

Fleming Island bald eagle on the mend

By Mike Ford
Staff Writer

FLEMING ISLAND — The male bald eagle shot earlier this month on Fleming Island appears to be making a full recovery.

Cynthia Mosling of the Bird Emergency Aid and Kare Sanctuary on Big Talbot Island said the eagle was in rough shape at the beginning, but seems to be getting better.

“He came in on Dec. 20 and was in

bad shape the first couple of days. He was bruised very badly on his chest with a spot about three quarters of an inch large where a large projectile hit him and he was bruised all around it,” Mosling said. “He was very weak and was laying down — he wouldn’t stand up and he was taking fish out of my hand, which isn’t normal. Now, he’s standing up and seems to be feeling better because he’d like to rip my lips off if I were to get too close.”

The eagle was discovered immediately

after the shooting by a Fleming Island resident who didn’t hear shots but did hear a commotion in her back yard.

“The dog started going crazy, so I went out to see what was going on and found the bird laying in the yard. There were two boys about 10 or 11 years old in the marsh on the other side of the fence and both of them had air rifles of some sort,” said Stephanie Matos.

She said she went inside and called the emergency phone number at Clay Humane,

but there was no answer, so she wrote a post online and responders told her to call BEAKS. Mosley sent a volunteer to pick up the eagle and take it to a veterinarian clinic in Jacksonville that specializes in wild fowl.

“We can confirm that the contusions were consistent with what would be made by a pellet gun,” said Debra Shashy, one of the two vets who worked on the eagle

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Mayor concerned about fracking

By Mike Ford
Staff Writer

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS — In response to residents’ concerns over lake levels and the Floridan Aquifer, Mayor Tony Brown proposed a local ordinance to ban fracking earlier this month. He said it could be tabled while the state legislature debates various fracking bills, but Brown wants to see a local ban to protect the environment and take a stand for local control.

“My kids and grandkids are coming up and I want our environment in Keystone Heights to remain as natural as possible. I’m a registered Republican, but I won’t take the party line — I will stand on the frontline if I have to to protect our environment as much as I can,” Brown said.

Fracking is the process of injecting liquid at high pressure into subterranean rocks, boreholes beneath the earth’s surface in order to force open existing fissures and extract oil or gas. The issue has become a partisan political controversy with most Republicans supporting the interest of big oil.

Brown is particularly concerned about companion bills in both

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STAFF PHOTO BY SARAH WAKEFIELD ROSSER

Occupational therapist Heather Billiot praises James Bujold, 5, after learning the cause and effect of moving the car forward using a joystick.

Students offer mobility, independence to special needs kids

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK — James Bujold reaches up and gives Heather Billiot a fist bump after engaging with her over what appears to be a simple string of Mardi Gras beads, however, for the five-year-

old, the beads play a key role in improving his life.

Billiot, an occupational therapist with Brooks Rehabilitation, placed the beads around the joystick of Bujold’s modified red Power Wheels car to pull the joystick forward. Bujold’s mother Karen

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2015 YEAR IN REVIEW

Home where Somer Thompson abduction occurred is top Clay County story of 2015

ORANGE PARK – The Clay County community had an opportunity to close one of its darkest chapters in modern history on February 12, 2015 as the home where little Somer Thompson was molested and killed was torched as part of a multi-fire department training exercise.

Family members and nearby residents gathered at 1152 Gano Ave. with anticipation prior to the final burning around 1 p.m. Rounds of applause erupted several times, including the first time flames tickled the roof at the front of the house at 1:21 p.m.

Somer's mother, Diena Thompson, lit the symbolic match that purged the community of



STAFF PHOTO BY MIKE FORD

Diena Thompson shows a smile of comfort after firefighters torched the home on Gano Avenue where her seven-year-old daughter Somer was abducted and killed in 2009. After the fire-training exercise, the land was transformed into a community garden.

the house where her seven-year-old daughter was molested and killed in 2009. When she did, she gave the community a gift – a ritual that marks the beginning of a transition, according to a Jacksonville University sociology professor.

"This was a dramatic form of purging. It's

not a whimsical thing to do – to burn a house down – and it matched the degree of violation," said Nathan Rousseau, a JU sociologist who holds a doctorate in sociology and studies the relationship between personal identity and culture.

When Thompson addressed her daughter's killer, Jarred Harrell, in his 2010 sentencing hearing, she told him "before you took her life, you took her dignity..."

The controlled burn was a training day for fire departments from Orange Park, Clay County and Naval Air Station Jacksonville. They conducted various training exercises inside the house at 1152 Gano Ave. through the morning with a fire truck at each corner of the house.

On May 9, the burn site was transformed into a garden in memory of the child. Diena Thompson cut the ribbon on Somer's Garden, a one-third acre site that was once home to Jared Harrell, who is serving six life sentences for killing Somer Thompson in October 2009 as she walked home from school.

About 50 volunteers with Bringing Food Forests to Northeast Florida, their children and neighbors along with Orange Park Fire Department members came for the grand opening.

80 positions cut from 2015-16 Clay Schools' budget

FLEMING ISLAND – Despite pleas to either delay or deny it, the Clay County School Board unanimously approved a proposal March 24, 2015 to cut 80

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state chambers that would declare all local fracking ordinances void. State Senator Garrett Richter (R-Naples) and State Representative Ray Rodrigues (R-Ft. Myers) have proposed two such bills. Both lawmakers sponsored similar bills in the previous legislative session that died when they failed to garner a two-thirds majority of support.

When Brown brought the matter before city council, members heard an address from Santa Fe Lake Dwellers Association Legislative Chairman Terry Brant who said three different sets of state legislation have been proposed between both chambers – one set to establish fracking, another set to ban fracking and yet another that would put fracking on the ballot for voters' consideration. The bills by Richter and Rodrigues would regulate the practice, but in a way that is ruffling the feathers of those in local government around the state.

"While the state frequently complains about federal regulations and interference in state affairs, the state is doing precisely the same thing to county and city governments, taking away their current right to address local needs, hazards and circumstances, Brant said.

"And while some may say fracking is a partisan political item, it is not. It doesn't



matter if a person is for or against fracking – it's a matter of the public health, safety and welfare and of maintaining local home rule."

Regardless of political debates over the role of government, the mayor's principal concern remains environmental. He said several residents have approached him about this issue, causing him to look into it and act.

"For several months, people have been emailing me with concerns about what's going on at the state level, so I brought it to council for discussion. I don't know what council will decide to do – we may end up tabling it, but it's coming up in Tallahassee and I'd like us to do something before they discuss it in January, Brown said.

"Personally, I don't want fracking because we've worked so hard to restore our lakes and, from what I've read, the way they drill into the aquifer would affect lake levels."

Fracking has been a very limited practice in Florida so far. There are different techniques, such as drilling straight down, then to the side while another technique involves injecting acid into the rocks under pressure to split them open and harvest materials.

In December 2013, Texas-based Dan A. Hughes Co. used the acid-related technique in Collier County near the Everglades. That was the first time the technique had been used in Florida and many of that the county's residents and leaders were outraged. According to reports, many alleged the governor and Department of Environmental Protection had not done enough to regulate fracking in Florida.

Presently, Texas-based Cholla Petroleum wants to conduct seismic testing in the Florida Panhandle by setting off underground charges as a prelude to possible future fracking. While the proposal is being debated in that region, Brant wants

to make sure Clay County residents understand they can be affected by what happens elsewhere.

"Mayor Brown and the council recognize that there are several very real fracking threats to Keystone Heights and the local area. The sensitive nature of Karst terrain, clay and limestone, with significant leakage into the Floridan Aquifer and highly fragile lakes, creates a perfect storm – a clear hazard for pollution, earthquakes, sinkholes and reduced property values, Brant said.

"Fracking also uses immense quantities of water. After dealing with local water problems for the past 30 years and with lakes in recovery status, I am sure the mayor and council – just like local residents – don't think seismic testing with dynamite, hydraulic fracturing of the earth and injecting toxic chemicals would be a good idea."

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at Exotic Bird Hospital. "We had two birds come in with similar wounds that were shot in the Orange Park area. The other was a hawk that was shot a few days earlier in the pectoral region with something that left similar wounds."

Shashy said both birds had difficulty breathing and she thinks the incidents may be connected.

"It looks like someone was out shooting birds for no reason with some sort of pellet gun," she said. "We put them on pain meds and an anti-fungal because when they get stressed, fungal infections become a concern because in this warm, humid climate, black mold is common and they can breathe in mold spores."

Karen Parker, public affairs coordinator, for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission said FWC has closed its without identifying an alleged shooter.

"We got a call from Cindy (Mosling) that she had collected this eagle found in someone's back yard and we sent out an investigator," Parker said.

"But at this point, we've closed our investigation with no suspects and we don't know what kind of projectile struck the eagle."

Hawks and bald eagles are protected by the Migratory Bird Act of 1918 and Parker said the commission counts on residents to help protect wild birds and other protected



PHOTO SPECIAL TO CLAY TODAY
A bald eagle was shot on Fleming Island on Dec. 20 with a pellet gun or other type of air rifle. The bird suffered heavy bruising to its chest and was found lying on its back in a residential yard. Those involved with the bird's treatment also say a hawk was shot in the same area of Fleming Island a few days prior.

species. She also said the agency will re-open its investigation if it receives pertinent information from the public.

"We look to the public for tips on cases like this and they could be eligible for a monetary award if their tip leads to an ar-

rest," she said.

Anyone who knows anything about either incident can call the Florida Fish and Wildlife Tip Line at 888-404-3922.

School News

Christ named to President's List

OSWEGO, N.Y. — Charles J. Christ of Orange Park, a freshman majoring in cognitive science, has been named to the President's List for the fall 2015 semester at SUNY Oswego. He is among students who achieved grade averages of 3.80 and above on the 4.0 scale, the top 7.8 percent of Oswego students.

A 154-year-old comprehensive college in the State University of New York system, Oswego enrolls about 8,000 students in its College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Communication, Media and the Arts and School of Education.

Kuske named to Dean's List at Wisconsin Lutheran College

MILWAUKEE, Wisc. — Anna Kuske, a sophomore, of Orange Park, has been named to Wisconsin Lutheran College's Dean's List for the fall semester.

To be eligible for Dean's List, a student must carry a semester grade point average of 3.6 or higher.

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The kooky, the clueless, and the crooked

By Martin Dyckman

Academe would be a dreary place without its occasional kooky professor, but James Tracy of Florida Atlantic University is simply too much. Hired to teach about conspiracy theories, he digressed into peddling his own, beginning with the claim that the Newtown, Connecticut, massacre three years ago was a hoax by the media and by the parents of the 20 children whom Tracy denies were gunned down at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

According to the South Florida Sun Sentinel, Tracy has been denying almost



Martin Dyckman

every mass murder since then, including the Boston Marathon bombing and the shootings at the Washington Navy Yard, the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, and in San Bernardino.

The university maintained that it couldn't fire a tenured professor for sounding like a jackass on a personal blog. But then he challenged the parents of one of the Sandy Hook victims to prove that he was their son. That was calculated cruelty.

It was also finally too much for FAU, which is proposing to fire him.

He deserves to be fired, and if it were only legal, to be tarred and feathered, too. FAU has no more duty to keep Tracy than it would to retain a historian who denies the Holocaust, a geographer who says the world is flat, or an astronomer who claims NASA faked landing astronauts on the moon. Tracy's conduct is so unprofessional as to suggest either that he's nuts or has found a fiendishly clever approach to fame and profit. Regardless, he's overstayed his place at the public's table.

But consider this: How is his denial of the obvious so much different from that of Marco Rubio and other politicians who continue to pretend that the indiscriminate sale and use of assault weapons has nothing to do with past and future – yes, future – tragedies like Newtown, Charleston and San Bernardino?

Tracy isn't half as obnoxious or nearly as harmful as they are. He's simply easier to be rid of.

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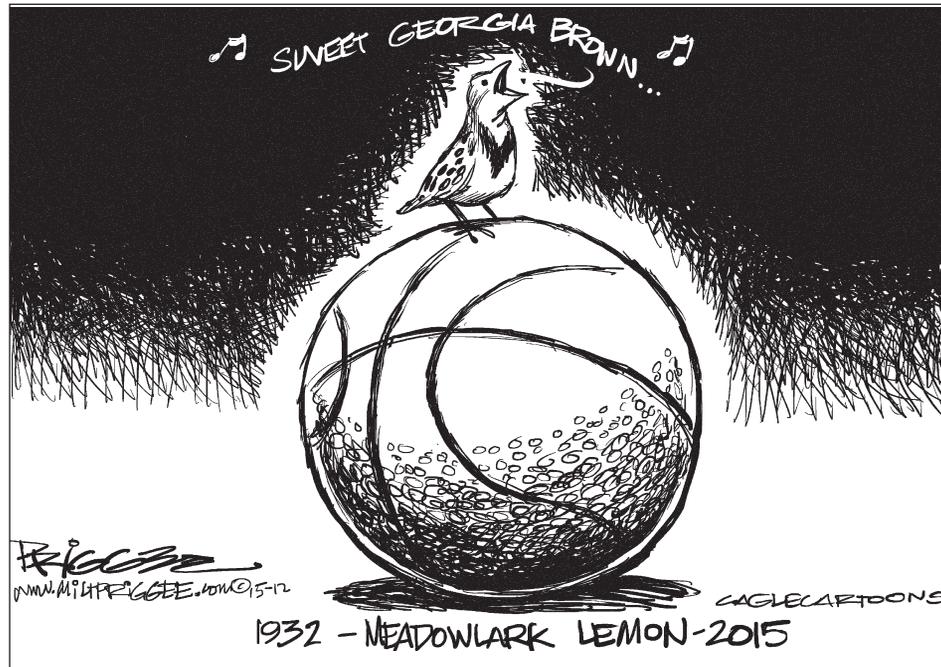
Speaking of absurdities, what's to make of the news that 30 percent of Republicans and nearly 20 percent of Democrats who say they'll vote in the primaries would have the U.S. bomb a place that doesn't exist?

A trick question in an otherwise legitimate survey by Public Policy Polling asked, "Would you support or oppose bombing Agrabah?"

Agrabah is the mythical kingdom in the Disney movie, "Aladdin."

Among the Republicans, 57 percent said they weren't sure and only 13 percent

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Guest Column

Citizens can save the St. Johns River

By Lisa Rinaman

You've probably heard a lot about Florida's water future in the news lately, especially since the Florida Legislature is considering a major water policy bill for the legislative session that starts January 12. It's easy for ordinary citizens to feel powerless around this issue, with so many people moving into Florida, so many users competing for a limited water supply, and so many problems with pollution.



Lisa Rinaman

But the truth is that we citizens do have power. Over the decades, we've come together to help reign in big polluters, enact more protective water policies, and stop ill-advised projects. We can raise our voices to do the same now.

I live in Jacksonville and work as the St. Johns Riverkeeper. We're a private citizen's advocacy organization – one of many Waterkeeper groups around the nation – that keeps tabs on the health of the St. Johns River and advocates for its protection.

The St. Johns provides one example of how Florida citizens can join together to insist that an environmental wrong be fixed. By the turn of the century, huge swaths of the St. Johns' floodplain were drained and filled, part of that generation's idea of "progress." By 1970, the river was so polluted that Gov. Claude Kirk said, "If you fall in, you will die of pollution before you drown." A year later, the Duval County Health Department issued a warning that one could contract 27 different communicable diseases by swimming in the St. Johns.

Since then, much work has gone into restoring wetlands in the river's headwaters and removing the 15 million gallons of raw sewage that once flowed unabated into the St. Johns. Citizens demanded that the

wrong be made right, and with many years of hard work, progress has been made.

However, the St. Johns continues to face disturbing threats. The water policy bill in Tallahassee would undermine pollution protections statewide, particularly worrisome since our river still suffers from failing septic tanks, manure and fertilizer runoff, and frequent toxic algae outbreaks infamously known as the "Green Monster."

There are threats on the water supply front, too. The Central Florida Water Initiative lists three potential projects that would take up to 160 million gallons per day from the St. Johns and send it to Orlando's suburbs to water lawns and fuel more sprawl.

In Jacksonville, the federal government plans to massively deepen the river's port to make way for mega cargo ships. Our Riverkeeper group is challenging that plan because the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has not properly planned for the project's environmental harm, including increased salinity and impacts to marine life. Once the damage from dredging is done, there is no turning back.

The St. Johns is at critical crossroad, and we must act. We must act, *together*. We are planning a major journey – the "Save the St Johns Tour" – along the river's entire length, from the headwaters at Blue Cypress Lake west of Vero Beach to the river's mouth at the Atlantic Ocean in Jacksonville. We'll be traveling on the river for 13 days from March 22 to April 3.

We are getting out on the river to save the river. Along the way, we'll meet with local citizens, raise awareness about the threats facing the river and the solutions, and invoke an urgent call-to-action to save the St. Johns. Our aim is to evoke that effective, time-honored tool: citizen power. It's potent stuff.

Lisa Rinaman is the St Johns Riverkeeper. If you would like to learn more about the Save the St Johns Tour, visit <http://savethestjohns.org/>

This Week in History

5 Years Ago, 2010

- The Clay County Sheriff's Office investigated a murder-suicide at the Middleburg home in which officers said George Chaney, 49, shot himself after shooting his long-time girlfriend Kathryn "Kathy" Jackson, 45, days after she had tried to end the relationship and had served him with a civil eviction notice.

- The Clay County Sheriff's Office released a 60-page report detailing the Oct. 11 massacre that Christopher Scott Kilgore went on in killing his brother Raymond Kilgore and his friend James Coady after shooting both his parents who survived. Christopher Kilgore was shot three days later during an armed robbery attempt in Jacksonville.

- Mentoring program Take Stock in Children received a \$5,000 donation from Comcast to fund its programs for at-risk youth.

10 Years Ago, 2005

- Clay County Fire Rescue reported that Mary Morris, 42, of a Bay Street address near Orange Park, died at Shands Jacksonville after being pulled from her burning home.

- The Clay County School Board voted to raise Superintendent David Owens' pay to \$127,708, which was an increase of \$7,001.

- Seventy-five-year-old Doris Williams of Middleburg graduated with an associate degree in social and behavioral sciences from Sante Fe Community College's Keystone Heights area campus, completing a lifelong dream.

20 Years Ago, 1995

- Work crews continued to build Fleming Island Elementary School, which was scheduled to open for the 1996-1997 school year.

- Keystone Heights City Council member Bob Alexander asked the city's Charter Review Commission to write a clear definition of the word mayor. As written, Alexander said, using the definition of "executive officer" was too vague.

- Food Lion advertised fresh collard greens for sale for 29-cents a pound in preparation for New Year's meals.

30 Years Ago, 1985

- Clay County Public Safety Director Jim Corbin said a recent cold spell, in which temperatures loomed in the upper teens, did not result in any significant incidents or damage to the county.

- Clay County Sheriff Jennings R. Murree joined officials from the Florida Highway Patrol in a pledge to crack down on drunk driving during the holiday season.

- Publix advertised hog jowls for sale for 49-cents a pound.

40 Years Ago, 1975

- Officials with the Green Cove Springs

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Clerk of Court staff holds toy drive

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – For the third year in a row, the staff of the Clay County Clerk of Court donated toys and clothes to benefit local children in the foster care system. Each year, the office works with the Guardian ad Litem program in Clay County, to identify the most needy children who would probably not have a Christmas without assistance. A Guardian ad Litem is a court-appointed special advocate whose sole responsibility is to advocate for the best interests of children who have been abused, abandoned or neglected and are now under the supervision of the Florida Department of Children and Families and in the foster care system. Clerk of Court Tara Green's staff, shown here with Guardian ad Litem staff, provided a multitude of gifts for eight families this year.



Music ensemble Foothill Function comes to Penney Farms

PENNEY FARMS – Musical ensemble Foothill Function, which is based in Knoxville, Tenn., will perform this weekend at Penney Memorial Church at 7 p.m.

Their mission, as they describe it, "is to make enticing music that reaches diverse audiences for culturally engaging and responsive experiences." They take joy in supporting charitable causes and bringing the arts, education and culture to audiences in all communities. Individually, they are each talented musicians with diverse career paths in performing, teaching or

composing and yet together they produce a unique sound that inspires the heart strings."

Three vocalists, accompanied by a talented pianist will share music by Samuel Barber, John Ness Beck, Stephen Sondheim and others in a program entitled "An Evening with Barber, Broadway and Blessings."

The church is located at 4465 Poling Blvd. in Penney Farms. Admission is free and parking plentiful.

Petco Foundation invests in SAFE Animal Shelter

DOCTORS INLET – For the second time this year, the Petco Foundation has awarded a grant to an animal welfare organization in Clay County.

SAFE Animal Shelter of Clay County announced Dec. 26 it has been awarded a \$23,000 grant from the Petco Foundation to support its medical equipment and animal care initiatives to prepare more animals for adoption. Last March, the no-kill shelter was awarded a \$10,000 grant.

"This grant from Petco foundation allows Safe Animal Shelter to continue our

life saving mission as we strive to make Clay County a no kill county "said Pete Hardin, SAFE board president.

The Petco Foundation investment will help to provide the necessary resources that will allow the shelter to give the deserved medical care to homeless animals.

SAFE Animal Shelter is a nonprofit organization and Clay County's oldest no kill animal shelter. Since 1991, Safe Animal Shelter has saved the lives of more than 14,000 animals.

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were opposed. The Democrats did somewhat better, registering 36 percent opposition. The poll didn't say how many of them were undecided or how many, if any, challenged the question

"It's a whole new world," said Dean Debnam, president of Public Policy Polling. "Republicans who support carpet bombing also support bombing magic carpets."

But it's too serious to be funny. It's hardly news, of course, that a substantial minority of Americans can be so clueless. But this is worse than that. About 41 percent of Donald Trump's voters are willing to kill masses of people in a place about which they know nothing except that it has an Arabic-sounding name. A similar percentage thinks it was OK for the U.S. to send citizens to concentration camps during World War II because of their Japanese ancestry.

Such numbers reflect a cancer in the heart of our country. Bigotry against people of different races or religions has been with us always, but not since the Civil War has it threatened so seriously to divide the nation. Never has it been what it is now: a clear and present danger to nominate and perhaps even elect a candidate for whom racism is as defining a characteristic as it was for Adolf Hitler.

Racism, like cancer, does not remain site-specific. In a recent column, Dana Milbank of The Washington Post reported on some of the reaction to his having called Trump "a bigot and a racist."

"Let's not mince words," someone

tweeted. "Milbank is an anti-white parasite and a bigoted kike supremacist."

It got worse.

That and similar "discourse" could have come straight from National Socialist rallies in Germany in the 1920s and '30s. There too, demonstrators opposed to the racist candidate were shouted down with vulgar insults or beaten and dragged from the premises.

Don't cry for Agrabah. Weep for the people, so many of them, who were eager to bomb it. And then weep for the United States.

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On a more cheerful note, could there be a sight more satisfying than that photograph of Martin Shkreli in handcuffs, being perp-walked to face charges of securities fraud.

But in another absurdity, he's claiming he was arrested because he hiked the price of a life-saving drug to \$750 from \$13.50.

If only that were so. Truth is, it's perfectly legal for the pharmaceutical industry to extort as much money from sick and dying people as the companies think they can. According to The New York Times, Eli Lilly is charging \$11,430 a month for a new cancer drug that some leading oncologists say should cost only \$1,870 and Pfizer wants \$9,850 a month for a new breast cancer drug, far above a reasonable price.

Shkreli is charged with ripping off wealthy investors, not desperate patients. There's something wrong with that.

Martin Dyckman is a retired associate editor of the St. Petersburg Times. He lives near Asheville, North Carolina. His column appears courtesy of Context Florida.

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Electric Company said a system overload was to blame for a Christmas Eve power outage that lasted from about 8 p.m. until

1 a.m.

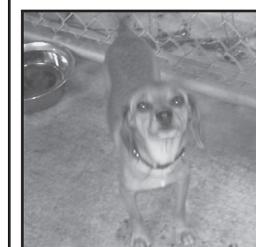
- The Clay County School District purchased 18 new school busses for \$12,700 each.

- Mrs. Leecie Doyle and Tunney Robinson joined Jud Wilhelm as candidates for Orange Park Town Council.



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Project Putnam Lighthouse shines light on safety

By Sarah Wakefield Rosser
Staff Writer

PALATKA, Fla. — An anxious feeling arises in Leigh Merryday Porch any time she enters a new space with her six-year-old son, Callum, who is autistic. She mentally notes the location of the exits and has to keep her eyes on her son who has a tendency to wander off if left unsupervised even for a few seconds.

Through a nonprofit she recently launch called Putnam Project Lighthouse, Porch's son was the first person in Putnam County to wear an anklet with a GPS tracking device developed specifically for people who have a tendency to elope, or wander, including those with Alzheimer's disease, Down syndrome or autism.

"It's a fear that sits in the sit of your stomach everywhere you go," said Porch, who serves as the organization's president. "We keep eyes on him at all times but you have to look away from time to time to sign

a credit card [bill] or take dinner out of the oven. I'm constantly looking at exits."

If a person wearing the bracelet goes missing, local law enforcement will program the frequency of the bracelet into a tracker costing \$1,500 and start searching for the signal near the person's last known location. Trackers can pick up signals on the ground from a mile or two away or about 10 miles from the air.

Porch wanted to bring the bracelets to Putnam County after her son wandered off while visiting relatives during the Fourth of July. Even though the extended family was warned to close and lock the doors, he was able to sneak out of the front door and was found less than two minutes later at a neighbor's house.

"We did the responsible thing — had the doors locked," Porch said. "We know that my husband went to go check the oven and the front door didn't shut. We found our son across the street at a neighbor's who had a pool. People don't realize how quickly it



PHOTO SPECIAL TO CLAY TODAY
Center, Leigh Merryday Porch, stands and watches as a Putnam County Sheriff's Office detective Jared Guy places a tracking anklet on her son Callum Porch in a Dec. 8 demonstration. She hopes every county in Florida will adopt a similar GPS tracking system to help track kids who wander due to such diagnoses as autism spectrum disorder.

happens. It was so upsetting what happened, it was six months before I took him over there for another get together. They go so quickly."

Porch hopes more counties will adopt the GPS bracelets and equipment, especially after Peyton Blodgett, an eight-year old autistic child living in Baker County,

was found alive after a 49-hour search by authorities. In 2014, body parts, dark jeans and sneakers of a 14-year old Avonte Oquendo washed up onto the Queens side of the East River in New York City. Knowing that autistic children are drawn to water,

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Municipal 'Super Tuesday' election a reality?

By Mike Ford
Staff Writer

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – When April rolls around, voters throughout Clay County will go to the polls with high turnout, if county leaders have their way.

To increase voter turnout and make efficient use of resources, the municipalities of Green Cove Springs, Orange Park and Keystone Heights will hold elections on the same day – April 12. Behind the scenes, the process won't be as smooth as Elections Supervisor Chris Chambless would



Chris Chambless

prefer, but he said voters won't notice it.

"It will be a disjointed process, internally, but we're still having it. For example, Orange Park will qualify their candidates at town hall and the financial reporting

aspects of the campaigns will be administered and reported at our office," Chambless said. "If they did both at our office, the process would be more fluid because we're the agency carrying out the election."

To consolidate the elections and create a local Municipal Super Tuesday, Chambless had asked municipalities to change

their dates. However, Orange Park and Keystone Heights can't do so by a simple ordinance passed by their respective councils because the town charters do not per-

mit it.

Keystone Heights City Attorney Rich Komando said some city charter rules and regulations require a voter referendum.

"There are aspects of the charter that can be changed without a referendum and that's limited to qualifying dates and quali-

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stands behind the car and gently pushes her son's right elbow forward to demonstrate the physical movements he needs to get the car moving on his own.

"I can pull [the beads] and give him an idea of the cause and effect so he can move forward," Billiot said. "For him, it's a cause and effect thing. We push it forward and it goes forward. When he pulls it backwards, it goes backwards. We want him to learn that on his own eventually."

Bujold was one of nine special needs children in the greater Jacksonville area who recently received a modified toy car courtesy of engineering and physical therapy students from the University of North Florida's Adaptive Toy Project. In its second year, the program helps children develop independence, as well as cognitive and motor skills required for solving daily problems.

After his Dec. 23 therapy session at Brooks Rehabilitation's Orange Park center, Bujold took the Spiderman-themed car home to continue building new motor and mobility skills. Born with a genetic disorder that causes him to be fully dependent on his parents, Jim and Karen Bujold, the child will continue to increase upper extremity function, reaching, grabbing and grasping to make daily living activities such as eating and getting dressed easier.

"We're working a lot on core strength because for him, it's one of the most important things," Billiot said. "Sometimes he doesn't want to do it, so we improvise."

James Bujold participates in three-week long sessions in suit therapy, a form of therapy using a network of bungees to correctly align and strengthen his body,

two to three times each year in Orlando in addition to continual physical and occupational therapy. Suit therapy sessions cost the Bujold's, who both teach at Clay County's Tynes Elementary School, \$35,000 out of pocket each year.

The combination of occupational and physical therapy aims to make the five-year-old independent and autonomous.

"We want to get him to be as independent as we can because that will help the family, too," Billiot said. "As he gets bigger, he's going to be harder to handle. Let's say when they go to dress him, it'll be easier if they can pick him up or have him stand while they manipulate things so it'll be easier on them in the long run and also it gives him a little more independence to do things on his own."

"Just sitting took years," said Kelly Delaney, a pediatric physical therapist, who also works with the child. "He learned to sit up by rolling onto his side and from there sitting up. Motivation is the key thing for him. He's a faces person. There's research that kids with special needs do have that long processing time that they need to figure something out. That's one of the awesome things about this project... because it's not out of the ordinary to put a two or three year old in a wheelchair to start that power mobility earlier."

Delaney submitted James' name to be a part of the UNF project because she recognized that learning to drive the car will increase independence and allow him to play and interact with his younger brother Jacob Bujold, who is three.

"That's why the car is so great," Delaney said. "It gives him the mobility his parents can't give him. It's more controlled by him. Once he gets the hang of it, he can go from one side of the room to the other."

Although James Bujold's therapy session focused on the cause and effect, his parents also learned how to help their son by placing extra pads along his left side and behind his back.

"I think he might need more padding in the back, he just doesn't want to push forward," said Jim Bujold, who teaches fourth grade. "Hopefully he'll start chasing Jacob."

Students in the graduate physical therapy program at UNF joined forces with students in the engineering department to modify Power Wheels toy cars of various sizes after James Cole Galloway, Ph.D. from the University of Delaware gave a presentation at UNF about a mobility program called "Go Baby Go." The program Galloway helped develop provides children with severe mobility issues, such as cerebral palsy or genetic disorders, the opportunity to learn cognitive and motor skills by operating the simple vehicle thus increasing the chance to improve in social skills by being around others.

Foam pool noodles, foam pieces, mi-

crocontrollers, and stop switches among other things were added to various cars depending on each child's specific needs and physical size. Once the child outgrows the Power Wheels car, it will be reused and modified for another child to use at home or in therapy.

Third year graduate physical therapy student Kevin Dolan worked with the Bujold family and assessed James' mobility needs before meeting with his student team at UNF.

"We wanted to make it easy to use so we made a joystick that was simple to push it forward and backward. We needed something to make it safe and structurally sound to give him proper posture and to encourage him to reach forward to operate the controls. We added cushions to move him forward to give core stability and to try to keep his legs together for proper posture," Dolan said.

Under the instruction of UNF electrical engineering professor in the college of computing, engineering and construction Juan Aceros Ph.D., mechanical and electrical engineering students modified the steering system, the seatbelt mechanism, axial components and the seat structure that resulted in dramatic improvements in accessibility for James Bujold. Aceros said that it was important for his students to not only complete the project but to make a difference in the community.

"One important aspect is for the students to experience the potential that they have as engineers," Aceros said. "They can make a significant difference in people's lives. In this course, we see this change in the students through the semester, they gain a sense of citizenship and a better understanding of their role in society."

The Adaptive Toy Project also requires physical therapy and engineering students to work together, thus preparing them further for professional life after graduation.

"In the course the students develop hands-on technical skills, but by interacting with [doctor of physical therapy] students they learn to communicate complex ideas across multiple disciplines," Aceros said. "They also learn to appreciate how other disciplines approach problem solving and gain skills in working in interprofessional teams."

Learning to operate the car could take months, but once James Bujold masters the joystick, Billiot said his car could be modified again.

"James doesn't grow very fast so James is going to be in that car for a while," Billiot said. "As he gets more control, there is potential that maybe we could do something else to the car so it's harder to use and will challenge him more. We could add something such as a steering wheel."

Karen Bujold said the car will be a welcome addition to his ongoing therapy and she was curious to see how her sons would interact with each other at home.

"It's awesome to see him be able to play like a normal child and to be able to have this cool car and be able to work it," Karen Bujold said. "With regular pedals, he wouldn't be able to do that."

NOTICE OF ELECTION 2016 SUPER TUESDAY MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

City of Green Cove Springs City of Keystone Heights Town of Orange Park

Pursuant to Section 100.021 of the Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the 2016 Super Tuesday Municipal Elections will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2016, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at each respective Municipality.

City of Green Cove Springs

321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs, Florida.

Seats Three (3), Four (4), and Five (5) for a three (3) year term of office on the Green Cove Springs City Council.

Qualifying for Seats Three (3), Four (4), and Five (5) will open Monday, February 1st at NOON and remain open until Friday, February 5th at NOON at the at the Clay County Supervisor of Elections Office.

City of Keystone Heights

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

Seats One (1) and Seat Two (2) for a three (3) year term of office on Keystone Heights City Council.

Qualifying for Seats One (1) and Seat Two (2) will open Monday, February 8th NOON and remain open until Friday, February 12th at NOON at the City of Keystone Heights Office.

Town of Orange Park

2042 Park Ave., Orange Park, FL 32073

Seats Four (4) and Five (5) for a three (3) year term of office on the Orange Park Town Council.

Qualifying for Seats Four (4) and Five (5) will open Monday, February 1st at NOON and remain open until Friday, February 5th at NOON at the Town of Orange Park.

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

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

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

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

Note: Section 286.01105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purposes, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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Porch said, "we will never know what happened to Oquendo in his final hours."

Porch said the Putnam County School District was great about taking up this issue and incorporated the procedures into school policy.

Although the Clay County Sheriff's Office does not currently have a tracking program like Project Putnam Lighthouse in place, officials looked into it about six years ago.

"The Sheriff confirmed that we tested out equipment about six years ago and found that the system as it was then wouldn't work well in our county," said Mary Justino, spokesperson for the Clay County Sheriff's Office in an email.

The CCSO had concerns with cost of the system, maintenance issues and limitations in the coverage area.

"The Sheriff said we will be open to considering a tracking system in partnership with caregivers as an option for our agency once the technology is greatly improved," Justino said in an email. "In the meantime, we are focusing our efforts...on increasing the amount and quality of the training our deputies receive. It is already making a big difference in how they handle calls for service related to missing people

who are autistic."

Porch said children wander when their normal routine is altered or during seemingly routine events.

"We can't go to a birthday party in a park," Porch said.

The start-up cost of the bracelets range from \$250 to \$300 and the tracker costs \$5,000, but Porch said the investment is worth it.

"A full scale search by law enforcement is probably over \$10,000 a day," Porch said. "This one-time expense of \$5,000 is going to come back in one search."

Project Putnam Lighthouse obtained funds from community businesses to get the project going and the local school board bought the county one of the trackers. Scholarship opportunities for other Florida law enforcement or school systems to obtain the equipment are available through the nonprofit's website www.putnamprojectlighthouse.org.

Porch, who is a writer and blogger, said she hears similar stories about missing children from other parents.

"I hear twice a week of a child who has wandered off," Porch said. "It feels like it's 50/50 to see a follow-up story that they're dead."

According to the 2012 study by Baptist Health, 91 percent of deaths associated with people with autism are associated

with drowning, secondary to elopement.

"The truth is, it takes four minutes to drown," Porch said. "You can call the sheriff's department, but they can drown in a retention pond and be dead in four minutes. A bracelet's not going to stop a wanderer or kidnapping so it's a backup but you always have to be on alert."

Porch said that having her son wear the bracelet is like having an extra layer of protection or a back-up plan for her other back-up plans. To get him to wear it took a couple of days to get used to it.

"We had to desensitize him," Porch

said. "His teachers started practicing with him this summer. They'd put it on a minute and he whined. It took him two days to get him used to it."

Porch said that if a missing child is randomly found who seems to be lost, the best thing to do is to call 911 and stay with the child until help arrives.

"You don't have to interact with them or put hands on them or get them in your car," Porch said. "Just stay around them with your phone. Stay on phone with 911 and just trail them."

TOWN OF ORANGE PARK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN OF ORANGE PARK ZONING MAP

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Orange Park Planning and Zoning Board on Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. and the Town of Orange Park Town Council on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 and Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. will hold public hearings on a proposed rezoning. The Planning and Zoning Board will consider and issue a recommendation to the Town Council on the adoption of Application for Rezoning No. R-02-2015 and the Town Council will consider First Reading of an ordinance adopting the rezoning on February 16 with final action on an ordinance for rezoning the property on March 1, 2016.

Said hearings will be held in the Orange Park Town Hall Council Chambers located at 2042 Park Avenue, Orange Park, Florida 32073. All interested parties may appear at the public hearings and be heard regarding the rezoning.

The subject property includes approximately 62 acres and is located between Park Avenue and River Road, north of Kingsley Avenue (see map).

The owner proposes to rezone the subject property from RG-1, RS-2, CPO and CG to PUD (Planned Unit Development). The PUD zoning district is being sought to provide for a long-term build-out master plan emblematic of pedestrian- and bicycle-oriented mixed-use development, which may include a mix of commercial, medical, office, retail, residential, and recreational uses on the campus.

A copy of the proposed ordinance, including the complete legal description by metes and bounds, may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Should any person decide to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the meetings or hearings, such person will need a record of the proceedings for such purpose and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of these proceedings is made, which records include the testimony and evidence upon which appeal is to be based.

NOTICE TO PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO ALL HEARING IMPAIRED PERSONS: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in these proceedings should contact the Town Clerk at (904) 278-3018 no later than five (5) days prior to the respective hearing.

Legal 36228 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.



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Putnam County Sheriff's Office detective Jared Guy demonstrates the PAL, Protect And Locate device that helps track down bracelets using GPS technology. The bracelets, or anklets, are worn by children who are prone to wander off, such as those with autism.



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Moosehaven applies for comprehensive rezoning

By Mike Ford
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – If commuters one day see construction along Park Avenue at Moosehaven, it will be the result of a process beginning now with a rezoning application.

Executive Director John Capes said he has been working with town officials and both parties want to make sure zoning and operations are the best match they can be. Events such as the retirement community's Independence Day fireworks display are carried out with appropriate permits, but as Town Manager Jim Hanson explains, the property isn't all zoned the same.

"It's 62 acres and some of it is zoned residential and some of it is zoned commercial. They've applied for Planned Unit Development zoning that will consolidate the zoning under their master plan for use of the property between commercial use and residential as a retirement community," Hanson said.

A PUD allows for things that don't fall under the same categories, such as residential zoning and different types of commercial land use.

As a residential retirement community, Moosehaven is residential at its base, but management also operates in food service, religious worship and many other offerings on the Moosehaven property.

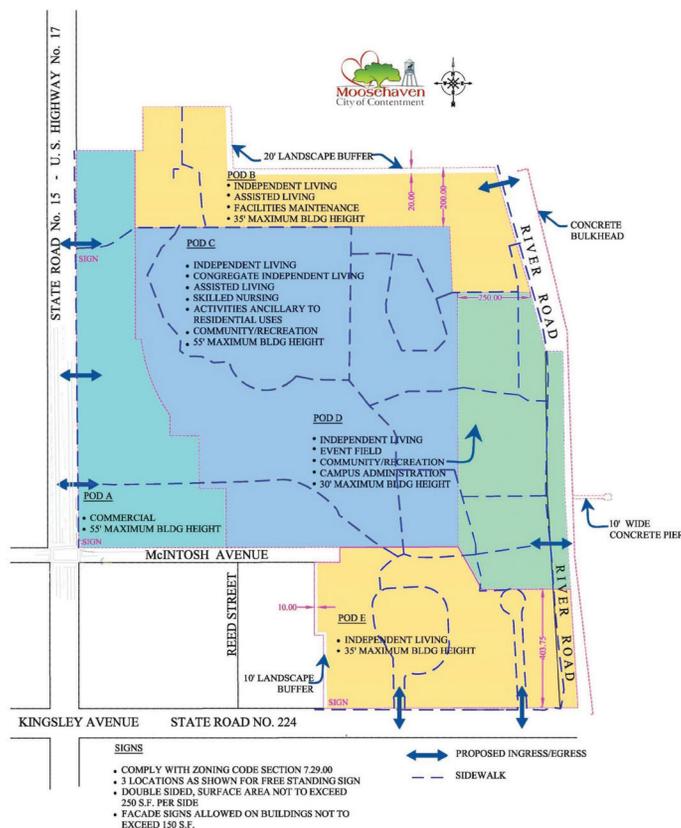
Capes said Moosehaven isn't planning any expansion, but does have a project or two in mind that relate to use of buildings.

"We're just trying to be zoning-compliant and we want the zoning to be correct so when we start projects, zoning isn't an issue," Capes said. "I may want to have a carnival out here someday and residential zoning doesn't account for that."

Opening the property to the community for festivals such as the Fourth of July is something Orange Park residents benefit from, so the town is contributing \$10,000 toward the 2016 event, as well as manpower from police, fire and public works departments.

Most of the residential portions of the Moosehaven property are away from the highway and are broken up into several small buildings.

Capes said the apartments will be consolidated in to one large apartment build-



ing with 105 units.

"They need [to be] replaced, anyway," he said. "The newest opened in 1994 and the oldest that hasn't been renovated opened in 1986. This won't increase the number of our residents, it's simply a consolidation, Capes said.

"We have a clinic and a variety of other things in addition to skilled nursing, assisted living, independent living and congregant living, which is a hybrid that is basically independent living with some limited added services, which are meal preparation and housekeeping."

The Orange Park Planning and Zoning Board will hold a public meeting at 5 p.m. on Jan. 14 about the matter and town council will do the same during council meetings on Feb. 16 and March 1, with a decision expected on March 1. Hanson sees the rezoning as a positive step for Orange Park.

"It's a very positive thing to allow development at the front of the property – any development along Highway 17 is good for the community," he said. "It allows for rebuilding some of the older residential buildings as Moosehaven continues to be a vital part of the community and its largest employer."

For much of 2015, Moosehaven and The Clay County Council on Aging worked together to construct Judy's Place, a 25-person, 3,500 square foot adult day-care center that fronts Park Avenue/U.S. Highway 17.

The facility, only the second of its kind in Clay County, is scheduled to open in the coming months.

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ying language so reporting will be to Mr. Chambless. The dates can be changed and that will soon come up for second reading before council," Komando said.

Chambless also said Keystone Heights has absentee ballots go through the city clerk. That means county dollars have to be used for Chambless to mail those ballots to the city.

Komando said allowing the elections office to handle those ballots by itself requires a change to the city charter. He said city council can't simply do that by a vote or by an ordinance.

A similar issue exists in Orange Park, where reporting is mandated to go through Assistant Town Manager Sarah Campbell.

"The date of election is the only thing that can be changed by ordinance. Then, the qualifying date would be changed as a consequence of changing the election date, which will be April 12," Campbell said.

Despite not being able to consolidate all election day operations, Orange Park, Green Cove Springs and Keystone Heights have all gone through the process of changing their municipal election dates since 2013.

Each council has open seats to fill in 2016.

In Green Cove Springs, Mayor Van Royal's term expires in May and he is eligible to run for another term.

Ray Braly resigned effective Dec. 31 and his seat will be open, as will that of Felecia Hampshire, who has served the allowable three, three-year terms.

Both seats held by Mitch Timberlake and Pam Lewis expire in May along with Royal. Qualifying will open at noon on Feb. 1 and close at noon on Feb. 5 at the elections office.

In Orange Park, two seats will be open due to term limits.

Jim Renninger has served three terms and cannot run again, but Mayor Gary Meeks can, if he chooses. He has not declared yet, but qualifying does not begin until noon on Feb. 1 and closes at noon on Feb. 5 at town hall.

In Keystone Heights, Brian Wilson is being termed-out and Marion Kelly's seat will also be open.

She can run again, if she chooses but qualifying isn't until Feb. 1-5 at city hall.

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teacher and support positions and reportedly save \$4 million for the 2015-2016 school year.

"The allocation package we're presenting tonight will allow us to go ahead and start re-appointing teachers and, at least, cutting down on a lot of that anxiety and keeping us on our path to present you a budget," said Charlie Van Zant Jr., superintendent. "We're presenting you something that we know that we can at least get to the state minimum fund balance with tonight."

The district was hit with a state funding cut after a student headcount – referred to by officials as the third calculation – showed the district had 34,707 students, a drop of 503 students or approximately \$1.8 million. Van Zant and Deputy Superintendent Denise Adams also said the projections for next year's student population shows another drop, which will equate to another cut in state funding.

"I'm not opposed to adding back; somebody shows me the money, I'll bring you more allocations, OK. I know this package isn't the prettiest thing you've ever seen, but it's one that I'm confident that we can grow from. It is an appropriate starting point with as many unknowns as we have before us at this moment," Van Zant said.

Examples of how the approved cuts will impact schools range in severity. At Orange Park Elementary, at least one resource teacher position – the art teacher – is on the chopping block. Grove Park and Montclair elementary schools will share a media tech, Coppergate Elementary will have eight positions cut, while nearby

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A tragic two-vehicle collision claimed five lives last summer on State Road 21 in the McRae community, south of State Road 16 past Camp Blanding.

RideOut Elementary will have five general education teachers, one music and one exceptional student education teacher cut. Van Zant said the cuts were necessary in the aftermath of state funding cuts.

District Two School Board Member Carol Studdard said this is the toughest budgetary climate she has experienced in her 22 years on the board.

Shocking collision claims five on State Road 21

MCRAE – Five people lost their lives June 16, 2015 when one vehicle veered across the center line and struck another vehicle head-on on State Road 21, about four miles south of State Road 16 near Camp Blanding. One car contained four adults who all died and two young children, who survived because of their safety seats.

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According to Captain Keith Gaston of the Florida Highway Patrol, Daniel P. Eden Jr., 29, of Sistersville, W.Va., was driving a 1999 Toyota Camry northbound on State Road 21 near Camp Blanding and drifted across the double

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He died from his injuries, along with three passengers – Brandy R. Eden, 24, of Sisterville, W.Va., Rebecca Suzanne Bates, 46, of Keystone Heights and David Neal Eden Jr., 31, of St. Augustine. Four-year-old Daniel P. Eden III, and two-year-old Madison Eden, both of Sisterville, W.Va., were taken to UF Health hospital in Jacksonville with critical injuries. The two children were the only survivors in the crash.

According to the FHP report, Eden's vehicle rotated counter-clockwise from the initial impact and traveled back into the northbound lane approximately 10 feet, where it came to

final rest facing south. Meanwhile, Johnson's vehicle rotated clockwise and came to a final rest on the west should approximately 10 feet from initial impact, coming to rest facing southwest against a guardrail.

Eden and two passengers in his car were pronounced dead at the scene, while a third passenger was transported to Orange Park Medical Center

Chelsea Lynn Johnson, 22, of Melrose was driving a 2104 Nissan Altima struck by the Camry and also lost her life. She was pronounced dead at the scene of the crash. She was following her husband, Raymond Johnson, home from Orange Park, where he had graduated from a police academy.

"They had the graduation ceremony earlier that day in Orange Park and he was headed home from that," Gaston said. "I believe he was in front of his wife and looked up into his mirror and saw it."

Gaston said it was a complex crash to sort out from the outset.

"It was a very confusing scene yesterday – it's difficult when you only have two survivors

and they're little children who can't talk to you. We couldn't find identification on the adults. It was later found in the car, but we couldn't search under the seats or between the seats. We had a difficult time – it was a difficult scene," he said.

The crash forced law enforcement to shut down SR 21 for about four hours.

California avocado company chooses Green Cove Springs

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Santa Paula, Calif.-based Calavo Growers Inc. signed a lease for 208,000 square feet of space in the former Food Lion center on J.P. Hall Boulevard with the goal of bringing 262 jobs to Clay County in the next five years.

While details are few on the number of jobs that will be generated the first year of the lease, wages are said to be in the \$12 an hour range.

Calavo Growers, a food processor and distributor will take up the section of the building that houses refrigeration equipment,

which will be used in various food processing capacities. According to the Calavo website, the company manufactures and sells fresh and frozen avocado products, Calavo Salsa Lisa and Calavo Tortilla Chips in the U.S. and internationally. U.S. fresh avocado consumption has grown from 483 million pounds in 2001 to more than 1 billion today, a Calavo stockholder presentation states.

Warehouse owners True North Investments of Downers Grove, Ill. Acting Chairman, Carl Manofsky, said negotiations are for a 16-year lease with three five-year options. Plans call for creating 262 jobs in the first five years.

The Clay County Board of County Commissioners approved an economic incentive for Calavo at its June 23, 2015 meeting using the cloaked name "Project Arnold." According to a memo from Holly Parrish, director of Clay County's Economic and Development Services, the wages are expected to exceed the average Clay County wage of \$32,428. The remaining jobs would pay 125 percent of the minimum

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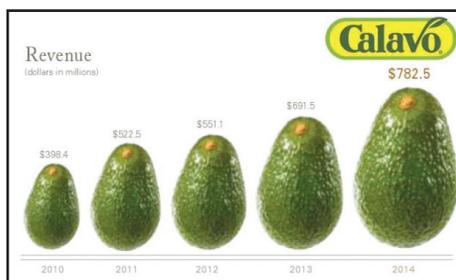


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wage in Florida.

Bill Garrison, president of the Clay County Economic Development Corp., has monitored the process with no direct contact with the players. He said he is looking forward to working with Calavo, because the deal puts Clay County on the big business map.

"This is a publicly-traded company that does \$783 million dollars of business, annually. They are a major company and having them come to Clay County changes our perception in the world of big business. They're expanding



nationwide and they're doing it from right here in Clay County," Garrison said.

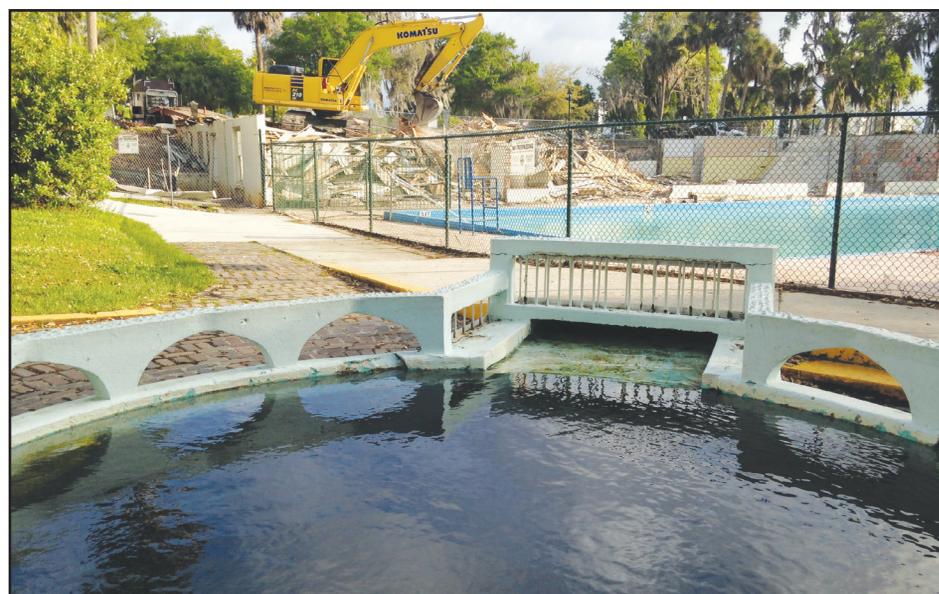
Spring Park renovation project dubbed 'turkey' and vetoed by Gov. Rick Scott

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Gov. Rick Scott vetoed a \$400,000 line item budget request from Sen.

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Rob Bradley (R-Fleming Island) that would help fund a massive renovation project at the city's riverfront Spring Park on June 23, 2015.

Also dubbed a "turkey" by the non-



Despite Gov. Rick Scott's veto, city officials are plunging ahead with a massive renovation project at the city's riverfront centerpiece Spring Park.

partisan watchdog group Florida Tax Watch, Scott said the item was cut from the budget

because it circumvented "the established grant

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Obituaries

Dozier Wayne Lee

Dozier Wayne Lee, 83, passed away on October 6, 2015.

His original memorial services had to be postponed. The re-scheduled date is Friday, February 5, 2016.

At 10am there will be a Committal Service at the Jacksonville National Cemetery, 4083 Lannie Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32218.

At 12:00pm there will be a Memorial Service presided by Pastor Ryan Hall at Fleming Island United Methodist Church, 7170 US-17, Fleming Island, FL 32003, followed by a lunch reception.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Camp Scholarships or Youth and Children's Ministries at Fleming Island United Methodist Church.

Arrangements by Hardage-Giddens Rivermead Funeral Home, 127 Blanding Blvd Orange Park, Florida 32073 (904) 264-2481. Please see the original obituary at www.hardage-giddensrivermead.com

Lorraine "Laine" Ferguson

Lorraine "Laine" Ferguson, 70 of Orange Park, FL passed away December 27, 2015. Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-7720 www.RHRFH.com



Lillian A. Zelinka

Lillian A. Zelinka, 82, of Green Cove Springs, FL passed away December 24, 2015. Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-7720 www.RHRFH.com



Frederick Herman "Fred" Young

Frederick Herman "Fred" Young, 85 of Orange Park, FL passed away December 27, 2015. Mr. Young was a native of Postell, NC and had been living in Clay County for the past 42 years.

Fred and his wife, Helen, moved to Jacksonville in 1968 prior to living in Tampa and Miami. He was a master electrician and owner of Young's Technical Service for 35 years and served in the US Air Force in 1951. He was an avid golfer and was an excellent Dobro musician. Mr. Young was a member of North Florida Bluegrass Association, Masonic Lodge #267 and the Moose Lodge #2020 both of Orange Park.

Mr. Young is survived by his wife of 67 years, Helen Young, children, Donald Martin Young, Linda Kay Phillips, Gregory Michael (Anna) Young, and Rebecca Jane (Mitch) Bulmer, five sisters, Wilma Smith, Mary Brown, Bea Geisler, Thelma Firshing and Polly Davis, seven grandchildren, Rhonda, Jeff, Jennifer, Melinda, Amber, Chelsea, and Cassie, and eight great grandchildren.

Memorial Services will be held 5:00 PM Friday, January 1, 2016 in the Chapel of Russell Haven of Rest with Rev. Ernestine Lockett officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest that memorial be made to: Haven Hospice, www.HavenHospice.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 904-284-7720



Alan Steven Brown

Alan Steven Brown, 83 of Orange Park, FL passed away December 24, 2015. Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-7720 www.RHRFH.com



William "Bill" Raulerson

William "Bill" Raulerson, 78, of Middleburg, FL passed away December 26, 2015. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com. Arrangements under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, (904) 284-4000.



Douglas L. "Doug" Silva

Douglas L. "Doug" Silva, 82 of Middleburg, FL passed away December 25, 2015. Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. 904-284-7720 www.RHRFH.com



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BARBER, BROADWAY AND BLESSINGS: A concert featuring "Foothill Function," a music ensemble from Knoxville, Tenn. at Penney Memorial Church, 4465 Poling Blvd., Penney Farms on Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. Admission is free and parking plentiful. Let this talented group add to your holiday experience.

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE: Meets Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. and Jan. 19 at 10 a.m. in the BCC Meeting Room, Fourth Floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The meeting is open to the public.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meets Jan. 5 at 7 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room, Fourth Floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend.

GARDEN CLUB OF FLEMING ISLAND: Takes a road trip on Jan. 11 to tour the Old House Museum in St. Augustine, stopping somewhere afterward for lunch and strolling around the Old City. Meet at the Fleming Island Library 10:00 am to carpool. There is no charge for the self-guided tour. Public is welcome to join us. Info, (904) 699-8701.

FREE CONCERT: JB Sessions Band kicks off the New Year of events at the Headquarters Library, Fleming Island, 1895 Town Center Blvd., with a concert Jan. 13 at 6:30 p.m. The talented trio of strings, percussion and vocals will follow a Brazilian theme titled "Brazil Chill." Sponsored by the Fleming Island Friends of the Library, open to the public. No ticket required.

TOURISM SUBCOMMITTEE: A subcommittee of the Tourist Development Council will meet on Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. at the Board Room of the Fleming Island Sleep Inn, 1815 East West Pkwy. The meeting is open to the public.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: Meets Jan. 14, Jan. 21 and Jan. 28. 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.

SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING: Clay County Code Enforcement will hold a Special Magistrate Hearing on Jan. 21 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The public can attend.

BINGO FUNDRAISER: To benefit the Youth Ministry at St. Luke Catholic Church, 1606 Blanding Blvd., Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. in the church parish hall. Includes food, refreshments and Bingo Fun. All proceeds support activities for the group including mission trips, retreats and service projects. Info, (904) 282-0439 or cym@stlukesparish.org.

"FUN WITH FLOWERS" is a Garden Club of Fleming Island educational workshop open to the public that will feature simple flower arranging demonstrations on Jan. 27 from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the Fleming Island Public Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. Free; No Registration Required.

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review process, such as that for the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program," in an 85-page screed explaining the cuts.

Despite the veto of state funding, the project remains alive in Green Cove Springs.

"We're moving forward. We just hired our engineer. They're working on the plan, but we'll have to scale back from what we originally wanted to do," said Mayor Van Royal. "The city committed an additional \$350,000 from next year's budget in addition to what we already spent on demolition of the pool house and the county committed \$700,000."

The city had asked the state for \$700,000 that went through the senate as a member project for \$400,000 Royal and others were not counting on to replace the old pool house and upgrade the pool. The state funds were only counted on for upgrades to the spring, which appears to be on hold until next year's state budget process.

Florida Tax Watch questioned Bradley's effort because, the report states, it "circumvents" the competitive process of park funding within the Department of Environmental Protection, the state agency that runs Florida state parks.

"This was a member project in the Senate that was added. They were in line to get money when most of the parks that went through the process aren't being funded," said Kurt Wenner, vice president of research at Florida TaxWatch, based in Tallahassee.

Wenner justified the local cut by saying parks appropriations were reduced from \$29 million last year to \$5 million this year. Therefore, as Bradley stated, many communities didn't receive any park funding. Bradley believes the Spring Park project is a worthy one.

"We'll try again next year. I'm disappointed the funding was vetoed, but he vetoed projects across the state, so there are communities across the state who are disappointed, but Clay County still did well in this budget," he said.

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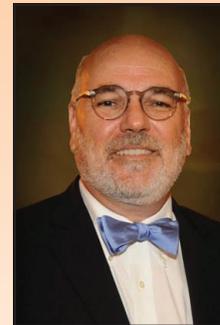
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Two Clay leaders retire, move on from key positions

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Veterinarian Jennifer Broadhurst, director of Clay County's Animal Care and Control, left her position Nov. 24 after receiving an "offer she couldn't refuse" from the University of Wisconsin, while Pete Sutton, general manager of the Clay County Agricultural Fair, announced his retirement the first week of August 2015.

Broadhurst, who began her job at CCACC on Dec. 2, 2013, said, "This has been a really hard decision." She started her new job Nov. 30.

Broadhurst is in a faculty position where she will help develop the university's shelter medicine program. The job will be a remote one – she'll basically work from her home on



Jennifer Broadhurst

Fleming Island, but will travel extensively around the country to help shelters which request aid to try and make their programs better.

The offer came to Broadhurst in a round-about way through the shelter medicine fellowship she took part in over the last few years at the University of California-Davis Korbet Shelter Medicine program. Through that program, Broadhurst met Sandra Newbury, DVM, who has since become the director of the shelter medicine program at Wisconsin. Newbury

offered Broadhurst the position at the University of Wisconsin.

It was the possibility of what she could do with such a position that finally convinced Broadhurst she needed to make the move, in that she hopes she can help save many, many more animals' lives.

She'll be traveling around the country, working with shelters that have issues, but want to improve, and have reached out to the University of Wisconsin's shelter medicine program for help.

"As an outside person looking in, I'll be able to offer suggestions and recommendations," she said. "Hopefully, we'll be able to save a lot of animals."

Meanwhile, on Nov. 16, Tasha Hyder, the woman once described as "Orange Park's Energizer Bunny," replaced Sutton, who served as GM for nine years. Hyder had served as coordinator of parks and special events for the Town



Under scrutiny since February 2015 by the Town of Orange Park's Nuisance Abatement Board, the Rodeway Inn on Park Avenue has been ordered closed and its owners are being sued in Circuit Court.

of Orange Park.

Superintendents of the fair board were officially introduced to Hyder at a fair superintendent's appreciation dinner after the fair board voted Oct. 26 to hire her. Sutton said he will help Hyder with the transition and plans his last day on the job to be Dec. 31.

"We've got a foundation that's laid, a great reputation and an unbelievable team of volunteers who do all the work," Sutton said. "I just get the credit."

Orange Park board seeks to clean up crime-riddled motel

ORANGE PARK – It was the scene of a 2012 murder that ended with two men serving life in prison, several drug arrests, including at least two methamphetamine labs and, since February 2015, the Town of Orange Park's Nuisance Abatement Board has been working to either

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Forgetting the past. Pressing forward to the prize God has for us. That is the direction we are being given by the Spirit of the Lord every day.

"The future is as bright as the promises of God." When you accept a new start in your life and begin the pursuit of God's will, plan and purpose for you, you are walking into a bright new light.

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clean up or shut down the Rodeway Inn on Park Avenue.

On September 21, 2015, the board gave the motel owners seven days to set up 24/7 security and stop taking cash payments, except for long-term guests sponsored by church groups or other nonprofit organizations in Clay County. Owner Jitendra Patel of Wixom, Mich. agreed to the conditions, which includes a \$33 per hour expense for one off-duty police officer and more for a security guard – for the first 30 days.

Orange Park Police Chief Gary Goble said security guards cost around \$15-\$18 per hour.

Estimating on the low end of the scale, for one off-duty officer and a security guard, the Rodeway is looking at spending an estimated \$34,560 per month for non-stop professional security. At the end of the meeting, Patel agreed to this condition for the first month, but had earlier indicated interest in spending less money.

Since mandating 24-hour, around the clock police and private security presence in September, the town's board has put a stop to drug trafficking and other crime at the Rodeway Inn.

However, when the board met Oct. 19 to check up on the motel, members were informed the Rodeway's fire alarm system is basically non-existent.

"The fire alarms and smoke detectors weren't working according to codes because some were working and some weren't – that was the biggest issue," said Orange Park Fire Department Deputy Chief Alvin Barker.

The latest part of the motel's problems involve the courts where the company holding the motel's mortgage is suing for more than \$2.6 million.

According to the complaint filed with the Clay County Clerk of Court on Dec. 18, just four days after the Dec. 14 abatement board meeting, CenterState Bank of Florida is suing Patel as the guarantor of the loan for the outstanding balance and more over Patel "causing waste, impairment and deterioration" to the property.

Patel's attorney plans to ask the court to hold off until disputes with the town and its abatement board are decided in court.

"A good analogy would be if you have a car loan, the loan requires you to maintain insurance. If you let the insurance lapse, you default on the loan," said attorney Dan Copeland, who has been representing Patel in the abatement board proceedings.

Nonprofit comes under state agency scrutiny

ORANGE PARK – A settlement between the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and BASCA, Executive Director John Cone will no longer be the organization's top leader and the nonprofit will continue to provide services under the

state's Medicaid Waiver Program.

The settlement signed Sept. 21 requires Cone to stay away from the group homes, except to visit his son who is under BASCA's care, and he is prohibited from sitting on BASCA's board. The group homes can also remain open and ran by BASCA.

8 "Mr. Cone will continue with fundraising and public relations aspects of managing the program, but services will be managed by someone not under Mr. Cone's purview," said Melanie Etters, the agency's spokesperson in Tallahassee. "Mary List will now be the executive director of services and Mr. Cone will continue as the executive director of community development."

Clay Today asked Etters what may stop Cone from running operations from afar, through List, or from giving orders to group home staff when visiting his son under his parental role.

"That's a hypothetical and it's hard to respond to hypotheticals, but they both report to the board of directors and if any of that occurs, the person in charge of the group home can

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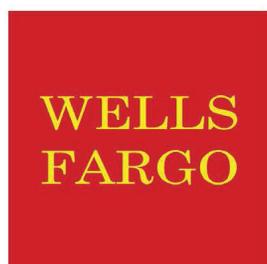
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go to the board and they risk us pulling their license and their Medicaid Waiver," Etters said.

When reached via phone, Cone refused to comment. The settlement also prohibits Jonnie Scott, one of Cone's top assistants whose grandson was in the Pine Forest group home, to step down as well after the APD investigation.

Earlier sanctions that closed the Pine Forest home in August 2015, gave 90 days for the other three to close and eliminated BASCA from the waiver program are lifted under the settlement agreement. The Pine Forest home was closed, but Etters said BASCA can re-open it, if it chooses to do so.

Staff will undergo additional training and matters of reporting issues to authorities will be corrected. Controversy erupted earlier this year after outbursts of violence at the Pine Forest group home came to light. The home is set aside for men who have greater needs than those in other homes.

Board of Commissioners passes updated nudity ordinance

9 GREEN COVE SPRINGS – After months of debate, discussions, revisions and public hearings and thousands of dollars in legal fees, Clay County's wrestling over sexually-oriented businesses came to a close July 14, 2015 with passage of an ordinance that deals with where such businesses can be located in the unincorporated areas of the county.

The vote to pass what has come to be known as the locational ordinance was 3-1, with Commission Vice Chairman Ronnie Robinson casting the dissenting vote. Commissioner Gavin Rollins was out of state.

By passing the ordinance, the commission also repealed a ban on all adult entertainment businesses in the county that has been in effect since 1985. The repeal of the ban, which was judged by a number of lawyers to be unable to withstand a court challenge, was embedded in the locational ordinance, said County Attorney Mark Scruby.

The locational ordinance was the final part of a three-part package of ordinances dealing with adult entertainment businesses that commissioners hope will keep sexually-oriented businesses out of Clay County, and along with them, their purported adverse secondary effects, such as an increase in crime and a lowering of property values.

The other two ordinances – one dealing with regulating such businesses and the other with public nudity – were passed in March.

Melbourne attorney Michael Kahn, who is considered an expert in dealing with sexually oriented businesses, put the ordinances together. The county paid Kahn around \$100,000

to draft the ordinances and usher them to approval.

The adult entertainment debate had been ongoing for more than two years, after the county received a phone call from a Jacksonville Beach real estate agent asking where an adult book store could locate in the county. The phone call triggered the discussion over whether Clay County was properly protected by the ban, which numerous experts said it was not. The fear was that the ban that had been in place since 1985 would be declared unconstitutional and leave the county with no protection from sexually-oriented businesses locating wherever they desired.

The initial commission meetings concerning adult entertainment businesses drew overflow crowds of hundreds, who were overwhelmingly against allowing any such businesses in the county. While commissioners continued to receive numerous phone calls and e-mails, the crowds attending the meetings dwindled over time. Even so, Tuesday's meeting drew a number of attendees and 12 speakers, virtually all of whom spoke against taking any action. Most wanted the county to take more time on the final ordinance, while others were worried about where adult businesses could be located or how much of a buffer would be placed between such businesses and "sensitive" places such as churches, schools and residences.

But most commissioners said the issue had been debated enough. Every precaution had been taken with buffers, strict regulations and the like, and it was time to make a decision, they said.

"I'm of the opinion that we don't need any more time because there isn't anything that's going to change," said Commissioner Wendell Davis.

He added there had been extensive public hearings and meetings staged, by not just the county commission but also the planning commission, than any subject he could think of.

"It's been researched, researched, researched and researched," he said.

As presented Tuesday, the locational ordinance would use what's called the "disbursement" method to determine where adult businesses could locate. Using that metric, some 19 sites could be used for such businesses. All of the sites would be in business zonings, with both the Wells Road Corridor and the Middleburg area excluded from use.

Commission Chairwoman Diane Hutchings said it was a previous Wells Road situation that led her to believe the best thing for Clay County was to be "proactive" rather than "reactive" in dealing with adult entertainment. In the early 2000s, Wells Road became home to several bars and clubs that included such things as wet t-shirt contests, Hutchings said. Soon, bullets were flying, at least one person was killed and businesses wanted to move out. A previous commission passed a zoning overlay in 2008 that prohibited the sale of alcohol, except in restaurants, at a late hour, which helped clear up the problem, Hutchings said.

School Board members walk out of executive session

FLEMING ISLAND – For the second time in as many weeks, two Clay County School Board members walked out of meetings citing

10 conflicts in interpretations of laws governing open meetings.

District 1 board member Janice Kerekes and District 2 board member Carol Studdard walked out of an executive session June 18 after having sat through the public meeting that lasted for about three-and-a-half hours held at the Teacher Training Center at Fleming Island High.

"We left a called executive session in which Charlie Van Zant asked for direction on collective bargaining without having picked the team yet, which is required to be done in the Sunshine," Kerekes said.

The meeting, which took place in a conference room adjacent to the large school board meeting room, included Superintendent Charlie Van Zant Jr., his administrative assistant Karen Bush, Deputy Superintendent Diane Kornegay and incoming Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources David Broskie and the five school board members. Van Zant said when Kerekes and Studdard objected to the meeting as being not properly advertised, he called Interim School Board Attorney Charles "Dan" Sikes on his cell phone to get Sikes' opinion on whether to proceed or not. Minutes after Broskie and Kornegay were witnessed leaving the meeting room with Chairman Johnna McKinnon and board member Ashley Gilhousen who were seeking to locate Kerekes and Studdard, who had both already left the premises.

"We never called the meeting to order," McKinnon said. "We didn't call the meeting to order because the bargaining team has not been appointed yet."

McKinnon said her decision to not call the executive session to order was based on counsel from Sikes. "We want it to be right and we will just reschedule it," she said.

Van Zant said the deputy superintendent and the assistant superintendent for human resources "have always been involved in this process."

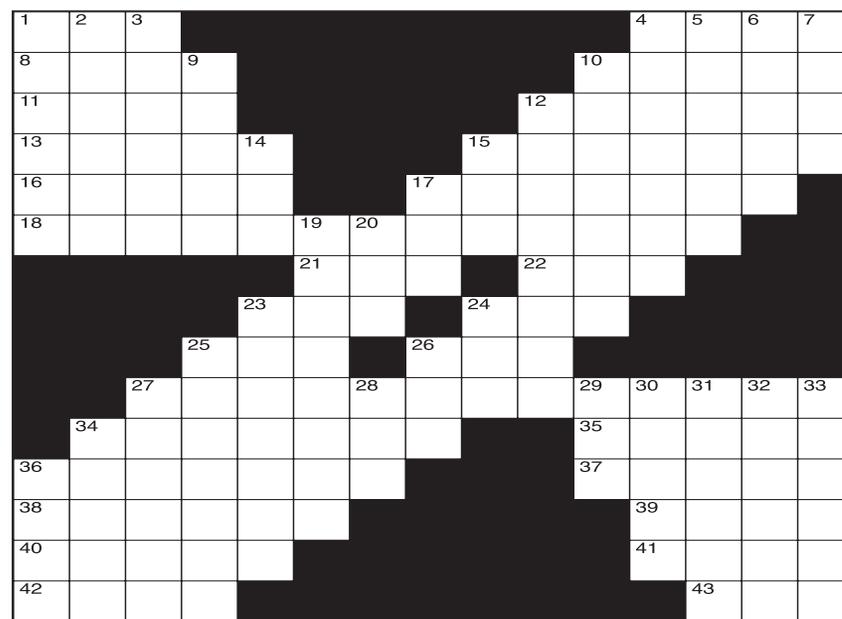
He said he wanted the executive session to get direction from the school board. He wanted to know if the board wanted to execute collective bargaining with the teacher's union using the same method from previous years or bring in a paid consultant to assist in the process.

"We will name the bargaining team at our regular July meeting if we do not do it before then in executive session," Van Zant said.

Van Zant and McKinnon said state law allows executive sessions, those in which the public or news media are prohibited, for any and all aspects of collective bargaining discussions.

Meanwhile, Studdard said the law governing school board executive sessions are quite clear and Van Zant is not following the law. "The statute says that the only people allowed in an executive session are the superintendent, legal counsel, the school board and the court reporter," Studdard said.

Weekly Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

1. Engine additive
4. Soluble ribonucleic acid
8. Subdue
10. One long, three short
11. Morally bad
12. With collapsible shelter
13. Central church parts
15. Summer shoes
16. Intestinal
17. Transgressors
18. Meeting expectations
21. Clutch
22. Autonomic nervous system
23. What you can repeat immediately after perceiving it
24. Favorite summer sandwich
25. An accountant certified by the state
26. Cologne
27. Norma Jean Baker
34. Galaxies
35. Bluish greens

CLUES DOWN

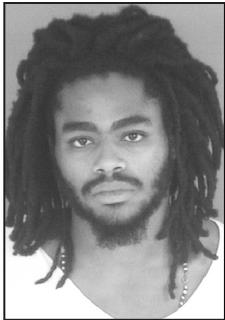
1. Having beautiful natural views
2. Fanafuti is the capital
3. Shrub used for hedges
4. Polishing tools
5. Slow down
6. Christmas carols
7. & &
9. Sound of sheep or goat
10. A long flag, often tapering
12. Atomic #73
14. Schilling (abbr.)
15. Female sibling
17. Long sandwich

19. In a way, necessitated
20. Mayan people of SW Guatemala
23. Cleaned up
24. Prohibit
25. Upright cupboard
26. Cyclone center
27. Metric linear units
28. Young male
29. Securities market
30. City across from Dusseldorf
31. Animal disease
32. Mount of __ east of Jerusalem
33. Get free
34. Variable stars
36. One point N of NE

Second degree murder charges for two, third charged as accessory

ORANGE PARK – Two males face charges of attempted second degree murder and a third is charged as an accessory following an investigation by the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

On Dec. 23, Le Darius Kardi Smith, 19, and Dahlis Jaedin Smith, 16, were both arrested and charged with attempted second degree murder, armed robbery with a firearm or other deadly weapon, and grand theft auto. Officials did not state what kind of firearm was used in the shooting.



Le Darius Smith

A witness placed Le Darius Kardi Smith

at the 800 block of Johns Avenue just west of Ridgeview High on Dec. 21 in connection with a car that was stolen in May. The victim was sitting in a chair on the front porch drinking beer with a friend when the two Smiths "entered the front porch and fired five to six shots at the victim," the report states. The victim was struck by the shots in the neck and hand, according to the Clay County Sheriff's Office report. The shooters then fled the scene and were arrested two days later.



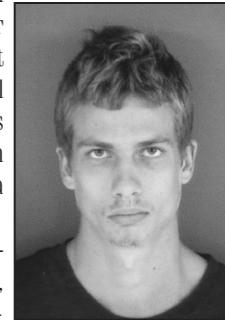
Dahlis Smith

Also arrested in connection to the shooting was Michael

William Kolb, 22, of Orange Park, who was arrested Dec. 22 and charged with being an accessory to attempted second degree murder, armed robbery with a firearm or other deadly weapon and grand theft auto.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office received a phone call from Kolb's father who stated that someone on a social media website was implying that his son was involved in a shooting.

In the heavily redacted police report, Kolb allegedly described the location of the stolen vehicle used in the shooting although it is un-



Michael Kolb

clear if the car was stolen by Kolb or how he knew the two Smiths. According to the report, "the weapon which was used in this incident...was brought to the Orange Park Operations Center by the defendant's brother."

Upon entering the Clay County Jail on Dec. 22, CCSO officials found a marijuana cigarette and a lighter in the crotch of Kolb's underwear after he was asked by officials if he was concealing anything illegal.

Kolb was then charged with introducing contraband into a county detention facility and possession of not more than 20 grams of marijuana. At press time, Le Darius Smith and Kolb are being held without bond, while Dahlis Jaedin Smith was placed in juvenile detention in Jacksonville.

Police Briefs

Russell Road crash ends in injuries

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Two people are in serious condition after they were ejected from their all-terrain vehicle on Dec. 29.

The Florida Highway Patrol reports that Thomas Clark, 51, and Kameron Clark, 17, of Green Cove Springs were riding a 2007 Honda Foreman and were stopped in the roadway facing south on Russell Road south of Watkins Road due to an earlier crash it was involved in.

Driving a 2000 Chevy Silverado, Jeremy Truesdell, 18, of Green Cove Springs, was traveling south on Russell Road and began to approach the Clark's vehicle, according to a report from the FHP.

For reasons that are under investigation, Truesdell did not observe the ATV and struck the rear ejecting the Clark's from the vehicle, according to the report. The ATV overturned into the dirt shoulder where it came to final rest. Truesdell's vehicle came to a final rest facing southeast halfway on the road and the dirt shoulder.

Kameron Clark was listed in critical condition. Thomas Clark's condition was listed as serious and Truesdell was not injured in the crash.

Tests involving alcohol for both drivers are currently pending according to the report.

Jax woman facing DMT charges

OAKLEAF – A Jacksonville woman turned herself over to law enforcement after an active warrant was issued for her involvement in the alleged manufacturing and possession of a hardcore psychedelic drug.

On Dec. 23, Danielle Elizabeth Mystkowski, 24, turned herself over to Orange Park Police Department officials and was booked in the Clay County Jail.

More than three months earlier, officials from the Clay County Sheriff's Office responded to the 800 block of Timberjack

Court, just a half-mile from Oakleaf Village Elementary School, in reference to a suicide threat called in by Mystkowski, according to the CCSO report. When CCSO officials arrived at Mystkowski's residence on Sept. 9, she was "not wearing a shirt" and deputies "asked if they could get a shirt for her," the report stated.

A broken glass jar with a plastic hose, a bottle of muriatic acid, a bottle of lighter flue, brillo pads and several unknown containers were found throughout Mystkowski's residence and under a crib indicating "a clandestine lab," according to the report.

"A fibrous material scrapped from the Pyrex glass dish found under a baby's crib tested positive for dimethyltryptamine and for methyltryptamine," the report states.

Dimethyltryptamine, or DMT for short, is known as "The Jesus Drug" since users report clear, detailed visions of encounters with strange beings in other dimensions such as aliens, angels or demons.

Matthew Thomas St. Martin, 26, of Jacksonville was named by Mystkowski as the drug lab operator and was manufacturing the drugs on Timberjack Court. St. Martin was arrested at his Westside home Oct. 8 and charged with manufacturing dimethyltryptamine and possession of a controlled substance.

At press time, meanwhile, Mystkowski remains in jail with bond set at \$150,006.

Elder abuse charge for Middleburg man

MIDDLEBURG – A Middleburg man was arrested Christmas Eve for allegedly abusing an elderly person.

Officials from the Clay County Sheriff's

Office arrested Nathan McNeil Cooper, 55, of Middleburg on Dec. 24 after a call was placed by a woman who was visiting the victim at the 2400 block of Sandy Run Dr. West. It was unclear if the woman and the victim were related.

The caller witnessed Cooper "get into an argument" with the victim, according to the report. Cooper "became angry and pushed the victim to the ground," according to the police report. The victim got up and tried to walk past Cooper to the den, but Cooper "followed the victim into the den and continued to yell profanities at the victim," the report states. Cooper and the victim had another verbal exchange and Cooper "shoved the victim" a second time, causing him to fall to the ground the report stated. Officials confirmed the caller's report with the victim's account. When officials found Cooper, he was "laying on his bed in the back of the house" and "was extremely intoxicated" according to the report.

At press time, Cooper remained in the Clay County Jail where his bond is \$5,003.

Man faces indecent exposure charge

ORANGE PARK – Officials recently arrested a Jacksonville man for allegedly exposing a sexual organ in a Walmart parking lot.

On the afternoon of Oct. 17, Branden Caleb Riggins, 28, was allegedly parked at the store located at 899 Blanding Blvd. At approximately 1:30 p.m., a witness pulled into the Walmart parking lot when she noticed a black Dodge Journey parked in a space with the brake lights on according to the report. The police report from the

Clay County Sheriff's Office did not explicitly describe Riggins' actions because of redacted pieces of information, but officials located the registered owner of the Dodge who lived in Orange Park and made contact with Riggins and the owner of the car later that day. Riggins "was wearing the clothing which was described by the victim," the report states. The owner of the car confirmed "that the vehicle belonged to her and that [Riggins] was in possession of the vehicle during the time of the incident," the report stated.

Riggins was arrested Dec. 26 following the investigation. He has since been released from jail.

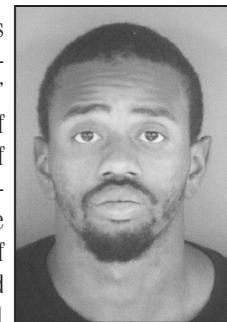
Teen faces charges from city and sheriff's office

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Two law enforcement agencies arrested a 14-year-old when an altercation involving a cell phone allegedly escalated into a knife fight.

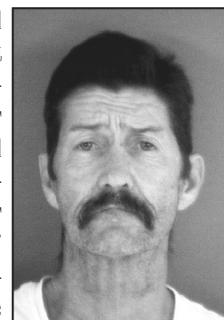
On Dec. 24, Johnny Edward Ingram of Green Cove Springs was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill, simple battery and resisting an officer.

Officials from the Green Cove Springs Police Department and the Clay County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to the 600 block of Washington Lane Christmas Eve and found Ingram "involved in a physical altercation with his brother," according to the Green Cove Springs officer narrative.

The altercation began when Ingram's mother took his cell phone and tried to access his social media accounts due to him



Branden Riggins



Nathan Cooper



Danielle Mystkowski



Color the New Year

As warm temperatures continue, the temptation to get out and work will be too much for most gardeners to resist. In the 'heat' of this unseasonable gardening weather, it may be hard to remember that cold may yet come our way this year.

Fortunately, it's not difficult to find tasks that keep the landscape looking best in whatever weather the New Year may bring. Adding annual color is one makeover with high impact – you can change the display each season so there's always something new and exciting. From a small display to an extensive edging or large bed, color the New Year with annuals to create visual interest that makes a lasting impression.

Annuals are best planned by grouping soil, water and light requirements. For winter planting, try the following: Alyssum (white or lavender), Baby's Breath (white), Calendula (oranges and yellows), Carnation (many colors), Delphinium (white, lavender, blue), Dianthus (pinks and reds), Geranium (white, red, pink), Hollyhock (white, pinks, yellow, mahogany), Ornamental Cabbage/Kale, Pansy and Viola (many colors), Petunia (white, pink, red, purple/lavender), and Verbena (white, pink, red, purple/lav-



ender). There's lots of possible choices in our corner of North Florida – for light exposure, planting dates, spacing and more check the handy chart in "Gardening with Annuals in Florida" at and find ideas that match your landscape's growing conditions.

When it comes to planning the landscape with annuals, consider your time and money. When it comes to time, money, and gardening, take advantage of what you have and look for ways to share with family and friends to stretch resources. The more extensive your plans, the more you will invest in both. To keep budgets and schedules in check, look for ways to save:

Save time

Plant plants: Growing plants from seeds has rewards but in order to reap them, you'll need time to invest. Busy gardeners

should consider buying plants instead. Retail plants can be great to save research as well as growing time – the tags often show the light, water and space requirements of your purchases so you can match your site and other plants. Ask your garden center staff for help if you're not sure about selections. Other options include partnering with a friend with more time to grow for you both.

Install drip: Drip irrigation comes in small kits perfect for a bed or series of containers. It's easy to assemble and install and adapts to many situations. Drip systems attach to an ordinary hose spigot and can be installed with a timer to make watering automatic. All you'll have to do is keep an eye on the weather and turn the system off if there's enough rain to keep plants happy.

Plan small, think big: A big impact does not mean tackling – and then maintaining – a big area. Placement is key, so scout yours out in advance. One small bed or large planter with a mix of plants can make a bold statement without being difficult to care for. Plan a 'thrill, fill, spill' approach each season, matching water and sun needs of plants. The 'thrill' is a large structural or showy plant such as Rosemary, Red-leaf Hibiscus or Coleus. Tomato and pepper can also be good plants for the 'thrill' plant, as

can ornamental grasses or flowering vines on a small trellis. Place this in the center or towards the rear of the planter and surround with 'fill' (low, leafy massing such as dusty miller, marigold, or petunia), then 'spill' (trailing plants such as Bacopa, Calibrachoa, or ivy) for an instant eye-catcher that's easy to keep up with.

Save Money

Plant seeds: Seeds save money and allow more variety in the garden than is found with store-bought plants. For the price of a single plant, you can often purchase enough seed for 20 or more plants depending on the selection. You'll need bright indirect light, warmth, and protection from wind and leaf litter to grow seeds. Seeds are typically started indoors in a bright, draft-free room then gradually introduced to their outdoor conditions over a few days, a process known as 'hardening off.'

Make compost: Annuals will appreciate some soil amending when beds or planters are replanted each season. Making your own from kitchen scraps and fallen leaves is a great way to save in the garden. Compost piles should mix 'browns' (dry leaves, pine needles, sawdust, wood ash) and 'greens' (vegetable and fruit scraps, grass clippings, chicken manure, weed-free garden waste) equally in a pile about four feet tall and wide. This will generate heat and aid decomposition. Start one pile, let it get to size, then let it sit 2-4 months to 'slow cook,' or turn the pile every week or so to hasten the process. You can purchase pre-made bins, but if you have space piles are much more economical. Many folks install three side by side – one active to add to, one to 'cook,' and one to use completed compost from.

Recycle: There's many ways to recycle in the garden when it comes to annuals. Whimsical containers can be made of any object that holds dirt and allows some drainage – if you can drill a few holes for solid-bottom objects such as dresser drawers. Try old toys, suitcases, furniture, shoes and more to add a personal touch to the garden without breaking the budget.

Whatever you decide to plant them in, annuals can add great color to the garden. Resolve now to add some interest with annuals and enjoy gardening in the New Year!

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FitLife's 15 Topics of 2015

For its inaugural debut, the FitLife column made an effort to bring Clay residents a mix of expert advice from local trainers, common sense fitness and nutrition practices, local businesses and personal stories of inspiration and success.

My goal this year and for next year is to inspire you to get out of the office, off the couch, and get active, fit, living a happy, healthy life right here in this county. Join me as we look back at 15 amazing topics of this year:

1. Preparing for the Gate River Run. Expert trainer and owner of EnJoy Fitness, Joy Murphy, shared expert tips for preparing and running the nation's largest 15K held right next door in Jacksonville.

2. Local Business: Training Ground's CrossFit of Orange Park. Right on Park Avenue is a local CrossFit box providing strength training, full body conditioning and local residents supporting one another.

3. Range of Motion, Massaging the Joints. Personal trainer, Patty Soud with Fitness with Patty, provided practical insight to a joint's range of motion and how quality of life can be improved.

4. Local Business: Total Body Sports Nutrition of Orange Park. Owners Jason Paolini and Brian Silvers are promoting nutritional products and supplements to support your active lifestyle.

5. Swimming Safety and Fitness. Expert swimmer, Lisa Broadfield, provided open water safety tips along with how swimming is truly a fit sport.

6. Personal Story: Tomboy, Cheerleader, Ironman. Written by Susan Wallis, she shared her inspirational story of living an active life and overcoming tragedy.

7. Local Business: Ring Fitness of Fleming Island. With its soft opening this past fall, Ring Fitness offers a way to get fit by using your own body weight, building natural muscle and improving core balance.

8. Lifelong Fitness. Author and speaker, Artie Lynnworth, gave our readers insights from his years coaching and personal experiences that "anything is better than nothing."

9. Nutrition is a Daily Choice. Guest writer, Jennifer DeSantis, not only shared her personal story, but she provided an easy set of nutrition practices to follow.

10. Can you Tri? Local triathlon coach and owner of Tri with Skye, Skye Bobbit, promoted how triathlons are effective in getting women into a fit life and



Bernie Berania

overcoming fears of triathlons.

11. Barre Fitness. Instructor Kim Schultz was once a Barre participant, but now she teaches others how a mix of Pilates, yoga, ballet and dance is both low impact but hard on muscles.

12. Personal Story: A Matter of the Heart. Cardiopulmonary rehab specialist, Mark Murray, shares a heart touching story of losing a loved one and running for a healthy heart.

13. Plan It, and You Won't Slip or Skip. My own lesson in having balance and plans for weekly success.

14. Success Story: Journey to Ironman. A personal success story of a local athlete, Tom Greene, and his journey of losing 45 pounds up to completing an Ironman race this year.

15. Biking for Body and Mind. The final installment of the year was the benefits of biking from local roofing owner and biker, Jason Wallace.

Now it's your turn. What have you accomplished in 2015? Or, what's your plan for 2016? Share it here with us. From personal fitness or nutrition success story, to completing your first race or exercise program, email or contact me at bernie.rom828@gmail.com. Tag/follow me on Instagram @berni3trirun.

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Community Briefs

Beekeeping with Cal Wilcox comes to library

ORANGE PARK – Residents who have considered getting into the hobby of beekeeping have an opportunity to learn about the subject next month.

On Jan. 23 at 1 p.m., Cal Wilcox of the Northeast Florida Honey Bee Association will present a program at the Orange Park Library on honey beekeeping. He will also provide vital information on the future of bees, which are pollinators. The program will be held in Conference Room A and admission is free to the public.

Wilcox has been involved in the conservation and raising of honey bees since the 1960's, an era considered by many of the start of the "earth friendly" movement. He has been a member of the N.E. Florida Honey Bee Association since 2004.

"The NE Florida Honey Bee Association is one of the largest associations in the state. It is recognized throughout the beekeeping community for its important role as mentors to beekeeping hobbyists, professionals and suppliers. No less important is the associations continuing efforts to educate the public about the vital importance of the honey bee. The group is able to accomplish these goals through superior membership that gets involved and stays involved," states the association's website.

Tips for safe Christmas tree disposal

TALLAHASSEE – As the holiday season comes to a close, Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam encourages Floridians to dispose of Christmas trees safely.

Dry limbs and needles from discarded Christmas trees can become an ignition source for fire if not properly cleared away from homes and natural areas.

One way to remove this potential fire hazard is by recycling Christmas trees. Many locations offer tree recycling services such as curbside pick-up, recycling centers and mulching programs. Check with a local utilities service for more information about Christmas tree disposal and recycling programs.

However, some residents may decide

to burn their Christmas trees. The Florida Forest Service, a division of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, offers the following tips for safe outdoor burning:

- Check local ordinances and requirements for outdoor burning.
- Burn only if significant rainfall has occurred in the last three or four days.
- Never burn on dry or windy days.
- Select a burn location that is at least 25 feet from forests, 25 feet from your home, 150 feet from other occupied buildings and 50 feet from any paved public roadway.
- Cut the tree into manageable sections, as necessary.
- Clear the burn area free of other flammable materials.
- Never burn your Christmas tree in a fireplace or wood stove.

The Florida Forest Service manages more than 1 million acres of public forest land while protecting 26 million acres of homes, forestland and natural resources from the devastating effects of wildfire.

Lecturers to discuss origins of early humans in the Americas

JACKSONVILLE – The Archaeological Institute of America - Jacksonville Society will meet at noon on Jan. 23 in Building 51 at the University of North Florida to find possible answers to one of the most controversial subjects in American archaeology.

National Archaeological Institute of America lecturers Steven Holen, Ph.D., an archaeologist and geoaerologist, and his wife Kathleen Holen, Ph. D., will discuss the controversy surrounding the topic of the first humans in the Americas and offer new evidence from their research that suggests that humans arrived earlier than previously thought in a lecture titled "Early Humans in the Americas: When Did They Arrive and Where Did They Come From?"

The lecture is free and open to the public. Complimentary refreshments will be served afterwards in the Archaeology Lab. For more information, contact Melva Price at (904)241-9411 or aiajaxsoc@gmail.com.

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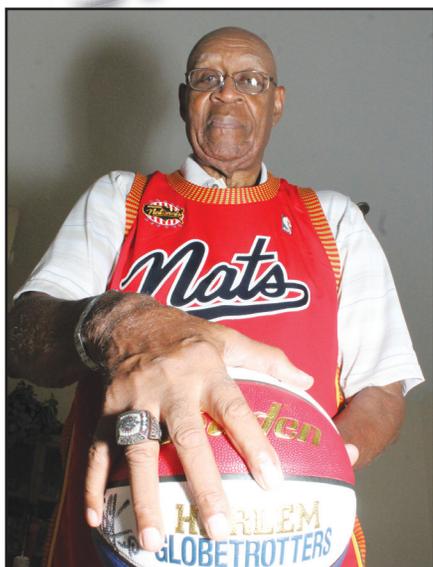
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TOP STORIES OF 2015



NBA champion gets his ring 60 years later

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND – It might be considered ironic that Jim Tucker's 1955 National Basketball Championship ring was presented to him in a hockey rink in Syracuse, NY.

1 "The owner of the rink got wind that the NBA never gave rings out until the 1960s," said Jan Tucker, Jim's wife of 30-some years and as much a basketball historian as anyone in Clay County.

"So one guy spoke with another guy and last year, the NBA designed the ring and the owner paid for it. We didn't have all the guys from that team around, but it was still very emotional."

Jim Tucker, 82, who has lived in Eagle Harbor the past three years, still towers in his living room filled with memorabilia from his Kentucky High School Hall of Fame days, his All-American days at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh and his brief stint as an NBA power forward for the Syracuse Nationals (now the Philadelphia 76ers) with a pretty good teammate named Dolph Schayes, a 12-time NBA all star selection.

"Schayes was about as good a player as I've ever seen, played with or played against," said Tucker, who with teammate Earl Lloyd on that 1955 championship team, became the first black players to play for an NBA title. "Dolph used to always yell 'Tuck!' 'Tuck!' with his arms up. That meant he wanted the ball to shoot and we gave it to him as many times as he wanted it. If you were that good, you got the ball."

Lloyd, who died at 86 in February, broke the color barrier in the NBA as its first black player in 1950. The tandem played together in the 1954 championship game only to lose to the Minneapolis Lakers who had another NBA icon, George Mikan. "Earl had the personality to make being the



Blue Devils fall short

2 CRAWFORDVILLE – Clay High junior tailback Colin Wilson had his most productive night with three scores and linebacker Mike Adams scooped up a third quarter fumble that led to a score and a three-point deficit, but a failed onside kick late in the fourth quarter was enough to hold off a second half surge by the Blue Devils in their 34-24 loss to Wakulla High in the Class 5A state semifinals Friday night in Crawfordville.

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Clay High senior tailback Bilal Ally outran the best ball carrier in the country to put the Blue Devils into the state semifinals against Wakulla. Ally also nearly broke the Florida statewide high school single game rushing record with a 496 yard effort. The record is 502 yards by Derrick Henry who won the Heisman trophy while playing for University of Alabama.

Clay Today All County Football

Ally, Adams named Clay Today Players of year

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – It was a pretty obvious choice for the Clay Today football offensive player of the year with Clay High running back Bilal Ally blasting enemy defenses to the tune of 200, 300, 400 and almost 500 yards of rushing, but the defensive choice was a little harder what with the linebackers available in the county named Quarterman, Jackson

and even Beaulieu.

For defense player of the year, Clay High senior linebacker Mike Adams was the heart and sole of the Blue Devil 11 that shut down the nation's top running back in the region final before almost single-handedly neutering a red zone attack by Class 5A runner-up Wakulla.

Returning to the opening whistle of the region final against Nature Coast and

SEE PLAYERS, 26



Clay High senior linebacker Mike Adams was the heart and soul of the Blue Devils' defense that shut down the nation's top running back in the region playoffs. Adams recovered an astounding seven fumbles in Clay High's last seven games.

Players

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running back Deshawn Smith, now heading to Michigan for college, Clay got the game's first score on an Ally run, but it was Adams who smashed Smith on his first carry, caused a fumble and eventually recovered it amidst a sea of Sharks' uniforms on top of him. The tackle and recovery set the tone for Clay's defense.

"Biggest play of the night because it showed us they were not superhuman," said Adams, one of a handful of Clay seniors who played in the 2013 Class 5A title game against American Heritage. "Right there, we knew we could punch them in the face and they would fumble."

Fast forward to the state semifinal against Wakulla with Adams crashing the Wakulla line with the War Eagles on the Clay 30 and the score at 10-7 for the Blue Devils just before the half.

Adams chased Wakulla quarterback Feleipe Franks down for a 12 yard sack, but a penalty flag negated the near-epic should-have-been game changing moment with Adams tagged for an unseen facemask.

"That was the biggest play of the game," said Clay coach Joshua Hoekstra. "A great defensive effort and a facemask that we never saw, even on the film."

Both plays for Adams were typical of his unwavering motor and desire to be near the ball while putting the Blue Devils into the playoffs for a third straight year.

Adams finished with 93 tackles with 10 tackles for loss for the 10 regular season games while finishing with 140 tackles with the four playoff games. Adams recovered a fumble in each of the Blue Devils' last six games with three coming from tackles he executed.

For Ally, who nearly broke Alabama's Heisman Trophy winning running back Derrick Henry's state record 502 yards rushing for one game with 496 yards against North Marion High in the region semifinal, running with endless power and energy was par for the course. Henry's state record of 502 yards set in 2012 was against a three win, seven loss team. North Marion was 11-1 with a stout defense.

"It just opened up in front of me," said Ally after the near record-setting effort. "My teammates up front, and not just the offensive line, but the kick return guys, the wideouts; Malik Ray and Denaud Valmyr and my front backs; Marcus Jones and Angel Valdez, have all been clearing the path for me."

Ally finished with 2,909 yards, 35 touchdowns and two kickoff returns for scores for the year. Ally added nearly 1,100 yards in four playoff games after finishing the 10 game regular season with 1,807 yards and 25 touchdowns.

The rest of the Clay Today All County offense first team backfield has Oakleaf junior quarterback Jordan Johnson who led the Knights with 1,735 passing yards and 17 touchdowns to an 8-2 record after their region final 2014 season and Oakleaf

senior tailback Keylan Brown who rushed for 1,278 yards and 16 touchdowns with a best of 228 yards and three scores against Fleming Island.

For the wideouts, Clay High's Malik Ray had less than a dozen catches for the year, far below most other county passcatchers, but Ray, who did catch passes for critical first downs throughout Clay's playoff run, was more effective in his downfield blocking in breaking Ally free for his 60-85-90 yard touchdown runs. Ridgeview senior Chris Baptiste stayed focused on his task with a county-leading 45 catches for the Panthers who struggled with quarterback and offensive troubles throughout their 1-9 season.

On the offensive line, one could guess that Clay would have some talent there with a guy like Ally running roughshod and it was Jacob Conrad, a senior, and Jarrod Leeds, a junior, bashing the most bodies for the Blue Devils front line. Conrad is already slated to attend Furman University with Leeds the designated big-guy coming back next year. Joining the Clay duo are Oakleaf senior Je'Vionte Nash, headed to Wake Forest, who was far and away the best lineman for coach Derek Chipoletti's young front five, Keystone Height's junior guard Michael Dickinson, who was the front man for senior tailback Ray Trimble's 1,625 yards and 21 touchdowns, and Orange Park High's Griffin Burrows, a junior, who stayed consistent at his tackle slot for coach Craig Nosse's transition back to Raider power football.

At the designated athlete position, Fleming Island senior Trey Sneed, a Rutgers commit, did just about all one could do on offense with 1,294 yards rushing with 15 touchdowns plus snaps at quarterback, returning kicks and even catching passes from a slot position. Sneed took the Golden Eagles team that was splintered by coaching disputes and pushed Fleming Island to a 6-4 final record.

Top kicker for the year was Justin Huff, a Ridgeview senior, who hit on seven of nine field goals with a 39 yard longest plus punted 43 times for a 35 yard average with a 54 yard longest kick.

On the Clay Today All County first team defense, joining Adams is Oakleaf High All-American Shaquille Quarterman, who ends his illustrious career heading to the U.S. Army All-American Bowl, but with just one district title after two district losses in 2015 put the Knights out of the playoffs after a sterling 2014 season. Quarterman, with 101 tackles and one fumble recovery, is one of the more memorable athletes to tread in Clay County and will be heading to the University of Miami to continue his playing days.

Ridgeview High senior middle linebacker Jennings Jackson led the county with his 152 tackles (in 10 games) and eight tackles for losses with Clay High's Jeremy Beaulieu a perfect match with Adams throughout the season with 102 tackles with 20 for losses. Beaulieu finished with 148 tackles after Clay's playoff run.

On the defensive line, Oakleaf High senior Deandre Steelman was a ballhawk from his defensive end position who could



QB Jordan Johnson OHS, Junior

First Team Offense

1. QB Jordan Johnson OHS (Jr)
2. RB Bilal Ally CHS (Sr)
3. RB Keylan Brown OHS (Sr)
4. OL Jacob Conrad CHS (Sr)
5. OL Jarrod Leeds CHS (Jr)
6. OL Je'Vionte Nash OHS (Sr)
7. OL Michael Dickinson KHHS (Jr)
8. OL Griffin Burrows OPHS (Jr)
9. WR Malik Ray CHS (Sr)
10. WR Chris Baptiste RHS (Sr)
11. ATH Trey Sneed FIHS (Sr)



LB Jennings Jackson, RHS Senior

First Team Defense

1. LB Mike Adams CHS (Sr)
2. LB Shaq Quarterman OHS (Sr)
3. LB Jennings Jackson RHS (Sr)
4. LB Jeremy Beaulieu CHS (Sr)
5. DL Deandre Steelman OHS (Sr)
6. DL Ryan Birge FIHS (Sr)
7. DL David Macher OHS (Sr)
8. DL Tobiah Griffin CHS (Jr)
9. DB Nick Roberts OHS (Jr)
10. DB Terrek Watley OPHS (Sr)

11. SS Jordan Morrisette OPHS (Sr)
- K Justin Huff RHS (Sr)



LB Jeremy Beaulieu CHS, Senior

Second Team Offense

1. QB Jaylan Jenkins CHS (Jr) Engineered Clay offense to state semifinals.
2. RB Ray Trimble KHHS (Sr) 1625 Yds, 21 TD, 7.3 Yards per rush.
3. RB Jerone Goodman FIHS (Sr) Key playmaker and defender for FIHS
4. OL Matthew White KHHS (Jr) Tied with Dickinson for highest OL for KHHS
5. OL Roland Samec CHS (Sr) One of Clay five O-liners
6. OL Devon Vatic CHS (Jr) Returner for Clay O-line
7. OL Eric Presley FIHS (Sr) Big, braun
8. OL Lucas Karl FIHS (Sr) Center for FIHS
9. WR Desmon George OHS (Sr) 23 catches, 343 YDS, 2 TDs
10. WR Rontrez Morgan OHS (Sr) Fearless over middle
11. ATH Raequan Williams CHS (So) All-around talent for Clay Kicker Exavier Lewis OHS (Sr) 35 punts, 39.0 ave., 2 of 4 FG, 36 of 41 PATs.

Defense

1. LB Tyrell Brown OHS (Sr) 2INTs, At DB last year
2. LB Darius Padmore OPHS (Sr) 42 Tackles, 1INT, 11TFLs.
3. LB Ken Burgos CHS (Sr) 74 Tackles, 5 Forced fumbles.
4. LB Ryan Smenda FIHS (So) Tall, fast outside cover man with nose for ball
5. DL Rico Schnitzler CHS (Jr) Switched to defense line from LB, 7TFLs, 2Sacks.
6. DL Josh Pierce FIHS (Sr) 18 Tackles, 5 Sacks, 2 Fumble recoveries, 1 Defensive TD.
7. DL Hunter Thomas MHS (Sr) Good feet, knack for ball
8. DL Kaiden Page FIHS (Sr) 8.5 Sacks, 23 Tackles, 1TD.
9. DB Colin Wilson CHS (Jr) 5INTs, Switched from RB midseason, 12 Rush TDs.
10. DB Khalif Copeland OHS (Jr) Knights key coverman
11. SS Tony Stephenson CHS (Sr) Big play centerfielder, 71 Tackles, 6 Pass breakups.

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also stand up and play coverage as an outside linebacker. Steelman got 92 tackles with three fumbles to be the second battering ram behind Quarterman in most enemy backfields. Fleming Island senior defensive linemen Ryan Birge was a menace with his 6-foot-8 height with two batted passes but the wily attacker had eight sacks off 19 tackles with three forced fumbles. Birge also ended a win at Creekside with a sack in overtime. For Clay, smallish defensive tackle Tobiah Griffin was an emotionally charged 5-foot-9er that played well beyond his lack of size with five sacks coming against much bigger guys in front of him. Griffin played biggest with seven tackles in both the region final and Clay's state semifinal. The final defensive lineman is Oakleaf High senior David Macher, whom Chipoletti considered one of the biggest additions to the Knights' defense with his first year as a starter adding 40 tackles with

4.5 sacks, two fumble recoveries and three quarterback hurries.

In the secondary, Clay Today's defensive player of the year in 2014, Oakleaf High junior defensive back Nick Roberts was not as involved in enemy passing schemes and thus lost stats in 2015, but the Miami-offered corner was still effective enough with three picks, two fumble recoveries and five pass defenses to garner a first team nod with Orange Park High senior Terrek Watley manning the opposite defensive back post with his 52 tackles, two interceptions and four pass blocks.

In the safety slot, Orange Park senior linebacker Jordan Morrisette found a new niche and produced impressive numbers with 85 tackles, two interceptions, four pass breakups and a forced fumble. Morrisette also made 4.5 tackles for losses from his 12 yard deep position with five big hits registered on the Richter scale.

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"We had to give it a shot," said Clay coach Joshua Hoekstra, about the fourth quarter onside kick attempt. "They were able to get field position when we kicked it downfield with two or three 40-50 yard returns so we wanted to at least give ourselves a chance to get the ball back."

Wilson and the Blue Devil's rugged run offense answered time after time against the pass-happy War Eagles in the moment-to-moment contest that displayed rugged defense and opportunistic offense on both sides.

"Games like this get won on turnovers and special teams," said Hoekstra. "We push for two or three turnovers to turn the game. We got just the one fumble from Mike Adams."

The loss ends the Clay season with a 10-4 overall record, but a remarkable eight wins in a row prior to the Wakulla game. Wakulla (13-1) will continue into the state championship game on Friday against Bishop Moore of Orlando, a 28-14 winner over Tampa Jesuit in the other state semifinal.

"No one thought we would get this far into the state playoffs," said Hoekstra. "We aim for the district record and we are built for the playoffs with our strong run game and tough defense."

Hoekstra has stated numerous times throughout the playoff slate that the Blue Devils' senior class has been the key to Clay reversing a 2-3 start into a state championship run. Wilson, a junior, and seniors Tony Stephenson, Adams and Ken Burgos all played for Clay's 2013 state runnerup team with a handful of players who dressed out but did not play.

"We had 26 seniors graduate and 10 play college ball," said Hoekstra, after the Blue Devil region championship win over Nature Coast. "For the amount of stars that we lost and the seniors we lost, to win 10 games in three straight years in a row is pretty amazing."

Clay won playoff games against Gainesville Eastside, North Marion and Nature Coast to advance to the state semifinal against Wakulla. Wakulla would lose to Bishop Moore in the state championship 38-34 with Franks missing a last second 40 yard field goal.



Long-time OPHS track coach Don Hall dies

ORANGE PARK – Legendary Orange Park High track coach Don Hall, 90, passed away in his sleep Sunday afternoon after returning home from church and taking a short nap before heading to the track for a coaching assignment with friends. A track coach at Orange Park High for 42 years, Hall was a retired Navy veteran with a World War II stint. Hall was inducted into the Florida Track Hall of Fame. In 2010, Hall, himself a master's discus and shot putter, coached Orange Park's Demetre Baker to Class 4A titles in both events. Baker also won shot put titles in 2008 and 2009.



Dressel gets first NCAA title

IOWA CITY, Iowa – Former Clay High state swim champion Caeleb Dressel can add more title to his long resume after he powered through the NCAA National Swimming and Diving Championships over the weekend with a first-ever 50 free title for the University of Florida Gators mens swim team.

"Caeleb Dressel did a tremendous for us and I felt a little bad for him, as he is a freshman," said Gator coach Gregg Troy, "He's still 18 years old and the first day of the meet he kind of carried us as a team. He had six really big swims on day one."

Dressel now has a world junior title, numerous state titles in Florida, numerous Junior Olympic titles and now a college national title.

The Gators tallied just Dressel's national individual title, but set four school records to finish the NCAA Championships in fifth place with 248 team points. Texas was the overall mens team winner at the championships held in the Campus Recreation and Wellness Center Natatorium in Iowa City, Iowa on March 25-28.

For the week, UF was led by Dressel as he became the first Gator to EVER win a 50-yard freestyle (18.67) NCAA Championship, which he achieved on day one of the competition.

"Honestly, I don't even remember the race," said Dressel, in a post-event interview on swimswam.com. "I just closed my eyes at the end, gritted my teeth for the win. I opened them up just in time to see the wall."

Not only was that a new National Age Group record, it nearly broke the American record set by Olympian Nathan Adrian back in 2011. Dressel was just .01 off that mark.

Fuller has race of year

LAKE CITY – In two separate ends of the Florida map, cross country aces Evan Fuller, a sophomore at Fleming Island, and Alisia Honyumptera, a freshman at Ridgeview High, blasted some of the state's best runners to garner top 10 finishes in their respective region races Saturday afternoon.

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For Fuller, a region qualifier last week with a season best 16 minute, 48 second race at the District 1-4A race in Gainesville, the peak got better a week later with a superlative 16:15 effort for 10th place in the Region 1-4A championship race held at Lake Nona High School in Orlando.

"I thought about if I could do better than that 16:48 last week all this week," said Fuller. "I told coach Poole to just yell out what place I was in at the mile marks and not tell me the time until the finish."

The region 1-4A race has been dubbed the "Region of Doom" due to its fast finishes with Fuller's 16:15 effort able to have won regions 2-4A (winner's



time: 16:24), 3-4A (winner's time: 16:32) and 4-4A (winner's time: 16:31) races being held statewide.

Fuller, 20th near the mile mark of the race, slowly reeled in packs of early pacesetters notwithstanding his own effort to accomplish the task.

"I wanted a good start but I didn't get one and fell back fast," said Fuller. "I saw the clock at one mile at 5:00 and thought I was done. I started to just relax and chase packs of runners."

At the halfway point, Fuller had moved into the coveted top 15 spot and needed just a strong finish to ticket his first state championship race. In the final 500 meters, with a pack of five just in front of him, Fuller let loose one final surge to push in at 10th place.

"I knew I was top 15 in that last 800-1200 meters and just went all out for the final stretch," said Fuller. "I could not feel my body that whole last mile."

Winner Joshua Jacques of Lyman High pulled three runners under 16 minutes with his winning time of 15:27.50 one of the top region times for the day of action. In the final stretch to the finish, sixth place though 13th place finished within five seconds of each other in the flurry for the final five spots to Tallahassee's state championship festival on November 7.



Overtime win for Breindel for second state title

KISSIMMEE – Clay High senior Adam Breindel finished off his spectacular wrestling career as a Blue Devil with an overtime state championship win Saturday night at the Silver Spurs Arena in Kissimmee. Clay

finished in ninth place with Lake Highland Prep winning the team title with 162.5 points ahead of Cardinal Gibbons with 131.5 and Tampa Prep with 100.0.

"I've been on a mission since about mid-season because a lot of people have been saying I don't have the drive anymore or that I'm not wrestling as good as I was last year," said Breindel, who defeated Leonardo Tarantino, of Tampa Prep, 5-3 in overtime in the 152 pound weight division. "If you look at the list of guys I just wrestled, there are four guys that have been to the state meet before."

In the championship match, Breindel and Tarantino danced around each in the first period to a 0-0 score before ramping up the excitement in the second period.

"We both were very aware of each other and just trying to not make mistakes," said Breindel, who finishes his year at 49-4.

In the second, Tarantino got the first takedown and a 2-0 lead. Breindel answered with two escapes to tie the score at 2-2 into the third period.

"We thought if Adam kept moving and we gave him a moving target, we would be more successful," said Reape. "The counter to that is you have to commit to the effort. Adam did and he was going to push

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the pace as hard as he could."

Tarantino would get an escape point midway through the third before Breindel was awarded a one-point stalling call against Tarantino with just 27 seconds in regulation time.

"That was just a matter of continuing to work and push the pace," said Clay coach Jim Reape. "Adam showed great focus throughout the match. The stall call was very fortunate."

Tied at 3-3 going into overtime, Breindel knew the win would have to be taken.

"I went in feeling like he was a little tired," said Breindel. "He made a move and I was able to counter and get the points."



Spartans win fourth title

MELBOURNE, Fla. – In what St. Johns Country Day School girl's soccer coach Mike Pickett dubbed "the most dominant performance" he's seen from his recent Spartan teams, St. Johns, with 21 shots on goal, grew a 1-0 halftime lead to a 4-0 win over Lakeland Christian in the Class 1A state soccer championship held Thursday at Eastern Florida State College in Melbourne.

"We made some lineup changes from watching Lakeland play yesterday in the semifinal and the girls played about as perfect a game as I have ever seen," said Pickett, now with fourth straight state

7 titles dating back to 2011 and seven dating back to 2005. "Our middle defender Nikki Aiosa had one of the best defensive games on their top scorer, Carly Knox, who had 25 goals for the season. She has shut her down five times that she's faced her."

The Lady Spartans finish their season at 24-2-0 while Lakeland Christian suffered just its second loss of the season and will finish at 20-1-2.

After defeating Naples Community School 2-1 in the state semifinals with goals from Madison Schultz near the 33 minute mark of the first half and a second by Abby Newton just three minutes later; both assisted by free kicks from 40 yards out from Kay Harding, Pickett saw something that made him drastically change his lineup for Lakeland Christian, who defeated Miami Country Day by the same 2-1 score.

"We needed some speed in the defensive formation and some strong ball skills in the offensive front so we put Maddie Schultz back on defense and moved Payton Crews and Alisa Detlefsen to the sidelines," said Pickett. "Their strength was the speed in the middle of their top scorer and we needed to mark her strong."

After the 20 minute break, Lakeland Christian got their first deep penetration to the front of the Spartan goal, but Schultz and a triple team effort with Aiosa and Zhane Anderson stifled the move quickly.

"Nikki is so good at pushing any offense to the outside and with Maddie's speed, we kind of midcourt pressed her and she had nowhere to go," said Pickett.



Williams gets first district title

By Anthony Richards
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND – History was made by the Fleming Island Lady Golden Eagles as the senior class finished off the journey to a four straight district title by defeating Fletcher 67-32. The victory extends its current win streak to nine games and 17 of last 18 that Fleming Island has played.

8 "After starting out [the season] 3-3, I felt the pressure as a coach because they had won it last year," said Fleming Island first-year head coach Joey Williams. "They started buying into the offense and just ran off a bunch of wins. It's been a fun group to coach."

Making the title even more special was the fact that it was won at home in front of the fans that had been by their side throughout the season.

"It had never been done even twice in a row so to do it four times is definitely huge," said Fleming Island senior guard Taylor Hernandez.

The result was much of the same for the Lady Golden Eagles which won all three of its matchups against Fletcher by an average of 34 points.

"We had played them a few times but when the playoffs start, you just never know who is going to show up," Williams said. "I've seen good players fold in games that count but these girls are relaxed. I want 12 complete players and that's what we're striving for."

Just as it had for most of the season, the offense began fast and opened the game with a 13-2 scoring run that was started by a three-pointer from Taylor Hernandez and capped off with back-to-back long-range bombs from Madison Nykamp and Taylor Donald.

Fleming Island won their first region playoff game against East Ridge but fell 51-49 to defending state champion and 2015 state runnerup Wekiva in the region semifinal.



Hagen, Plummer, Silberman get NFL calls

9 ORANGE PARK – Three area high school football standouts; two from Orange Park High School, one from Fleming Island High School, got the oft-talked about phone call from the National Football League and will get their shot to play as teams looked to fill their rosters with college draftees in Monday's NFL Draft.

Tops on the list, Fleming Island

High graduate Ian Silberman, a gigantic 6'-6", 294-pound offensive lineman, mainly tackle, out of Boston College and the University of Florida, was drafted in the sixth round by the San Francisco 49ers. Silberman, the 190th overall pick of the night, was recruited to Florida out of Fleming Island High, played sparingly in his four years at UF with seven starts and 20 games played before transferring to Boston College and coach Steve Addazio for his final year of eligibility.

Silberman joined the Boston College Eagles for his final year of edibility after playing his first three years at the University of Florida.



Jacob Hagen

From the University of Central Florida and also an Orange Park High School graduate, Terrance Plummer was picked up in the undrafted free agent rookies pool to play linebacker with the Washington Redskins. Plummer, a Fiesta Bowl defensive player of the game two years ago, will get an opportunity to find his way on to the NFL field despite being labeled as a small-sized linebacker. Plummer is listed by the Redskins as an undersized linebacker at 5'11" and 231 pounds, but very productive as a Knight. He recorded 334 tackles with 30.5 for a loss, 6.5 sacks, two forced fumbles and four picks in his four years at UCF, earning him All-American Athletic Conference first-team honors twice and the 2013 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl Defensive MVP award.

Third, and also from Orange Park High School, defensive secondary specialist Jacob Hagen, a free safety out of Liberty University, was picked up under the undrafted free agent rookie pool for the St. Louis Rams.

Currently, all three players are still pursuing starting jobs with Plummer now with the Minnesota Vikings.



Lady Knights rock Lady Knights

10 ST. JOHNS – Two opportunistic defensive plays by shortstop Mika Garcia were the highlights of Oakleaf High School's 5-3 win over Creekside High School in the region 1-6A championship Friday night at Creekside High School. Creekside High, also the Lady Knights, gets thwarted from a second Final Four invitation while Oakleaf ventures into uncharted territory with the first Final Four ticket in the school's short history.

"I said after last week's win (first-ever region semifinal win over Milton, 1-0) that we made history that day, but we weren't going to stop there," said Oakleaf coach Christina Thompson. "I encouraged them to keep the same intensity for tonight and let's keep taking games one by one all the way to the state title."

Ironically, Thompson's experience as a state championship player for Clay High School's 2001 softball Class 4A championship team under coach Matt Lewis and the prospect of a state title now in 2015 puts her in very elite company as a state champion



player and coach.

"I know how it felt to win that title, but to watch these girls take what I have as a coach and make it happen on the field is a whole new experience," said Thompson. "There is only so much I can do from the dugout and then it is up to them to finish the task."

Against Creekside, Oakleaf opened with a hard single from leadoff batter Alexis Goyette who moved on a wild pitch to third base and scored quickly off a hard groundout from Garcia.

Garcia's first highlight reel play came in the ensuing inning after Creekside's leadoff batter, Lauren Bosynak, was hit by Oakleaf pitcher Kelsey Sweatt. On a steal attempt at second base, Oakleaf catcher Haley Willis-Corlew fired off from behind home plate to Garcia with Bosynak in full steal mode. Garcia made a diving save of the hard throw as Bosynak went wide of second base. With Bosynak behind second base, Garcia dove to smack her glove on Bosynak's cleats for the out.

"I knew she was behind me and we always cover the base on those attempts," said Garcia. "When I turned, she tried to fake me out, but I saw her shoes and tagged her."

Oakleaf continued into the state semifinals where the Lady Knights lost a ninth inning thriller 2-1 to Ocala Forest, the eventual state champions.



MHS Barnidge gets jersey in NFL Hall of Fame

Special to Clay Today

CANTON, OHIO – Middleburg High football star and graduate Gary Barnidge, now a tight end for the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League,

11 joined teammate Josh McCown, a quarterback, in being one of two jerseys put on display in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2015, in a press release from the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Franchise records

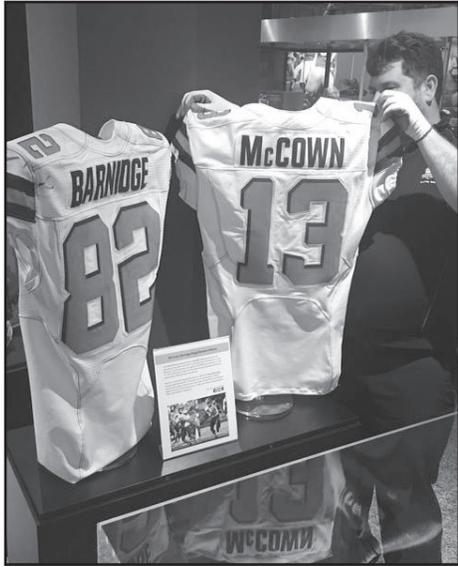
and league records are celebrated with individual jerseys being placed in the hall of fame. Last year, jerseys worn by Cleveland Browns' teammates Travis Benjamin and Brian Hoyer were displayed at the Pro Football Hall of Fame after the Browns' historic come-from-behind win at Tennessee.

Jerseys worn by McCown and Barnidge in Cleveland's 33-30 overtime victory at Baltimore are currently on display at the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Both players set a bevy of franchise records in the victory that saw the Browns come back twice from double-digit Baltimore leads. For the second straight season, two Browns jerseys went directly from a memorable road win straight to Canton.

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after Cleveland wrapped up a 33-30 overtime victory over the Ravens in the fifth game of the season for both teams, on October 11. Barnidge scored the go-ahead touchdown catch against Baltimore from 18 yards out with an acrobatic dive, roll and security of the ball from his back with 12:24 left in the game and Cleveland down 21-16. Barnidge bobbled the ball on his feet and under his buttocks before rolling into the end zone.

"I only saw it on the screen on the field right after it happened," said Barnidge, in the post-game press conference. "I still don't try and celebrate it. It's a team effort. It can be a changing point for a season for a team. Just a hard-fought win and it shows we're never out of a game."

Barnidge, 30, followed another Middleburg grad, Richard Owens to Louisville after a stellar career as a Bronco. Barnidge spent four seasons with the Carolina Panthers with 23 catches and just one touchdown in limited playing time. In 2013, Barnidge signed with Cleveland and increased his passes per year to 13 catches in 2013, 13 in 2014 and 24 catches in just five games in 2015. Barnidge also has a handful of tackles on special teams assignments.



Quarterman joins U.S. Army All American Bowl

OAKLEAF – Oakleaf High senior middle line-backer Shaquille Quarterman will not be leaving with a state title under his arm, but the lethal defender of turf for the Knights' football program will certainly be remembered for leaving his mark.

"It's all starting to sink in the last couple of days," said Quarterman, who leaves to continue his football at the University of Miami. "I've been getting lots of

thanks and handshakes. I'm trying to keep my emotions in check, but I'm pretty emotional inside."

Quarterman's humility has always been a trademark on and off the field.

"I want to leave knowing that players after me can feel like they can achieve whatever they want to achieve with enough hard work and dedication," said Quarterman, who accepted a football jersey invitation to play in the prestigious U.S. Army All-American Bowl all star football game on January 9 at the Houston Alamodome. "I was blessed to have people around me that kept me focused on the goals I wanted to achieve for my future."

With Oakleaf achieving a first-ever undefeated regular season last year (10-0), a first-ever playoff spot followed by two additional region playoff games including a region championship game, Quarterman was the focal point on not only the defensive squad for head coach Derek Chipoletti, but the locker room and classroom.

"He's just been a great person to have in the locker room and in the hallways here at Oakleaf High School," said Chipoletti. "What he did as a freshman to achieve at the high school level was entirely amazing. If I get one of him for the next however many years I'm coaching, I would be a lucky guy."

Quarterman's memories of his football days started with a Pop Warner team at Orange Park Athletic Association, a three loss span at Oakleaf Junior High School and a region championship run at Oakleaf High School.



Fleming Island swim relay takes gold

STUART, Fla. – After an All-American time of one minute, 25.03 seconds in their preliminary round of the 200 meter freestyle relay event at the FHSAA Class 4A state swim championships Saturday in Stuart, the Fleming Island boys relay squad doubled down in the final with a scintillating flurry from all four boys;

John Hutton, Jack Neeley, Drew Heinton and Nick Hackett, to smash the field and win Fleming Island High's first-ever swim gold medal with a 1:25.00 finish time. Fleming Island's boys finished third behind winner Riverview of Sarasota's 324 points and Countryside of Clearwater's 138 points with 133 points. Cypress Bay took fourth with 123 points. Fleming Island's boys finished fifth in Class 3A in 2014.

"The whole meet played out almost as planned," said Fleming Island coach Jordan Bright. "We (coach Laura Campbell) focussed on the 200 free relay because we had the talent to make some noise tonight.

The only thing that really happened was we spent a lot of time taking pictures and talking about it instead of cooling down and getting ready for the 400 relay later on that night. We got fourth there."

The Golden Eagles squad brought home the first gold medal in Fleming Island High history with the win and stamped out a split time that can only hope to be improved in the next couple of years with Hutton, a junior, the elder of the quartet. Neeley and Hackett are sophomores, Heinton just a freshman. The winning time of 1:25.00 ranks tops ever in Clay County and top 30 all time in Florida ahead of Clay High's 1:25.08 set in 2013.

"Drew Heinton stepped up as just a freshman and delivered a swim for the ages," said Bright. "Nick at the end was going to hold off any challenges."

In the 200 free relay final, Hutton drew the leadoff role and blasted a 21.46 50 free split to give the baton to Neeley in third place with Seminole High senior Maverick Layne punishing the field with a 20.82 split. Neeley responded with a faster split than Hutton, 21.32, that was .37 seconds faster than Seminole's Connor Dacus to pull the Golden Eagles to within .15 seconds of Seminole at the third leg. Heinton, in his first state swim meet for Fleming Island, maintained the Golden Eagles with a 21.67 split which crushed Seminole's Enzo Cerdeira's 22.11 split and left the gold medal to Hackett.

"They are all so young that it was our job to keep them focussed between events," said Bright. "All the swimmers around them were juniors and seniors. We wanted them to be loose and not think about the older swimmers in the next lane."

With just a .26 gap between himself and a Fleming Island gold medal, Hackett cranked up the volume and surfed through a 20.67 split to give Fleming Island a one second-plus win with Seminole anchor Andrew Gray swimming just 21.65.

"He's so strong and he kind of tweaked an ankle on the wall of his 200 free, but he didn't say anything prior to the 200 relay," said Bright. "He's only a sophomore, but he's probably the leader of the group."

Hackett's main threat would be Boca Raton senior Brody Heck, who won the 100 free earlier in the night and finished second in the 50 free with a 20.18 split. Heck registered the fastest split of the relay event with a 20.13 for the third place finishers.

"The funny thing is that all return next year," said Bright, of his underclass squad. "I guess I should be concerned a little about their growth spurts and such for a year, but I'll anticipate another good group next year."



Lady Panthers win first-ever volleyball title

ORANGE PARK – Ridgeview High Jauhna Smith has been the key point-getter for the Lady Panthers volleyball all the way through a perfect district slate with her 231 kills for points.

In the biggest game of the year, the district 4-5A championship game, Smith deferred to junior teammate Kirsten Sutherland who registered 11 kills to lead the Lady Panthers to a three-game first-ever volleyball title over Orange Park High (25-23, 25-17 and 25-13) Thursday night at Ridgeview High School.

In the district 4-5A final, Ridgeview High coach Destiny Brightman shook up her attack against the Lady Raiders to try and offset a two-man defensive front put out by Orange Park.

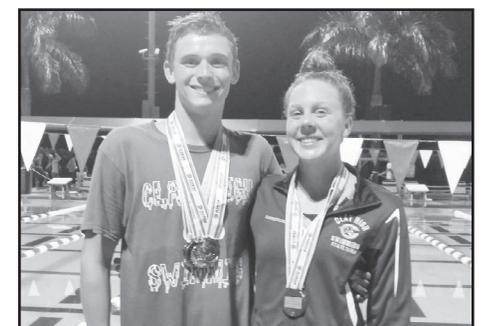
"We let Jauhna sit back and play a little more de-



fensively to see if others would step up," said Brightman, who finished at 21-6 overall in her second year as head coach. "Everyone is aiming to defend Jauhna knowing she's our big gun. Kirsten stepped up."

Beyond Smith's prowess at the net, Brightman cited senior blocker Kenesia Lealie, a 6-footer, started exerting herself by learning the game as the season progressed.

"This is my first year of ever playing volleyball," said Lealie, who has a team-leading 37 blocks. "The team taught me along the way and stayed confident the whole season that I would learn how to block."



Dressel wins two, Mahaffey wins one

STUART, Fla. – Bolstered by a repeat gold medal performance by senior Dakota Mahaffey, the Clay High boy's swim team finished seventh overall at the Class 2A Swimming and Diving championships. For the girls, the last Dressel doubled up again with two gold medals to end her illustrious career at Clay High.

"I don't think I realized that I was the last one and this was my last meet as a senior at Clay High," said senior Sherridon Dressel, the last of four great swimmers at Clay High School, all with Dressel last

names; Tyler, Kaitlyn, Caeleb and now Sherridon. "It's been quite a ride. I don't know if the pressure of being defending champion was as much as I was the last of my family and had to keep the legacy strong. They set a pretty high standard."

In the 100 backstroke, Dressel won by nearly three seconds with her 54.90 split ahead of the runnerup time of 57.03. Dressel won the 100 butterfly in 54.04 with Hannath Retherford of Arnold High second in 55.82.

"I had my best time ever by about a half second in the back, but a slower time in the fly," said Dressel, who recently committed to swim at the University of Florida with brother Caeleb. "It was pretty emotional on the blocks thinking about the final races."

Mahaffey, a recent commit to join fellow Blue Devils Grady Heath and Caeleb Dressel at the University of Florida, blasted the 100 backstroke field by nearly two seconds with the 48.73 winning time over runnerup Byrne Litschgi of Tampa Jesuit's 50.73.

"That was my best time ever so that made it sweet," said Mahaffey. "I felt a little like I had to go out hard and save the title from last year."

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Clay High, Dale Browning, left, and Derek Miller, battled with strong Georgia teams at the Smoky Mountain Duals in Tennessee with the Blue Devils facing three Georgia state champion teams.

Devils take on Georgia's best

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GATLINBURG, Tenn. — Clay High's wrestling team took a Christmas sojourn to the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee and came home with six wins and two losses to two Georgia powerhouse teams at the annual Smoky Mountain Duals Tuesday and Wednesday.

In their Pool D lineup, which featured perennial AAAA Georgia Duals State champion Gilmer High School, Clay beat teams from Ringgold (GA), Harpeth (TN), Seymour (TN) and Alcoa (TN) with their lone pool loss to Gilmer (36-23). Highlights of the Gilmer match were Derek Miller winning 13-4 at 132 over Gilmer's 2014 state

champion at 106.

After finishing second in pool play, Clay advanced to the silver medals championship bracket and faced off against another Georgia state champion in Commerce High who came in being loaded with eight state champs and two state runnerups last year. Clay lost to Commerce 38-32 with wins from freshman Lou Gagliardo, Dylan Taylor, Dale Browning, Miller and Julian Summa. At 195, Clay's Kaleb Collins lost a 9-2 decision to Commerce state 170 champion Cole Chancey (34-3 last year). Commerce won the Silver Division top spot with Clay second. In the Prime Rib division with Pool winners competing, Gilmer lost 52-17 to unbeaten Jefferson High of Georgia for the overall team title.

2015 Smoky Mountain Duals Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Pool D Results

1. Gilmer (AAAA Georgia state Dual champs 2010-2014, state traditional champs 2010, 2011, 2013-2105)
2. Clay (Ninth in Class 1A Florida)
3. Ringgold (11-1, 2015, in duals)
4. Alcoa, TN (Third in A-Aa Tennessee Duals state championship, third in traditional, Two individual state champs; seven state medalists)
5. Seymour
6. Harpeth

Clay beat Ringgold 38-36

Wins by Caleb Steinmetz (170) Pin 1:44;

Kaleb Collins (195) forfeit; Lou Gagliardo (106) 3-1; Peyton Hughes (113) Tech Fall 15-0; Dylan Taylor (120) 4-3; Dale Browning (126) Pin 1:38; Derek Miller (132) Pin 4:15.

Clay beat Harpeth 64-12

Wins by Dale Browning (126) Pin 2:42; Connor Green (152) Major 15-2; Caleb Steinmetz (170) Pin :54; Kaleb Collins (195) Pin 2:45; Ryan Rivers (285) Pin 1:55. All others win by forfeit (6)

Clay beat Seymour 54-21

Wins by Peyton Hughes (113) 13-7; Dylan Taylor (120) Pin 1:01; Dale Browning (126) Pin :47; Derek Miller (132) Tech Fall 19-4; Julian

Eagles win big at Flagler duals

Four invites, four wins

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

PALM COAST — Fleming Island High's wrestling team continued its string of invitational wins with a top finish at the Flagler Palm Coast Duals Invitational Tuesday and Wednesday at Flagler Palm Coast High School.

The Golden Eagles, now with four consecutive multi-team tournament wins including last week's win by one-point at the prestigious Bill Scott Memorial at Lyman High School, took on host Flagler Palm Coast on day one of the two-day Flagler Duals format and won a convincing 43-30 match that ended Flagler's 58 dual home match win streak. Flagler is a major player in district and region play with Fleming Island and Oakleaf both in district 1-3A with ranked squads from Buchholz, Fletcher and Sandalwood. Flagler and Fleming Island are also in region 1-3A with ranked squads from Winter Springs, Dr. Phillips and Deland.

"We continue to put our guys up against the wrestlers we expect to see in our district and region to be able, first, to assess, how we match up, and, two, to see where we have to toughen up to take them on," said Fleming Island coach P.J. Cobbert. "Right now, we look pretty good against some tough guys, but early season is very much different than later season. These same guys that we are getting wins and pins against will not forget today or last week. We have to keep that in mind in our training. Winning here is nice. Winning in March is the prize."

Fleming Island's lineup proved to

be strong at both ends with the Golden Eagles matching up against Sandalwood first with a first-match win before gearing up for Flagler.

Flagler opened the match with two straight wins at 152 and 160 with a forfeit and Flagler state qualifier Kaz Maia pinning Fleming Island's Gabe Lear to go up 12-0 before John Martorana and Ryan Smenda punched in with wins of 12-2 and 6-1, respectively. Next, 195 pounder Jason Davis pinned in 49 seconds to put Fleming Island up 13-12.

Flagler responded at 220 with Justin Haaf taking a rematch with Fleming Island's Jose Concepcion with a 6-2 win. Concepcion beat Haaf at the Westside Kiwanis Invite at Bishop Snyder earlier in the season.

At 285, Fleming Island got a small upset with Brandyne Mackey pinning to set up the Golden Eagles strength of lineup with Albie Snedaker, DeAndre Demus, Xavier Sampsel and Paul Detwiler scoring the Flagler lineup with wins. At 120, Flagler's Avery Holder beat Jacob Sandoval and, at 126, Flagler's Michael DeAgustino won his second match against Fleming Island's Tracy Davis with a second 2-1 decision. DeAgustino beat Davis in a four overtime 2-1 win at the Bill Scott finals.

"He just has to believe in his ability and not be afraid to take a shot and be on offense," said Cobbert. "That DeAgustino guy is good, but Tracy is very athletic and can out-athlete him."

In the final match, Flagler's Tariq Johnson pinned to close the scoring at 43-30.

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Orange Park High's Nartorian Lee turns over Flagler Palm Coast's Kaz Maia in dual action at the Flagler Duals held on Tuesday and Wednesday at Flagler Palm Coast High School. Maia, a state runnerup in 2014 at 152, won the match.

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Flagler

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Fleming Island's second major match of the tournament was the next day, on Wednesday, with Class 2A power Palmetto Ridge of Naples on tap to open the morning session.

"They had a good string of top 10 finishes at the 2A state meet and have had a handful of state champs along the way," said Cobbert. "They should be well-coached, in shape and disciplined. We have to come back strong from this Flagler match and gear up again."

Against Palmetto Ridge, starting at 138 with Detwiler snagging a pin and 145 and 152 going by injury default (Ian Kincaid hurt) and forfeit, Fleming Island again fell behind 12-6, but had the upper echelon of their lineup set to bring back the advantage. Lear pinned to tie the score, but Martorana got beat 6-2 by Joey Nadotti to put Palmetto up by three before Fleming Island ran the table and won nine straight matches with pins to Concepcion, Sneda-



Fleming Island High boy's wrestling team shows off its first place trophy won at Flagler Palm Coast Duals match this week at Flagler High School.

ker, Sandoval and Sampsel combining with wins from Davis (a 15-1 major), Mackey, Demus and Davis. Demus defeated Palmetto's Rocco Pereira, the 106 state runnerup last year, with an 8-5 decision, for

his third win over either a state qualifier or state placer.

"He just wrestles hard and doesn't make mistakes," said Cobbert.

Fleming Island ended with wins over Sandalwood (63-6), St. Augustine (70-6), Daytona Beach Seabreeze (75-6), Orange Park (66-12), Sebastian River (66-18), Astronaut (63-18), First Coast (72-12) and Palatka (58-18).

Fleming Island travels to the Osceola Knockout tournament at 3A-power Kissimmee Osceola on Tues., Dec. 29 and Wed., Dec. 30 with head to head matchups with Osceola, 3A state champ South Dade and Winter Springs.

Duals

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Summa (138) Pin 3:55; Keith Sawdo (145) Pin :53; Caleb Steinmetz (170) Major 8-0; Kaleb Collins (195) Pin 1:53; Ryan Rivers (285) Pin :36. Gagliardo win by forfeit.

Gilmer beat Clay 36-23

Wins by Troy Harris (195) 14-1; Chris Merring (113) Pin :37; Derek Miller (132) Major 13-4 over 106 GA state champion Alberto Perez (2014-106)(Fifth at 126 in 2015); Caleb Steinmetz (170) forfeit

Clay beats Alcoa 45-22

Wins by Dylan Taylor (120) Pin 2:24; Dale Browning (126) Pin 1:39; Keith Sawdo (145) Pin :54; Connor Green (152) Pin 1:10; Ryan Rivers (285) 3-2. Three wins by forfeit. Kaleb Collins lost 7-6 at 195.

Prime Rib Results

1. Jefferson (AAA Georgia duals and traditional champs 2014-15)
2. Gilmer
3. Wilson Central
4. Pigeon Forge

Silver Results

1. Commerce, GA (Georgia A-AAAAAA state champs; 8 individual state champs; 2 runnerups; 3 thirds)
2. Clay
3. Lumpkin County, GA (3rd in state duals)
4. Heritage, TN

Clay beat Lumpkin County 45-30

Wins by Lou Gagliardo (106) Pin 1:44; Chris Merring (113) Pin :23; Derek Miller (132) Tech Fall 24-9; Julian Summa (138) Major 19-5; Keith Sawdo (145) Major 13-2; Caleb Steinmetz (170) Pin 5:05; Kaleb Collins (195)

Tech Fall 16-0. One win by forfeit.

Clay beat Heritage 48-27

Wins by Lou Gagliardo (106) Pin 1:19; Peyton Hughes (113) Pin :43; Dylan Taylor (120) Tech Fall 16-0; Dale Browning (126) Pin :49; Derek Miller (132) 7-4; Justin Merring (138) Major 15-6; Caleb Steinmetz (170) Pin 5:04; Kaleb Collins (195) Pin 2:18. One win by forfeit.

Commerce beat Clay 38-32

Wins by Lou Gagliardo (106) Pin 1:04; Dylan Taylor (120) Pin 1:08; Dale Browning (126) Pin 1:11; Derek Miller (132) Tech fall 17-2; Julian Summa (138) 8-1. Kaleb Collins lost 9-2 to Georgia 170 Class A champion Cole Chancey (34-3 in 2014-15) at 195. Keith Sawdo lost to defending state champion at 145 by pin. Caleb Steinmetz lost to defending state champion at 170 10-4. Ryan Rivers lost by pin to third in state finisher at 285.

STATE CHAMPIONS

- 106- Kole Burchett
- 113- Jake Brewer
- 120- Dalton Flint
- 126- Austin Brock
- 132- Mitchell Patton
- 138- Owen Brown
- 170- Cole Chancey
- 285- Derek Benoit

STATE RUNNER UPS

- 160- Knox Allen
- 182- Dontavious Mosley

THIRD IN STATE

- 145- Michael Patton
- 152- Chase Forrester
- 220- Tyreke Wiggins

FOURTH IN STATE

- 195- Cole Sweeney

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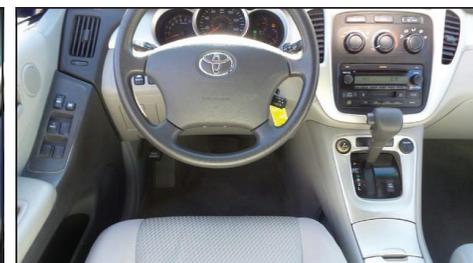
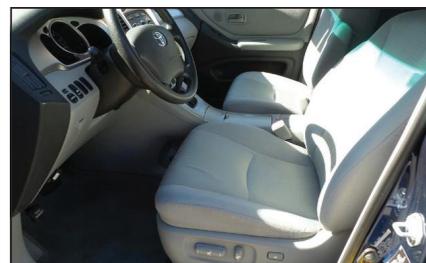
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Boys Soccer Schedules

District 3-4A

Ponte Vedra 17-0-0, 5-0-0
 Matanzas 10-1-0, 6-1-0
 Menendez 6-4-2, 5-2-0
Ridgeview 4-6-1, 2-3-0
Orange Park 2-8-1, 1-4-0
 Palatka 6-10-0, 1-5-0
Clay 3-8-0, 1-5-0

District Tournament

Orange Park, Jan. 18-22
 Jan. 6 vs. West Nassau 5:30pm
 Jan. 7 vs. **Clay**
 Jan. 9 at **RHS** 2pm
 Jan. 11 vs. **Oakleaf**

Ridgeview

Jan. 7 at Ponte Vedra
 Jan. 9 vs. **OPHS** 2pm
 Jan. 12 at **Clay**
 Jan. 14 at Bartram Trail
 Jan. 15 vs. SJCDs 6pm

Clay

Jan. 7 at **OPHS**
 Jan. 12 vs. **RHS**
 Jan. 14 vs. Palatka

District 4-4A

Fleming Island 13-0-2, 5-0-1
Oakleaf 9-1-5, 3-1-1
 Nease 8-4-3, 3-2-0
 Bartram Trail 3-5-3, 1-2-2
 Creekside 6-7-0, 2-3-0
 St. Augustine 3-7-0, 1-4-0
Middleburg 0-9-0, 0-5-0

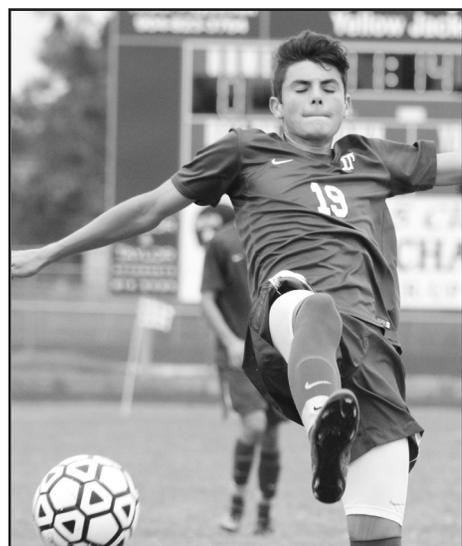
District tournament

Nease, Jan. 18-22
 Fleming Island

Jan. 6 at Ponte Vedra
 Jan. 8 vs. Bolles
 Jan. 13 vs. Chiles
 Jan. 15 at Fletcher

Oakleaf

Jan. 7 vs. Creekside
 Jan. 11 at OPHS



Fleming Island defender Marcus Murphy stretches for just-miss pass in Golden Eagles win over Nease at St. Augustine Christmas tournament.



Fleming Island High's Alex Cruz is a speedy midfielder that gets downfield quickly for Golden Eagles as coach Frank Pontore looks to keep his team unbeaten.

Middleburg

Jan. 8 vs. Lee



Fleming Island Forward Mark Suhrer hits headball in Golden Eagles' win over Nease.

Jan. 11 at Englewood

District 5-2A

Crescent City 11-4-0, 10-0-0
Keystone Heights 12-5-0, 9-2-0
 Santa Fe 10-5-1, 7-4-0
 Newberry 5-8-0, 4-6-0
 Interlachen 3-8-1, 3-6-1
 P.K. Yonge 4-9-2, 1-7-2
 Fort White 0-15-1, 0-9-1

District Tournament

Crescent City, Jan. 18-22
Keystone Heights
 Jan. 5 vs. Interlachen
 Jan. 8 vs. Gainesville
 Jan. 11 vs. Creekside
 Jan. 12 vs. Fernandina Beach
 Jan. 15 vs. Pa



Oakley High's Andrew Henderson blasts shot in Knight loss to Atlantic coast. Henderson and forward Manny Perez are keys to Knights success in district 4-4A.



Fleming Island senior JB Alvarez sends cross pass in the Golden Eagles' win over Nease.

District 2-1A

St. Joseph 7-1-1, 5-0-0
 University Christian 5-4-0, 3-1-0
 St. Johns Country Day 2-3-3-, 2-2-1
 Christ's Church 4-5-0, 3-3-0
 Oak Hall 4-4-2, 2-2-2
 St. Francis 1-8-0, 1-4-0

Hamilton County 3-9-2, 0-4-1

District Tournament

Christ's Church, Jan. 19-22

St. Johns Country Day School

Jan. 15 at **RHS** 6pm



Oakland High Geo Abreu chases for ball in the Knights lone loss of season to Atlantic coast.

Girls Soccer Update

District 4-4A

District Tournament: at Creekside, Jan. 11-15

Creekside 13-1-3, 7-0-1

Fleming Island 8-6-3, 4-1-1

Nease 9-6-1, 4-2-1

Bartram Trail 9-7-1, 3-4-0

Oakleaf 6-5-1, 2-3-0

St. Augustine 6-5-1, 0-5-0

Middleburg 2-9-0, 0-5-0

Fleming Island

Jan. 11 vs. **MHS** 6pm

Oakleaf

Jan. 5 vs. **SJCDS**

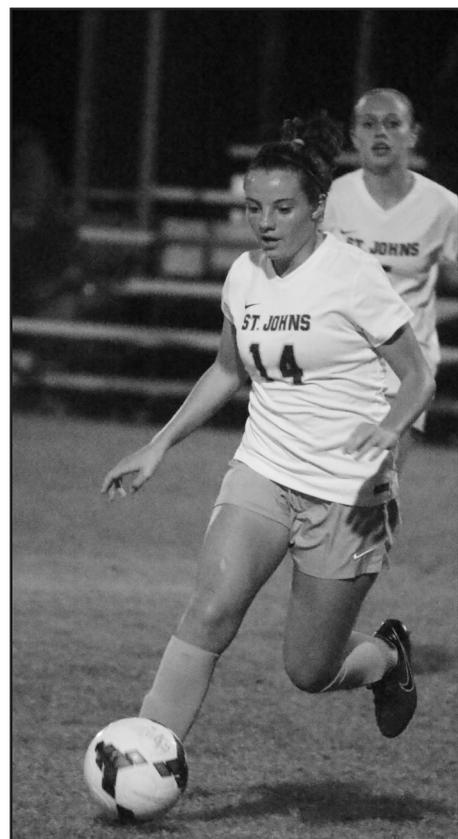
Jan. 6 at Episcopal

Jan. 11 at Bartram Trail 6pm

Middleburg

Jan. 6 at **CHS**

Jan. 8 vs. Lee 5:30pm



St. Johns Country Day School's Alisa Detlefsen is one of a handful of young varsity returners for coach Mike Pickett that will be the focal point of the Spartans attack as districts begin in a week.

Jan. 11 at FIHS 6pm

District 4-3A

District Tournament: at Mendendez, Jan. 11-15

Ponte Vedra 12-4-8, 5-0-1

Clay 8-2-2, 5-1-2

Menendez 9-2-2, 4-1-2

Matanzas 9-5-3, 3-2-1

Ridgeview 4-7-1, 2-5-0

Palatka 14-6-1, 1-4-0

Orange Park 1-14-1, 0-7-0

Clay

Jan. 6 at MHS

Jan. 7 vs. KHHS 5:30pm

Orange Park

Jan. 6 vs. West Nassau

Jan. 7 at Palatka

Ridgeview

Jan. 5 at Fernandina Beach 6pm

Jan. 7 at **SJCDS**

District 5-2A

District Tournament: at P.K. Yonge, Jan. 11-15

Santa Fe 15-1-1, 9-0-0

Keystone Heights 10-5-0, 9-2-0

P.K. Yonge 9-2-0, 7-2-0

Interlachen 10-8-0, 8-4-0

Fort White 7-13-2, 6-4-1

Newberry 5-7-1, 4-6-0

Crescent City 5-12-3, 2-8-2

Williston 3-8-1, 2-8-1

Bradford 0-13-0, 0-13-0

Keystone Heights

Jan. 5 vs. Interlachen 5pm

Jan. 7 at **CHS** 5:30pm

Jan. 8 vs. Palatka 5pm

District 2-1A

District Tournament: at Christ's Church, Jan. 11-15

SJCDS 13-0-1, 7-0-0

St. Joseph 5-3-0, 3-1-0

Christ's Church 9-3-2, 4-2-0

Hamilton County 12-6-0, 2-3-0

St. Francis 4-6-0, 1-3-0

Oak Hall 2-9-0, 1-5-0

University Christian 0-6-0, 0-4-0

St. Johns Country Day School

Jan. 5 at **OHS**

Jan. 7 vs. **RHS**



Ridgeview High's Danielle Fletcher blasts a free kick in dual match action with Middleburg prior to Christmas break. Lady Panthers will have tough agenda to capture one of the top two spots in district 4-3A with Ponte Vedra, Clay and Menendez all having just one district loss.

Stretching for a rebound



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Clay High point guard Terry Marshall stretches for rebound in Blue Devils' win over Ponte Vedra Nease Dec. 28 at Clay High School in the annual Clay High Christmas basketball tournament.

Meeting Dates of the Clay County Utility Authority

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet at 2:00 P.M. in Regular Session on the following dates in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.

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*Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 due to a conflict with the Presidential Preference Primary on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. (Precinct 112)

The Audit/Finance and/or Personnel Committee will meet at 1:00 P.M. in the Conference Room at the same location on the dates stated above on an as needed basis.

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Clay High hosts Christmas basketball tourney



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Broncos v. Knights

Middleburg High forward Mallory Roney goes strong to basket with defense from Creekside High in annual Clay Christmas Basketball Tournament, Dec. 28. Creekside won.



Raiders v. Saints

Orange Park High's Dyrenna Harris battles for loose ball in Lady Raiders win over Sandalwood in tournament win for Raiders at Clay High Christmas Tournament on Monday.



Blue Devils vs. Senators

Clay High center Charese Chandler ducks under Fletcher defender in Blue Devils opening day win at Clay High Christmas Tournament on Monday.



Eagles v. Cardinals

Fleming Island High guard Summer Baer hustles to retrieve a loose ball of the foot of a Bishop Snyder guard in the Golden Eagles' first round win Dec. 28 in the Clay High Christmas Basketball Tournament.



DE Tobiah Griffin, CHS Junior

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Honorable Mention

FIHS: Hakeem Reid (K) 5 of 8FGs, 46Long, Deon Pate (DL) 14 Tackles, 2 Sacks; Xavier Mendoza (DL) 14 Tackles, 3.5 Sacks; Spencer Mollnow (QB), Cameron Smark (WR), Isaiah Walker (DB/WR), John Broyles (OL), Travis Einarsson (ATH), Jack Surgeoner (LB)
MHS: Terron Allen (WR) 792 Rush Yds, 2TDs; David Ayres (LB), Dan Justino (K) 3 of 8FG, 34Long, Travis Hupp (DB) 2INTs; Jordan McCarty (WR), Alec Dowling (DB), Austin English (TE)
CHS: Evan Martin (DB), Denaud Valmyr (TE), Marcus Jones (RB), Angel Valdez (RB), Lane Delapp (K), Max Moore (OL), Jason Brooks (OL)
OHS: Chase Mitchell (DB), Rashaan Swain (WR) 8 catches, 2TDS over 90Yds, Cari Coleman (WR), Clay Brooks (OL), Jayon Bradley (DL), Jonathan Bryant (TE), Rontrez Morgan (WR) 19 catches, 280Yds, 5TDS.
KHHS: Rian Prieto (SS) 36 Tackles, 6INTs; Earl Hall (SS/WR) 41 Tackles, 2INTs; Justin Raysin (LB) 39 Tackles, 2 Fumble recovers; Travis Rogers (LB) 33 Tackles, 3 Fumble recovers; Chris McLean (DT) 26 Tackles; Wyatt Harvin (QB) 538 yds passing, 7TDs, 3INT; Nolan Sapp (TE) 6 Receptions.
RHS: James Libretto (LB), Brandon Peffer (WR), Ken Zamor (RB) 722 Rush Yards, 7TDs; Romeo Gray (WR), Mason Laurent (DL), Thomas Bojeski (DL), Mozart Louis-Charles (LB)
OPHS: Tymious Goodman (QB) 675Yds rush, 8TDs; Shawn Bizzell (DL) 33 Tackles, 2 Sacks, 3QB hurries; Anthony Westry (DL), 30 Tackles, 4.5TFL; Norman Andara (DL) 42 Tackles, 4TFL, 2 Sacks; Bailey Cate (K) 42Yd per punt, 3 of 4FG.
SJCS: Josh Sherrill (QB/DB), Joey Clemente (LB/OL)

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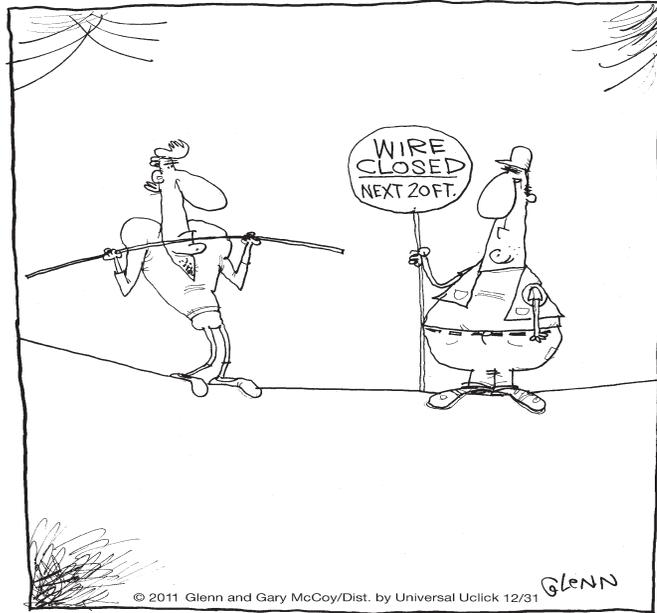
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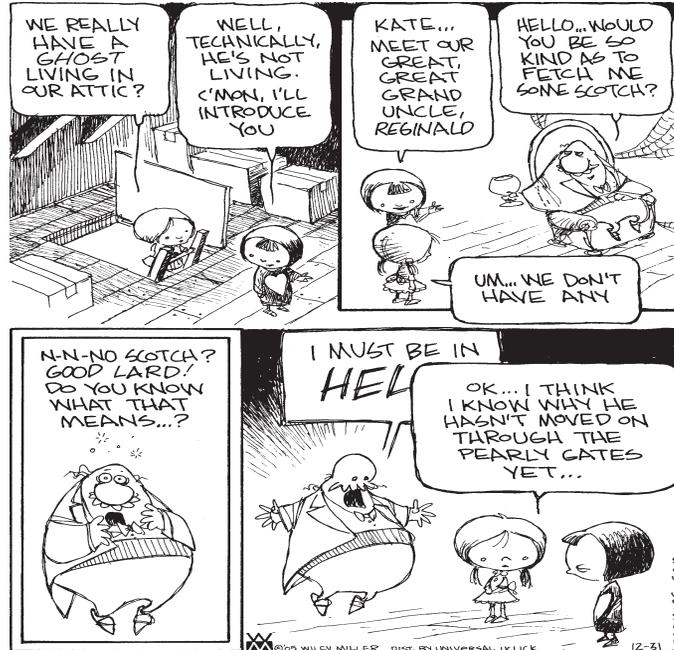
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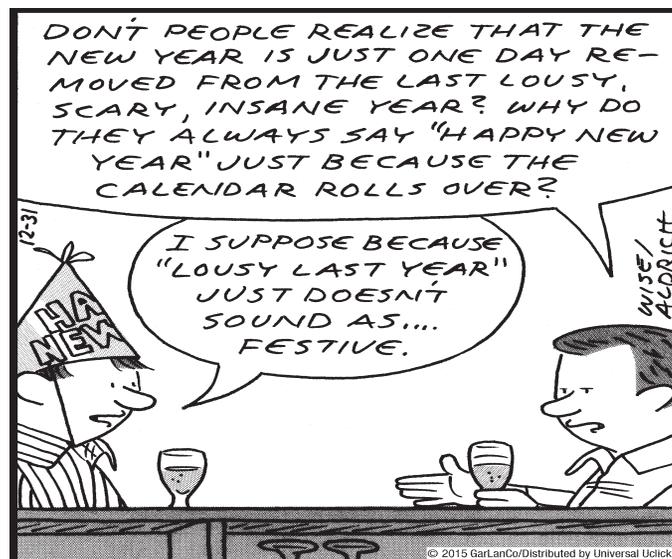
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Real Life Adventures



UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

Clay Today All County Football



RHS Chris Baptiste WR, senior



Deandre Steelman, DI Senior



(Left)CHS Jacob Conrad, OL Senior and Jarrod Leeds, OL Junior



OPHS Griffin Burrows, T Junior



OHS Je'vointe Nash, OL Senior



Ray Malik, WR Senior



(Left) OHS Jordan Johnson, QB Junior and Keylan Brown, RB Senior



OPHS Terek Watley, CB/WR Senior



RHS Justin Huff, K Senior



OHS Shaquille Quarterman, LB Senior



FIHS Ryan Birge, DI Senior



FIHS Trey Snned, CB/RB Junior

Police

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being a habitual runaway, according to the report. Ingram tried to take the phone back by allegedly swinging a closed fist at his mother. She dodged the punch and tried to "take him down to the ground but Ingram slipped away," the report states. Ingram then ran to his bedroom and allegedly grabbed a knife, but his mother intercepted him and took away the knife by force, but suffered a small laceration on her left pinky finger the report stated.

Ingram's older brother tried to help their mother subdue Ingram, causing the brothers to engage in a physical altercation when police arrived at the scene.

After numerous attempts to diffuse the altercation, one official "proceeded to attempt and detain Ingram but he began resisting detention," the report stated. After Ingram "was forcefully placed in handcuffs he continued to insult his brother" by "spitting on his face and chest," the report stated.

Ingram was placed into the back seat of the patrol vehicle where he continued to behave in an irate and combative nature, "kicking the rear passenger side door" and banging his head all over the back seat according to the report. During transport, officers had to allegedly detour to the Clay County jail for feet restraining devices which Ingram was able to remove while in the vehicle.

Ingram was eventually taken to the UF Health hospital for medical clearance before being transported to a juvenile detention center in Jacksonville.

Four face burglary charges

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Four males were taken into custody after they allegedly kicked in the front door of a Green Cove Springs home.

Around 1 a.m. on Dec. 24, Clay County Sheriff's officials responded to the 200 block of Pringle Circle in reference to a burglary.

Avri Thomas, 14, Anthony Williard Thomas, 16, Shawnterrio Tyree Jones, 19, and Jesus Meraz, 16, were charged with unarmed burglary of an occupied space, a felony in Florida.

The victim who was home during the burglary reported four males in their mid-teens kicked in her front door and fled on foot. The report was unclear if anything was stolen. Clay County Sheriff's Officials

then searched the surrounding area for the foursome.

Less than one-half mile from the victim's residence, officials observed four males "youthful in appearance and wearing articles of clothing consistent to the description" by the victim the report stated.

The three teens assessed for detention, while Jones was placed in the Clay County Jail.

Drug arrest made near mall

ORANGE PARK – A man was charged with four felonies after 43.2 grams of marijuana, Xanax, cocaine and Hydrocodone was allegedly found in his backpack.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office police report, Kenneth Levon Jackson, 28, of Jacksonville was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell, possession of Xanax without a valid prescription, possession of cocaine, possession of hydrocodone without a valid prescription and possession of drug paraphernalia on Dec. 26.

While on patrol, officials observed a suspicious vehicle in the Dillard's parking lot on Wells Road. According to the report, two occupants were in the vehicle and all the doors were open when officials saw a "small amount of smoke emitting from the interior of the vehicle," the report states. The officer smelled a strong odor of marijuana in the air as he approached the suspicious vehicle giving them probable cause to search.

Officials did not find any drugs during a pat-down of Jackson and the co-defendant Jasmine Monet Pullings, 25, but officials found 2.5 grams of "a small bag of green leafy substance in the center console of the vehicle" that field tested positive for marijuana the report stated. Pullings was arrested for the 2.5 grams of marijuana and was eligible for a Notice to Appear and released at the scene according to the report.

A backpack in the passenger's side floor where Jackson was sitting when police arrived allegedly contained "three separate bags of a green leafy substance" totaling 43.2 grams, a scale and three pill bottles without labels. One pill bottled contained two grams of cocaine. A second pill bottled contained two pills of Aprozam and a



Kenneth Jackson

third pill bottle contained two Hydrocodone pills according to the police report.

Woman charged with striking officer

ORANGE PARK – A 44-year old woman was arrested after she allegedly flicked the arm of a uniformed officer.

Marta Santiago Shahin was arrested Dec. 22 for committing the offense of battery on a law enforcement officer despite verbal commands to stop after Clay County Sheriff's Officers responded to Shahin's home where she allegedly placed 27 harassing phone calls to the Sheriff's office non-emergency phone line between the hours of 11:50 p.m. and 4:09 a.m.

Even though Shahin was told to stop calling the non-emergency line, she refused and continued, according to the police report. During one of the phone conversations between Shahin and a police officer, the woman sounded intoxicated and irrational so officials were sent to her home at the 400 block of Charles Pinckney Street.

Once officials made contact with Shahin, she invited them into her home and allegedly rested her head against one officer's chest prompting officers to make loud, clear verbal commands not to touch the officers which she initially obeyed. While continuing to speak with officials, she moved towards a sergeant while reaching for him with her hands according to the police report. After the officer commanded "do not touch me," Shahin laughed and "started poking towards him within inches of his chest," the report stated.

The woman had bloodshot eyes, inability to maintain balance and a heavy odor of alcohol on her breath so she was transported to Orange Park Medical Center where she was cleared for transport to the Clay County Jail.

Alleged jewelry thief busted

ORANGE PARK – After a brief investigation, three rings were returned to their owner after a Jacksonville man allegedly stole them from a woman's home.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Robert Wayne Conner, 32, of Jacksonville for grand theft on Dec. 28. Conner, an employee of Carpet Surgeons, installed carpet in the victim's home on Perthshire Drive when he allegedly stole three rings valued at \$3,250 from her jewelry box.

Officials from CCSO contacted Conner, who arrived at the victim's residence while officers were present. He had rings in his possession that were taken from the home.

A background search in the CCSO database revealed Duval County issued a warrant for his arrest for a separate incident.

In addition to the grand theft charge, Conner faces charges of dealing stolen property and giving false information to a pawn broker and dealing stolen property. At press time, he



Robert Conner

remained in the Clay County Jail where bond is set at \$45,009.

Locked car break-ins solved with arrest

ORANGE PARK – A Middleburg man was arrested after stole approximately \$1,300 worth of personal property and goods in two separate incidents.

On Dec. 22, Jerry Melvin Pifer, Jr., 31, committed two counts of burglary of an unoccupied car and grand theft after he brook into two locked cars while the owners were working a shift at St. Vincent's Hospital in Middleburg.

According to the police report, Pifer broke out a window on each vehicle causing \$150 worth of damage to each vehicle. The total amount of property taken from the cars was approximately \$800 between the two victims. A witness observed Pifer commit the burglaries and leave the scene in a dark colored Jeep Commander.

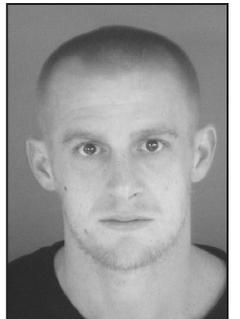
Pifer used stolen credit cards from the vehicles at Wal-Mart at 899 Blanding Blvd but two separate transactions were both declined. The Middleburg resident was wearing a notable jacket and hat.

About an hour later, a security employee from St. Vincent's observed a dark colored Jeep Commander in the area of St. Vincent's wearing the same jacket and hat but no break-ins occurred, but the witness confirmed it was Pifer.

The next day on Dec. 23, Pifer was arrested for grand theft, aggravated battery and resisting a loss prevention associate at the Walmart.

The afternoon of Dec. 23, Pifer allegedly entered the Walmart at 899 Blanding Blvd. and was observed by three loss prevention associates placing tools, drills and a leaf blower worth a total of \$493 in his shopping cart. According to the report, "the defendant then took the items toward the front of the store, leaving them inside as he went outside and smoked a cigarette," the report states. Pifer returned to the inside of the store "and proceeded to take the items in the shopping cart out of the grocery exit...passing all points of final sale and making no effort whatsoever to pay for the selected items," the report states. As Pifer exited, two loss prevention associates approached him but Pifer attempted to run away despite verbal requests to stop. As they grabbed Pifer, "their momentum took them to the ground, causing them to strike a customer...as he was simply entering the store to shop," the report states. The man suffered a compound fracture to his left leg.

Pifer was taken into custody and interviewed in reference to automobile burglaries that occurred earlier that week. At press time, he remained in the Clay County Jail with bond set at \$47,514.



Jerry Pifer

Mall fracas ends in arrests

ORANGE PARK – According to a report in The Florida Times-Union, a brawl erupted on Dec. 25 involving some 200 people – mostly teens and young adults – who were gathered outside AMC Orange Park 24 shortly after the last movie of the night.

Eight people were arrested late Friday after a brawl outside the Orange Park Mall theater.

A lieutenant with the Clay County Sheriff's Office said there were a number of "juveniles being unruly" and "got into some fights."

Charges ranged from battery on a law enforcement officer, resisting arrest without violence and concealed weapons violations. One officer was struck in the melee, but was not seriously injured.

Arrests & Bookings

Tuesday, Dec. 29

Brown, Lindsey, 19, Middleburg, CCSO, Burglary

Conner, Robert, 32, Jacksonville, CCSO, Dealing Stolen Property, Giving False Info to a Pawn Broker

Cozart, Timothy, 50, Orange Park, CCSO, Molest Coin-Operated Vending Machine, Petit Theft

Davis, Marion, 25, Orange Park, CCSO, DWLSR

Hartman, Deborah, 56, Waldo, Fla., CCSO, Burglary to Auto, Criminal Mischief Hoffmeyer, Michael, 35, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Resisting an Officer, Giving False Name or ID, Non-Support

Howard, John, 35, Middleburg, FHP, Driving Without a License

Hunn, Leanne, 30, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Jeffers, Joel, 36, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Kolb, Michael, 22, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Introducing Contraband Into County Jail

Lee, Elishia, 37, Lake City, Fla., CCSO, Writ of Attachment

Moore, Paul, 25, Orange Park, CCSO, Domestic Battery

Morris, Charity, 33, Melrose, CCSO, Two Out of County Warrants

Simpson, Darius, 27, Orange Park, CCSO, DUI

Starks, Devante, 22, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Marijuana With Intent to Sell, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Turbeville, Susanne, 65, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Waggy, William, 53, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Monday, Dec. 28

Cerna, Yvonne, 43, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

Collins, Buddy, 46, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Conner, Robert, 32, Jacksonville, CCSO, Grand Theft \$5,000-9,999

Dannelly, Samuel, 30, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Davis, Marion, 25, Orange Park, CCSO, DWLSR

Duclos, Carl, 29, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Gobin, Gerald, 23, Jacksonville, OPPD, Failing to Remain with Damaged Vehicle, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Hall, Kathryn, 21, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Harrell, Deanna, 39, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Jackson, Aaron, 21, Vista, Calif., CCSO, Grand Theft \$100-\$300 From Building, Dealing Stolen Property, Burglary, FTA - Petit Theft, FTA - Possession of Less Than 20 g. Cannabis, FTA - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Jimone, Ouvidio, 26, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery Jones, Delvin, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, No Valid Driver's License, DWLSR

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Absconded - Marijuana Possession

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Domestic Battery Martinez, Waldestrudis, 30, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Murphree, James, 19, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Selling Drugs Within 1,000 Feet of a Specified Area

Mushatt, Trey, 22, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Cannabis With Intent to Sell, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Noguera Blandon, Nancy, 27, Orange Park, CCSO, Out of County Warrant

Pamart, Gregory, 42, Birdsboro, Penn., CCSO, Dealing Stolen Property, Forgery, Uttering a Forged Instrument

Roton, Tammy, 47, Florahome, Fla., CCSO, VOP - Petit Theft

Rycroft, James, 49, Orange Park, CCSO, Domestic Battery

Staten, Peggy, 38, Glen St. Mary, Fla., OPPD, Out of County Warrant

Staten, William, 44, Glen St. Mary, Fla., OPPD, Out of County Warrant

Stokes, Jamie, 26, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR, Vehicle Registration Required

Sunday, Dec. 27

Davis, Earl, 44, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR

Deluco, Nathon, 30, Fleming Island, CCSO, Two Counts of DUI

Richey, Veronica, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, Simple Battery-Dating

Rycroft, James, 49, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Less Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Shantz, Jason, 31, Jacksonville, CCSO, DWLSR

Turner, Fred, 35, Orange Park, CCSO, Vandalism

Saturday, Dec. 26

Bailey, Richard, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, Failure to Appear for Court

Duvelsaint, Francoeur, 33, Orange Park, CCSO, Resisting an Officer, Petit Theft

Ferguson, James, 24, Middleburg, CCSO, VOP - False Imprisonment

Jackson, Kenneth, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Marijuana With Intent to Sell, Possession of Xanax Without Valid Prescription, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Hydrocodone Without Valid Prescription

Johnson, Jenae, 29, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Battery On Law Enforcement Officer, Resisting an Officer, Two Counts of Trespassing

Littlejohn, Regina, 30, Jacksonville, CCSO, Violate Probation - Community Con-

trol

McGhee, Jason, 41, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Pullings, Jasmine, 25, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Grams

Riggins, Branden, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, Public Indecent Exposure

Shelby, Patricia, 22, Middleburg, CCSO, Domestic Battery

Stancil, Brian, 35, Jacksonville, CCSO, Resisting Arrest, Retail Petit Theft

Thompson, Edward, 52, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Battery

Thompson, Thomas, 28, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Battery

Friday, Dec. 25

Anderson, Darius, 18, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Alcoholic Beverage by Minor, Concealed Firearm

Davis, Lawrence, 18, Jacksonville, CCSO, Concealed Firearm

Fountain, Perry, 54, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Domestic Aggravated Battery, Simple Domestic Battery, Domestic Aggravated Assault With a Deadly Weapon

Gomez, Franklin, 33, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Juvenile, 15, CCSO, Affray

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Simple Battery

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Alcoholic Beverage by Minor, Concealed Firearm

Mack, Devonte, 18, Jacksonville, CCSO, Concealed Firearm, Possession of Less Than 20 g. Cannabis

Sullivan, Slade, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Thursday, Dec. 24

Browder, Melissa, 39, Middleburg, CCSO, Non-Support, Aggravated Battery With A Deadly Weapon

Carter, Justin, 27, Middleburg, CCSO, Two Counts of Failure to Appear for Court

Cooper, Nathan, 55, Middleburg, CCSO, Elder or Disabled Adult Abuse

Counts, Amanda, 29, Middleburg, CCSO, DWLSR, Petit Theft

Downer, Jovanka, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, Vandalism

Gilley, Douglas, 28, Middleburg, CCSO, Out of County

Harris, Jessica, 28, Palatka, Fla., CCSO, Petit Theft

Hartley, Terena, 35, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Jones, Shawnterrio, 19, Fort Campbell, Ky., CCSO, Burglary

Juvenile, 14, CCSO, Burglary, GCSPD: Simple Battery, Resisting an Officer, Aggravated Assault With a Deadly Weapon

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Burglary

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McCray, Deabram, 37, Palatka, Fla.,

CCSO, Grand Theft \$300-4,999

Murphey, Lisa, 43, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Parker, Katie, 19, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Prevatt, Tasha, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Rios, Samuel, 39, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Wednesday, Dec. 23

Bell, Shakita, 33, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Resisting a Retail Merchant Theft Prevention Officer, Petit Theft

Bullard, Kendrick, 23, Jacksonville, OPPD, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Conner, Chad, 31, Jacksonville, CCSO, Aggravated Domestic Battery

Dixon, An'Ton, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, Driving Without a License, Burglary, Fleeing and Eluding Police With Lights and Sirens Engaged

Goodman, Brittany, 30, Jacksonville, CCSO, Three Counts of Burglary, Three Counts of Grand Theft \$300-4,999

Hodges, Clarence, 47, Middleburg, CCSO, DUI .15 or Higher

Jones, Keenu, 20, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Burglary

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Two Counts of Petit Theft

Juvenile, 16, CCSO, Grand Theft Auto, Attempted Second Degree Murder, Robbery-Armed Firearm/Other, Petit Theft

Mystkowski, Danielle, 24, Jacksonville, CCSO, Manufacturing Dimethyltryptamine, Possession of Dimethyltryptamine

Pifer, Jerry, 31, Middleburg, CCSO, Burglary, Grand Theft \$300-4,999, Retail Theft \$300, Resisting Arrest, Felony Battery

Sims, Edward, 46, Jacksonville, CCSO, Non-Support

Smith, Larry, 27, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Ammo By a Convicted Felon, Burglary Smith, Le Darius, 19, Orange Park, CCSO, Attempted Second Degree Murder, Robbery-Armed Firearm/Other, Grand Theft Auto

Trantham, Perry, 54, Jacksonville, CCSO, Non-Support

Wells, Tiffany, 31, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Williams, Ciarey, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - Battery, FTA - Trespassing, Three Count of VOP - Sale, Manufacture, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Williams, Quenthion, 18, Jacksonville, CCSO, Burglary

Tuesday, Dec. 22

Daughtery, Kimberly, 46, Jacksonville, FHP, DUI With Damage Property, DWLSR

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, click on the Sharing Tree logo and follow the instructions.
CCSO CONTACT NUMBERS: (MAIN) 264-6512 (EMERGENCY) 911 (COMMUNITY RELATIONS) 213-6114

Thefts

12/27 a bicycle left unsecure was stolen from Billie's Classic Billiards on Blanding Boulevard in Middleburg.

12/24 an unattended wallet was stolen from the restroom of the Walmart store on Branan Field Road north of Middleburg.

12/24 an unattended wallet was stolen from the restroom of the McDonald's on Blanding Boulevard in Orange Park.

12/24 a well pump was stolen from a residence on County Rd 315C in Keystone Heights.

12/24 an unattended cell phone was stolen from the restroom of the Kangaroo Gas Station on County Road 218 in Middleburg.

12/22 a television was stolen from the garage at a residence on Oakfield Drive in Middleburg.

12/22 a wireless printer was stolen from a delivery truck while stopped for a delivery at the Rowe's IGA on Wells Road in Orange Park.

12/22 the tail light lens were stolen from a pickup truck at The Orange Park Mall on Wells Road.

12/21 an unsecured bicycle was stolen from the animal pen area at Oakleaf High School on Plantation Oaks Boulevard.

12/21 a vehicle with the keys left in it was stolen from Five Star Quality Autos on Polk Avenue near Orange Park.

Burglary to Structures

12/27 electronics items were stolen from a residence on Hickory Run West in Orange Park.

12/26 appliances were stolen from a residence on County Road 218 in Middleburg.

12/24 firearms and miscellaneous personal and electronics items were stolen from a ransacked residence on Manatee Cove Drive on Fleming Island.

12/23 miscellaneous personal and electronics items were stolen from an unoccupied ransacked residence on Howard Road in Middleburg.

12/22 fishing poles and reels were stolen from a trailer at a residence on Heather Street in Middleburg.

12/21 power tools were stolen from an opened garage at a home on Sesame Street in Middleburg.

Burglary to Autos

12/27 power tools were stolen from a truck parked at a construction site on Bradley Creek Parkway in Lake Asbury.

12/27 a wallet was stolen from a vehicle in a handicap spot at the Winn Dixie on Blanding Boulevard in Middleburg.

12/26 a truck was broken into and ransacked at the Governor's Creek Boat Ramp on North Orange Avenue in Green Cove Springs. There were signs of forced entry into the pickup truck.

12/24 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from three unlocked vehicles at homes on Willow Green Drive in Argyle.

12/24 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from three unlocked vehicles at homes on Morning Meadow Lane in Orange Park.

12/24 miscellaneous personal and electronics items were stolen from two unlocked ransacked vehicles at a home on Cranes Landing Court in Orange Park.

12/24 a vehicle was ransacked and nothing was found to be stolen at a residence on Fallen Timbers Drive in Orange

Park.

12/24 miscellaneous personal and electronics items were stolen from two ransacked vehicles parked at a home on Brittany Bluff Drive in Orange Park.

12/24 a vehicle was ransacked and nothing was found to be stolen at a home on White Wing Road in Argyle.

12/24 two vehicles were entered but nothing was found to be stolen, parked at residences on Chinaberry Court in Argyle.

12/24 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at a home on Hollybrook Lane in Oakleaf.

12/23 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at a home on Papaya Drive North in Orange Park.

12/23 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from an unattended vehicle at a business on William Ellery Street west of Orange Park.

12/22 items were stolen from vehicles at St. Vincent's Medical Clay County north of Middleburg. There were signs of forced entry to the vehicles.

12/22 the door handle was damaged in an attempt to enter a vehicle at a home on Plantation Oaks Boulevard in Oakleaf.

12/21 a pickup truck's center console was ransacked at a resident on Watermill Drive in Argyle. Nothing is known to be missing from the pickup truck.

12/21 a wallet was stolen from a vehicle at Academy Sports on Blanding Boulevard near Orange Park.

12/21 items were stolen from a vehicle at St Vincent's Medical Clay County north of Middelburg. There were signs of forced entry to the vehicle.

12/21 items were stolen from a truck

and a car at a home on County Line Road in Keystone Heights.

12/21 items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at a home on Gustafson Road in Keystone Heights.

12/21 a wallet was stolen from a purse left in an unsecured vehicle at the Ross Store on Blanding Boulevard near Orange Park.

12/21 items were stolen from a vehicle at Orange Park Medical Center on Kingsley Avenue. There were signs of forced entry to the vehicle.

12/21 items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at Blanding Grocery on Blanding Boulevard in Middleburg.

Criminal Mischief

12/27 the spotlights around the flag pole were smashed at the Fleming Island Plantation Amenity Center on Town Center Boulevard.

12/27 a cable was cut in the front yard at a residence on County Road 214 in Keystone Heights. 12/24 graffiti was painted on the walls of the men's restroom at Eagle Landing Golf Club in Oakleaf Plantation.

12/23 cosmetic body damage was done to a vehicle at a home on Keaton Chase Drive on Fleming Island.

12/22 graffiti was spray painted in the bathroom at The Eagle Landing Residence Center at Eagle Landing Parkway and Eagle Crossing Drive in Oakleaf.

12/22 tires were damaged on a vehicle at an apartment complex on Crossing Boulevard in Orange Park.

12/21 items were broken and smashed in the apartment complex gym room on Crossings Boulevard in Orange Park.

Arrests

from page 38

Frosio, Nathan, 34, Middleburg, CCSO, Two Counts of Simple Domestic Battery

Harris, Justin, 29, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Juvenile, 17, CCSO, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Less Than 20 g. Cannabis

Kennedy, Kayla, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Petit Theft

Kolb, Michael, 22, Middleburg, CCSO, Accessory to Second Degree Murder, Detection or Capture, Robbery - Armed Firearm/Other, Grand Theft Auto

Lamaster, Kristal, 25, Middleburg, CCSO, Petit Theft

Morgan, Kelli, 21, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Pegram, Marcus, 21, Orange Park, CCSO, FTA - Possession of a Controlled

Substance With Intent to Sell

Poulous, Darren, 49, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Writ of Attachment - Child Support

Ramos, Denise, 46, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Rodriguez, Alida, 21, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Santiago Shahin, Marta, 44, Orange Park, CCSO, Battery On An Officer

Treadwell, Christian, 21, Orange Park, CCSO, Burglary

Watson, Darius, 23, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

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As of Monday, December 28, 2015

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| Michael George Manswell Defendant Under Sentence-Giving False info to Law Enforcement Officer | Kimberly Renee Ward VOP Felony Battery | John Matthew Meagher Burglary | Johnathan David Babcock FTA DWLSR (Habitual Offender) | Linda Rayel Blaine FTA Grand Theft/Possession of a Controlled Substance | Donnell Deshion Mosley VOP Child Abuse |
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| Timothy James Rogers FTA Tampering with Evidence/ Possession of Cocaine | Joshua Channing Sumner Leaving Scene of an Accident | Carrie Alicia Biggs VOP Parent Fail to Require School Attendance | Katrina Rae Kwaak VOP DUI | Melissa Ashley Taylor Non-Support | Sara Louise Sizemore VOP DUI |

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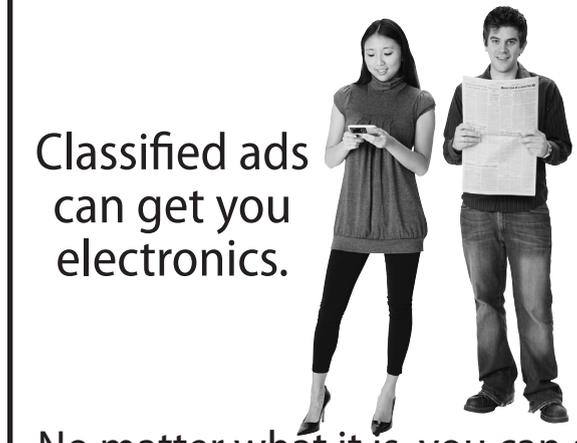
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On 18 JAN 2016, at 10 A.M. at Tom's Towing at 246 Jefferson Ave, Orange Park, FL 32065, the following vehicle will be auctioned off for towing and storage charges.

- 2001 FORD #3FAPP31381R176284
- 2005 DODGE #1D4GP25B05B406505
- 2005 SATURN #1G8AL52F35Z146321
- 1987 TOYOTA #JY2SV21W0H0000691

Legal 36267 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 102011-DR-001829 DIVISION: E

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF JEFFERY SCOTT, Husband, and KAYOKO SCOTT, Wife

TO: KAYOKO SCOTT
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on The Lasky Law Firm Husband's attorneys, whose address is 2950 Halcyon Lane, Suite 305, Jacksonville, Florida 32223, on or before Dec. 25, 2015, and file the original with the clerk of this court at Clay County Courthouse, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 either before service on Husband's attorney or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's Office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 10-2010-CA-000293 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

vs. COLTON WISE, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF LENSEY G. TESTON, DECEASED, et al., Defendants.

To the following Defendant(s): ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LENSEY G. TESTON, JR., WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclose of Mortgage on the following described property: LOT 11 "C", VILLAGE OF LORING, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 16, PAGES 78 AND 79, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE SOUTHERLY 2.0 FEET IN SAID LOT "C".

has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on McCalla Raymer, LLC, Kristina Nubaryan Girard, Attorney for Plaintiff, 225 East Robinson Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 within thirty (30) days after the publication of this Notice in the Clay Today and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demand in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on this 17th day of December, 2015.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Court
By: Alissa Demay
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 36244 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 4635679

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address on record at the clerk's office.
DATED: Nov. 13, 2015

(seal)
Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Marla Albert
Deputy Clerk

Legal 36162 published Dec 10, Dec 17, Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued in the Circuit Court, Duval County, Florida, on the 6th day of August, 2015, in the cause wherein CASH LLC, is plaintiff and Winston Burse, is defendant, being case number 2012CC000083 in said Court, I, RICK BESELER, as Sheriff of Clay County, Florida, have levied upon all right, title and interest of the Defendant, Winston Burse, in and to the following described property, to wit:

2002 Silver Mercedes-Benz S-Class S430 VIN #WDBNG70J22A295942

And on the 21st day of January, 2016, at 3222 Highway 17, Green Cove Springs, Clay County, Florida at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said Defendant's, Winston Burse's right, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, taxes, judgments and encumbrances, if any, to the highest and best bidder or bidders for CASH, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above-described Execution.

RICK BESELER, SHERIFF
Clay County, Florida
By: SGT. MARK TATE #6063

Individuals with disabilities needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Civil Process Section of the Clay County Sheriff's Office (904) 529-6020 at least five days prior to the date of sale.
Legal 36190 published Dec 17, Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing on an ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park, Florida, amending Ordinance 12-15 which adopted and enacted the final budget of estimated revenues and expenditures and made appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016 for the first time during the course of said fiscal year; Providing an effective date.

This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 in the Orange Park Town Hall Council Chambers, the corner of Park and Kingsley Avenue at 7:00 P.M. The Council of the Town of Orange Park will consider said ordinance for final action. Any person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Council of the Town of Orange park with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies of this ordinance may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard.

Sarah Campbell, Town Clerk
Legal 36257 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO: 10-2015-CA-001028 DIVISION:

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, ANNA P. BLANCHETT A/K/A ANNA PEARL BLANCHETT, DECEASED, et al., Defendant(s).

To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS,

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CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST FREDERICK EARL BLANCHETT, JR. A/K/A FREDERICK EARL BLANCHETT DECEASED

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, ANNA P. BLANCHETT A/K/A ANNA PEARL BLANCHETT, DECEASED

Last Known Address: Unknown
Current Address: Unknown
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, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS,

Last Known Address: Unknown
Current Address: Unknown
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Clay County, Florida:

A PORTION OF THE WEST 1/4 OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST AND ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 18, A DISTANCE OF 108.87 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CARTER SPENCER ROAD (AS NOW ESTABLISHED); THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST AND ON SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 340.38 FEET TO THE INTERSECTION OF SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CARTER SPENCER ROAD WITH THE CENTERLINE OF THAT PARTICULAR 80 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES (RANGE LINE ROAD) AND FOR CLAY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., UTILITY LINES AND MAINTENANCE THEREOF, AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 700, PAGE 160 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA;

THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST AND ON LAST SAID CENTERLINE OF AN 80 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT (RANGE LINE ROAD), A DISTANCE OF 511.95 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST, AND ON SAID CENTERLINE OF 80 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT (RANGE LINE ROAD) A DISTANCE OF 127.99 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 340.38 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF THAT PARTICULAR 50 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND UTILITIES AS DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 700, PAGE 151 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST AND ON THE CENTERLINE OF SAID 50 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT, A DISTANCE OF 127.99 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 340.38 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

A/K/A 2397 RANGE LINE RD, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Albertelli Law, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623, and file the original with this Court within 30 days of first publication otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clay Today.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on this 9th day of November, 2015.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

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See the Americans with Disabilities Act

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) 269-6302 x 6566; Fax (904) 278-3653.

Legal 36231 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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

ORDINANCE NO. 0-17-2015 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO BORROW UP TO \$334,500.00 FROM THE STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS OF THE CITY WASTEWATER COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND RECLAIMED WATER FACILITIES; PROVIDING THAT DETAILS OF THE LOAN BE APPROVED BY SUBSEQUENT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL; AND PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

City Council: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through (904) 284-4849 (TDD). Said Ordinance is available at City Hall for review during the hours of 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Thursday.

All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing. City of Green Cove Springs
Julia W. Clevinger, City Clerk
321 Walnut Street
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Danielle, J. Judd, City Manager
Legal 36249 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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NOTICE OF MEETING DOUBLE BRANCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Double Branch Community Development District will be held on Monday, January 11, 2016, at 4:00 pm, at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office. Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

James A. Perry
District Manager
Legal 36241 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME

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

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

REBEL CHIEF

Located at 574 Valdón Street, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Orange Park, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Middleburg, Florida, this 22nd day of December, 2015.
Owner's name/corporation:
E. dePadua

Legal 36248 published December 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NUMBER: 2015-CP-447
IN RE: JONATHAN ROSS SIZEMORE, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of

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JONATHAN ROSS SIZEMORE, deceased, whose date of death was November 20, 2015, is pending in the Circuit Court, for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

If you have been served with a copy of this notice and you have any claim or demand against the decedent's estate, even if that claim is unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated, you must file your claim with the court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF A DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with the court ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is December 31, 2015.

Personal Representative:
SUZANNA R. SIZEMORE
2286 Sandy Court
Orange Park, FL 32073

Attorney for Personal Representative:

ROBERT A. DAWKINS, ESQUIRE
Florida Bar No. 307122
Fisher, Tousey, Leas & Ball
818 North A1A, Suite 104
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
(904) 356-2600
rdawkins@fishertousey.com

Attorneys for Personal Representative

Legal 36268 published Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that RMC TL 2013, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. 622
Year of Issuance 2013
Description of Property: LOT 10 & PT 11 PINECREST 2 O R 176 PG 144
Parcel ID No.: 180823-002224-000-00
Opening Bid: \$4,145.59
Physical Address: 6624 Woodland Dr. Keystone Heights
Classification: Single Family Residence
Name in which

Meeting Dates of the Clay County Utility Authority

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet at 2:00 P.M. in Regular Session on the following dates in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.

| January | February | March | April |
|--|--|---|---|
| Tuesday, January 5 Tuesday, January 19 | Tuesday, February 2 Tuesday, February 16 | Tuesday, March 1 Wednesday, March 16* | Tuesday, April 5 Tuesday, April 19 |
| May Tuesday, May 3 Tuesday, May 17 | June Tuesday, June 7 Tuesday, June 21 | July Tuesday, July 5 Tuesday, July 19 | August Tuesday, August 2 Tuesday, August 16 |
| September Tuesday, September 6 Tuesday, September 20 | October Tuesday, October 4 Tuesday, October 18 | November Tuesday, November 1 Tuesday, November 15 | December Tuesday, December 6 Tuesday, December 20 |

*Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 due to a conflict with the Presidential Preference Primary on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. (Precinct 112)

The Audit/Finance and/or Personnel Committee will meet at 1:00 PM, in the Conference Room at the same location on the dates stated above on an as needed basis.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

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

For further information, call (904) 213-2464.

Legal 36182 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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assessed: **Robert D. Mattox**
Said property being in the County of CLAY, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the **17th day of February, 2016 at 9:30 AM.**
Dated this 28th day of December, 2015

Tara S. Green
Clerk of Circuit Court
of Clay County, Florida
Legal 36262 published Dec 31, 2015, Jan 7, Jan 14, and Jan 21, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 2015-CA-001061
REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC.,
Plaintiff,

v.
ROSEMARIE RIVERS, et al.
Defendant(s)
TO: ROSEMARIE RIVERS and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROSEMARIE RIVERS

whose residence is unknown and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

A PORTION OF SECTION THIRTY-NINE (39), Z. KINGSLEY GRANT, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, DESCRIBED AS: FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 39, (WHICH IS ALSO THE NORTH CORNER OF GOVERNMENT LOT; 1, SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST); THENCE RUN ON THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF THE LAND DESCRIBED IN DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 79, PAGE 193 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, SOUTH 48°18' EAST, 1,933.21 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 71°35' WEST, 341.65 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 71°35' WEST, 252.59 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. S-224-A; THENCE ON LAST SAID LINE RUN SOUTH 49°50' EAST, 172.96 FEET; THENCE NORTH 71°35' EAST, 221.83 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 40°20' WEST, 159.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 10th day of December, 2015.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By Alissa Demay
Deputy Clerk
Legal 36256 published Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 15-049464

NOTICE OF MEETING MIDDLE VILLAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Middle Village Community Development District will be held on **Monday, January 11, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., at the Plantation Oaks Amenities Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065.** The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical

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impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office. Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

James A. Perry
Manager
Legal 36240 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

BILL'S PLACE
Located at 4860 Chick Pea St. in the County of CLAY, in the City of Middleburg, Florida 32068 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
Dated at Middleburg, Florida, this 22nd day of December, 2015.
Owner's name/corporation:
William Swartout
Legal 36253 published December 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **WAPN as Custodian for TC 13 Subsidiary LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No. **2399**
Year of Issuance **2013**
Description of Property: **PART OF SW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 OR LOT 22 BLK B BUNDY LAKE PARK SEC. 2 O.R. 1391 PG 958 R/S 1/2 INT**
Parcel ID No.: **310824-007849-029-00**
Opening Bid: **\$2,532.47 + \$20,578.00**
Physical Address: **8034 Gale Ln. Melrose**
Classification: **Mobile Home**
Name in which assessed: **John R Kihler & Mark H Kihler**

Said property being in the County of CLAY, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the **27th day of January, 2016 at 9:30 AM.**

Dated this 7th day of December, 2015
Tara S. Green
Clerk of Circuit Court
of Clay County, Florida
Legal 36143 published Dec 10, Dec 17, Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
MAGNOLIA WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors of the Magnolia West Community Development District will hold its regular meeting on **January 12, 2016 at 3:30 p.m.** at the Magnolia West Amenities Center located at 3490 Canyon Falls Drive, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, Rizzetta & Company, Inc., 2806 North Fifth Street, Suite 403, St. Augustine, Florida 32084, or by contacting Ms. Dobbins at (904) 436-6270, during normal business hours. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law for community development districts. The meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when staff or other individuals may participate by speaker telephone. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at the public hearing or meeting because of a

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disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 436-6270 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Melissa Dobbins
Regional District Manager
Legal 36214 published Dec. 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 01/15/2016, 10:00 am at 2905 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-6349, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. FIRST COAST TOWING reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.
1D7HU16N15J655193 2005 DODGE 1FMPU17L34LA36418 2004 FORD 3C3EL45H3YT235126 2000 Chrysler 3C3EL45H6VT536436 1997 Chrysler
Legal 36211 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Sale of Impounded Livestock

To whom It May Concern:
You are hereby notified that I will offer for sale and sell at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described livestock: **Black Male Pig at 10:00 o'clock, a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2016 at the following place: 3984 SR 16 West, Green Cove Springs, Clay County, Florida, to satisfy a claim for fees, expenses for feeding and care and costs hereof.**

Sheriff Rick Beseler
of Clay County Florida
Disclaimer: Buyer understands they must have trailer or means of transporting sold livestock at time of sale. Buyer understands that little is known about the livestock's health and behavior. Buyer understands that whatever preventative treatment given to protect the livestock's health is not conclusive and buyer may need to seek further precautionary treatment to ensure the livestock's health.
Legal 36261 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 2015-CA-1053
Division: E

EDWIN GENE FARNER and VINH HOANG, Plaintiffs,

vs
KEMBERLY A. REHKOPF, if alive, and if deceased, the respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against said Defendant, Defendants

To: KEMBERLEY A. REHKOPF, whose current residence is unknown but whose last known residence address is: **Kemberley A. Rehkopf 6719 Shands Road Keystone Heights, Florida 32656** and to all parties claiming interests by, through, under or against her; and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title to certain real property in Clay County, Florida more particularly described as follows:

Part of the Northeast 1/4, a/k/a Lot 6, Block 1, as recorded in O.R. 2407, page 695, as described in Tax Deed dated November 19, 2014 and recorded in O.R. Book 3697, page 1225 of the public records of Clay County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: A parcel of land located in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 3, Township 8 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida, designated on a survey prepared by Roy L. Watkins, Surveyor on February 16, 1971 as Lot 6 of Block 1, more particularly described as follows: Commence at a concrete monument located 200 feet North and 50 feet

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West of the Southeast corner of said Section 3, and run thence North and parallel with the section line, 2664.99 feet to a concrete monument at the point of beginning; thence from said point, continue North and parallel with the section line, 288.0 feet; thence run North 43°-38' West, 535.2 feet; thence run due South, 288.0 feet; thence run South 43° 31' 33" East, 535.03 feet to the point of beginning. TOGETHER WITH that certain 1996 FLEETWOOD triple wheel mobile home bearing identification numbers FLFLT70A24000-SK21; FLFLT70B24000-SK21 and FLFLT70C24000-SK21; and Florida Title Number 70753199, 70753200 and 70753201 situated thereupon and permanently affixed thereto has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to said action on PAUL D. NEWELL, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 1369, Keystone Heights, Florida 32656, within 30 days after the date of the first publication of this Notice in the Clay Today, and file the original with the Clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
WITNESS my hand and seal of this court this 17th day on December, 2015.

(seal)
Hon. Tara S. Green
as Clerk of the Court
By: Alissa Demay
as Deputy Clerk

Legal 36232 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7 and Jan 14, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

Notice of Public Sale or auction of the following vehicle(s) Located at Elwood Towing & Recovery, Inc. 1046 Air Park Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 will be Conducted at Elwood Towing on **JAN 22ND, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.**
1996 FORD EXP SPORT WHITE VIN# 1FMCU22XTUD31474
Legal 36259 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

TO: Shaun T. Cramer
Case No.: 201501445
A Notice of Suspension to suspend and an Administrative Complaint to revoke your license and eligibility for licensure has been filed against you. You have the right to request a hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, and by mailing a request for same to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, Post Office Box 5708, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-5708. If a request for hearing is not received by 21 days from the date of the last publication, the right to hearing in this matter will be waived and the Department will dispose of this cause in accordance with law.
Legal 36133 published Dec 10, Dec 17, Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The District Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College will hold its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. in the Thrasher-Horne Conference Center, Suites C and D, on the Orange Park Campus, 283 College Drive, Orange Park, Florida. The agenda may include, but is not limited to, business affairs, personnel matters, facilities items, academic and student affairs, and a public hearing and subsequent action on the following:
1. Amendment to SJR Rule 3.28(R2) - Financial Disclosures
2. Amendment to SJR Rule 5.03(A) - Revocation, Suspension and/or Dismissal of Individuals on Continuing Contract or Annual Contract or Adjunct Faculty
3. Amendment to SJR Rule 5.15(R1) - Keys
4. Amendment to SJR Rule 5.21(R2) - Fingerprints and Criminal Background Checks
5. Amendment to SJR Rule 6.33 - Student Ombudsman
6. Amendment to SJR Rule 7.10(R2) - Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy for Students Receiving Federal Financial Aid and Florida Student Assistance Grant
Authority for the rules is found in Florida Statutes, Sections 1001.64 and 1004.65. If any person wishes to

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appeal any decision made by the Board of Trustees of St. Johns River State College with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

Estimated economic impact on all affected persons cannot be determined. Copies of the proposed rules can be examined at the Administration Building, St. Johns River State College, 5001 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, Florida, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For disability accommodations call (386) 312-4106.

Legal 36184 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2014-CA-704-FCA
THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS TRUSTEE OF, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THAT CERTAIN POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATES AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 1999, RELATED TO METROPOLITAN ASSET FUNDING, INC., II, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 1999-D,
Plaintiff,

vs
Tina Bennett; Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under or against the Estate of Carlton Lariscy A/K/A Carlton L. Lariscy, Sr., deceased, whether said Unknown Parties claim as spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, trustees or other claimants: Lois Ann Lariscy; Carlton L. Lariscy, Jr.; Lynn Luding a/k/a Lynn Looney; Cathy Bundy a/k/a Catherine Wright; Unknown Tenant #1; Unknown Tenant #2;
Defendants.

TO: Cathy Bundy a/k/a Catherine Wright
Residence Unknown
Lynn Luding a/k/a Lynn Looney
3311 Mauna Kea Ct, Apt A
Concord, CA 94519

If living; if dead, all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the above named defendant(s), whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other claimants; and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property in Clay County, Florida:

A parcel of land situated in Section 3, Township 4 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida, said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southwest Corner of said Section 3, thence on the West line thereof run North 00 degrees 49 minutes 41 seconds West 495.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds East 1,528.54 feet to the Northwesterly line of State Road No. S-217; thence on last said line North 21 degrees 36 minutes 51 Seconds East 756.18 feet; thence North 68 degrees 23 minutes 09 seconds West 107.98 feet; thence South 89 degrees 10 minutes 27 seconds west 530.18 feet; thence on the arc of a curve concave to the Northeastly and having a radius of 429.91 feet, run a chord distance of 191.10 feet, the bearing of said chord being North 77 degrees 59 minutes 04 seconds West; thence North 01 degrees 22 minutes 34 seconds West 204.33 feet to the Point of beginning; thence North 20 degrees 35 minutes 33 seconds East 232.58 feet; thence North 84 degrees 50 minutes 35 seconds West 145.43 feet; thence on the arc of a curve concave to the Southeastly and having a radius of 150 feet, run a chord distance of 198.91 feet, and bearing of said curve being South 53 degrees 37 minutes 33 seconds West; thence South 12 degrees 05 minutes 40 seconds West 63.55 feet, thence South 77 degrees 54 minutes 20 seconds East 241.87 feet to said point of beginning; being in area 1.18 acres, more or less.

TOGETHER WITH that certain 1980 Mobile Home Vehicle Identification Number FH2770 with Vehicle Title Number: 16982680 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Clarfield, Okon, Salomone & Pincus, P.L., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 500 S. Australian Avenue, Suite 730, West Palm Beach, FL

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33401, within 30 days after the date of the first publication of this notice and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
DATED on December 18, 2015

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of said Court
By: Julia Wilcox
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 36243 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

TO: RANDY K YARBROUGH
Case No.: 201304709

An Administrative Complaint to revoke your license and eligibility for licensure has been filed against you. You have the right to request a hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, and by mailing a request for same to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, Post Office Box 5708, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-5708. If a request for hearing is not received by 21 days from the date of the last publication, the right to hearing in this matter will be waived and the Department will dispose of this cause in accordance with law.

Legal 36134 published Dec 10, Dec 17, Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Sale of Impounded Livestock

To whom It May Concern:
You are hereby notified that I will offer for sale and sell at public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described livestock: **Black Potbelly Pig at 10:00 o'clock, a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2016 at the following place: 3984 SR 16 West, Green Cove Springs, Clay County, Florida, to satisfy a claim for fees, expenses for feeding and care and costs hereof.**

Sheriff Rick Beseler
of Clay County Florida
Disclaimer: Buyer understands they must have trailer or means of transporting sold livestock at time of sale. Buyer understands that little is known about the livestock's health and behavior. Buyer understands that whatever preventative treatment given to protect the livestock's health is not conclusive and buyer may need to seek further precautionary treatment to ensure the livestock's health.
Legal 36266 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2015-CA-000984
U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST
Plaintiff,

vs
CAROLYN SUE NEWMAN A/K/A CAROLYN S. NEWMAN, et al
Defendant(s)

TO: CAROLYN SUE NEWMAN A/K/A CAROLYN S. NEWMAN
RESIDENT: Unknown
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
2060 DEEL RD, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043-8805

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in CLAY County, Florida:
A PART OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 26 EAST, MORE, PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4 OF NEW 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17); THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST 200 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES WEST 100 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES WEST 315 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST 10 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 14 MINUTES EAST, 315 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH A 2000 MBILE HOME BEARING VINS GAFLX0A29470CW21/GAFLX05B29470CW21 AFFIXED TO REAL PROPERTY OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy to your

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written defenses, if any, to this action on Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, PLLC, attorneys for plaintiff, whose address is 2727 West Cypress Creek Road, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clay Today.

Dated: December 22, 2015

(seal)

Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk of the Court

Movant counsel certifies that a bona fide effort to resolve this matter on the motion noticed has been made or that, because of time consideration, such effort has not yet been made but will be made prior to the scheduled hearing.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crntinrp@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 seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 36264 published Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper
PH#69577

PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder on their premises at 4404 County Road 218, Middleburg, FL 32068, on Friday, January 8, 2016, at 5:30pm on the following units: The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted: Jacqueline Brathwaite, Patricia Bullington, Nathan Byerly & Ronald Durr, unit contains tools & band equipment, Dale Cawley, Douglas & Debra Elbon, Rhea Griffith & Jaquylene Dalrymple, Lisa Langley, Deborah McCarty, Kimberly Norrell, Misty Powless, Barbara Reeves, Alfred Selph, Christopher Sims, tools, Debra Sleeth

Legal 36220 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Notice of Public Sale or auction of the following vehicle(s) Located at Elwood Towing & Recovery, Inc. 1046 Air Park Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 will be Conducted at Elwood Towing on **JAN 11TH, 2016** at 9:00 a.m.

2008 MAZDA 6 BLACK VIN# 1YVHP80C355M19262
Legal 36260 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on January 15, 2016 10:00 am at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

- (1)2002 Chev ID#
1GCCS14W428186982
(2)1974 CHEV ID#
CCU144A173346
(3)1998 DODGE ID#
2B7HB11X7WK141802
(4)2000 FORD ID#
3FAKP1137YR130698
(5)2003 SATURN ID#
1G8JW54R53Y568592
(6)2001 TOYOTA ID#
4T1BF28B71U116665
(7)1999 HONDA ID#
1HGCG1651XA057105
(8)2003 FORD ID#
2FAFP74W33X184745

Scotts Affordable Towing Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.
Legal 36263 published Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CLERK NO.: 102015CA001206AXXMXM DIVISION: CVF S.A. CASE NO.: 15CA074697AC
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF THE

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FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:
2013 FORD F150 PICKUP TRUCK VIN: 1FTFW1E1F3DFD95239
RICK BESELER, AS SHERIFF OF THE CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, PLAINTIFF

vs.
PATRICK RAYMOND LONG, CLAIMANT(S)

TO: ALL PERSONS CLAIMING A SECURITY OR OTHER INTEREST IN THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED PROPERTY

The above-described property was seized pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act, Florida Statutes 932.701-707, by the Clay County Sheriff's Office on October 28, 2015, at or in the vicinity of Clay County, Florida. The Clay County Sheriff's Office is currently in possession of said property and has filed a Complaint for the purpose of forfeiture of said property in the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida. In order to protect your rights you must file an Answer to the Complaint with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Clay County Courthouse, Green Cove Springs, Florida, within twenty (20) days of this publication. You must also serve a copy of your Answer on Plaintiff's Counsel, Jeffrey Davenport, Assistant State Attorney, 311 West Monroe Street, 4th Floor, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. Failure to do so may result in the entry of a default against you and a Final Order of Forfeiture of the above-described property.

Legal 36221 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO.: 2014-CA-000344-A001
DLJ MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC,

Plaintiff,
vs
BRYAN MACDONALD A/K/A BRYAN DOUGLAS MACDONALD A/K/A BRYAN D. MACDONALD; BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; SHANNON MACDONALD A/K/A SHANNON DALE MACDONALD; UNKNOWN TENANT; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 4th day of December, 2015, and entered in Case No. 2014-CA-000344-A001, of the Circuit Court of the 4TH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein DLJ MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC. is the Plaintiff and BRYAN MACDONALD A/K/A BRYAN DOUGLAS MACDONALD A/K/A BRYAN D. MACDONALD BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC. SHANNON MACDONALD A/K/A SHANNON DALE MACDONALD; and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT STEPS OF THE CLAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 825 N. ORANGE AVENUE, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043, 10:00 AM on the 19th day of February, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 5 AND 6, BLOCK 26, BIG TREE LAKES SECTION A, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 54 THROUGH 61, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2007 PALM HARBOR DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME IDENTIFIED BY VIN NUMBERS: PH0916813AFL AND PH0916813BFL ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF AN, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at

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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.
Dated this 15th day of December, 2015.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

Legal 36219 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 13-06131

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2010-CA-002520
CITIMORTGAGE, INC.

Plaintiff,
vs
JOSE ALBERTO DE LA CRUZ, et al Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of foreclosure dated December 16, 2015, and entered in Case No. 2010-CA-002520 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY COUNTY, Florida, wherein CITIMORTGAGE, INC., is Plaintiff, and JOSE ALBERTO DE LA CRUZ 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 22nd day of February, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 14, TIMBERLAKE AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 46, at Page(s) 32-37, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds 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 at Green Cove Springs, CLAY COUNTY, Florida, this 16th day of December, 2015.

(seal)

Tara S. Green
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: Julia Wilcox
As Deputy Clerk

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

Legal 36236 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 2014-CA-000156 DIVISION:

US BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs
MATTHEW P JOHNSON, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated December 9, 2015, and entered in Case No. 2014-CA-000156 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which US Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, is the Plaintiff and Matthew Johnson, Jacki Johnson, Kb Home Jacksonville LLC, Unknown Tenant In Possession 1 NKA Catherine Roman, Unknown Tenant In Possession 2 NKA William Garcia, Woodbridge Forest Homeowners Association Inc., 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

Notice of Sale

Springs, FL 32043, Clay County, Florida at 10:00 a.m. on the 5th day of February, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure: **LOT 66 OF WOODBRIDGE UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 51, PAGE(S) 59 THROUGH 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 3055 BENT BOW LN, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated in Clay County, Florida this 15th day of December, 2015.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By Melissa Brewer
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.

Legal 36218 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO: 2015-CA-000548
F R E E D O M M O R T G A G E CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

vs.
ROBERT GONZALEZ; 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 December 6, 2015 in Civil Case No. 2015-CA-000345, of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein, FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff, and ROBERT GONZALEZ; CARMEN H. G O N Z A L E Z ; S P E N C E R ' S P L A N T A T I O N O W N E R S ASSOCIATION, INC. 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 February 17, 2016, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 183, SPENCER PLANTATION UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 47, PAGE 43 THROUGH 48, INCLUSIVE, 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 December 16, 2015.

(seal)

Tara Green
CLERK OF THE COURT
Alissa Demay
Deputy Clerk

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

Legal 36235 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 1221-11929B

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PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: 10-2011-CA-001708

Division No.

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-11 Plaintiff,

vs.
JERRY AMEYE, et al, Defendant(s)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 19, 2015, and entered in Case No. 10-2011-CA-001708 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY County, Florida, wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TR U S T E E F O R T H E CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-11 is the Plaintiff and JERRY AMEYE and SHAUNA AMEYE 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 the 4th day of February, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 6, Block 1, Seven Oaks, As Per Plat Thereof, Recorded in Plat Book 15, Page(s) 20, Of The Public Records of Clay County, Florida

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER 60 DAYS, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

Dated at Clay County, Florida, this 22nd day of December, 2015.

(seal)

TARA S GREEN, Clerk
Clay County, Florida
By Taylor Solomon
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.

Legal 36255 published Dec 31, 2015 and Nov 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: 2014-CA-000386

DIVISION: F

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR STARM 2007-2, Plaintiff,

vs.
TRAVIS A. PETERSON A/K/A T.A. PETERSON, et al, Defendant(s)

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment dated December 21, 2015, entered in Civil Case Number 10-2013-CA-000358, in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR STARM 2007-2 is the Plaintiff, and TRAVIS A. PETERSON, et al., are the Defendants, Clay County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as:

LOT 234, EAGLE LANDING AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION PHASE TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 48, PAGES 1 THROUGH 30 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY.

at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at Clay County Courthouse, Front Steps, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at 10:00 AM, on the 24th day of

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February, 2016. 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: December 23, 2015

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk of Court
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Taylor Solomon
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator 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.

Legal 36264 published Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper CA13-00542

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

(Pursuant to F.S. Chapter 45)

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

CASE NO. 2015-CA-000348

Citimortgage, Inc. Plaintiff(s),

vs
Mckenzie Highsmith; Unknown Spouse of McKenzie Highsmith; Vivian Highsmith; Unknown Spouse of Vivian Highsmith aka Vinian Ann Agnew; Ridaught Landing Tree Association Inc Defendant(s)

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 16, 2015, 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 12th day of February, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. the following described real and personal property:

LOT 207 OF RIDAUGHT LANDING UNIT 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 25, PAGE 27, 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 owners as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated this 16th day of December 2015.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Alissa Demay
Deputy Clerk

Legal 36230 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF SALE

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

CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: 2014-CA-000386

DIVISION: F

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Plaintiff,

vs.
Sandra L. Picard and Jay C. Picard, Her Husband and Joan M. Johnson; Unknown Spouse of Loan M. Johnson; Vystar Credit Union; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants

Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 2014-CA-000386 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff, and Sandra L.

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Picard and Jay C. Picard, Her Husband and Joan M. Johnson are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Tara S. Green, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CLAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT 825 NORTH ORANGE AVENUE, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT 10:00 A.M. on February 10, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 19, FOXMEADOW, UNIT 6, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 25, PAGES 55, 56, 57 AND 58, 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.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator; 330 East Bay Street, Suite 507-C, Jacksonville, Florida 32202; (904) 630-1897 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated: December 18, 2015

(SEAL)
Tara S Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Clay County, Florida
Melissa Brewer
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
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and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 2014-CA-001142
DIVISION: F

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association
Plaintiff,
vs.

Richard E. Crowley; Jennifer R. Crowley; Unknown Spouse of Richard E. Crowley; Savannah Glen Homeowners' Association, Inc.; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 2014-CA-001142 of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Plaintiff, and Richard E. Crowley are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Tara S. Green, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CLAY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT 825 NORTH ORANGE AVENUE, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT 10:00 A.M. on March 18, 2016, the following described

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property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 119, SAVANNAH GLEN, UNIT FOUR, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33, PAGES 55 THRU 58, 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.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator; 330 East Bay Street, Suite 507-C, Jacksonville, Florida 32202; (904) 630-1897 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated: December 17, 2015

(SEAL)
TARA S GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Clay County, Florida
Rebecca Crews
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
Legal 36234 published Dec 24 and 31, 2015 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO: 2013-CA-001135
DIVISION:

US BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST,
Plaintiff,
vs.

JOSEPH BARBIERI III, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated December 8, 2015, and entered in Case No. 2013-CA-001135 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which US Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust, is the Plaintiff and Glen Laurel Homeowner's Association, Inc., Joseph Barbieri, III, Unknown Parties in Possession #1 n/k/a Selena Wooley, 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 1st day of February, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 56, BLOCK 10, GLEN LAUREL UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31, PAGES 56 THROUGH 59, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 3111 WAVERING LANE, 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. Dated in Clay County, Florida this 21st day of December, 2015.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By Marla Albert
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court

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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.
Legal 36251 published Dec 31, 2015 and Jan 7, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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
CASE NO. 2014-CA-001297

Charles D Spencer
Plaintiff(s),
vs.

William J Masotti; Cheap Butts & Suds, Inc., c/o Ronald C. Carter; State of Florida; State of Florida, Department of Revenue
Defendant(s)

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 18, 2015, 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 3rd day of March, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. the following described real and personal property:

Lot 15, a portion of the East 1/2 of Section 13, Township 5 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida, being more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this referenced made a party hereof. 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 21 day of December, 2015.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Taylor Solomon
Deputy Clerk

EXHIBIT A

PARCEL 15

A portion of the East 1/2 of Section 13, Township 5 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: For Point of Reference, commence at a "Found" concrete monument at the Southeast corner of said Section 13; run thence South 89° 25' 11" West, along the Southerly line of said Section 13, a distance of 883.26 feet; thence continue South 89° 25' 11" West along said Southerly line of Section 13, a distance of 1783.03 feet; run thence North 00° 27' 57" West, a distance of 2400.00 feet; thence North 89° 32' 03" East, a distance of 355.0 feet; thence North 60° 37' 40" East, a distance of 270.0 feet to the Point of Beginning for this description.

From the Point of Beginning thus described, continue North 60° 37' 40" East, a distance of 340.0 feet; run thence South 69° 37' 09" East, a distance of 357.99 feet to a point lying in a curve defining the Westerly right of way line of a 60 foot roadway known as Quarter Horse Trail, said curve being concave to the Northwest and having a radius of 2270.0 feet; run thence Southwesterly a distance of 232.89 feet along the arc of said curve, said arc being subtended by a chord which bears South 16° 58' 39" West, 232.79 feet; departing from said Westerly right of way line, run thence North 72° 14' 45" West a distance of 592.10 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Lands thus described contain 2.659 acres, more or less.
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NOTICE OF SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO: 10-2012-CA-001869

SELENE FINANCE LP,
Plaintiff,
Vs.

JIMMIE L. GREEN, et al.
Defendant(s)

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment dated December 16, 2015, entered in Civil Case Number 10-2012-CA-001869, in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, wherein SELENE FINANCE LP is the Plaintiff, and JIMMIE L. GREEN, et al., are the Defendants, Clay County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as:

PARCEL NO. 39 OF GREENSBORO IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, AND RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 41' 29" EAST, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTH 1/2, 1525.0 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF "HOLLY OAKS", AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 27' 12" EAST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SUBDIVISION, 2051.60 FEET TO THE NW CORNER OF "SYLVIA ACRES", AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION, THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 43' 05" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SUBDIVISION, AND THE SOUTH LINE OF "TURKEY FOREST" AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION, 1015.98 FEET TO THE EAST R/W OF A 60 FOOT ACCESS ROAD; THENCE RUN SOUTH 09 DEGREES 28' 25" EAST, ALONG SAID R/W 123.48 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 41 DEGREES 58' 06" EAST, ALONG SAID R/W 491.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 41 DEGREES 58' 06" EAST ALONG SAID R/W 229.15 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 64 DEGREES 15' 43" EAST, 398.15 FEET THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 43' 05" WEST, 511.89 FEET TO THE EAST R/W OF A 60 FOOT ACCESS ROAD AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING. BEING AND LYING IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA TOGETHER WITH AND INCLUDING A MOBILE HOME BEARING ID NO. GAFL634A80033-SH21 & GAFL634B80033-SH21, being a 2007 SPRING HILL MAKE, Model #062351

at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at Clay County Courthouse, Front Steps, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at 10:00 AM, on the 17th day of February, 2016. 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: December 17, 2015

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clay County Clerk of Court
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Taylor Solomon
Deputy Clerk

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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

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 10-2015-CA-00293
Division:

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY
Plaintiff,
Vs.

TAMMIE BRYANT A/K/A TAMMIE M. BRYANT, LAGO DEL SUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS #1 TENANTS/OWNERS #2; UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS #3,
Defendants.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on November 17, 2015, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida described as:

LOT 13, LAGO DEL SUR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 37, PAGES 37, 38, 39 AND 40, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF

Notice of Sale

CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, and commonly known as: 1883 LAGO DEL SUR DR., MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, on January 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. on the front steps of the Clay County Courthouse, in accordance with section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2015.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Julia Wilcox
Deputy Clerk

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