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Guilty: Jury convicts first defendant in Naval commander's murder

Self-defense claim falls flat

By **Christiaan DeFranco**
Staff Writer

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The pain was audible in the courtroom.

Through crime-scene photos that included the victim's body, through revelations about a fatal plot casually conceived and carried out, through blunt autopsy reports delivered with film slides and a pointer, and through detailed descriptions

of his final moments on earth, inconsolable loved-ones wept tears of grief for decorated Navy Cmdr. Alphonso Mortimer Doss.

Cries were scarce for Anthony Washington, who was convicted of murder last Friday and will spend



Alphonso Doss

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Defendant Anthony Washington, left, stands in court alongside his attorneys, Janis Warren, center, and Tom Fallis, seated.



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Anneliese Clark, left, with United for Care connected with the Clay County Democratic Party Monday to inform them on the changes between amendment 2 and a similar initiative from two years ago, which narrowly lost supermajority support.

Clay Democrats chat medical marijuana

By **Jesse Hollett**
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – The medical marijuana debate landed in Clay County this week as the Clay County Democratic Party welcomed a speaker from the lead organization supporting Amendment 2, which will be on the Nov. 8 election ballot.

Anneliese Clark, a representative of the Orlando-based United for Care Campaign said that while the amendment is similar to the 2014 ballot initiative, it has

been rewritten with clarified language in an attempt to hush critics who touted the amendment had too many loopholes.

"A lot of people think this is a ruse for recreational users," Clark said. "Recreational users can walk down the street and get what they want every day. This is not for that. This is for regulation, control and taxation."

The proposal's revisions specify use in cases of "debilitating medical conditions"

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Clay County Memories



By Mary Jo McTammany mjmctammany@yahoo.com

Painters Poultry was one of Clay's largest employers

In the 1960s, '70s and into the early '90s, Painters Poultry's chicken hatchery, nestled amidst vast and towering pine forests on the west side of U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island. With WAPE'S radio station and the fire tower, the Painter's building was pretty much the only man-made structure on the lonely road to Green Cove Springs.

The fledgling Clay County Development Authority had purchased the old World War II airfield and constructed the building to attract a plastics company and the jobs it promised to the county. Sadly, the company went belly up before the building was even finished. Not to be deterred, Authority members recruited George Painter to expand his Jacksonville operation to Clay County and locate at the site.

Before Painter came to Clay County, many families raised chickens in backyard coops mainly for fresh eggs and fried chicken dinners.

But the Painter hatchery was something entirely different and the beginning of the fast growing, specialized agri-busi-

ness focused on raising chickens strictly for meat production. From the egg to the table, the company oversaw every step to ensure quality and enhance productivity.

The company breeding farms like the one on Thunder Road produced the hatchery eggs with a flock of 10,000 hens and 1,000 roosters. With special feed and optimal conditions 85 percent of the farm's eggs produced wet peeping chicks.

Specially bred fertile eggs were delivered to the hatchery and deposited in the company's initial six incubators. The machines were mechanical marvels maintaining humidity and temperature at a constant 99 degrees. Each hour, the eggs were automatically shifted 90 degrees so the egg didn't stick to the shell – just like a hen stirs her eggs in the nest.

Someone was on site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to monitor the incubators and assure that the auxiliary generators kicked in if there was an interruption in power – which was common in those days.

After 18 days in the egg crate like compartments of the incubator, the eggs were



Painters Poultry hatchery on U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island, about a mile south of County Road 220, was constructed and went into production in the early 1960s where it produced 120,000 chicks a week. By the 1980s, under the later management of Cargill, the plant was hatching half a million baby chicks a week.

placed in ventilated metal trays roughly four inches deep and stacked one on top of the other so the bottom of one tray formed the top of another. Over the next three days and six hours the biddies hatched.

They were transferred to ventilated reusable plastic boxes about eight inches high that nested one on top of the other for the truck ride to company farmers. Painter provided the chicks, the specially formulated food and technical support and training to its contracted farmers. People all over the county worked full or part time for Painter.

When the hatchery first opened it was producing 120,000 chicks a week. George Painter sold the operation to Cargill in

1970 and by 1988 they were producing 500,000 chicks a week. In 1990, Tyson bought and operated the hatchery for a couple of years but then economic conditions and multiplying regulation required an industry-wide downsizing which eliminated the local operation.

Today, most of the building is gone along with the dense pine forest leaving nothing to remind travelers along a highly congested Highway 17 of the company that provided Clay County families jobs and opportunities when both were few and far between. One corner of the building was used as the site was transformed into the Fleming Island site of Christ's Church in the early 2000s.

Marijuana

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such as post-traumatic stress disorder, Parkinson's disease, epilepsy and cancer. It ensures only licensed medical physicians can recommend the drug for use and specifies parental consent for a child to receive medical marijuana.

But it's not as if it's an unpopular topic. In Clay County alone, 65 percent of Clay voters said yes legalizing medical marijuana in 2014, however, the initiative narrowly missed the 60 percent supermajority needed by 2.38 percent of the vote. Voters amended Florida's Constitution to require a supermajority for constitutional amendments in 2006.

"There were some issues with it the first time," said Leslie Dougher, president of the Clay County Republican Party. "Should medical marijuana be used to help people? If they can say that it does, then I don't see why not. I think we really need to

take time to investigate beforehand."

As one of the initiative's champions, United for Care runs grassroots, nonpartisan campaigns with more than 13,000 volunteers to pass amendments through ballot initiatives. This year alone, Amendment 2 needed 683,149 petition signatures to land on the ballot.

"The only way it's going to happen is through the amendment," Clark said. "Every state that has a successful medical marijuana initiative was done through ballot initiatives. The majority of the states that did pass them through their legislature have not been able to launch."

Still, others would prefer to see the current bill revised in the Legislature. The Compassionate Medical Cannabis Act of 2014 currently allows limited low-THC cannabis use in the state of Florida. Under the law, medical marijuana is prescribed only in situations when two doctors deem a patient terminal.

However, implementing the law has

been mired in legal challenges since its inception.

Amendment 2 would legalize the use of medical marijuana for treating specific diseases that can include symptoms other than seizures or spasms. Qualified caregivers and patients would receive identification cards and be registered with the Florida Department of Health, as would marijuana dispensaries.

Amendment 2 supporters have raised nearly \$4 million for the initiative, including Orlando-based lawyer John Morgan, who dropped \$4 million of his own money into the 2014 initiative before a campaign led by Republican financier and former Ambassador Mel Sembler turned the electorate away. Previous polls favored legalization in the 70 percent range.

The biggest financial opposition to the bill comes from Sheldon Adelson, a Las Vegas, Nevada based casino magnate.

However, before voters swamp the polls in early November, some entities in

Clay County have begun to look into placing temporary moratoriums on medical marijuana dispensaries within their boundaries.

The 12-month moratorium proposed by Orange Park Town Council will give the town ample time to decide appropriate zoning for the dispensaries, according to Town Clerk Sarah Campbell. The Orange Park Town Council will hold two public hearings on the proposal on Oct. 4 and Oct. 18.

Although a hotly debated topic across party lines, an April 8 CBS News poll found 87 percent of Americans support the use of small amounts of medical marijuana if prescribed by a doctor.

"It is not a political issue, it's a compassionate issue," Clark said. "I don't care what your political affiliation is or what your causes are, but it is a compassionate issue. Medical decisions need to be made by patients and doctors and not by politicians."

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Church offering a leg up

Program aims to lift people out of homelessness

By **Christiaan DeFranco**
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ORANGE PARK – For eight years, Robert Mosher and his wife Sarah lived in the woods of Orange Park. Beyond some overgrown brush and fallen pine cones was their home, made of tarp and swaths of canvas fastened with twine to tree branches, its flimsy walls and ceiling serving as shelter from wind and rain.

Meals were hard to come by.

“We struggled really hard for a while,” said Sarah, an Army veteran who served the United States from 1979 to 1988. “I ate squirrel to keep from starving to death.”

The two chopped wood to build fires when the weather was cold. They hauled water. Week in and week out, year after year, Robert and Sarah lived this way, without a fixed residence, like others in these woods. All the while, Robert was drowning.

A little over a year ago, beleaguered by an addiction to alcohol, he attempted suicide.

“That’s what did it,” he said. “I tried to kill myself. After that was when I got sober.”

It was July 23, 2015 when Robert entered detox. Now, 14 months later, he and Sarah have an apartment and they work at



Robert and Sarah Mosher said they have been blessed and are no longer homeless.

Ridgewood Coin Laundry on Blanding Boulevard. They try to help other people who are going through what they went through.

“Becoming homeless can happen to anybody,” Sarah said. “It can be because of family issues, broken promises, things just not working out as planned or expected. For Robert, it was drinking, drinking, drinking. He tried to take on everything himself and kept everything inside, and it ate him up. But there are lots of ways people become homeless.”

“We’ve been blessed, and we wouldn’t be where we are today without the church,” she said. “Once they found out Robert had gotten sober, they helped us get on our feet.”

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David Brooks on Trump voters, Kaepernick and growing loss of connection

By Mitch Perry

With his twice-weekly forum on The New York Times Op-Ed page, along with weekly gigs on NPR's All Things Considered and the PBS NewsHour, David Brooks is regarded as one of the pre-eminent political pundits in the country.

So when I had the opportunity to speak with him about an hour-and-a-half before his scheduled appearance at the Palladium in St. Petersburg Sept. 21 evening, I asked him what he thought the greatest challenge facing the U.S. in 2016.

He believes it's our increasing social isolation, something that was reflected in a column he wrote earlier last week, titled, "Dignity and Sadness in the Working Class."



Mitch Perry

"The number of people who have five or six friends is dropping, the number of people involved in community organizations is dropping, the number of people who are in marriages is dropping, the number of people who are chronically lonely is increasing," he said while speaking in an anteroom inside the Palladium.

"And so all the little web of connections that make up normal happy lives is fraying for a lot of people, and they're falling between the cracks. And when they fall between the cracks, that leads to opiates, that leads to spiking suicide rates which are showing up, that leads to higher mortality rates, obesity rates ... and so, it's really the loss of connection."

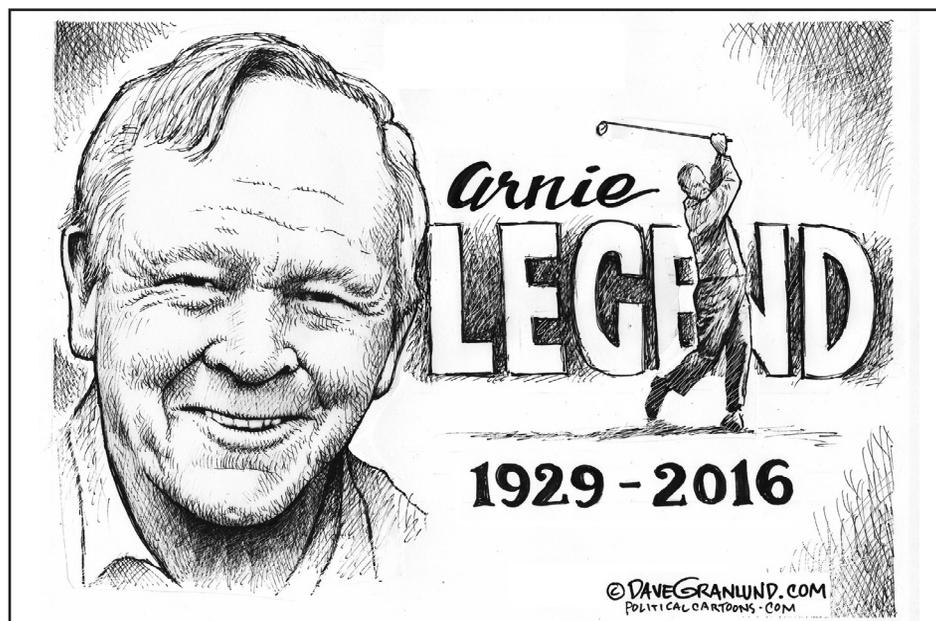
The 55-year-old Brooks has been traveling the country extensively over the past seven months, talking to an audience of hundreds who paid \$65 to hear him about speak at the Palladium behind the publication of his latest book, "The Road to Character." (Proceeds from the event went to the St. Petersburg College Foundation).

In his recent travels, he says he's found a level of disaffection among Donald Trump supporters that revolve around a sense of loss, adding that these Trump voters "tend to be richer people in poorer places."

"The average Trump voter is making \$74,000 a year," he says, noting that's not a bad salary outside some of our biggest cities. "They feel that they're playing by the rules, but (feel) that a lot of people are getting off scot-free and aren't playing by the rules. And then there's just this overwhelming pessimism, and nostalgia, that things were one way, and now are they're sliding downhill, and they're sliding away from us."

Brooks is dismissive of critics who say that his paper and the mass media, in general, haven't been hard enough on the Manhattan real estate mogul turned GOP presidential nominee.

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Guest Column

Environment key in 2016 national elections

By Ginny Stibolt

I love my grandchildren and you probably love yours as well, if you're lucky enough to be blessed with a wonderful family. I care about what their future may look like, which is why I'm worried about this election.

We must become better stewards of the earth. There have been 11 record-setting hottest months in a row and the arctic ice cover is melting at an alarming rate.

There are more clear indications that something dramatic is taking place.

For those who say that temperatures have changed before, here is an amusing, but scientifically accurate chart, covering 20,000 BCE to the present, marked with historical events to provide some scale. (<http://xkcd.com/1732/>) This chart over the past 22,000 years has been compared to a hockey stick because the rise has been so sudden. This version provides three scenarios on where the temperatures go from here and it depends entirely on what we do as inhabitants of our beautiful planet. We do not have time to waste.

National Parks are America's best idea. Our national forests, our state parks, state forests and other wildlands all play a role in moderating climate change because of the trees and other plant cover.

Our public lands also offer places for us to enjoy and are the "Real America." The vast majority of Americans agree that protecting our public lands is important. For local proof, 75 percent of Florida voters approved a constitutional amendment to use money from fees to buy and maintain public land in our state. But the Republican platform includes provisions to sell off public lands. Once it's gone, we'll never get it back.

Right now Koch Industries is staking claims just outside our fabulous Grand Canyon Park to mine for uranium. The mining



Ginny Stibolt

would ruin the whole area and the Colorado River that runs through the park would carry their toxic waste.

Donald Trump says climate change is a hoax and would dismantle the Paris Accord on climate change. He also wants to dig more coal, drill for more oil and frack for more gas, which all have devastating environmental consequences, instead of looking forward to renewable energy sources.

It's not just tree huggers like me that are alarmed about the threat to our planet. Pope Francis, said, "God gave us a bountiful garden, but we have turned it into a polluted wasteland..." Three-hundred-seventy-five scientists, many Nobel Laureates, wrote an open letter warning about Trump and climate change.

Because of our grandchildren and their children, the environmental issues are the most important issue in this upcoming election. At the end of this election cycle no matter who wins, both Trump and Clinton will continue to be rich elites. Lobbyists will still be plying their trade, and big corporations will still have enormous influence. But this year is different. And not because the Republican candidate calls climate change a hoax and his party's denialism. What's new is Democrats are going on the offense. Climate action is a prominent plank in the Democratic Party platform. They've made the stakes clear: A vote for Hillary Clinton is a vote for planet Earth.

One last issue: Vote NO on Florida's Amendment 1 for Solar. Unlike Amendment 4 in the primaries, which 73 percent of the voters approved, this one is sponsored by utility monopolies to protect their shareholders and would make it more difficult and more expensive for people to add solar energy sources on their houses, in parking lots and elsewhere. The wording is confusing, but vote no.

Ginny Stibolt, who lives in Clay County, holds a master's of science in botany and is the author "Sustainable Gardening for Florida" (Florida Press 2013) and "The Art of Maintaining a Florida Native Landscape" (Florida Press 2015) and co-author of two other books with Melissa Contreras and Marjorie Shropshire. She lives in Green Cove Springs.

This Week in History

5 Years Ago, 2011

- The Clay County Sheriff's Office charged Marcelous Dunbar, 35, with grand theft greater than \$100,000 after moving into a once-vacant home in the Oakleaf area under the guise of a state law covering "adverse possession."

- Clay County Sheriff Rick Beseler said a Board of County Commissioners plan to cut \$2.5 million from the sheriff's office budget could result in legal action.

- Tom Pence, chief executive officer of Orange Park Medical Center, said the hospital would move forward with its application for a trauma center despite a judge's ruling that sided with hospitals in Jacksonville and the Tampa area that fought expanding the trauma center allocation process.

10 Years Ago, 2006

- Residents of Orange Park's Holly Point community praised Florida Department of Transportation plans to erect a traffic light at the community's entrance on U.S. Highway 17 near the foot of the Doctors Lake bridge.

- The Clay County School Board dropped a re-districting plan to send Fleming Island students to Clay High after some 200 parents from the Pace Island community turned up to protest the plan.

- Authorities searched for a man believed responsible for 20 bank holdups in at least six states, including two in Clay County, was dubbed the "redneck bandit" because of his manner of dress – a camouflage ball cap, stubby beard and pot belly.

20 Years Ago, 1996

- After decades of talk and planning, the Florida Department of Transportation set aside \$12 million from funds formerly earmarked for right of way purchase to begin construction of a two-lane Branan Field-Chaffee Road.

- The Clay County School Board welcomed George Copeland as its new director of business affairs in the same meeting it approved its new fiscal year budget of \$148 million, which included a 17-cent per hour pay increase for support personnel.

30 Years Ago, 1986

- After reviewing reports from two psychiatrists, Clay County Judge Lamar Winegeart ruled that Teresa Marie Afshar Long of Jacksonville was incompetent to stand trial for the June 19 shooting death of her sister, Patricia Afshar that occurred in Clay County.

- Six juveniles were arrested for allegedly breaking in to at least one portable building on the campus of Lakeside Elementary School.

- Orange Park Police Chief Dalton Bray joined law enforcement officials from five Northeast Florida counties to voice their opposition to a bill that would allow proliferation of casinos statewide.

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Youth mentoring program honored

PONTE VEDRA BEACH – Take Stock in Children Clay County – which is a program of the YMCA of Florida's First Coast – recently received special statewide recognition. Take Stock in Children awarded the Clay County program a Silver Level Excellence Award during its annual College and Career Readiness Summit held Sept. 15 in Ponte Vedra Beach. Take Stock Clay was honored on such criteria as mentor recruitment, college success coaching, and its commitment to program growth and fundraising. Since 2006, Take Stock In Children Clay County has provided mentors and college readiness preparation to more than 200 students. "The award is a source of great pride for our organization, and shows Take Stock's dedication to serving the students in our communities who aspire to achieve their dreams through post-secondary education," said Callan Bell, Clay program director, shown here at left. "Our program staff work hard throughout the year to make sure our students stay on track from high school to college and into a competitive career."

History

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40 Years Ago, 1976

Orange Park Town Manager Richard

Fellows got the go ahead from town council to apply for a \$2 million federal grant from the 1976 Public Works Act to study expanding town water services in the West Kingsley area.

- Orange Park residents mourned the

loss of former mayor and civic leader Walter G. Odum who died of a heart attack at age 61.

- The Jacksonville Transportation Authority and Clay County Transit Authority agreed JTA bus service to northern Clay

County could begin in a month after a study is complete identifying the highest need for a commuter route to downtown Jacksonville.

Brooks

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his university, his charity and on the Op-Ed page, have we ever wrote a pro-Trump thing?" he asks rhetorically. "People are upset that Trump is still doing fine, so they have to blame somebody, so they blame the media."

He mocks the notion that "if you just wrote that one piece, it will turn it all around. That's not the problem here," referring specifically to a series of stories written over the past month by Washington Post reporter David Fahrenthold about Trump's charitable foundation.

The biggest revelation there has been that Trump spent more than \$250,000 from his charitable foundation to settle lawsuits for his businesses.

Earlier this summer, Brooks wrote that if the campaign remained static, Trump would probably end up getting somewhere between 38 percent to 44 percent support in the general election, unless he somehow could fuse a right-left hybrid populist movement together.

But with less than seven weeks to go before the general election, there's no indication he's done that, yet polls show him remaining extremely competitive in his race against Hillary Clinton in the fall.

"I think for the long term if there's going to be a populist movement it has to cross the color line, he has to get some African-American support, and he certainly hasn't done that," he admits.

Brooks also notes that what is new about this election cycle is that college educated voters used to split in a general election roughly 50-50, but not this year.

"I spend a lot of time with businessmen, and they talk like Democrats now," Brooks says. "They were sort of socially moderate,

fiscally conservative but they're for trade, and they're for immigration. And I think those people are going to end up as Democrats, especially because they're hanging around New York or Boston. And they look across at the Republican Party, and they see Trump and they say, 'well that's not me.'

"And so, I do think that the professional class is going to migrate over to one party, and the nonprofessional class is going to migrate to the other – with the exception of race, that's the barrier – but I think that's where things are headed."

Brooks thinks U.S. politics are changing, with the divide more with the professional classes who likes the forces of globalization, trade and immigration versus those who don't. "It's new battle lines, and it's not the old debate between big government versus small government anymore."

Like any publicly famous social commentator, Brooks has his critics on the left and the right. He was considered the "house conservative" when he began writing columns for the Times in 2003, but has been known to disappoint fellow travelers often over the years.

He has come down recently against San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick's refusal to stand for the national anthem to protest racial inequality and oppression in the U.S. – an issue that has catapulted the 28-year-old football player on the cover of this week's Time magazine.

Brooks' negative take elicited more than a thousand responses to the Times website before it stopped accepting comments. In asking him about the column, it's obvious he stands strongly behind the piece.

"I would just say that there are a few things that bind us; there are a lot of things that divide us, racial experiences and class experiences, but there are also a few things that unite us, and one of them is the national anthem, the Pledge of Allegiance,

our shared patriotism for the country, our shared gratitude for the people who gave us this country, and hopefully some shared belief in the ideals," he says.

"And so I'm all for protesting the things that are disgraceful about the country, but I hate to do it in a way that tears at what is left of our unity, which is already so tattered and frayed. And I do think if you – the reason that Martin Luther King Jr. sang the national anthem and quoted the Declaration in his 'I Have a Dream' speech was because the ideals of the country are exactly what the solutions to the problems of the country, and so paying homage to those ideals gives you this awesome lever to fight against inequality," he added.

"And so I would hate to throw away that lever, and I would hate to separate you from anybody else who's also American, and frankly I hate to insult people who really get emotional about those things."

Brooks has spoken and written extensively about Barack Obama since he came on the national scene and began running for president nearly a decade ago. He has no time for conservatives who say race relations have worsened since Obama's election.

"I think he's been sort of a role model in terms of his personal behavior," he says. "It's not like somebody from the Obama administration is going out and shooting people in the streets ... so the causes that are really inflaming us are not related to the president."

"I think he may regret later in life he didn't spend more time in his administration working on the plight of African-American men in particular, that more resources weren't thrown at that problem and so I think that's something he'll probably do post-presidency. Some of the incarceration stuff, there was grounds for more work on that or just people coming out of prison, or

inner city boys growing up in single parents' households.

"I think a lot of work needs to be done there, and I think he'll regret that he didn't do more."

New York Magazine once wrote that Brooks and Obama both "fetishize balance." It wasn't a compliment.

"I admire balance," Brooks laughs when asked to comment on that comparison. "I think most political issues are competitors between partial truths and so mostly, on most issues both parties have a piece of the truth and trying to balance those pieces is the heart of politics."

Brooks has previously said that he's more of a "3,000-word guy" whose challenge every week is to write 800-word columns, and says his worst columns come when he tries to "cram too much" into a piece. But he still enjoys writing them, and says he hopes to continue to pen them for at least another decade.

"It's tremendous satisfaction having had your say, whether or not anybody listens, just to have the chance to say my piece, and the other nice thing – writing twice a week it sounds easy but it's hard to come up with ideas all the time, but it does keep your mind fresh ... you've got to find something else that's interesting, but you just gotta keep going. It does keep you learning stuff. It also keeps you forgetting stuff, because you go through so much (and) my memory is not good as it is.

"And another thing. I'm convinced something like my job will exist for another 10-15 years. The industry seems to be a little more stable than it did, and I'm hoping to do it if they'll have me for another 10 years."

San Francisco native Mitch Perry of Tampa has been a reporter with Extensive Enterprises since November of 2014. His column appears courtesy of FloridaPolitics.com.

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'Pitch in the Park' to give inventors the limelight

By **Jesse Hollett**
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – A group of Clay County entrepreneurs has begun counting down to Clay County's first ever festival that show-

cases local ingenuity innovation.

Dubbed "Pitch in the Park," the event seeks to spark start-up innovators in the region by giving them a platform to pitch their invention. Current plans call for the event to be January 21, 2017 at Orange Park Town Hall Park. Pitchers will have two minutes to present their idea to the audience and a panel



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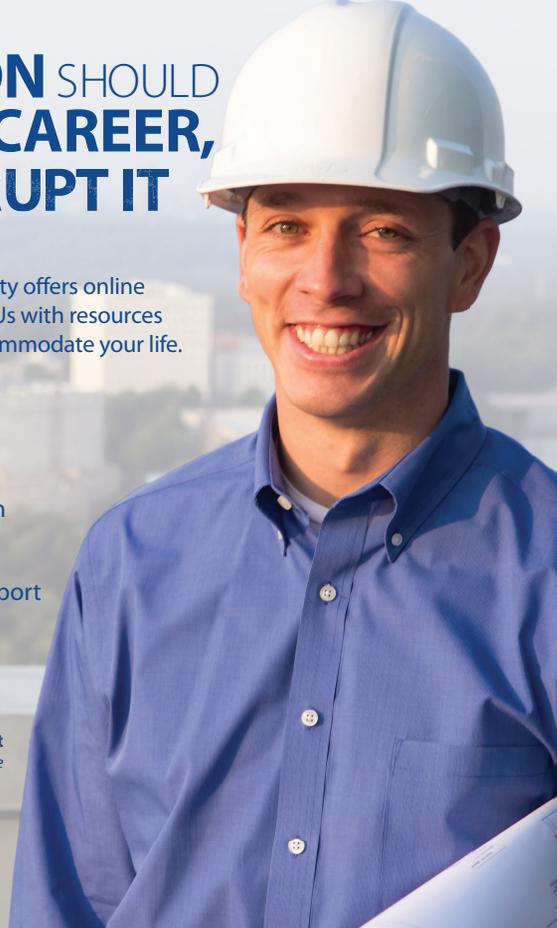
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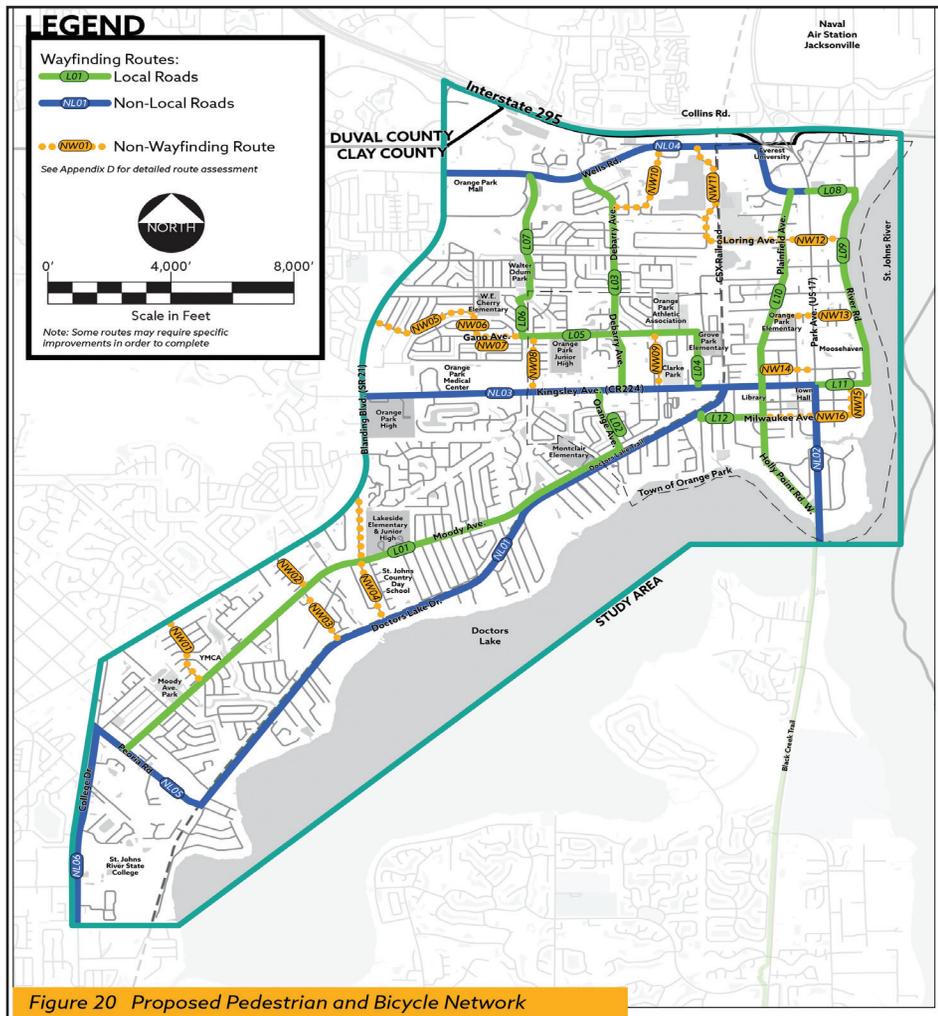
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Bike-foot path study aims to improve access

By Eric Cravey
Managing Editor

ORANGE PARK – A new study conducted by a Jacksonville-based engineering firm could lead to more and improved walking and bicycle paths in the environs of Orange Park.

The \$70,000 study, which was funded by the North Florida Transportation Plan-

ning Organization in Jacksonville, was conducted by England, Thims and Miller Inc. Karl M. Soderholm, a vice president with ETM, who led the study project, said the is an outgrowth of the North Florida TPO's 2013 Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

"In general, the goals of the study was to provide for improved non-vehicular

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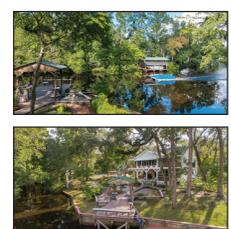
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Clay County Commissioners pass final 16-17 budget

By Debra W. Buehn
Correspondent

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Already looking to next year's budget and with the hint of a mystery surrounding this year's vote, Clay County commissioners Tuesday passed a final budget and millage rate for 2016-17.

Commissioners passed a budget of \$312,801,311 and a millage rate of 8.1010 at Tuesday's second and final public hearing concerning the two issues.

The vote was 4-1 on both the budget

and the millage rate, with Vice Chairman Ronnie Robinson casting both dissenting votes. Robinson cast somewhat of a mystery over his votes, especially concerning his vote against the proposed budget.

"I'll have a detailed explanation before I leave office when I voted 'no' on the budget for the 2016-17 year," he said. "I'd like that in the record."

Robinson, who has served two terms as a county commissioner and will leave office in November due to term limits, said

this would mark the first time he has voted against the budget. He hasn't voted every year, however, as his first year in office he was absent for the vote due to the hospitalization of his grandson.

Robinson has voted against the millage rate before, and did so at the first public hearing on this year's budget and millage rate that was staged at the commission's last regular meeting Sept. 13.

Robinson has said he was in agreement with the 8.1010 millage rate – which is the

same as the rate for the past two years – but didn't like a separate three mills that will be paid by those in an area that's been named the Challenger Municipal Service Taxing Unit.

Currently, there is only one entity affected by the Challenger MSTU, and that is the owner of the area involved, County Manager Stephanie Kopelousos has said in the past. Further, she has said, the MSTU

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Murder

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the rest of his life in prison.

A jury late on the night of Sept. 23 found Washington guilty of premeditated first-degree murder and felony burglary with assault or battery in the February 2014 death of a 44-year-old Doss at the Astoria Hotel in Orange Park.

The 6-foot-7 Washington, with buddy Ronnie Wilson II tagging along, awaited Doss in his darkened motel room and then, when Doss arrived, strangled him to death with his bare hands. Washington and Wilson tossed piles of clothes around the room, including over part of Doss's body, to stage the scene to appear like a burglary.

Doss's estranged wife, Yolinda Denise Doss – Washington's lover – was waiting in a car outside as the lookout, the prosecution contended. It was Yolinda who masterminded the scheme to cash in on the commander's \$1 million life-insurance policy, which the conspirators planned to split three ways, Assistant State Attorney Bernie de la Rionda argued.

Yolinda and Alphonso Doss had been high school sweethearts in Ruleville, Miss., before getting married. Their daughter, Alexis, was 15 years old and at home on the night of the killing.

Judge John H. Skinner will set a trial date for Yolinda Doss, 47, on Monday. She, like Washington, is staring at a first-degree murder charge and life in prison. Wilson, 35, will be the last defendant to go on trial.

"His death was devastating to us, so we're pleased at the way the trial was handled and the case was handled, and we can



STAFF PHOTO BY CHRISTIAAN DEFranco

Chief Assistant State Attorney Bernie de la Rionda, the lead prosecutor in the Anthony Washington trial, talks to the jury last Friday during closing arguments in the trial.

move on from here," Tom Allen, father of Cmdr. Doss., told the media while holding his wife Carolyn. "We came to see justice done for our son, and we got that."

In a trial that was widely expected to last a couple of weeks, a jury of eight women and four men required just four days of testimony and three-plus hours of deliberation to convict Washington, 31, who will be sentenced to life behind bars by Judge Skinner next week.

The prosecution chose against seeking Florida's death penalty, saying the case didn't meet the statutory requirements based on aggravating factors.

"Not every murder case is a death-penalty case," de la Rionda told Clay Today. "We were limited by the statute."

The strength of the motive evidence and the defendant's criminal history factored into the prosecution's decision. The state relied heavily on non-motive evidence to prove its case.

"I'm pleased the jury came back with a verdict that spoke the truth," said de la Rionda, whom State Attorney Angela Corey appointed to prosecute George Zimmerman in 2013 for the murder of Trayvon Martin.

"This was an innocent victim murdered in a hotel. I'm pleased that the victim's family got a step in the right direction toward closure and that they got to see what occurred in terms of sitting through the trial. But final closure will never occur until they see their son again in heaven," he said.

Prior to closing arguments, Washington took the stand. He testified that he went to Doss's motel room simply to warn him to stay away from Yolinda, but things got out of hand. He painted Cmdr. Doss as an abusive alcoholic who was drunk on the night of the attack.

"He was climbing on the bed, and he goes to lunge at me and attack me, saying, 'I hate you' or 'I'm going to kill you,'" Washington said. "As he's lunging, I catch him in mid-air (by his throat). When I catch him in mid-air, he hits me with a bottle. I slap the bottle out of his hand. I throw him. When I throw him, he lands awkwardly on his side with his back hitting the wall."

Washington also testified he didn't know that Yolinda was waiting outside the motel, but records of cellphone signals and text-messages, as well as surveillance videos, presented in court contradicted his account of the evening.

Also, no bottle was found in the room. The jury didn't buy Washington's claim of self-defense. "What person claims self-defense and just takes off [from the scene]?" de la Rionda argued in his closing. "He keeps changing his story."

Before trial, Washington told investigators he took a breathing device from Doss's room "out of spite" because Doss had thrown it at him during the confrontation. He told police that he left Doss on the motel floor, choking for breath, according to documents.

"Anthony Washington is not guilty," lead defense attorney Tom Fallis argued. "That's not because I say so. ... He is not guilty. The motive [of Washington going to the hotel] was to protect people he cared for."

The defense argued that Doss's death was accidental and the result of a "karate chop" to his throat by Washington, who never intended to kill the commander.

Doss joined the Navy after high school in 1987. He completed two combat deployments in the Middle East, including one with the USS Forrestal, based in Mayport, in 1991. He also completed a pair of secret overseas missions for the Navy, and he was part of a team that interviewed Khalid Sheikh Mohammad, a chief planner of the 9/11 attacks, at Guantanamo Bay in 2006.

Doss was charged with driving under the influence in 2012, his Naval career was ending, and he was seeking treatment for addiction, depression and post-traumatic stress disorder.

"He was a great son, and he loved Alexis so much," Allen said of Cmdr. Doss. "He was looking forward to spending more time with her."

It took several months for police to make any arrests in the case. In the meantime, Yolinda attended Doss's funeral as a grieving widow, and it was she who informed his father over the phone that Alphonso Doss's death was being investigated as a homicide.

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School News



Clay students named National Merit semi-finalists

EVANSTON, Ill. – Eight Clay County high school students from three different schools have been named semi-finalists in the 62nd annual National Merit Scholarship Program sponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corp.

The high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth about \$33 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, semi-finalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the finalist level of the competition.

About 90 percent of the semi-finalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and about half of the finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship and earn the Merit Scholar title.

NMSC, a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance, was established in 1955 specifically to conduct the annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Scholarships are underwritten by NMSC with its own funds and by approximately 420 business

organizations and higher education institutions. About 1.6 million juniors in

more than 22,000 high schools entered the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

The Clay County semi-finalists are Fleming Island High students, shown in group photo from left in the photo are Lauren E. Eckert,

Gisselle E. Palaca, Colton J. Braddy, Halle D. Gibson and Sydney H. Hayes.

From Orange Park High, Catherine N. Bruns was named a semi-finalist, while Ridgeview High seniors Nabeel Farooq and Isaly A. Tappan

were honored as semi-finalists as well.



Nabeel Farooq



Catherine N. Bruns

Concert on the Green awards Myers Scholarship

ORANGE PARK – A St. Johns Country Day School senior has been named the 2016 winner of the Concert on the Green Joy McCumber Myers Scholarship.

Kevin Taylor of Fleming Island, shown here center, was selected based on his musical accomplishments, talent, dedication and contribution to the arts at St. Johns. Taylor performs with the St. Johns Singers, Symphonic Band, and a cappella group "Unaccompanied Minors," and was in the 2015-2016 All-State Men's Choir, All-County Band, and All-County Chorus. Taylor has also participated in the Jacksonville Sings UNF Choral Invitational for the past two years.

An avid musician who plays clarinet and guitar and also sings, Taylor started band at St. Johns in fourth grade and

joined the Singers in ninth grade. He plans to study music at the University of North Florida next year, with a goal of being a worship leader or music teacher.

The Joy Myers Scholarship is given annually to a St. Johns Country Day School music student by Concert on the Green in honor of Joy McCumber Myers, one of the Concert on the Green founders and a former St. Johns Country Day School music instructor. The St. Johns Performing Arts Department selects the recipient based on the student's musical accomplishments, talent, dedication, and contribution to the arts at St. Johns.

Founded four years ago, the Concert on the Green Joy Myers Scholarship has previously honored Dillon Murray, John Pace and Dino Varelas.



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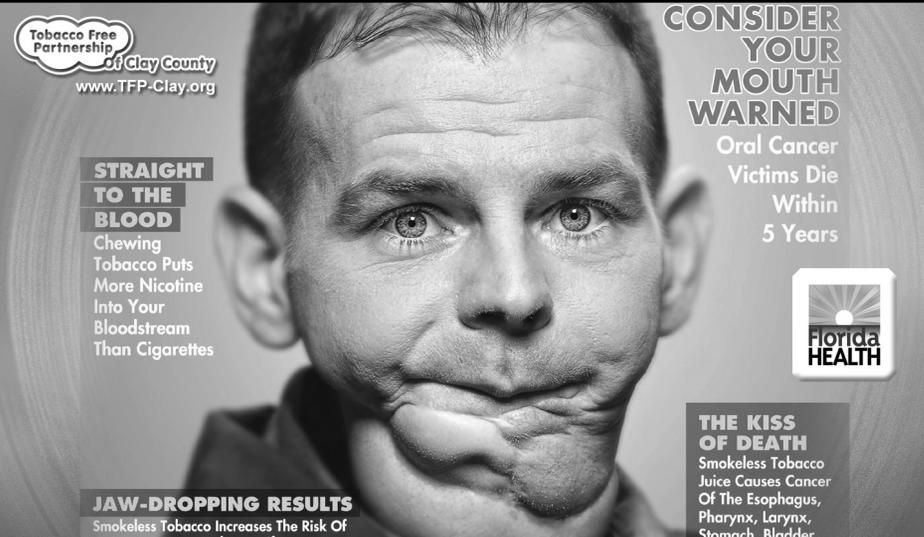
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Florida HEALTH



Recycling your yard with composting

By Wayne Hobbs
UF/IFAS Environmental Horticulture Agent

Recycling is an often used word that has become ingrained in our culture. My daughter in first grade has become passionate about asking if things can be recycled after going through lessons in school. Now, putting out the blue bins has become a normal, weekly activity for many in Clay County. However, many people do not realize that much of what they put into their trash can or leave out for yard waste collection could be recycled for your own benefit.



Wayne Hobbs

Composting is the process where organic material is allowed to decompose under controlled conditions to create fertile organic matter to add back into your garden and landscape. By taking kitchen scraps, grass clippings, leaves, dead plants, old fruits and vegetables, and chipped limbs and wood, you can create your own fertilizer to incorporate into your soil.

In regards to materials to compost, stay away from any meat products or pet

waste, these tend to attract scavengers and smell horrible. Normally, anything that came from a plant can be composted, just make sure not to add in whole tree branches, large whole leaves, or other big items as they take a very long time to break down and can make the pile difficult to manage. When first adding materials, alternate layers of "green" materials such as food scraps or yard waste with layers of "brown" materials such as newspaper, dried leaves, and sawdust.

You can even add in weeds and diseased plants into most bins if they are managed properly because the internal tempera-

tures and microbes should kill the pests. However, some choose not to do so to try to eliminate the risk that they do not add in undesirable materials into their garden in case compost is used too early in the breakdown process.

Your compost bin itself can come in many different shapes and sizes. A simple pile can be effective or you can build a pad-dock out of wood or concrete to contain it. Wire fencing can also be used to create a simple bin and most commercial designs can work well. The design should just be big enough to accommodate all of your compostable materials and should be easy

to assess for stirring and to add water from time to time.

Once you have your bin or pile and your material is starting to accumulate, the compost is fairly simple to manage. You want to make sure it stays moist but not wet so it may be necessary to add water during periods of dry weather. Also, the breakdown of the materials is dependent on oxygen getting to all of the microbes that are turning your waste into fertile organic matter. This means the piles should be turned occasionally. Mixing also helps to keep the temperature stable, breaks up large clumps of material, reduces odors and helps to destroy weed seeds, insects and other pests.

Temperature is vital to a compost bin as most microbes like a warm, moist, oxygen-rich environment. The temperature should be consistently high but if it goes over 140 degrees Fahrenheit, the breakdown process will be slow.

When finished, compost will be dark brown and should have a rich, earthy smell. It can then be used as a soil amendment, mulch or potting mix.

If you have any more questions about composting or any other lawn or landscape topics, contact the University of Florida/IFAS Extension Office online at <http://www.clay.ifas.ufl.edu>, follow us on Facebook, or call by phone at (904) 284-6355.



Church from page 3

Sarah was talking about The Springs Church in Orange Park, where she and Robert were participating in a community outreach program last Saturday to help the homeless. Various companies and private citizens provided a range of goods and services, from food to flu shots to haircuts to lessons on how to land a job.

It's an annual event that continues to grow, and it's an extension of the church's regular outreach to homeless people in Clay County as well as in urban Jacksonville.

"We need a dentist," said Sheila Maguhn, the outreach coordinator of the event. "We have virtually every other medical service represented."

Maguhn stepped in nine years ago to help keep the event going and feel connected. It was shortly after her son, Bradley Crose, an Army Ranger and graduate of Orange Park High School, was killed in Afghanistan at the age of 22. He was one of six special operators who died in combat while recovering the body of a Navy Seal.

"This is my way of giving back," Maguhn said. "This, to me, is so awesome. The goal is to serve others."

John Bailey, founding pastor of The Springs Church, emphasized that the help is unconditional.

"We never mix it with the Gospel," he



Volunteers collected toiletries that were handed out at the event to those who are homeless or are at risk of being homeless.

said. "We don't say, 'Hey, here's food, now why don't you accept Jesus?' The Gospel stands on its own sake. Jesus is good enough with or without what we do for people."

The event went late into the day Saturday, with people continuing to flow through the doors, in some cases to receive help and in some cases to offer it.

"Most of the homeless people you meet want to be reintegrated into society and

lead productive lives," Bailey said. "But it's very difficult. A lot of them have mental health issues. A lot of them have addictions. And then there are some people, with losing a job or other hardships, who simply lost their homes.

"People are trying to get back on their feet, but how do you do that?" Bailey said. "You have to have deposits, and your credit rating has to be at a certain place, or nobody will rent to you. And then you have to save the money to get ahead enough to put down first and last month's rent, to get the electricity turned on. It's an incredible expense to do that, so what we try to do now is take them through the steps. Help them get a job, help them to save money and build up to where they need to be."

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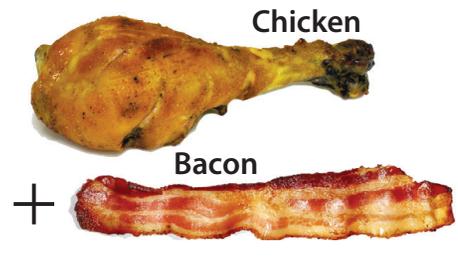
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Finger food is what it is all about at a party. You've only got two hands, and one of these hands should be holding something cold to drink. This recipe can be made a day in advance and cooked on a grill or in an oven.

I give you full permission to be as responsible, or irresponsible, in your choice of your chicken and bacon. There will be

no judgment from Tortoise Q. You can go organic, antibiotic-free, free-range, etc. The "family pack" of thighs at your local grocery store or butcher shop will do just fine.

My preference is to work with boneless and skinless thighs because it saves me time with the prep work. If the chicken comes with bones and skins, the skins can be saved and used for another application; the bones can be removed and used for a stock or broth. The idea here is to let nothing go to waste.

Here is what you will need to create an ultimate finger food:

- 1 family size package of boneless chicken thighs
- Salt and pepper OR the rub/seasoning of your choice or both
- 1 package of bacon, cut into thirds (your knife can cut directly through the packaging)
- Tooth picks
- Sauce of your choice (barbecue, pepper jelly, mustard, hot sauce) - warmed

1. Remove the skin and bone from each chicken thigh and cut each thigh into four equal portions
2. Sprinkle with your choice of seasoning
3. Take one piece of the bacon that you cut into thirds and wrap it around a piece of chicken. Secure it with a toothpick.
4. Season each piece with the seasoning of your choice and let it sit overnight in the fridge
5. Set up a grill for indirect cooking or



Blake Moody, left, is the new Clay Today "Grill Guy." He says football means tailgating and this month's installment offers one of his favorite go-to solutions for finger foods.

6. On a grill, set up a pan on the cooler side of the grill. Place the pieces on the pan and shut the lid. If using an oven, place the pieces on a parchment paper-lined pan and place in the oven. Flip and rotate the pieces mid-cook (with either cooking method) so that browning can occur on both sides.
7. Using an instant-read thermometer,

8. cook the pieces until the chicken registers 160 degrees internally
9. Remove the pan from the grill or oven and baste each piece on both sides with the warmed sauce.
10. Return the pan to the grill or oven for an additional 5-10 minutes – until the chicken registers 165 degrees internally and the sauce can "set."
10. Enjoy

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Obituaries

Joy Olson Morris

Joy Olson Morris, the daughter of Carl John Olson and Lydia Hagstrom Olson was born in Chicago, Illinois on February 4, 1925. Reared in Winter Haven, Florida; Chicago, Illinois; Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Atlanta, Georgia, she attended Druid Hills High School in Atlanta and Georgia State University.

Prior to her marriage, she worked at Georgia Tech in Atlanta and Bell Aircraft in Marietta, Georgia.

She married Jack E. Morris in Atlanta in 1946 and they had four daughters: Penelope, Carla, Suzanne and the late Kathy, who died at age 8 as a result of an automobile accident in 1960.

When her husband, Jack, was called to the ministry in 1958, she helped with family finances by directing music in a church Kindergarten, teaching private piano lessons and substituting in public schools.

During his ministry in Presbyterian Churches, she was a volunteer partner in ministry with him in many capacities: playing the piano for worship services, directing children's choirs, teaching Sunday School and as a youth advisor.

At Oakhurst Presbyterian Church in Decatur, Georgia, which was a pioneer in an inter-racial ministry, she was the volunteer director of their Girls' Club with over 200 black children, recruiting over 30 volunteer helpers from other local churches. At Fellowship Presbyterian Church in Tallahassee, Florida, of which Jack was the organizing pastor, she was the volunteer Director of Christian Education for four years.

Beyond the local churches, she served terms as President of the Women-of-the-Church in both the Presbyteries of Greater Atlanta and Northwest Florida.

Beyond the Presbyterian Church, she served as President of Church Women United in the Tallahassee unit and later as Area Chair of Church Women United in Northwest Florida and still later in Northeast Florida. She and Jack moved to Penney Retirement Community in Penney Farms, Florida in 2003.

While there, she served as Vice President of the Women's Guild, sang in the Sanctuary Choir, played in the Joys Bells Choir, and was a volunteer, at Hagen Care for six years, serving meals in the satellites and feeding patients in the Pavilion.

She is survived by her three daughters: Penelope Ashley (Mrs. Mike) in Acworth, Georgia, Carla Anderson (Mrs. Roy) in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and Suzanne Anderson (Mrs. Charles) in Farmville, Virginia and one sister, Ruby Jean Larson (Mrs. Bob). The Morris's have ten grandchildren

and 17 great-grandchildren.

The Memorial Service will be held at Penney Memorial Church at Penney Retirement Center in Penney Farms, Florida on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at 1:00 PM, and ashes will be spread in the Penney Farms Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to Penney Memorial Church Building Fund or the Residents Fund at Penney Retirement Center, P. O. Box 555, Penney Farms, Florida 32079.

Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com Arrangements are under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000



Joy Olson Morris



Donald Lee Baldwin

Donald Lee Baldwin passed away on Monday, September 19, 2016. Aaron and Burney Bivens Funeral Home, 529 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073.



Alexander "Sandy" Rulkiewicz, Jr.

Alexander "Sandy" Rulkiewicz, Jr., 68, of Fleming Island, FL passed away September 22, 2016. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com. Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (904) 284-4000



Austin Edward Montgomery

Austin Edward Montgomery, 88, of Orange Park, FL passed away September 26, 2016. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com. Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000



Joseph Leo Larocque, Jr.

Joseph Leo Larocque, Jr., 64, of Keystone Heights, FL passed away September 24, 2016. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com. Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000.



Pitch

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panel of judges. Each of the inventors will fight for thousands of dollars in prize money and exposure for their idea.

The judges and audience will then each spend two minutes asking questions of the entrepreneur. The festival provides a way for regional entrepreneurs to exhibit their ideas to the festival audience at small booths as well, considering only 18 of the exhibitors will receive the chance to pitch their idea to the judges.

Judges will award prizes to the top three ideas with fifty percent of the score coming from the audience. The top pitcher will win a mentorship with local company owners, a cash prize and a startup prize package worth tens of thousands of dollars.

"Clay County is bursting with entrepreneurs and inventors that don't know about each other," said Bob Hawkinson of Orange Park, local inventor and organizer of the North Florida Inventors Group. "The festival is a great opportunity for the community to see how rich the region is with ideas and for entrepreneurs to get great exposure for their companies."

The audience can also learn how to start their own businesses at the event with local experts and investors giving quick tips each hour. Aspiring startups can interact with these experts after their short session.

The festival will also have food trucks,

entrepreneur activities for kids and live music.

Although it's the first of its kind in Clay County, Jacksonville runs similar pitch events, but Hawkinson hopes to set his event apart by giving pitchers a less formal, more fun atmosphere to showcase their ideas and talents.

"We're trying to really showcase Clay County, show this is a great place to live for entrepreneurs to live and grow their business," Hawkinson said. "Clay County is just absolutely full of entrepreneurs and I think it's good for the county to embrace that and let people know that this is a great place to work and live." The festival is a collaboration between Hawkinson, Brian Knight of the Fleming Island-based tech company Pragmatic Works, Paz Patel – who owns a number of local businesses – and Bill Garrison, president of the Clay County Economic Development Corp. "Encouraging more small businesses to be founded in the region is core to growing jobs in Clay County and the region," Garrison said. "It increases our quality of life with high wage jobs and by having those jobs in Clay County, can reduce morning traffic and help other supporting businesses." Hawkinson came to Garrison over a year ago with the idea of bringing a pitch event to Clay County for the first time. Garrison acted as the puzzle arranger and connected Hawkinson with a core group of people to get the idea off the ground. Now, they've formed a small board

that meets every two weeks to fine tune the event.

The festival will start at 10 a.m. and run until 2 p.m. Booths will be setup for each aspiring company. Entrepreneurs will pitch their idea to the audience and judges every hour. On Oct. 15, Pitch in the Park will take applications from would-be inventors and innovators in the coming months. Ideas must be presentable in a proof of concept stage. Exhibitors will also need to pay a small \$25 fee for the table at the festival and the top 18 company ideas will receive the opportunity to pitch at the Town Hall Park Pavilion.

To apply as an innovator, go online to <http://pitchinthepark.com/>

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James and Melissa McNicol dedicated the Tiny Library to Judy Robinson, a longtime elementary teacher in Clay County.

Area couple opens library exchange

By Christiaan DeFranco
 Staff Writer

FLEMING ISLAND – A tiny new library has come to Island Forest Neighborhood Park.

Very tiny. Say around 3½ feet high by 2½ feet wide.

James and Melissa McNicol held a grand opening for their brand new Little Free Library at the park on Sunday. The structure is a homemade mini wooden house with a light purple exterior, a glass door with yellow trim and shingles on the roof.

It is stocked with books, and anyone can stop by, open the door and borrow a book – or a few books.

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Clerk of Court to offer new services to connect public to judiciary

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – In collaboration with the Dunedin, Fla.-based Florida Justice Technology Center, the Clay County Clerk of Court Office is launching three new services to help improve access to the judiciary.

The services – most of which are free – include a Triage Pilot Program known as the Florida Legal Access Gateway, which is designed to connect the public with legal resources. The second program is an official record electronic notification system known as Trieshield and the third new service is an online bidding system for foreclosure and tax deed sales known as Real Auction.

FLAG, a six-week pilot program, is designed to connect the public with effective and relevant resources to bridge the access to justice gap and will focus on cases involving landlord/tenant, and simplified dissolution of marriage. The pilot program will kick off on Oct. 10 and will run through Nov. 30. Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of Court, was a leader at the table when the triage concept was initially discussed, according to a press release.

In conjunction with FLAG, the clerk's office will also be piloting a Low Bono

program. This program will run concurrently with the FLAG pilot and will allow residents to meet with an attorney for a minimum of 30 minutes at the rate of \$1 per minute. If the program's trial period proves to be a success, the clerk's office will consider offering Low Bono as a permanent service.

The second new program – the Trieshield Notification System – monitors official record filings such as easements, marriage licenses, deeds, mortgages, liens, etc. These filings, which are handled by the clerk's recording department, are monitored throughout the day. When a document is filed under an individual's registered name(s), Trieshield will alert the registered user by email and/or text message on the same day.

"As your elected Clerk, one of my most important duties is to protect and maintain all legal documents and official records filed in Clay County. I am thrilled to offer this new service to help prevent fraud free of charge to the citizens of Clay County," Green said.

This service is scheduled to be available by the end of October.

The third new program is an online bidding system for foreclosure and tax deed sales known as Real Auction.

"Clay County's online foreclosure sales are designed to ensure fairness and increase the number of potential buyers for each property, thereby benefitting bidders and property owners alike," Green said.

Clay County will begin offering online foreclosure sales on Dec. 1 and online tax deed sales shortly thereafter. The new foreclosure sale website will be www.clay.realforeclosure.com. Sales will still be scheduled Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. – following current practice – unless the judiciary orders otherwise. The neighboring counties of Duval, Flagler and Putnam also offer the online sales.



Couple honored by Thrasher-Horne Center for the Arts

ORANGE PARK – A Penney Farms couple was recently honored for their volunteer service. Jack and Helen Stephens, residents of Penney Retirement Community since 2004, received a 2015-16 Executive Director Award for 13 years of volunteer service at the Thrasher-Horne Center for the Arts. They are shown here receiving the award from Denton Yockey, THCA executive director, at left. The award was presented at a special dinner at The Hilltop Club in Orange Park Sept 20. Almost all of PRC's 475 residents volunteer in some way, either on campus or in surrounding communities. Last year, residents gave more than 135,000 hours of their time to others.

For more information, go online at clayclerk.com or contact Michelle Taylor at (904) 269-6337 or taylorTM@clayclerk.com.

Risk management and insurance career expo

ORANGE PARK – Students, insurance agents and companies and the public are invited to learn about SJR State College's Risk Management and Insurance program at a community expo on Oct. 18 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Conference Center.

The SJR State program allows students to obtain their 4-40, 20-44, and 2-15 insurance licenses without taking the state exams.

Insurance agencies and carriers will be present to explain the variety of careers within the RMI industry, such as information technology, sales, marketing, accounting, underwriting, legal compliance, and more. Hear from students who participated in our program and are working in the industry today. Local agents will also be

available to share their experiences from serving as an SJR State internship site to ultimately hiring SJR students. According to the Florida Association of Independent Agents, the average annual starting salary for an insurance sales agent is \$40,000. For more information, call (386) 312-4183.

Champions for Mercy Gala to raise funds for Mercy Support Services

ORANGE PARK – Mercy Support Services is hosting its annual fundraising gala on Oct. 6 from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Thrasher-Horne Conference Center near Orange Park.

The Champions For Mercy Gala takes its inspiration from the Olympic champions whose remarkable efforts and dedication result in success.

Mercy Support Services helps families in Clay County who find themselves in need, often through no fault of their own. Mercy Support Services collaborates with other like-minded organizations to take care of the existing problems of these "invisible neighbors" and prevent future problems from occurring.

"Today in Clay County, Florida, there are 1,150 children in our public schools who have no permanent address," said Patrick Hayle, chief executive officer of Mercy Support Services. "Of those, over 180 are considered unaccompanied youth – children with no legal guardian or parent."

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access, to improve safety and also to identify cost-effective improvements for the network to help pedestrians and cyclists navigate the area,” Soderholm said Sept. 20 while presenting the study results to the Orange Park Town Council.

Before collecting data, Soderholm worked with local officials to establish a steering committee that was comprised of officials from the Town of Orange Park, the Clay County government, the Clay County School District, the sheriff’s office, the U.S. Navy and the North Florida Bicycle Club. Soderholm also set up an online portal for data collection and interviewed attendees during the Orange Park Farmer’s Market in February. He also hosted an open house event at town hall where he obtained community input.

He said the study area included approximately 11 square miles bounded by Doctors Lake, the St. Johns River, Interstate 295, Blanding Boulevard and College Drive, however Blanding Boulevard was excluded from the study.

Soderholm and his team studied the existing network of roads and walking and



This map shows a suggested walking/bike path that would run from Sigsbee Road to Wells Road and provide access to public transportation.

biking paths in the study area, as well as reviewed crash data that involved both pedestrians and cyclists. With the data in hand, a list of improvements were devised and prioritized.

“The key concept is however less about building infrastructure and more about establishing the pedestrian as an equal in an automotive dominated context. Through the use of markings and signalized crossings, this study seeks to change attitudes and make citizens [who do] not [drive] visible in their community,” states Soderholm’s 158-page draft study report.

While thoroughly examining the travel patterns of vehicles, walkers and cyclists,

the engineering team characterized the

Orange Park area as one that “was never designed to be a community focused on pedestrians or cyclists.” Consequently, the area – not just the town limits – was built with few connections within the community.

“In general, the area has significant sidewalk resources, but lacks cohesive bicycle infrastructure. Based on this, a bicycle and pedestrian network was established to provide a core network for bicycle and pedestrian movement within the area. This network aims to connect people and places so that they have the alternative to walk and ride their bike to area

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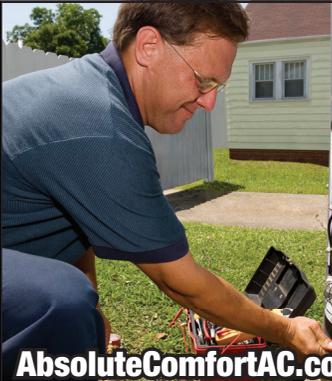


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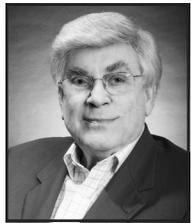


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Clay County in its Supportive Housing, which included seven adults and 40 children. Mercy responded to more than 1,600 calls, assisting more than 4,440 individuals. Of those, 57 percent were seeking financial help and 31 percent sought housing assistance.

"In the last four and a half years, the 5,500 calls we have serviced has touched more than 14,000 people in Clay County," Hayle said. "Rather than a hand out, Mercy believes in giving a hand up and leading families to a path of learning and self-reliance that ultimately enables them to be self-sufficient."

Oktoberfest, Pet Blessing & Quilt Sale slated

ORANGE PARK – Advent Lutheran Church's Annual Oktoberfest, Pet Blessing and Quilt Sale will be held at the church at 2156 Loch Rane Blvd. on Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

All are welcome to bring their furry

family members to receive special prayers and blessings along with a lot of pampering. Advent youth will also be providing entertainment for children. All pets must be leashed or in a safe pet cage. Please, no exotic pets.

Donations of unopened bags of pet foods, treats, new toys, or monetary donations will be given to the Safe Animal Shelter. Then, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. guests can enjoy fellowship and food, along with a little bit of Lutheran German Heritage. Food items will include "German Meals" and Hot Dog Meals.

Beautiful homemade quilted items will be available for sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All proceeds from the sale of quilts assist Advent's Quilting Ministry to make hundreds of quilts for Lutheran World Relief as well as local hospitals and hospice facilities.

Florida has all-time high seatbelt usage

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Department of Transportation recently announced that Florida's statewide safety belt usage rate has reached an all-time high of 89.6

percent.

FDOT released the June 2016 Safety Belt Use in Florida report which affirms that FDOT and its traffic safety partners are providing effective occupant protection programs. Click It or Ticket campaigns and high visibility law enforcement have helped to increase Florida's safety belt usage rates.

"Buckling up is the single most effective thing you can do to protect yourself in a crash. Safety belts save thousands of lives each year. I appreciate the dedication of our safety team and our partners to reach this all-time high usage rate," said Jim Boxold, FDOT secretary.

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Tobacco Free Partnership names board

ORANGE PARK – The Tobacco Free Partnership of Clay County has appointed its 2016-2017 Advisory Council.

Advisory Council members assume a leadership role in regard to tobacco control, advocacy, education, prevention and policy change in Clay County.

Chief Gary Goble of the Orange Park Police Department, Jose Morales of the Clay County Health Department, and Skylar Jade a Senior from Orange Park High School Students Working Against Tobacco are returning to the Advisory Council again this year. Stephanie Geoghagan with the Clay Action Coalition and Annalea Rix a Junior from Middleburg High School SWAT are new to the Advisory Council this year.

The Tobacco Free Partnership of Clay County is dedicated to the creation of tobacco-free social norms through a combination of community education, youth advocacy, and changes in local tobacco policies.

For more information on the work of the Tobacco Free Partnership of Clay County, contact Tobacco Free Partnership of Clay County, Lea Rhoden, at LRhoden@QuitDoc.com.

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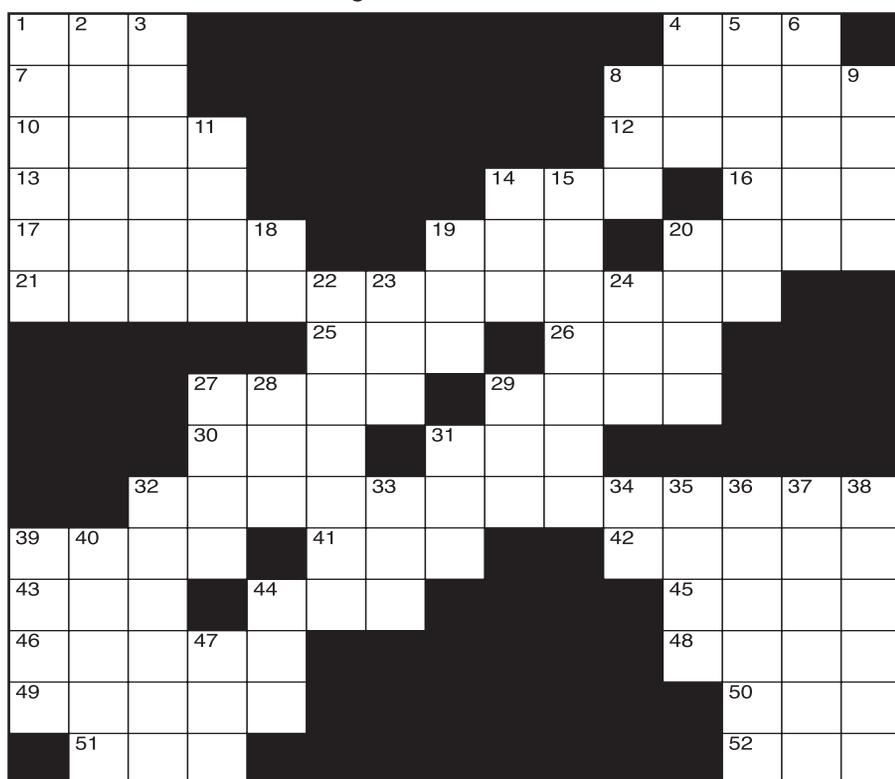
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Students clean up the beaches

JACKSONVILLE BEACH – Eighteen students from St. Johns River State College’s Orange Park campus recently worked to make the beaches cleaner for marine animals. Students picked up litter among a section of Jacksonville Beach Sept. 17 as part of the International Coastal Cleanup. This is the third year professor Karen Meyer has led students from the college’s Nature and Rotaract clubs in the cleanup. Students collected and categorized bags of trash and harmful waste, including cigarette butts, glass, Styrofoam and plastics. The 30th Annual International Coastal Cleanup is coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy organization, in partnership with volunteer groups globally, to remove trash from beaches and waterways, identify the source of the debris, and change the behaviors that contribute to marine debris.

Weekly Crossword



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Teletype (Computers)
- 4. Loose-fitting sleeveless garment
- 7. They ___
- 8. Extinct Turkish caucasian language
- 10. Tall N Zealand timber tree
- 12. Piedmont city on the River Gesso
- 13. Burl __, storyteller
- 14. Made up of 50 states
- 16. Not or
- 17. Given a monetary penalty
- 19. Unnilpentium
- 20. ISU town
- 21. Equality for everyone
- 25. A lyric poem with complex stanza forms
- 26. Actress Farrow
- 27. Scottish caps
- 29. Gobblers
- 30. ___ Lilly, drug company
- 31. Process an animal hide
- 32. Describe in perfect detail
- 39. 1000 calories

- 41. American National Bank (abbr.)
- 42. MN 55121
- 43. Everyone
- 44. Substitute
- 45. Rubber, marching or head
- 46. Dance Latin rhythm
- 48. Inside of
- 49. A way to let know
- 50. Morning moisture
- 51. Point midway between S and SE
- 52. Sales messages

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Duty
- 2. Whatchamacallit
- 3. A citizen of Yemen
- 4. ___ Dhabi, Arabian capital
- 5. Nickname
- 6. One seeded fruit (alt. sp.)
- 8. Fiddler crabs
- 9. Troughs of bricks
- 11. Exploiter
- 14. Atomic #104
- 15. Italian ice-cream
- 18. Algerian dinar
- 19. Consume
- 20. Macaws
- 22. Insignificantly small
- 23. Tooth caregiver
- 24. Direct toward
- 27. Bluish green
- 28. Caliph
- 29. Faucet
- 31. The bill in a restaurant
- 32. Capital of Tocantins, Brazil
- 33. Explosive
- 34. The most abundant of the rare-earth group
- 35. Japanese sock
- 36. Kampala is the capital
- 37. Raged
- 38. Provides with property
- 39. Miniature racing vehicle
- 40. Signs
- 44. Express pleasure
- 47. Bridge-building degree



Jaguars Foundation donates to Clay Habitat

JACKSONVILLE – Clay County Habitat for Humanity recently received a \$57,500 donation from the charitable arm of the Jacksonville Jaguars. Peter Racine, president of the Jaguars Foundation, second from left, is shown here, presenting a ceremonial check to Habitat staff and board members on Sept. 16. The donation is made through a state program called the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program created by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, which provides a financial incentive to encourage Florida businesses to make donations toward community development and affordable housing. These donations must be made to an approved community development project, and Clay County Habitat is an approved recipient. From left is Lori Wagner, Habitat board vice chair, Racine, Carolyn Edwards, Habitat executive director, Mary Jury, Habitat resource development director and Craig Aldrich, Habitat board chairman.



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Meets Sept. 29 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.

TEEN COURT: Meets Sept. 29 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clay County Historical Courthouse, 915 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs. Great opportunity for teens to volunteer and earn community service hours. Visit our website for dress code requirements, www.clayclerk.com, or call Debbie Mueller at (904) 278-3602 for more information.

SHAPING CLAY: Network with nonprofit leaders and social service agencies, Sept. 30 from 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., St. Vincent's Medical Center Clay County, 1670 St. Vincent's Way off Branran Field Road. Discussion surrounds part two about disaster preparedness planning.

READ WITH TREES: Presented by and at Gold Head Branch State Park in collaboration with the Keystone Heights and Melrose Public Libraries, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m., a family literacy event. This year's program topic is all about bears with author Donna Henderson, fun, family activities, snacks, books and bears. Info,

(352)473-4286, (352) 475-1237 or (352) 473-4701.

YARD SALE: to benefit Waste Not Want Not, Oct. 1 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Orange Park Town Hall. Save the date to shop for great bargains or rent a 15'x15' space for \$30 to sell your treasures. For details, www.wastenotflorida.com.

RUMMAGE SALE: Oct. 1 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Giles Presbyterian Church Annual 116 Foxridge Rd., in the fellowship hall. Donated items can be dropped off Sept. 26-Sept. 30 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. For more info, call (904) 272-1244.

CLERK OF COURT PUBLIC INFO

SESSION: Tara S. Green, Clay County Clerk of Court, will present info on three new initiatives, Oct. 1 at 9:30 a.m., Fleming Island Library, 1895 Town Center Blvd. Learn about the Triage Pilot Program, the Trieshield Notification System and Realauction, an online bidding system for foreclosure and tax deed sales. Info, Michelle Taylor, (904) 269-6337.

SOUL FOOD FESTIVAL: Celebrate the 15th Annual Soul Food Festival on Oct. 1 with a parade beginning at noon, Clay County Administration Building, Palmetto

SEE CALENDAR, 26

Flow

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destinations," Soderholm states in the draft study report.

In order to improve the network, ETM is recommending a multi-faceted approach to implement the study findings.

Engineers are recommending installing shared lane markings, expanding the multi-use path network, filling in sidewalk gaps, improving crosswalk striping, constructing signalized crosswalks and bicycle parking.

"These improvements amount to the installation of 18 miles of shared lane markings, 5.5 miles of new sidewalks, 2.5 miles of mixed use paths, and numerous other improvements. Not one single approach by itself can improve the network, but in conjunction can greatly improve the bicycling and walking experience within Orange Park and improve the quality of life for its citizens," states the draft report.

Soderholm said one of the first considerations would be to connect the Black Creek Trail that runs parallel to U.S. Highway 17 to the Doctors Lake Trail, which were both funded by state and federal funds.

Another suggestion in the study is the creation of a new path that would connect Sigsbee Road to Wells Road using an existing drainage corridor to provide a multi-use path.

"This connection would provide for a direct pedestrian connection between residential neighborhoods and the Orange Park Mall. This could be a great asset to the community in allowing for greater mobility options and access to mass transit," states the draft report.

Council took no action, but accepted Soderholm's report as information only.

If and when any of the study's recommendations would be implemented, town and county officials would work with the NFTPO to identify funding sources for the new paths. The study also lays out the recommended improvements using five, 10 and 20-year priority levels.

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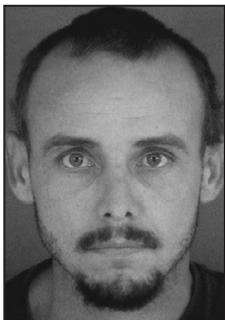
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Police Briefs

Couple charged with construction site burglary

FLEMING ISLAND – Deputies arrested a man and woman in the early afternoon Tuesday for allegedly trespassing on a construction site, stealing equipment and resisting arrest without violence after an investigation.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Winthrop Anthony Deforest, 32, of Fleming Island and Deana Monise Waldrep, 29, of Jacksonville after workers noticed an unknown blue Ford parked near the company fuel truck with equipment in the bed of their truck.



Winthrop Deforest



Deana Waldrep

An investigation revealed Waldrep and Deforest matched the descriptions provided by the workers of the construction site on the 5000 block of Highway 17 on Fleming Island.

A worker looked into the bed of the truck, parked on the construction site near an unlatched fuel truck, and found a shovel, spill kit, trash bags, a gas can, diesel fuel and an oil sample gun, property of the victims.

When approached, the two fled on foot. Deputies found Deforest at a nearby house and chased them, eventually taking him into custody. Waldrep was found nearby as well.

Deputies questioned the two and believed they had probable cause to charge the two with felony trespassing on a construction site, resisting arrest without violence, burglary to an unoccupied conveyance and felony grand theft on a construction site.

Deputies transported them to the Clay County Jail, where Waldrep remained on a \$32,013 bond and Deforest on a \$32,511 bond.

Woman arrested with keying truck

ORANGE PARK – An Orange Park woman was placed under arrest Tuesday afternoon for allegedly using a key to ruin the paintjob on a man's Ford F-150 pickup outside of a bar.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Michele Antonello Bollinger, 47, on Sept. 27 for an incident she is alleged to have perpetrated on Aug. 5 outside the Crackers Lounge on the 1200 block of Blanding Boulevard.

In the twilight hours of Aug. 6, the victim engaged in a verbal argument with Bollinger inside the bar while he was with his girlfriend. After the argument, the victim and his girlfriend left and proceeded home

where they discovered deep gouges down the passenger side of the truck, which encompassed both passenger doors and the passenger side of the bed above the wheel.

Mechanics estimated repairs at over \$1,172.

Officers met with Bollinger and conducted an investigation, eventually placing her under arrest for felony criminal mischief. Deputies transported her to the Clay County Jail, where Bollinger remained on an \$5,003 bond.



Michele Bollinger

Melrose man charged with child abuse, battery

MELROSE – Police said a Melrose man who poured rubbing alcohol on his wife and attempted to set her on fire has been charged with one count each of aggravated battery, domestic battery and child abuse.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Ryan David Fitz, 39, on Sept. 27 after obtaining a warrant for his arrest for the incident, police said, occurred on Aug. 14.

The victim told police that Fitz was intoxicated when he punched her multiple times, then poured rubbing alcohol on her and unsuccessfully tried to light her on fire.

"The victim advised she was in fear for her life," states the officer on the warrant.

The victim also told police that Fitz placed her in a head lock and threw her to the ground. Police said Fitz's son tried to break up the fighting but Fitz retaliated by throwing a wooden stool at him that struck the child in the stomach. Another person in the home attempted to break up the fight, but police said, Fitz picked up a football and struck that person in the head.

Fitz was booked into the Clay County Jail where, at press time, he remained held on \$14,009 bond.

Party gets out of hand, ends in attempted murder charge

MIDDLEBURG – A Middleburg man faces two counts each of second degree attempted murder and aggravated assault, as well as one count of shooting into an occupied vehicle after a party got out of control last weekend.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested George Russell King, 64, at 7:35 a.m. on Sept. 25 after investigating the shooting that took place at King's home at 61 Curran Avenue, states the CCSO report.

The victims told CCSO officers that they did not know King, but were invited to King's party through a mutual friend as were approximately 12-15 other people out of the approximately 50 who were out in a field behind King's house mud bogging and playing beer pong.

"There was tension between the groups relatively quickly," states the report. "After being there for a short period of time, several fights broke out between people at the residence..."

In the report, the officer noted that one victim had a swollen red black and blue eye from the fight.

She told police that King came out his house and fired what she described as a warning shot, and it was at that point, she and her friend she came with, got in his truck to leave in fear of being shot.

However, because the exit to the property was only wide enough for one vehicle to exit at a time, a three and four truck convoy got slowed down exiting. That's when, police said, King pointed the shotgun at her truck door and fired at least once.

"The majority of the projectiles traveled through the door into the cab," states the report. "Some projectiles remained in the door itself."

Police said at least two people were shot with shotgun pellets in the leg.

At press time, King remained held without bond in the Clay County Jail.

Fatality victims' names withheld

FLEMING ISLAND – The Florida Highway Patrol says a couple from Orange Park was killed Monday in a two-vehicle crash on Fleming Island near the intersection of Water Oak Lane and U.S. Highway 17.

Police said a 62-year-old woman driving a 2017 Hyundai Sonata was heading eastbound on Village Square Parkway and attempted to cross over on U.S. 17 when the front of her car collided with the right side of a semi-tractor trailer truck driven by Humberto Meghani, 39, of Jacksonville.

The collision caused the Hyundai to rotate several times then come to a rest on U.S. 17, while the semi continued driving southbound. Police said the semi driver attempted to regain control of the tractor trailer before coming to final rest on the right shoulder of U.S. 17.

The 67-year-old male passenger in the Hyundai was ejected from the car and pronounced dead at the scene, while the driver was transported to Baptist South where she was pronounced dead.

No one in the semi, including its one passenger, was injured in the crash.

Police have withheld their names before notifying all of the victim's next of kin.

Woman charged having sex with minor

MIDDLEBURG – Authorities have charged a Middleburg woman with having sex with a minor teen boy after an investigation.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Rihanna Kienda Leigh Buddi, 30, on Sept. 23 at 4:15 p.m. after conducting interviews with her and the victim. She is charged with one count each of lewd and lascivious battery on a victim between age 12 and 16 and distributing obscene material to children.

According to the police report, the victim's mother contacted the CCSO after learning her son had possibly had intercourse with Buddi.

Police said the victim had also bragged that he and Buddi had had sex.

During the investigation, police obtained photos of Buddi's topless breasts that were stored on the victim's cell phone. When asked what he and Buddi did together, the victim said, "We had sex."

Buddi was booked into the Clay County Jail on the charges. At press time, she remained in jail with bond set at \$60,006.

18-year-old charged with sex crime

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Clay County Sheriff's Office has charged a Green Cove Springs teen of having sex with a minor.

Police arrested Tyler Austin Shane Meeks, 18, on Sept. 21 at 10:20 a.m. after an investigation was launched and detectives obtained a warrant for his arrest.

According to the warrant, Meeks forced the victim to touch his penis against her will while staying the night together between Aug. 6 and 7 at a home whose location was undisclosed.

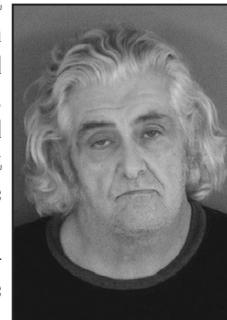
According to police, the victim's mother had warned the girl that Meeks was 18 and that she was not. Police said then, she told Meeks to leave her alone.

However, Meeks allegedly continued to make advances on the young girl after she told him to stop. According to the report, she even told Meeks that is he did not stop, she would tell someone yet he continued to have intercourse with her.

Meeks faces one count each of lewd and lascivious molestation and lewd and las-



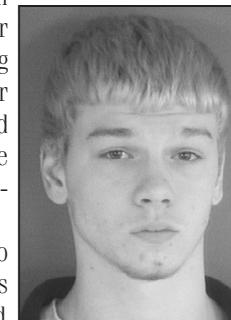
Rihanna Buddi



George King



Ryan Fitz



Tyler Meeks

Arrests & Bookings

Tuesday, September 27

Bollinger, Michele, 47, Orange Park, CCSO, Vandalism \$1,000 or More
 Burris, Christopher, 36, Middleburg, CCSO, Non-Support, Contempt of Court
 Capps, Chrystal, 32, Jacksonville, CCSO, Failure to Appear for Court
 Carncross, Nicholas, 34, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of a Controlled Substance
 Deforest, Winthrop, 32, Fleming Island, CCSO, Trespass on Legally Posted Construction Site, Resisting an Officer, Burglary, Grand Theft From Posted Construction Site
 Edwards, Kyndal, 23, Orange Park, CCSO, Two Counts of Violate Probation - Community Control
 Fitz, Ryan, 39, Melrose, CCSO, Aggravated Assault, Domestic Battery, Child Abuse

Frattini, Kimberly, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, Violate Probation - Community Control
 Hancock, Garrett, 20, Orange Park, CCSO, Two Counts of VOP - Burglary
 Ingram, Jordan, 18, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Violence on an Officer Firefighter or EMT
 James, Annie, 40, Savannah, Ga., CCSO, Giving False Name or ID, Retail Theft \$300 or More
 Jordan, De'Shawn, 21, Orange Park, GCSPD, DWLSR
 Peterson, Ritchie, 44, Middleburg, CCSO, Grand Theft, Fraudulent Use of Credit Card, Petit Theft
 Smoke, Colton, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, VOP - Domestic Battery
 Waldrep, Deana, 29, Jacksonville, CCSO, Trespassing On Legally Posted Construction

Site, Burglary, Grand Theft From Posted Construction Site, Possession of Drug Equipment, Resisting an Officer

Monday, September 26

Carter, Kevin, 25, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis
 Digiacomo, Joel, 20, Orange Park, CCSO, Failure to Appear for Court
 Dionne, Katelyn, 21, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery
 Gordon, Mark, 33, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis
 Harrison, Michael, 50, Jacksonville, CCSO, Violence on an Officer Firefighter or EMT
 Hodges, Clarence, 48, Middleburg, CCSO, Domestic Battery
 Hudgins, Gentry, 30, Orange Park, CCSO, Dealing Stolen Property, Giving False Info to a Pawn Broker, Violate Probation - Community Control
 Keeney, Travis, 30, Green Cove Springs, GCSPD, Burglary, Grand Theft \$300-4,999, Dealing Stolen Property
 Lovett, Larry, 42, Jacksonville, CCSO, Criminal Mischief, FTA - Breach of Peace
 McDonald, Emanuel, 18, Orange Park, CCSO, Trespassing
 Moore, Corri, 40, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of a Controlled Substance, Cocaine Possession, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Equipment, Possession of Clonazepam
 Overa Lopez, Rigoberto, 43, Jacksonville, CCSO, Driving Without a Valid License
 Pedersen, Monica, 44, Jacksonville Beach, CCSO, FTA - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, FTA - Using Two-Way Communication to Facilitate a Felony
 Roberts, Antwuan, 29, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Drug Equipment, Cocaine Possession
 Scott, Michael, 37, Glen St. Mary, Fla., CCSO, DUI
 Stoneham, Jason, 47, Fleming Island, CCSO, VOP - Battery
 Sweet, Lashay, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Theft of Emergency Medical Equipment \$300 or More

Tillery, Harold, 27, Orange Park, CCSO, Failure to Appear for Court
 Watson, Glenda, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, VOP - DWLSR
 Willis, Benjamin, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, Violate Injunction For Protection
 Wright, Walter, 43, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft

Sunday, September 25

Hall, Bartlett, 40, Green Cove Springs, GCSPD, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Distributing a Controlled Substance, DWLSR
 Higginbotham, Jennifer, 39, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Battery
 Jigger, Herbert, 41, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
 King, George, 64, Middleburg, CCSO, Second Degree Attempted Murder Not Premeditated, Aggravated Assault With Intent to Commit a Felony, Shooting Into a Dwelling
 Mater, Daxton, 18, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Equipment
 Murphy, Morghan, 19, Jacksonville, CCSO, Petit Theft
 Richard, Stephen, 39, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery
 Sanchez, Benito, 42, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Contempt of Court
 Scitticatt, Daniel, 43, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Battery

Saturday, September 24

Arnold, Mikayla, 21, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of More Than 20 g. Cannabis
 Austin, Cynthia, 58, Green Cove Springs, GCSPD, DUI With Property Damage
 Bardin, Michael, 44, Middleburg, FHP, DWLSR, Leaving The Scene of an Accident With Injury
 Bowling, Charlie, 19, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Equipment
 Buza, Jenna, 22, Middleburg, CCSO, DUI
 Carr, Leonard, 55, Keystone Heights,

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Police

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civious behavior on a victim between the age of 12 and 16.

At press time, he remained in the Clay County jail where his bond is set at \$150,006.

Gizmo robber arrested

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS - A Bradford County man faces armed robbery charges after a confidential informant came forward to help police with the case.

The Clay County Sheriff's Office arrested Christopher Mark Adam Lee, 30, of Keystone Heights on Sept. 21 and charged him with robbing the Gizmo convenience store at 8090 State Rd. 100 in Keystone Heights at gunpoint at 2:54 a.m. on Sept. 4.

According to the arrest warrant, Lee entered the store brandishing a black pellet pistol in his right hand while wearing a black hoodie with a tribal design on the back and a black bandana covering his face.

An acquaintance of Lee's who has known him for 10 years told CCSO detectives that he had seen Lee the night of the robbery and saw the hoodie in the truck Lee was driving.

Lee told police that he and his girlfriend got into an argument over his addiction to crack cocaine and he snuck into his parent's room while they were sleeping and removed his father's truck keys. He then drove to County Road 214 and Gustafson Road where he parked and then walked to Gizmo. In the robbery, Lee got \$80 and six packs of cigarettes and then he ran back to the truck before heading to Putnam Hall to buy more crack.

During an interview with police, Lee confessed to the robbery and said the pellet gun was no loaded and that he did not mean to harm anyone.

At press time, he remained in the Clay County Jail with bond set at \$100,003.

Publix thief collared

ORANGE PARK - A woman who has been wanted since mid-July has been arrested and charged by the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

On Sept. 26, officers arrested Lashay Anwhon Sweet, 31, and charged her with theft of emergency medical equipment valued at \$300 or more in connection with a crime spree that took place July 22 at the Publix at 410 Blanding Blvd. near Orange Park.

According to the arrest warrant, Sweet and another woman were captured on surveillance video walking down the supermarket aisles pushing a shopping cart with a Styrofoam cooler inside. Police said the video showed Sweet and her accomplice walked down the health and beauty supply aisles strategically filling the cooler with products.

Two store managers observed "there were large amounts of items missing from the shelves in the Health and Beauty aisle in which they knew were inconsistent with what had been recently sold. After completing an inventory check they found where approximately \$566.79 had been stolen from the aisles," states the warrant. needs the public's help in trying to solve a June theft at a Blanding Boulevard Publix supermarket.

Police said Sweet and her accomplice met at the store entryway after walking through an unmanned checkout counter and left the store without paying.

Sweet was booked into the Clay County Jail but has since been released on \$10,003 bond. There is no word on the arrest of Sweet's accomplice in the theft.



Lashay Sweet



Christopher Lee

Clay County Sheriff's Office Most Wanted

As of Monday, September 26, 2016



Christopher Shane Parks
VOP Sexual Offender Probation
Traveling to Meet a Minor



Thomas David Daly
VOP Possession with Intent to Sell



Tyler Keith Rentz
VOP Drug Offender Probation



Natalie Elaine Brown
Grand Theft



Lashay Anwhon Sweet
Grand Theft-Retail



Corri Aurthell Moore
Possession of a Controlled
Substance



Zackary William Craghead
VOP Domestic Battery



Joshua Garrett Forbes
VOP Domestic Battery x3/
VOP Battery



William Anthony Napoli
NON-SUPPORT



Christopher Jerald Ellison
NON-SUPPORT



Clara Dawn Sowell
NON-SUPPORT

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

CRIME WATCH

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

CCSO Contact Numbers

Main: 264-6512
Emergency: 911
Community Relations: 213-6114

Thefts

9/27 archery equipment was stolen from a shed in the backyard of a home on Bronco Road in Middleburg.

9/27 the collection containers were stolen from the office area of St. Mark's Missionary Baptist Church on Forman Circle in Middleburg.

9/26 a bicycle was stolen from the community bicycle rack on Marsh Hawk Lane on Fleming Island.

9/26 a bicycle was stolen from a home on Burwick Avenue near Orange Park.

9/25 mail has been stolen from a home on Blanding Boulevard in Middleburg.

9/25 a firearm and miscellaneous personal items were stolen from a home on Sentry Oak Court in Margaret's Walk on Fleming Island.

9/25 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from a home on Hollybrook Lane in Argyle.

9/24 a firearm was stolen from a home on Live Oak Lane in Hibernia Forest on Fleming Island. It is unknown when the firearm was stolen.

9/23 a cellphone was stolen from an unattended backpack at Orange Park High on Kingsley Avenue.

9/23 an unlocked bicycle was stolen from Orange Park Junior High on Gano Avenue.

9/22 a bicycle was stolen from the Oakleaf High School on Plantation Oaks Boulevard.

9/22 an air conditioning unit was stolen from a home on Sandy Court in Orange Park.

9/21 a motorcycle was stolen from a home on Burwick Avenue in Orange Park.

9/21 personal items were stolen from an unlocked gym locker at Fleming Island High on Village Square Parkway.

Burglary to Structures

9/27 construction tools were stolen from the front porch of a home on Janell Drive near Orange Park.

9/26 electronics equipment was stolen from a home on Dorsey Court in Orange Park.

9/26 doors were tampered with on two

portables at Christ's Church on U.S. Highway 17 on Fleming Island. Nothing was reported missing.

9/26 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from ransacked home on Farm Way in Doctors Inlet.

9/24 two bicycles were stolen from a home on Debarry Avenue in Orange Park.

9/21 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from a home on Green Pine Circle in Oakleaf Plantation.

Burglary to Autos

9/27 miscellaneous personal electronics items were stolen from an unlocked ransacked vehicle at a home on Hayton Avenue near Orange Park.

9/26 a vehicle was ransacked at a home on Birchwood Drive near Orange Park. Nothing was reported missing.

9/25 miscellaneous personal items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle at the Walmart on Branan Field Road north of Middleburg.

Criminal Mischief

Wednesday, September 21

Bell, Taylor, 20, Orange Park, CCSO, Grand Theft \$5,000-9,999

Brown, Stephen, 25, Jacksonville, CCSO, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Carmack, Deja, 19, Middleburg, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

Dingler, Jamie, 26, Middleburg, CCSO, FTA - Retail Theft

Harvey, Willie, 35, Lithonia, Ga., CCSO, VOP - Burglary With Assault Or Battery

Howard, Jackie, 31, Fleming Island, OPPD, Two Counts of DWLSR

Lee, Christopher, 30, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Armed Robbery

Meeks, Tyler, 18, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Lewd and Lascivious Behavior on a Victim Age 12-16 By A Person Age 18 or Above, Lewd or Lascivious Molestation

Milner, Matthew, 29, Lithia Springs, Ga., CCSO, FTA - Failure to Pay or Respond to a Case, Derelict Vessel

Moore, Steven, 24, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - DWLSR

Morales, Nicholas, 21, Fleming Island, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, Possession of Drug Equipment

Smith, Austin, 20, Orange Park, CCSO, Simple Battery

Sweat, Danette, 52, Middleburg, CCSO, DUI

Sylvester, Robert, 35, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Failure to Report Residence to Law Enforcement, Providing False Registration

Thomas, Sabree, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis, DWLSR

Woods, Brandon, 27, Orange Park, CCSO, Possession of Not More Than 20 g. Cannabis

Young, Jeffrey, 27, Middleburg, CCSO, FTA - Leaving the Scene of an Accident

CCSO, Petit Theft, Possession of a Controlled Substance

Robinson, Brandon, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, DWLSR

Salkind, Walter, 44, Ormond Beach, Fla., CCSO, VOP - Petit Theft

Smith, Marcus, 28, Jacksonville, CCSO, VOP - Attempted Armed Robbery With a Firearm

Smith, Rayshawn, 19, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Stewart, Steven, 46, Middleburg, CCSO, Two Counts of Simple Domestic Battery

Thompson, Lisa, 43, Middleburg, CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Woodruff, Christina, 26, Middleburg, CCSO, VOP - Domestic Battery

Thursday, September 22

Adams, Jason, 36, Palm Coast, Fla., CCSO, Violating Injunction for Protection

Gabriel, Ava, 31, Orange Park, CCSO, Failure to Appear for Court

Henderson, Tyler, 25, Orange Park, CCSO, Domestic Battery

Kapelos, Jason, 25, Green Cove Springs, GCSPD, Driving Without a Valid License

Kapp, Stephanie, 27, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Grand Theft \$300-4,999, Identity Theft

Presha, Timothy, 57, Middleburg, CCSO, Possession of Cocaine With Intent to Sell or Manufacture

Robert, Nathaniel, 35, Orange Park, OPPD, Driving Without a Valid License, Giving False Name or ID

Scott, Tammy, 51, Green Cove Springs, CCSO, Retail Theft \$300 or More

Terherst, Johnny, 52, Middleburg, CCSO, DUI

Wilson, Susan, 52, Orange Park, CCSO, VOP - DWLSR, VOP - False Report of an Accident

Arrests

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CCSO, Grand Theft \$300-4,999

Fluhart, Anthony, 37, Middleburg, CCSO, DWLSR

Gutierrez, Jeffrey, 22, Spring Grove, Penn., CCSO, FTA - Grand Theft

Pearson, Breanne, 26, Celebration, Fla., CCSO, Simple Domestic Battery

Robinson, Brandon, 32, Orange Park, CCSO, Two Counts of DWLSR

Sarman, Jeremy, 36, Panama City, Fla., OPPD, Trespassing

Friday, September 23

Alicea, Juan, 53, Orlando, Fla., CCSO, VOP - Sexual Battery By Familial Authority

Buddi, Rihanna, 30, Middleburg, CCSO, Lewd and Lascivious Battery On a Victim Age 12-16 By Person Over Age 18, Distributing Obscene Material to Children

Cuello, Andy, 20, Middleburg, CCSO, Criminal Mischief

Elie, Jeffrey, 35, Orange Park, CCSO, VOP - Assault

Gietz, Jeffrey, 34, Orange Park, CCSO, Petit Theft

Holland, Shan'Na, 23, Jacksonville, CCSO, FTA - Battery

Johnson, Eric, 26, Orange Park, CCSO, Grand Theft \$300-4,999

Krokum, Andrew, 18, Keystone Heights, CCSO, Violating an Injunction Within 500 Feet of Residence School or Employer

Martin, Jessica, 35, Starke, Fla., CCSO, Uttering a Forged or Counterfeit Bill, Grand Theft \$300-4,999, Petit Theft

McGraw, Khristopher, 21, Jacksonville, CCSO, Driving Without a Valid License

Price, Nicole, 39, Green Cove Springs,



Avenue, Green Cove Springs. Become a vendor or participant, www.greencovesprings.com has application or call Felecia Hampshire, festival coordinator at (904) 622-7903.

PUMPKIN PATCH: Grand opening Oct. 1 from 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. (Mondays-Saturdays) and noon- 8 p.m. on Sundays, Asbury United Methodist Church, corner of College Drive and Blanding Boulevard. Sales through Oct. 31. Children's groups welcome for do-it-yourself face painting, themed photo areas, Story Telling by appointment. Info, (904) 272-0110.

DOIN' A GOOD THING: 6th Annual Fundraiser to benefit Miriam's Basket, a nonprofit that provides clothing for children in crisis. Oct. 1 at 6 p.m., Lions Club Building, 423 McIntosh Ave., Orange Park. Includes a silent auction. \$25 advanced purchase required at (904) 477-1975 or miriamsbasket11@gmail.com.

PUMPKIN PATCH: Calvary United Methodist Church, 112 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, opens its Pumpkin Patch Oct. 2. The patch will be open Sunday thru Friday from 12 noon till dusk and on Saturday from 9 a.m. till dusk. Bring your camera for family photo opps. Info, (904) 272-4210 between 8 a.m.-noon.

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE: Meets Oct. 4, at 10 a.m. and Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. in the BCC Meeting Room, fourth floor, administration building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. Open to the public.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meets Oct. 4 at 7 p.m., Board of County Commissioners meeting room, fourth floor, administration building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. The meeting is open to the public.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: Meets Oct. 6, Oct. 13, Oct. 20 and Oct. 27 at 10 a.m. in the Zoning Department Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the administration building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. Open to the public.

CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING: Oct. 6

Budget

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was created at the landowner's request, and will probably be used in the future to help pay for a road.

The Challenger MSTU is located along the First Coast Expressway in the Branan Field area, by Challenger Drive. Development along the Expressway is expected to virtually explode as it nears completion, and as the property in the Challenger MSTU is split up and sold, property owners there – whether commercial or residential – will pay the additional three mills.

Robinson said he agreed with the 8.1010 millage rate, which he said is lower than it was 20 years ago, but didn't like the extra three mills for the MSTU. The problem, he said is that in any budget period, it would only take three votes to do away with the MSTU, and then the county would be financially responsible.

"For that reason, I can't support this millage rate because there are things that could absolutely go wrong with this before it's over," he said.

Robinson gave no explanation for voting against the budget, only saying he would explain later.

The budget and millage rate go into effect Oct. 1. But some commissioners were already looking ahead to next year.

Commissioner Wayne Bolla said he was "still waiting for a parks plan" and would like to look at the future of the continuation of the one-cent sales tax, which voters approved in August.

"I'd like to see a plan of what we're going to do with the one-cent sales tax money, a comprehensive plan that covers maybe 10 years," he said, adding he knew, however, that wasn't going to be done "today."

Chairwoman Diane Hutchings said there would be more workshops coming at the beginning of the year with the new board members who will join the commission. Hutchings said it would be a time to "kind of hit the reset button" and "revisit everything and ticking things off now that the one-cent passed."

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– Wayne Bolla

"I agree with you, Commissioner Bolla, but for today, just going ahead and getting this budget done, I think we'll be in good shape," she said.

While the 8.1010 millage rate is the same as it has been, property owners may see their property tax bills rise. That's because property values, which took a significant hit after the financial crisis of 2008, are finally starting to rise again.

Increased property values equate to increased property taxes, Commissioner Wendell Davis emphasized, saying that's a question he is often asked when residents receive property bills.

One mill equates to \$1 in tax revenue for each \$1,000 in assessed property value. That means that at the 8.1010 rate, a \$150,000 home with a \$50,000 Homestead Exemption will see a property tax bill of some \$810.

Both Hutchings and Kopelousos thanked staff members for their work on the budget.

In other business, the commission voted 5-0 to approve a continuance on a rezoning request for property that partially borders Camp Blanding, but not without an extended discussion over the reasons for the continuance request.

The issue involved the final public hearing on a request from the owners of some 4,615 acres of property near State Road 21 and Sharon Road to rezone the area from AG (agricultural) to AR (agriculture residential).

The rezoning would allow for a ratio of one dwelling unit per 10 acres, as opposed to the existing ratio of one dwelling unit per 20 acres.

The property, some of which borders Camp Blanding, has three owners: the Bear Bay Timber Co. LLC; William McAr-

thur Trustee and Hawks Swamp LLC. The rezoning "brings the zoning up to speed with the land use," which was changed from AG to AR about eight years ago, said Susan Fraser of SLF Consulting, who is acting as representative for the owners.

The item came before the Planning Commission at its Sept. 6 meeting and was voted down 5-1. Some members of the Planning Commission said they were worried the rezoning request would lead to more future development and even require a possible new school. They also wondered why the request was coming up now.

At that meeting Fraser said there were no current plans for any subdivision, and that the request had more to do with conveying some property to two nephews.

Although officials from Camp Blanding were notified of the rezoning request, no one from the military base attended the Sept. 6 Planning Commission meeting or Tuesday's BCC meeting. Even so, Camp Blanding officials asked that the item be given a continuance so they could study it further.

A position is also available on the Planning Commission for a regular representative from Camp Blanding, but since the previous representative passed away a couple of years ago, the newly appointed representative has not attended, county officials said.

While expressing their support for Camp Blanding and all it does for the county as a major economic development driver, many officials made it clear they hoped the camp would be more involved in the future.

Commissioner Buck Burney, the commissioner in whose district Camp Blanding lies, said he was sure that would be the case. Burney's motion to bring back the rezoning request to the county commission (after more discussion with those at Camp Blanding) no later than the Nov. 10 meeting was approved 5-0.

That date will allow both Davis and Robinson to vote on the item before they leave office as county commissioners.

Library

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can stop by, open the door and borrow a book – or a few books.

"If you really like a particular book, you can keep it," said James McNicol, a local resident who opened the library with his wife. "People can also donate books."

The venture is part of the Little Free Library program, which began in Wisconsin seven years ago. The goal is to promote literacy and a love of reading throughout the United States and the world. Anybody can start such a library. The organization offers structures for purchase and kits to assemble. Or, folks can build their own.

The McNicols were inspired to get involved when they saw these libraries dur-

ing their travels.

"My parents lived in Dunedin, near Tampa, and there are four or five of the Little Free Libraries there," Melissa said. "Every time we'd visit, we'd bring some books to drop off and pick up some books."

They also encountered the Little Free Libraries in Maine, where they travel every summer for vacation, James said.

"We love reading, we love books, so we wanted to do this," Melissa said.

Another Little Free Library is registered in Clay County, but the McNicols' location is easily accessible to the public.

"We're in a neighborhood where every 15 minutes people are walking past here, so they can stop and pick up a book or stop and leave one," James said. "A

lot of people build them and put them in their yards, but because so many people come by the community park, we decided to put it at the park entrance, and the county gave us the go-ahead."

The McNicols' library is dedicated to Judy Robinson, a longtime elementary school teacher in Clay County, who continually promoted reading and recently retired.

The Little Free Library organization, which is based in Hudson, Wisc., estimates that 10 million books are shared at its structures every year.

Email Christiaan DeFranco at chris@opcfcla.com. Follow him on Twitter @cdefranco.

Community Calendar

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beginning at 9:30 a.m., Board of County Commissioners' meeting room, 4th floor, administration building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs. Open to the public.

CHAMPIONS FOR MERCY: To benefit the nonprofit Mercy Support Services, Oct. 6 from 6-8:30 p.m., Thrasher-Horne Conference Center on the campus of St. Johns River State College, \$100 per person with food, entertainment and auction items. RSVP (904) 297-4052.

OCTOBERFEST: Oct. 8, Advent Lutheran Church, 2156 Loch Rane Blvd., Orange Park, along with the Annual Pet Blessing and a Quilt Sale. (904) 272-6370 for times.

CLAY COUNTY CROP HUNGER WALK: Help fight hunger around the world and around the block, Oct. 9 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 400 St. Johns Ave., Green Cove Springs. Registration at 1:30 p.m. and the one to two-mile walk begins at 2 p.m. Each walker is asked to bring a jar of peanut butter, which will be donated to the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs and the Clothes Closet in Orange Park. Info, Kathy Kleist, (904) 866-1854, or kmkleist616@gmail.com.

SMOKING CESSATION CLASS: Free tools to quit smoking class at Orange Park Medical Center, Classroom 7, Oct. 13 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Free patches, lozenges, and gum. Free quit plan, workbook, water bottle, stress ball and more. Call to register, Northeast Florida AHEC (904) 482-0189.

TEEN COURT: Meets Oct. 13 and 20 at 5:30 p.m. at the Clay County Historical Courthouse, 915 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs. Teens can earn volunteer community service hours. Read our dress code requirements online at clayclerk.com, or call Debbie Mueller at (904) 278-3602 for more info.

BLACK HERITAGE FESTIVAL: Oct. 15 at 11 a.m., Hunter-Douglas Park, Hill Top Community, Longmire Avenue, Middleburg, presented by the Black Heritage Education Center and Museum and One Room School House of 1903. Celebrate the 22nd Anniversary of Hill Top Heritage Development Inc.

WILD GAME FEAST: to fund the civic program of Green Cove Springs Elks Lodge No. 1892, Oct. 15 at 3 p.m., 702 South Orange Ave. Green Cove Springs. Wild game and domestic food, desserts, live music, raffles and more. Open to the public. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Purchase tickets at the Elks Lodge or call Tim Smith, (904) 327-6690.

CAR SHOW AND COOKOUT: To benefit food and clothing mission of Good Samaritan Church, Oct. 15 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Tanglewood Station Shopping Center, 1241 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park. Free for visitors and spectators, \$25 show entry fee for vehicles and vendors. Info, Jim Wiliford, (904) 406-5660 or [Facebook.com/Goodsamcarshow](https://www.facebook.com/Goodsamcarshow).

FOOD PANTRY GALA: "For I was hungry and you gave me food" Gala to benefit the Food Pantry of Green Cove Springs, Nov. 4, Sullivan Center, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, U.S. 17, Fleming Island. Sponsorships available. Wynema Lovell, (904) 284-5789.

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Watch Cole's story at wolfsonchildrens.org/ER.



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DEFENSE

Kwame Clark
 Oakleaf High,
 Senior, DB No. 1



Clark swatted four passes away; one in the end zone, and snagged a second half interception to push the Oakleaf defense to shut down the Clay High offense in the Knights' 48-13 non-district win over the Blue Devils. Clark also had four tackles.

OFFENSE

Kesean Young
 Fleming Island
 High, Senior, RB
 No. 24



Young stepped into the Golden Eagle backfield for the first time and rambled for 155 yards and two scores to push Fleming Island to a 38-20 come-from-behind non-district win over 5A-Ridgeview High School. Young scored on runs of 20 and 11 yards with a 50 yard run setting up the 20 yard score.

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Sellinger gets the Gatorade splash



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St. Johns Country Day School head football coach Bill Sellinger gets a bucket of Gatorade over his head after winning his first game as Spartans' head coach; a 27-8 win over Florida School for the Deaf and Blind on Sept. 22 in St. Augustine. See story page 32.

Knights' defense overwhelms Blue Devils

By Randy Lefko
 Sports Editor

OAKLEAF – Buoyed by a string of defensive steals, the Oakleaf High football team reversed early season woes with a thunderous 48-13 non-district win over 5A-Clay High Sept. 23 at Oakleaf High School.

"We have not played well at all in the last two years against Oakleaf," said Clay coach Joshua Hoekstra. "We knew what type of team Oakleaf was and we learned a lot about our team and learned some very valuable lessons."

Oakleaf improves to 3-2, 0-1 while Clay also goes to 3-2, 0-1. Oakleaf travels to Fleming Island on Friday in a key dis-



Oakleaf High wideout Jamaric Bonner hauls in scoring pass in front of Clay High defender Jordan Copeland in Knights 48-13 win Friday night at Oakleaf High School.

trict 3-7A matchup that will have playoff implications with Bartram Trail and Buchholz both 1-0 in district play and Oakleaf and Fleming Island at 0-1. Fleming Island beat 5A-Ridgeview 38-20 in their Friday matchup at Fleming Island High School. Clay travels to Pedro Menendez (1-4, 0-1) for a key district 5-5A contest. Menendez lost 49-22 to unbeaten 5A-Ponte Vedra.

After back-to-back losses; to Ponte Vedra and to Gainesville Buchholz, Oakleaf coach Steve Reynolds had the right tone in his pregame chat with the Knights as Oakleaf answered quickly and decisively after a first quarter touchdown by Clay; a 38

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Orange Park 20, Middleburg 14, OT

Raiders dominate second half for OT win

By Mike Zima
Correspondent

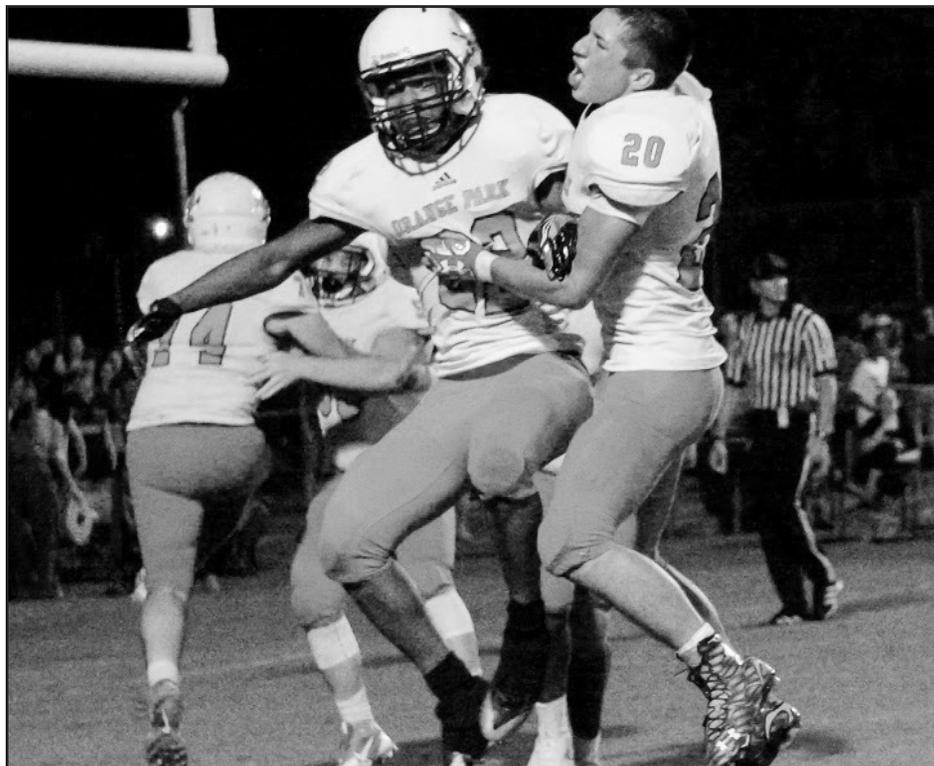
MIDDLEBURG – The Orange Park Raiders need to set their alarm clocks to wake themselves up an hour earlier on Fridays. For the second game in a row, the orange and black sleepwalked their way through a first half, committing three turnovers while falling behind host Middleburg 14-0 Sept. 23. Last week against Clay, Orange Park had two turnovers, including a punt snap that sailed over the punter's head leaving them with a 22-6 halftime deficit.

But unlike last week when furious rally fell just short in a 35-27 loss, this week their spirited second half lifted the Raiders to a 20-14 overtime victory that improved their record to 3-1 on the season.

"We did not make a single offensive or defensive adjustment at halftime," said Orange Park coach Tom MacPherson. "I just told them to own their mentality."

In the second half and overtime, the Orange Park defense held Middleburg to two first downs and 24 total yards while intercepting the Broncos' Garrett Blanchett twice. Antwain Thornton had two sacks, while Deontrae Thomas had two tackles for loss.

Meanwhile, the Raiders' offense clicked behind dual threat quarterback Demarae Byrd. Byrd ran for 148 of Orange Park's 261 rushing yards on just 12 carries against a Middleburg defense that had entered the game allowing just 47.5 rushing yards per game. After completing only two of seven first half passes, Byrd connected



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY PATRICK CRAWFORD
Orange Park High running back Kevin Dean celebrates with teammate Donovan Hargrett after scoring winning touchdown for Raiders in overtime 20-14 victory over Middleburg.

on seven throws over the final two quarters.

"Demarae Byrd is the only one who can stop Demarae Byrd," said MacPherson. "Other defenses cannot stop him if he has his head on straight."

The senior signal-caller capped a 60 yard march on the opening possession of the second half with a keeper from six yards out to cut the Broncos' lead in half.

The Raiders overcame three holding penalties on the drive, converting a third and 19 with a jet sweep by Melvin Perry and a third and 15 on a pass to Marquise Brown after Byrd escaped heavy pressure from Broncos defensive end Carvin Duverge. The score was the first touchdown allowed by Middleburg's defense in more than 10 quarters.

Orange Park attempted an onside kick

after Byrd's score and had it perfectly schemed, forming a cocoon of white shirts around the ball. However, Drew Hartley's bouncing kick did not travel the requisite 10 yards, so Middleburg gained possession in Raiders territory. Though the effort was not successful, MacPherson had sent a message to his team as to which team would be the aggressor would be in the second half.

Thornton's second sack forced a Middleburg punt, and Orange Park took over at their own 46. The Raiders drove fifty yards from there and faced fourth and three from the three yard line with 6:13 remaining. MacPherson could have opted for the field goal, figuring his team would get the ball back, but instead chose to go for the tying touchdown.

"I grabbed Byrd and said, 'Go win me this game,'" said MacPherson afterwards.

Byrd rolled left but could not find an open receiver, so he ran across the field to his right and found wideout Jordan Bundy running away from the defense for a touchdown. Hartley's PAT tied the game. Bundy was a favorite target for Byrd in the second half, hauling in all four of his receptions in the final two quarters.

Middleburg took possession first in the overtime. A two yard pass to Terron Allen, a four yard run by Alex Joe and a one yard run by Shad Taylor moved the ball to the three yard line and left Broncos' head coach Karl Smeltzer with a huge decision

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Young second half scampers power Golden Eagles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND – Ridgeview High ventured to nearby Fleming Island High for a non-district game that had some ramifications for the second half of each team's seasons.

Fleming Island, 3-1, 0-1 in district 3-7A, has had little offense since their season opener win (24-14) over Clay High with a 3-0 win over 6A-Middleburg and a 10-0 loss to district foe Bartram Trail. The offense has struggled with quarterback issues and coach Damenyum Springs has relied on a vicious defense to keep games close.

Ridgeview, winless under first year coach Cameron Porch, has gone through growing pains under his supervision with two lopsided losses; 42-25 to Yulee and 54-7 to Bartram Trail being interspersed with a 14-12 loss to 6A-Middleburg and a 36-30 loss to district foe Palatka last week.

The question on Friday was who would blink first in a quest for a win that could propel the rest of the season.



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA
Fleming Island running back Kesean Young sprints away from Ridgeview defender Jake Denny for a score in the Golden Eagles' 38-20 win Sept. 23.

Ridgeview quieted the filled Fleming Island stadium with a fast 20-9 lead after spotting the Golden Eagles a 6-0 lead off back-to-back runs of 75 and 85 yards by Fleming Island running backs Anfernee McCaskill, who went 75 yards to paydirt,

but the score got called back for a penalty flag. On the next play, fullback Robert Palmer mirrored McCaskill with his own 85 yard scamper to paydirt.

"We got the first score from Anfernee and the flag hurt, but we responded with

big Rob going to the house," said Springs. "After that, we kept stepping on our own toes."

Despite the penalty-flag induced setbacks in the first half, Fleming Island responded with a strong second half en route to a 38-20 non-district victory.

"It was our best half all season, not best game," said Porch. "They were very tough defensively and gave us problems, especially in the second half."

The Panthers were holding game with Golden Eagles on both sides of the ball as the first quarter ended.

Panther sophomore quarterback Tyler Huff found wideout Kyle Turner behind the Fleming Island defense for a 25 yard gain to the Golden Eagle 25 to set up an 11 yard pass to Jason Concepcion to the four before Huff punched into the end zone from a yard out.

Kicker Nick McCarter gave Ridgeview a 7-6 lead with 9:23 left in the half.

Fleming Island would move the ball

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then get a penalty flag before punting on their next series to set the Panthers up with a first down at their own 30 where Huff to Turner hit again for a 72 yard gain to the Golden Eagle seven yard line. Full-back Ryan Williams would score for the Panthers and put Fleming Island back 14-6 with 4:36 left in the half.

"They caught us out of coverage," said Springs.

For a third time, Huff found Turner deep and hit his sticky-finger wideout for a gain of 41 yards to the Fleming Island 31 yard line to set up a scoring run by Jadon Turner on the next play. Smenda would block the ensuing PAT kick, but Ridgeview now led 20-6.

"We thought we had a few things we could exploit against them but honestly it was just execution that made the offense hum in the first half, we didn't have many mental lapses and played with confidence," said Porch.

On the ensuing drive, Hyams would scramble for a 41 yard gain to the Panther 28, but Fleming Island had to settle for a field goal to score the game 20-9 as the half ended.

"They made the big plays off mistakes on us, for sure, but we didn't help ourselves by being in wrong coverages and blowing assignments," said Springs.

Fleming Island seemed determined to not let the Panthers out of the parking lot unscathed as the Golden Eagle offense released running back Kesean Young for a 33 yard run to the Panther eight. McCaskill would finish the drive to cut the score to 20-17 with 9:43 left in the third.

"With injuries to two backs, we had to pull Kesean from the defense and give him the ball," said Springs. "He had a breakout game for his first shot in the backfield."

Young would finish with 155 yards and two scores on just 16 carries.

"He ran like a big back," said Springs.

Late in the third, after both teams battled to stalemates, McCaskill smashed through for a 45 yard score to put the Golden Eagles up 24-20 at 4:06 in the third.

"They adjusted a couple of things defensively and beat us up front, we struggled to



get into a rhythm in the second half," said Porch.

Fleming Island defensive back K.B. Ashe intercepted Huff on the next drive to set up another series dominated by runs by Young who hit for 50 yards to the Panther 37 before scoring on a 20 yarder four plays later and a 31-20 Fleming Island lead.

A second interception in the second half, from Fleming Island linebacker Jackson Bull, set up a final Golden Eagle score from Young from 11 yards out.

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Ridgeview High running back Jadon Turner sneaks through hole in the Golden Eagles' defense in the Panthers' 38-20 loss Sept. 23.

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Walden scores twice in Spartans' victory

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ST. AUGUSTINE – St. Johns Country Day School first year football coach Bill Sellinger finally got his Gatorade dunk after his Spartans pulled off a 27-8 win over Florida Deaf and Blind Sept. 22 in St. Augustine. The Spartans record improves to 1-3. St. Johns will travel to Tallahassee Maclay (2-3) on September 30 before returning for two home games; St. Joseph's Academy (4-1) and Oak Hall (4-0).

"Even though it's just a regular season win, we fought hard in the first three games and just needed a bounce or two to go our way to get better results, this first win feels pretty good," said Sellinger. "I think the boys are starting to believe they are in the games and just have to finish to get the win."

Against Florida Deaf, a past nemesis for the Spartans in the Independent rankings of Florida, Spartans wideout Cade Wilson twice caught long scores that put the Dragons on their heels at key points of the game.

"Our offensive line was very small compared to them and Rocky (offensive coordinator Rocky Bantag) called a great game of little runs, passes and misdirection to keep them guessing to where we would go on offense," said Sellinger. "Josh Sherrill, SPartan quarterback had a good game and took command of the team on both sides of the ball."

St. Johns opened the scoring with Sherrill finding Walden behind the Dragons' secondary for a 60 yard scoring pass play that put the Spartans up 6-0.

In the second quarter, Sherrill took a quarterback option 79 yards to paydirt to up the score to 13-0 with 5:36 left in the half.

"He just found a seam and he has the option to go when that happens," said Sellinger. "He's such a smart player."

St. Johns' defense, led by Sherrill at end with teammates Brom Peterson and Cody Myers manning the other side, kept the Dragons strong running game at bay with Florida Deaf only able to get past mid-field once in the first half.

In the final drive of the first half, Florida Deaf finally broke into the St. Johns field and got as close as the Spartans two yard line where defensive tackle Tyler Grogg twice thwarted

Walden twice.



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

St. Johns Country Day School wide receiver Cade Walden sprints away from Florida Deaf defender with 60 yard touchdown pass play in Spartans' 27-8 win on Thurs., Sept. 22.

Dragons' attempts to get into the end zone to end the half at 13-0 for St. Johns.

Out of the lockers for the third quarter, quarterback Max Monroe found Walden for his second score with a 41 yard pass to the end zone to push the score to 20-0.

"He threw a great pass and Cade went after it," said Sellinger. "I told them to use the play to keep the ball moving forward."

Florida Deaf would score on a 40 yard run to make the score 20-8 with the Dragon

ground game starting to get some traction.

Neither team could budge through the third quarter before fullback Logan Higby punched in from five yards out a play after Walden caught a 30 yard pass from Sherrill.

With the score now at 27-8, Florida Deaf stuck with their ground game, but it was Spartan defensive tackle Grayson Hall coming up with the big stop on a third and 12 to stall the final effort.

Clock is ticking in dash to playoff spots

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND – With all of Clay County area high school football teams weathering some unnerving games in the early part of 2016, this week's district lineups will prove to either be fatal or fruitful as mid-season arrives.

Clay High (3-2, 1-0) with three consecutive district titles on the line, has shown some vulnerabilities, but only against out of class teams such as 7A-Fleming Island and 7A-Oakleaf. A 43-7 win over 6A-Gainesville was a booster, but a second half implosion against Orange Park added even more questions.

District 5-5A (Week 5)

Baker County (4-0, 1-0; Beat Menendez

45-14; Big Win: 6A-St. Augustine 23-21)

Clay (3-2, 1-0; Beat Orange Park 35-27;

Big Win: 5A-OP)

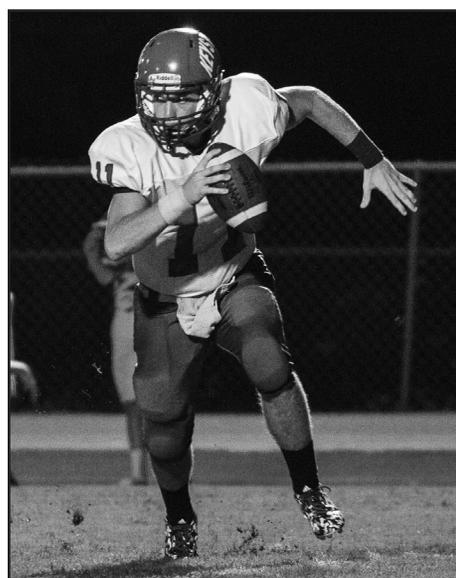
Palatka (3-1, 1-0; Lost opener 62-21 to 6A Vanguard)

Orange Park (3-1, 0-1; Beat Yulee 10-7; 2nd half points v. Clay)

Ridgeview (0-5, 0-1; Lost to Palatka 36-30 in final minute)

Menendez (1-4, 0-1)

Behind district leader Baker County,



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY TONYA GIBBS

Keystone Heights quarterback Matt Stovall will be facing district foes in next few weeks.

under new coach Jamie Rogers, who left Suwannee High School after a region finals loss last year that could have matched the Bulldogs against Clay instead of Wakulla, will get the first shot at an always dangerous Palatka team (Sept. 30) that has historically made the district final lineup a mess. Baker County goes from Palatka to

an improved Middleburg team then hosts Orange Park and Clay for their final thrust.

Clay runs the gauntlet after Menendez and a BYE week with Ridgeview, Baker County and Palatka all stacked up to test the Blue Devils at what is historically the strongest end of coach Joshua Hoekstra's scheduling.

Orange Park, and coach Tom Macpherson, may very well be the most dangerous team within reach primarily because of Macpherson's history of winning the right games while at Ridgeview to produce titles. Ridgeview and new coach Cameron Porch took 7A-Fleming Island into the dark side last week and had a hiccup in their loss to Palatka. Porch is fired up to be a spoiler and is a battler to the very end. If his young Panthers get a couple of bounces, it may very well be Ridgeview High's aura of district titles and not Macpherson magic (LOL).

In district 3-7A, Oakleaf High and Fleming Island both have firepower in their attacks but have not quite found the right combinations in single games. Fleming Island scored just three against 6A-Middleburg, but crushed a fully-healthy Clay while Oakleaf lost to unbeaten 5A-Ponte Vedra on mistakes and also beat an inju-

ry-depleted Clay High last week. Fleming Island successfully slowed the high-octane Bartram Trail offense except for a trick play in that loss.

If either team gets fully on track, the end of season could be showdown season for the top four.

District 3-7A

Bartram Trail (3-2, 1-0; Beat Fleming Island;

Lost to 6A-St. Augustine)

Buchholz (3-1, 1-0; Beat Oakleaf; BYE this week)

Oakleaf (3-2, 0-1; Lost to Buchholz; Bartram Trail Oct. 28)

Fleming Island (3-1, 0-1; Lost 10-0 to Bartram Trail; Oakleaf Sept. 30)

Creekside (0-4, 0-0)

In district 4-6A, Middleburg has been sporadically good and bad with a blow-out of Englewood, but zero points against Fleming Island plus a shutout second half loss to Orange Park. St. Augustine, with a season opening loss to 5A-Baker County (23-21) looks the same as the Joey Wiles era and will be the frontrunner. Behind the Yellow Jackets, Ed White, Nease and

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to make. Smeltzer chose to send kicker Matt Oliver onto the field for a field goal attempt. Middleburg intentionally took a delay of game penalty to set up a better angle for Oliver, but it proved to be their undoing when his attempt hit the left upright and bounced back into the end zone, firing up the Raiders and disheartening the Broncos.

It took only two plays for Orange Park to steal the win.

Kevin Dean gained five yards up the middle on first down. On the next play, Dean took a handoff, ran off tackle to his right, escaped Duverge's grasp in the backfield and ran untouched across the goal line, setting off a huge celebration on the visitors' sideline and leaving the Broncos shaking their heads. Dean had been inserted at tailback for the overtime because Raiders fullback Twain Newton had been injured late in the game, forcing MacPherson to move starting tailback Darrell Vann to fullback.

"We've got three backs that we like," said MacPherson, referring to Dean, Vann — who gained 47 yards on 11 carries — and Deontrae Thomas, who chipped in with 27 yards on seven carries. "They all bring dif-



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY PATRICK CRAWFORD

Middleburg High running back Alex Joe tries to break from Orange Park linebacker Twain Newton for a gain in the Raiders' come-from-behind overtime win Sept. 23.

ferent things to the game."

Orange Park returns to District 5-5A action Sept. 30 when it celebrates homecoming against Ridgeview, MacPherson's former employer.

If Orange Park slept through the first half, the Broncos needed an energy drink to stay awake in the second half.

"We want to play hard, fast, and physical, and we did that in the first half," said

Smeltzer.

The Broncos' opportunistic defense forced fumbles on three consecutive Raiders' possessions in the second quarter in seizing a two-touchdown lead. Defensive end Andrew Austin wrestled a mishandled shotgun snap away from Raiders' tight end Nick Brinson at the Orange Park 24 yard line, setting up the game's first score, a five yard touchdown run by the Broncos' Robert Lowder. Defensive back Travis Hupp recovered an errant lateral and returned it 13 yards, leading to a Blanchett scoring run from 16 yards out and a 14-0 Middleburg lead. The third fumble, recovered by defensive back Terron Allen, thwarted a Raiders drive that had reached Middleburg territory.

Blanchett was effective in the first half, completing eight of 14 passes, but hit on only one of his first five throws of the second half.

"The second half was sloppy and very sluggish," said Smeltzer. "I think they [his players] thought they had the game won."

Senior safety Zach Scarbrough kept the Broncos from losing in regulation, picking off a Byrd pass in the end zone and returning it 25 yards with 0:09 left.

Middleburg, now 2-3 and 1-0 in District 4-6A play, travels to Ed White Friday for a district game.

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yard pass from quarterback Jaylan Jenkins to wideout Ajay Belanger at the 5:06 mark of the first quarter.

"That may have been the only fade pass I've ever seen completed against an Oakleaf defense," said Oakleaf coach Steve Reynolds. "We game planned for a typical Clay look and they changed it."

Reynolds' reference to different looks was because Clay was without its two primary ballcarriers with seniors Colin Wilson and Marcus Jones, plus a handful of other starters, both out with injuries.

With their first two offensive series creating no offensive movement; a fumbled snap, a screen pass sniffed out by Clay linebacker Rico Schnitzler and a dropped pass, Oakleaf, even after a fumble recovery by linebacker Anthony Norris, appeared to be in a stupor with the Blue Devil mystique from past years and past games, but Knights' running back Keshawn King a sophomore, rang the wakeup bell with a scintillating 76 yard touchdown run on the Knights' first play after the kickoff. King finished with 106 yards on just 10 carries with three scores for the night; one a scoring pass.

"He (King) had a great game against Ponte Vedra (188 yds) two weeks ago and came out strong tonight," said Oakleaf quarterback Jordan Johnson. "His touchdown run woke us up."

Clay, though, had a different plan, with linebacker Zach Alvarado coming up big twice with a recovered punt snap fumble and an end zone fumble recovery of a mis-



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Oakleaf High's defense, led by linebacker Anthony Norris, No. 3, crashes in to get punt block off Clay High punter Chris Hancher in first half action of Knights' 48-13 win on Sept. 23.

guided pass play by Oakleaf. Alvarado's first recovery came at midfield and led to a blocked field goal attempt by Oakleaf defensive back Nick Roberts.

On the second fumble, Oakleaf threw a swing pass on second down from their own 19 that created a backward scrum for the ball that landed Alvarado at the bottom of a pile with the ball in the end zone.

Clay looked again to be gaining control of the game's highlight reel, but King thumbed the effort with his second touchdown on the ensuing series; a one yarder that tied the game at 13-13 with Clay defender Wilgens Dorvilus crushing the point after kick attempt by Oakleaf kicker Gio Abreu.

Clay quarterback Jaylan Jenkins nearly upped the score quickly on the Blue Devils' next series with two wide open receivers

behind the Oakleaf secondary; Tyler Lewis and Cedrick Brown, but overthrew both. Oakleaf safety Kwame Clark knocked down a third pass attempt to Clay wideout Derek Smith to set up a punt for Clay that the entire Oakleaf defense smashed with Norris getting a hand on the rushed kick.

Starting at midfield, Oakleaf would generate no offense, but the defense; behind a crushing tackle on Clay back Tymious Goodman from defensive end Bradley Williamson-Hunter would cause a fumble back to Williamson-Hunter on the Clay 23.

"Bradley played lights out in the middle and clogged their running lanes all night," said Reynolds.

Johnson launched an end zone pass to wideout Jamaric Bonner for the quick response and a 20-13 Oakleaf lead with 1:29 left in the half.

"I was getting more time in the pocket and not having to run away from pressure," said Johnson. "Our linemen did a good job of giving me time."

Clay came right back with Jenkins blasting a 26 yard scramble to midfield before hitting Lewis for 31 yards to the Knight 27 yard line. Jenkins hit Smith on a 10 yard slant pass, but Smith dropped a wide open end zone pass to set up a field goal attempt that went wide to end the half.

Oakleaf came up big first in the second half with Clark snagging an interception at the Clay 26 and returning it to the nine yard line. Two run plays to King got to the one where Clark took a quarterback snap in the Knights' "Big" offense and scored to put Oakleaf up 27-13.

Clark would have his name on the speakers just a minute later with a blocked punt at the Clay 25 leading to a touchdown pass play from Jenkins to wideout Rontrez Morgan with 8:00 on the clock. "Five turnovers in a game against a well coached team is tough to overcome," said Hoekstra.

Another fumble; from Clay running back Angel Valdez, got picked up by Oakleaf's DeAnthony Hill at the Clay 42 and set up a Johnson scoring scramble from the Clay 13 to push the score to 40-13 with 3:09 to go in the third quarter.

Oakleaf's defense got yet another steal on Clay's next drive with defensive back Zacharia Nesby picking off Jenkins at the Clay nine yard line. Johnson moved the Oakleaf offense through a seven play scoring drive that ended with King getting his third score of the night; a 13 yard pass to put Oakleaf up for the final 48-13.

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Valdosta, West Florida match pits together area grads

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

VALDOSTA, Ga. – Five area football graduates highlighted an exciting 40-28 victory for the Valdosta State University football team over visiting University of West Florida at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium in Valdosta on Saturday.

An impressive start fizzled out for the Blazer football team on Saturday night at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, but the VSU defense forced some key turnovers down the stretch to give Valdosta State a 40-28 Gulf South Conference win over West Florida.

In a historic matchup that marked the first-ever GSC game for the Argonauts, the Blazers took the first possession and marched down the field behind the arm of Roland Rivers. Valdosta (2-1, 0-1) built a 20-7 first quarter lead and held a 20-14 lead at the half, but West Florida (2-2, 0-1) answered with 14 third quarter points to force a second half surge by the Valdosta defense for the final 40-28 win.

On the rosters of both sides were area players including Ryan Birge, a defensive end from Fleming Island High School, and linebacker Chris Sakamoto, a linebacker from Clay High School, both getting significant playing time for the West Florida defense. Birge was on the field for pass rush situations and, due to his 6-foot-5 height on punt and field goal defense. Sakamoto was on kickoff return duties while being inserted as linebacker in certain situations.

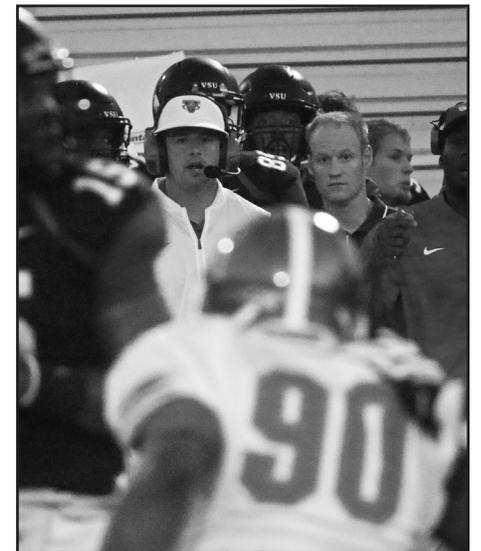
On offense for the Valdosta State Blazers, sophomore center David May, from Fleming Island High School, has been starting since his freshman year and running back Qhahlin Patterson, a Ridgeview High graduate, ran five times for 19 yards with one a touchdown nullified by penalty in the first half. Patterson also had duties as a kick returner for the Blazers. Patterson transferred from Presbyterian College to Valdosta this year and transitioned in as a key backfield player for first-year coach Kerwin Bell, the former Jacksonville University head coach.



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Former Clay High linebacker Chris Sakamoto saw kickoff return action and linebacker spots in a West Florida loss to Valdosta State University on Sept. 24 in Valdosta, Ga.



Ridgeview High running back Qhahlin Patterson, here in the end zone for Valdosta State University, transferred from Presbyterian College to join the Blazers and has earned plenty of playing time in the backfield and as a kick returner.



Fleming Island High grad Kade Bell, with hat, is graduate quarterback coach at Valdosta after stellar career at Jacksonville University.

Joining the players on the sideline, for Valdosta, was former Fleming Island High quarterback Kade Bell, who is on staff as a graduate assistant quarterbacks coach after setting numerous Jacksonville University records under his dad, Kerwin Bell.

More college football news

Oakleaf High running back Aaron Duckworth continued his strong running for the University of Idaho with a 90 yard effort with one score in the Vandals overtime 33-30 win over Nevada-Las Vegas on Saturday. Orange Park High quarterback Jacob Mezera threw for 185 yards on 17 of 28 passes for Fort Hays State in a 34-7 win over Northeastern State. Fort Hays is 2-1. The Tigers rushed for a season-high 225 yards last week against Central Oklahoma, while quarterback Jacob Mezera threw for a season-high 250 yards. The Tigers are now 18-1 since the start of 2013 when rushing for over 200 yards in a game.

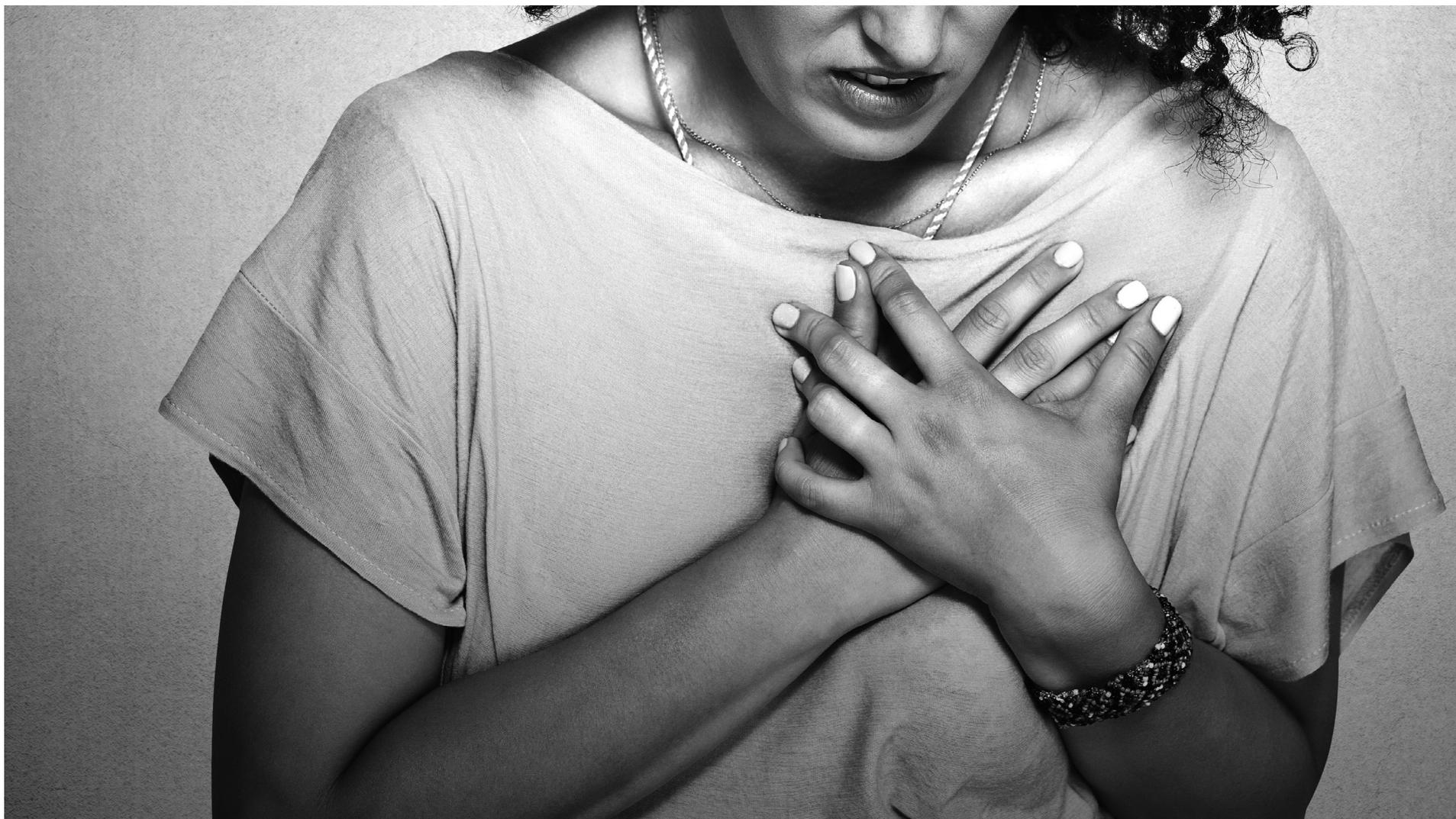
Ridgeview High wide receiver Mitchell Galloway caught three passes for 54 yards with a 22 yarder for Dakota State University in a 36-17 win over Jamestown University (ND) on Sat., Sept. 24.



Fleming Island High grad Ryan Birge, No. 95, has used his 6-foot-5 stature as a pass rush specialist and kick block player for the University of West Florida.



Fleming Island High grad David May, No. 63, has been the starting center for Valdosta State University since his freshman year and has earned All-American status in NCAA Division II.



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Go Knights

Oakleaf High cheerleader Katie Krueger smiles as her Knights football team runs on to the field prior to the start of Oakleaf and Clay football clash on Sept. 23. Oakleaf won 48-13 and will travel to Fleming Island on Sept. 30 for a key district 3-7A contest.

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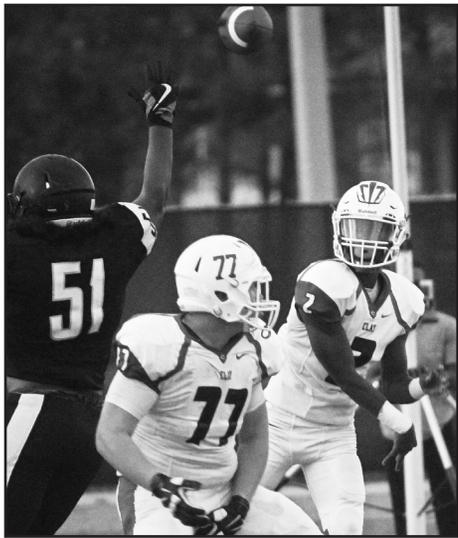
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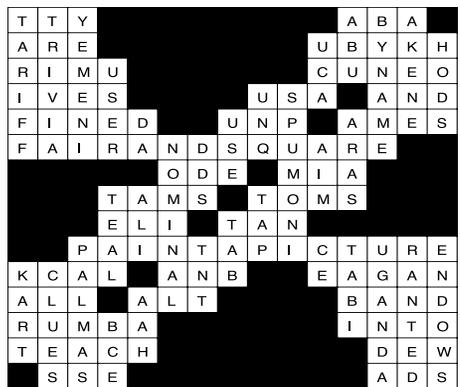
District

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Englewood can chew each other up for the second slot with neither with a clear advantage.

In district 3-4A, Keystone Heights coach Chuck Dickinson has his first district game this week against P.K. Yonge after some soul-searching for a solid game plan against some tough losses. The Indians have always been in the hunt come district time, but this row will be a tough hoe with Santa Fe and Bradford the two clear frontrunners. Interlachen, P.K. Yonge and Keystone Heights will need an upset or two to contend.

Bradford, with former Orange Park and Fleming Island coach Corey Green at the head coach slot, has blasted scores of 49-0, 35-14, 51-14 and 44-0 with Green's offense expertise. Bradford has Santa Fe on September 30 so the picture will be slightly clearer for the Indians possible run at a number two spot. Santa Fe has former Oakleaf coach Cliff Harrell running the show with an opening loss to still-unbeaten (5-0) 1A-Newberry (22-6).



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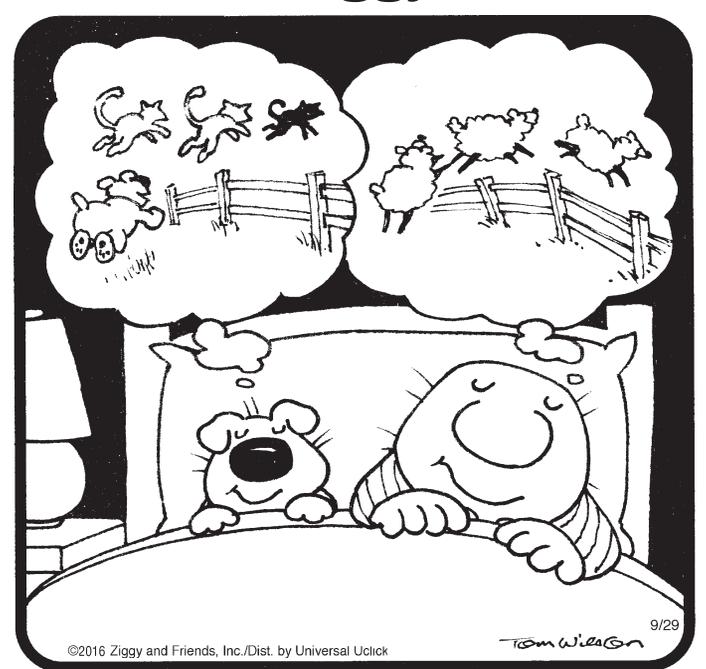
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IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time for the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2016-CA-000045
FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,
vs.
TERRI LYNN JOHNSON AKA TERRI NALL WOLFERT, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered July 19, 2016 in Civil Case No. 2016-CA-000045 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, wherein FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY is Plaintiff and TERRI LYNN JOHNSON AKA TERRI NALL WOLFERT, et al., are Defendants, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Clay County Clerk of Courts, 825 North Orange Avenue, on the front steps, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 at 10:00 A.M. in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 11th day of October, 2016 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

CONDOMINIUM UNIT NO. 2031 OF WELLS RIDGE TWO, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 815, PAGE 603 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH AN UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS APPURTENANT THERETO.

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 12th day of September, 2016.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Taylor Solomon
Deputy Clerk

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at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 13-CA-001083
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, DOING BUSINESS AS CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR BCAT 2015-13ATT, Plaintiff,
vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LEINORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST THEMAS K. BARBIER A/K/A THOMAS KENNETH BARBIER, DECEASED, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on September 22, 2016 in the above-captioned action, the following property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as: **LOT 7, BLOCK 3, BLACK CREEK PARK, UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 13, PAGES 32, 33 AND 34 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A CERTAIN 1986 HORNET MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREOF AS A FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO: VIN#H54301G.**

Shall be sold by the Clerk of Court on the 21st day of November, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the front door of the Clay County Courthouse, 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, to the highest bidder, for cash, after giving notice as required by section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. The court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein. If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net.

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

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
BY: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO: 2016-CA-000352
DIVISION:
U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER

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PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff,
vs.
CALLIE POTTER, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 15, 2016, and entered in Case No. 2016-CA-00352 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which U.S. Bank Trust, N.A. as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, is the Plaintiff and Callis Potter, Dennis Pitter, Household Finance Corporation III, 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 20th day of October, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure: **LOT 3, BLOCK 113, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11 PAGES 1 THROUGH 13 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO, DESCRIBED AS: A 1998 SPRINGER DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING IDENTIFICATION NUMBER(S) GAFLV34A70672SH21 AND GAFLV34B70672SH21 AND TITLE NUMBER(S) 75199916 AND 7519913. A/K/A 2495 COSMOS AVE, 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 16th day of September, 2016.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By Alissa Demay
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 38057 published Sept 22 and Sept 29, 2016 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 15-208315

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 2015CA001255

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF FLORIDA, Plaintiff,
vs.

MELISSA A. WEST; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MELISSA A. WEST; RETREAT OF CLAY COUNTY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; CLERK OF COURTS FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 1 and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION 2, Defendants

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 19, 2016, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on October 17, 2016 at 10:00 A.M. on the front steps of the Clay

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County Courthouse located at 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL, the following described property:

LOT 61, RETREAT UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 49, PAGE 17 THROUGH 23, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 3201 GINNY LAKE DR., 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: September 22, 2016

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN, CLERK
CLAY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
By: Taylor Solomon
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO: 2016-CA-000557
DIVISION:

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC FKA GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
LAWRENCE M. MOSELEY, III, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 22, 2016, and entered in Case No. 2016-CA-00557 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida in which Ditech Financial LLC FKA Green Tree Servicing LLC, is the Plaintiff and LAWRENCE M. MOSELEY, III A/K/A LAWRENCE M. MOSELEY A/K/A LAWRENCE MACDONALD MOSELEY LLL; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A.; STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; TRISHA MOSELEY A/K/A TRISHA K. MOSELEY AND UNKNOWN PARTY #1 N/K/A DENICE FRITZ 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 7th day of November, 2016, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure: **A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE**

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OF WEST LINE THEREOF, RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST, 1201.92 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST, 355.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST, 134.53 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE ON LAST SAID LINE, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST, 355.03 FEET TO SAID WEST LINE OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4; THENCE ON LAST SAID LINE NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 03 SECONDS EAST, 136.54 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES COVERING THE FOLLOWING: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 34; THENCE ON THE NORTH LINE THEREOF, NORTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST, 330.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 89 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST, 50.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST, 1158.95 FEET; THENCE ON THE ARC OF A CURVE CONCAVE NORTHERLY AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.0 FEET, RUN THRU A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 300 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 261.80 FEET, SAID ARC BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF NORTH 89 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 57 SECONDS WEST, 50.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 03 SECONDS EAST, 1158.29 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO, DESCRIBED AS A DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME BEARING TITLE NUMBERS 65580188 AND 65580190 AND VIN NUMBERS G MHGA 131927036A AND GMHGA131927036B. A/K/A 3222 MILL CREEK RD.,

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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 22nd day of September, 2016.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By Marla Albert
Deputy Clerk

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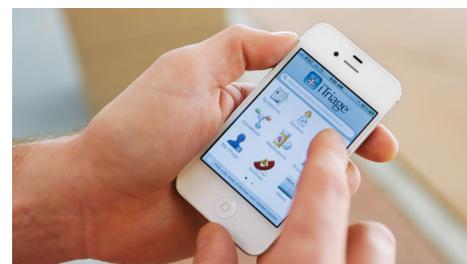


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