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## PHS Car Show

The Palatka High School Automotive Technology students will host their very first Car and Truck Show and Shine. Students and Community car enthusiasts can shine up their rides and bring them to Palatka High School on Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Trophies will be provided for the best all-around car and truck, best interior, and best "Palatka Lean." This is a free event to attend. There is a \$20, \$10 for students, fee to enter a vehicle. Proceeds to benefit the PHS Auto Tech program. There will be food and drinks available from the Welding program and Kona Ice.

## Cyber Security Program

The Florida Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network's Byte-Size Small Business Cyber Security Program session to be held on Wednesday, May 23 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Palatka Welcome Center located at 900 St. Johns Avenue in Palatka will describe practical, economical and effective safeguards firms can employ to protect their business from cyber attacks. State Road 19 from State Road 100 to State Road 20 (436167-1-52-01) Presented by Luisa Russoman with Boxmeta a company established by engineers in networking design and implementation for enterprise financial services. There is no cost for this class. Registration is required. To register visit [www.sbdc.unf.edu/register-for-workshop/?workshops\\_id=472](http://www.sbdc.unf.edu/register-for-workshop/?workshops_id=472).

## Trivia

CCHS Raider Athletics will host Trivia on Saturday, June 9 at the South Putnam Church located at 114 Amos Road in Crescent City starting at noon. Limit six players per team, registration is required. Concession stand will be open, merchandise raffles and \$400 to the winning team. Contact Tim Ross at 386-698-1629 or email to [CCRaidersathletics@gmail.com](mailto:CCRaidersathletics@gmail.com).

## Meet the Greats

The Crescent City Library Board, located at 610 Summit Street in Crescent City, is hosting a Meeting With The Greats on Wednesday, May 9 at noon. The topic is Agriculture-Economics, Future of the Area, with JR Newbold. Refreshments will be provided.

## Craft and Movie Night

Georgetown United Methodist Church will host a Community Craft and Movie Night on Friday, May 11 at the Riverview Community Center located off CR 309 on Tennessee Avenue in Fruitland, look for signs. Crafting begins at 6 p.m. with "Something for Mom" followed by the family movie Jumangi at 7 p.m. The public is invited and there will be food and craft supplies available. This is a free event to attend. For more information contact Linda Shiffler at 386-467-9714.

## Fruitland Historical Society

The Fruitland Peninsula Historical Society will meet on Tuesday, May 22 at the Little Blue House Museum in Crescent City. This is a change from their usual meeting time. Guests are welcome and refreshment provided.

## Lane and Road Closures

The following is a list of road and lane closures that may impact traffic through Friday, May 11. **State Road 19 from State Road 100 to State Road 20:** Daytime lane closures Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for concrete work related to the resurfacing project. **State Road 100 over Palmetto Branch:** Daytime shoulder closures Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for routine bridge maintenance.

# Rotary Awards Volunteers

Rotary Club of Crescent City Awards CCHS Student Volunteers



Photos by Mike Jones

Members of the Rotary Club of Crescent City (Rotary) visited Crescent City High school on Friday, May 4 to honor the one hundred and thirty two 2018 Catfish Festival Student Volunteers. Rotary brought pizza and drinks for the student volunteers lunch and awarded each student with a certificate of appreciation for all of the hard work giving by the students. This year Rotary saw a 40 percent increase in student volunteers for the festival and gave out over 1,000 community service hours to the students that can be used towards college scholarship applications. Putnam County School District Superintendent, Dr. Rick Surrency was also on hand to thank the students for their hard work and community spirit.



# PCSO Operation Spring Cleaning

Special to the Courier Journal

The Putnam County Sheriff's Office participated in a statewide dubbed "Operation Spring Cleaning" aimed at making Florida a safer place to live and work by removing illegal narcotics and weapons from the streets and holding the criminals involved in the illegal drug trade accountable. The Florida Sheriffs Association (FSA) Task Force released the results of Operation Spring Cleaning, a strategic initiative in 27 Florida counties that focused on the investigation and subsequent arrest of those manufacturing, delivering or trafficking controlled substances. During this operation, The Putnam County Sheriff's Office arrested 41 drug traffickers, confiscated 5,337 grams of controlled substances, and seized 11 illegal firearms. The street value of



the narcotics seized in Putnam County is estimated at \$317,400. "The widespread use of controlled substances has devastated communities across our great state," said FSA President and Walton County Sheriff Michael Adkinson. "Enforcing controlled substance policies under Florida Statute 893.03 is a top priority for law enforcement officers to keep families and local communities safe."

Florida's medical examiners reported 704 people

died of Fentanyl-related overdoses in the first half of 2016 which led to the passing of enhanced penalties for drug dealers and traffickers as seen in Florida House Bill 477 in 2017. Since many dealers sell various types of drugs, Operation Spring Cleaning focused on capturing sales and trafficking related to highly abused controlled substances. The following are the specific totals numbers for Putnam County: 41 persons arrested for trafficking in

controlled substances listed under Florida Statute 893.03/sale and delivery, 5,337 grams of controlled substances confiscated, 11 firearms seized and Street Value of drugs seized equals approximately \$317,400.

Sheriff DeLoach said, "Through joint operations such as this, The Florida Sheriffs continue to make our great State a safer place to live and raise a family. The possession, sale and manufacture of drugs erode our community. Rest assured, if you sell or manufacture drugs in Putnam County, we are coming after you!"

Operation Spring Cleaning contributes to two of the FSA business operations goals: to foster effective law enforcement and crime prevention and to promote the activities of Sheriffs. The results of this task force operation have led to many successful closed investigations of drug trafficking in the state of Florida.

# Local Artist's Opening a Success



Photos by Mike Jones  
Local artist Esme Coward's (right in photo left) opening art exhibit was well received by the many in attendance on Friday, May 4 at the Art Council of Greater Palatka's showing held at the Larimer Arts Center. Coward's art work spanned her earliest work as a student of St. Johns River Junior College through her career as a high school art teacher at Crescent City High School to her most recent self taught oil paintings (photo above and far left).

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# OPINION

## Government Watch

**City of Crescent City**  
**City Commission Meeting May 10, 6 p.m.**  
 Planning & Zoning Meeting, June 12, 6 p.m.  
 City Hall, 3 North Summit Street. Meets 2nd Thurs of the month. 386-698-2525 - [www.CrescentCity-FL.com](http://www.CrescentCity-FL.com)

**Town Council of Welaka**  
**Town Council Meeting, June 12, 6:00 p.m.**  
 Zoning Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 12, 5:30 p.m.  
 Town Hall, Fourth Ave. Meets 2nd Tues of the month. 386-467-9800. [www.Welaka-FL.gov](http://www.Welaka-FL.gov)

**Town Council of Pomona Park**  
**Town Council Meeting, May 8, 6 p.m.**  
 Town Hall Council Chambers, 1775 US Hwy 17 S.  
 TownClerk@PomonaPark.com 386-649-4902  
[www.PomonaPark.com](http://www.PomonaPark.com)

**Putnam County Board of County Commissioners**  
**May 22, 9 a.m. Regular Meeting**  
 Meets second and fourth Tuesday in the Commission chambers, 2509 Crill Ave, Suite 100, Palatka. 386-329-0205.  
[www.putnam-fl.com/boccc/](http://www.putnam-fl.com/boccc/)

**Putnam County School Board**  
**May 15, 3:30 p.m. Regular Meeting**  
 Meets the first and third Tuesday in the School Board Meeting Room, 200 Reid Street, Palatka. 386-329-0545. [www.putnamschools.org](http://www.putnamschools.org)

## Election Time

Daris Howard

It's almost primary election time. In our rural community, one of the most important local offices is the school board. It can be a thankless job. Anyone who has a child in school has definite opinions on how the school should be run and the most important uses of the money. And those with no children in school feel that bonds and levies are a waste of money, and the school board needs to cut spending and be more efficient.

In a previous election year, no one was running for the school board position in the district where I live. Everyone was encouraging someone else to do it. I even had people talk to me about it.

"You really ought to run," Old Evan said. "You're one of the most-looked-up-to people in the community. Everyone would vote for you."

"That's exactly why I don't plan to run," I replied.

"Why? Because you're one of the most-looked-up-to people in the community and it might lower people's opinion of you?"

"No," I replied. "Because everyone might vote for me."

Eventually, my neighbor, Bart, decided to run. Bart is well-known, and everyone respects him. He does have strong opinions on issues, but he always tries to do what he feels is right.

He won unopposed, and that year there were some major challenges for the school board. The state cut back funding, and the school board had to make decisions on where to cut expenses. The biggest possible budget that could be decreased was the sports programs. But the parents of the athletes are the most outspoken, and that didn't go over well.

The programs for the arts was the second consideration. That includes music, art, and theatre. But more than 50% of the students are in those programs. The parents whose children were involved in the arts pointed out that the amount of money spent there was already the lowest when calculated on a per child basis.

The school board proposed having a supplemental levy. But farm commodity prices were down, and since the levy would be a property tax, farmers came to the school board meeting in droves to complain. Those who had large summer cabins complained as well. Their children didn't go to school here, and they didn't feel they should pay increased taxes.

The school board worked hard to balance all of the issues, and no one was happy. By the time the next election year rolled around, Bart had had enough. He told me he didn't plan to ever run again.

But no one else was running, and an incumbent would look like a quitter if he didn't run when he was unopposed. So Bart finally, reluctantly registered to run. And then, just before the filing deadline, Melanie registered, too. But she had less than a month to get the word out.

As I was driving home on the week of the election, I saw Bart out putting up signs along the roads. I laughed, thinking that his competitive spirit must have gotten the best of him. I waved and continued on my way. A few minutes later, he came around the neighborhood passing out campaign flyers.

"Don't forget to vote," he said.

I smiled as he left. Then I looked at the flier. It was a campaign ad for Melanie. Curiosity got the best of me, and I climbed into my car and drove to look at one of the signs Bart had been putting in along the road. Sure enough, it was for Melanie.

At a community gathering the day after the election, Bart was all smiles.

"Well, it was close, but we did it," he said.

"You won?" Evan asked.

Bart shook his head. "No. Melanie did by forty-two votes. Thank heaven."

I laughed. I have never seen someone so happy about losing.



"Daft as a Brush"

On the face of it, brushes wouldn't seem to be any more daft than anything else. As the source of the expression isn't obvious, various suggestions have been put forward as to what form of brush is being referred to; for instance:

- The phrase originated as 'as soft as a brush' and the brush is the tail of a fox. This is plausible in that 'soft' is a northern English term for stupid, and foxes tails are in fact quite soft to the touch.

- The brushes in the expression are the boys that were employed in the 18th/19th centuries to climb inside chimneys to sweep them. The theory here, which is somewhat less plausible, is that the boys were made into idiots by being repeatedly dropped on their heads when being lowered down the chimneys.

Nevertheless, as we shall see, the 'brush' in this simile is neither of these; it is, as the dictionary would have it "A utensil consisting of a piece of wood or other suitable material, set with small tufts or bunches of bristles, hair, or the like, for sweeping or scrubbing dust and dirt from a surface", that is - a brush. Are brushes daft? Not particularly.

In looking for early examples of 'daft as a brush' in print we find that it first starts appearing in the 1950s. An example is in William Morgan Williams's *The Sociology of an English Village: Gosforth, 1956*:

The wives of two members of a kin-group locally thought to be eccentric and extremely unsociable were pointed out by several people as 'gay queer' and 'daft as a brush'.

1956 seems later than expected and, as the word 'daft' has always been used more often in the north of England than in other places, a scan of some north country references seems in order. Voilà. 'Daft as a brush' it is in fact pre-dated by an earlier variant 'daft as a besom.' The earliest citation found is a listing in William Dickinson's *A glossary of the words and phrases of Cumberland, 1859*:

Daft, without sense. "Ey, as daft as a besom."

A 'besom' is of course a brush made from twigs and a corroboration that the phrase originated with the 'besom' rather than the 'brush' version comes in another glossary, from just a few years earlier and collected in the same area - John and William Brockett's *A glossary of North country words, with their etymology, 1846*:

Fond, silly, foolish. An old Northern word. 'Fond-as-a-buzzom,' remarkably silly.

The use of 'fond' to mean foolish pre-dated our current usage, which is 'to be fond of something or someone.' That present day meaning migrated from the earlier word, which in time came to mean 'display a foolish affection for.' In Richard Rolle's *Psalter, 1339*, the author refers to 'fonnyd maydyns' (foolish girls). The word appears in more contemporary language in John Lyly's *Euphues: the Anatomy of Wyt, 1578*:

He that is young thinketh the old man fond.

So remember, if you are visiting the English northern counties and some old codger says that you are 'as fond as a buzzom,' it isn't exactly a compliment.

From the Phrase Finder: <http://www.phrases.org.uk/>



## From Me to You

Juliette Laurie  
 Editor/Publisher

### Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive

The National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) will hold its 26th annual national food drive on Saturday, May 12.

The Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive, the country's largest single-day food drive, provides residents with an easy way to donate food to those in need.

Customers are asked to simply leave their donation of non-perishable goods next to their mailbox before the delivery of the mail on Saturday, May 12. Letter carriers will collect these food donations on that day as they delivered mail along their postal routes and distribute them to local food agencies.

Visit [stampouthungerfooddrive.us](http://stampouthungerfooddrive.us) to learn more.

The Letter Carriers' food drive is held annually on the second Saturday in May in 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Guam. It remains as important as ever, with many people facing economic struggles. Hunger affects about 50 million people around the country, including millions of children, senior citizens and veterans.

Letter carriers see these struggles in the communities they serve, and believe it's important to do what they can to help.

The timing is important, with food banks, pantries and shelters running low on donations from the winter-holidays and with summer looming, when most school meal programs are suspended.

In 2016, letter carriers collected a record 80.1 million pounds of food donations along their postal routes. That brought the total since the NALC's food drive began in 1993 to 1.5 billion pounds.

People who have questions about the drive in their area should ask their letter carrier, contact their local post office, or go to [stampouthungerfooddrive.us](http://stampouthungerfooddrive.us), [facebook.com/StampOutHunger](https://www.facebook.com/StampOutHunger) or [twitter.com/StampOutHunger](https://twitter.com/StampOutHunger).

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# COMMUNITY

## From the Write Side



Linda Horne  
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What a nice surprise to read Beth's column last week and hear she is well enough to be out and about again. I don't think she knows how many prayers and good wishes were sent her way while she recovered. Beth Carter is surely one of the sweetest, most gracious ladies I have ever known and it's good to have her "back on the beat."

There were a couple of things I had planned on writing about this month but I just couldn't connect with the people I needed to talk to and get some information from. And as the days slipped away, two conversations with two totally unrelated people, about two sort of related happenings, sent me stumbling off on a trip down memory lane. First, a friend who lives in Merritt Island called and asked if I had heard about the 55-pound bull dolphin that was caught in a tournament off Port Canaveral and proceeded to go on and on about

what a big beautiful fish it was and what a time those guys had getting that big boy in the boat. Got me thinking about the days when we used to fish the keys in pursuit of those beauties. Then, coincidentally, while I was getting a hair cut, one of the beauticians was talking about the trip to the Keys that she and some friends had just gotten back from. Of course I asked her where they stayed and if they had done any fishing, and when she said, "Islamorada" .... and told me about their fishing adventures ..... well, nostalgia set in big time.

Now, I know that this column is supposed to be about people and goings on over here on the west or "write" side of the tracks, but I'm going to break away from that this time and selfishly share some personal memories with you.

You see, long ago and far away, in another life and place, the highlight of every year came each June when my Sweetie and I would go down to Islamorada and meet up with some friends that he had fished with for years. The group consisted primarily of firefight-

ers and their wives and friends, and they called themselves "The Rusty Bunch." And, you know after twenty-five years, we still have a couple of well worn tee shirts bearing the rusty anchor they came up with as their personal crest.

Now, even though the primary reason for the trip was the fishing, you gotta know that there was some serious partying during those two weeks, and one day in 1993, when all the gang got in from fishing, Wayne and I actually got married by one of the women who was a Notary Public. I won't bore you with the entire ceremony she wrote for us, but it started out, "Dear Friends and Fishing Teams, we are gathered here today to tie a nautical knot around a lasting partnership." and continued along the same line. We loved it!

Anyway, on another day as we trolled the beautiful blue waters, my poetic muse must have lit upon my shoulder because the following just came to me, mostly word for word. And after a little tweaking, and Wayne making a few "technical" edits, this was the result.

I think that anyone who has ever fished offshore can identify with this and I hope that everyone else can kind of visualize the crazy fun we had and appreciate my "Ode to the Rusty Bunch"

Ode to the Rusty Bunch  
There's a friendly group of fishing folks  
A "Rusty Bunch" they say;  
And every June,  
no matter what  
They head for the Keys to Play.

They hail from



These guys certainly had a great day fishing!



Those smiles tell the tale and what a tale they'll have to share with their friends.

Vero and St. Cloud  
And from Merritt Island there's a pair;  
They plan all year for this special trip  
And the good times that they share.

They settle in at Tropical Reef,  
Sit on the porch and watch the sky,  
Swapping lies and drinking rum,  
Waiting for the wind to die.

Then morning comes and all is right.  
The ocean's flat as can be.  
They man their boats, this mighty fleet,  
And all put out to sea.

Beyond the reef and Alligator Light  
They run out past "The Hump"  
Armed with plastic

birds and ballyhoo  
And lots of smelly chum.

They chase the great bull dolphin,  
His cows and "schoolies" too;  
And if the weather holds and luck is good  
They just might catch a few.

All eyes scan the horizon.  
As the fishermen hope to see  
A school of bait, a frigate bird,  
A weed line, or some debris.

They troll the sea for hours  
Till someone gives a shout;  
They've found the fish and the fun begins  
Just listen to those reels sing out!

This is what they've come here for,  
Dolphin leaping as they fight,  
Flashing green and yellow,  
Lord, what a pretty sight!

Then suddenly, like magic,  
There's no more fish around.  
But everyone's caught their limit  
And the sun is going down.

They run inside and jump overboard  
Just to cool off for a spell.  
Then it's fish to clean and boats to wash.

Now it's time to raise some hell.

Capt. Morgan's smooth, the beer is cold,  
Dolphin on the grill smells mighty fine.

They drink and eat and drink some more  
And have one helluva time.

They laugh and lie and carry on  
Sharing tales about their day.  
Then stumble to their beds to sleep  
Because tomorrow's on its way.

This is their "Particular Harbor"  
With its waters so blue and clear,  
Where they can just sit back, unwind a bit  
And let their troubles disappear.

It doesn't get any better than this  
Good fishing, good friends, good cheer.  
It's that magic combination  
That keeps them coming back each year.

They call themselves "The Rusty Bunch"  
May their friendship long survive.  
And may they fish these fertile waters  
As long as they're alive!

Linda (McConnell) Horne (with a little help from Wayne) Islamorada, June 1993

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### CITY OF CRESCENT CITY



City Commission Meeting  
Thursday, May 10, 2018  
City Hall 6:00 p.m.

#### Invocation

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Students of the Month: Middleton Burney Elementary, Miller Intermediate School, Crescent City High School
3. Approval of Minutes: City Commission Meeting of April 12, 2018

#### Old Business

4. Second Reading of Ordinance 18-01 Amending the Community Redevelopment Plan; Providing for the Establishment of Additional CRA Districts North and South of the Original CRA; Providing for the Increment to be Collected within each CRA; Providing for the Extension of the Original CRA; and Providing for an Effective Date.
5. City Manager Capital Project Updates

#### New Business

6. Recommendation for Award of for Margary Neal Nelson Sunrise Park Improvements
7. Proposed Amendments to Gas Department Fee Schedule
8. Proposed Amendments to the Land Development Code
9. First Reading Ordinance 18-02 Historic Preservation Amendments
10. First Reading Ordinance 18-03 Amending LDC Article 6 Architectural Standards
11. Proclamation 18-06 Crescent City's Support of Schools
12. Police Chief's Law Enforcement Report with Q&A
13. Police Community Outreach Report
14. Code Enforcement Report
15. City Commission Comments and Questions

#### Visitor and Citizen Communication

16. Visitor and Citizen Communications - Speaker is limited to 2 minutes.

PLEASE COME FORWARD to the podium and give your name and address before addressing the Commission.

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# OUR TOWN

## Years Ago...

### 75 years ago

**May 14, 1943 - City Pays Debt on Its Home Property** - The City of Crescent City made its last payment on the property that its city hall is on. They purchased the property in the mid-30s. The city hall housed all offices and the fire station with two trucks.

### 50 years ago

**May 14, 1967 - CATV Hits Snag** - A Federal Communication Commission ruling kept CATV from only relaying signals that were in a 35 mile radius. This put only one station, Channel 2 from Daytona Beach, as the only channel that could be piped into Crescent City.

### 25 years ago

**May 12, 1993 - Police Investigate Burglary of Mayor's Business** - The Crescent City Flower Shop, then owned by Mayor Nancy Harris, was burglarized by an unknown subject. An envelope with \$145 was taken and windows in a rear door broken.

### 10 years ago

**May 14, 2008 - Rotarians Buy Groceries** - A check for \$694 was given to the South Putnam Christian Service Center from members of the Rotary Club of Crescent City. At each meeting a 50/50 drawing was done and the winner of it donated their winnings back to the club. Each quarter the money is given to a charity.

### 5 years ago

**May 15, 2013 - SJR State President, Trustees Win National collegiate Award** - St. Johns River State President Joe Pickens, J.D. and the District Board of Trustees were selected at the overall winners of a national awards program designed to recognize innovation and progressive practices among two-year colleges.

*Compiled from the Crescent City News, Crescent City Journal, Crescent City Courier Journal, Putnam County Courier Journal and other local news sources.*

## Way Back When...

**From the pages of the Courier Journal of May 7, 1975.**

### Getting Involved in Education

"Youth Appreciation Week," proclaimed last week by the Putnam County School Board, included parents, too.

Over 100 parents, students and Crescent City Junior-Senior High School instructors met last Tuesday night in a classroom situation, abbreviated but similar to that which students experience five days a week. Parents were as-

sembled, received an introductory address from principal Carl Herring and then went off to class, using the same schedule their sons and daughters follow each day in school.

Classroom sessions - six total - were limited to 10 minutes each with a five-minute break period to allow passage from class to class.

The unique program allowed parents to see where and what their children do during an ordinary school day. It also gave teachers and parents the

opportunity to get together and discuss any problems involving a particular child's progress in the classroom - for some parents, it was the first time they had met face to face with their children's instructors.

Student Appreciation Week continued the entire week of April 28 through May 2 and included a variety of activities for students throughout the county.

The special week of recognition was originated by school board members to emphasize some of

the positive aspects of school life.

Activities included special music courtesy of a Palatka radio station, exhibits of student art and craft work and culminated Friday evening with a mock trial at St. Johns River Junior College.

The trial included three practicing attorneys who acted out a make believe trial as if it were actually being decided. (A bulletin board proclaimed "The more you get involved, the more education pays." Good food for thought in any school year.)

## Troop 957 Helps Mulch



**Fransisco**  
Troop Scribe

Hi everyone! My name is Fransisco. I am the scribe today for Troop 957 in Crescent City. I'm reporting on a fun activity we had at scouts.

We all gathered up our rakes and shovels and pitch forks and went to a lady's house to help her. It was great fun. We had eight scouts there plus our leaders. Many hands make light work and we were able to help her!

She had lots of mulch that needed to be put around her yard and so we all got real busy real fast. One of the scouts was doing mulch with a wheelbarrow. I'm not sure what happened but all of a sudden, his wheelbarrow tipped over! He started laughing and then



before long we were all laughing and helping him so we could get the work done.

My scout leader asked what my favorite part of the project was and I said it was that we had so many people there helping. It really was awesome seeing everyone scurry around loading and unloading mulch and spreading it around. We were all laughing

and having a great time. Sometimes it's like driving bumper cars. We were all working and putting mulch out and everyone was going everywhere at once and it was fun to watch.

One thing that made us feel really good was when the lady came out and talked to us and told us that she was glad that we were all there. That always gives me a happy

feeling inside. The Scout oath says, "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God, to my country, and to help other people at all times." It felt good to be there. Oh, and we were able to complete the work in just one scout meeting!

Pack and Troop 957 is sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. We meet at the church on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. for the Scouts age 11-18 and on the second and fourth Wednesday's at 4:30 p.m. for the Cub Scouts. We hope you can come join us in the fun. You can find out more about our scout organizations by going to Beascout.org.

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1 tablespoon butter	1/4 teaspoon dried basil
1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper	1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes
1/4 cup sliced green onions	1 bay leaf
1 clove garlic, minced	1/2 teaspoon salt
3 cups tomato-vegetable juice cocktail	1/2 cup uncooked long-grain white rice
1 (8 ounce) bottle clam juice	3/4 pound fresh shrimp, peeled and deveined
1/2 cup water	hot pepper sauce to taste
1/4 teaspoon dried thyme	

**Directions**

- Melt butter in a large pot over medium heat. Saute green bell pepper, onions, and garlic until tender. Stir in vegetable juice, clam juice, and water. Season with thyme, basil, red pepper, bay leaf, and salt. Bring to a boil, and stir in rice. Reduce heat, and cover. Simmer 15 minutes, until rice is tender.
- Stir in shrimp, and cook 5 minutes, or until shrimp are opaque. Remove the bay leaf, and season with hot sauce.

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## Obituaries

### PALATKA

**Mary Robertson**  
Mary "Margaret" Robertson, passed away peacefully at Palatka Health Care Center on April 30, 2018 in Palatka at the age of 88.



Margaret was born on June 24, 1929 in Del Rio, Tennessee to Howard and Cora Moore and married her husband Charles in 1947. She loved to spend time with her family and adored each of her grandchildren. She enjoyed cooking, crocheting and working in ceramics. She was loving and generous and dedicated to her family. Margaret was loved by everyone who knew her and touched many lives. She enjoyed all children and in her retirement, she volunteered with Communities in Schools in Palatka where she served as a tutor at Mellon Elementary School.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Charles Robertson.

Margaret is survived by her children, Diana (Harry) Jenkins, Carlotta (Bill) Thomas and Margo (John) Arbuckle, grandchildren, Carla Thomas, Robby Thomas, Tony Turner, Justin Turner, Jason Turner, Matthew Turner, Renea Norris and JD Arbuckle, 18 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sisters, Polly Burkholder and Betty Canfield.

The family would like to thank the caregivers at Five Oaks Rest Home as well as the staff at Palatka Health Care Center and Community Hospice for their care over the past months.

A memorial service was held at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 4, 2018 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness in Palatka with Elder Ron Jackson officiating.

A graveside service under the care of Brown Funeral Home will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 12, 2018 at the Moore Cemetery in Del Rio, Tennessee.

Memories and condolences may be expressed to the family at Margaret's Book of Memories page at [www.johnsonoverturf.com](http://www.johnsonoverturf.com).

Flowers are gratefully accepted or memorial donations may be sent to Community Hospice, 4266 Sunbeam Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32257.

Local arrangements were entrusted to Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home in Palatka.

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### GAINESVILLE

**Joe V. Davis**

Joe Vinson Davis, 87, of Gainesville, formerly of Palatka, passed from this life on Monday, April 30, 2018 at the VA Medical Center in Gainesville following an extended illness. He was born in Clio, Alabama, raised in Palatka, and spent most of his adult life in Orlando before settling in Gainesville. He was of the Baptist faith and loved the Lord Jesus. He served as an airman in the United States Air Force. Joe also served on the Florida Highway Patrol for 10 years and was the owner and operator of an insurance agency in Orlando for many years. He enjoyed playing poker and anyone who knew him knew he loved to eat.

He is survived by his children, Kevan T. Davis (Kim Martin), Vinson Lee Davis (Tanya), Donna D. DeBerry (James), beloved companion, Wanda Hunter, brother, Eddie Davis, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at Oak Hill Cemetery in Palatka with Bro. Vince Davis officiating. The family received friends from 10:30 a.m. until the time of services at the cemetery on Thursday.

Memories and condolences may be expressed to the family at Joe's Book of Memories page at [www.johnsonoverturf.com](http://www.johnsonoverturf.com).

Arrangements were under the direction of Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home in Palatka.

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### BARDIN

**Adolfo Martinez**

Adolfo Martinez, 80, of Bardin went to be with the Lord Sunday, April 29, 2018 at his residence following an extended illness.

Adolfo was born in Ponce, Puerto Rico and had been a resident of Bardin for the past 18 years, coming from St. Augustine. He served honorably in the United States Army and became 100 percent disabled while in military service. He was a member of American Legion Bert Hodge Post #45 in Palatka and was of the Catholic Faith. He was an avid New York Yankees fan and had attended many of their games when living in New York. He was a devoted husband and father.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Victor Martinez and Guadalupe Maldonado; and a son, Victor Adolfo Martinez.

Surviving are his wife of 51 years, Ursulina Martinez of Bardin; four children, Luz Maria Martinez of Pennsylvania, Adolfo Martinez, Jr. (Dawn Maas) of Palm Coast, Marilyn Morris (Wayne Morris) of St. Augustine, and Marisol Martinez (Froilan Gonzalez) of Port St. Lucie; six grandchildren, Juan Carlos Navarro, Nimarie Rivera, and Jose Antonio Rivera, all of Pennsylvania, Natalie Santana (Carlos Santana) of St. Augustine, Christopher Martinez, and Anissa Martinez (Elijah Daughtry), all of Palm Coast; and ten great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 5 at Masters Funeral Home in Palatka. Burial with military honors bestowed by the U.S. Army followed in Palatka Memorial Gardens. Calling hours were from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Friday, May 4 at the funeral home.

Memorial gifts may be sent to Haven Hospice Roberts Care Center, 6400 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, FL 32177. Friends may sign the online register at [www.themastersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.themastersfuneralhomes.com).

Masters Funeral Home of Palatka was in charge of arrangements.

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### CRESCENT CITY

**Marie J. Martin**

Marie Joan Martin, 78, of Crescent City Passed away on April 26, 2018 while in hospice at the McGraw Center for Caring in Jacksonville. She was born and raised in Ft. Lauderdale and was descended from the original Gornto, Townsend, Delaney, and May pioneer families of Florida. She was a Florida State Master Gardener who enjoyed spending her leisure time gardening, boating and spending time with her family and dogs. At one time she was involved with youth group organizations who she instructed in planting sea oats to protect our beaches and coastlines. In addition, she was a staunch advocate of Animal Rescue, and was very instrumental in raising funds to open Animal Shelters in counties where none previously existed.

Joan was preceded in death by her parents, as well as her brother James and her son Michael.

She is survived by her loving husband, Robert Martin of Crescent City and her brother John Dowd Gornto. She is also survived by her children, Michelle Langley of Maryland, Scott Martin of Cocoa beach and Laura Chisasson of Longwood and grandchildren Keri, Me-

gan, Tyler, Payton, Cole, and great grandchildren, Gabriella and Emmett.

Watts Funeral Home and Cremation Center was charge of the arrangements.

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### PALM COAST

**Joanne Jones**

Joanne Jones, 84, of Palm Coast passed away Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach due to injuries in an automobile accident.

Joanne was born in South Portland, Maine and had been a resident of Palm Coast for the past twelve years, coming from Palatka where she had been a longtime resident. As a people person who loved history, she had served as a docent at the Bronson House with the City of Palatka and as a tour guide at The Oldest House in St. Augustine. She and her husband, Louis, had owned and operated King's Coffee Shop in Palatka. She had also worked as a cosmetics professional with Eckerd's Drug Store in Palatka and Belk's in St. Augustine. She had enjoyed traveling to Alaska and several countries in Europe, horses, and her dog, Layla.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Leona and Jesse Bivings.

Surviving are her husband, Louis Jones of Palm Coast; a son and daughter-in-law, Nolan and Brenda Richard of Palatka; two daughters and sons-in-law, Marilyn and Rick Block of Kentucky, and Shelly and Joseph Long of North Carolina; three step-daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara and Melvin Hall, Mary K. and John Carlson, and Bonnie F. Jones, all of Palatka; three step-sons, Chan E. Jones of Palatka, David and Dee Jones of Palatka, and Charles A. Jones (Sherry) of Interlachen; two brothers, Jesse Eugene, Jr. and Nancy Bivings, and Col. Donald E. Bivings, Sr., U.S. Army (Ret.) and wife, Glenda, all of Georgia; 19 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and special friends, Bill and Val Shirling of St. Augustine.

Joanne's life was celebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 1 at Masters Funeral Home in Palatka with Pastor Melvin Hall officiating. In honor and celebration of Joanne's life a Video Tribute was shown. The family received friends one hour prior to the start of the service.

Memorial gifts may be sent to Lee Conlee House, 2509 Crill Ave., Suite 950, Palatka, FL 32177. Friends may sign the online register at [www.themastersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.themastersfuneralhomes.com).

Masters Funeral Home of Palatka was in charge of arrangements.

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### PALATKA

**Anita D. Johns Craig**

Anita Darlene Johns Craig, 59 of Palatka went home to be with the Lord peacefully at her sister's residence on Wednesday April 25, 2018 after an extended illness.

Darlene was born and raised in Palatka and attended local public schools, including Palatka South High School. She was a homemaker most of her life. She loved her family and friends and truly cared for others. She was passionate about helping people and always had a smile. She enjoyed her flowers and plants and loved animals, especially her dog, Cricket. She also loved being outside watching the hummingbirds. Darlene will be missed tremendously by her family and friends and will always remain in our hearts. "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be

present with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:8 KJV.

She was preceded in death by her father, Thomas Byrd; and brother Larry Johns.

Darlene is survived by her husband of 27 years, Kevin Craig of Branford; and her mother, Gertrude Johns of Palatka. Also surviving are her siblings and spouses, Annette and Paul Green, Mitchell and Fay Johns, Mary and Larry Pippin, Martha and Mark Stites, Tessie Johns, Vanessa and Tim Campbell, Bo and Tina Byrd, Trisha and Keith McWhorter, and Chris and Anita Byrd, all of Palatka; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were from 1 p.m. Saturday, April 28 at Southside Baptist Church in Palatka with Pastor Shaun Thomas officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to the service.

Memorial gifts may be sent to U-Turn Community Outreach, P.O. Box 1568, Palatka, FL 32178. Friends may sign the online register at [www.themastersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.themastersfuneralhomes.com).

Masters Funeral Home of Palatka was in charge of arrangements.

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### PALATKA

**Jerry L. Adcox**

Jerry Lynn Adcox, 77, of Palatka, passed away on Monday, April 16, 2018 following an extended illness. A native of Raeford, North Carolina Jerry had many jobs growing up in North Carolina. While living in Florida he worked at Georgia-Pacific in Hawthorne as a patcher. He also did a lot of volunteer work at Interlachen Elementary School in the early 90's. In the 2000's he was always helping the crew at the Handy Way at 315 in Interlachen.

Jerry was preceded in death by this parents, Thelma and Stanley Adcox, two nephews, Kenneth and John and niece, Leah.

He leaves behind to cherish his memories, his sons, Harold Adcox of Florida and Christopher Adcox of North Dakota; his sisters, Janet (Bobby) Baker of North Carolina and Frances Jo (Rommell) of Florida; his ex-wife, Deborah Adcox of Florida who helped take care of him during the last two years; nieces, Jennifer, Tanya, and Vicki; nephew, Gary, along with two-grandchildren whose birth names were Jason and Emily Adcox but have since been changed and several other family members and many close friends.

No services are scheduled at this time. Any future plans for a service will be announced online and Facebook.

Memories and condolences may be expressed to the family at Jerry's Book of Memories at [www.johnsonoverturf.com](http://www.johnsonoverturf.com).

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### DEATH NOTICES

**PALATKA**

**Mike Stager**

James Michael "Mike" Stager, 63, of Palatka passed away on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka following an extended illness. Arrangements will be announced by Masters Funeral Home of Palatka.

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### HASTINGS

**Raymond L. Frankenger**

Raymond L. "Ray" Frankenger, 64, of Hastings passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at his residence following a brief illness. Masters Funeral Home of Palatka is assisting the family.



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**PALATKA**

**Eva J. Jones**

Eva Jean (Dougherty) Jones passed away May 3, 2018, at her daughter's home in Florida. She was 93 years old and active up until a recent illness. She was being followed at home by Haven Hospice.



Eva Jean was born March 13, 1925, to Clarence and Herbert Taylor Dougherty in Graysville, Ohio.

Eva Jean attended Graysville High School and graduated Valedictorian in 1943. In 1946, she completed her training as a registered nurse at Ohio Valley General Hospital in Wheeling, West Virginia. She worked at Glen Dale Hospital (Reynolds Memorial Hospital) until her retirement in 1976.

She spent her adult life as a resident of Marshall Co. until moving to Florida to be with her daughter. She was active in the Marshall Co. 4-H program for many years and was a life time member of the Miracle Valley Homemaker's Club. She and Harold were faithful members of the Hillview Terrace Church of Christ since its beginning in 1964.

She had a passion for needlework and many of her creations won local and national awards. She also loved fishing, traveling, reading, and maintaining her rose garden. She was family oriented and lived a long and productive life, for which we will be eternally grateful.

Eva Jean will be missed by many who will cherish her memory and carry on her legacy.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Harold S. Jones; an infant son, William Taylor; son-in-law, Frank C. McCole; four brothers: Herbert Taylor, Jr., Heber, Bernard, and Victor Dougherty; three sisters: Eileen Pope, Dot Hamilton, and Delores Moore.

She is survived by a son, Brent Jones of Emporia, Kansas; two daughters: Susan Winding (John) of California and Virginia McCole of Florida; two grandsons: Frank McCole (Hope) of Georgia and Stuart McCole of Florida; five granddaughters: Victoria and Christine McCole of Florida and Misty Jones Crim (Stephen), Carri Jones and fiancé Mark Elfstrom, and Robin Jones Griese (Ben) of Arkansas; four great grandchildren: Cooper and Charlie McCole of Georgia and Brittany Nicole and Brian Crim of Arkansas; one great-great grandson, Gavin Armstrong of Arkansas and former daughter-in-law Janet Jones of Arkansas, in addition to many nieces and nephews.

Family received friends Monday, May 7, 2018 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. with services beginning at 1 p.m. at Grisell Funeral Home, 400 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville, West Virginia. Interment followed at Halcyon Hills Memorial Gardens, Sherard, West Virginia.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hillview Terrace Church of Christ, Fourth St. and Willard Ave., Moundsville, WV 26041.

Memories and condolences may be expressed to the family at Eva's Book of Memories page at [www.johnsoverturf.com](http://www.johnsoverturf.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson-Overturf Funeral Home in Palatka.

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**PALATKA**

**Mike Stager**

James Michael "Mike" Stager, 63, of Palatka passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka following an extended illness.



Mike was born in Grafton, West Virginia and had lived in Putnam County for the past 20 years coming from Phoenix, Arizona. He had worked in the construction industry as a dry-wall installer. He enjoyed watching NFL Football and was a Redskins fan. He also enjoyed fishing and loved spending time with his family and grandchildren. He was a Christian.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Deloris Pratt Stager; and a sister, Patricia Ann Stager.

Surviving are his wife, Kathleen Ann Stager of Palatka; three sons, Vincent Bowman, Al Hanna, and Donald Stager all of Palatka; two daughters, Jamie Stager and Patricia Stager both of Palatka; and seven grandchildren, Brooke Wilkes, Paisley Wilkes, Morgan Wilkes, Johnny Wilkes, Garrett Hanna, Nevaeh Torres, and Skylar Francassa.

Funeral Services were held at 7 p.m. Monday, May 7, 2018 at Masters Funeral Home in Palatka with Deacon Greg Hanks officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Messages of encouragement or sympathy may be expressed on his online guestbook at [www.themastersfuneralhomes.com](http://www.themastersfuneralhomes.com).

Masters Funeral Home of Palatka was in charge of arrangements.

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**Springtime is Bear Time**



**Tony Young**  
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As spring temperatures warm, bears are becoming more active, which increases opportunities for conflicts with people. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) reminds Florida residents and visitors they can take steps to reduce negative interactions with bears and other wildlife. "Bears are starting to come out of their winter dens and they're searching for food," said Dave Tesesco, who directs the FWC's Bear Management Program. "Don't give a bear a reason to hang around in your neighborhood. Remove anything that might attract a bear. If they can't find food, they'll move on."

Female bears that gave birth to cubs that weighed only 12 ounces by the end of January are beginning to move around more with their young, which may now weigh 5 to 10 pounds. As the cubs continue to grow, the family unit will roam and will likely be more visible to people.

While black bears generally are not aggressive, they have injured people in Florida. Never intentionally approach any bear. When walking dogs, keep them close

to you - preferably on a non-retractable leash - and be aware of your surroundings. Dogs can trigger defensive behaviors from bears, especially females with cubs.

To keep bears away from your home and neighborhood, follow these simple tips: Secure household garbage in a sturdy shed, garage or a wildlife-resistant container.

Put household garbage out on morning of pickup rather than the night before.

Secure commercial garbage in bear-resistant dumpsters.

Protect gardens, beehives, compost and livestock with electric fencing.

Encourage your homeowner's association or local government to institute bylaws or ordinances to require trash be kept secure from bears.

Feed pets indoors or bring in leftover food and dishes after feeding outdoors.

Clean grills and store them in a secure place.

Remove wildlife feeders or make them bear-resistant.

Pick ripe fruit from trees and bushes and remove fallen fruit from the ground.

It is illegal in Florida to intentionally feed bears or leave out food

or garbage that will attract bears and cause human-bear conflicts.

As bears increase their movements this time of year, they also increase the number of roads they cross. For the safety of yourself and bears, remember to slow down when driving. External Website particularly on rural highways at dawn or dusk. Watch for road signs identifying bear crossing areas. Each year in Florida, an average of 240 Florida bears are killed after being hit by vehicles.

Having conflicts with bears? Call one of the FWC's five regional offices. Go to [MyFWC.com](http://MyFWC.com)/Contact, and click on "Contact Regional Offices" to find the phone number for your region.

If you feel threatened by a bear or want to report someone who is either harming bears or intentionally feeding them, call the FWC's Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922).

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Section B

## Viking Baseball Close 2018 Season



G.A. Teske  
Staff Writer

Finishing the season with 32 wins and 17 losses and placing third in the Mid-Florida Conference would be considered a great season for most teams, but the St. Johns River State College Vikings set much loftier goals.

"Our ultimate goal every year is to win the national championship for our level of baseball," Coach Ross Jones said. "This year was a story about our inability to stay healthy and keep a consistent lineup."

The Vikings lost three starting players near the beginning of the season but got rolling when Ray Gonzalez and Nick Romano both returned to the lineup.

"We started conference play with eleven wins against only two losses and rose to a number three ranking in the state poll," Jones recalled. "Then we lost Jimmy Goldsmith, Bubba Sangster, Jaison Heard and Matt Marini and we struggled with consistency the rest of the season."

With only twenty-six sophomores and freshmen on the roster, which

is the limit allowed by the National Junior College Athletic Association, losing players to injury can have a big impact on your season.

"Losing one of your best players is tough," Jones said. "Losing two is really hard. But what we need to do as coaches is to get better at developing the talent we have and work harder at recruiting."

Jones also said that the talent at St. Johns is as good as any other team in the conference. What made a difference in some losses were the players' mental toughness, baseball IQ and instincts.

"Our baseball mentality hurt us in our late season extra inning games," Jones said. "We just made some little mistakes but in a close game they can make the difference. We lost all our extra inning games in the latter part of the season."

With a .444 batting average, 14 home runs and 56 runs batted in, sophomore outfielder Kerry Carpenter was a consistent performer all season. He was also the winner of the 2018 Tindall Scholarship and will be attending Virginia Tech on a baseball scholarship next year.

"I chose Virginia Tech because I really liked the coaching staff, the campus and the facilities," Carpenter said. "I plan to major in Finance and hope to make the starting roster next spring.

To do that I'll have to play to my potential all the time, work hard and stay focused."

Right hand pitcher, Jaison Heard, injured his shoulder late in the

Catcher Jimmy Goldsmith was having a great season, batting .361 with 7 home runs and 27 runs batted in, when a freak accident occurred while he was

Point University. He plans to major in Education at Radford.

Joe Gunn, designated hitter and outfielder, received a scholarship offer from Penn State University.

"They also recruited me out of high school," Gunn said. "I was happy they were still interested."

Gunn, from New Castle, Pennsylvania is another Viking baseball player who feels he is going home to finish his college career. He feels he underperformed this year but is looking forward to getting another opportunity in the Big Ten.

"National junior college baseball has good players just like Division I baseball," Gunn said. "The main difference I see is that each team has more depth. Everyone on the team is a great player, but I feel comfortable making the transition. Hopefully, I'll be able to play outfield more and in centerfield which I prefer."

Left handed pitcher, Jagger McCoy, will be moving on to pitch for Jacksonville University next season. JU is a Division I program that plays in the Atlantic Sun Conference. In addition to JU, McCoy was also recruited by the College of Charleston.

"I was mainly recruited as a reliever," McCoy said. "I think the experience I received at St. Johns will be a difference maker for me at

Jacksonville."

McCoy plans to major in Business Administration at JU.

Coach Jones has been recruiting replacements for these sophomores, and other teammates, who are moving on. Next year will see almost an entire team of sophomore starters. In the 2018 season, only Kerry Carpenter was a returning starter.

"We have one of the best shortstops in the state coming in," Jones said. "Chase Malloy from Trenton High School should be a great player for us. We also have a left handed pitcher from Bucholz High School, Mike Rosario and another lefty, Tucker Stack, from Bradford County High joining us as well."

Jones is looking to sign six more players to fill out his roster and may also seek out a couple of walk ons for the 2019 season.

To keep up with St. Johns River State College baseball, go to the college website: <http://www.sjrvikings.com/baseball>

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Sophomore Kerry Carpenter at bat.

season, but will also be attending Virginia Tech next year. Heard, from Maitland, was second on the team in both innings pitched with 64.1 and in strikeouts with 60. He has chosen Business Finance as his major for VT.

"I chose Virginia Tech because it's located in a great town (Blacksburg) and has a great atmosphere," Heard said. "St. Johns should be in good shape next year, though, because most of the starters will be sophomores."

up to bat. Simply swinging the bat at a pitch caused him to break his hand.

"I'll be attending Radford University which is in the Big South Conference," Goldsmith said. "They're a mid-major conference and they're in Radford, Virginia and I'm from Vienna, Virginia so I'm kind of going home."

Despite his midseason, season ending injury, Goldsmith was also recruited by Liberty University, Gardner-Webb University and High

## Burdock, an International Remedy

Dr. Mercola

Natural Health News

Burdock (Arctium) is a flowering plant that has been a major part of various cultures for over hundreds of years. In Japan, its root is known as "gobo," and is used in their cuisine. The Iroquois tribe of North America, on the other hand, dried and preserved the root for food during the winter. In Ancient China, burdock seeds were used to treat various conditions such as cough, fever, sore throat, arthritis and various digestive diseases.

Fully grown, burdock can reach a height between 1 to 2 meters, and produces purple flowers that extend away from its bracts that bloom between June and October. The leaves are large, growing up to 50 centimeters in total size and have a whitish underside, making burdock an easy plant to identify.

Burdock is native throughout Europe and Asia, and was introduced in America during the 1600s by English settlers. This was noted by English traveler John Josselyn, who visited New England in 1672 and discovered burdock throughout the areas he went. During this period, the settlers introduced burdock to the Iroquois, and it became a part of their culture as well.

A fun fact about burdock: It's the catalyst for the invention of Velcro. In 1941, Swiss engineer George de Mestral was hiking in the Jura Mountains in Switzerland, when he noticed that his pants and his dog's fur became covered in burdock seeds.

He was curious as to how these seeds stuck to his pants, and he discovered that they were cov-

ered in small interlocking hooks that can cling to fabric. He patented this idea, which eventually became Velcro, an invention used in countless products around the world.

### Health Benefits of Burdock Root

Burdock root has been known to provide the following health benefits:

- Blood Pressure Maintenance

Burdock is a vasodilator, which is the ability to relax the blood vessels and arteries. It helps maintain blood pressure, helping to reduce your chances of developing heart disease. This benefit is mainly attributed to burdock's generous potassium content.

- Relief From Digestive Problems

Burdock root is known for its benefits for proper digestive function. When added to salads, it provides digestive fiber, helping regulate bowel movement. Its other type of fiber, inulin, can help eliminate harmful microbes in your stomach, lowering your chances of diarrhea and other related conditions.

- Liver Detoxification

The compounds that give burdock its bitter taste can also benefit your liver. They can help stimulate bile production, helping your body flush away toxins quicker and easier.

- Maintaining a Healthy Immune System

Burdock root contains high levels of vitamins C and E, which are essential to maintaining a healthy immune system and eliminating free radicals. This helps reduce your chances of developing diseases, while

supporting healthy cell growth at the same time.

### Different Uses of Burdock Root

Burdock root's reputation mostly lies in cooking. It's used in a variety of dishes, especially in Japanese cuisine. It is an essential ingredient of kinpira, a dish composed of julienned burdock root, carrot, dried chili peppers and soy sauce. Aside from this, you can prepare burdock in various ways, such as:

Stir fry: The root can be added to stir-fried vegetables for additional flavor and nutrients.

Raw: Burdock root can be eaten raw for a quick and nutritious snack. Be sure to clean it thoroughly first and sprinkle with a little Himalayan salt for flavor.

Soup: It can be used as a broth for vegetable soups.

Pickled: You can pickle burdock in apple cider vinegar to preserve its shelf life. Adding other herbs and spices to the mixture can give it more nutrients and flavor as well.

In addition, burdock root can help maintain healthy skin and hair. It contains antiseptic and anti-inflammatory properties that can provide relief for conditions like psoriasis, eczema, skin ulcers and acne. It can also help prevent hair loss by treating dandruff and maintaining a healthy scalp.

### Growing Burdock in Your Home

Growing burdock in your own home is quite easy, since it can grow in various environments with very few problems. With proper care and maintenance, you can yield a high-quality harvest. Remember these tips when planting bur-

dock.

### Preparing the Soil

Your soil must be rich and have a good drainage system. Most importantly, it should be free from rocks for at least 2 feet below the surface. This helps the roots grow long and straight. As for the light requirements, burdock can adapt to various conditions. It can grow in areas with partial shade or with full sun exposure.

### Planting the Seeds

Spread the seeds lightly over your garden bed once the last frost has passed. Afterwards, cover them with 0.5 to 0.75 inches of fine garden soil. Tamp down the recently applied top layer, then water lightly.

### Harvesting and Storing the Roots

The seeds can sprout in just four to seven days. Once they appear and have grown a few inches, thin them out 3 inches apart in rows that are 2 inches apart. In roughly eight to 12 weeks, you will be able to harvest the burdock roots. Use a shovel or a garden fork when harvesting the roots. You can create a small hole right beside the plant to get the root easily. For the best quality, pick roots once they reach a length of 1 to 2 feet.

Store the roots by placing them in a shallow dish filled with water, or wrap them in damp paper towels or perforated plastic bags. Harvested roots only last for four days, so use them right away before they go bad.

### Burdock Root Recipe: Making Burdock Tea

Burdock can be used in a multitude of dishes, but it is mostly known as an ingredient for tea. To make the tea, you need one burdock root and 2 liters of water. Follow this procedure:

Using a scouring pad, gently scrape off the remaining dirt and soil from the root under running water. Afterwards, cut the root into thin slices. Do not peel the skin, because that's where most of the nutrients are found.

Spread the slices on a bamboo sieve, then cover with a nylon food cover. Place the sieve under clear, sunny weather for one to two days until the slices are dry and pliable. You can use a dehydrator if the weather is not cooperating with you.

Place the dried slices in a pan. Put the pan under low heat, while stirring the slices for 10 minutes until they are golden brown, crispy and emit a fragrant aroma.

Let the slices cool for 10 to 15 minutes. To store them, use an airtight container to prevent moisture from entering.

Boil the water in a pot, then add 10 grams of burdock slices. Let the tea simmer for 10 minutes. Strain and enjoy.

If you only want to drink one cup, use five to eight slices only. Pour hot water and let the mixture simmer for 5 minutes before drinking. Note: If you don't like the taste of burdock tea, you may add raw honey, chrysanthemum, wolf berries or mint leaves for added flavor.

### Burdock Can Be Enjoyed as an Essential Oil

Aside from its culinary uses, burdock root can be enjoyed as an essential oil, with benefits mostly associated with the skin and scalp. Aside from using pure burdock essential oil, you can easily make an infusion oil in the comfort of your home.

Making Your Own Infused Burdock Oil

To make burdock root oil infusion, you need several sticks of dried burdock roots, extra virgin olive oil and a sterile glass jar. Follow this procedure:

Chop the roots into tiny pieces, then pound them lightly with a mallet.

Place the roots in the jar then add the olive oil. You can decide how much oil you want to pour.

Place the jar in a dark cabinet for six weeks to allow the oil to absorb the roots' nutrients.

Open the jar once a week to release any air bubbles.

Once the mixture hits the six-week mark, strain and enjoy.

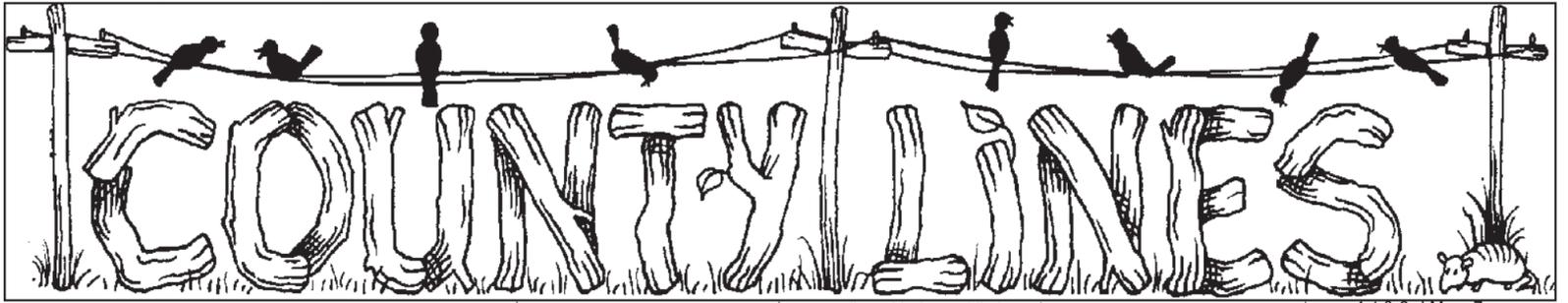
### Benefits of Burdock Oil

As mentioned previously, burdock oil is mostly known for its skin and scalp benefits. It contains vitamin A and various essential fatty acids, which help nourish your scalp and promotes healthy hair growth. It can also provide relief from infections and irritations caused by dandruff, as it helps keep sebaceous glands and hair follicles healthy.

### Beware the Side Effects of Burdock Root

Before you head off to make your own burdock oil or use the root for cooking, you should be aware of its side effects. There's a small chance that it may increase your blood sugar levels, so if you're diabetic, it's best to avoid it and use other healthy alternatives instead.

To check for any topical irritations, you should do a skin patch test as well by placing a drop of burdock oil on your arm. Lastly, consult with your doctor before using this oil to avoid any other possible health complications.



There will be a **grilled rib sale fundraiser on Saturday, May 12.** Each \$17 ticket buys 1 slab of grilled ribs. Call or text 386-972-9021 now to reserve your order(s). On the day of the event, orders may be picked up from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at San Mateo Woman's Club on 125 E. State Road 100 in San Mateo. Slabs of ribs are grilled the morning of the event, then wrapped in foil, ready to be picked up for eating or freezing. Proceeds fund local teacher mini-grant awards presented annually by Putnam County's local chapter of DKG, a professional honorary society of women educators.

Hospice of Citrus and the Nature Coast, licensed 1985, will conduct its next **General Orientation Class for New Volunteers in Palatka on Thursday, May 17,** at 320 Zeagler Drive, Suite 101. For more details or to choose your time slot and reserve your space, or to select a date that better fits your schedule, call the Volunteer Department at 386-530-4600 (866-642-0962 toll free).

The Arts Council of Greater Palatka is excited to present the debut **art exhibition** for retired educator **Esme Coward** during the month of May. Her show will open on **May 4 and be available for viewing through May 24.** The exhibit at the Larimer Arts Center, 216 Reid St., will showcase Coward's development as an artist, from her earliest works studying under Olivia Lay and John Hodge at St. Johns River Junior College, to her most recent journey as a self-taught oil painter. The exhibit will be available for viewing during regular gallery hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and during special events held at the Center.

The Palatka High School Musical Theatre Department will present **42nd Street on Thursday, May 3 through Sunday, May 6 and Thursday, May 10 through Sunday, May 13.** Show times for Thursday through Saturday are 7:30 p.m. Sunday show times are at 2:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$15 and can be bought at Ralph's House of Flowers or \$20 at the door. The performance will be held at the Jim Pignato Theater at the C.L. Overturf 6th Grade Center on 1100 S. 18th Street in Palatka.

On **Saturday, May 19** a dinner theater will take place at the Pomona Park Community Center at 7 p.m. The play will be **"Understanding Your Pet with Dr. Marla Brett."** Tickets will be \$25 and you can purchase them by calling Mindy Estep at 386-649-9783.

**The Chief's Club Third Annual Cops, Kids, and Kayaks will be on Saturday, June 2** at Dexter Park Beach on Lake Stella in Crescent City from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Kids can join the kayaking fun for free! There will be free food, drinks, snacks, and gift bags. Children must be 8 years old or older and will be given basic instructions. All equipment will be provided.

Beck will be sponsoring the **Beck 5-K to benefit the ARC on Saturday, June 2.** Pre-race registration/packet pick-up will be on Friday, June 1 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Beck Chevrolet on 1601 Reid Street in Palatka. Race day registration will be on June 2 from 6:30-7:30 a.m. at the Riverfront Park in Palatka. The race will begin at 8 a.m. with the Fun Run beginning at 8:45. For more information go to [www.runsignup.com/Race/FL/Palatka/Beck5K](http://www.runsignup.com/Race/FL/Palatka/Beck5K).

The Putnam Health and Fitness Center will be hosting the **Putnam Classic Body Building Competition on June 2** at 6 p.m. Come and see men and women from the community participate. Tickets for the event are \$5 or \$3 with a student I.D. There will be refreshments, popcorn, and t-shirts. The fitness center is located on 213 Perry Street in Pomona Park. For more information call 386-649-8784.

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**PUTNAM REPUBLICAN CLUB**  
Meets 2nd Tues. at 6 p.m.  
at Beef O Bradys  
386-643-2808  
[putnamrepublicanclub.weebly.com](http://putnamrepublicanclub.weebly.com)

**PALATKA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**  
Wed. 10 a.m. Bring lunch  
521 South 13th St- Palatka  
386-328-0263

**CRESCENT CITY DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**  
Wed. 9:30 a.m.  
604 N. Summit St.-Crescent City  
Lessons Available  
386-698-4496

**PALATKA KIWANIS CLUB**  
Thurs. 11:45 a.m. Lunch  
Sleep Inn & Suites  
SR19 & Hwy 100 Palatka

**PALATKA NEW VISION LIONS CLUB**  
2nd & 4th Tues. Noon  
Beef O'Bradys on the River  
Palatka

**POMONA PARK NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**  
2nd Thurs. (exc. Aug. & Dec.)  
200 East Main St.  
Shirley Griffin - 386-649-8640

**PALATKA LIONS**

1st & 3rd Mon. 7p.m.  
318 Osceola St, Palatka  
386-325-5295

**PUTNAM COUNTY SHRINE CLUB**  
Wed. 6 pm Darts/Hotdogs & Hamburgers  
Yelvington Rd, East Palatka  
386-325-8020

**PUTNAM COUNTY TEA PARTY**  
Tues. 7 p.m. - Interlachen Library  
2nd & 4th Mon. 6:30 p.m.  
American Legion off Crill Ave.

**SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
1st Tues. 2 p.m.  
CCJSHS, Media Center  
386-698-1629

**WELAKA DUPLICATE BRIDGE**  
Friday, 10 a.m.  
Welaka Woman's Club  
386-467-8472  
Lessons Available

**SOUTH PUTNAM WOMAN'S CLUB**  
3rd Mon. 6:30 p.m.  
Culver Room  
Crescent City Public Library  
386-698-3556

**ST. JOHN CATHOLIC CHURCH CARD PARTY**  
3rd Thurs. 10 p.m. \$4 Lunch  
Hwy 20 - Interlachen

**SUNDAY DINNER**  
1st & 2nd Sun. 11:30 a.m.  
Bass Capital Shrine Club  
386-467-3102

**THE HEART OF PUTNAM COALITION**  
3rd Thurs. - 11 a.m.  
Palatka Christian Service Center  
820 Reid St - Palatka  
386-328-0984

**US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY MEETING**  
3rd Thurs. 7 p.m.  
Men & Women needed to assist w/ homeland security & boating safety  
VFW Meeting Hall  
SR 100 & Palm Ave Palatka  
684-6543

**US VETERANS POST 104**  
Mon. One Pot Meal  
Tues. 6 p.m. Kitchen opens  
7 p.m. Dart League  
Wed. All Day Free Pool  
Thurs. 5 p.m. Kitchen opens  
6 p.m. Bingo  
State Rd 19 - Palatka  
386-328-9133

**VFW POST 3349**  
Mon. & Wed. 10 am - 1 pm  
Selling Sandwiches  
Tue. 6 p.m. Bingo  
Wed. 1 p.m. Veteran's Rd Tbl  
2nd Fri. 6 p.m. Steak Night  
3201 Reid St, Palatka  
386-328-2863

**SPORTS**

**INTERLACHEN BABE RUTH LEAGUE MEETINGS**  
3rd Thurs. - 7 p.m.  
Lions Club Interlachen

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**BEEKEEPERS OF PUTNAM COUNTY**  
3rd Tues. 5:30 p.m.  
Putnam County  
Ag Center - East Palatka  
Contact Mickie  
684-0902 / 904-692-4238  
[Beekeepersofputnamcounty.org](http://Beekeepersofputnamcounty.org)

**CRESCENT CITY YACHT CLUB**  
At 3 Bananas  
11 S Lake St, Crescent City  
2nd Fri. 7 p.m.

**SOUTH PUTNAM ANIMAL NETWORK**  
First Tuesday  
Meeting location: Crescent City Government Building (rear entrance/parking)  
P.O. Box 425, Crescent City  
Time: 6pm  
386-463-2077  
[spanfoster@aol.com](mailto:spanfoster@aol.com) 501C

**RIVER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**  
Meets 2nd Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.  
at River Park Civic Center on 309, Fruitland

*Be listening for your chance to win tickets to see Alabama in concert at Wild Adventures in Valdosta, Georgia! Listen to win at 1260 AM WIYD, and 800 AM and 98.3 FM WPLK! The concert is May 19th.*

**SUDOKU SOLUTION**

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## Angler Phishing Attacks on the Rise

*Special to the Courier Journal*

Ransom ware, spearphishing, trust-jacking, crypto jacking, every time you turn on the news, it seems like there's a new form of cyber attack with a strange new name to go with it.

However, understanding what the term means and how it can impact you is important. Knowing what kind of threats you may encounter will help you to take as many preventive steps as possible.

Only a couple of years ago, security researchers at Proofpoint designated a new form of attack called "angler phishing" that could potentially affect anyone. Named for the far-from-adorable anglerfish that attracts its prey with a lure that grows from its head (remember Finding Nemo?), an angler phish attack occurs via social media when scammers spoof a well-known company's customer service account. They lure in unsuspecting victims by pretending to be helpful, supportive agents of the company.

It might not sound like the most effective way to trick someone into hand-



ing over access to their personal data, money or computer, but the most recent report shows that this type of tactic is responsible for about 55 percent of the social media spoofing attacks.

These attacks are actually very simple. Scammers create a fake account on a site like Twitter, such as @AmazonHelp\$, instead of the genuine customer service account. They wait for a Twitter user to send out a seemingly harmless but obviously irritated message, such as, "Ugh! Can't believe Amazon still hasn't delivered my package!" The scam account is set up to automatically respond to any message with "Amazon" in it.

The fake account responds with something professional sounding, like, "Sorry to hear about your package. Click the link below to talk to an agent." The prob-

lem is the link actually installs a virus on the user's computer.

If your tech skills are strong enough, you can spot a faked customer service account. Depending on the platform you're using, you can look back at the account's posts and see a pattern. A strange number of posts would also be an indication that this may not be a real account. The most important thing you can do to protect yourself is avoiding the temptation to click a link. Sure, it might be a convenient way to resolve an issue, but it's just as likely to be a scam attempt.

To be certain that you're only dealing with legitimate company resources, go directly to the business' website and locate the customer service center. You can avoid copycats and scammers by only communicating with the actual site.

## If You're Stuck at Sea, There's An App for That

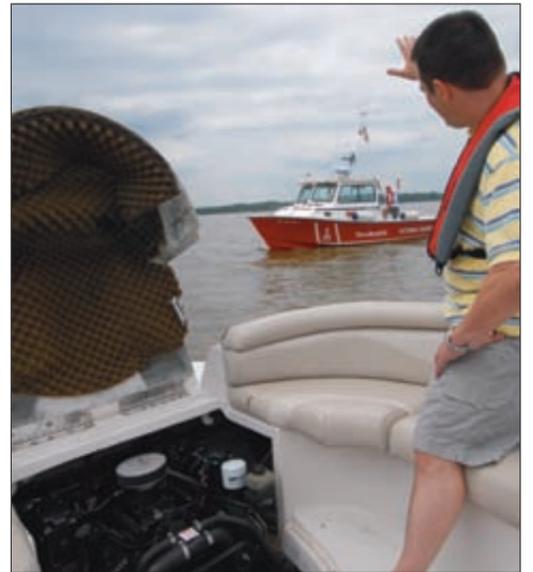
*Special to the Courier Journal*

No one out enjoying time on a boat wants to think about breaking down and needing a tow, but a little preparation can make a big difference.

According to the Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS), the number-one reason for a slow or delayed towing company response is the considerable time it sometimes takes for the towboat captain to seek and find the disabled recreational boat on the water. Unlike drivers on a road or highway, many boaters are simply unsure of their exact location.

However, the proliferation of cell phones and improvements in cell service over the last decade means that most anyone can use a phone to pinpoint their location and also reach a dispatch center.

A phone app, such as the one developed by BoatUS, allows boat owners to pre-program information about their boat. When they use the app to call for help with a dead battery or a tow home, the call goes to the dispatch center and immediately provides the boat's details along with the latitude, longitude, and boater's



emergency contact information to the dispatcher, speeding a response.

The free app from BoatUS, available at BoatUS.com/app, also provides information about tides, weather, and wind. Boaters without the app can use their phones to call the BoatUS 24/7 Dispatch Center at 1-800-391-4869.

Boat owners can also be proactive and save money by signing up for an on-water towing plan at the start of the season.

In addition to having a towing service, boaters should be prepared to keep themselves and any passengers safe if their boat is disabled.

Key tips to keep in

mind include:

- Be safe. In life-threatening emergencies, call 911 immediately or use VHF radio channel 16. Know the location of your boat's safety gear and first aid kit.
- Be leak-savvy. If you run aground, immediately look for water intrusion and provide a life jacket for each passenger not already wearing one.
- Be seen. For safety and visibility in the dark, be sure all of your boat's navigation and anchor lights are working.

For more tips and information about what to do if you need on-water assistance, visit BoatUS.com/Towing or call 800-283-2883.

# Join us in a salute to the Class of 2018.



**The Courier Journal invites members of the community to join us in saluting this year's graduating class.**

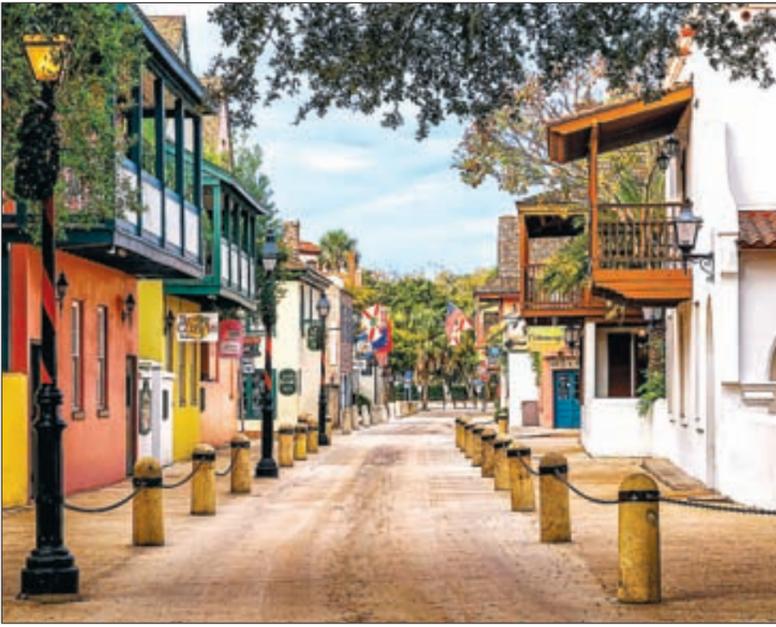
**A special section will be part of the May 23 issue that will include the photo of each member of the class of 2018. Copy Deadline is 10 a.m. May 14.**

Putnam County  
**COURIER JOURNAL**

To place your ad in this special section, call 386-698-1644



# Celebrate Historic Preservation Month



**Special to the Courier Journal**

Historic Preservation Month is celebrated nationally each year in May to recognize the importance of preserving historic resources and their significance to local communities. Throughout the month, the Florida Department of State joins efforts led by the National Trust for Historic Preservation to raise awareness of historic preservation in Florida.

"Florida has a long and rich history, and our historic places come in many forms," said Secretary of State Ken Detzner. "You might be surprised at the unique and interesting sites found in your community so I encourage all Floridians to get out and explore our state's many historic places during Historic Preservation Month."

The Florida Division

of Historical Resources (DHR) works year-round to protect and promote Florida's historic places. Historic preservation improves our quality of life and contributes to our understanding of each other and the diverse heritage of our state. Preservation of historic sites and properties benefits Florida's economy, attracting visitors from across the nation and around the world.

During the month of May, special events will be held at historic sites throughout the state with opportunities to participate in activities and programs that celebrate historic preservation efforts in Florida. This year, the DHR is hosting contests on Facebook and Instagram for Historic Preservation Month.

Throughout May, the DHR will host a photo contest on its Instagram Page. Insta-

grammers are invited to post a photo of a historic site in Florida with the hashtag #FLheritage. Participants must also follow the DHR Instagram page @FLheritage and should encourage their friends to like and share their posts. The DHR will select the top three entries with the most likes received between May 1 and May 31. Winners will receive a prize package of Florida historic recordings, books and materials. There is no limit on the amount of entries that can be submitted.

The DHR will also feature contests on its Facebook page throughout May to highlight National Historic Landmarks and National Register properties in Florida. Prizes will be awarded each week to randomly selected individuals who correctly identify the historic site fea-

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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24. Tardy
26. Blackboard wipers
28. Explosive letters
31. Self-indulgent
33. Rabbitlike animal
35. Greek letter
36. Soothed
40. Highest point
41. Carbonated beverages
44. Mother horse
45. Molars
47. Squeak by
48. Plot
49. Highway shoulder
53. Philadelphia time zone (abbr.)
54. Peculiar
57. Roman emperor
59. Steeped brew
60. Rowing needs
62. School playtime
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69. Violin's kin
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5. Enjoy a book again
6. "\_\_\_ Doubtfire"
7. Dropper's word
8. Scheduled
9. Professor's protection
10. Train stop (abbr.)
11. Pastry
12. Passion
13. Positive replies
19. Foolish
21. Short distances
25. Canyon feedback
27. Postage mark
28. Not this
29. Neck region
30. Forest plant
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37. Bargain bonanza
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51. Go off the tracks
52. Puts up
54. Swipe
55. Edgy
56. Fixed prices
58. Atlantic or Indian
61. Knights
63. Jazz singer \_\_\_ Fitzgerald
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65. Male offspring
67. Munch
68. Trinity's boyfriend

## Be Wary of Increased Wildfire Activity



**Special to the Courier Journal**

Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam and the Florida Forest Service are urging the public to be careful with fire and all potential heat sources due to increased wildfire danger levels in South Florida and throughout the state. Last week, 56 wildfires burned 3,780 acres, including the 600-acre Micco Scrub Fire that shut down I-95 for several hours due to smoke and low visibility.

"Our wildland firefighters will likely battle a steady increase of wildfires in the coming weeks as the dry and windy conditions continue," said Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam. "Citizens can do their part by keeping preventable human-caused wildfires at bay and preparing their families and homes for wildfire."

Since January, approximately 1,325 wildfires have burned 74,427 acres in Florida. Motorists in wildfire-affected areas should exercise extreme caution. To access real-time prescribed burn and wildfire conditions, Floridians can download the "FLBurnTools" app in Apple's App Store or on Google Play.

"When citizens are careful with fire, they are doing more than just protecting themselves and their property," said Jim Karels, State Forester and Director of the Florida Forest Service. "They are helping to protect the lives of Florida's wildland firefighters and first responders."

The Florida Forest Service urges residents to be cautious and to remember the following:

- Develop and implement a family wildfire action plan;
- Call 911 or a local

Florida Forest Service field unit office immediately in the event of a wildfire;

- Obey Florida's outdoor burning laws;
- Never burn on windy days;
- Always keep a water source and suppression tools on hand when burning yard debris;
- Never leave an outdoor fire or hot grill unattended; and
- Avoid parking vehicles on dry grass.

The Florida Forest Service, a division of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, manages more than 1 million acres of state forests and provides forest management assistance on more than 17 million acres of private and community forests. The Florida Forest Service is also responsible for protecting homes, forestland and natural resources from the devastating effects of

wildfire on more than 26 million acres. Learn more at FloridaForestService.com.

## SUDOKU

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-TICKA adopted 05-04-11

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**Buildings For Sale/Rent**

**REPO DOUBLE-WIDES & SINGLE-WIDES.** \$18,500 (or best offer), delivered and set up. Owner financing available. 386-312-6363. TFN

**Community Sales**

**TOOL ESTATE + 104** Taylor Fury Rd off Lake Comor Rd, Pomona Park. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sat. & Sun, May 12-13. Barn full of tools, Kenmore Elite washer/dryer, Coachman Motor Home, BMW motorcycle, computers, guns, hardware, other unusual items. Photos at [www.auctioncity.us](http://www.auctioncity.us) or call 386-255-9191. 5/9

**Pets**

**FREE** three male cats (brothers). 1.5 years old. They are fixed and have had shots. Great outdoor mousers. All three are friendly. Two would be great as indoor cats. The third loves being outside. Call 386-467-9580. TFN

**Real Estate For Rent**

**Reduced Rent Amounts!!!**

2 Bedroom: \$460!!  
3 Bedroom: \$500!!  
4 Bedroom: \$540!!

**Smith Thomas Court Apartments**

849 Bay Lane  
Crescent City, FL 32112

2, 3 and 4 BRs  
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May Be Available  
386-698-4300  
Equal Housing Provider

**CRESCENT LAKE APTS.** now accepting applications for 1 & 2 bedroom apts. Rental Assistance available to those who qualify. call Gail at 386-698-2205 840 Oakwood St. Crescent City. We are an Equal Housing Opportunity Provider and Employer. TDD 711. This Institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider.

**Welcome Home to Sugar Mill Woods**

570 3rd Avenue  
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1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments  
Reduced Security Deposits  
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- 1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments
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- One-Story Design
- Active Community Room
- On-site Laundry

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**OAKWOOD GROVE APTS.** 1 BR - \$576/month, 2 BR - \$638/month & 3 BR - \$672/month apartments. Section 8 accepted. Central heat/air, carpet, blinds, laundry on site. Rental assistance available for those who qualify. Call Lucretia 386-698-2513 TDD 1800-955-8771. 629 Gumby Court in Crescent City. Equal Housing Opportunity. This institution is an equal opportunity provider & employer. TFN

**Real Estate For Rent**

**NEW HOPE VILLAS APARTMENTS - FARM WORKERS - 100** New Hope Ave STE A, Seville, FL 32190. 2BR \$606/month, 3BR \$666/month, 4BR \$701/month. Rental assistance available for those who qualify. Now accepting Section 8 Call Patty at 386-749-0075. Currently running rent special. This institution is an equal opportunity provider & employer. EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY TDD PHONE 1-800-955-8771 TFN

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**Real Estate For Sale**

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2017-CA-422  
DIVISION: 53

THE LESTER LEGACY, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

PHILLIP PAUL BRAGG, LAURA AMMIE BRAGG, PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORP., and any unknown heirs, devisees, creditors, grantees and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through or under PHILLIP PAUL BRAGG, LAURA AMMIE BRAGG, PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, or CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORP., Defendants.

**AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 16, 2018, in the above-styled civil action of the Circuit Court in and for Putnam County, Florida, in which PHILLIP PAUL BRAGG and LAURA AMMIE BRAGG, PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, and CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORP are defendants and THE LESTER LEGACY LLC is the plaintiff, the Clerk of the Court of Putnam County, Florida will sell to the highest bidder for cash online via the Internet at [www.PutnamRealForeclose.com](http://www.PutnamRealForeclose.com) at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on May 22, 2018, the following described real property set forth in the Final Judgment:

Tract 7-B

Part of the East 1/2 of Section 15, Township 6 South, Range 24 East, Putnam County, Florida, described as follows:

COMMENCE at the Northwest corner of Lakeside Hills Section 4A, as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 156, of the Public Records of said county, also being the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/2 of said Section 15; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds West along the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 15, 572 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue South 89 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds West on the last described line, 360 feet, thence North 0 degrees 32 minutes 40 seconds West, 603.95 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds East, parallel with the said South line of Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 15, a distance of 361.25 feet; thence South 0 degrees 25 minutes 33 seconds East, parallel with the West line of Lakeside Hills Section 3, as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 128 of said public records, 603.95 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH an easement for ingress and egress across, a part of the East 1/2 of Section 15, Township 6 South Range 24 East, Putnam County, Florida, described as follows:

COMMENCE at the Northwest corner of Lakeside Hills Section 4A as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 156 of the Public Records of said county, also being the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 15, thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds West along the South line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 15, 572 feet, thence run North 0 degrees 25 minutes 33 seconds West 25 minutes 33 seconds West 603.95 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue North 0 degrees 25 minutes 33 seconds West, to the Southerly Right-of-Way line of Bellamy Road as established for a width of 66 feet; thence South 79 degrees 25 minutes 38 seconds West, 30.48 feet; thence run South 00 degrees 25 minutes 33 seconds East, 671.97 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 30 minutes 38 seconds East, parallel with the South line of Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 15, a distance of 30.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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TOGETHER WITH a 2003 SCHULTZ Double Wide Mobile Home, I.D. Numbers: HICGA20K04479A and HICGA20K04479B, Title Numbers 100216533 and 100216687, which titles have been retired.

DATED: April 18, 2018.

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

KEY LAW OFFICES, P.A.  
By: /s/ John Key  
John Key, Esquire  
Florida Bar No. 0136425  
415 St. Johns Avenue, Suite 2  
Palatka, FL 32177  
386-385-3646  
386-385-3644 fax  
jk@johnkey.com email

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TOWN OF POMONA PARK 2018 Election Information**

ALL CANDIDATES MUST FILE WITH THE TOWN OF POMONA PARK. Candidates must live inside the Town Limits of Pomona Park. OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION: Mayor: Two (2) Year Term Council Seat #1: Four (4) Year Term Council Seat #2: Four (4) Year Term Council Seat #3: Four (4) Year Term Council Seat #5: Two (2) Year Term

QUALIFYING DATES: 12:00PM, NOON, JUNE 18, 2018 THROUGH 12:00PM, NOON, JUNE 22, 2018

Early voting Begins: October 25, 2018  
Early Voting Ends: November 3, 2018  
Early Voting will be in Palatka and Crescent City.

The election will be held at the Pomona Park Community Center, Precinct No. 6. The voting poll will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the November 6, 2018 General Election. For more information, please call 386-649-4902.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TOWN OF POMONA PARK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

VP 2018-01

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Pomona Park Town Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at 6:00pm or soon thereafter, to consider a Variance Petition for 332 W. Main., Parcel #32-11-27-0170-0170-0043. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall at: Town of Pomona Park - Town Hall, 1775 Hwy. 17, Pomona Park, FL 32181. The Petition is available for public inspection during normal business hours: 8:00am - 4:00pm, Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at Town Hall, 1775 Hwy. 17, Pomona Park, FL 32181. The public is invited to attend and is welcome to make comments during the Public Hearing. Pursuant to Florida Statute, Section §286.0105, Florida Statutes, if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter considered at the public meetings, such person will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, including testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodations to participate in the proceedings should call the Town of Pomona Park at 386.649.4902 no later than five (5) days prior to the proceeding for assistance.

Town of Pomona Park, Fl. ms/Joan O'Connor Town Clerk

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**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: SANDI EAST, MCKINNON FURNITURE, INC. SARASOTA CCM INC., MICHAEL G. SIMPSON & OLA JEAN SIMPSON JOINT TRUST date November 25, 1992, the unknown heirs of WILLIAM BUTLIN AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS, SUCCESSORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING BY THROUGH OR UNDER THE NAMED DEFENDANTS.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint to Quiet a Tax Deed Title has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your answer on the Plaintiff's attorney, Kevin R. Monahan, whose address is 310 St. Johns Avenue, Palatka, Florida 32177, and file the original answer in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court on or before the 25th day of JUNE, 2018 if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be taken against you.

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2018.

(SEAL)  
TIM SMITH  
As Clerk of the Court  
/s/ Lee Veronica Reyes  
As Deputy Clerk

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Case No.: 16-CC-0820

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE #: 2018-CA-130

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vs.

MARVEN MITCH CARTER a/k/a MITCH CARTER Defendant.

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THE LESTER LEGACY, LLC, Plaintiff,

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