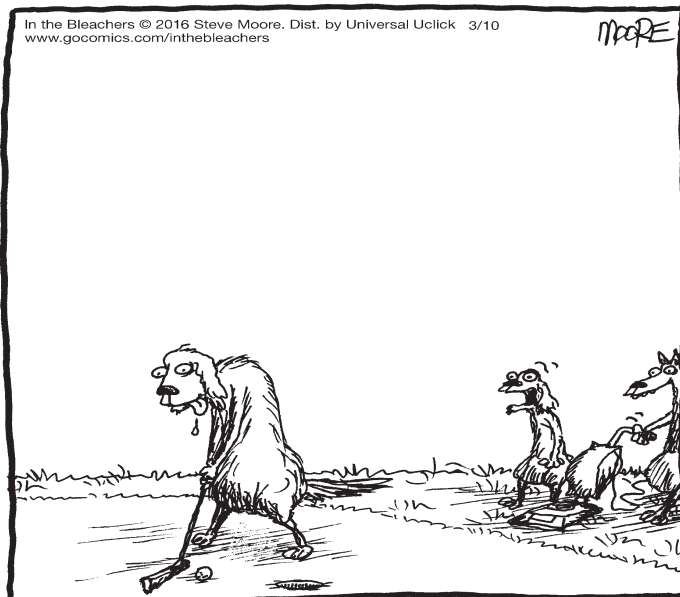
## Dressel

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### Flying McCoys



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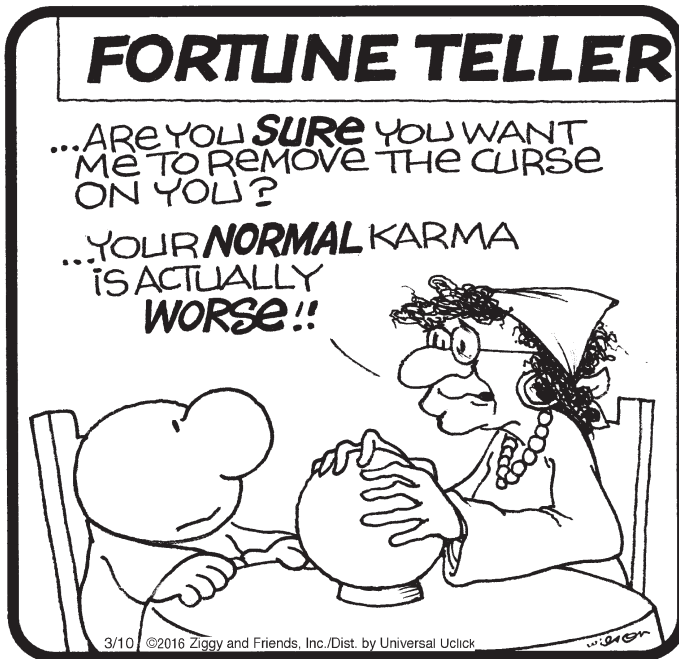


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### Ziggy



and 100 freestyle events and also the 100 butterfly, was invited to the top-draw swim event in the midst of his preparations for the upcoming NCAA championships and the forthcoming U.S. Olympic Trials set for July.

At the Orlando meet, which featured events with Olympians Michael Phelps and Missy Franklin, as well as former sprint record holder Cesar Cielo of Brazil and the University of Auburn, Dressel was an invite to swim in the 50 and 100 free events.

On the start block in their Friday preliminary heat next to Dressel was Adrian, the former record holder and also a multiple Olympic gold medalist. In their preliminary heats, Adrian punched in with a 22.03 second top qualifying time with Dressel at 22.52. Dressel entered the meet with a 21.53 seed time.

In their Friday night final, Adrian maintained his prowess with a scintillating 21.70 winning split with Dressel a hair behind him at 22.06.

Prior to the final, Dressel was respectful of his sprint brethren.

"I'm still preparing for the NCAA later this month and even had a weighttraining workout this morning," said Dressel. "I'm honored to be here though to see the caliber of guys here."

Also in the 50 final, Cielo, whom Dressel broke two of his records at the SEC meet, finished sixth in 22.47.

In the 100 prelims on Saturday, Dressel swam a second-seeded 49.20 to Luca Dotto of Italy's 49.12 to advance to the final, but opted out of competing in the final due to his NCAA preparations. Dressel's time was well below the Olympic trials standard of 50.69.

In the final, Adrian dominated with a 48.05 winning split with Dotto second at 49.33 and Phelps third at 49.57. Phelps earlier won the 100 fly in 52.28.

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Year of Issuance **2009**  
Description of Property **LOTS 2,4,6, 8,10 & 12 BLK 218 FELLOWSHIP PARK O R 2448 PG 439**  
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Opening Bid: **\$1,328.41**  
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Classification: **Vacant**  
Name in which assessed: **CPR Investment Trust**  
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redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the **20th day of April, 2016 at 9:30 AM.**  
Dated this 19th day of February, 2016  
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Clerk of Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida  
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the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
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Parcel ID No.: **110524-006074-008-00**  
Opening Bid: **\$3,966.55**  
Physical Address: **2504 Blanding Blvd, Middleburg**  
Classification: **Single Family Residence**  
Name in which assessed: **Cynthia Louise White**  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

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<p>operated a new Biosolids Treatment Facility (BMF) to process up to 200 wet tons/day domestic wastewater biosolids. Thermal drying will be utilized to produce Class AA biosolids fertilizer. The BMF will be located approximately at latitude 30°09'40.1" N, longitude 82°01'57.6" W, on US HWY 301, Jacksonville, Florida 32234 in Clay County. The Department has assigned permit file number FLA925071-001-DW1S to the proposed project. This application is being processed and is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Department's Northeast District Office, 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256-7577, at phone number (904)256-1700. Any comments or objections should be filed in writing</p>	<p>with the Department at this address. Comments or objections should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure that there is adequate time for them to be considered in the Department's decision on the application. <b>Legal 36725 published March 10, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper</b></p> <p><b>NOTICE AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE</b></p> <p>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 2016-CA-128</p> <p><b>SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida,</b> <b>Plaintiff,</b></p> <p>v. <b>THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND</b></p>	<p><b>THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN, AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHTS, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS HEREIN DESCRIBED, OR TO BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY THEREBY,</b></p> <p><b>Defendants.</b></p> <p>TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA, AND THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN, AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED</p>	<p>BY THE ISSUANCE OF SOUTH VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BONDS, OR TO BE AFFECTED THEREBY:</p> <p>South Village Community Development District (the "District") having filed its Complaint for Validation of not to exceed \$7,000,000 principal amount of South Village Community Development District (Clay County, Florida) Capital Improvement Revenue Bonds, in one or more series (the "Bonds"), and it appearing in and from said Complaint and the Exhibits attached thereto that the District has adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds for the purpose of providing funds, together with other available funds, for paying the costs of planning, financing, acquiring, constructing, reconstructing,</p>	<p>equipping and installing improvements as part of its Improvement Plan (as defined in said Complaint), and it also appearing that all of the facts required to be stated by said Complaint and Exhibits by Chapter 75, Florida Statutes, are contained therein, and that the District prays that this Court issue an order as directed by said Chapter 75, and the Court being fully advised in the premises:</p> <p><b>NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED</b> that all taxpayers, property owners and citizens of the District, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation, and others having or claiming any rights, title or interest in property to be affected by the issuance of the Bonds or to be affected thereby, and the State of Florida, through the State Attorney of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, appear on</p>	<p>the 7th day of April, 2016, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. of said day, before Judge Gary L. Wilkinson at the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, Hearing Room 4-097, County of Clay in said Circuit, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayers of said Complaint for the validation of the Bonds should not be granted and the Bonds, the proceedings therefore, and other matters set forth in said Complaint, should not be validated as prayed for in said Complaint.</p> <p><b>IT IS FURTHER ORDERED</b> that prior to the date set for the hearing on said Complaint for validation, the Clerk of this Court shall cause a copy of this Notice and Order to be published in a newspaper published and of general circulation in Clay County, being the County wherein said Complaint for validation is filed, at least once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks, commencing with</p>



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**LOT 16, BLOCK 29, OF BELLAIR UNIT NO. 5, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 62 AND 63, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 29th day of February, 2016.

(COURT SEAL)  
TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By Julia Wilcox  
Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO: 10-2015-CA-000448  
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-RFC1, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
EARLAMONT L. DAVIS, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment entered in Case No. 10-2015-000448 in the Circuit court of the FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-RFC1, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Plaintiff, and EARLAMONT L. DAVIS, et al., are Defendants. The Clerk of Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the courthouse; 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at the hour of 10:00 AM, on the 29th day of March, 2016, the following described property:  
**LOT 17, OF SPENCERS CROSSING UNIT 7, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 27, AT PAGE 27, 28 AND 29, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 23rd day of February, 2015.

(seal)  
TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
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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: 10-2013-CA-001627  
WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,  
vs  
Migdalia Maldonado A/K/A Migdalia Santos; Unknown Spouse of Migdalia Maldonado A/K/A Migdalia Santos; Any and All Unknown Parties Claiming by, Through, Under and Against the herein named Individual

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Defendant(s) who are not Known to be Dead or Alive, Whether said Unknown Parties may Claim an Interest as Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or other Claimants; **Unknown Tenant #1 in Possession; Unknown Tenant #2 in Possession of the Property, Defendants.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 23, 2016, entered in Case No. 10-2013-CA-001627 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and Migdalia Maldonado A/K/A Migdalia Santos; Unknown Spouse of Migdalia Maldonado A/K/A Migdalia Santos; Any and All unknown Parties Claiming by, Through, Under and Against the Herein Named Individual Defendant(s) who are not Known to be Dead or Alive, Whether said Unknown Parties may Claim an Interest as Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or other Claimants; Unknown Tenant #1 in Possession; Unknown Tenant #2 in Possession of the Property are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at, the front lobby of the courthouse at 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, beginning at 10:00 AM on the April 21, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 15, BLOCK 4, GROVE PARK, UNIT NO. 7 AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 16, 17, AND 18, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 23rd day of February, 2016.

(seal)  
Tara Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Taylor Solomon  
As Deputy Clerk

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Legal 36662 published March 3 and March 10, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 2013-CA-001627

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO: 10-2015-CA-000438  
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HSI Asset Loan Obligation Trust 2007-WF1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-WF1, Plaintiff,  
vs  
Lisa J Mackey, et al, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 2, 2016, entered in Case No. 10-2015-CA-000438 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for HSI Asset Loan Obligation Trust 2007-WF1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-WF1 is the Plaintiff and Lisa J Mackey; The Unknown Spouse Of Lisa J mackey; Any and All Unknown Parties Claiming by, Through, Under and Against the Herein Named Individual Defendant(s) who are not Known to be Dead or Alive, Whether said Unknown Parties may Claim an Interest as Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or other Claimants; Tenant #1; Unknown Tenant #2; Tenant #3; Tenant #4 are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at, the front lobby of the courthouse at 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, beginning at 10:00 AM on the May 11, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 15, BEAR RUN UNIT 4,**

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**ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 19, PAGES 64 AND 65, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 2nd day of March, 2016.

(seal)  
Tara Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Julia Wilcox  
As Deputy Clerk  
Legal 36755 published March 10 and March 17, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 15-F11016

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000526  
**PROVIDENT FUNDING ASSOCIATES, L.P., Plaintiff,**  
vs  
**DENISE A. HORTON; JAMES W. HORTON, JR. A/K/A JAMES HORTON; MAGNOLIA POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Defendant(s)**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 23, 2016, and entered in 2015-CA-000526 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH JUDICIAL Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein PROVIDENT FUNDING ASSOCIATES, L.P. is the Plaintiff and DENISE A. HORTON; JAMES W. HORTON, JR. A/K/A JAMES HORTON; MAGNOLIA POINT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the front steps 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at 10:00 A.M. on April 27, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**LOT 74, MAGNOLIA POINT GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB PHASE IV, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 39, PAGES 36 THROUGH 51, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
Property Address: 3323 BLACKSTONE CT GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 23rd day of February, 2016.

(seal)  
Tara S. Green  
As Clerk of the Court  
By: Taylor Solomon  
As Deputy Clerk

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**Notice of Sale**

**THOMPSON, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED; EILEEN STANLEY, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED; EDWIN WELCH, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED; MELISSA ESTES, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WANDA BAXTER, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JUANITA KAY THOMPSON A/K/A KAY THOMPSON, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF EILEEN STANLEY AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF EDWIN WELCH, AS KNOWN HEIR OF JOYCE MARIE WELCH, DECEASED, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS Defendants.**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on February 25, 2016, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida described as: **ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN CITY OF ORANGE PARK BEING KNOWN AS BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST AND RUN WEST 420 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN WEST 210 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 210 FEET; THENCE RUN EAST 210 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 210 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 173 PAGE 561 RECORDED ON 2/24/1969 AMONG THE LAND RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FL.** and commonly known as: **171 OLD JENNINGS RD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32065**; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, on the front steps of the Clay County Courthouse, on April 25, 2016 at 10:00 A.M.  
Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owners as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 26th day of February, 2016.

(seal)  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Marla Albert  
Deputy Clerk  
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**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 10-2015-CA-000911  
DIVISION:  
**WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., S/B/M TO WACHOVIA MORTGAGE, F.S.B. F/K/A WORLD SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B., Plaintiff,**  
vs.  
**CONSTANCE F. IONADI, et al, Defendant(s).**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 23, 2016, and entered in Case No. 10-2015-CA-000911 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., s/b/m to Wachovia Mortgage, F.S.B f/k/a World Savings Bank, F.S.B., is the Plaintiff and Constance F. Ionadi, Patrick Ionadi, The Springs Owners Association, Incorporated, are defendants, the Clay County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, Clay County, Florida at 10:00 a.m. on the 21st day of April, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:  
**LOT 4, BLOCK 5, OF BLOCKS 3, 4 AND 5 THE SPRINGS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGES 3 AND 4 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

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**A/K/A 2419 SYLVAN CHASE DR ORANGE PARK FL 32073-5334**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated in Clay County, Florida this 23rd day of February, 2016.

(seal)  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Clay County, Florida  
By Rebecca Crews  
Deputy Clerk  
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration at (904) 630-2564, within two (2) working days of receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771. To file response please contact Clay County Clerk of Court, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, Tel: (904) 269-6302x6566; Fax (904) 278-3653.  
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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

(Pursuant to F.S. Chapter 45)  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000547  
**Bank of America Na Plaintiff(s)**

v.  
**Magnolia Point Community Association Inc; Karen M Hnyla; Milton L Hnyla Jr; Unknown Tenant 1; Unknown Tenant 2; Unknown Tenant 3; Unknown 4 DEFENDANT(S).**  
NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 25, 2016 in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the front entrance of Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL on the 25th day of April, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. the following described real and personal property:  
**LOT 142, MAGNOLIA POINT GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB PHASE IV, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 39, PAGES 36 THROUGH 51 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 29th day of February, 2016.

(COURT SEAL)  
TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By Allisa Demay  
Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 2014-CA-1077  
**PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,**  
v.  
**ALICIA V. BRADDOCK; DOCTORS INLET RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., Defendants.**

NOTICE IS hereby given that, Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, will on the 21st day of April, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., ET, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, in the Front Lobby, in accordance with Chapter 45, F.S., offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Clay County, Florida, to wit:  
**LOT 63, OF BARRINGTON ESTATES UNIT FOUR, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Map Book 43, Page(s) 43 through 48, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.** Property Address: 2896 Woodstone Drive, Middleburg, Florida 32068 pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style and case number of which is set forth

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above.  
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crintrp@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 official seal of this Honorable Court, this 23rd day of February, 2016.

(seal)  
TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Marla Albert  
Deputy Clerk  
Legal 36657 published March 3 and March 10, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 2015-CA-000891  
**TAYLOR BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP Plaintiff,**  
vs  
**JAMES JUSTICE, III A/K/A JAMES G. JUSTICE, III A/K/A JAMES G. JUSTICE, et al Defendants.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of foreclosure dated February 25, 2016, and entered in Case No. 2015-CA-000891 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH JUDICIAL Circuit in and for CLAY COUNTY, Florida, wherein TAYLOR BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORP, is Plaintiff, and JAMES JUSTICE, III A/K/A JAMES G. JUSTICE, III A/K/A JAMES G. JUSTICE, et al are Defendants, the clerk, Tara S. Green, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Clay County Courthouse Front Steps, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 25th day of April, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:  
**A PART OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

**COMMENCE FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 34; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 900.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 150.00 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, TO THE CENTERLINE OF THAT CERTAIN EASEMENT DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 532, PAGE 499, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. THENCE RUN WESTERLY ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF SAID EASEMENT, TO A POINT LYING NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 532, PAGE 499, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. SUBJECT FURTHER TO AN EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
**BEGIN AT THE INTERSECTION OF LOUIS CARTER ROAD AND THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN INSTRUMENT RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 532, PAGE 499, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN WESTERLY ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE TO A POINT****



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DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; HERITAGE HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on March 01, 2016, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as:

**LOT 25, HERITAGE HILLS UNIT EIGHT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 25, PAGES 21, 22 AND 23, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

a/k/a 710 CHARLES PINCKNEY ST, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073-8777 at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Front Steps of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, on April 28, 2016 beginning at 10:00 AM.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2016.

(seal)

Tara S. Green  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Alissa Demay  
Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000822

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

Vs  
Sandra F. Kelsey a/k/a Sandra Faye Goodwin; Unknown Spouse of Sandra F. Kelsey a/k/a Sandra Faye Goodwin; Unknown Tenant #1; Unknown Tenant #2; any And All Unknown Parties Claiming By, Through, Under, And Against The Herein Named Individual Defendant(s) Who Are Not Known To Be Dead Or Alive, Whether Said Unknown Parties May Claim an Interest as Spouses, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 2, 2016, and entered in Case No. 2015-CA-000822 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC, is Plaintiff and Sandra F. Kelsey a/k/a Sandra Faye Goodwin, Unknown Spouse of Sandra F. Kelsey a/k/a Sandra Faye Goodwin n/k/a James N Campbell are Defendants, the Office of Tara Green, Clay County Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida, to begin at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 6th day of April, 2016 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

That certain tract or parcel of land being a portion of Section 9, Township 5 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida; said parcel being known as Lot 24 of DEER SPRINGS ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision, and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 9; thence North 89°48' West along the Southerly boundary

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of said Section 9, 1787.73 feet to an intersection with the center line of a 60 foot roadway; thence North 41°10' West along the center line of said road, 123.58 feet to a point of curve; thence along said curve being to the right and having a radius of 125 feet, a central angle of 23°39', an arc distance of 51.6 feet to a point of tangency; thence continue along said center line North 17°31' West, 360.6 feet to a point of curve; thence along said curve being to the right and having a radius of 520 feet, a central angle of 31°47', an arc distance of 288.46 feet to a point of tangency; thence continue along said center line North 14°16' East, 56.28 feet to a point of curve; thence along said curve being to the right and having a radius of 670 feet, a distance of 54 feet as measured along a chord bearing North 51°00'35" East; thence South 39°49'30" East 201.53 feet to an iron pipe in the Northerly shore line of Deer Springs; thence North 46°08'20" West, 190.77 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Property Address: 7034 Deer Springs Road, Keystone Heights, FL 32656 and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owners as of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Green Cove Springs, Clay County, Florida, this 2nd day of March, 2016.

(seal)

Tara S. Green  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Marla Albert  
As Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

(Pursuant to F.S. Chapter 45) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000216

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff(s),

Vs.  
Erica Kirlaw; Patrick Kirlaw; DOCTORS INLET RESERVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; NAVY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 2, 2016, in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the front entrance of the Clay County Courthouse; 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL on the 7th day of April, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. the following described real and personal property:

**LOT 10, OF BARRINGTON ESTATES UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 43, PAGE(S) 53 THROUGH 56, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 2nd day of March, 2016.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Julia Wilcox, Deputy Clerk  
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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

(Pursuant to F.S. Chapter 45) IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2015-CC-000011  
RIVER BREEZE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. Plaintiff(s),  
Vs.  
DENISE C. TELEHANY; UNKNOWN TENANT Defendant(s).

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 09/03/2015, in the above styled cause, I will to the highest and best bidder for cash in the front entrance of the Clay County Courthouse; 825 N Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL on the 23rd day of March, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. the following real and personal property:

**Lot 14, River Breeze, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 27, Pages 16, 17, and 18, of the Public Records of Clay County Florida, as specifically described as:**

**Also known as: 1605 River Breeze Drive, Fleming Island, FL 32003**

Parcel Identification Number: Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated on this the 1st day of March, 2016.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By Robbin Tefft  
Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

(PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000774

U S BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff(s),

vs.  
Justin L Riens; Florida Housing Finance Corporation; tenant 1; tenant 2 Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 23, 2016, in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front entrance of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL on the 25th day of April 2016 at 10:00 a.m., the following described real and personal property:

**LOT 6, ORANGE PARK SOUTH UNIT 6, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 23, PAGES 5, 6, AND 7 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 23rd day of February, 2016.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By Julia Wilcox  
Deputy Clerk

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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

(PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000665

EVERBANK, Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
DEREK GOOGIN AKA DEREK L. GOOGIN; TIFFANY GOOGIN AKA TIFFANY D. GOOGIN; et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on February 25, 2016 in Civil Case No. 2015-CA-000665, of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein, EVERBANK is the Plaintiff, and DEREK GOOGIN AKA DEREK L. GOOGIN; TIFFANY GOOGIN AKA TIFFANY D. GOOGIN; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; ASBURY DOWNS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT 1, UNKNOWN TENANT 2, are Defendants. The clerk of the court, Tara S. Green will sell to the highest bidder for cash on the front steps of Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at 10:00 A.M. on the 2nd day of August, 2016, the following described real property as set forth in said

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Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 108, ASBURY DOWNS UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 30, PAGES 1 THROUGH 4, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on February 26, 2016.

(seal)

Tara Green  
CLERK OF THE COURT  
Alissa Demay  
Deputy Clerk  
IMPORTANT

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crntinrp@coj.net of (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.

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**NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-000113  
Division No.

ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC. Plaintiff,

vs. CLARENCE D. ENNIS, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 23, 2016, and entered in Case No. 2015-CA-000113 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein Rose Acceptance, Inc. is the Plaintiff and BETTY J. ENNIS A/K/A BETTY O ENNIS, UNKNOWN TENANT #1 NKA KIM HIOTT, UNKNOWN TENANT #2 NKA MICHAEL JORDAN, and CLARENCE D. ENNIS the Defendants. Tara S. Green, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Clay County, Florida will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front entrance of Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, Florida, at 10:00 a.m. on 21st day of April, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to wit:

**A Portion of Lot 10, Nolan Road East, Unit B, Clay County, Florida, According To An Unrecorded Plat**

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TARA S GREEN, Clerk  
Clay County, Florida  
By Marla Albert  
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, Clay County, 825 North Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, Telephone (904) 284-6317, via Florida Relay Service.

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**CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S. CHAPTER 45**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO: 2015-CA-899

PLANET HOME LENDING, LLC Plaintiff,  
vs.

WILMER L. HARDIN; DORA J. HARDIN; HUNTERS TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC; UNKNOWN TENANT OCCUPANT(S); Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 3, 2015 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Steps of Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, to begin at 10:00 A.M. on May 23, 2016 the following described property:

**LOT 50, HUNTERS TRACE, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31, PAGE 60 THROUGH 65, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Commonly Known As: 2048 HUNTERS TRACE CIR, 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 WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court on February 23, 2016.

(seal)  
TARA S. GREEN,  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
By: Jaimie Blake  
Deputy Clerk of Court

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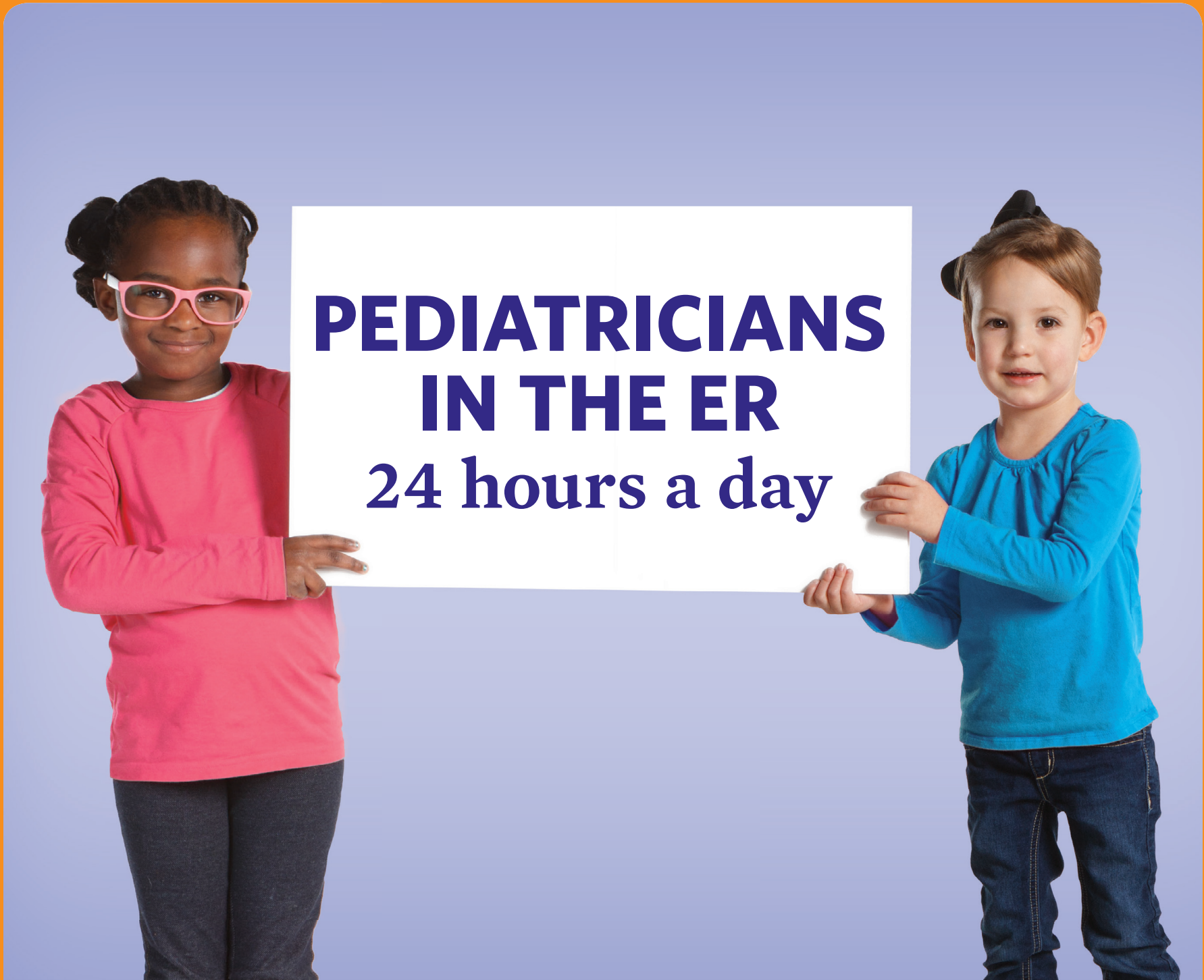
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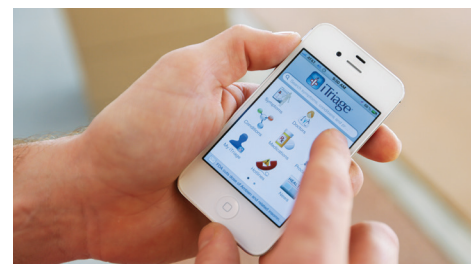
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