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Clay charter panel hires lawyer, sets agenda

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Monitor Editor

Clay County's Charter Review Commission retained Wayne E. Flowers of Lewis, Longman and Walker as its legal counsel during the committee's Dec. 16 meeting. The St. Johns County resident said that although he does not have specific county charter review experience, he has performed many of the tasks a counsel for the committee would accomplish, including writing ballot language.

The commission also set the agenda for its Jan. 6 meeting.

Chair Brian Campbell said the group will discuss three charter proposals that directly relate to county commissioners during that meeting: term limits for commissioners, salaries for commissioners and whether commissioners should be elected at large rather than the current practice of single-member districts.

The committee combined three additional proposals into a second group of potential charter changes: the appointment of sheriff, electing county officials on a non-partisan basis and term limits for constitutional officers. Campbell said he wanted to discuss those proposals later in January.

The commission also grouped a third collection of proposals relating to future charter review committees into another package of recommendations. Those proposals would change the process in which members are selected, consider from what districts members are drawn from and discuss how often the charter review committee should meet.

In earlier meetings, the panel listed 11 charter changes it would deliberate. Those proposals are 1) refining the appointment process and eligibility requirements for future charter review commissions, 2) creating a Clay County Commission on Human Relations, Diversity and Equal Opportunity, 3) appointing, rather than electing the sheriff, 4) changing term limits for county commissioners, 5) holding non-partisan elections for all Clay County offices, 6) changing salaries of county commissioners, 7) changing how future charter review commission members are appointed to improve fair representation, 8) changing the frequency of future charter review commissions, 9) electing county commissioners at-large, 10) creating a transparency code and 11) imposing term limits on county constitutional offices.

During the commission's Dec. 16 meeting, William Randall, who recommended the creation of the commission on human relations, diversity and equal opportunity, suggested the charter review committee convene a meeting or forum during the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Diversity Breakfast on Jan. 20. Randall said that during the breakfast, the executive director of Duval County's human relations

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Lake Region pastors point to true meaning of Christmas

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Many Lake Region pastors reminded their congregations of the true meaning of Christmas during the last Sunday before the holiday.

Craig Moore of Keystone United Methodist Church asked his congregation to focus on Luke 2:10-11. That passage describes the good news heralded by angels to shepherds watching over their flocks near Bethlehem.

"10 And the angel said to them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (ESV)

"In verse 10, the angel says, 'I am bringing you good news of great joy,' Moore told the

congregation. "Now, that was a very profound announcement, one that escapes our attention if we just quickly read through that."

He added that the angel's declaration of glad tidings of great joy is a well-known part of Luke's Christmas story. Moore argued that the use of good news has been watered down over the centuries to refer to any type of positive disclosures.

"We would consider it good news if we read in the paper or heard on the news that the Florida Gators were going to recruit some really good football players for next year," he said. "Or it would be good news if you drove down through Keystone and you saw that gas prices had dropped 25 cents."

Moore said that was not the type of good news the angels

were bringing to the shepherds in the Judean countryside.

"When the angels announced good news of great joy to the shepherds," he said, "they were not talking in religious terminology, because the Greek word for good news of great joy was a common, everyday secular word. What it meant to the shepherds was literally an announcement of a history-changing, life-altering event."

"It was one of those news flashes that you get that you know is going to change the world as you know it," he continued. "That is why when the angels made the announcement and the shepherds heard it, they immediately decided to go to the manger because they wanted to be witnesses of this game-changing event. That little baby laying in a manger, with

his Mom and Dad, according to what the angels had told the shepherds, was going to make a monumental impact on the world."

Moore said that one way the arrival of Jesus was good news of great joy was because he brought to his followers mercy instead of justice.

"Justice is getting what we deserve," he said. Think about this. If you violate the laws of God, what do you deserve?"

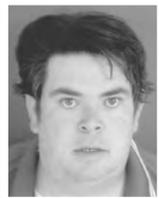
"In Romans chapter three, verse 21 it says the wages of sin is death," he added. "That is justice. But part of the good news that the angels announced to the shepherds—the monumental, life-altering, history-making news is that you and I can receive mercy."

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Deputies: Clerk's IT director stole county hardware

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Clay County deputies arrested a man for grand theft who until earlier this month was the information technology director for Clay County Clerk of Court Tara Green.



Hamilton

Michael John Hamilton, 37, of Green Cove Springs was also charged with dealing in stolen property and giving false

verification of ownership to a pawn dealer. The charges against Hamilton are not proven and he is presumed innocent until adjudicated guilty by a court.

According to court papers, on Nov. 23 Hamilton sold a SonicWall firewall system belonging to the county and valued at \$1,940.61 to Big Cash Pawn in Green Cove Springs for \$200. Green had reported the hardware stolen on Nov. 19 and told deputies she suspected Hamilton in the theft.

Green said Hamilton was in charge of renovating an IT server room, a responsibility which required him to order and receive many pieces of computer equipment.

"As our IT Director, Hamilton had access to all types of equipment. He took advantage of the trust and security access that was given him," Green said in a press release.

Hamilton was hired in January 2013. His only previous arrest in Clay County was for driving with a suspended license.

The sheriff's office said it suspects Hamilton in dozens of additional thefts and added its investigators are combing through pawn shop transactions over the past several months.

Candidate's daughter killed in crash

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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The daughter of a Clay County Commission candidate was killed when the car she was in struck a tree in Jacksonville.

Five-year-old Kelsey Johnson of Middleburg was the daughter of Steven R. Johnson, a candidate for the District 4 commission seat. District 4 covers western Clay County including Kingsley Lake and Keystone Heights.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, the child's mother and Johnson's former fiancée, Crystle Lynne Heidrick, 28, of Middleburg was driving a 2008 Chevrolet Impala northbound on I-295 near Philips Highway at 12:45 a.m. on Dec. 19.

Heidrick was traveling in the left emergency lane, and then entered the center median when the emergency lane ended.

The driver overcorrected while attempting to get back on the road, crossing the northbound

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Senior Center celebrates Christmas

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Around 100 people packed the Keystone Heights Senior Center on Dec. 20 for the organization's Christmas celebration.

Drew DeCandis, the new executive director for the Clay County Council on Aging introduced himself to Keystone Heights seniors.

Girl Scouts from the Okeweno service unit served a meal catered by Mary Johnson. The scouts also passed out treat cups they made for the event and sang Christmas carols.

Senior Center Manager Jennifer Nelson spoke to the crowd, reviewing some of the service projects the center completed over the past year.

Nelson said that after the event, volunteers planned to deliver meals to the center's dialysis clients who could not attend the celebration.



Norma Sheldon, Herb Sheldon, Lily Dowell, Mackenzie Lemaster, Jillian Pass, Charles Smith and Leah Varney at the Keystone Heights Senior Center Christmas celebration Dec. 20.

Clay board to discuss sex businesses in January

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Clay County attorney Mark Scruby told the board of county commissioners he will give them an update on a proposed adult entertainment and sexually oriented business ordinance in January.

Scruby said he intended to present the results of his research to the board during its Dec. 10 meeting. However, one of the four attorneys he contacted about the issue has yet to call him back.

On Nov. 4 the commission's Economic Development Committee discussed replacing the county's ban on adult entertainment businesses with an ordinance that would allow such establishments in certain areas of the county. Scruby told the committee that by using zoning laws, the commission could control aspects of how adult entertainment businesses are run, including the times in which they are open and the manner in which they conduct business.

He also said that the county's current outright ban on the sexually oriented establishments would likely not survive a court challenge.

During the Nov. 12 county commission meeting, around a dozen members of the public, most of them pastors from local churches, said they opposed the change. They

urged commissioners to seek additional legal advice.

Keystone Heights resident Tom Croft, who pastors MorningStar Family Church in Middleburg, questioned Scruby's assessment that the county's current ordinance would likely lose a court battle.

"Maybe we need to get some constitutional attorneys involved," he said. "I know that there are a lot of them that practice before the Supreme Court that might have a different opinion."

At the Dec. 10 meeting, Scruby told commissioners that during a break in the November meeting, he asked the pastors for the names of lawyers they would recommend that could provide insight into Clay's ordinance. He added that two of the four attorneys he asked opinions of, were recommended by the pastors.

"I am going to provide all of that to you so you can have a broad reference point," he said.

Commissioner Ronnie Robinson asked Scruby if the board could simply drop the issue and keep its current ban.

"Suppose the board didn't want to look at this any longer," he asked.

"Frankly, I don't see how you can make a difficult decision like this without having that kind of information in front of you," Scruby responded. "If you make the decision not to

go forward with this, I would have to tell you, it would be a very ill-advised decision-- very ill-advised, but that's just my opinion and I know you disagree with me."

In other action during its Dec. 10 meeting, the board:

Discussed repeat code violation offenders

Holly Parrish, the county's director of economic and development services, asked commissioners to update code enforcement procedures as they relate to repeat offenders.

The county's code enforcement department typically cites property owners for litter, abandoned vehicles, health nuisances, sign code violations and other infractions of the county's landscape, building, health, garbage and other codes.

If property owners do not correct code infractions, the county may request a hearing before a special magistrate, who has the power to impose fines up to \$5,000 on property owners.

Parrish said that Florida statutes define a repeat code violator as anyone who is cited for a violation within five years of being found guilty of a previous violation. She added that under current rules, the county must give repeat offenders the same 60-day opportunity to

remedy violations as first-time offenders. She recommended giving repeat offenders 30 days to correct violations, instead of the same time frame offered to first-time offenders.

Parrish also said state statutes allow the county to take a repeat offender directly to the special magistrate with no warning.

Robinson said he favored taking repeat offenders directly to the special magistrate.

Commissioner Wendell Davis said one frustrating scheme he has seen is a code violator correcting an infraction before the special magistrate hearing, and then violating the code again shortly thereafter. He said some property owners have been repeating that scenario for over 10 years and under the statute, they are not classified as repeat offenders because they were never found guilty by the special magistrate.

Parrish also asked commissioners to change its rules regarding lien reductions.

Now, the county converts unpaid code violation penalties into property liens. Property owners may request a reduction in lien under certain circumstances. One requirement is that any code violations must be corrected prior to reducing a lien.

"We have had several people wanting to purchase property encumbered by liens," she

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Keystone Heights-area property crimes



1. On Dec. 8, a wallet was stolen from a vehicle parked at Hitchcock's on S.R. 100. There were no signs of forced entry.
2. On Dec. 10, a digital camera and other electronics items were stolen from a residence on Ridge Trail Road. Entry was made by prying open the locked bedroom doors.
3. On Dec. 11, a bicycle was stolen from the front yard at a residence on Purdue Street.
4. On Dec. 11, two deer heads were stolen from an unlocked freezer in the backyard at a residence on S.R. 100.
5. On Dec. 11, a dirt bike was stolen from the bed of a pickup truck parked at a residence on Southwest Nightingale Street.
6. On Dec. 12, a garden tractor was stolen from the pole barn at a residence on Harvard Avenue.
7. On Dec. 12 there was an attempted burglary at a business on S.R. 21. The front door knob was broken off and a screen was removed from the front window. There was no entry into the business.
8. On Dec. 15, unwrapped Christmas presents, money, and jewelry were stolen from a residence on Bucknell Avenue. Entry was made by shattering the glass out of the back door.
9. On Dec. 16, an ATV was stolen from the front yard at a residence on Hilltop Street.
10. On Dec. 16, a dirt bike was stolen from a shed in the back yard at a residence on Paradise Drive.
11. On Dec. 16, a flat-screen television and a space heater were stolen from a residence on C.R. 214. Entry was made by removing a window air-conditioning unit and entering through the rear of the residence.
12. On Dec. 17, a bag containing 50 duck decoys was stolen from the bed of a pickup truck parked in the student parking area at Keystone Heights High School.
13. On Dec. 17, an unsecured motorized bicycle was stolen from the rear of the Keystone Saloon on S.R. 100.

CRASH

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lanes and the shoulder of the highway into a wooded area where the vehicle struck a tree.

Heidrick received serious injuries and was transported to UF Health Care in Jacksonville.

According to the FHP report, both passengers were wearing seatbelts, and investigators are determining whether alcohol was a factor in the crash.

Johnson told a Jacksonville television station he did not think Heidrick would do anything to endanger the child.

"I support her mama now with what we're going through," he told Fox 30 Action News.

"Kelsey was the light of my life," he said of his daughter. "She was my little angel and I loved her."

Green Cove Springs crash kills 2

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Two women were killed in a head-on collision on Russell Road in Green Cove Springs on Dec. 21.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, a 2004 Dodge Neon driven by Stacey Renee Peternel, 37, of Green Cove Springs was traveling southbound on the road around 8:43 p.m.

Traveling northbound was a 2013 Hyundai Elantra driven by Shanice Sadi Johnson, 23, of Middleburg.

One of the vehicles crossed the center line, causing a head-on collision near Sandridge Road. Both drivers were pronounced

dead at the scene.

A passenger in the Dodge, Rudolph C. Arredondo, 32, of Green Cove Springs, received minor injuries and was transported to Baptist Clay.

A passenger in the Hyundai, two-year-old Samiyah Lillian Monea Brown of Middleburg received minor injuries. An FHP crash report said the child was restrained in a car seat, and was transported to Baptist Clay.

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Deputies rescue 2 from St. Johns River



Clay County Sheriff's Sgt. Eric Twisdale and Deputy Tim Frazho bring to the Shands Pier Zach Paul, Andrew Huxford and Mitch Moody. Photo courtesy of the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Clay County deputies rescued two men from the St. Johns River and picked up a third victim after the man swam to shore.

According to sheriff's office Public Information Officer Mary Justino, the three St. Augustine men launched from St. Johns County during the morning of Dec. 18.

Zach Paul, 27, Andrew

Huxford, 20, and Mitch Moody, 24, crossed the river to an area offshore from the Bayard Conservation Area to hunt ducks.

After the vessel started taking on water, Paul swam to shore and encountered a hiker in the preserve who called 911.

The two officers, Sgt. Eric Twisdale and Deputy Tim Frazho had just launched a sheriff's office pontoon boat at

nearby Knights Boat Ramp to test a newly-installed engine.

According to Justino, the hiker, Dave Beatson of Jacksonville, stayed on the phone for 30 minutes with dispatchers, directing the officers to the two men in the water.

All three victims were in good condition and were evaluated by Clay County Fire Rescue. Deputies towed the boat to Shands Pier.

initial collision, a Clay County Sheriff's Office patrol vehicle struck the Hyundai. Neither the deputy driving the vehicle, nor the passenger, an arrestee being transported to the Clay County Jail, were injured.

Hospital on Race Track Road with minor injuries. Both were later released.

Middleburg woman hits St. Johns patrol car

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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A Middleburg woman was ticketed with careless driving after her car struck a St. Johns County Sheriff's patrol vehicle on S.R. 13 on Dec. 22.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Priscilla Gipson, 24, was travelling southbound near Greenbrier Road at 2:23 a.m. when she lost control of her 2002 Toyota Camry and struck the patrol car which was parked on the shoulder of the road.

Both Gipson and St. Johns County Deputy Glenn Lappe, 48, of St. Augustine were transported to Memorial

Garden club to dedicate pathway

The Garden Club of the Lakes will dedicate the Elizabeth Pate Wildflower Pathway on Monday Dec. 30 at 10 a.m.

Pate was instrumental in establishing the Florida wildflower license plate, and for many years served as the roadside beautification chair for the State of Florida.

The dedication will be held at the Blue Star marker on S.R. 100 in front of the Keystone Heights Walgreens.

Submitted by Joan Valentine,
Garden Club of the Lakes

Woman tries to steal two identities at one time

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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A woman trying to cash a \$3,300 fraudulent check fled from an Orange Park Bank of America after a manager attempted to verify her identity.

According to a Clay County Sheriff's Office report, the woman entered the bank during the afternoon of Nov. 26 with a check drawn on the Compass Bank account of a Gainesville resident.

The woman claimed to be a Jacksonville local with a Bank of America account. She presented a Florida driver's license and a Bank of America bank card to

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Faith Presbyterian continues 20 year Christmas tradition



Members of Faith Presbyterian Church in Midway continued a tradition started 20 years ago by Jane Driscoll and Hap Flowers by bagging 120 bags of holiday treats for children. The candy is distributed by Lake Area Ministries. Pictured are (L-r) Carrie Milligan, Pat Ray, Shirley Barton, Laura Yates, Dara Schultz and Sherry Shaw. Seated is Jane Driscoll. Submitted by Shirley Barton, Faith Presbyterian Church.

Culinary arts program announces gingerbread winners



Clockwise from top right: Brittany Filing, Ariana Grebner, Shane Savoy, Melissa Fain, Kyle Richardson, Cory Hedding, Kody Downs, Brianna McCarty, Christen Vencil, Brittany Franz, Brandy Dennis, Steven Trimble, Elin Cornett, Shelby Harpe and Dylan Beard. Photo courtesy of Keystone Heights High School.

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the teller. However, while performing the transaction, the teller found out the bank card had been reported stolen earlier that day.

When a bank manager asked the woman to verify the date of birth on the driver's license she claimed was her own, the woman instead ran out of the building into an awaiting black Dodge Avenger, which fled from the scene north on Blanding Boulevard.

While investigating the incident, a Clay County deputy discovered that the driver's license and bank card were stolen from a car in Duval County earlier that day. The victim told the deputy that she found her passenger side window busted out and her purse missing from the car.

Clay County Sheriff Public Affairs Officer Mary Justino said the check was stolen from a car in Gainesville on Nov. 22.

She added that the attempt to steal the identities of two different victims with one transaction illustrates the risk of keeping valuables inside vehicles.

"This case sheds light on the type of criminal activity that takes place after the smash-and-grab has occurred," Justino wrote in an email. "Thieves may not be content with just the valuables contained in your car - they will try to empty your bank account, too."

Stearns of trying to buy him out of the primary, claiming Stearns offered him a job if he would withdraw.

Yoho, the only candidate with no prior political experience, won the primary and later the general election.

Jett served as Clay County Clerk of Courts from 1998 to 2012 and as county commissioner from 1982 to 1994. He was also a police officer with the Orange Park Police Department with promotions to detective, sergeant and lieutenant.

The Florida Times-Union reported that Jett is one of 19 people seeking the \$85,000 to \$110,000 a year post. Other candidates include Town Clerk Sarah Campbell and Brunswick, Ga. City Manager William Weeks.

Jett applies for Orange Park manager's job

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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Former Clay County Clerk of Courts James Jett has applied for the town manager's job for Orange Park.

Jett did not run for re-election for clerk in 2012 and instead ran for Florida's third congressional seat, facing former Alachua County Sheriff Steve Oelrich, incumbent Cliff Stearns and veterinarian Ted Yoho in the Republican primary.

During the race, Jett accused

Harvey's closing Green Cove Springs warehouse

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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The owner of Harvey's Supermarkets said it will close its Green Cove Springs warehouse next year.

In a notice to the state of Florida, Delhaize America LLC said it will lay off 116 workers at the facility on Feb. 9.

Last May, Delhaize America agreed to sell 72 Harvey's Supermarkets, 72 Sweetbay stores and 11 Reid's stores in South Carolina to Bi-Lo Holdings, which until September owned the Bi-Lo and Winn Dixie brands.

Bi-Lo said that after the acquisition is complete, most of its Harvey's stores, including one between Keystone Heights and Melrose, will remain branded as Harvey's stores, with some converted to Winn-Dixie

restaurant. They then had six hours to create the buildings in gingerbread and candy.

This year's winners are:

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Dennis and Church, by Brittany Franz and Brianna McCarty,

Honorable Mention, School, by Dylan Beard and Elin Cornett. Submitted by Meri-lin Piantanida, culinary arts instructor, Keystone Heights High School.

or Bi-Lo.

In September, the owner of Bi-Lo holdings, Lone Star Funds, formed Southeastern Grocers Inc., moved ownership of the brands to the new company and said Southeastern would file an initial public offering for \$500 million.

The 832,000 square-foot facility in Green Cove Springs opened in 1988.

Supreme Court upholds Bradford judge's ruling on execution drug

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
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The Florida Supreme Court upheld a decision by a Bradford County Circuit Judge allowing the state to use a new drug for lethal injections.

Judge Phyllis M. Rosier ruled that the state's new sedative, midazolam hydrochloride, adequately prevents inmates from experiencing pain during the procedure.

Previously, the state used pentobarbital sodium in its three-drug cocktail for lethal injections. However, the maker of the drug, Danish-based

Lundbeck, banned its sale to the state after media in Denmark reported that Danish law prohibits its use in executions.

Lawyers for Askari Abdullah Muhammad, formerly known as Thomas Knight, had argued that the state failed to prove the substitute sedative was effective. They said that during William Frederick Hupp's execution in October, the inmate remained conscious for an unusually long time and moved his head late in the procedure showing he may have experienced pain during the execution.

The Supreme Court stayed Muhammad's Dec. 3 execution, and ordered Rosier to rule on Muhammad's motion.

The 60-year-old inmate has been on Florida's death row for almost 40 years. He was first sentenced to death for the 1974, Miami murders of Sydney and Lillian Gans.

While awaiting trial, he escaped from the Dade County Jail and was accused by Georgia authorities of killing a Cordele, Ga. liquor store clerk during an armed robbery. Authorities did not prosecute Knight for those crimes, citing his Florida death sentence.

While back on Florida's death row, Knight killed correctional officer Richard Burke in 1980. He was sentenced to death for a second time in 1983.

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said, "and they can't go onto the property to clean it up, obviously, because it's not their property yet."

Parrish said her department planned to propose a change that would allow potential buyers of lien-encumbered property to apply for a contract with commissioners agreeing to remedy all code violations in exchange for the county promising to reduce the lien once the violations are corrected. She said she would bring proposals for lien reductions and repeat offenders to the board in January.

Approved certificates for ambulance services

Commissioners approved five organizations to provide ambulance services within the county.

Ambulance Services Inc., Century Ambulance Inc., Liberty Ambulance Services Inc. and St. Vincent's Ambulance Services were each issued three-year Class B, C and D Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity. The certificates allow the organizations to make inter-facility transfers of patients.

The board issued Clay County Fire Rescue Class A, B, C and D certificates, which permit it to make inter-facility and emergency and non-emergency pre-hospital transports.

Deputy Fire Chief David Motes told commissioners the county has certified all four of the private ambulance companies for several years and has not had any problems with the organizations.

He also said Clay County Fire Rescue relies on the private companies to assist the county on emergency calls. The county's code of ordinances allow holders of class B, C, and D certificates to make pre-hospital emergency calls at the request of the fire chief when the amount of calls

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commission will talk about the need for a similar panel in Clay County.

Campbell and Flowers said that a formal charter review commission meeting during the breakfast would be impracticable because of sunshine law requirements for public notice, recording of minutes and public comment. They both said a better alternative would be to invite CRC members to the breakfast to gather information on an individual basis. Campbell added that he planned to attend the breakfast.

Campbell also announced that alternate Richard L. Wolff resigned from the committee.



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Moore said a second component of the angel's good news on the first Christmas was a message of hope.

"The hope that we are talking about here is the hope of eternity in heaven with God and Christ," he said.

While Moore focused on the night of Jesus' birth in his message, Brad Williams at Keystone Heights Presbyterian Church talked about a messianic prophecy made 700 years before that night.

Williams drew his sermon from Isaiah 9:6.

"6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." (ESV)

Williams emphasized that the passage does not claim to lay out four different names for the Messiah but rather one singular name.

"Isaiah is giving us a full picture of what Messiah will both be and do," Williams said. "These names are not necessarily different names for Jesus. They describe his person. They describe his work. They describe his calling as God incarnate. They describe what he will be and do for his people."

Williams added that the term "Wonderful" in the passage is not an adjective.

"Isaiah is using it as a noun," he said, "which implies that the Messiah is not merely wonderful, he is wonder. He is wonder, itself. We don't look at him and think: that is a wonderful object. We look at him and say anything that is wonderful is only wonderful by comparison to him. He is wonder. We don't compare his wonder to something else. He is the standard of wonder."

Williams added that Isaiah said the Messiah's work as counselor will far exceed any other counselor's work.

"What he knows will save the lost," Williams said. "His counsel will renew the broken, will raise the dead, and through him wisdom will be gained that is not gained in anyone else."

"He is not surrounded by counselors as we are," Williams continued, "he is the counselor. He alone gives hope to the hopeless. He alone gives joy to the joyless. He alone gives help to the helpless because he alone is the counselor that knows everything from beginning to end."

Williams then explained the name "Mighty God," and said the Hebrew word for "mighty" refers to a warrior.

"God is no Santa Claus sitting in the clouds saying 'Merry Christmas. Come sit on Papa's lap.' He's a fighter," said Williams. He's a warrior. He's going to bring the thunder to people."

Williams said that when Isaiah calls the Messiah "Everlasting Father," he is not making a case for the Trinity, but rather describing an essential element of the Messiah's office.

"The Trinity is true," he said. "We do affirm that. But that is not what Isaiah has in mind. He is not making a Trinitarian

point." "As a function of his calling or office as Messiah, it would be a fatherly calling or a fatherly office," he continued. "He would protect his people as a father does, as a good shepherd does. He would love his people as a good father does, even to the point of death. He would be a father to the people who are lost and in need."

Williams said the descriptive term "everlasting" cuts against the world's view of Jesus.

"To think of him as coming and dying and that's it, as so many people do, runs counter to what Isaiah tells us here about the nature and the calling of Jesus," he said. "He is an eternal person. He has an eternal work. He is eternally present with his people as he eternally rules them. We are secure and protected eternally because he is eternally with us, safeguarding us and keeping us in eternal communion with himself. "He is presently and eternally the good shepherd because he is eternally with his sheep."

In talking about the name "Prince of Peace," Williams said that title means more than simply taking away conflict.

"What we are talking about here is this is the Shalom, a Hebrew word. The wholeness of life that only God can restore."

"The peace that is envisioned here is the peace that exits when sin has been removed and we are free from its tyranny," he said. "It's a peace that says I am no longer under the wrath of God. It's a peace that says I am no longer an enemy of God, that I am a son of God through the finished work of Christ."

James Peoples at Trinity Baptist Church told his congregation that John 3:16 illustrates the true meaning of Christmas.

He added that another passage penned by John illustrates how God's love is manifested in his people. He read 1 John 4:7-21, and told the congregation that the word "love" is in the passage 27 times. He then zoomed in on verses 17-19.

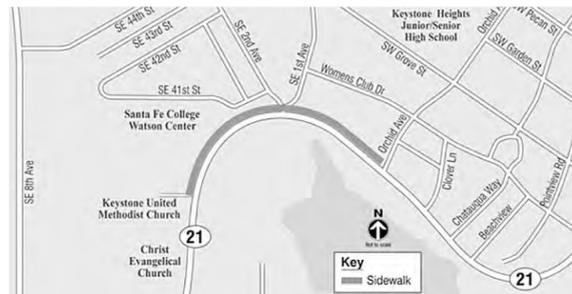
"17 By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of

Construction to begin on S.R. 21 sidewalk

Pedestrians, including students from Keystone Heights Junior-Senior High School who are taking classes at the Santa Fe College Watson Center, will soon be able to take advantage of a new section of sidewalk along S.R. 21.

The Florida Department of Transportation will begin construction January 3 on the half-mile long project which includes building a new, five-foot sidewalk and improving drainage. The new walkway is being built on the west side of the road and will begin in front of the United Methodist Church and tie into an existing sidewalk at Orchid Avenue.

Crews will work Monday through Friday from approximately 7 a.m. to 5:30



p.m., but lane closures will only be allowed after 8:30 a.m. Construction on the sidewalk will cross side streets and driveways along the project. Motorists should use caution and watch for construction equipment in the area.

FDOT hired Richardson Site Prep Inc. of Fort White to construct the project at a cost

of approximately \$122,000. The work is scheduled for completion by spring of 2014, but may last longer because of bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

For additional information regarding this project or other FDOT work around Northeast Florida, visit www.nflroads.com or call 800-475-0044.

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Thursday January 09, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday January 14, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday January 16, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday January 21, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday January 23, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday January 28, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday January 30, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday February 04, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday February 06, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday February 11, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday February 13, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday February 18, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday February 20, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Tuesday February 25, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday February 27, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Monday March 03, 2014	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. 19 We love because he first loved us." (ESV)

Peoples said that Jesus came to complete our lives.

"Life is not really complete," he said, "until you experience this love that has come down in Jesus."

"Everybody is looking for love," he added. "We were made for love. The human heart wants to be loved and we are not really complete until we experience the love of God."

Peoples said that a second lesson from Christmas, when Jesus came down, is that Jesus came to conquer our fears. He said fear is a real part of every person's life, like the fear of darkness, the fear of heights, fear of hospitals, fear of terminal disease, and fear of failure.

"The fear of discovery," he added. "There are some folks who live their lives every day fearing that they are going to be caught-that somebody is going to find out what they are doing-afraid your wife will catch you, afraid your Mom and Dad are going to find out what's going on."

He pointed out that verse 18 lists the word "fear" four times.

"I guess the root fear that people deal with, even though they may not know it, is the fear of God," he said.

Peoples said that John wrote the love of God drives out the fears from a person's life.

"It doesn't mean that all your fears are eliminated at once," he said, "but it does mean that the more God's love becomes a reality in your life, the more it drives those fears away in your life."

"As a pastor, I have had opportunity to talk to a number of folks in different stages in their lives," he said. "I have

talked to some folks that were very afraid of dying, and yet I have seen a number, when it came to the time of their deaths, that God's overwhelming love so gripped their hearts that it conquered their fear and they went out to face death in victory. That is what Jesus can do for your life."

Peoples added that love also came down to change our relationships and cited verse 19.

"We love him because he first loved us," he said. "That's the relationship with our father. God changes your relationship to him."

Peoples also said Jesus' arrival not only changed his followers' relationship with the Father but also their relationships with others.

"John gives us a test whereby we can know whether or not it (our love) is real," he said. "John says if you really love God, you are going to love your fellow man, verse 20: 'If someone says I love God and hates his brother, he is a liar.' John says you can say 'I love God' all you want but if you hate your brother you are lying."

"Loving God includes loving people," he added. "You've got to have both."

allow for the construction of an O'Reilly Auto Parts Store on the site.

The undeveloped land is four blocks south of Blanding's intersection with College Drive.

The board also approved a change in zoning from BA-2: professional office district to PS-2: private service district for two parcels totaling 4.2-acres on Knight Boxx Road.

The change in zoning will allow the property owner, High Point Community Church of Orange Park, to use the land as a parking lot.



LRM Legals 12/26/13

A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FLORIDA REGARDING THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MARCH 4, 2014

WHEREAS, the term of office for Council Seat 4 (MAYOR) will expire on April 7, 2014 and an election is required to be held to fill this seat; and, WHEREAS, Section 14 of the City Charter of Keystone Heights, Florida and Section 35.03 of the Code of Ordinances of Keystone Heights, Florida require the Mayor to issue a proclamation containing information regarding the election; now therefore,

BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the City Council of the City of Keystone Heights, Florida that:

1. There shall be a municipal election to elect a council member for Council Seat 4 (MAYOR) of the City Council of the City of Keystone Heights, Florida on March 4, 2014. The term of Council Seat 4 is three years. The polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Keystone Heights City Hall.

2. Qualifying for Council Seat 4 (MAYOR) shall begin at noon on January 7, 2014 and shall end at noon on February 4, 2014. The City Council shall meet at a City Council meeting on February 6, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. and certify the names of the candidates qualified to be placed on the ballot for the election to be held on March 4, 2014.

3. The City Manager will appoint poll workers to conduct and monitor the municipal election of March 4, 2014. This Proclamation was approved by the Mayor on this 2nd day of December, 2013.

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ZONING

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exceeds the county's capacity to handle them.

"We use them a lot in all areas of the county as a force multiplier for us," Motes said of the services.

Approved zoning changes

The board approved a change in zoning from BA: neighborhood business to BB-2: community business district for a parcel at the corner of Blanding Boulevard and Logan Avenue in Orange Park. The change will

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Local teams struggle in McDonald's-Kiwanis tournament

Tornadoes can't hang onto late 4th-quarter lead in consolation game

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

A basket by Caleb Jones put the Bradford High School boys' basketball team up by two with less than three minutes to play, but the International School of Broward scored the game's final 10 points in defeating the Tornadoes 49-41 and claiming the consolation trophy of the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament on Dec. 21 at Bradford High School.

It was another game in which the Tornadoes (3-9) came up just short in going 0-2 in the tournament. They opened with a 45-39 loss to eventual tournament

See BHS, 8B



Bradford's Alex Mejias fights his way to the basket through a group of Englewood players in the Tornadoes' 45-39 loss on the second day of the three-day Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament. Vero Beach won the tournament championship. (See page 8B for story.)

Tigers bow out of tournament with 2 double-digit losses

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

Kyle Mosher got the Union County High School boys' basketball team off to a quick start, but the Class 4A P.K. Yonge Blue Wave turned a six-point first-quarter deficit into an eventual 27-12 halftime lead en route to handing the Tigers a 55-28 loss in the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament on Dec. 20 at Bradford High School.

Mosher scored six of the game's first seven points, getting a basket in transition and scoring twice in the lane as the Tigers (3-8) went up 6-1. A rebound putback by Zach Lee put Union up 8-2.

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Indians have toruble scoring in 2 30-plus-point losses

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

The Keystone Heights High School boys' basketball team was looking to bounce back from a 63-25 loss to Vero Beach, but P.K. Yonge scored the first 16 points en route to handing the Indians a 43-7 loss on Dec. 21 in the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament at Bradford High School.

Keystone (2-9) committed 19 first-half turnovers as the Blue Wave built 30-4 lead.

Buck Shobris provided some memorable moments for Keystone, grabbing a couple of defensive rebounds in the first quarter and blocking a shot in the second. His free throw with 1:05 left in the first quarter gave the Indians their only point of

the quarter and left them trailing 19-1 heading into the second



Union County's Geordyn Green (left) looks for a pathway to the basket in the Tigers' loss to P.K. Yonge.



Keystone's Brandon Nicholas (left) drives to the basket against P.K. Yonge's Josh Gebhardt.

The Blue Wave made it an 8-6 game heading into the second quarter before getting a spark off the bench from Dedrick

Vanover. Vanover opened the second quarter with a 3-pointer

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(4) And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

(5) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

(6) And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

(7) And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

(8) And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

(9) And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

(10) And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

(11) For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

(12) And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

(13) And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

(14) Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2:4-14



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SOCIALS



Lauren DeVico and Cecil Litton

DeVico, Litton to wed in April

Lauren DeVico of New Jersey and Cecil J. Litton of Starke announce their engagement.

Lauren is the daughter of Mary and Wayne DeVico of New Jersey. She is employed by Meridian Behavioral Health.

Cecil is the son of Patricia Lawhorn and Cecil A. Litton of Starke. He is employed by Walmart.

The wedding will be held at Fort Castillo de San Marcos in April of 2014.

Local DAR chapter recognized for 28 years

To commemorate the Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution's 28th anniversary on Dec. 4, Keystone Heights city council presented the chapter with a proclamation that Mayor Mary Lou Hildreth read to the chapter members at the Dec. 2 meeting. The proclamation reads: "Henceforth and forevermore, Dec. 4 will be recognized by the citizens of Keystone Heights as 'Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter NSDAR Day.'"

The chapter donated 203 books of general interest to the Bradford County Library, with bookplates commemorating the 28th anniversary.

The chapter was honored to present and fly the chapter flag at Wreaths Across America on Dec. 14.

The next chapter meeting is Monday, Jan. 6, at IHOP in Starke at 10:30 a.m. Visitors are welcome. The program topic is "Colonial Witches," presented by Janet Messer and her sister, Janice.

Any woman 18 years of age or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background, who can prove direct descent from a person who aided in achieving American independence between April 19, 1775, and Nov. 26, 1783, is eligible for membership. Contact Konnie Beauregard for more information at 352-475-1865.



Catrell Cooney

Cooney takes part in Jillian Michael's BosdyShred training

Catrell Cooney, the daughter of Dimple and Grady Overstreet of Starke, was selected for an opportunity to go through a nine-hour training session with Jillian Michaels of "The Biggest Loser" fame and become certified to teach Michaels' BodyShred class.

Cooney, who lives in Cape Canaveral, went through an application/qualification process and was selected to attend a BodyShred training class in October in South Beach at the Miami Convention Center. She described the class as "very intense" and noted she had to pass a practical test and a written exam to receive certification.

BodyShred is a high-intensity, endurance-based, 30-minute workout based upon Michaels' 3-2-1 intervals (three minutes of strength, two minutes of cardio and one minute of abs).

Cooney said she became more interested in holistic health and fitness prior to taking an around-the-world trip with her husband, Michael, and sons Morgan, Zach and Harrison. During that trip, which was chronicled in the Telegraph-Times-Monitor, her passion for both only increased, she said.

After returning home, Cooney became a certified health coach and personal trainer, specializing in weight loss and healthy lifestyles. She's also a licensed Zumba instructor and started the healthy living website www.thewanderingcocount.com.

Christmas greetings...from the year 1963

With this week's issue dated Dec. 26—but actually hitting the streets on Dec. 24—why not take the time to look back 50 years ago to another issue published on Dec. 26?

The Dec. 26, 1963, issue of the Bradford County Telegraph certainly had a holiday feel to it as several items related to Christmas, ranging from the volume of mail at the post office to what Christmas is like in prison. The issue also included a story that noted "the Yuletide spirit prevailed" when Judge Y.A. Yawn handed down a \$50 fine instead of jail time for a man who was speeding.

We start this look back with a Starke man who was accustomed to donning a red suit and beard as a "Santa Helper."

Spreading holiday joy, making children happy

Starke has a commissioned Santa Claus helper with 20 years' experience helping Santa get Christmas messages from all over the world.

With ruddy cheeks and proportions to fit, city police dispatcher Tillman McIntosh began his Santa Claus service in 1945 right here.

"Santa Helper McIntosh has appeared to represent Santa Claus every year since then, including a real big entrance made at Langley AFB in Virginia, where 2,500 kids turned out to greet him.

As a badge of merit, he got his own suit in 1954.

"Those helper outfits can get expensive. A good beard can cost \$30," McIntosh said.

Helper McIntosh has represented Santa at drive-in theaters, for merchants, for clubs, at churches, for chambers of commerce and even at private parties.

He's also put in special personal appearances.

"The most heartwarming thing that ever happened to me as

Santa's Helper was when I went to see a 9-year-old boy who was bedridden with polio. The boy's father approached me when I was appearing at a theater and told me about the boy. I made a special trip out to his house. The boy was so happy he cried.

"It made me feel real good to make a child so happy," Helper McIntosh said.

Sometimes, though, things turn out funny, or even embarrassing, for Santa's Helper.

"Like the time I was appearing on radio in Virginia. Over 600 children had come for our show—a kiddie show I was doing at that time for radio. There I was in front of all those kids, and my pants fell down. I had springs attached to my pants legs and then attached to my garters so that my pants would spring up and down when I jumped.

"The springs broke, and down came my pants. All the kids saw Santa attired in dungarees. It brought the house down," Helper McIntosh said.

Asked what kind of problems Santa might encounter on his yearly rounds, out came the answer warm to the hearts of Santa's Florida representatives.

"Hot weather is the biggest problem. With a fur suit and a beard, things can get mighty hot, especially inside buildings. That beard can really make you perspire," Helper McIntosh said.

Some advice to future Santa's Helpers—"Get in and out as quick as you can. Kids ask too many questions if you stay too

long. They want to know if your beard is real, if you're real, and just about anything you can think of. You always have to have an answer.

"I always tell the kids that I'm just Santa's Helper. The real Santa Claus comes all over the world on Christmas Eve. That's his secret as to how he does it. Not even the Helpers know."

Why does Helper McIntosh like his job?

"I like making children happy," he said.

Christmas time at state prison pretty much like anywhere

The spirit of Christmas isn't too much different inside a prison than "outside," according to Florida State Prison Assistant Superintendent L.E. Dugger.

State prison inmates celebrate Christmas almost like anyone else does—with Christmas trees, presents, a Christmas church

program and a family visit.

Inmates have a Christmas program each year with carols and the Christ story. This year, on Thursday, Dec. 19, their Christmas program will be held in the prison auditorium. Slides will be shown depicting the story of Christ's birth, narrated by inmates with the prison choir singing appropriate carols. One inmate will sing a solo, "The Holy City," and the congregation will sing other Christmas hymns.

"Almost all of the prisoners attend the program. After all, it is their program," Dugger said.

The prison at Raiford "lights up" with trees in different areas decorated by the inmates. Each different section of the prison has a tree, and all the hospital floors have one.

"There is also a very large tree in the family visiting area. We call it our family tree," Dugger said.

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This graphic adorned the top of one of the pages of the Dec. 26, 1963, issue of the Bradford County Telegraph.

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CRIME

4 arrested for fight at bar

Robert Warren Craven, 43, of Starke, Duane McWee, 53, and John Edward McWee, 54, both of Amity, Pa., and Raymond Rodney Sorrells, 46, of Starke were all arrested Dec. 20 at Whiskey River in Starke for disorderly intoxication and disorderly conduct.

According to the arrest reports, Whiskey River employees asked Craven and Sorrells to leave the business after they were arguing with the McWees, apparently over college football. The two left, but before the bar could close the tab out for the McWees, Craven and Sorrells returned, and all four began fighting, including swinging bar stools at each other during the physical altercation.

When officers arrived, all four were arrested after Duane McWee signed a medical waiver declining further treatment from EMS, which was also called to the scene.

Recent arrests in Bradford, Clay or Union

The following individuals were arrested recently by local law enforcement officers in Bradford, Union or Clay (Keystone Heights area) counties:

Bradford

Hector Manuel Aviles, 28, of Hampton was arrested Dec. 18 by Starke police for possession of drugs.

Tavaris Devaghn Boykin, 23, of Jacksonville was arrested Dec. 20 by Bradford deputies for failure to appear.

Sherry Kristine Bradley, 28, of Starke was arrested Dec. 21 by

Bradford deputies for failure to appear.

Ross D Brandt, 32, of Jacksonville was arrested Dec. 21 by Starke police on two out-of-county warrants.

Eduardo Gonzalez, 23, of Jacksonville was arrested Dec. 21 by Bradford deputies for driving under the influence and for operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license.

Jason Patrick Griffis, 40, of Macclenny was arrested Dec. 16 by Bradford deputies for three charges of possession of drugs and for production of drugs.

According to the arrest report and BCSO, Griffis was suspected of manufacturing and selling methamphetamine out of a Starke home from information obtained from the drug unit out of the Baker County Sheriff's Office. With help from the Baker County unit, an undercover operation to purchase meth from Griffis was conducted, then a search/arrest warrant was obtained within several hours of the purchase due to the nature of the hazardous materials he was using in the home. Officers found approximately 9 grams of methamphetamine powder in the home, along with several other chemicals and equipment used in its production.

Bond for Griffis was set at \$80,000.

Michael Leonard Hankerson, 32, of Starke was arrested Dec. 18 by Starke police on an out-of-county warrant.

Charles Lamont Henderson, 36, of Starke was arrested Dec. 17 by Starke police for vehicle theft. According to the arrest report, Henderson was causing a disturbance at a residence when police were called. Before the police arrived, Henderson left in a white Nissan belonging to a

relative of the person who called the police about the disturbance. Henderson was located a short time later at his girlfriend's home in Starke and was arrested.

Elizabeth Holland, 43, of Starke was arrested Dec. 17 by Starke police for battery. According to the arrest report, Holland confronted an acquaintance in the Walmart parking lot, arguing about an issue between the two. After the victim turned to walk away, Holland came up behind her, and when the victim turned back around, she was shoved in the chest, causing her to go airborne and land on her back, hitting her head on the pavement. The victim was transported by EMS to Shands Starke, and Holland was arrested after police confirmed what happened by witness accounts and video from Walmart. Bond was set at \$10,000 for Holland.

Martius Develle Holland, 31, of Macclenny was arrested Dec. 21 by Starke police for disturbing the peace.

Lisa Marie Lutz, 52, of Starke was arrested Dec. 22 by Starke police for child neglect. According to the arrest report, Lutz was at the Subway in Starke with her 6-year-old grandson when she passed out several times in her food. The grandchild asked the Subway employee to call his mom and help wake up his grandmother. When Lutz awakened, she went outside with the grandchild, got into her vehicle and passed out again.

The Subway employee called the police, and when they arrived, the vehicle was running, but Lutz was still passed out. Lutz said she had taken medication at home and hadn't been drinking, but could not complete field sobriety exercises conducted by the officer. The

officer found the grandson in the back seat without a seat belt on, and sweating from the heat in the vehicle. A relative picked up the child, while Lutz was transported to jail.

Scott Alan Maas, 49, of Starke was arrested Dec. 22 by Starke police for simple assault and for trespassing. According to the arrest report, Maas had been at a local bar earlier in the evening, was dropped off on Edwards Road, then walked to an acquaintance's home on Myrtle Street in Starke. He entered the home and threatened a child with physical violence. Police were called, and Maas was arrested and transported to jail, with bond set at \$5,000.

Christopher Lee Malone, 26, of Lawtey was arrested Dec. 17 by Bradford deputies on two out-of-county warrants.

Curtis Quintin Matus, 19, of Keystone Heights was arrested Dec. 18 by Starke police for possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment.

Jonathan Mark Neville, 37, of Starke was arrested Dec. 18 by Starke police for battery. According to the arrest report, Neville and a roommate were arguing, and Neville raised a stun gun to the victim's face and turned it on. Neville stated that the victim had become aggressive during the argument and that he was afraid he would

be attacked, so he used the stun gun. Several other roommates that were present told the police officer that the victim never made any aggressive moves toward Neville. The officer arrested Neville for battery.

Alvin Chadwick Padgett, 42, of Jacksonville was arrested Dec. 22 by Starke police on an out-of-county warrant.

Dawn Michelle Prescott, 25, of Gainesville was arrested Dec. 20 by Bradford deputies for battery.

Joseph Allen Robbins, 31, of Starke was arrested Dec. 19 by Starke police for driving while license suspended or revoked, possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment.

Krystal Lashawn Troutman, 29, of Starke was arrested Dec. 21 by Starke police for disturbing the peace.

Jeremy Quinton West, 34, of Starke was arrested Dec. 17 by Bradford deputies for trespassing and two charges of criminal mischief-property damage.

Keystone/Melrose

Joe Cirerol, 28, of Lawtey was arrested Dec. 18 by Clay deputies for non-support.

Curtis Miller, 43, of Keystone Heights was arrested Dec. 21 by

Orange Park police for DUI.

Union

Austin Donnie Thomas, 19, was arrested Dec. 17 by Union deputies for possession of marijuana.

Robert Donald Fowler, 49, of Nicholls, Ga., was arrested Dec. 19 by Union deputies for driving under the influence.

Chad Michael Bennett, 23, of Lake Butler was arrested Dec. 22 by Union deputies for possession of marijuana and driving under the influence.

Jamaal Lamar Edwards, 20, of Lake Butler was arrested Dec. 22 by Union deputies for possession of marijuana.

James Barney Dowdy, 49, of Lake Butler was arrested Dec. 20 by Union deputies for battery and disorderly intoxication. According to the arrest report, Dowdy walked up to a vehicle parked in Sprinkle Field in Lake Butler, reached in through the passenger side and grabbed the victim and started kissing her on neck. The victim told him to stop, and as she was pushing him away, he bit her on the neck. When the officer confronted Dowdy at his residence, he had a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage and was arrested for the battery and disorderly intoxication for his actions at the public place of Sprinkle Field.

LEGALS

PUBLIC MEETING
KEYSTONE AIRPARK AUTHORITY'S REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 6:00 P.M. LOCATION IS: 7100 AIRPORT ROAD, STARKE, FL. AGENDAS AND NOTICE OF CANCELLATION WILL BE POSTED ON THE AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE AT www.keystoneairport.com NO LATER THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE.
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NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a proposed ordinance, which title hereinafter appears, will be considered for enactment by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida at a public hearing on January 6, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at the County Commission Chambers in the North Wing of the Bradford County Courthouse, located at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida. Copies of said ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the Office of the County Clerk, located at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida, during regular business hours. On the date, time and place first above mentioned, all interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A NEW ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 18 OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY CODE AND CREAT-

ING THERE UNDER SECTIONS 18-91 THROUGH 18-95 WHICH PERTAIN TO THE SALE AND USE OF E-CIGARETTES AND LIQUID NICOTINE AND PROVIDING THEREIN FOR DEFINITIONS, PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION ON THE SALE WITHIN BRADFORD COUNTY OF E-CIGARETTES AND LIQUID NICOTINE TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION ON THE USE WITHIN BRADFORD COUNTY OF E-CIGARETTES WHERE SMOKING IS PROHIBITED, PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION ON SELF-SERVICE MERCHANDISING IN THE SALE OF E-CIGARETTES AND LIQUID NICOTINE, PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING DIRECTION TO THE CODIFIER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The public hearing may be continued

to one or more future dates. Any interested party shall be advised that the date, time and place of any continuation of the public hearing shall be announced during the public hearing and that no further notice concerning the matter will be published. All persons are advised that, if they decide to appeal any decision made at the public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities who require assistance to participate in the meeting are requested to notify the Clerk of the Court, Bradford County Courthouse, Starke, Florida, 904-966-6280 at least two business days in advance; if you are hearing or voice impaired call 1-800-955-8771.
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Lil Nut, Bob Tebow and outdoors outlook

The weather has been mild this winter, but a few cool fronts have made their way through north Florida.

Robins, gold finches and cedar waxwings have not yet invaded our backyards as they typically do at this time of the year. There have also been few reports of spawning crappie in our area lakes. T.C. Lloyd indicates that he expects the crappie will probably bed during the January full moon in many lakes. Joey Tyson reports that he continues to sell Missouri minnows to crappie fishermen in the Keystone area, primarily to Santa Fe Lake fishermen.

Cody Douglas, from Lake Butler, tries to spend time fishing and hunting; however, this year he has sacrificed some of his crappie fishing for duck hunting. He primarily uses Rowell, Palestine and a few small ponds for the sport. He says that the



Dale Boyette displays one of his many hunting bows at his Keystone Heights Lil Nut Archery Shop.

small ponds are easier to build blinds on than the larger lakes. He reports that the flight speeds of the birds present a good hunting challenge.

Inland waters on the east coast are producing their share of speckled trout, whiting, blues and smaller black drum. Sheepshead, especially, have been plentiful around the rocks and pilings, according to Jim Sutton in St. Augustine.

Captain Randy Harris indicates that trout and reds are available on the west coast near

Steinhatchee. The inconsistent weather, however, will probably keep them moving from the shallows to deeper holes and back again.

Dale Boyette and Lil Nut

Dale Boyette has always enjoyed bow hunting, especially prior to gun season each year when game is more visible and less vigilant. Despite the fact he primarily hunted his own property in central Georgia,

he networked a lot with local hunters and seemed to always be assisting them with their archery equipment

In 1999, he opened a cabinet shop at 150 Commercial Circle in Keystone Heights. Through the years, his archery skills continued to be in demand until 2011, when he decided to open his own archery shop in front of his cabinet business in Keystone. Motivated by a nickname acquired by his youngest son, the archery shop is known as "Lil Nut Archery."

In 2013, after the opening of the Keystone Shop, Boyette opened another similar—but larger—archery shop in Middleburg. His son-in-law, Tyler Mills, runs that shop.

Boyette is quick to point out that his shop is the only archery shop providing professional service such as stringing, sighting and other modifications from Jacksonville to Daytona on the east coast. He does carry a good inventory of new and used bows, but he always emphasizes the services provided by his shops.

Bow hunting has a specific period prior to gun season in which only bows can be used. After gun season opens, bow hunting slows considerably. However, bow fishing replaces some of that lost interest,



Bob Tebow

especially in central and northern Florida, where spring runs are common.

When the larger Florida water bodies cool, the warm-natured tilapia crowd into the spring runs, and as an invasive species, they can be legally hunted with bows and arrows rigged with a fishing reel. Boyette provides the necessary bow fishing modifications and rigs at both of his shops.

So if any of you bow hunters are interested in the stores' inventories, accessories or services, stop by and talk bow hunting.

Bob Tebow speaks at Crosshorn banquet

Tim Tebow's father, Bob, was the guest speaker before a full house at the Starke Country Club banquet room at the Crosshorn Ministries Christmas banquet on Dec. 19. He tied the outdoors mission of Crosshorn Ministries into the Biblical challenge of making "fishers of men."

The feature presentation was followed by Christmas carols, making a full evening of seasonal devotion.

Tight lines, safe hunting, merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Outdoors calendar

- Jan. 1, deer season ends in north Georgia;
- Jan. 12, second phase of Florida's dove season ends;
- Jan. 15, deer season ends in south Georgia;
- Jan. 19, antlered deer season ends in Florida's Zone C;
- March 2, squirrel and quail seasons end in Florida's Zone C.

If you have a story, idea or photo to share, please contact Mickey Agner via email at mka@maoutdoors.com, or by phone at 904-964-1488. Photos may also be submitted in person at the Bradford County Telegraph, Union County Times or Lake Region Monitor.

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On Christmas Eve, each prisoner is given a gift box containing five packs of cigarettes, handkerchief, nuts, apples and oranges.

"The reason we give prisoners a present is so that everyone will receive something. Some prisoners—in fact the majority—receive presents from home that are mailed to them, but we don't anyone to be left out," Dugger said.

On Christmas day, an inmate's immediate family can visit him at the prison from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The family can bring a picnic lunch and eat with the inmate. Mothers, fathers, wives,

children, brothers and sisters are welcome. An average of 400 to 500 people visit the prison on Christmas.

Prisoners can also select presents to give to others from the handcraft shop or they can make presents for their friends and family.

A Christmas dinner with all the trimmings is served in the afternoon. Dinner this year starts off with tomato juice cocktail and a relish tray, plus a fresh fruit dish. Turkey with giblet gravy, garnished with cranberry sauce, is the main dish, accompanied by bread dressing, snowflake potatoes, buttered English peas, creamed corn, hot cross buns and whipped butter. Dessert features pumpkin pie and hot coffee.

Sports have a field day o

Christmas at the prison. Twenty matches are scheduled for the 25th. They include basketball, volleyball and boxing.

There are 2,800 inmates to celebrate Christmas at Raiford this year.

Does Santa Claus visit the prison? "No," says Dugger. "Our boys are a little too old for that."

Christmas volume at post office running below par so far

Starke residents are "slow" in mailing packages and Christmas cards this year as compared to the last holiday season. Assistant Postmaster Blake Jackson said yesterday.

"Last year, people seemed to be mailing packages and cards

much earlier," Jackson said.

The parcel count for Starke's post office from Dec. 1 until now is 2,397 packages against 3,744 packages received in the same period last year. Jackson said this could indicate better shopping facilities here with more persons trading at home rather than ordering gifts.

Another indication that the Christmas mailing rush has not hit full force yet is mail handling man hours that post office workers have put in here. So far, 862 man hours have been spent handling Christmas mail and regular mail since Dec. 1. Last year at this time, 1,025 hours had been spent by postal workers.

The canceling machine readings, showing how many first-class stamps have been canceled, is about the same as last year. Around 67,000 first-class letters have been sent through the post office.

"We do expect more first-class letters this year than last, however. A lot of businesses are using postage meters. These stamps won't be canceled at the

office here," Jackson said.

Jackson also urges the use of ZIP code numbers. He said the post office has a complete list and that anyone could obtain a number by calling the post office.

"ZIP numbers are a big help to us. Everyone should include them in address books for next year and write his own ZIP number on return addresses.

"Packages and letters with ZIP numbers are distributed faster," he said.

The post office also urges use of 5-cent Christmas tree stamps. Jackson said, "When a card goes first class, we can forward it. It will receive preferred handling and if the sender's return address is on it, it will come back."

Christmas lights change with signals

Keystone Heights is playing it safe with Christmas lights used for decorations around the intersection traffic light between Highway 100 and Highway 21.

When the traffic light is red,

the lights are red on that side. When the traffic light turns green, the Christmas lights also turn green.

Councilman Gene Williams got the idea and carried it through. He said that too many colored lights, strung around traffic lights, created a traffic hazard and suggested using the red-red, green-green system, which he had observed in another town.

Big Dad employees are entertained at country club

Employees of Big Dad Manufacturing Co. were guests at the annual Christmas dinner given by the company at 1 p.m. last Thursday at the Starke Golf and Country Club.

The dinner, featuring turkey and baked ham, was served buffet style. Christmas carols were sung, after which the employees returned to the plant for their gifts.

D.S. Siceloff, president of the company, was here from Lexington, N.C., for this occasion.

Slade Gas Co. Christmas party

The Slade Gas Co. of Starke held its Christmas party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sawyer.

The dinner guests were seated at three large tables decorated with red and white flower arrangements and red candles.

During the evening, party games were led by Mrs. A. Russell Norman. The employees' bonuses were given, and gifts were exchanged.

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OBITUARIES



Hiram Chappell

Hiram Chappell

STARKE—Hiram Junior Chappell, age 69, of Starke, went home to be with the Lord on Dec. 18, 2013 at his residence surrounded by family. He was born in Santa Rosa County, on Sept. 26, 1944 to the late Ernest Hiram Chappell and Hester Mayo-Chappell. Hiram was a 1962 graduate of Andrew Jackson High School in Jacksonville, and relocated to Starke in 1976, where he and his family have been an active part of the community ever since. For over a dozen years, Hiram was a mentor who helped to mold many young men through his coaching of various levels of baseball and softball. Hiram was a member of Local 597 and retired as President of 5-Star Construction. He was a member of Madison Street Baptist Church and in his spare time enjoyed woodworking. Hiram is preceded in death by his sister, Louise Scott and brother, Harry Padgett.

Hiram is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Vivian Chappell of Starke; his children, Lorrie (Gerald) Chappell, Michael (Lilly) Chappell, and Cory (Megan) Chappell all of Starke; his sisters, Ernestine Edgeworth of Effingham, S.C., Betty Warren of Starke, and Christine (Bill) Barrett of Lexington, S.C.; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held on Dec. 21 at Madison Street Baptist Church with Brother Charles Warren, Brother Harry Hatcher, Jr., and Brother Chub Johnson officiating. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archie Tanner Funeral Services, Starke. 904-964-5757. Visit archietannerfuneralservices.com to sign the family's guest book.

PAID OBITUARY

Thomas Larkin II

RAIFORD—Thomas A. "Tommy" Larkin II, 64, passed away peacefully Saturday, Dec. 21, 2013 in the ET York Hospice Care Center in Gainesville. He was born Jan. 1, 1949 in Gainesville to Nancy Christ Larkin and Thomas Allen

Larkin, and was the second of five children. Tommy graduated from Bishop Kenney High School in Jacksonville. He served in the U.S. Navy and the Merchant Marine. He was a long-time employee of PRIDE and the Florida Department of Corrections.

Tommy was a resident of Raiford, and is survived by: his three children, Dawn Larkin Delwiche of San Francisco, Nicole Larkin and Erika Larkin Hyzer of Raiford; five grandchildren; and four siblings.

Per his wishes, no services will be held. Donations in Tommy's memory may be made to:

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PAID OBITUARY

Vita Quiett

STARKE—Vita Juanita Quiett, 73, of Starke died Thursday, Dec. 19, 2013 in Jacksonville. She was born on Nov. 14, 1940 in Pisgah, Ala. to the late Jack and Dorothy (Culpepper) Robertson and moved to Starke 21 years ago. She retired from the Clay County School Board as a cook in 2000. Preceding her in death was her husband of 44 years Walter J. Quiett, Sr., and her brother Parks Robertson.

She is survived by: children, Renee (Jeff) DeAngelo of Jacksonville; Walter (Tiffanie) Quiett, Jr. of Orange Park, Walter Daniel Quiett of Melrose, Darlene (Vernon) Turner, Darrell (Linda) Quiett, Philip (Yvonne) Quiett all of Middleburg, Tommy (Ann) Quiett of Jacksonville; sisters, Marie Hartman and Jackie Lawson both of Tennessee and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were on Dec. 23, in the Dewitt C. Jones Chapel of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home with Brother B.B. Barwick officiating. Interment followed in Crosby Lake Cemetery. Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke.

Herman Russell

STARKE—Herman Russell, 88, of Starke died Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2013 in Shands at the University of Florida following an extended illness. He was born in Michigan on April 18, 1925. He attended Bethel Baptist Church, and was a retired owner/operator of an automobile body shop.

He is survived by his close friend, Travis Wynn of Starke. Memorial services have not been scheduled. Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke.

Cedric Smith

LAKE BUTLER—Cedric Conway Smith, 29, of Lake Butler died at his home Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013. He was born in

Gainesville, living all of his life in Lake Butler. He graduated from Union County High School in 2003 and enjoyed the F.F.A. He was a member of the Lake Butler Church of God. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents; Henton and Edna Smith

He is survived by his wife of eight years, Crystal Berles Smith; daughter, Daina Smith; son, Branden Smith; mother, Sharon Presley; father and step mother, Tim and Judy Smith; brothers, Christopher (Pauline) Smith and Timothy Smith, Jr.; and maternal grandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Presley

Funeral services were held Dec. 21, at 3 p.m. in the Lake Butler Church of God, with Rev. Lemuel Lane officiating. Burial followed in Old Providence Cemetery. The arrangements are under the care of Archer Funeral Home in Lake Butler.



Gerald Whitehead

Sheriff Gerald Whitehead

LAKE BUTLER — Sheriff Gerald "Jerry" Whitehead of Lake Butler, passed away at the age of 60 on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013 after a brief illness. He will always be remembered for his servant's attitude and helping others. He was currently serving as the Dean of Sheriffs, as the longest serving Sheriff-in-the-State-of Florida. He was elected Sheriff of Union County in 1984 and served from 1985 until his death. He followed in his father's John H. Whitehead long legacy as a law enforcement officer and Sheriff. He graduated Union County High School and attended Lake City Community College. He also completed Florida Department of Law Enforcement Executive Institute and received numerous law enforcement training and certifications throughout his career. He was also a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigations National Academy.

He is survived by: his wife,

PAID OBITUARY

Tammy; six children, Matt (Michelle), Brad (Jennifer), Chelsea, Jake, Jack Henry, and Presley Vivian; one brother, John Henry (Brenda); one sister, Cynthia "Sis" Whitehead; and four grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, John Henry and Vivian Whitehead.

He was surrounded throughout life by many close family and friends. He was a lifelong Union County native and gave his life and service to those in Union County.

Sheriff Whitehead received the Distinguished Service Award from the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, the Paul Harris Fellow Award for his dedication and leadership to Rotary, the Shining Star Award from Florida Education Foundation. He served the Florida Sheriff's Association as Secretary 1987-88; Treasurer, 1989; Vice President, 1990; and President 1991, as well as a member of the board of directors for many years. He was very active in the Lake Butler Rotary Club and served as President from 1989-1990. He was currently serving on the Board of Directors for the Florida Sheriffs Self Insurance Fund since 2002 and the Board of Directors of the Sheriff's Automobile Risk Program since 2002, as well as the Florida Sheriff's Multiple Employer Trust. He was a longtime supporter of the Florida Department of Corrections. He was also a member of the Lake Butler Masonic Lodge. He was a strong supporter of the Union County schools system. He was a lifelong member of the First Christian Church of Lake Butler.

Funeral services were held Dec. 21, at the First Christian Church of Lake Butler with Bro. Art Peterson officiating. Burial was in Whitehead Cemetery. Under the care of Archer Funeral Home of Lake Butler. In Lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches Inc., P.O. Box 2000, Boys Ranch, Florida 32064. Please sign guestbook at archerfuneralhome.com

Gary Whiteneck

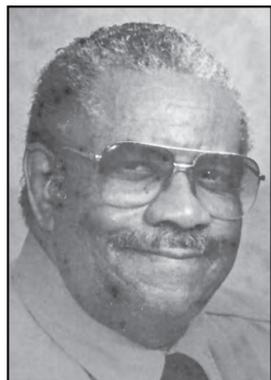
KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Gary A. Whiteneck, 54, of Keystone Heights died Friday, Dec. 6, 2013 at the VA hospital. He was born in Lawrence, Mass. on July 18, 1959 to the late Norman and Nancy Whiteneck. He served in the United States Army.

He is survived by: his wife of 28 years, Barbara Whiteneck; children, Crystal Belt, Joshua Whiteneck, and Keri Whiteneck; four brothers; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church of

Melrose on Jan. 11, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. with Father John officiating. Arrangements are under the care of Moring Funeral Home, Melrose.

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Eugene Bristow

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We the family of our beloved Charlii McCastle, would like to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks for all of your kind acts, words of comfort, prayers and sympathy during this most difficult time in our lives. We would like to especially thank Mr. Doyle Archer, Mr. Allen, and Deana and all at Archer Funeral Home for their excellency. Thank you to True Vine Outreach Ministries, all of the clergy and all of Union, Bradford and surrounding communities. And thank you to Mr. Mike Ripplinger and everyone at Union County High School. Thank you all and God bless you all.

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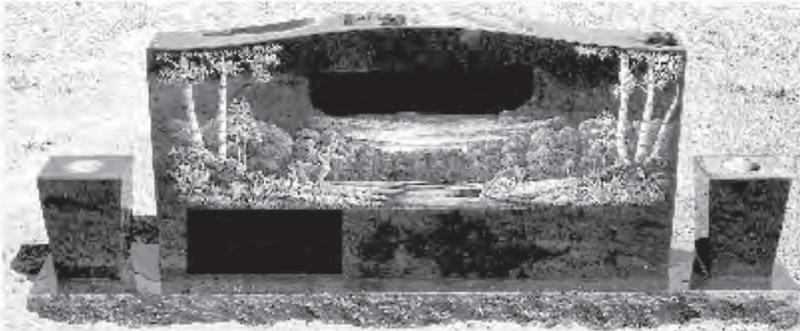
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Vero Beach is tops in McDonald's-Kiwanis tournament

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

Englewood did its best to give Vero Beach a battle, but in the end, the Class 8A Indians pulled away for a 67-47 win in the championship game of the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke basketball tournament on Dec. 21 at Bradford High School.

Vero Beach went 3-0 in the tournament, winning by an average margin of 21 points. The Indians, who opened the tournament with a 63-25 win over Keystone Heights, did get a scare on the second day of the tournament from the International School of Broward, which pulled to within five points in the fourth quarter after trailing by 20-plus points. Vero Beach, though, held the Class 3A Pumas off for a 49-45 win to advance to the championship game.

A basket and free throw by tournament MVP Brannon Shaw helped the Indians build an 18-9 second-quarter lead over Englewood in the championship game. Vero Beach then increased that 24-14 with the help of a jumper and free throw by David Marine.

All-tournament team selection



Bradford High School graduate and current Florida International University student-athlete Ya'Keem Griner (left) presents the MVP trophy to Brannon Shaw of Vero Beach. Griner, who plays football at FIU, is a former tournament MVP.

Drushaun McLaurin scored five points late in the quarter, with his turn-around jumper in the lane bringing Englewood to within 24-21.

Englewood's Gary Grant would tie the score at 29-all early in the third quarter, but Vero Beach closed out the quarter by outscoring the Rams 16-6. Vontravious Richardson, an all-tournament selection, scored five points during that

span, while Brenton Wade made the last basket of the quarter—a 3-pointer that sent Vero Beach into the fourth up 45-35.

Richardson scored two baskets early in the fourth as the Indians continued to pull away.

Joining Richardson, Shaw and McLaurin on the all-tournament team were Bradford's Keearis Ardley and the International School of Broward's Nate Johnson.

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quarter. Shobris made another free throw at the 4:09 mark of the second quarter to make it a 23-2 game.

The Indians just couldn't get a basket in the few offensive opportunities they had. Finally, C.J. Rogers, who had a couple of steals and a block in the second quarter, knocked down a baseline jumper with eight seconds left in the first half.

It would be the only field goal of the game for the Indians.

Keystone's first game in the tournament was another struggle. Eventual tournament champion Vero Beach—a Class 8A Final Four team two seasons ago—outscored the Indians 34-6 in the first half en route to a 63-25 win on Dec. 19.

The Indians did score 15 points in the fourth quarter after being held to 10 the rest of the game. Rogers drove the baseline for one basket, while later hitting a 3-pointer. Shobris was able to get a score in the paint off of an assist by Brandon Nicholas.

Shobris and Rogers finished with eight and seven points,

respectively.

Brannon Shaw, who would go on to win tournament MVP honors, led Vero Beach with 23 points.

Keystone will be back in action on Tuesday, Jan. 7, when they host P.K. Yonge at 7 p.m. in a game that counts toward the District 5-4A standings. The Indians then host district opponent Santa Fe on Thursday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m. before traveling to play district opponent Interlachen on Friday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m.

On Monday, Jan. 13, Keystone hosts Crescent City at 7 p.m.

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before scoring on a drive to the basket following Union's second turnover of the quarter. Mosher made a jump shot as he was falling to the court to pull the Tigers to within 11-10, but Vanover answered with the first of two consecutive 3-pointers for P.K. Yonge. The Blue Wave closed the half with a 16-2 run.

Geordyn Green had a couple of nice plays late in the third quarter for the Tigers, scoring on a drive to the basket and then setting up another eventual score by Princeton Alexander following a steal. P.K. Yonge, despite those two baskets, led 38-21.

Mosher led the Tigers with nine points, while Alexander finished with seven. Green and Lee each had four.

Vanover and Stephen Brown led the Blue Wave with 12 and 11 points, respectively, while Anthony Andrews added eight points.

the floor and scored following both. Mosher's second basket was set up by a nice pass from Alexander that made the score 16-13.

That was as close as the Tigers would get, though a 3-pointer by Dairon Alexander helped Union stay within five at the half.

Englewood scored the first three baskets of the second half, so by the time Princeton Alexander drained a 3-pointer, the Tigers still trailed by 10.

Alexander made two 3-pointers in the second half and finished with eight points.

Union will host District 7-1A opponent Dixie County on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 7:30 p.m. and travel to play district opponent Newberry on Thursday, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p.m. before traveling to Starke to play Bradford on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 7:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, Union travels to play district opponent Chiefland at 7:30 p.m.

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runner-up Englewood.

Two 3-pointers in the fourth quarter by Jones and another by Joquez Ivey helped Bradford stay close before Jones knocked down a jump shot following a Broward turnover to tie the score at 39-all with approximately three minutes remaining. A steal by Keearis Ardley led to another basket by Jones, giving Bradford just its second lead at 41-39.

Bradford would go on to miss its final five shot attempts, while Broward went 7-of-9 from the foul line in the final two minutes. Nate Johnson also made a 3-pointer down the stretch to help the Pumas' cause.

Johnson, who finished with 18 points and was named to the all-tournament team, had five points in the first quarter, while teammate Tachaka Ray made three 3-pointers to help the Pumas go up 15-6.

Kenny Dinkins made Bradford's second field goal of the game at the 7:17 mark of the second quarter and had five points in the quarter as the Tornados cut into the lead and trailed 20-16 at the half.

Bradford missed its first five field-goal attempts of the third quarter, but two free throws and a jumper by Jones helped the Tornados pull to within 22-20 before Ardley tied the game with a basket following his own steal.

A 3-pointer by Jones gave Bradford a 25-24 lead, but Broward's Johnson answered with a trey of his own.

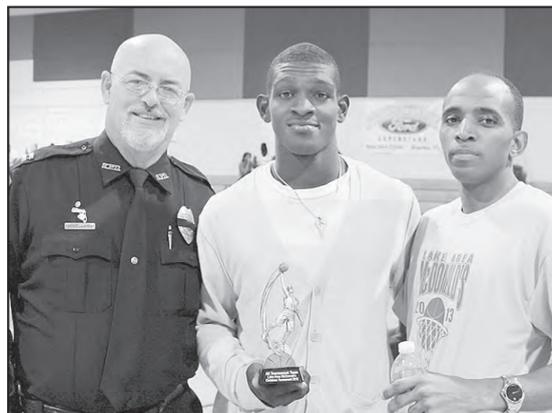
Jones, who made four 3-pointers overall, led all scorers with 20 points, while Ardley and Dinkins finished with eight and six, respectively.

Ardley was named to the all-tournament team, joining Broward's Johnson, Englewood's Drushaun McLaurin and Vero Beach's Vontravious Richardson and Brannon Shaw (MVP).

3rd-quarter struggles hurt BHS against Rams

Bradford scored just three points in the third quarter as Class 6A Englewood turned a two-point deficit into a nine-point lead and eventual 45-39 win over the Tornados on Dec. 20 in the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament.

A 3-pointer by Dinkins to start the third quarter provided the Tornados with their only points



Bradford's Keearis Ardley accepts a trophy for being named to the all-tournament team. He's pictured with Kiwanis Club of Starke President Barry Warren (left) and Bradford head coach Adrian Chandler.

of the quarter. Englewood's McLaurin and Tavon King combined to score 10 points to help send the Rams into the fourth quarter with a 30-21 lead.

Ardley scored five points during a 9-2 run to open the fourth. His two free throws made it a 32-27 game. The Rams failed to score on the other end of the floor, despite grabbing three offensive boards. Ardley was able to corral a loose ball and take it the distance, driving to the basket for a score and picking up a foul. He made the ensuing free throw to pull Bradford to within 32-30.

Englewood increased its lead to seven, but another driving score and free throw by Ardley

made the score 39-35 with approximately two minutes to play. A steal and successive layup by Ardley made the score 41-37 with one minute left. The Rams, though, made four straight free throws to help hold off the surging Tornados.

Ardley scored 10 points in the final quarter and finished with a team-high 12. Ivey scored eight points in the first half and finished with 10, while Dinkins and Jones each scored eight.

Bradford returns to action Saturday, Jan. 4, in a home game against District 5-4A opponent Santa Fe at 7:30 p.m. On Tuesday, Jan. 7, the Tornados host district opponent Fort White at 7:30 p.m.

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The application deadline is May 2.

Applicants and alternates will be selected using a 100-point scoring criteria and notified by

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Selected students start class in August. Classes are held Mondays through Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Visit www.butc.edu to download complete details about the LPN Program.

Indians get 2 district shutouts in soccer

Cory Hedding scored five goals for the Keystone Heights High School boys' soccer team in 6-0 and 7-0 District 5-2A wins over Santa Fe and Interlachen, respectively.

Hedding, who has 30 goals on the season, had two goals off of assists from Juan Grimaldo and Zac Hawkins in the Dec. 17 win over visiting Santa Fe. Zac Holman assisted on goals by Grimaldo and Dylan Beard, while Shaw Fuller assisted on

a goal by Wyatt Graziano. Eric Wood also scored on a penalty kick.

On Dec. 20, Hedding recorded the hat trick over visiting Interlachen, scoring three goals off of assists by Grimaldo, Nacho Grimaldo and Zac Fairbanks. Holman scored two goals, one of which received an assist from Juan Grimaldo. Grimaldo also scored on a goal assisted by Fairbanks. Wood successfully converted on a penalty kick for the second straight match.

Keystone (15-1-1, 12-0) travels to play Palatka on Saturday, Jan. 4, at 2 p.m. The Indians then host district opponent P.K. Yonge on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 7 p.m.

KH girls fall to Raiders again, but beat Rams

Unbeaten District 5-2A leader Santa Fe swept the season series against the Keystone Heights High School girls' soccer team, but the Indians bounced back with a win over district opponent Interlachen.

The Indians (14-6, 13-3) hosted Santa Fe on Dec. 17, losing 2-0. The Raiders scored a goal in the 11th minute and added another in the final eight minutes.

Keystone was able to find the net in its next outing—a 3-0 win over visiting Interlachen on Dec.

20. Hanna Crane scored two goals off of Raychel Trimble assists.

Trimble scored the first goal of the match in the ninth minute, with Julia Osteen getting the assist.

Keystone will travel to play Palatka on Saturday, Jan. 4, at noon. The Indians will then host St. Francis on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 5 p.m.

UC boys even district mark in basketball

Prior to playing in the Lake Area McDonald's-Kiwanis of Starke tournament (see related story), the Union County High School boys' basketball team defeated visiting Newberry 59-56 on Dec. 17 to even its District 7-1A mark at 2-2.

Kyle Mosher led the Tigers with 17 points, nine of which came on 3-pointers. Austin Dukes and Princeton Alexander had 14 and 10 points, respectively, with Alexander hitting two 3-pointers. Daquin Edwards and Daryl Watkins added six and five points, respectively, while Geordyn Green and Parker Hodgson had four and three, respectively.

Edwards grabbed seven rebounds, while Green had four assists.

Davis, Kemp combine for 61 points in BHS girls' win

Nyasia Davis and Tracey Kemp scored 33 and 28 points, respectively, as the Bradford High School girls' basketball team defeated Nease 78-66 on Dec. 19 in Ponte Vedra.

Danique Hudson and Keshanna Ardley added seven and five points, respectively, for the Tornadoes (9-5). Faith Anderson and Meghan Woods each scored two points, while Mackenzie Gault had one point.

Prior to playing Nease, Bradford hosted Gainesville on Dec. 17, losing 55-44. Davis and Kemp scored 22 and 13 points, respectively, while Woods had six points. Hudson added three points.

Bradford will host District 5-4A opponent Fort White on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 6 p.m. before hosting district opponent Keystone Heights on Friday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Jan. 11, the Tornadoes will play in the Corey Blue Invitational at P.K. Yonge in Gainesville before returning home to play district opponent Interlachen on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 6 p.m.

Union girls still seeking 1st district win

Keyambre Cobb made six 3-pointers and scored 20 points, but the Union County High School girls' basketball team remained winless in District 7-1A, losing 50-38 to visiting Newberry on Dec. 17.

Qushawn Smith and Nancy Slocum scored eight and four points, respectively, with Slocum grabbing 11 rebounds. Michelle Johnson, Janisha Jones and Madison McClellan each scored two points.

The Tigers (1-7) fell to 0-4 in District 7, also losing to district opponents Dixie County (47-37 on Dec. 5), Chiefland (48-34 on Dec. 10) and Williston (62-33 on Dec. 13).

In the closest of all of their district games—the Dec. 10 home game against Chiefland—the Tigers got eight and seven points from Cobb and Smith, respectively. Cobb had four assists, while Smith had nine rebounds.

Jones and Slocum each added six points against Chiefland, with Johnson and McClellan scoring four and two points, respectively.

Union will host Dixie County on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 6 p.m. before traveling to play Newberry on Thursday, Jan. 9, at 6 p.m.

On Friday, Jan. 10, the Tigers host Columbia County at 6 p.m. before traveling to play Baldwin on Monday, Jan. 13, at 7 p.m.



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