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Discarded monofilament and other waste harmful to our wildlife.

On Bayou Drive...

The devastating effects of discarded monofilament are felt on Bayou Drive and beyond.

ARTICLE AND PHOTOGRAPHY BY ALICE MARY HERDEN

Hernando County is a great place to fish, with a mixture of fresh brackish water to the wide-open Gulf. Anglers can enjoy casting off at Jenkins Fishing Pier, Linda Pedersen Park and Bayport Park. These areas are also fantastic spots for nature photographers to capture those scenic sunsets and Great Egrets flying over the marshland.

There is a favorite spot that I like to go to photograph. It's a quiet little place with

a variety of wading birds and pleasant early morning walkers and bicyclists. This place is on Bayou Drive in Weeki Wachee, FL.

You can take some great photographs of well-known residents like the Little Blue Heron, Anhinga, Double Crested Cormorant, Ospreys and one popular Great Blue Heron whom local fishermen have named Charlie. There is also a beautiful marsh inlet with a cluster of limestone rocks where many of these birds like to rest.

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The Hometown Barber Shop in Brooksville — An individualized follicle service with a dab of nostalgia

BY SUE QUIGLEY
HERNANDO SUN WRITER

A visit to Jeremy Baker's Hometown Barber Shop in Brooksville is like taking a step back in time.

This is a place where real men come to get their hair cut — fathers, sons and husbands — the last bastion of the male space.

No appointment necessary here. Customers waiting patiently relishing conversation about music, what's going on in the world and the good old days until it's their turn in the chair.

"My father was a barber for 45 years," said Baker. "When I was a boy, dad used to say he loved going to work each day. I thought he was crazy but now I'm a barber, I love coming to work too," he said.

Baker didn't follow in his father's footsteps until he found work difficult to find as a substitute teacher

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Barber Jeremy Baker readies to cut the hair of customer Bernie Heath, who also happens to be Jeremy's father-in-law. See page 13 for the finished cut.

The Freed Spirit: Remembering Mitzi Babb...



Mitzi Marie Babb's headstone.

BY JENNIFER SHEPPARD
SPECIAL TO THE HERNANDO SUN

Dozens if not hundreds of motorcyclists, friends and family of Mitzi Marie Babb came to pay their respects at the July 21 memorial service inside the Withlacoochee State Forest Croom Motorcycle Area for the Florida Forest Service park ranger who tragically lost her life last month.

Babb went missing from the Croom Motorcycle Area where she worked and lived as resident park ranger. The Croom Motorcycle Area was closed for days while the Hernando County Sheriff's Office conducted a massive search effort

until Babb's body was discovered floating in a waterway in Camden County, Georgia.

The celebration of life began under cloudy skies with some of Mitzi's favorite songs playing in the background. Cary Hunt hosted on behalf of the Suncoast Trail Blazers, which he has been a member for over 20 years, and thanked the Central Florida Trail Riders, Nature Coast Trail Riders, Florida Trail Riders, the Team Wanker group and Suncoast Trail Blazers for helping to organize the service, The Ozona Pig for lunch and Dave Merritt for donating the memorial

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LOCAL & STATE

Candidates for Hernando County School Board, District 1 Primary Aug. 28, 2018

CATHERINE "KAY" HATCH- DISTRICT 1

CANDIDATE BIO PROVIDED BY CANDIDATE:

Catherine (Kay) Hatch is school board candidate, District 1. She graduated from St. Vincent School of Nursing, Toledo, Ohio (1970). She has a Bachelor of Science, Nursing from Mary Manse College, Toledo, Ohio (1975) and a Master of Divinity from United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio (2002). She is 25 years a teacher of adults and children and has for 20 years been a volunteer reading tutor for children kindergarten through 2nd grade. Her most recent experience is in kindergarten at Spring Hill Elementary School and 3rd grade Reading Camp



at Deltona Elementary School. In addition, she is a volunteer reader at a local VPK.

She is a retired Methodist minister, having served 20 years as a pastor.

She and her husband,

Dale, have owned property in Hernando County since 2012. They have 5 children and 10 grandchildren. They are members of St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

Kay has attended School Board meetings for the past 2 years. She has received the endorsement of the Hernando Classroom Teachers Association. This is her first time running for public office. However, she has the qualifications and life experience to be a valuable member of Hernando County School Board.

Q & A WITH CATHERINE "KAY" HATCH

What attributes are most important for school district leadership and explain your reasoning. (Example: team player, data driven, experience in the district etc)

I believe the most important attribute for school district leadership is authenticity. Being authentic helps one build trust with other members of the board and the district leadership team, with teachers and other members of the staff, with parents and those in the community. Being seen as trustworthy is a critical attribute when difficult decisions need to be made and communicated to those involved.

School district leadership needs to set high expectations, be optimistic that expectations can be met, and listen to and collaborate with those charged with meeting the expectations.

School district leadership must focus on the needs of all our students and use data judiciously to meet those needs.

Additionally, I believe being present in the community and participating in on-going professional development are necessary for effective leadership.

Please describe the three top issues facing the school district.

The top three (3) issues facing the district are

-in this time of transition, restoring trust and credibility with instructional staff, families and members of the community, including naming the most qualified person for superintendent

-ensuring the safety of students and staff

-increasing graduation rate, including adding to our current vocational education offerings.

Do you feel that next year's budget should be increased, decreased and by how much.

If you are in favor of increasing the budget, how do you recommend paying for it?

If you are in favor of decreasing the budget, how do you pay for obligated salary increases, cost of living increases and other inflationary costs?

In terms of budget concerns, I would begin by working with the staff and other members of the board to carefully evaluate all of the district's financial commitments. That evaluation may lead to modifications in the budget, either increases or decreases. The school district budget will continue to be impacted by state mandate.

I am willing to work to strengthen the relation-

ship between the School District and the Board of County Commissioners. While roles and responsibilities are different, both groups are committed to the well-being of Hernando County, including the school system. Finally, where necessary, I would look for ways to acquire Foundation and Grant funding for specific programs.

Please describe up to three projects that are most important to the school district and why?

The most important project is ensuring that our students and staff are safe. This project is in process. This work is being done with the School District staff, Sheriff's department and the Board of County Commissioners. It will be ongoing.

A second very important project is restoring trust throughout the district. I have discussed this in my initial response regarding leadership qualities. A solid foundation of trust and respect is necessary to develop and implement plans to ensure that all third-graders are reading at or above grade level, all graduates are college or career ready, and high school graduation rates continue to improve.

work boots and Gatorade.

During the first three of the four-hour meeting, several city departments presented their budget proposals to the council, however voting to approve the various budgets will come after workshops and future meetings.

In addition to the millage rate, another discussion focused on city employee salaries. Vice Mayor Robert Battista stated he wants "Good stewardship of the money we receive, 4% (raise) for our employees ... as well as work in some management issues and funds for people who need to be brought up in their pay

grades for retention."

City Manager Mark Kutney wants to work on a classification plan with bonuses, reinstitute a viable merit plan system and a goal-oriented evaluation system that focuses on accomplishments rather than the subjectivity of a numeric-scale employee evaluation system.

Kutney went on to say that in the past 10-12 years, city employees have been given raises three times.

Council newcomer Brent Young noticed that one city employee was earning approximately \$300 over their initial salary after being hired four years ago. Young agrees that it's time to move to increase salaries so that they're more aligned with county salaries. "We shouldn't be training people for their next job at the county... because they're not getting paid enough."

Council Member Joe Bernardini agrees that employees deserve raises, but disagrees with additional spending. "We

MARK JOHNSON- DISTRICT 1

CANDIDATE BIO PROVIDED BY CANDIDATE:

I am married and have lived in Hernando County for 12 years. I was elected to the Board of Education 4 years ago and am the current Chairman. I am a member of the Chamber of Commerce, CETA, Kiwanis International, prior member of the Boards of Directors of the Hernando County Boys and Girls Club, Communities in Schools, and the Anti-Drug Coalition.

During my tenure the District advanced in academic standing, going from a "C-" to a "B+" District and from a \$12 million deficit to a balanced budget without major cuts in services. As Florida Legislative Liaison I successfully advocated for permanent Sparsity Funding resulting in \$2 million for our District.



I successfully advocated for increased vocational training and career opportunities for our students. I spearheaded School District partnerships with the business community leading to internships and employment opportunities for our students, and spearheaded partnerships with the County and Sheriff, resulting in School

Resources Officers (SROs) at every school in the District.

I personally initiated parent workshops on availability and requirements for scholarships for graduating students. I introduced the Urban Gentleman's Club into elementary schools, directly leading to reduced behavioral incidents, and reduced absenteeism. I am a founding member of the Educators' Club of Timber Pines, providing tutoring, mentoring and much more, at our schools. I assisted in developing the Veterans' Living History Program for civic education for students and a means to provide a permanent recorded history for WWII, Korean, and Viet Nam veterans.

Q & A WITH MARK JOHNSON

What attributes are most important for school district leadership and explain your reasoning.

In order to function cohesively, effectively and within constraints, School District leadership must have the ability to analyze, determine areas needing improvement, put together the best team to address needs, not be afraid to make tough decisions, be responsive to the community, have the ability to work effectively with all facets of the County, State, including government, Sheriff, business leaders, and parents. They must possess a thorough understanding of budgeting, reserves and expenditures, and the ability to effectively communicate. In addition School District leadership must be ethical, and have the ability to motivate staff. I have developed these contacts and skills.

Please describe the three top issues facing the school district.

Servicing our Exceptional Student Education (ESE) population, our most vulnerable students, within the formidable financial constraints is a top issue. The state has mandated Performance based Budgeting. The District needs to reevaluate how we are serving this population. We can do a better job of providing services to them.

The District can and should provide more and better opportunities to the approximately 40% of graduating students not pursuing higher education. The District must increase vocational options and alternatives, to provide needed skills and employment opportunities for these students.

I have spearheaded School District partnerships with the business community, leading to internships and employment opportunities for eleventh and twelfth grade students. I have helped establish the School District partnership with

Oak Hill Hospital for our Allied Health students and with Spherion Staffing for employment internships in local manufacturing.

Another top issue for the District is the rising cost and unfunded mandates for security and safety for our students and all our employees. This issue will require the District to work with and partner with our County Commission, Sheriff and our parents.

Do you feel that next year's budget should be increased, decreased and by how much.

If you are in favor of increasing the budget, how do you recommend paying for it?

If you are in favor of decreasing the budget, how do you pay for obligated salary increases, cost of living increases and other inflationary costs?

Funds for our School District comes from three sources: Property Tax, Sales Tax and Federal Entitlements. Often programs, departments and District needs and wants are in conflict for scarce or non-existent funds. This is where the School Board Members have to achieve compromise from among the funding requests and contractual obligations. Every request must be evaluated, every contractual obligations accounted for, and decisions based upon the best interests of the students, parents, and School District. All this must be determined utilizing Performance Based Budgeting. Increasing the budget gives more opportunities for students and is a priority. The need to think outside the box and develop self-sustaining programs is an avenue that needs exploring as well as securing endowments to allow expansion of programs.

With approximately 40% of graduating students not furthering their education it is extremely important to focus more on vocational instruction, to teach saleable skills. During the past four years, that I have been on the School Board I have introduced 3-D Printing or additive manufacturing, spearheaded School District partnerships with the business community leading to internships and employment opportunities, and introduced such vocational programs as welding. Much more need to be done and is on the drawing board for this critical area.

Please describe up to three projects that are most

The Hernando County School Board consists of five members. Each of these members are required to reside within the district from which he or she is elected.

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DATES TO REMEMBER:



**PRIMARY ELECTION
AUGUST 28, 2018**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
JULY 30, 2018**



**GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 6, 2018**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
OCTOBER 9, 2018**

The Week of Aug. 3 - 9, 2018

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Tentative millage rates set in Brooksville

by LISA MACNEIL
Hernando Sun Writer

The Brooksville City Council voted 4-1 to lower the tentative millage rate at a special budget meeting held on Monday, July 23, 2018. The new tentative rate will be lowered from 6.9763 to 6.2 mills. The council also voted in favor of keeping work boots and Gatorade on the Department of Public Works (DPW) budget.

The tentative millage rate was solely opposed by Council Member Joe Bernardini. Mayor Betty Erhard and Council Member Brent Young opposed the city's responsibility for

HCSO ARREST SUMMARIES

Drinking and Fighting



BASILE, JAMIE RENEE
YOB: 1988
CHARGES: DOMESTIC BATTERY
Arrested at: 07/27/2018 18:25 S BROAD ST, BROOKSVILLE, FL, 34601
Arrest Summary: On 07-27-2018 at 1744 hours, I was dispatched to S Broad Street Room 2 in reference to a battery. Upon my arrival, contact was made with the original complainant/defendant, Jamie Basile, who was identified via her Florida Identification Card. The defendant appeared to be very intoxicated in which her eyes were bloodshot and she could barely stand on her own. The defendant stated that she and her boyfriend/father of her child, the victim were involved in a verbal argument at which time the victim pushed her out of the apartment by the throat, before biting her on the right hand. The defendant advised that she was not injured by this, in which I was unable to observe any kinds of marks or bruises on her. Contact was then made with the victim who I also found to appear very intoxicated. Upon making contact with the victim, I immediately observed several fresh bite marks and bruises on his right arm. Upon asking the victim how he sustained the marks, he pointed at the defendant and advised that she did it. The victim then became very uncooperative in which he would not answer any further questions besides advising that he did not push or bite the defendant, further advising that she was lying. The victim was asked if he consented to the defendant

touching him during the incident, to which he replied, "No, now f*** off pig." Due to original statements made by the victim and the evidence of injury on the victim, I determined the defendant was the primary aggressor in the altercation. The defendant was then arrested accordingly and transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident. The defendant is being held on a no bond status due to the incident being domestic and she was given a court date of 08-17-2018 at 0900 hours, in Courtroom B of the Hernando County Courthouse.

Wait. Is that MY gun?



WOODS, EDWARD LEE JR
YOB: 1994
CHARGES: DOMESTIC BATTERY, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Arrested at: 07/24/2018 07:47 SPRING HILL DR, BROOKSVILLE, FL, 34604
Arrest Summary: On 07/24/2018, at approximately 0605 hours, I responded to O'Neal Road, in reference to a criminal mischief and battery. Upon arrival, I made contact with the victim. She stated that at approximately 0530 hours, the defendant, Edward Woods, the father of her children, arrived at the above residence, swearing at her and calling her names. The victim, told the defendant to leave, and the victim got into her 2013 Dodge SUV. As the victim proceeded to leave for work, the defendant began punching at her window. The victim opened the door to the vehicle to tell the defendant to stop. The victim advised that as she was exiting the vehicle, to go to back inside her residence, the defendant spat on her. The victim stated that after he spat on her, he grabbed by the left arm, and attempted to throw her down. The victim stated that after this, before she could get inside, the defendant started punch and kick her, which during this, she fell to the ground. The victim then said that she went back into her vehicle. The defendant produced the victim's firearm, a SCCY CPX2 9 MM. He began striking her windshield, which began to break. The victim then told the defendant that she was calling 911, and he left in an unknown direction. I observed the victim's shirt to be ripped, and she also had swelling around her left eye. Prior to arriving at this location, I made contact with the defendant. He was placed under arrest for carrying concealed weapon (HCSO Case #2018-22867). He was transported to the Hernando County Jail by another unit. The defendant is being charged with one count domestic battery and one count criminal mischief. The defendant is being held on a no bond status for the domestic battery and a \$500.00 bond for the criminal mischief. The defendant was given a court date of 08/17/2018 in Courtroom B at 0900 hours.

Maybe that really didn't happen after all



TOWNSEND, SUSAN K
YOB: 1964
CHARGES: FALSE REPORT-LAW ENFORCE AGENCY
Arrested at: 07/24/2018 20:44 SUMTER DR, BROOKSVILLE, FL, 34602
Arrest Summary: On 07-23-2018, I responded to the residence located at Sumter Drive, Brooksville Florida 34602, where I made contact with the defendant, Susan Townsend. At that time the defendant reported an aggravated battery, reporting that her boyfriend, John Nessleralla Sr, threw a glass ash

tray at her, striking her in the forehead (documented under HCSO caser 2018-22830). The defendant then revealed two small red marks, with one being on her left eyebrow and the other being on the left side of her forehead, which she advised were from the ash tray striking her after John threw it as hard as he could. The defendant also stated that the incident occurred on 07-23-2018 at approximately 0800 hours, and that she was only reporting the incident at 1503 hours due to falling asleep because of a headache from the injury. Upon observing the defendant's injuries, they appeared to be several days old and what appeared to be bruising/bleeding under the skin. I also found the injuries to be very minor and inconsistent with the allegation of the ash tray hitting the defendant due to it being a heavy glass ashtray with sharp edges on all sides. Contact was then made with John who denied any allegations of touching or throwing anything at the defendant. John further advised that the defendant had made several false report of domestic battery and that she had sustained the marks on her forehead after getting in fight while in Daytona. John was also able to provide video surveillance of him arriving at his place of business on 07-23-2018 at 0649 hours, even though the defendant reported the incident occurred at 0800 hours.

Contact was also made with the defendant and John's mutual son, Robert Nessleralla, who advised that he was present at 6158 Sumter Drive the morning of 07-23-2018. Robert further advised that he never saw John throw any items in any way and that he never heard his mother make any accusations of anything being thrown while he was there. Upon asking Robert about the marks on the defendant's forehead, without hearing his father make the statement of them occurring in Daytona, he stated that on 07-16-2018 his mother went to Daytona at which time she became involved in a fight with a black female, leaving the marks on her forehead. Robert was also able to provide a text message from the defendant in which she stated that she "tore the living room apart", even though the defendant originally reported that John destroyed the residence in anger. Contact was then made with John's neighboring business owner, Thomas Alloppenna, who was a mutual friend of John and the defendant. Thomas stated that he had seen the defendant multiple times over the last week in which the marks on her forehead were present for approximately a week. On 07-24-2018 contact was again made with the defendant in which post Miranda, she now advised that she was unsure what exactly hit her in the head and that it might have been another item. The defendant was then taken into custody and transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident. The defendant was charged with 1 count of filing a false report to law enforcement authorities. The defendant was issued a bond amount of \$1,000.00 and given a court date of 08-17-18 at 0900 hours in Courtroom B of the Hernando County Courthouse.

No respect for his elders



SCARANGELLA, JACK NICHOLAS
YOB: 1981
CHARGES: ASSAULT/BATT ON PER 65 OR OLDER, FALSE IMPRISONMENT
Arrested at: 07/25/2018 15:13 RIVER RUN BLVD, SPRING HILL, FL, 34607
Arrest Summary: On 07/25/2018 the victim, who came to the Hernando County Sheriff's Office to report that his live in son, Jack Nicholas Scarangella, had battered him the previous night, causing a large bruise to his left hand. The victim said that the defendant was upset, due to the victim not giving the defen-

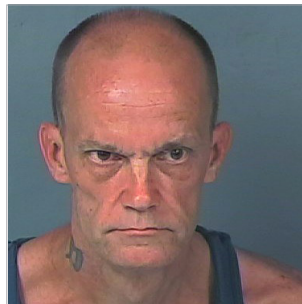
dant \$75,000.00 as he had requested, and started to yell at him, and then swung at the victim, where the victim had raised his hand, warding off being struck by the defendant, causing a large bruise to his left hand. The victim also said that once they were inside his residence the defendant would not let the victim leave the residence, in fear of him calling authorities. The victim said that the defendant has threatened him several times over many years of domestic violence and did threaten that he would kill the victim if he contacted authorities. On today's date, the victim was able to leave the residence and file a report at the Sheriff's Office. Probable cause did exist due to the injuries being consistent as the victim had stated. Contact was made with the defendant by Deputy C., where he was transported to the county jail, and the defendant was read his Miranda Rights, which he refused to cooperate and made no statements. The defendant was being held on a no bond, due to being domestic related and being charged with felony battery over sixty-five and also one charge of false imprisonment. The defendant was given a court date of 08/21/2018 in Courtroom D at 0900 hours.

Ongoing marital issues



MARRIAGE, MARK ALLEN
YOB: 1980
CHARGES: DOMESTIC BATTERY
Arrested at: 07/26/2018 07:38 LARK AVE, BROOKSVILLE, FL, 34601
Arrest Summary: On 07/26/2018, at approximately 0615 hours, contact was made with the defendant, Mark Marriage, at his residence located at Lark Avenue. The defendant stated that he was arguing with his the victim in this case, since approximately 0300 hours. The defendant stated that the victim entered the room where he was sleeping and emptied all his prescription medication into the toilet. The defendant advised the victim that he was vacating the residence. While gathering personal effects the defendant advised that the victim entered the bedroom where he was located and stared at him. The defendant advised that he asked the victim to leave the bedroom and when she did not comply, the defendant stated he picked up the victim and removed her from the bedroom. The defendant advised after he removed her from the bedroom that the victim slapped him in the face but a close look revealed no noticeable injury to the defendant. Contact was then made with the victim. The victim advised that there were ongoing marital issues between her and the defendant. The victim advised that that she was in the corner of the bedroom when the defendant yelled at her to leave the room while she was asking him to not vacate the residence. The victim advised that the defendant forcefully removed her from the bedroom by grabbing her arms against her will. I observed two contusions on the inside of the victim's right arm that were consistent with her statement. Contact was made with a nephew of the victim and the defendant. Witness stated that he witnessed the altercation and confirmed that the defendant forcefully removed the victim from the room. Due to the defendant's admission of removing the victim from the bedroom by force against her will, the defendant was placed into custody for domestic battery. He was transported to the Hernando county Jail without incident and given no bond for the domestic battery charge. The defendant was given a court date of 08/17/2018 in courtroom B at 0900 hours.

Mom gives him Oxycodone
CONNICK, JOSEPH STEPHEN
YOB: 1970
CHARGES: POSS OF



METHAMPHETAMINE, POSSESSION OF OXYCODONE, POSS OF MARIJUANA, POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
Arrested at: 07/27/2018 09:45 3251 SOUTHWEST BLVD, SPRING HILL, FL, 34606
Arrest Summary: Contact was made with the defendant at his residence of 3251 Southwest Blvd Spring Hill, FL in reference to his mother missing medication and locating a bag with narcotics on the defendant's bicycle located at 3257 Southwest Blvd. The defendant advised his mother gives him the oxycodone and he does not steal it. The defendant admitted the methamphetamine, marijuana, and glass smoking pipe were his, but was adamant he did not steal the medication. The marijuana .1g and methamphetamine .7g (with) bag both tested positive using a field test. The oxycodone .3g had the same indentations "15" and "M" as the ones prescribed to his mother. Based upon the information provided, it was determined that the defendant had constructive possession of the narcotics. The defendant was given a returnable court date of 08/21/2018.

Is that a machete in your shirt?



WILLIAMS, ALFRED TIMOTHY
YOB: 1994
CHARGES: CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPON
Arrested at: 07/27/2018 23:24 FAIRWAY DR & CUP LN, BROOKSVILLE, FL, 34613
Arrest Summary: Your affiant was dispatched to 5559 Fairway Drive in reference to a burglary in progress. Your affiant was advised that a

black male was trying to enter into the residence of Garrett Dover. While enroute, your affiant was advised that a black male jumped over the side fence and fled the scene. Your affiant arrived and observed a black male three houses east of the victim's residence. Your affiant made contact with the defendant who was sweating from recent physical exertion. The defendant spontaneously raised his hands in surrender and appeared overly excited in his mannerisms. The defendant produced a large machete knife from under his shirt and was ordered to drop the weapon. The large weapon was not visibly seen by your affiant and was concealed from view by the defendant as affiant was approaching. The defendant was asked to provide his name and he gave the name of Christopher Walden with Date of Birth: 12-2-1992. The name and date of birth was subsequently found to be false. The defendant was detained and subsequently identified by the victim as the person he saw at his residence. The victim stated in a sworn, written statement that the defendant came to his house and was yelling to let him in the residence. The victim told the defendant to leave but heard the defendant banging on the door. The victim stated that when he first heard the defendant outside of his house, the lights were on and then when he looked for the defendant through the windows, the lights went out. The victim stated that he called law enforcement and the defendant fled the scene. Further inspection at the residence showed recent cuts to the electrical wires and damage to the front door of the residence. The damage was committed without the victim's consent and was under \$200.00 in value. Post Miranda interview, the defendant stated that he went to discuss with the victim matters related to a previous argument. The defendant stated that he banged on the victim's door but denied committing any damage. The defendant also stated that he was carrying the machete under his shirt because he was afraid of getting caught with the machete. The defendant stated that he provided a false name because he was afraid of getting in trouble with his wife. The defendant was placed under arrest for above listed charges and transported to the Hernando County Jail with \$1,000 bond. The defendant was issued a court date of 8/17/18 at 0900 Hours in Courtroom B at the Hernando County Courthouse.

LOCAL GOV & EDUCATION MEETINGS

PUBLIC HEARING, Brooksville City Council meeting, Monday, August 6th, 7p.m. Consideration of petition request to create the Milk-A-Way Farms Mixed Use Development District Future Land Use category and change the Future Land Use Map designation from Hernando County Commercial, Residential, Rural and Conservation to Milk-A-Way Mixed Use Development District. This site is approximately a 440-acre tract located on the east side of Broad Street (U.S. 41) and north of Croom Road. (First Reading approved (3-2) on May 7, 2018.

Hernando County Retired Educators Association
We will have our regular meeting on Tuesday, August 7 @ 10:00-11:30 at the Brooksville Hospital Enrichment Center. Members will share their Summer adventures and favorite book titles. Special events for our NOGO Back to School Week are planned for Wed., Thurs., and Friday. For more details and to sign up for the activities, send your email to hcreainfo@gmail.com Diane- 352-628-4681

CANCELLED: City of Brooksville Planning & Zoning Commission
Wednesday, August 08, 2018, 5:30PM
Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Contact Community Development 352-540-3813

Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting 8/13/2018 9:00 AM
Government Center
John Law Ayers Room 20 N. Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601

Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting 8/14/2018 9:00 AM
Government Center
John Law Ayers Room 20 N. Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601

School Board Meetings 8/14/18
11AM Informal
2PM Workshop
6PM Regular
District Office-Board Room
919 North Broad Street Brooksville, FL 34601

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County limits tentative general fund millage rate to 6.8912; may cut reserve rate to make it work

by JULIE B. MAGLIO
Hernando Sun Writer

A discussion with the Board of County Commissioners on July 24, 2018, gave Interim Budget Director George Zoettlein direction to transmit the proposed millage rates in the chart to the right to the property appraiser. The property appraiser places these rates on the TRIM notices which are mailed out to each taxpayer prior to the first public budget hearing in September. Mr. Zoettlein was required to relay the proposed millage rates to the Property Appraiser by Aug. 3, 2018.

The proposed millage rate remains at 6.8912- no change from FY 2018. However, because there has been an increase in property values again, 6.8912 will bring in more revenue than it did last year.

Discussions with the school district and Sheriff's Office prior to the Regular BOCC meeting on July 24, resulted in some additional funding responsibilities for the county. The county will need to fund two months of School Resource Officers (\$409,372 not including reserves allocation) and is responsible for 100% of the expense for school crossing guards (\$268,618 not including reserves). In the past, the school district has maintained a contract with the Sheriff's Office for school crossing guards. In FY 2017, the Sheriff's Office returned \$163,160 to the county in contracted revenue with the School District for School Crossing Guards.

The 1985 Legal Opinion of Florida Attorney General Jim Smith places the funding responsibility with the county or municipality who has jurisdiction over the school.

"In light of the above

Millage Rates	Current Millage Rate	Proposed Millage Rate
General Fund	6.8912	6.8912
Transportation Trust Fund	0.7091	0.7091
County Health Trust	0.1102	0.1102
Emergency Medical Services (MSTU)	0.6700	0.9100
Stormwater Management (MSTU)	0.1139	0.1139
HC Fire Rescue - Fire (MSTU)	0.5000	0.000

and in conclusion, it is therefore my opinion, until and unless judicially or legislatively determined otherwise, that where hazardous walking conditions exist for school children, the district school board and the local governmental entity having jurisdiction over the crossing have a responsibility to work cooperatively to eliminate the hazardous condition and the provision of school crossing guards is one means by which such hazardous conditions can be eliminated. Where the crossing is located within the city boundaries, as in the instant inquiry, I am of the opinion that the municipality is responsible for furnishing such school crossing guards, while the county has such responsibility where the crossing is located in the unincorporated areas of the county."

While it might not be a very popular option, according to Florida Statute a school crossing guard program can be funded by the county through a school crossing guard trust fund that is supported by civil traffic fines:

"If a county government is operating a school crossing guard program in the

exercise of its municipal responsibilities, the county may, by majority vote of its governing board, impose a countywide surcharge on parking fines for the sole purpose of funding school crossing guard programs throughout the county; however, the governing body may set aside funds from this surcharge to pay for startup costs and recurring administrative costs related to printing new tickets or other means of implementing the program. The surcharge must be authorized by an ordinance requiring public hearings. This surcharge, established by the governing body of the county, must be placed in a trust fund called the School Crossing Guard Trust Fund. Funds collected from this surcharge must be distributed quarterly to jurisdictions to fund school crossing guard programs based on each jurisdiction's percentage of the school crossing guards in the county school district."

In searching Hernando County's Code of Ordinances there does not appear to be an ordinance establishing a School Crossing Guard Trust Fund. A search of Brevard County

ordinances reveals Ch. 38 Article II, entitled "School Crossing Guard Trust Fund" which establishes the fund and its purpose. Brevard assesses a \$10 surcharge on all parking fines imposed "as result of tickets issued for violations occurring in the County for the sole purpose of funding a school crossing guard program."

Some counties assess a surcharge on each civil traffic penalty.

In Charlotte County: "The clerk of the court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Charlotte County is hereby authorized and directed to allocate four dollars (\$4.00) of each civil traffic penalty for the funding of the school crossing guard program."

In St. Lucie County: "The amount of any

civil penalty specified in this section [46-41] shall be increased by \$5.00 for the purpose of funding school crossing guard programs. Such money shall be deposited in a newly created School Crossing Guard Trust Fund. Such fund shall also be used to fund start-up costs and recurring administrative costs related to printing new tickets or other means of implementing the school crossing guard programs. Funds collected from the surcharge shall be distributed quarterly to fund the school crossing guard training programs."

The point is that the state has designated a funding mechanism for the crossing guards.

There is also movement toward giving back \$1.5 million into the Sheriff's Office budget that had

been cut out of it. This expenditure along with crossing guards and SROs throw complications at fully funding the budget with the 6.8912 millage rate.

While the trim notices that come to your door will show the 6.8912 millage rate, budget staff and county commissioners will need to work out exactly how that will happen. County attorneys advise that the cleanest way to fully fund the budget with the 6.8912 millage rate is to allow a one year only reduction of the mandated by county ordinance 18% reserves level. Budget staff indicates that lowering the reserve requirement to 15.47% or to \$13,206,413 would allow the 6.8912 millage rate to fully fund the budget.

First Public Budget hearing will be held at 5:01 PM Sept. 4, 2018.

School District proposed budget increase, but millage rate decrease

by KATHRYN DENTATO
Hernando Sun Writer

Kendra Sittig, Director of Budget for the school district, and Joyce McIntyre, Director of Finance and Purchasing, shared the proposed tentative millage rates with the members of the school board on 07/24/18. Two public hearings are required, and the second public hearing is scheduled for 09/11/18. The School Board will decide then whether or not to accept the final proposed budget, setting the millage.

McIntyre explained that in order to obtain the available \$92,919,554.00 in funding from the State of Florida this year, the Department of Education set the Required Local Effort (RLE), or the amount the County must raise. This amount is generated through millage, a rate based on the value of property, and is added to the County's property tax assessment and cannot be adjusted by the School Board.

This year's rate of 4.092 is added to the already established 0.748 Discretionary mill, and the Capital Outlay mill of 1.500 for a total of 6.340 mills. McIntyre stated this was .43% more than the 6.3128 roll back rate (tax rate required to match last year's budget). The RLE is .279 less than the state required last year.

It looks like a tax increase, McIntyre stated, because the estimated tax roll is expected to be greater and should generate approximately \$1.2 million more than in 2017. Therefore, the school tax rate will show as a decrease from last year's millage rate of 6.619.

Turning to the budget,

McIntyre explained that the total tentative budget is \$279,395,765.00, and includes \$14,710,646.00 in transferred funds.

The funding sources come from four areas: Federal funding, the State of Florida, County taxes, and local revenue (which McIntyre said was from miscellaneous charges such as fees for use of facilities or transcripts). The Federal government also supplies grant money for specialized programs such as Title I, IDEA, Adult Education, and Food Service.

This year, the Federal funding will be \$2,053,700, an increase of \$839,700. McIntyre stated the State of Florida is increasing the "per student" rate by \$0.47 over last year, from \$4,203.95 to \$4,204.42. This is an increase of \$2,984,347 in State funding.

Local funding is up by \$339,080 and property taxes are expected to bring in \$393,108 more than last year. Capital Funds transfers in remain the same as last year: \$5,100,000. The projected unassigned beginning balance reflects an increase of 10.08%, McIntyre said, or \$16,989,194.

The expenditures show how this money is spent: salaries/benefits, services, materials/supplies, etc. Instruction and direct services to students accounts for 87% of the budget, 4% is for support, and 9% is for transfers and fund balances.

Another aspect of the budget is Debt Service, the school district's repayment of bonds and other long-term obligations. Apart from the \$9.6 million in transferred funds, debt service revenue totals \$501,862. Payment of the debt, including principal,

interest and fees totals \$10,112,508.

McIntyre discussed the Capital Outlay budget. Revenues are expected to be \$26,968,679, an increase of 268,073 from last year. Capital Outlay appropriations include renovation and repair, maintenance, and constructing facilities. School Board Chairman Mark Johnson wanted the public to be aware that the revenue from impact fee could only be used for new construction, or growth projects.

Federal grants for the special programs is expected to be \$12,257,589, but Sittig stated that when the figures are certified, the district could receive as much as \$3 million more. Food Service falls under a special category as it pays for itself through federal reimbursement per student and through cafeteria sales to both students and adults. The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) is being expanded for the next four years to include all students in the County, not just those who meet income requirements. The figures for this funding source will be adjusted as the information is received.

The total budget for all areas is \$279,395,765.00, including money transferred into the different budget areas. With the variables listed above, there will be changes before the final public hearing.

The School Board voted 5-0 to approve the tentative millage rate of 6.340 for fiscal year 2018-2019. They also voted 5-0 to approve the tentative budget for the school district. The next public hearing is scheduled for 09/11/18 at 5:01 pm in the School Board meeting room.

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Low mosquito counts in Hernando, but nearby areas report arbovirus presence

By JULIE B. MAGLIO

It has been a wet spring and summer has brought rains which have kept up the water level. There are several areas in Hernando County with significant standing water where there usually is not water. There have also been cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) and West Nile found in nearby counties. These factors could lead to a mosquito problem.

On Monday The Hernando Sun spoke with Mosquito Control Director Sandra Fisher-Grainger and she gave an update on the current mosquito situation in Hernando County. Although there has been a lot of rain, and there is much standing water around the county, Grainger's report is positive, with findings of very low mosquito activity at the moment. However, she is cautious with the possibility of more rain that could saturate the ground for longer periods of time which leads to increased mosquito breeding. Additionally, counties around Florida are discovering West Nile positive mosquitoes as well as West Nile positive sentinel chickens. In recent months, Central Florida counties have found Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in mosquito pools, horses, emus and sentinel chickens.

Weekly reports from the Department of Health summarize the latest activity of arboviruses in Florida. The most active of those diseases currently is EEE and West Nile. For West Nile Virus Activity The July 22- 28 report states, "One human case of WNV infection was reported this week in Bay County. No horses with WNV infection were reported this week. Four mosquito pools tested positive for WNV this week in Sarasota County. Thirteen sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to WNV this week in Alachua, Bay, Nassau, Polk, and Walton counties. In 2018, positive samples from one human, one blood donor, one crow, eleven mosquito pools, and fifty sentinel chickens have been reported from eleven counties."

The report for EEE states, "No human cases of EEEV infection were reported this week. Eleven sentinel chickens tested positive for antibodies to EEEV this week in Nassau, Orange, Putnam, St. Johns, and Walton counties. In 2018, positive samples from one human, forty-four horses, one mule, one donkey, one owl, one emu, five emu flocks, two mosquito pools, and one hundred sixteen sentinel chickens have been reported from thirty-one counties."

Grainger explained many of the treatment and

surveillance strategies they utilize in the mosquito control department. She said that any area of standing water they are aware of gets treated regularly.

"A lot of areas that we know the water is standing all the time gets treated regularly and as we get more water and the ground becomes saturated so that the water is not percolating directly into the soil, the technicians are out doing treatments of that water." Treatment, she explained is a combination of spraying and the use of mosquito-fish.

"Any area that's a permanent body of water such as a drainage retention area that always has water or if it's a woodland pool or a freshwater wetland, we'll put fish in those because we don't want to put fish somewhere where the water's going to eventually evaporate or percolate into the ground."

Mosquitofish are tiny freshwater fish that consume a large amount of mosquito larvae in comparison to their body size. In circumstances where they cannot utilize mosquito-fish, Grainger says-

"Otherwise what we use are called larvacides which is basically a pesticide that targets the mosquito larvae that are developing in the water. The products that we use are all bacterial based or they are insect growth regulators which basically is tricking the mosquito larvae into believing that it's already fully grown... and they basically starve to death."

Residents should contact mosquito control if they are experiencing a mosquito problem. Grainger described the service request process,

"When someone calls for a service request, we will come out to the property and check the property and the property of residents that surround them. We'll also check any drainage retention area, catch basin or storm drain in the area and try to identify the problem. The majority of the service requests we have right now are almost all coming back as people breeding mosquitoes in containers on their own property."

She continued, "We set traps throughout the county and trap counts have been very very low and so have our landing rate counts. Mostly what we're seeing right now are container breeding mosquitoes."

Grainger said that landing and trap counts are low because the ground hasn't been saturated for enough time to allow mosquito larvae to develop.

"As we continue to get rain daily, the ground has to become saturated to a certain percentage for the water to stand long enough for the mosquitoes to develop. Depending on the species, they can take any-

where from 5 to 10 days to develop. If that water is there this morning or this afternoon and it's gone tomorrow then you know that's not enough time for them to hatch. That's basically what we're seeing right now and why our trap counts are so low."

As far as traps in the

county, Mosquito Control sets 16 traps every week. "These are called CDC traps which use dry ice as bait because it produces CO2 which mimics a human or animal exhaling. We also do landing rate counts three times a week at 25 different locations. A technician will stand fully

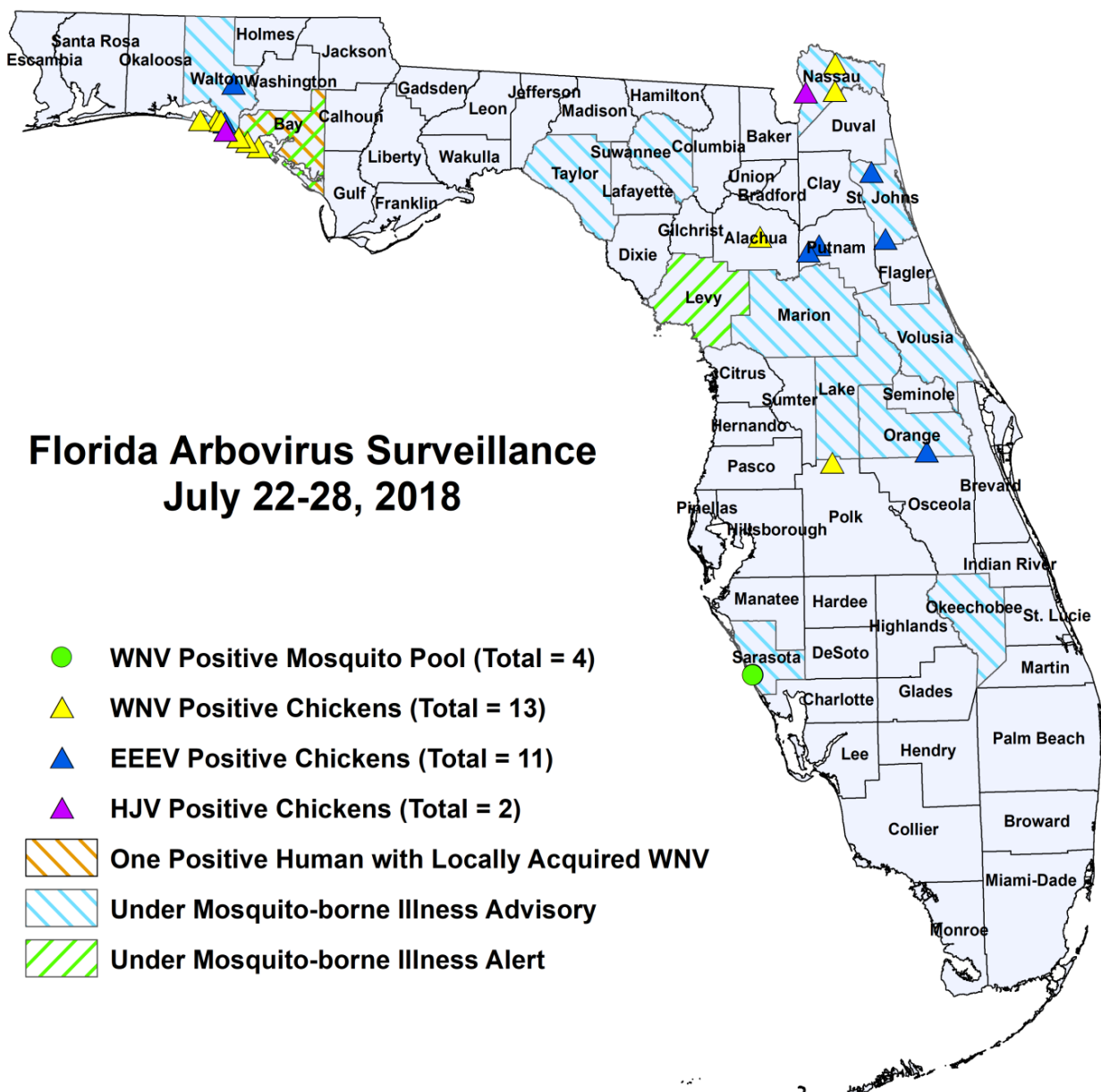
covered and allows mosquitoes to land on him and he counts how many he gets in a one minute time period," Grainger stated.

Landing rate counts and traps are considered surveillance. "We've had some of the lowest surveillance numbers in a couple of seasons now,"

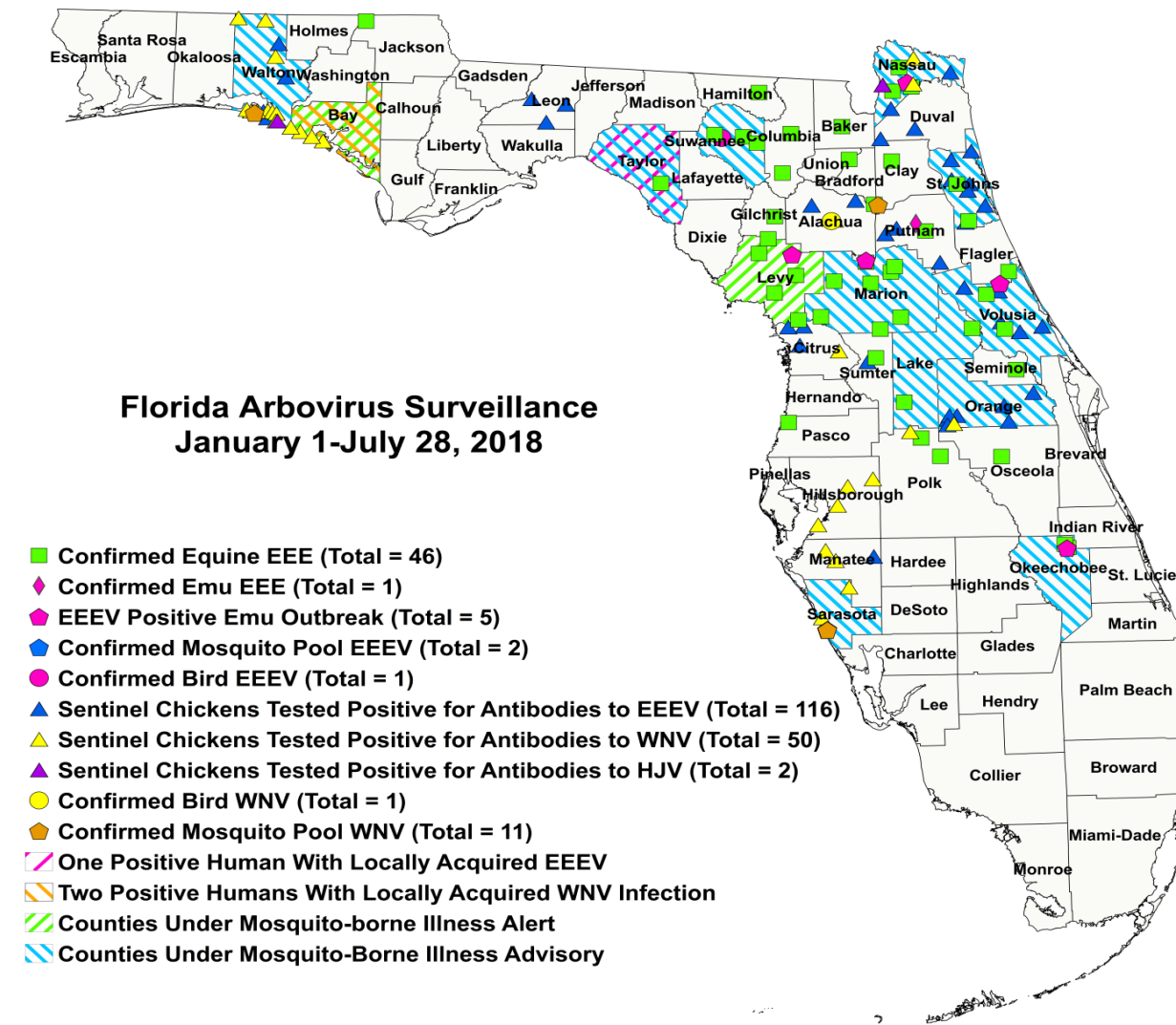
said Grainger. She erred on the side of caution though, because with all the rains we're getting right now- that could make the problem worse.

"Even though it was a real rainy spring, there was some time when the ground was able to get rid

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Candidates for Hernando County School Board, District 5

SUSAN DUVAL- DISTRICT 5

CANDIDATE BIO PROVIDED BY CANDIDATE:

I was born in St. Petersburg, FL, and lived in Pinellas County until 1969. During that time, I attended public schools and graduated from Boca Ciega High School, St. Petersburg Junior College, and the University of South Florida. I also attended USF in the late 70's and early 80's and received both a Master's degree in School Administration and an Ed.S in Curriculum. I moved to Hernando County in 1969 and began teaching at Brooksville Junior High



School. In 1980, I transitioned into administration and with the exception of

three years, have worked as an administrator since that time. Schools that I have worked at include Hernando High School, Powell Middle School, Central High School and F. W. Springstead High School. All three of my adult children attended and graduated from Hernando district schools.

Being elected to the School Board in 2014 was an honor. I have worked with diligence, responsibility and integrity on behalf of all students, employees, and community.

Q & A WITH SUSAN DUVAL

What attributes are most important for school district leadership and explain your reasoning. (Example: team player, data driven, experience in the district etc)

The attributes that I believe are important for school district leadership are experience in education, analytical and collaborative leadership skills, public accountability with budgets and the expenditure of funds and integrity.

Please describe the three top issues facing the school district.

The top issues facing the the school district include ensuring that all students receive quality career and college readiness educational programs, fiscal accountability and supporting a positive and safe learning environment/culture for students and all employees.

Do you feel that next

year's budget should be increased, decreased and by how much.

If you are in favor of increasing the budget, how do you recommend paying for it?

If you are in favor of decreasing the budget, how do you pay for obligated salary increases, cost of living increases and other inflationary costs?

The tentative budget that was reviewed at the July 24th board meeting provides an overall small increase from the 17-18 budget. This budget addresses the financial obligations that the Board has as it pertains to providing appropriate levels of funding for employee salaries, student materials and supplies, capital outlay expenditures, transportation and maintenance of the schools.

Please describe up to three projects that are most important to the school district and why?

Projects that are important to the school district include meeting the newly established safe schools laws that require resource officers/trained guardians at all schools and "hardening" of schools to provide additional safety measures at each campus. Another major project that is underway and will continue for the near future, is the funding of major school facility/construction projects. These projects were approved by the voters in the recent 1/2 cent sales tax referendum. An oversight committee ensures that only projects approved by the voters are part of the expenditure of these funds. Another major project for the Board is the process by which a new Superintendent will be appointed to lead the school district.

JOSEPH SANTERELLI- DISTRICT 5

CANDIDATE BIO PROVIDED BY CANDIDATE:

Married to my wife Christy for 28 years. We have been blessed with six children, Joshua, Ariel, Caleb, Andrew, Levi and Lucas. All still living at home.

I believe in education, putting myself though college, graduating with honors from Trinity College NPR earning a BA and then attaining a Masters from SEBTS. All while raising a family. It's not easy but it can be done. My wife has been extremely supportive. I can honestly say my teachers and professors have made a huge impact on my life. It is these type of mentor relationships that help shape us into the individuals we become.

We have been serving



our county for the past 20 years. I have served as pastor of Hillside Community Baptist for the past 18 years. We have always been community oriented and have looked for opportunities to serve those who live in our community. I have been involved in many community groups

including the Greater Hernando Chamber of Commerce, Chaplain with the Hernando County Sheriff Department, Kiwanis, Hernando Christian Ministerial Association to name a few.

I have taught in various settings, including churches, camps and a private school. I enjoy helping others gain insight and knowledge. I believe every person is designed for greatness and as educators we have the privilege and responsibility to help them in their journey. I enjoy seeing my former students and cheering them on in life.

I am a visionary leader and as such enjoy empowering others to achieve their goals.

Q & A WITH JOE SANTERELLI

What attributes are most important for school district leadership and explain your reasoning. (Example: team player, data driven, experience in the district etc)

We need visionary leadership that can take us into the future to guide us to reach the goals we need to achieve and to help navigate us through the challenges we will undoubtedly face. We must be proactive and not reactive as much as possible. I am a visionary leader and can help develop a healthy environment where individuals at all levels can do their very best to impact the lives of others around them.

Please describe the three top issues facing the school district.

- 1) Security
- 2) Improving our facilities internally (technology) and externally (structurally)
- 3) Mental illness awareness and treatment

Do you feel that next year's budget should be increased, decreased and

by how much.

We must understand that budgets grow to meet the needs of the organization. Yet we have to learn how to do more with less to offset the rising costs of inflation and to be financially responsible with the tax payers money. As I understand it we now have a healthy reserve and we need to monitor that for future expenditures as we look for ways to do more with less.

If you are in favor of increasing the budget, how do you recommend paying for it?

Once again we need to be financially conservative as we learn to do more with less. Most households understand this because they are forced to. We have to train ourselves to stay within the parameters of our budget and achieve our needs. Throwing money at problems does not make them go away, instead looking for ways to cut costs and maintain or increase service is what I would like to pursue.

If you are in favor of

decreasing the budget, how do you pay for obligated salary increases, cost of living increases and other inflationary costs?

I don't know that we can decrease the budget at this point, however we can manage what we have better and look for ways to stretch our dollars. We all know the cost of living will increase as will the cost of maintenance and upkeep of facilities and equipment. What we need to do is to listen to those who are serving in their positions and find better ways to accomplish goals based on their suggestions. In many cases they know how things could be done better. Common sense goes a long way.

Please describe up to three projects that are most important to the school district and why?

Upkeep and future expansion of our facilities, security, and mental health awareness/treatment. These three areas have a huge impact on our budget and the safety of our children as well as all staff/personnel.

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of the water... We will get to a point though where the ground will be saturated enough for the water to stand longer," remarked Grainger.

During Irma she explained, "There was a lot of water dumped at one time and it didn't have anywhere to go. This was on the east side of the county. The west side of the county didn't see mosquito numbers the way the east side did. That was because the water didn't have anywhere to go because the (Withlacoochee) river was flooded. We do still see standing water in catch basins and storm drains- those particular storm structures were treated this past spring. Hundreds if not thousands of storm drains and catch basins were pretreated this spring so that prevented a lot of breeding that might have occurred when the rains started coming in on a daily basis."

About West Nile or EEE showing up in the county she said, "It's always possible."

She recalled, "A couple of years ago we had two horses go down with West Nile virus." We have five chicken coops throughout the county that get tested on a weekly basis. We have not had one positive."

Grainger continued, "We have West Nile to the south of us but we also have EEE which has been killing horses in areas such as Marion County and mostly the central area of the state. Eastern Equine Encephalitis is a far more serious disease. I'm worried about West Nile, but I'm more worried about Eastern Equine Encephalitis."

However, the mosquito numbers they are finding in the field now aren't warranting drastic concern.

"We haven't had any positive chickens this year at all for any disease and we haven't had any

How is Eastern Equine Encephalitis transmitted?

The Florida Department of Health states, "The Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus has a complex life cycle involving birds and a specific type of mosquito, *Culiseta melanura*, that lives in marshes and swamps. These mosquitoes feed only on birds; they do not feed on humans and other mammals. In rare cases, however, the virus can escape from its marsh habitat in other mosquitoes that feed on both birds and mammals (including horses and humans). These mosquitoes can transmit the virus to animals and people. After infection, the virus invades the central nervous system, including the spinal cord and brain. In addition to horses, other animals such as raptures (emus and ostriches) and camelids (alpacas and llamas) can also be impacted by Eastern Equine Encephalitis infection. Emus in particular are highly vulnerable to infection and exposure to body fluids (particularly feces, saliva, and blood) from infected birds can lead to additional birds and people to become sick."

travelers with any kind of disease come into the county such as Dengue, Zika or Chikungunya. Quite frankly, the vectors that are the mosquito species that carry West Nile- the numbers are so low- we would need a lot more mosquito numbers for that to be more concerning. To be more concerned I would need to see the numbers of those particular species be very high and that just hasn't happened this year."

Grainger elaborated on the serious situation immediately following Hurricane Irma which resulted in aerial spraying.

"For example, right after Irma last year, the species that first popped off after the storm, they're called *Psorophera ferox* and *Psorophera howardii*- it's a nuisance mosquito. They do not carry disease. They were first to develop and become adults because they lay their eggs on moist soil. As soon as the water got into areas and the eggs were laid- they immediately started to develop and in less than 7 days they were on the wing. Now what happened after that is that the vector for West Nile virus- *Culex nigripalpus*- they lay their eggs on the surface of water. So while the *Psorophora* had already

hatched, the *nigripalpus* lay their eggs. So within 5 to 7 days after the nuisance attack by the first mosquitoes (*Psorophora*), the vector species developed into adults. That's when things became very concerning and that's why we ordered the aerial spray. There were areas that were flooded that we couldn't get a truck into."

Mosquito Control were running 4 to 8 trucks after Irma between morning and evening in order to treat the areas they could reach. Right now, they are running one or two routes a night.

Grainger says, "We're not even spraying every night because the numbers just aren't there. We have to have numbers in order to justify to the state that there was a reason to send a truck. That either comes from the trap counts, landing rate counts or it's a technician that's responding to a service request where they experience a large number of adults. That's how we decide whether we're going to spray and these container breeders that we're finding on people's properties can't be controlled with a truck."

The best way to control container breeding mosquitoes is for residents to

check for any standing water containers on their property once a week. This includes checking gutters, boats to make sure they're properly drained, tarps to make sure they're taut so that water does not accumulate and especially tires.

Currently Mosquito Control is not testing mosquitoes that they trap.

"We haven't had any chickens come up positive, we haven't had enough mosquitoes for it really to be worthwhile," Grainger said.

She explained that you need to test a large number of mosquitoes in order to get the positive results and it's helpful when you know it's in the bird population.

"You have to test a lot of mosquitoes to get those positives. It's sort of like a needle in a haystack. You're chances of finding them are better when you know already that they're in the bird population. It used to be that throughout the country they submitted dead birds on a regular basis- they just don't do that anymore. Primarily because the birds are becoming immune- they're carrying the virus but not dying from it anymore."

The Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission does collect data on dead bird findings which can be reported to www.myfwc.com/bird/. Although the birds reported could have died from any number of causes, it could be an indication of arbovirus circulation in an area. In 2018, 288 reports representing a total of 737 dead birds (17 crows, 20 jays, 60 raptors,

17 doves) were received from 41 of Florida's 67 counties.

Also with the CDC traps, a large portion of the trapped mosquitoes are dead by the time they bring them back to the lab due to heat exhaustion. "When we want test mosquitoes, we use specialized traps that capture mosquitoes that have already taken a blood meal. We are targeting female mosquitoes that are looking to lay their eggs- which is called a gravid trap. The mosquito comes across a container of sticky water we put out and she goes to lay her eggs on the surface and it has a fan attached to it that basically sucks her in there. We only put it out for a day." When mosquitoes get back to the lab, they are frozen immediately so that the RNA is frozen with them. If they die out in the field- the technology can't test for virus.

Although Hernando County is not currently testing mosquitoes, they will be doing so in the near future. With the support of state and local funding.

Last year, Hernando County's Mosquito Control department was awarded a \$75,000 grant from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) to purchase equipment for real-time testing of mosquitoes for diseases. This would eliminate the weeks of waiting for the virus to incubate in chickens or for mosquitoes to be sent to labs for testing. The County provided \$22,500 in matching funds.

The county states, "With

The Hernando County School Board consists of five members. Each of these members are required to reside within the district from which he or she is elected. See School Board District Map on page 16

To request service to your property call Mosquito Control at (352) 540-6552.

You can also request online: <http://www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-f-m/mosquito-control>

IN, OUT & ABOUT

Time for Tomatoes

BY PAT COOKE
UF/IFAS EXTENSION
MASTER GARDENER

Growing tomatoes in Florida can be a challenge if you do not have the right information. Soil composition, pH, site location and timing are all essential elements. August and September are good months for starting fall tomato seed in central Florida.

However, choosing the right variety is very important. There are literally hundreds of tomato varieties available. So how do you know which one is the best for you?

Some people like the idea of growing heirloom tomatoes. Heirlooms are older varieties that breed true generation after generation, and have been grown for decades. You can harvest and save the seed for the next crop. For the backyard gardener, these may be a good choice.

But are they the best choice? They may taste good, but are not necessarily resistant to disease. Compare them to hybrid varieties.

Hybrids are plants that have been crossbred to combine the best qualities of the parent plants. Seed saved from hybrids will not necessarily result in the same plant for the next generation; but hybrids are developed for strong stems, size, flavor and, equally important, disease resistance.

Resistance to disease has the added benefit of increasing the chances that the plant will reach its full potential and produce a good harvest.

When you pick up

a packet of seed, look at the codes listed on the label. N indicates resistance to nematodes, tiny unsegmented roundworms that attack the roots of their host plants.

They are not the same as earthworms, which are beneficial. F stands for resistance to Fusarium Wilt, a fungus that can survive in the soil until it is absorbed by the plant. Irrigation or fertilizer does not alleviate the wilt, because the fungus prevents the vascular system from distributing water through the plant. V is an indication of resistance to Verticillium, a fungus similar to Fusarium. A variety that has the code VFN on the label is more suited to growing conditions in Florida than seed packets without that designation.

Resistance to disease or pests is not the same as immunity. Timing, crop rotation or planting in a fresh soil mix in containers also reduces the opportunity for diseases or soil-borne pests to adversely affect your plants.

Irrigate the root zone early in the day rather than in the evening. Allow the soil to dry out in between irrigation events. Inspect your plants often for signs of fungus or pest insect infestation. Prevent a small problem from becoming a big one.

For more information about growing tomatoes or vegetables in Florida, contact UF IFAS Extension Hernando County at 16110 Aviation Loop Drive, Brookville 34604 (in the airport industrial park next to the US Post Office). Telephone: 352-754-4433. Office hours

are 8 to 5 Monday thru Friday. Master Gardeners are also available to answer questions at the Spring Hill Lowe's from 10 to 2 on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month.

For great prices on plants and gardening advice, visit the Master Gardener nursery at 19490 Oliver Street, Brooksville 34601 (behind the county fairgrounds), any Wednesday or Saturday from 9 to noon (weather permitting). UF/IFAS Extension in Hernando County provides solutions for your life.

Extension programs are open to all persons without regard to race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, or national origin.

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Off the Clock Connections Mixer

Chamber members and friends are invited to join the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce for an evening of networking, spirits, appetizers, and updates!!

Our monthly Off the Clock Connections is celebrating Community Appreciation Day with a great opportunity for chamber members to meet other members, build business and community relations while promoting your business or organization.

The August Mixer is sponsored by The Shoppes at Towne Square Mall located at 3021 Commercial Way, Spring Hill. Mark your calendar for this special date and event! Thursday, August 16, at 5:30 pm.

There is no cost to attend, but RSVP's are highly encouraged. Visit www.hernando-chamber.com to RSVP.

For more information contact the Chamber at (352) 796-0697.

Donna's Day Creative family fun

by Donna Erickson

Easy Fresh Fruit Cookie Tarts

Tell your kids that they can be the "King and Queen of Tarts" when they make this gem of a summer dessert. The fresh fruit ingredients from your local market or fruit stand are luscious and good by themselves, but when



they're combined with a cookie base, you'll have a "WOW" can't-miss finale to a barbecue or outdoor get-together with friends.

These cookie fruit tarts are super simple to assemble and look "tres francais," but there's no from-scratch pastry with mini fluted rims that you have to fuss over. Instead, the easy recipe starts with good, large sugar cookies you purchase at your bakery or grocery store.

FRESH FRUIT COOKIE TARTS

- 8 large sugar cookies or your favorite plain round cookie
- 8 ounce package of cream cheese
- 1/3 cup white or vanilla chips (find them in the baking section of your store)
- Assorted fresh fruit and berries for toppings, such as blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, cherries and sliced peaches and plums, washed and dried
- 1/4 cup currant jelly or powdered sugar (optional)

1. Set cookies on a work surface such as a cutting board. Place cream cheese in a medium-size mixing bowl.

2. In a microwave-safe dish, melt chips, spoon into cream cheese and stir until smooth.

3. Spread the mixture evenly over the cookies. Let kids arrange the fresh fruit and berries in pretty designs on the top.

4. Meanwhile, if you would like a glaze, an adult should melt the jelly in a saucepan. Cool. Let kids drizzle or lightly brush with a pastry brush over the fruit to glaze the tarts. Or, dust over each tart with powdered sugar.

5. Arrange on a serving platter.

Variations:

— Get creative with the presentation and decorate the serving platter or top the tarts with coconut flakes, sprigs of mint leaves, tiny blooms of edible flowers or fresh lavender.

— Make a larger quantity of bite-size tarts using packaged cookies such as gingersnaps.

— Instead of using cookies, make a larger single tart. Press prepared pie-crust from the refrigerated section of your market on the base and sides of a 9-inch tart pan. Prick sides and bottom. Bake according to package directions. Cool. Spread cream cheese mixture on the base, arrange fruit attractively, and brush on the glaze.

Donna Erickson's award-winning series "Donna's Day" is airing on public television nationwide. To find more of her creative family recipes and activities, visit www.donnasday.com and link to the NEW Donna's Day Facebook fan page. Her latest book is "Donna Erickson's Fabulous Funstuff for Families."

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Chamber Ribbon Cuttings August 2018

The Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce will have the following Ribbon Cuttings the month of August, 2018.

Tuesday, August 7th @ 5:30pm **

Bayfront Health Medical OB/GYN
11175 County Line Road, Spring Hill
Valerie Ciaccio,
(352) 688-8200

Wednesday, August 8th @ 12:00 Noon
Talk Time – Metro PCS
Authorized Dealer
4385 Commercial Way, Spring Hill
Justin Ritter,
(727) 478-2867

August 9, 2018
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
SUNCOAST ARCHITECTS STUDIO
Location:
6810 Mariner Blvd.
Spring Hill, FL 34609
Contact Information:
352-796-0797

August 10, 2018
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
EXIT V.I.P. REALTY
Location:
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FROM OUR TABLE TO YOURS
by Cheryl Clanton



Tostones

Ingredients

Green Plantains Only (Not Bananas)
Paper Bag
Salt, Vegetable Oil or Canola (Your Choice)

Directions

Cut off both ends of plantains, with skin still on cut the plantain in pieces about 1 1/2 wide the remove skin. Fry pieces in hot oil standing up until golden brown. When golden turn over to other end.
When both sides are golden, remove from the oil

and drain.

You will then use a flat object, jar, can or you spread a paper bag out and use corner to smash with the palm of your hand. You then slide a fork under the tostone and lift up from bag.

Once smashed you fry for a second time until golden brown, turn over to other side.

Once done remove from oil and drain on paper towel. Sprinkle with salt.

Event Previews

Upcoming events that will get you out and about...

PINE STREET JAM - A PARROTHEAD PARTY IN INVERNESS

SATURDAY, AUG. 4, 2018
STARTS AT 5 PM

Join us at Pine Ave. & Courthouse Square, Inverness, Florida for an island escape with a free concert by the Caribbean Chillers. The downtown is transformed into a Margaritaville-themed street party with live music by the Caribbean Chillers. Plus street performers, local restaurant and pub specials and a parrot-themed scavenger hunt, ugliest Hawaiian shirt contest, facepainter, games and more. Free admission and free parking available in the downtown.

5 p.m. Vendors and beer truck open
Insight Credit Union's Scavenger Hunt begins
6 p.m. Caribbean Chillers live
9 p.m. Ugliest Hawaiian Shirt contest
Food Trucks

- Dentico's Tropical Grill
- Gypsy Fish
- OMG Pretzel Bites
- Sweet Suga's Grillin

Merchandise vendors plus specials throughout the downtown. Remember to check out the Nature Coast Parrot Head Club booth.

212 W. Main Street, Inverness, Florida 34450



FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE - CELEBRATE BROOKSVILLE'S MAIN STREET BIRTHDAY

FRIDAY, Aug. 10, 2018 5PM - 8:30 PM

This event is a community revitalization effort to regrow a connection to the Hernando County Community to its only downtown - Historic Downtown Brooksville. High energy bands are booked to play two music sets throughout the evening. Food trucks will be parked along Ft. Dade Avenue providing a wide variety of culinary treats. Games will be throughout the park for children and families to enjoy. There will also be a full selection of cocktails, beer, and wine. Chris Ryals Band will be returning to the stage as an exclusive headliner for the evening. We will also celebrate Brooksville Main Street's Birthday!. Visit www.facebook.com/fridaynight-livebrooksville

Hernando County Band Shell Pavilion at 205 E. Ft. Dade Ave, Brooksville,



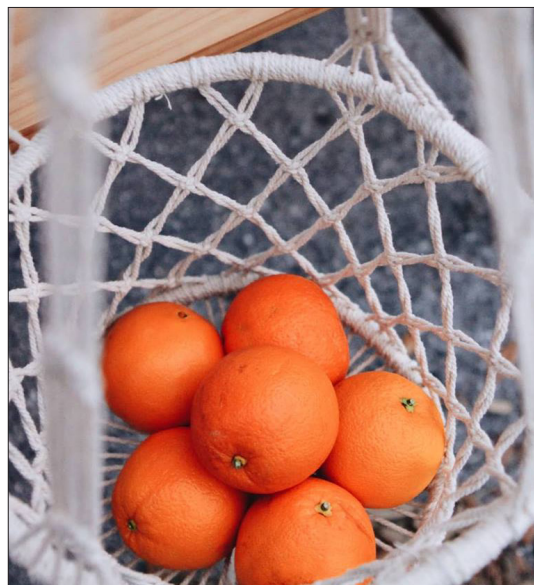
ORANGE AVENUE MARKET

SATURDAY, AUG. 11, 2018
5 PM

A quarterly market featuring local makers, artists, and food trucks

Come stroll the Avenue with us this August 11! We're celebrating 1 year of markets. We will have food trucks and a variety of local artists and makers. Mountaineer Coffee along with a ministry called "Barn" work together to put on this event. We love connecting with the community and all proceeds from vending fees and market merchandise are donated to charities and

Mountaineer Coffee, 26 S. Broad St., Brooksville, Florida 34601



Americanisms



"Love is blind, but marriage is a real eye-opener."

—Paula Deen

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KICKIN' AT THE Q CONCERT, TRUCK AND JEEP SHOW

SATURDAY, AUG. 11, 2018 10 AM-4PM

"Kickin' at the Q Concert, Truck and Jeep Show" brought to you by State Farm Insurance, CenterState Bank and Barney's Motorcycle and Marine. It's going to be a great day of Country Music with Trucks & Jeeps.

Randy McNeeley at 10:00 am, Billy Dawson at 11:20 am, Southern Brotherz Band at 1:00 pm and at 2:45 pm Nashville's Cowboy Troy will take the stage. High School students and those under 18 are free; all others are \$5 general admission. There will be VIP tickets for \$50 which includes VIP Seating, food and drink. This Back to School event is a NO ALCOHOL fundraiser for the Friends of the Children Inc. Find us on Facebook at "Kickin' at the Q". For more information, contact the Brooksville Parks and Recreation Department at (352) 540-3830.

The Quarry is located at 800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd.

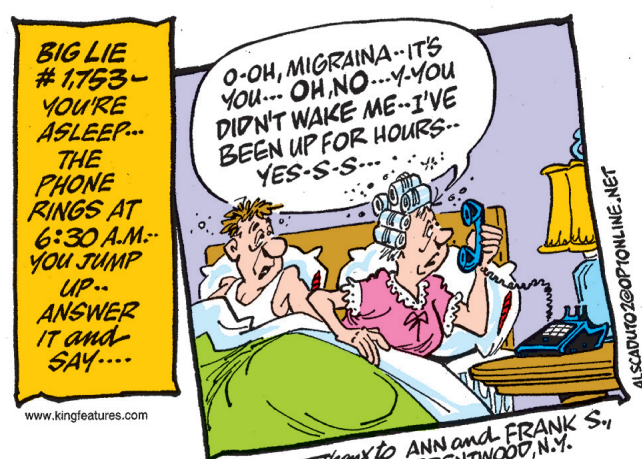
PUDGY PARTY

FRIDAY, AUG. 10, 2018 6 PM

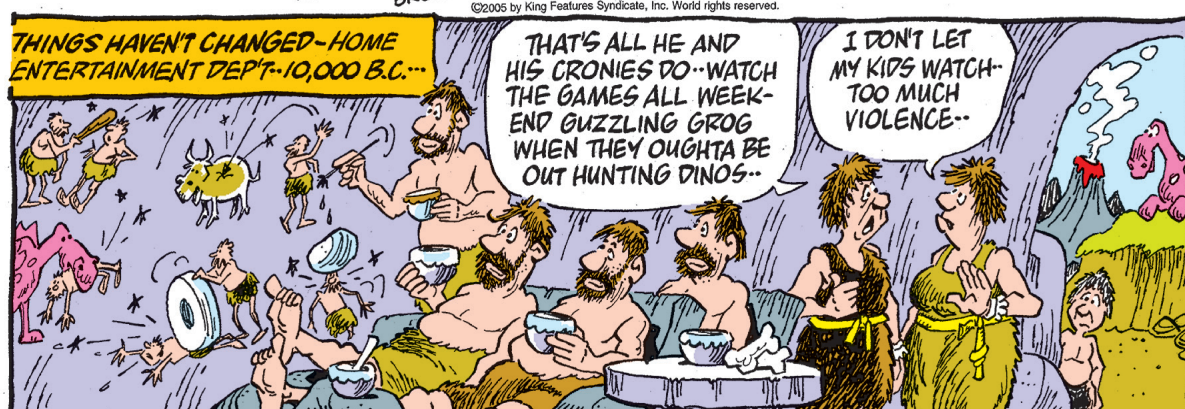
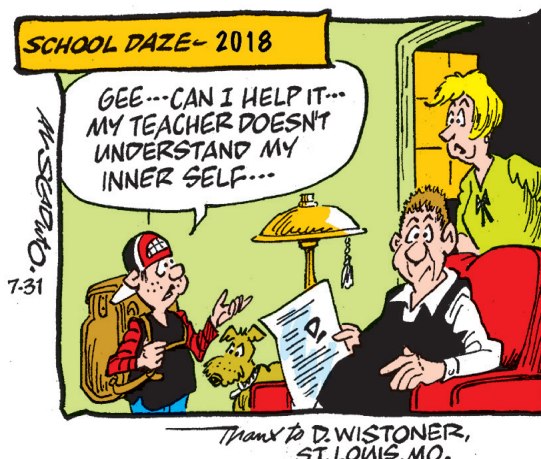
Celebrate National S'mores Day at Chinsegut. What better way to appreciate the campfire confection than joining us for a pudgy party. Learn to make a variety of treats around a campfire and enjoy them outdoors. If you want to continue the fun at home you can pre-order a pie-iron to take with you! Cost is \$10 per person, Pie Irons \$12. Register in advance at notaclueadventures.com or call (352) 754-6722 for more details.

Chinsegut Conservation Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd, Brooksville,

THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



BY AL SCADUTO



Calendar of Events

Movie Times

GTC BEACON CINEMA
12961 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville, FL 34613

Friday, 03 August 2018 - Thursday, 09 August 2018

Ant-Man And The Wasp (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 12:20PM, 3:20PM, 6:20PM, 9:20PM
Big Trouble In Little China (PG13)	Sun: 2:00PM, 7:00PM. Wed: 4:00PM, 7:00PM
Christopher Robin (PG)	Daily: 12:00PM, 2:30PM, 5:00PM, 7:30PM, 10:00PM
Darkest Minds, The (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 1:15PM, 4:15PM, 7:00PM, 9:40PM
Death Of A Nation (PG13)	Daily except Sun, Thurs: 1:15PM, 4:00PM, 6:45PM, 9:35PM. Sun: 1:00PM, 1:15PM, 4:00PM, 6:45PM, 9:35PM
Equalizer 2, The (R)	Daily except Thurs: 12:15PM, 3:30PM, 6:45PM, 9:45PM
Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG)	Daily except Sun, Thurs: 12:15PM, 3:00PM, 5:30PM, 9:00PM. Sun: 3:40PM, 6:00PM, 9:00PM
Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 12:30PM, 3:45PM, 7:15PM, 10:00PM
Mission: Impossible - Fallout (PG13)	Daily except Sun, Thurs: 1:00PM, 2:30PM, 5:45PM, 8:00PM. Sun: 1:00PM, 2:30PM, 5:45PM, 8:20PM
Mission: Impossible - Fallout GTX (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 12:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM, 9:45PM
Skyscraper (PG13)	Fri, Sat, Mon, Tues: 1:00PM, 3:45PM, 6:30PM, 9:15PM. Sun: 4:30PM, 9:15PM. Wed: 1:00PM, 9:30PM
Spy Who Dumped Me, The (R)	Daily except Thurs: 1:15PM, 4:15PM, 7:15PM, 10:00PM
Teen Titans Go! To The Movies (PG)	Daily except Thurs: 12:10PM, 4:40PM, 7:15PM, 9:35PM

duct a butterfly count and information will be uploaded to Florida Nature Trackers, Pollinators of Florida. No need to register, please plan to arrive by 12 PM. Contact: (352) 754-6722 or email pamela.murfey@myfwc.com

Walking Sticks; Florida Trail
WHEN: Saturday, August 25, 8am – 10am
WHERE: Chinsegut Conservation Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd, Brooksville,
Description: The Florida Trail connector through the Chinsegut WEA (CWEA) was officially blazed this year. Join a guided hike from the South Trail Head at Snow Memorial and US 41 to the exit on to Snow Memorial Highway at the north end of CWEA. This is a free hiking opportunity for adults. Please let us know you're coming at (352) 754-6722. Hike approximately 2.5 miles. Contact: Chinsegut@MyFWC.com or call (352) 754-6722

Sept. 7

Bark Bingo
WHEN: Friday, September 7, 2018 5pm – 9pm
WHERE: Masaryktown Community Center, 539 Lincoln Ave, Masaryktown,
Description: Benefits the animals of the Humane Society of the Nature Coast. Purchase tickets at Humanerescue.org. \$30/pp includes one card pack, 19 games with cash prizes One grand prize of \$250. Fun Vendors, cash bar, horserace games, raffle prizes.

Sept. 25

Boating Skills & Seamanship
WHEN: Tuesday, September 25, 2018 7:00pm – 9:30pm
WHERE: Uscg Auxiliary Building 4340 Calienta Street Spring Hill
Description: The U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) course is a comprehensive course designed for both the experienced and the novice boater. The course, now in its 14th edition published in 2013, consists of 8 core required two-hour lessons, plus five elective lessons, providing up-to-date knowledge for handling boats in all conditions. Course Cost: \$60 Course length: 18 Hours. Contact: Susan Watkins at swatkins678@gmail.com / (352) 340-8848. Registration 1/2 hour prior to start of class.

Aug. 3 - 5
Florida's 3-Day Back to School Sales Tax Holiday
Lists of qualifying items, FAQs go to floridarevenue.com

Aug. 3- 4
Singing In The Rain Jr.
WHEN: Friday & Saturday, August 3-4, 7:30pm – 9:30pm
WHERE: Stage West Community Playhouse, 8390 Forest Oaks Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34606, USA (map)
Description: Remember the classic movie from the golden era of MGM musicals. Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds and Donald OConnor dancing all over the place, while singing such standards as Good Morning & Make em Laugh and of course & Singing In The Rain. All of that is being brought to you by our talented young people. Reserved - \$12. VISIT <https://stagewestfl.com/buy-tickets/>

Aug. 4
Brookridge Dance
WHEN: Saturday, August 4, 7pm – 10pm
WHERE: Brookridge Community Club House, 8150 Hampton St, Brooksville,
Description: Come join us at the Brookridge Clubhouse on Saturday, August 4th at 7 p.m. for a variety of dance music performed by ANGELO. BYOB, Coffee, and Ice provided. Tickets for this dance are available at the door for \$5. It's not too early to think about your New Years dinner/dance plans, limited availability. Call 352-515-1765.

Hernando County Farmers Market
WHEN: Saturday & Sunday, August 4-5, 10am – 3pm
WHERE: 2468 Commercial Way (US highway 19) in the "Rural King" parking lot
Description: We are an open air Farmers market in the Brooksville, Spring Hill Florida area. We have a wide variety of vendors ranging from Produce, Organic Plants, Homemade Dog Food and Treats, Plants, Homemade Crafts, Jewelry, handmade soap and much more! Come see us on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.! Hope to see you soon! For more info Contact: Jodi 352-232-4241 /hernadocountyfarmers-market@yahoo.com or go to hernadocountyfarmersmarket.webs.com/

Pine Street Jam
WHEN: 4 August at 17:00–22:00
WHERE: 212 W. Main Street, Inverness, Florida 34450
Description: Join us at Pine Ave. & Courthouse Square, Inverness, Florida for an island escape with a free concert by the Caribbean Chillers. The downtown is transformed into a Margaritaville-themed street party with street performers, local restaurant and pub specials and a parrot-themed scavenger hunt, ugliest Hawaiian shirt contest, games and more. Free admission and free parking available in the downtown.

Aug. 9

USA Dance Adventure Coast
WHEN: Second Thursday of the month from 6:30 to 9:30 pm August 9, 2018)
WHERE: The Lake House, Kenlake Avenue, Spring Hill
Description: Join our monthly dances at "The Lake House." Waltz, Tango, Rumba, Cha-Cha, Fox Trot, Swing. \$6 members / nonmembers \$8. At 7 pm, DJ Pete gives a lesson which is included in price of admission Complimentary snacks, coffee and tea. Beverages and water available, or you can bring your own. Dances are held Monthly on the second Thursday, from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Call Christine at 352.515.5008 or 631.220.7029 or email at m3chris_berna@hotmail.com or visit usadanceadventurecoast.org/

Aug. 10

Friday Night Live: celebrate Brooksville Main Street Birthday
WHEN: Friday, August 10, 5:00pm – 8:30pm
WHERE: Hernando County Band Shell Pavilion at 205 E. Ft. Dade Ave, Brooksville,
Description: This event is a community revitalization effort to regrow a connection to the Hernando County Community to its only downtown - Historic Downtown Brooksville. High energy bands are booked to play two music sets throughout the evening. Food trucks will be parked along Ft. Dade Avenue providing a wide variety of culinary treats. Games will be throughout the park for children and families to enjoy. There will also be a full selection of cocktails, beer, and wine. Chris Ryals Band will be returning to the stage as an exclusive headliner for the evening. We will also celebrate Brooksville

Main Street's Birthday!. Visit www.facebook.com/fridaynight-livebrooksville

Pudgy Party; campfire treats,
WHEN: Friday, August 10, 6:00pm – 8:30pm
WHERE: Chinsegut Conservation Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd, Brooksville, FL 34601,
Description: Celebrate National S'mores Day at Chinsegut. What better way to appreciate the campfire confection than joining us for a pudgy party. Learn to make a variety of treats around a campfire and enjoy them outdoors. If you want to continue the fun at home you can pre-order a pie-iron to take with you! Cost is \$10 per person, Pie Irons \$12. Register in advance at notaclueadventures.com or call (352) 754-6722 for more details.

Aug. 11

Kickin' at the Q Concert and Truck/Jeep Show
WHEN: Saturday, August 11, 10am – 4pm
WHERE: The Quarry 800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd. (map)
Description: The city of Brooksville and the Hernando Community Anti Drug Coalition are hosting on Aug. 11, the "Kickin' at the Q Concert, Truck and Jeep Show" brought to you by State Farm Insurance, CenterState Bank and Barney's Motorcycle and Marine. It's going to be a great day of Country Music with Trucks & Jeeps. If you want to show your Truck or Jeep for prizes go to Premi-umcarshows.com for details. Entertainment will be found at the State Farm Insurance Stage beginning with Randy McNeeley at 10:00 am, Billy Dawson at 11:20 am, Southern Brotherz Band at 1:00 pm and at 2:45 pm Nashville's Cowboy Troy will take the stage. Your day of entertainment is sponsored by CenterState Bank! High School students and those under 18 are free; all others are \$5.00 general admission. There will be VIP tickets for \$50.00 which includes VIP Seating, food and drink. This Back to School event is a NO ALCOHOL fundraiser for the Friends of the Children Inc. Find us on Facebook at "Kickin' at the Q". For more information, contact the Brooksville Parks and Recreation Department at (352) 540-3830.

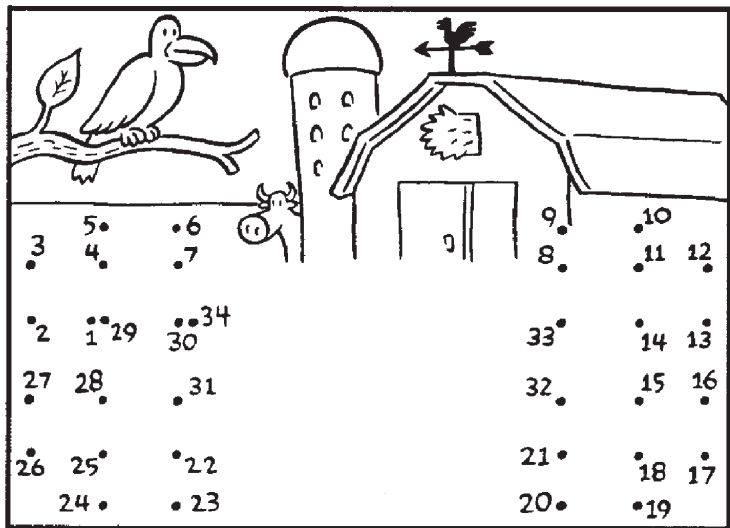
Orange Avenue Market
WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018
WHERE: Mountaineer Coffee, 26 S. Broad St., Brooksville,
Description: A quarterly market featuring local makers, artists, and food trucks. Come stroll the Avenue with us this August 11! We will have food trucks and a variety of local artists and makers. Mountaineer Coffee along with a ministry called "Barn" work together to put on this event. We love connecting with the community and all proceeds from vending fees and market merchandise are donated to charities and missions organizations.

Perseid Meteor Shower Night Walk Dade Battlefield Historic State Park
Saturday, August 11, 2018 - 8:00pm to 10:00pm EDT
\$3 per vehicle park entrance fee. More Information: kristin.n.wood@dep.state.fl.us. Located in the Southwest region at: Dade Battlefield Historic State Park 7200 CR 603 Bushnell, FL 33513. Join park staff and volunteers on a guided night walk along Dade Battlefield's trails followed by a viewing of the annual Perseid Meteor Shower, weather permitting. Bring chairs/blankets, flashlights and insect repellent. Essential Eligibility Criteria Dade Battlefield Historic State Park. In order to participate in this program, one:
•Must have the ability to follow visual and/or verbal instructions independently or with the assistance of a companion.
•Must have the ability to traverse flat terrain of asphalt and/or grassy trails at night for up to 1 1/2 miles, independently or with the assistance of a companion and flashlight.
•Must have the ability to withstand exposure to changes in weather conditions as well as darkness for up to 2 hours.

Aug. 25

Table Talk; Migrations
WHEN: Saturday, August 25, 9am – 1pm
WHERE: Chinsegut Conservation Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd, Brooksville,
Description: One of the most interesting behaviors in the animal world is migrations. Large numbers of animals moving from one place to another following nothing but instinct. Or is there some other driving force? Volunteer Richard will be inside the center with this tabletop migration exhibit, feel free to stop in between 9 AM and 1 PM to explore. This exhibit is free for all ages. Contact: Chinsegut@MyFWC.com or call (352) 754-6722

Butterfly Count
WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018 Noon until 2 PM
WHERE: Chinsegut Conservation Center, 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd, Brooksville
This event which will be held entirely outdoors will familiarize you with local butterfly species and how and why butterfly counts are conducted. All participants will con-



ON A FARM, what runs all around the yard but never moves? Connect the dots to find out!
Answer: A fence.

THIS PUZZLE IS "TWO MUCH"! Using seven 2's, try writing a math expression that is equal to 2!
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Answer: $2 + 22/22 - 2/2 = 2$.

THE "OTHER" FAST FOOD! Below are two puzzle grids for you to fill in. Hints are given for each word. The words in Grid B contain the same letters as the corresponding words in Grid A.

1. A protective covering.
2. Placed down.
3. Medieval war club.
4. Show how to use.

GRID A				GRID B			
T				T			
	A				I		
		C				M	
			O				E

1. Catches things.
2. Part of a clock.
3. To have arrived.
4. Current fashion.

Answers: 1. Tarp-trap. 2. Laid-dial. 3. Mace-game. 4. Demo-mode.



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7.		M					E
8.	M						E

FIND THE BIG WORDS
Using the definitions and the anagrams below, find the eight eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. For each definition, the letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

- DEFINITIONS:**
1. A large retail store.
 2. A French policeman.
 3. Needed for board game.
 4. Some houses have one.
 5. Records distance traveled.
 6. Used by bodybuilders.
 7. Kissed for a while.
 8. A very small particle.
- ANAGRAM:**
- mime + pour
dean + germ
hens + cams
beam + tens
tome + rode
bulb + meld
shod + come
clue + mole

Answers: 1. Emporium. 2. Gendarme. 3. Chessman. 4. Basement. 5. Odometer. 6. Dumbbell. 7. Smooched. 8. Molecule.

IN, OUT & ABOUT

Library Programs

SH- Spring Hill Branch Library, located at 9220 Spring Hill Drive.

WH- West Hernando Branch Library located at 6335 Blackbird Ave, Weeki Wachee, FL 34613

BV- Brooksville/ Main Library located at 238 Howell Ave, Brooksville, FL 34601

EH- East Hernando Branch located at 6457 Windmere Rd, Brooksville, FL 34602

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Adult Coloring for Stress Relief and Relaxation - EH
8/4/2018 10AM - 2PM Drop in anytime between 10am and 2pm for soothing music, a cup of herbal tea, a dollop of art therapy and maybe meet a new friend or two.

Game On! - EH
8/4/2018 10 AM - 4PM Enjoy family gaming at the East Hernando Branch!

Anime Club - SH
8/4/2018 11AM - 12:30 PM Registration is open Are you a fan of anime, manga, or Japanese culture? Join Anime Club, where you can watch, read, and enjoy anime & manga with other fans

K-Pop Club - SH
8/4/2018 1 - 2:30 PM Registration is open Fans of Korean music & culture and those curious about this new global sensation are invited to explore the world of K-Pop.

Aug. 6

Learning the Mouse - BV
8/6/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Learn to use a mouse and acquire basic computer vocabulary.

Meditation Break - WH
8/6/2018 12 - 12:30 PM Enjoy a 30 minute Monday meditation break with us - meditation provides many health benefits for mind, body and spirit. Chairs provided or welcome to bring mat.

Medicare 101 - WH
8/6/2018 1 - 2PM For people new to Medicare or anyone who would like a better understanding of how the program works. A fun discus-

sion with plenty of time for questions.

Understanding the Basics of Social Security Planning and Long Term Care Planning - WH
8/6/2018 2 - 3PM Understanding the latest strategies in protecting your retirement portfolio from catastrophic Long Term Care expenses.

Aug. 7

Learning the Mouse - WH
8/7/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Learn to use a mouse and acquire basic computer vocabulary.

Adult Coloring Class - WH
8/7/2018 1:15 - 3PM Registration is open Pick a Color, Any Color.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act: What It Means For You - SH
8/7/2018 2 - 3PM A tax professional will discuss the impact of the recent tax legislation on citizens.

Learn to Sew! - WH
8/7/2018 4 - 6PM Join the waiting list Always wanted to learn to sew? Want to try it out before you invest in that sewing machine? Come to our monthly sewing class where you can learn the basics and make a simple project to take home.

Aug. 8

Learning the Mouse - SH
8/8/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Learn to use a mouse and acquire basic computer vocabulary.

Writing Your Life Stories - WH

8/8/2018 10:15 - 11:45 AM Registration is open "When writing the story of your life, never let anyone else hold the pen." Don't allow those irreplaceable personal & family stories to be lost. Come join us - for an informal, enjoyable experience! In Writing Your Life Stories, we provide you with the opportunity to get started right away on your writing, through the use of "writing prompts" & a short time to write, followed by sharing of our writing, if you choose to share. Each meeting, we provide helpful resources & tips for inspiration, and members discuss what is working for them.. Though we encourage writing by hand, you may bring a laptop if you prefer. Please ensure it is fully charged.

Florida-Friendly Landscaping Program - SH
8/8/2018 10:30 - 12PM Topic: Ten Practical Steps to a Florida-Friendly Yard

Financial Management Series - EH
8/8/2018 2 - 4PM This

month's topic: Resource Conservation

Aug. 9

Learning the Mouse - EH
8/9/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Learn to use a mouse and acquire basic computer vocabulary.

Writers Workshop - EH
8/9/2018 1 - 3PM Free and open to the public - meets every other Thursday. All levels of experience from beginners to published authors. Our group is on-going and continuous, join at any time. Bring pen and paper. For more information call 352-583-2441.

Movies @ your library - SH
8/9/2018 2 - 4PM tbd

Socrates Cafe - SH
8/9/2018 5 - 7PM Guaranteed to leave you with more questions than you came with! Socrates Cafe is an opportunity for amiable, open-minded discussion of profound issues.

Aug. 10

SHINE - EH (individual counseling by appt. only)
8/10/2018 12 - 2PM Free Medicare and Health Insurance Counseling and Information during open enrollment period. By appointment only. Call 352-593-0705 for more information.

Signing for Everyday Living - SH

8/10/2018 1 - 2:30 PM SEFL is a crash course in basic ASL for learners at any skill level.

Book Discussion Group - EH
8/10/2018 2 - 3:30 PM Registration is open Please contact the East Hernando Branch Library to obtain a copy of the book and the discussion questions.

Tech Tutors - BV
8/10/2018 2:30 - 4:30 PM Not quite sure how to use your device? Do you have any questions or concerns? Grab your gadget and stop by!

Aug. 11

Game On! - EH
8/11/2018 10AM - 4PM Enjoy family gaming at the East Hernando Branch!

One Man and His Quilts Expo - EH
8/11/2018 11 - 2PM Stop in at the East Hernando Library branch to see the wonderful exhibit of quilts created by Hollis Larkins.

Spring Hill Writing Group - SH
8/11/2018 1 - 2:45 PM Beginning writers are welcome--to inspire and be inspired. Your work starts with one word at a time.

CryptoQuote answer on page 15

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

ARCDMZW MJZ'K R CYJK RBK

- YZS QIJK, MZ JYQS ARV,

WSK KY KES WRBRWS.

- SPRZ SJRB

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School bus full of teachers surprise kids who excelled on FSA

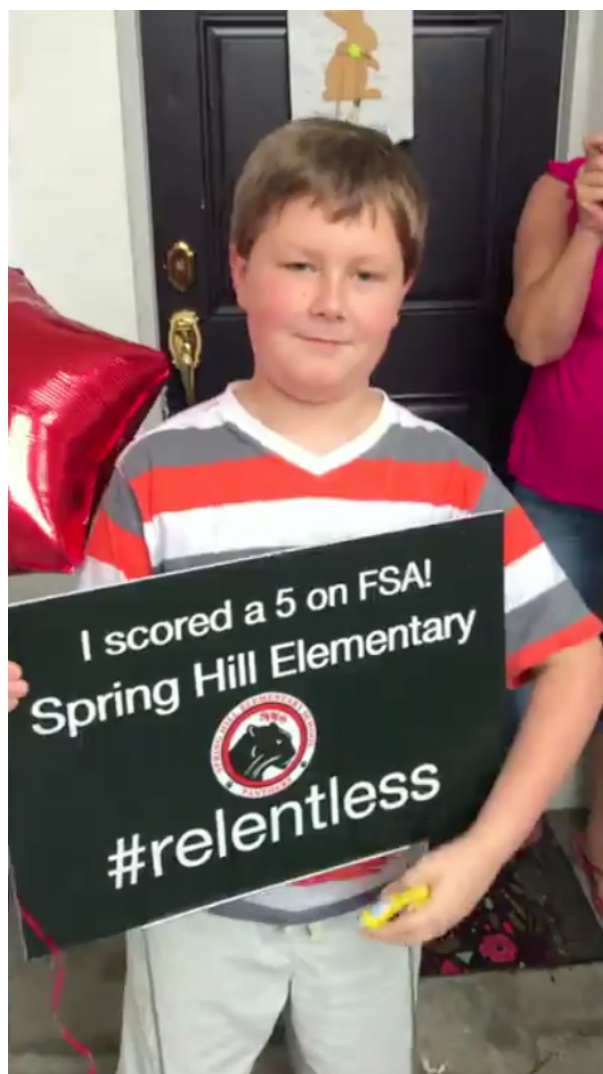
By LISA MACNEIL
Hernando Sun Writer

45 students of Spring Hill Elementary school scored Level-5 (highest level) on the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). To celebrate their accomplishment, each was greeted at home by a bus full of teachers, catching much of the celebration on camera.

Each student was presented with a yard sign to display their achievement, as well as balloons and their pick of candy treats.

One student, identified as Justin was asked why he thought he did so well on the test. Justin gave credit to his teachers, saying, "Because I had three great teachers during fourth grade. I also think I worked very hard. I think I took my time during (the test) ...and focused."

The Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) tests reading and math skills from third grade through fifth grade in the elementary school system. Fifth graders are also tested on science. All the exams are scored on a five-level system, with a score of 3 considered passing or at grade level.



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10315754.....Sweet Angel is searching for an angel of her own to save her life! She's playful and fun and seems to get along with other dogs although the shelter always recommends a meet and greet. She's a happy girl that would be even happier in her own home with her own family! Come meet her today! 1/2 price adoptions! Hernando Animal Services, 19450 Oliver St. Brooksville, FL 352-796-5062

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

by Elie's Spiritual Treasures

MATTHEW 4:4

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

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Find the **bolded/underlined** words in the diagram. They run in all directions — forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Solution on page 18

Conceptis Hitori

Each puzzle consists of a square grid with numbers appearing in all squares. The object is to shade squares so:

1	5	3	1	2
5	4	1	3	4
3	4	3	1	5
4	4	2	3	3
2	1	5	4	4

- No number appears in a row or column more than once.
- Shaded (black) squares do not touch each other vertically or horizontally.
- When completed, all un-shaded (white) squares create a single continuous area.

2	4	3	1	4
3	5	1	4	1
2	4	2	3	3
5	4	1	2	4
4	1	5	3	5

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SPORTS

HUNTING

Early season action in Zone A



Toby Benoit is a best selling novelist and professional outdoorsman with thirty-five years of experience guiding and outfitting for big game all across America. Toby is a renowned archer and turkey hunting expert who manufactures custom game calls and is a regular judge at NWTF sanctioned turkey calling events across the Southeast.

For our neighbors to the south, in Florida's Zone A, archery season has just begun. This may come as a bit of a surprise to many of you, but yes, we can legally hunt whitetail deer in July if we're willing to take a long drive south. I wouldn't mind the drive, as I'm a bit jealous since here in our county we have to wait until September fifteenth to get started. But the heat; September is hot enough, but July heat is more than I wish to contend with on a deer hunt.

However, for those brave souls willing to make the drive and pit their wits against a prime South Florida whitetail, the early season affords them some great harvest opportunities. First off, the deer are still at ease and primarily concerned with filling their bellies. With the intensity

of this Summertime heat, it can be expected that the largest part of their feeding activity will be done at night with the deer laying up during the heat of the day. So, best strategy will be to locate bedding areas.

The bigger the buck, the more the heat will affect him during the daytime, so expect him to be bedded up near water. I'd begin my scouting with an aerial map of the land and predictions on wind directions from the National Weather Service. Locate ponds or sloughs with thickets on their downwind side. As the daytime breeze passes over the water it can cool off by as much as five degrees. If that thicket isn't already full of hogs, you can expect to find deer bedded up there taking advantage of the cooling breeze.

Locating such a place, select your treestand or ground blind points of ambush along the trails leading to and from that spot to the feeding grounds. If spot and stalk is more to your liking, look for higher ground from which to glass the area, watching closely for the flick of an ear or the movement of antler times. Once located, determine the way your buck is positioned to determine your best approach without being seen. You already know to avoid the water's edge, lest your scent travels to him, so being seen is your next greatest obstacle to overcome as you attempt to close the distance.

Next, be wary of sound. Here is where footwear and clothing begin to play a key role in your hunt.

Soft soled, very pliable shoes are the thing. Heavy soled hunting boots make it much harder to feel the sticks and noisy debris beneath your feet and tend to make you tread a bit clumsy if off-balance in the least. Moccasins are great for stalking, if your feet are tough enough to handle the zero, arch support, but I was always a fan of high top, Converse tennis shoes for that style of hunting. Super light-weight and pliable, they allowed me to be very quiet of foot on the hunt.

Shirt and pant choices make a big difference when trying to move silently in the thickets. Thin cotton clothing, well

washed, is great. Brushed cotton, like flannel is even better if you can stand the extra warmth. But the point is, your clothes need to make no noise when moving as they rub past leaves and sticks on your way into bow range. Avoid synthetic blends and stick to natural fibers and you'll fare just fine.

I thank each and every one of you, who have taken the time to contact me with your words of encouragement and gratitude; your feedback is much appreciated. And as always, if there are ever any questions or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to me at Toby@HernandoSun.com.



Isreal Illiedias with a monster, chocolate racked buck taken opening morning of Florida's Zone A.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) There might still be some uncertainty about the decision you made. But a quick check of the facts should reassure you that you're doing the right thing.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The tidy Taurean needs to be a little more flexible about accepting some changes to those carefully made plans. You might be pleasantly surprised by what follows.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Consider stepping away from your concentrated focus on your new project for a bit so you can get some perspective on what you've done and where you plan to take it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The understandably angry Crab might not want to accept the reason why someone might have tried to hurt you. But at least you'll have an insight into why it happened.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) There might be some facts you still need to know before leaping onto center stage. Best to move carefully at this time so that you can observe what's happening around you.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to expand your outlook by getting out and around, whether you do some long-range traveling or just explore the great things to see closer to home.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your job situation brightens thanks to all your hard work. Now, spend some time repairing a personal relationship you might have neglected for too long.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Aspects favor action in the workplace. Line up your facts and show your superiors why you're the one they're looking for.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your hard work pays off on the job. Personal relationships also can benefit from more of your time and attention. Spend the weekend with loved ones.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Early feedback on your project might be disappointing. But don't be discouraged. Use it to make needed adjustments, then submit it to your superiors again.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Flattery could lure the otherwise sensible Fish into making an unwise decision. Be careful. All that praise might be an attempt to reel you in before you can learn the facts.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful sense of who you are. You are a shining example to others, helping them believe in themselves and what they can do.

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Five burning pre-season questions for Nature Coast Coach Cory Johns



Nature Coast Coach Cory Johns during practice last week.

BY ANDY VILLAMARZO
HERNANDO SUN
SPORTS WRITER

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Everyone that knows prep football in Hernando County can tell you that despite Nature Coast Technical High School being a program that's under 15 years old, the Sharks have a lot of stories history already. Now under the direction of second-year coach Cory Johns, the Sharks are looking to get back into the Class 5A post-season and beyond. We asked Johns five burning questions heading into this training camp.

AV: You guys reached the post-season last fall but finished as the runner-up to Hernan-

do. Has a rivalry begun there?

CJ: There is no rivalry except we are close in proximity. They still haven't beaten us. It's exciting for the community though if both teams are decent.

AV: How good will the backfield tandem of Fabian Burnett/Michael Weston be?

CJ: Fabian (Burnett) and Mike (Weston) will be the best backfield I've coached, which in my opinion is huge. They are not only great players but great students with both over a 3.5 grade point average.

AV: Despite the defense losing some key



Nature Coast QB Fabian Burnett at last week's practice.

See QUESTIONS, Page 12

Five burning pre-season questions for Hernando High School Head Coach Rob Kazmier

BY ANDY VILLAMARZO
HERNANDO SUN
SPORTS WRITER

It's not easy stepping into the shoes of a head coach for a football program that has plenty of expectations. That's the challenge first-year Hernando head coach Rob Kazmier faces, as he takes over a Leopards' squad coming off a season in which they won a district championship and reached the Class 5A playoffs. We asked Kazmier 5 questions about this upcoming season.

AV: You head into your first fall camp as head coach. What are your feelings, expectations heading in?

RK: I am truly blessed to have this opportunity at such a historic and tradition-rich program. The administration, the faculty, the staff, the alumni, the whole school is extremely supportive of this program and proud of the history here. It was always a goal of

mine to coach at a true community based high school. Hernando High School certainly is just that. I have very high expectations. First off, I couldn't imagine a better coaching staff than the one we have assembled here. It's a great group of guys with a wealth of experience and we all mesh very well. We just graduated a large senior class, but I don't expect much of a drop off. Hernando is a program in a talent filled community that should simply reload year in and year out. That is the goal. We will continue to instill strong values and work ethic in order to develop and prepare our student-athletes to be successful week in and week out both in the classroom and on the field. This will create the culture needed to become a perennial playoff team with the ability to make a run every season.

AV: Is it playoffs or bust for this Hernando group?

RK: Though we return the key components of our backfield, we will be experiencing youth movements at basically every other position group, especially our offensive line. Our program feels very sophomore heavy at the moment. With that being said, our expectations are still certainly very high and we do plan to be hosting a game on November 9th.

AV: What gains do you feel the players made this off-season?

RK: Our summer focus was to get stronger and faster. We pushed our team very hard, and we had fun doing it, so the gains became obvious. Coming off of a district championship is huge. Morale is through the roof and our kids are extremely proud to be Leopards. Due to this, the roster is swelling and attendance is excellent. Expectations amongst the players is higher than ever. The way that guys like David Hale Bronson and Israel Fields push one another is special.

AV: Who improved the most this off-season?

RK: It's hard to key in on any specific player or group. We strongly promote multi-sport athletes. We have many wrestlers and track athletes that push themselves very hard consistently year-round. We had a solid spring and an excellent summer. Roster numbers are up and attendance has been great. We bonded well this summer and the players are definitely all in. One thing that is encouraging and infectious is to have so many kids that put everything they have into every rep. Those are the ones that separate themselves. We don't return many seniors, but the following group exemplifies this: Israel Fields, David Hale Bronson, Boston and Bronson (Tafelski), Jacob Hackney, and Madison Griffin. Shavaris McNair is going into his junior year and really has been turning heads with his work-ethic and effort in everything he does.

These student-athletes embody our core values and it shines through every day.

AV: Are you putting a lot of pressure on yourself for Year 1?

RK: Yes. I am putting an immense amount of pressure on myself. This school and community deserves greatness from this football program on an annual basis, so that is exactly the type of product that I will expect to put on the field under the lights every Friday. The players and the coaching staff understand this expectation. Tom Fisher Memorial Stadium will be standing room only for every game.

Hernando High School Head Coach Rob Kazmier.



HHS Running Back Isaiah Fields and Quarter Back Boston Tafelski during practice last week.



HHS team takes a water break.

Solution to Crossword on page 15

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 They may be proper subjects
- 6 Distorted
- 12 Circus tent
- 13 Utica's county
- 14 Mistreat
- 15 Cat in 9 Lives commercials
- 16 Antelope's playmate
- 17 Rowing team
- 19 Biblical verb suffix
- 20 Take heed of
- 22 Profit
- 24 Air safety org.
- 27 History chapters
- 29 Inauguration recitation

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- 42 Billboards
- 44 Camel feature
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- 55 Original
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- 11 T, in Morse code
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- 18 True-to-lifestyle
- 21 "— the ram-parts ..."
- 23 Plenty of time?
- 24 Not many
- 25 Commotion
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- 28 Dormant
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JOHNS
from page 11

players, how good will that unit be?

CJ: Our defense lost a few key guys, but both leading tacklers are back as well as our emotional leader in Dajour Morgan. Our defensive line will have to step up and I have no doubt they will.

AV: How was the summer for your program?

CJ: The summer program was phenomenal. We had about 70 guys show up consistently. They worked harder than any team I've been around. They came together as a team with several team bonding opportunities. They got busted up this summer and will get the benefits of that sacrifice.

AV: Do you feel this fall's team could be better than last year's group?

CJ: I know this year's team will be better as a team because they are more of a team. Not because the seniors were bad teammates, but because this group has been together with this coaching staff longer, and we have picked up some young very talented players from our junior varsity team.



Morning practice for Nature Coast players.

TRAVEL NEWS

New checkpoint technology will improve security and screening

BY SUE QUIGLEY
INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

According to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), they are planning to test computed tomography scanners at a few selected US airports checkpoints soon. They claim the "new state-of-the-art 3-D technology intends to "enhance critical explosives and other threat items detection capabilities" at airport checkpoints."

The scanners will be paid for by a \$71-million fund added by the Trump administration to the 2019 fiscal year budget.

This new technology is supposed to result in fewer bag checks in the future.

TSA began testing the new scanners in 2017 at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport and Boston's Logan International Airport. A third unit was installed earlier this week at John F. Kennedy International Airport.

It works by creating 3-D images of the contents of a bag. This allows TSA agents at checkpoints to rotate the images and better analyze the contents. It's hoped in the future, apart from fewer bag checks, passengers may also be able to leave laptops and liquids in their carry-on bags TSA officials say. An algorithm used by the scanner also alerts TSA officers to possible explosives in the bags.

Can't be soon enough.

At Tampa Airport just last week, agents stopped a passenger with a .380 Ruger LCP .380 auto pistol. The gun was loaded and with a round in the chamber.

Although the security agency plans to add units in 15 airports in the next few months and a total of 40 CT scanners by the end of the year, increasing to 145 units by the end of fiscal year 2019, the reality of faster check ins at airports seems a long way off.

The first 15 units being deployed are going to the following airports, with more airports receiving the scanners in the coming months:

Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI)

Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD)

Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG)

Houston Hobby Airport (HOU)

Indianapolis International Airport (IND)

John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)

Boston Logan International Airport (BOS)

Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)

McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Oakland International Airport (OAK)

Philadelphia International Airport (PHL)

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport (PHX)

San Diego International Airport (SAN)

St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL)

Washington-Dulles International Airport (IAD)

Sorry to see that Tampa International Airport is not on the list and I couldn't find out an estimated date for testing to begin.

Well, at least it's something to look forward to.

BUSINESS & COMMUNITY

BARBER
from front page



and so decided to go to barber school. "I had a wife and children to support and was a little nervous about launching into barbering," said Baker. "But when I opened my first shop in New York in 2011, I knew I had made the right decision — I love my work and the customers are great."

"When my father passed, I had kept his antique chair and all the shop's cabinetry to use in my shop."

"And when, seven years later, all our family members decided to come down to Florida, I dismantled all the cabinetry again and shipped it all down with us," he said.

Baker found his premises on West Jefferson and the first thing he did was to put up the traditional red and white barber's pole at the front entrance. The pole is a reminder of a long-gone era when people went to a barber not just for a haircut or shave, but also for bloodletting and other medical procedures that required a barber's skill with sharp instruments.

Baker uses old-school tools and the shelves in his shop are lined with trimmers and clippers, combs and razors, shaving cream, hair tonics and badger and boar hair brushes for that soft, luxurious feeling every time you shave.

Brooksville resident, Matt Baum is a regular customer at The Hometown Barber Shop.

"Jeremy knows how to cut my hair," he said. "He knows exactly what to do, a little bit off the top and the sides," said Baum, a U.S. Air Force Veteran.

After 15 minutes of cutting hair and trimming of eyebrows, Baker lathers the back of Baum's neck for that final touch. Then flourishing a straight razor, Baker trims Baum's sideburns, around the ears and the neckline with skill.

A straight razor, sometimes called an open or cut-throat razor, is king for a really smooth shave.

"Being able to keep alive the skills of a classic cut and shave is important to me," said Baker. "A lot more men feel comfortable visiting a barbershop than a beauty salon, with its colorists, women's magazines and showy shelves full of styling products."

The Hometown Barber Shop also offers a classic shave with hot towels and straight razors to make a man feel really well groomed. A hot lather shave is also a popular pre-wedding item for grooms and groomsmen. The Hometown Barber Shop offers gift certificates for hot shaves.

Traditional barber shops even smell and sound different from the chain-operated salons.

Baker uses a vintage Zenith radio to play soft 1920s and 30s music. No television here or loud pop music. Just classic music



LEFT: An antique barber's chair that belonged to Baker's father. Baker shipped it down to Florida. ABOVE: Bernie Heath with the finished cut.



Matt Baum of Brooksville is a regular customer of The Hometown Barber.

and lively male conversation.

"This is where customers become regulars, friends and confidants," said Baker.

Next in the chair is Bernie Heath, a man with a fine head of curly hair who is actually Jeremy's father-in-law.

"I'm very particular about my hair," said Bernie. "That's why I come here and get exactly the right cut."

Baker sprinkles a little water on his father-in-law's hair to relax the curls and sets to work trimming.

Heath said he remembers waiting for a haircut from Jeremy's father back in the day and seeing a kid of about 13 getting the back of his neck shaved for first time.

"It was as if the boy was growing up and becoming a man right there before my eyes," he said.

Laid out on the shelf in front of Bernie in the chair is a display of hair tonics.

"I'm often asked what does a hair tonic do?" said Baker. "Long time ago, tonics made wild claims about preventing dandruff or even a cure for baldness."

"But, it's simple," said Baker. "Most men like a splash of tonic on their hair after it's cut and they come in a variety of oils and smells."

Baker explained he keeps a good

selection available. Some smell like you just stepped out of the barbershop in the 1920s or 1950s and some just merely give the hair added luster and leave the customer with a clean after-shave scent.

"My goal is give my customers great haircuts in a traditional atmosphere where men can feel comfortable waiting for a shave or a haircut," he said. "Young or old, I cater to everybody."

Jeremy Baker of The Hometown Barber Shop can be reached at ibejeremy@gmail.com

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BAYOU from front page

One day while reviewing my photos, I noticed something out of the ordinary. I zoomed in closer and noticed that there was fishing line wrapped around this Great Blue Heron's lower bill and reviewing more photos I could see the fishing line was not only wrapped around its lower bill but completely around its tongue.

Extremely concerned, I contacted all the appropriate people; however through the entire month that I was following the Great Blue Heron, I named Bay, there was no resolution towards removing the fishing line. After days without seeing this beautiful heron, in my heart I knew the heron did not survive.

A massive amount of fishing line was entangled on the powerlines near the bridge on Bayou Drive as well as above the marsh inlet. All that fishing line must have been there for years and years and some of the line had hooks and bait still attached. After years of being exposed to the Florida weather many of those lines began to weaken and decline. This made it even more life-threatening for birds flying below the powerline where they could easily become entangled. How would anyone be able to save them? So now the concern was how to remove all this line and who was going to do it?

With a few phone calls, the answer was the electric company. Powerlines are the Electric Company's property. I contacted Withlacoochee River Electric and a work order was placed. On March 23, 2018, the Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative came out and removed all the fishing line from the powerline that was near the bridge; as for the fishing line above the inlet, it is still there.

I soon became aware of how much discarded fishing line that was just in this little area... Bayou Drive isn't even a half of a mile, I can't imagine how much is discarded in the mangroves, and we are not just talking fishing line, we are also talking about abandoned crabbing line and bait.

Hernando County residents Linda Pederson, Rose Kundrith and John Dougherty formed Keep Hernando County Beautiful in 1994, unfortunately it only lasted for three years, but because of organizations like these throughout the state, they began the movement for public awareness.

"We work with those programs (like Keep your County/City Beautiful) that started a monofilament recycling type effort, and recently within the last couple of years the program was full on adopted by FWC (Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Committee)," said Thomas Vatter, Coordinator for the Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program.

The Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program (MRRP) is a formative statewide effort to educate the public on the consequences of monofilament line left in the environment. The program encourages recycling by providing a network of recycling bins and drop-off locations, as well as helps promote volunteer cleanup events.

I had visited Bayou



Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Bins are now located on Bayou Drive. Thanks to Brittany Hall-Scharf, Sea Grant Agent for Hernando County and the county's Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program coordinator.



A Great Blue Heron seen here shows the effects of negligently discarded fishing line. The line is wrapped completely around the heron's tongue preventing the heron from eating correctly. Photo taken on March 6, 2018

Drive on June 19 and on July 16 I had left earlier for an assignment just to visit my favorite little spot again and to my surprise I noticed that there were monofilament recycling bins that had been placed by the bridge and one by the marsh inlet.

This was exciting... overwhelming to be exact and hopefully those that fish or crab in this area know two things. First, people are noticing the careless act of leaving fishing line and second, those who use the bins to recycle fishing line know the importance of protecting and saving wildlife.

"All Floridians are available to request material from us," Vatter said. "If I get a request in (for bins), I make sure that there is someone that can monitor it and has a viable location."

The Sea Grant Program in partnership with Fish and Wildlife Marine Debris Program have installed [Monofilament Recycling] tubes around Hernando County, areas like Bayport, Jenkins Fishing Pier and Linda Pedersen Park.

Brittany Hall-Scharf, Sea Grant Agent for Hernando County is the Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program Coordinator received the two recycling bins that were to be placed on Bayou Drive.

"I have seen pelicans hung on the line and hanging off a light post or near a marina. I have seen turtles come in with it. I have gone through fish stomachs before and found lures and monofilament in there," Scharf said. "You will see them sometimes when you're snorkeling around artificial reef. A lot of people like to fish around artificial reefs. Monofilament will get snagged and it will snag

things that live underwater."

The monofilament recycle programs rely on dedicated volunteers. "We appreciate those volunteers because unfortunately not everybody puts just monofilament in there, we get diapers, water bottles, half eaten sandwiches," Scharf said.

Suzanne Young and her husband Rob have lived in Hernando County for thirty years and bike routinely on Bayou Drive.

"We saw you out there photographing the bird and we stopped," Suzanne Young said. "You told us about the lure in his mouth, and that you have been trying to feed him and coax him in and you were trying to save him."

(For many weeks my goal was to photograph the Great Blue Heron's tongue. Since the fishing line was wrapped around its tongue it was constricting any blood flow and in order to show wildlife rehabbers the intensity of this situation the only way for the heron to open its mouth was to toss the heron some fish or shrimp.)

Suzanne continued, "I was walking through the Swamp Fest and saw the booth (UF/IFAS Extension; Sea Grant) and started chatting with Britney about what she was doing and told her about the bird [The Great Blue Heron]."

The Youngs stayed in contact with Brittany and when the recycling bins did come in, Suzanne and her husband placed them where they knew the highest fishing activity was.

"Use them for the monofilament, put your garbage in the garbage can and respect this area," Suzanne Young said. "I love this area."

When the monofilament is collected from the recycling bins, it gets shipped out to Berkeley Recycling based out of Spirit Lake, Iowa.

Volunteer Success Story from Sanibel Island

In Sanibel Island, members from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society began recognizing that there were tackle tangled in vegetation and realized that could harm and even kill birds, reptiles and mammals. The members started a program in 2008 to clear tangled tackle from mangroves in the J. N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel Island in Florida.


Volunteers would go out in kayaks on Fridays - when the refuge is closed to the public - to 'clear gear' by collecting

tangled fishing line from mangroves and wherever possible. Later on the group of volunteers would be known as the "Monofilament Busters."

In July of 2018 Monofilament Busters became a 501(c)(3), which helps them to seek grant funding to develop educational materials that show how to avoid the problem and how to solve the problem, should it occur. Currently they are in the process of designing a "clear your gear" activity book for kids that is funded by Lee County Electric Cooperative. Their next project will be a video of a well-respected fishing guide demonstrating how to cast correctly in order to avoid tangling tackle in vegetation, as well as what to do if tackle does get tangled.

The Monofilament Busters down in Southwest

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Florida has done an amazing job of raising awareness through local and social media outreach. They have set a great example of how a group of volunteers can come together for a greater cause.

"The bins are out there for the public to use and to also be mindful that you are only putting monofilament in there and not your wrappers or half eaten sandwiches," Brittany Hall-Scharf stressed. "There is a whole bunch of them around the county in popular fishing spots."

For more information, request recycling bins or to host a coastal cleanup, visit: Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program (MRRP) <http://mrrp.myfwc.com/home/>



As a requested work order, Employees from the WREC removed fishing line that has been entangled on the powerline above the bridge where fishermen cast from on March 28, 2018

Miss Rodeo Florida Pageant to be held September 27 - 29, 2018

Applications are now available for the 2019 Miss Rodeo Florida Pageant to be held September 27 - 29, 2018 in Osceola County, Florida. Held annually, the Miss Rodeo Florida Pageant is open to Florida girls wishing to promote the great sport of Rodeo. Contestants from around the state of Florida will compete for the following titles.

- Miss Rodeo Florida (Age 19 - 25)
- Miss Teen Rodeo Florida (Age 15 - 18)
- Miss Rodeo Florida Princess (Age 11 - 14)
- Miss Rodeo Florida Sweetheart (Age 7 - 10)

All contestants compete in the areas of appearance, speech, modeling, impromptu questions, most photogenic and personal interview. Contestants ages 15 & up (Miss and Teen) also compete in horsemanship, horsemanship interview, the selling of a live auction item and a knowledge written text.

Rodeo Queens attend rodeos, parades, community events and speak to students in schools educating others about the sport of rodeo, the western way of life and our states

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Miss Rodeo Florida Association is a 501 c3 non-profit organization dedicated to helping young ladies build confidence and achieve dreams.

Attached Photo is the 2018 Miss Teen Rodeo Florida - Makenzie Conner (Groveland), Miss Rodeo Florida Princess (Ocala/Ft. McCoy) Heaven Crosby and Miss Rodeo Florida Sweetheart (Miami) Aubrey Rosenhaus.

Deadline to register is August 31, 2018. Applications are available on www.MissRodeoFlorida.com For information or questions concerning this press release please contact:

Jessica Kelly, Pageant Director 321-624-9341, missrodeoflpageant@gmail.com or Laura Kessler, National Director, 321-624-9410, krazykrooner@aol.com.

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'Bay' The Great Blue Heron (L). A Little Blue Heron (R) at the marsh inlet on Bayou Drive.









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MITZI
from front page

stone.
“For over 40 years, the Suncoast Trail Blazers have put on an event here at the Croom park, so for over 40 years, we’ve had contact, interacting and working with Florida Forest Service,” Hunt said. “These people have been great to work with, and I’d also like to thank those guys for hosting us here today for this memorial service.”

Babb, who grew up in Bristol, Tennessee, started as a part-time ranger in 2010 before becoming a full-time resident park ranger. She worked closely with the Suncoast Trail Blazers helping to put on events at the park while also working to protect the interests of everyone who enjoyed the park. “She enjoyed what she did. She enjoyed being here. She enjoyed working with you guys and helping everybody here,” Hunt said.

Hunt recalled Mitzi’s caring heart when he buried his RV in the sand one year.

“She stayed with me the whole time and made arrangements for a tractor to come out here and get me out,” he said. “Not many people would do that. They would leave you on your own to do that, but Mitzi was not like that. She cared about people and she would make sure that you had what you needed, and she would take care of you...she was good like that. She really was.”

Guests paid tribute with memories of sharing musical interests to differences in opinion, but Babb was able to recognize what a friendship was and not hold grudges. She was adored for lighting up the lives of everyone (and everything) she met and was remembered for not letting anyone remove spiders from inside, because it was their home, too.

Keith Mousel of the Florida Forest Service spoke of Babb’s fun-loving attitude and willingness to proudly spar with folks and forget it the next day and move on.

“This has been a tough month for all,” Mousel said. “The quickest thing I can say is let’s try not to



Park Ranger Mark Fitch.

remember that last week of Mitzi’s life. That’s the tough part. She had some tough roads; we all have tough roads. Let’s remember the life that Mitzi led and that was her caring nature for people, for Croom Motorcycle Area, for the riding community, for the Florida Forest Service community, the animals that she tried to save, and everything, her daughter, family and friends, that’s what’s important.”

Other speakers like Florida Forest Services’ Lita Hart remembered Babb for her free spirit and honest, forthright nature. “You knew when she said something to you that it was the truth,” Hart said. “I just appreciate her, the impact that she left on my life, and I know that she would certainly not have expected all of you to be here today but would be so grateful for you remembering her in this way.”

Mark Fitch, a close friend of Babb’s and a ranger at Croom, recounted the recent celebration of Mitzi’s life in Bristol where musicians gathered on blankets playing guitars and singing followed by a violin procession and police escort.

“It’s been hard to get words out for all of us, trying to complete a sentence,” he said.

Fitch recited excerpts of Babb’s writing to try and help listeners know that she understands what they’re going through:

*“You start with a big gaping hole in your heart
It feels like your entire soul is crumbling into it
You acknowledge that the weight of this loss is going to suck indefinitely
Every single day
You steal yourself from the people who mean well and and those who are just nosy
They all are going to ask you if you’re OK
Convinced you are or they become distracted by the next whatever
It’s annoying as hell
Maybe in the process of telling them you’re fine, you’re telling yourself, you will be
Maybe over time, you start to believe it
Then, one day, you realize you almost are
That you’re stronger than you ever wanted to*

*know
But you are.
You really are. You continue to be you force yourself to function until you almost feel like you’re living again. You revisit those times of greatness
But you do not allow the losses to define you.
You let love and light envelop you when it presents itself.
And you cry until the well runs dry and you scream.” - Mitzi Babb*

Then, calling Mitzi his partner, he addressed her directly: “Mitzi, you completed me. When I was with you, I was humorous and spirited. I had will and inspiration ... I was kind and thoughtful, and I had my gut feelings, and it’s all gone, and I think Mitzi has it, which is OK because it was hers to begin with, and I’m speaking for all of us when I say that. It’s OK for all of us because I talked to her the other day like I do every day and she said she’s going to give it all back a little bit at a time. So we have to be patient and stand strong for her; that’s what she would want. We have to continue on in her place.”

As a soft summer drizzle began to fall, retired Florida Forest Service park ranger, Joe Tyberghein, who had the privilege of bringing Mitzi on board, spoke of God crushing tears for his favorites as it started to rain.

“She brought a lot of special thoughts to all of us I’m sure and at this mo-



Members of the crowd listening to speakers at Mitzi Babb’s Memorial service held July 21, 2018 at the Withlacoochee State Forest Croom Motorcycle Area.



Mitzi Babb’s badge and nametag.

ment I’d like to just take a moment and remember Mitzi,” he said. We know where she is, and she’s got Him laughing up there, and maybe God’s got some red hair now, too.”

Russell Groover, a local author who lives on Croom property, described a time when Babb helped get him to his 58th-straight Daytona Beach Bike Week.

“On that trip up, it was drizzling rain about like it is right now when we got there, and she parked close by, and she walked up ahead of me on the sidewalk pushing people out of the way making sure somebody didn’t trip me with my cane,” he said. “That one trip was important.”

“When we got back, I

said, ‘You know what, I think I’m going to adopt y’all,’ as a joke, and she wrote it up and we signed it and that’s the way it’s been,” Groover said of adopting Mitzi and her daughter, Constance, adding that he dedicated his latest book to Babb’s free spirit. “She was good to a fault to people. She took in strays, human, animals. I saw her mourn over a gopher turtle that got run over up here for two days. That’s what kind of a soul she had ... I’m just glad that you have this turn out. She would have loved it.”

Angela Cornier, Babb’s self-proclaimed adopted sister who traveled from Bristol to attend the Florida service, thanked everyone

for “giving Mitzi the home that she had here.”

“She was grateful of the fact that this was her place to be autonomous ... she spoke of Florida and particularly of Croom and this park as her solace and her oasis that she was able to find along the way,” she said. “It’s incredible to know that 800 miles away, she was the same light here that she was back home.”

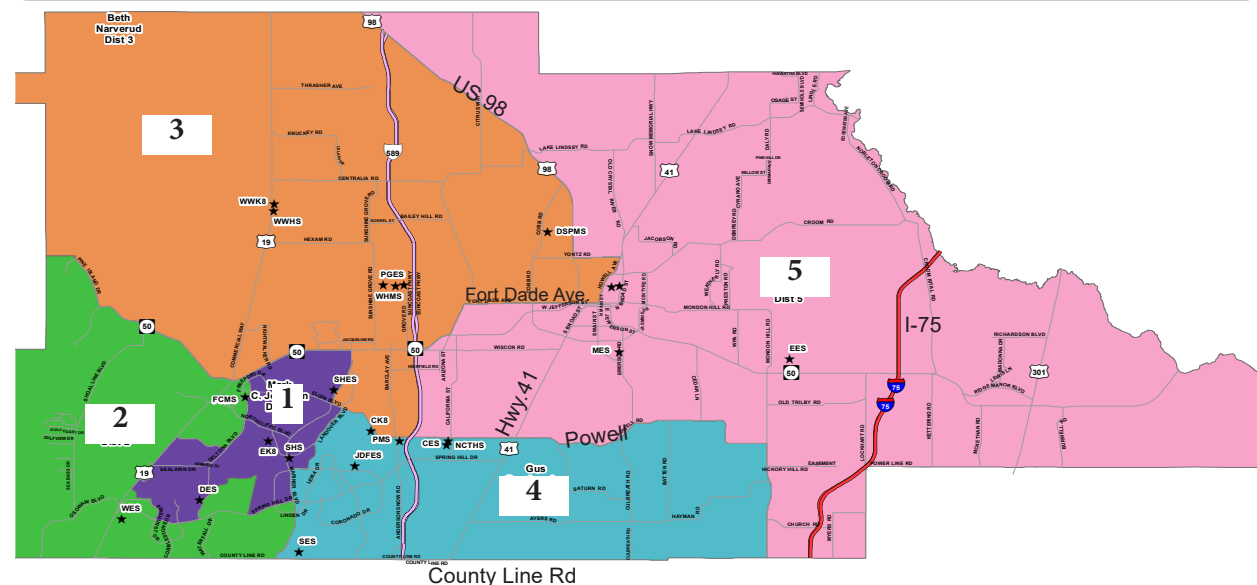
The celebration concluded with a moment of radio silence from the Florida Forest Service followed by a memorial trail ride in her honor.

Jennifer Sheppard can be reached at jms32792@gmail.com



A new sign was placed at the pavilion for Mitzi’s outdoor theater

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO. 17 000942 CA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, f/k/a Farmers Home Administration, a/k/a Rural Housing Service, Plaintiff,

vs.
JOSHUA C. NAGEL; et. al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 11, 2018, by the above entitled Court in the above styled cause, the undersigned Clerk of Court or any of her duly authorized deputies, will sell the property situated in Hernando County, Florida, described as:

Lot 3, Block 1, Woodland Park, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 7, page 42, public records of Hernando County, Florida, LESS: Begin at the SE corner of said lot, run thence N 0° 19' 15" W on East line of said lot 16.32 feet, thence S 62° 22' 40" W 46.08 feet to South line of said lot, thence N 82° 58' 30" E 41.23 feet along said line to POINT OF BEGINNING.

AND

A part of Lot 4, Block 1, Woodland Park, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 7, page 42, public records of Hernando County, Florida, described as: Beginning 100 feet East of the NW corner of said Lot 4, thence continue East 32 feet, thence N 62° 22' 40" E 11.12 feet to the North line of said Lot 4, thence S 82° 58' 30" W 42.17 feet along said line to POINT OF BEGINNING. All lying and being in Section 36, Township 22 South, Range 19 East, Hernando County, Florida.

at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash on SEPTEMBER 4, 2018, on the second floor outside Room 245 of the Hernando County Government Center, 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville, Florida, beginning at 11:00 A.M., subject to all ad valorem taxes and assessments for the real property described above. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE SALE, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator/Court Operations Manager, Peggy Welch, Hernando County Government Center, 20 North Main Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601, (352)754-4402, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

DATED on July 16, 2018.

DON BARBEE JR.
20 N. Main Street
Brooksville, Florida

BY: Elizabeth Markidis
Deputy Clerk

(SEAL)

(07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-604 DIVISION:

COAST EQUITIES INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSE MIGUEL DURAN; UNKNOWN HEIRS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE MIGUEL DURAN, Defendant.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To JOSE MIGUEL DURAN; UNKNOWN HEIRS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE MIGUEL DURAN CLAIMING BY THROUGH AND UNDER THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title to real property described as:
Lot 15, Block 799, Spring Hill, Unit Thirteen, as per Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat book 8, pages 84-100, of the Public Records of Hernando County, Florida.

Has been filed by COAST EQUITIES INC., Plaintiff and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Alisa D. Wilkes, Esq., 13400 Sutton Park Dr. S., Suite 1204, Jacksonville, FL 32224, (904)620-9545 within 30 days after the first publication and file the original with the Clerk of this Court and Plaintiff's attorney, otherwise a default and judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in this Petition.

Witness my hand and the seal of this court on this 18th day of July, 2018.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Don Barbee Jr
By */s/ Tara Halpin*
Deputy Clerk

(07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)
(08/10/2018), (08/17/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-603 DIVISION:

COAST EQUITIES INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

LUIS H. CASTELLON,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To LUIS H. CASTELLON AND ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS DEVEISES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, AND OTHER UNKNOWN PERSONS OR UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF THE LUIS H. CASTELLON CLAIMING BY THROUGH AND UNDER THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title to real property described as:
Lot 25, Block 849, Spring Hill, Unit Thirteen, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 8, Pages(s) 84-100, of the Public Records of Hernando County, Florida.

Has been filed by COAST EQUITIES INC., Plaintiff and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Alisa D. Wilkes, Esq., 13400 Sutton Park Dr. S., Suite 1204, Jacksonville, FL 32224, (904)620-9545 within 30 days after the first publication and file the original with the Clerk of this Court and Plaintiff's attorney, otherwise a default and judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in this Petition.

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Clerk of the Circuit Court
Don Barbee Jr
By */s/ Tara Halpin*
Deputy Clerk

(07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2018CP000719

IN RE: ESTATE OF BENJAMIN THOMAS OGILVIE, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Benjamin Thomas Ogilvie, deceased, whose date of death was April 26, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hernando County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 20 N. Main Street #362, Brooksville, Florida 34601. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is August 3, 2018.

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Personal Representative:
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Webster, Florida 33597

(07/20/2018), (07/27/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 27-2017-CA-000623 Division:

West Florida Properties Plaintiff,

vs.

Regimio Sobrino Pelaez, Defendant(s).

SUMMONS: PERSONAL SERVICE ON AN INDIVIDUAL

To: Regimio Sobrino Pelaez
Ave Fuentes De Los Leones
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IMPORTANT
A lawsuit has been filed against you. You have 20 calendar days after this summons is served on you to file a written response to the attached complaint with the clerk of this circuit court, located at 20 N. Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601, Room 245.

A phone call will not protect your interests in this lawsuit. Your written response, including the case number given above and the names of the parties, must be filed if you want the Court to hear your claims in this case.

If you do not file your written response on time, you may lose any interest you have in the property described in the attached complaint without further warning from the Court.

If you choose to file a written response yourself, at the same time you file your written response to the Court, you must also serve a copy of your written response on the party through their attorney at:

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/s/ Eric Nelsetstuen
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(07/13/2018), (07/20/2018), (07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)

NOTICE OF FINAL AGENCY ACTION BY THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the District determined on April 23, 2018 that a permit was not required for the proposed construction of two new culverted fill roads within silviculture area in the Chinsegut Wildlife and Environmental Area in Hernando County, Section 2, Township 22 South, Range 19 East. The permit application was submitted by Katherine Burke, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (File Number 76218).

The file containing the application for this permit is available for inspection Monday through Friday (except for legal holidays), 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Southwest Florida Water Management District's Office, 7601 US Hwy 301, Tampa, FL 33637-6759. Petitions for administrative hearing on the above application must be filed within twenty-one (21) days of publication of this notice or within twenty-six (26) days of the District depositing notice of this intent in the mail for those persons to whom the District mails actual notice. Failure to file a petition within this time period shall constitute a waiver of any right(s) such person(s) may have to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., concerning the subject permit. Petitions which are not filed in accordance with the above provisions are subject to dismissal.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the District's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this notice. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the District on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceedings, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

(08/03/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION
File Number: 2018 CP 789

IN RE: ESTATE OF NELLIE J. FYNAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of NELLIE J. FYNAN, deceased, whose date of death was April 7, 2018, File Number 2018 CP 789, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hernando County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is July 27, 2018

Attorney for Personal Representative:
ROBERT J. REYNOLDS, Esquire */s/*
Florida Bar No. 0021415
20093 East Pennsylvania Avenue, Ste. 4
Dunnellon, Florida 34430

Personal Representative:
JOHN C. FYNAN, */s/*
Estate of NELLIE J. FYNAN
3462 Appalachian Drive
Brooksville, Florida 34602

(07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 18-CA-292

HO-WAH AU, as Successor Trustee of the Lily Cipolla Revocable Living Trust dated June 2, 2014

vs. SIMON NG and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: SIMON NG, Defendant, and to all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Defendant, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you have been designated as defendant in a legal proceeding filed against you for EJECTMENT/JUDICIAL DISCHARGE OF CLAIM OF LIEN. The action involves real property in HERNANDO County, Florida, more fully described as follows:

ADDRESS: 5289 Gwen Lane, Spring Hill, Florida 34609
LEGAL: Lot 7, Block 1830, of the Replat of Portions of Spring Hill Units 18, 19 & 20, and a second replat of Spring Hill, Units 18 & 19, a subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 17, Pages 29-34, of Public records of Hernando County, Florida.
PIN: R32-323-17-5 182-1830-0070

The action was instituted in the Fifth Judicial Circuit Court, Hernando County, Florida, and is styled HO-WAH AU, as Successor Trustee of the Lily Cipolla Revocable Living Trust dated June 2, 2014 vs. SIMON NG and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the action on JALEH PIRANVESSEH, ESQ., Plain fit's attorney, whose address is 9020 Rancho Del Rio Drive, Suite IOI, New Port Richey, FL 34665, on or before AUGUST 13, 2018 and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on JALEH PIRANVESSEH, ESQ., or immediately after service; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order no. 2.065

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 20 north Main Street, Rm 245, Brooksville, FL 34601, Phone No. 352/754-4201 ext 381 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

The Court has authority in this suit to enter a judgment or decree in the Plaintiffs interest which will be binding upon you.

DATED: July 2, 2018
DON BARBEE, JR
Clerk of the Fifth Judicial Circuit Court
Hernando County, Florida

By: */s/ Tara M. Halpin*
Deputy Clerk

(07/13/2018), (07/20/2018)
(07/27/2018), (08/03/2018)

FLORIDA Notice of Public Sale

Notice is hereby given that Storage King USA at 3663 Commercial Way, Spring Hill, FL 34606 will sell the contents of the storage units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a lien placed on the contents (pursuant to Chapter 83 of the Florida Statutes). The sale will take place at the website www.StorageKing.com on August 14, 2018 at 9:00 am. The sale will be conducted under the direction of Christopher Rosa (AU4167) and StorageStuff.Bid (AB3482) on behalf of the facility's management. Units will be available for viewing prior to the sale on StorageStuff.Bid. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder. A 10% buyer's premium will be charged as well as a \$100 cleaning deposit per unit. All sales are final. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. The property to be sold is described as general household items* unless otherwise noted. Unit #0135 Bruce Durden, #0117 Terry Freeman, #0316 Darren DeLeonardis, #0318 Darren DeLeonardis, #0192 Carlos Patino, #0338 Jan Tittenburt, #0341 Lisa Ignacio, #0345 Lisa Ignacio, #0075 Danielle Stratzt, #0180 Timmy Davis, #0333 Savannah Dominici, #0253 Steven Melvin, #0062 Steven Melvin.

(08/03/2018), (08/10/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 5TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2016CA000039

SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff, vs. RAYNA B. DAVIS; GINA MACMILLAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RAYNA B. DAVIS; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF AVALON VILLAGE, INC, Defendants,

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Consent Final Judgment of Foreclosure date the 7 day of MARCH, 2018 and entered in Case No. 2016CA000039, of the Circuit Court of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Hernando County, Florida, wherein SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING LLC, is the Plaintiff and RAYNA B. DAVIS, GINA MACMILLAN, UNKNOWN TENANT 1 N/K/A DIANA MITCHEM, and THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OF AVALON VILLAGE, INC, are the defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at HERNANDO COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN ROOM 245, 20 NORTH MAIN STREET, BROOKSVILLE, FL 34601 beginning at 11:00 AM on the 30 day of AUGUST, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 59, BLOCK 19, VILLAGES AT AVALON PHASE 1, AS PER THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 36, PAGES 24 THROUGH 37, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Property Address: 231 FAIRMONT DRIVE, SPRING HILL, FL 34610

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the Office of the Trial Court Administrator, Hernando County Courthouse, 20 North Main Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601, Telephone (352) 754-4402, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 19 day of July, 2018.

DON BARBEE, JR
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: */s/ Elizabeth Markidis*
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:

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(08/03/2018), (08/10/2018)

Intent to Apply – 21st CCLC Grant Funding

Boys & Girls Club of Hernando County hereby notifies the local community of our intention to apply to the Florida Department of Education 21st Century Community Learning Centers program grant to support out of school time (OST) programming at the Suncoast Elementary School in Spring Hill, Florida. The Club will submit the application to FDOE on August 10 of 2018. If granted, funds will be used to support additional learning time for the students at Suncoast Elementary School in Spring Hill, FL.

The purpose of the federally-funded Florida 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Grant is to support additional learning time for students in grades K-12 before and/or after school and during the summer that provides creative and engaging academic enrichment opportunities that will help to meet the challenging State academic standards; address college and workforce readiness and success, in addition to offer students a broad array of additional services, programs and activities such as youth development activities, service learning, nutrition and health education, drug and violence prevention programs, counseling programs, arts, music, physical fitness and wellness programs, technology education programs, financial literacy programs, environmental literacy programs, mathematics, science, career and technical programs, internship or apprenticeship programs, and other ties to an in-demand industry sector or occupation for high school students that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students; and offer families of students served by community learning centers opportunities for active and meaningful engagement in their children's education, including opportunities for literacy and related educational development.

More information about the 21st CCLC Program may be obtained by visiting the following webpage on the website of the Florida Department of Education: <http://www.fdoe.org/schools/family-community-academic-learning-center/program-summaries.stml>

Questions or public input about the 21st CCLC program and grant proposal may be directed at Boys & Girls Club of Hernando County at 352-666-0068 or flsmeister@bgchemando.org.

(08/03/2018)

NOTICE OF THE AUGUST 14, 2018 SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Notice is hereby given that the School Board of Hernando County, Florida will hold the following meetings on August 14, 2018 in the School Board Room, 919 N. Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601:

Informal at 11:00 A.M.
Workshop at 2:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the agency at least five (5) days before the meeting by contacting Kelly Pogue at (352) 797-7000. If you are hearing impaired, please contact the agency by calling (352) 797-7202.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the School Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a copy of the official record of the meeting. The official record of any School Board meeting consists of the official minutes approved by the Board including any back-up materials or documents submitted to it and a transcript of the audio and/or visual recording of the meeting if any made and maintained by the District. It is the responsibility of the party requesting a copy of audio/visual recording to have it transcribed for appellate purposes.

Originated by Mark Johnson,
Chairperson of the School Board of Hernando County, Florida

By: Mr. John Stratton, Ex-Officio Secretary and Superintendent of Schools

(08/03/2018)

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD

RULE TITLE: Hernando County School Board Policies

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose handbook sets forth standards for the operation of the Hernando County School Board. The purpose for revising these policies is to align the content to reflect applicable statutory language and incorporate best practices regarding the subject matter herein.

SUMMARY OF RULE: Revisions to Hernando County School Board Policy Manual NECLA VOL. 18 No. 2, received tentative approval at the 07/24/18 Workshop

SPECIFIC AUTHORITY: Section 1001.41and 1001.42 Florida Statutes.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Sections, §1001.41, §1001.42, Fla. Stat. Additional references to specific statutes are identified within each policy as applicable.

A HEARING HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD, ON THE PROPOSED RULE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE BOARD BYLAWS AND POLICIES. THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SUCH HEARING IS: August 28, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the School Board office located at 919 N. Broad Street, Brooksville, Florida 34601.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE RULE WILL BE ADOPTED ON August 28, 2018.

DATE AND PLACE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED: August 3, 2018, Hernando Sun, Hernando County, Florida.

If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the agency head, a rule development workshop will be noticed in the Hernando Sun and the Board's website.

Any person requiring a special accommodation to participate in the meetings above noticed because of a disability should contact call 352-797-7000, 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make appropriate arrangements. If any person appearing before the School Board anticipates or expects that he or she might appear any decision made by the School Board, that person will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, that person will need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

MARRIAGES

- Clayton Morris Eugene and Best Julie Ann 7/25/18
- Pritchett David Wyatt and Purvis Kirsten Alexis 7/25/18
- Daughtery Michael Lee and Carnes Bobby Ray 7/26/18
- Mock Alec Michael and Busch Savannah Anne 7/26/18
- Hollier Brianna Elizabeth and Victory Sabrina Danielle 7/26/18
- Marcoux John-Paul and Eth Tina Marie 7/26/18
- Schwietenman Kevin Anthony and Sam Yessenia Maria 7/26/18
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- Conkel Richard Lee and Rehurek Katie Charlene 7/30/18
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- Buttram Ronnie Nathaniel and Manuel Francyne Marion 7/31/18
- Miller John Arthur and Krasnytska Oksana 7/31/18
- Mort Edward and Ciastko Dawn Marie 7/31/18
- Harkness Marcus Charles and Green Billie Jo 7/31/18
- Branscomb Joseph Derrick and Butler Christina Marie 7/31/18
- Toler Robert Earl and Wadsworth Kaitlin Marie 7/31/18

GRIN and BEAR IT



"Try to tune out the crowd, Otis ... especially your mom."

LAFF-A-DAY



"All right, Prescott ... we know you're in there!"

Solution to Sudoku on page 15

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ecclesiastes in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who asked God, "Why is pain perpetual, and my wound incurable"? *Moses, Jeremiah, Abraham, Noah*
3. Where is "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" found? *Ephesians, Colossians, Galatians, 1 Timothy*
4. With what did the seraph touch the frightened Isaiah's mouth? *Unclean finger, Sod, Live coal, Holy water*
5. From Proverbs 15, what does a soft answer turneth away? *Harm, Wrath, Lust, Tears*
6. How many angels rescued Lot and his family from Sodom? *2, 7, 13, Hundreds*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Jeremiah; 3) Galatians; 4) Live coal; 5) Wrath; 6) 2
 Visit Wilson Casey's new Trivia Fan Site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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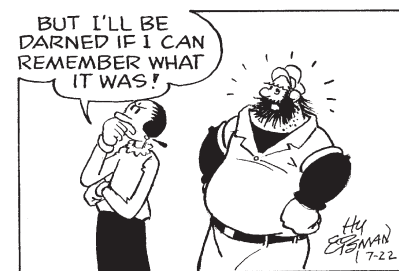
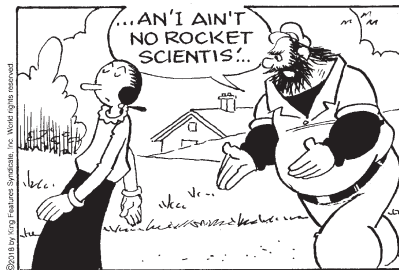
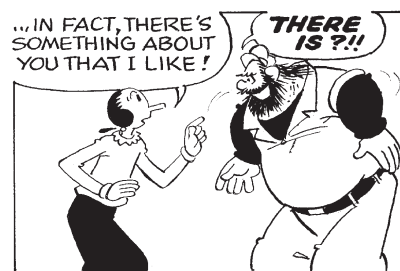
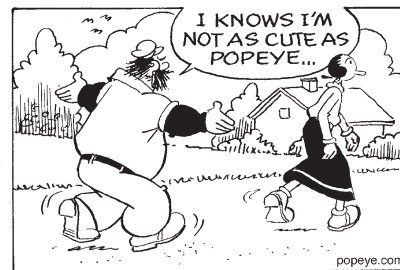
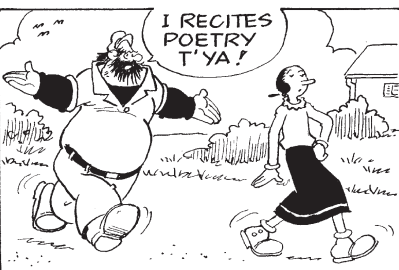
THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the Nile, with her maidens walking alongside the Nile; and she saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid, and she brought it to her. When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the boy was crying. And she had pity on him and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children."

EXODUS 2: 5,6



POPEYE



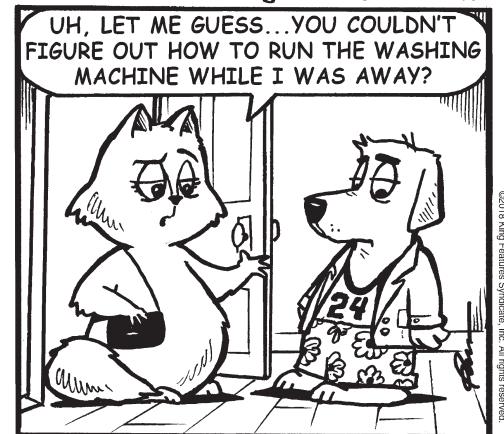
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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs



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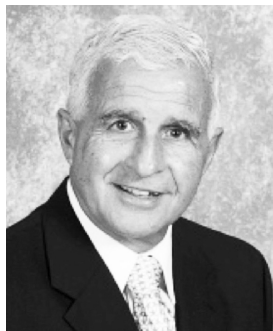
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OPINION

DOMENICK J. MAGLIO, PH.D.



Traditional Realist

Diplomacy does not always work in a leadership position

Parents have been taught by modern child rearing experts to be friends with their children. Being the BFF is now a virtue for parenting. But when a child sees the parent as a friend, the parent has forfeited his natural authority. The equality of parents and children has created a barrier for parents to instill discipline and moral values. The use of authority as the parental leader of the family has practically vanished.

Leaders cannot be friends or "lead from behind." It does not produce leadership and besides is an oxymoron. A leader has to be in front physically or mentally to be considered as leading. People who have chosen to be in a position of power have to say and do things not everyone in the group agrees with or likes. The objective of the leader is to meet the goals of his position not to be voted the nicest boss. Instead the leader's job is to get everyone to work together to accomplish the mission not to win a popularity contest.

A leader has to show his underlings a track record of improvement and success. Promoting, demoting, rewarding, encouraging and firing individuals for the betterment of the enterprise are some of the functions of a leader. The personality of the boss determines the style of leadership, although all leaders should have more power than their subordinates regardless of the approach. Some people in authority might use psychological reinforcement, intellectual persuasion, fear, role modeling or a mixture of all of these to reach their vision.

Regardless of the approach leaders use to gain respect, at times they should be feared. They may directly confront or subtly point out a poor decision to convey a criticism. Sometimes a stern reprimand, a put down or a sarcastic comment could be given when someone is not doing his fair share by being careless, obstinate or disregarding his specific responsibilities. It is the force of their personality and their actions that motivate their people to put forth their best effort.

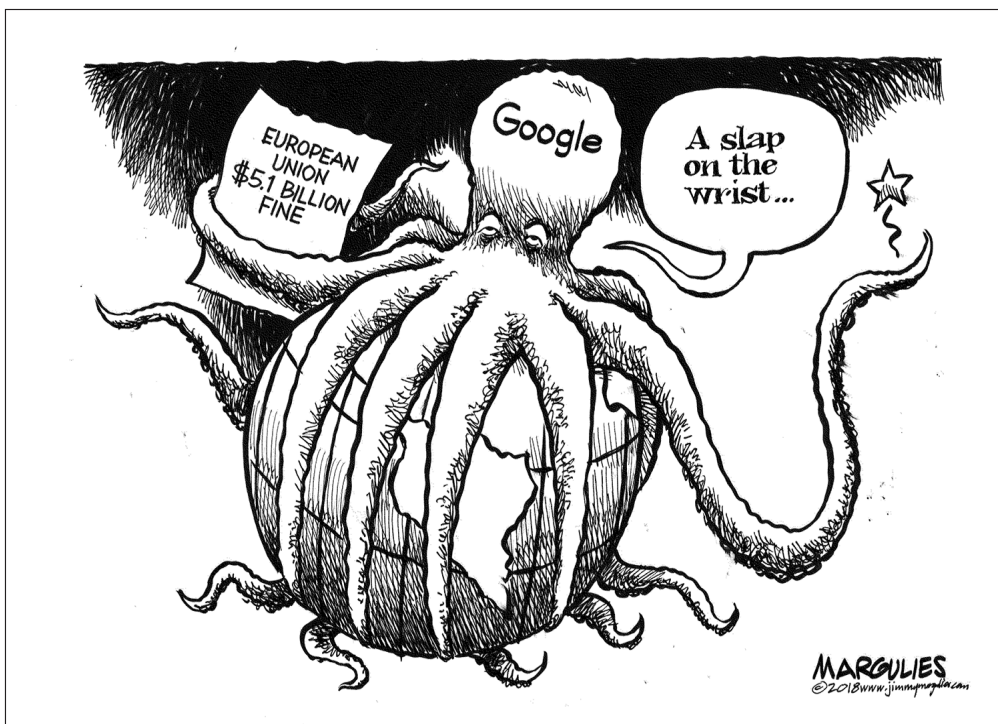
The concept that we always have to be friendly, polite and diplomatic in dealing with others is absurd. In certain periods particular approaches are looked upon with more favor than others. All leadership styles at one time or another have been successful in reaching fellow worker's needs. Being overly cautious and attempting not to hurt a person's feelings may buy loyalty but seldom add productivity.

Making a ridiculous statement such as a leader is too direct, offensive or critical to be an effective leader should be an insult to any critically thinking person. In the long run an individual should be judged on the results of his actions, not just his diplomacy. Using a soft manner often gives a confusing message. Talk is cheap and actions speak louder than words.

Winston Churchill is considered by most experts to be a great WWII leader. He did not mince words, and displayed great courage in front of his enemies. Regardless of his direct reality assessment, his statements resonated with the British citizenry. Additionally he was noted to praise the perseverance of the Britons in their darkest hour. He was a man of action.

On the other hand, British

Domenick Maglio, Ph.D. is a columnist carried by various newspapers, an author of several books and owner/director of Wider Horizons School, a college prep program. Dr. Maglio has a new book, available on Amazon and other sites, entitled, IN CHARGE PARENTING. You can visit Dr. Maglio at www.drmaglio.blogspot.com.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor: We welcome your comments which may be published in the newspaper and our website. They should be no longer than 400 words and include the name, daytime phone number and email address of the author for verification purposes if necessary. Your submission may be edited prior to publication. Only your name and town will be published. For more information, contact Julie Maglio at 352.238.5454.

I loved the story on Palm Harbor Resort by Sue Quigley. I stayed there many many times; it was my getaway when I was working nonstop. I belonged to an organization called Hospitality International, at that time there was discounts all over the state of Florida, which is how I found the Island. Stayed by myself most trips.

One of my very special trips to the Island was with my Grade school, High School friends to celebrate our "60" Birthdays. Six of us "Girls" 5 of which flew in from Chicago area. (I'm the only one in Florida). I rented a van, picked them up

at TPA, and away we went. They had no idea where we were going. Stopped at Publix before we got on the ferry, and off we went. They were amazed! Service as always was excellent, Food Excellent, and of course the Company. It's almost like we regress to our H.S. days. We just became a bunch of silly girls.

Topping off the weekend was an encounter in the Restaurant, we the "Silver Girls" happened upon a bachelor party of twenty young men. The Groom to be, possibly having had too many cocktails, stumbled up to us and asked with a disappoint-

ed look on his face, "Are you the girls we hired?"

Oh my, we all had a good laugh.

A couple of months after the girl in the office called me, a writer by the name of "Pam Grout" wanted to interview us for her book "The Girlfriend Getaway Guide!" She interviewed us and we were on Page 102. "Fifty years and Counting"

I love that little island and hope to return when we all turn "80" only four years from now.

-Roseann Latoria
Spring Hill

'WWW'

GOOFY STUFF By VINCENT CARDEGIN

When my granddaughter, Sneaks, was little—walking and talking but not yet in school—she handed me a note from her grandmother, Grammy (my wife). The note read: "Get the turkey platter from the garage." It was Thanksgiving and a few years before cell phones. I don't know where Grammy was, but I was outside with some of our guests. I finally found it right where I'd put it the year before, but not where I'd put it for years before that, and so it took me a while to find it.

Not long later, when I was on the patio with friends and family, Sneaks handed me another note from Grammy that read: Sneaks wants some ice cream. I told her, "Okay, but only a little. We're going to eat in about an hour." I went back in the garage and got the quart of vanilla out of the refrigerator there (on top of which I had located the turkey plate) and gave her one scoop in the kitchen, where I found my wife fussing with preparing scalloped corn in a casserole dish.

I noticed that Sneaks followed me the whole time, with the note in her hands, looking at it as I retrieved the ice cream and put some in a bowl. She suddenly held the piece of paper up at me and demanded, "How do you know what Grammy said?"

Hey! Wow! No other grandkid ever asked me that, and I don't recall me asking such a thing when I was little. Surrounded by the sounds and smells

of Thanksgiving dinner sizzling and bubbling in the oven and on the stove, I taught Sneaks how to write and read the word "Hi." In the days and weeks that followed, she learned other verbs and nouns. I even taught her to write them in cursive. But then she and her family moved out, and public education intervened.

About three years ago I found out that schools sponsored by the government stopped teaching cursive. Does anyone know why? Are today's young teachers unable to decipher it? I can read hand-written history from two hundred years ago and more. But my grandkids can only read print? It's a sad situation. In a few years, will youngins be able to earn doctorates in translating twentieth century script? Hopefully it'll change, but in the meantime I'm going take advantage of this educational blunder and use cursive to keep young adults in the dark.

We who grew up with early television should have our own set of abbreviations. For instance, I can text: "My grandson bought a motorcycle. PFFF."

Others that come to mind are: DC when I'm happy enough to dance; TZ when a situation is creeping me out; OL when my computer is doing odd things (can be

used to describe grandchildren); OSB when the AC in my car and house go out at the same time or any such odd situation (can also be used to describe grandchildren); IDOJ when my wife decides to buy something I don't agree with, like a pool or dogs; BW when my wife moves furniture around without telling me; and WWW when I'm tired of modern life and just want something simple like barbeque. That's one I'd use a lot.

To make sure that at least no one under the age of twenty-one will know what those mean, I'm giving the definitions in cursive:

Ppff means plop plop fizz fizz and of course refers to alka-seltzer and my need to combat a nervous stomach. DC is Dave Clark. TZ is Twilight Zone. OL is Outer Limits. OSB is One Step Beyond. IDOJ is I Dream of Jeannie. BW is Bewitched. And WWW is Wild Wild West (The).

There are a lot more, but I'm done remembering for now. In the meantime, I demand that all forms of such media communication provide cursive as a font, and I want one that's better connected and with more loops than this example.

Chancellor, Nevil Chamberlain, was a refined, consummate negotiator who was very courteous and solicitous to Adolf Hitler. Hitler signed treaties that he had no intention of following. Chamberlain's apparent weakness as the leader of England was fully exploited by Germany. He was a man of pleasantries and words that turned out to be worthless and dangerous to the survival of the nation.

In times of crisis the stick (action) is more effective and appropriate than the carrot, playing nicey, nicey. If you stare eye to eye with intensity at someone who is attempting to intimidate you, it conveys, "stop or I will hurt you." The instigator backs off his threats, which is a more successful method in the situation than sweet talk that ends in submission.

Diplomacy has a place but so does confrontation. After displaying strength,

a softer manner can be used to establish a more meaningful relationship. Once leaders demonstrate they can handle adversity with strength of character, their status as a leader increases in the eyes of others. Being a straight, tough talker and acting reasonably when someone else is doing the same can get amazingly beneficial results.

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Faith that cares enough to become involved

We do not have to look very far to find someone that needs a miracle. Many are suffering some type of crisis like health problems, their children, and grieving over a loss, finances, marriage issues, and on and on. When difficult situations are presented, we become sympathetic, but how often do we consider that God may have brought these individuals to our attention so that we can not only pray but to actually intervene and help meet their needs? Instead of just discussing the situation and having pity, maybe we can become the miracle they are praying for. James chapter two talks about the difference between having faith without becoming involved and literally demonstrating our faith by our willingness to reach out and help someone.

Have you ever been discouraged or in trouble and you cried out for God to please send somebody to help? If someone responded, you knew they were a Godsend, right? But if no one came, we assume someone was called upon but was probably just too busy or maybe they simply did not want to take the time or finances to become involved. I believe this reveals more about what life is really about than we care to think about. Many people are convinced they are free to live however they want and I can understand this point of view for a non-Christian. However, for those who are followers of Jesus, the Bible clearly explains that we are called to radically change from only thinking about ourselves to listening and obeying God as our highest priority. This transformation will produce an attitude of generosity and compassion as we become more like Christ in His attributes and character. I Corinthians 6:19-20 says, "What? Do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own? For you are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." When we accept the life-changing gift of salvation, we are called to let go of our old self-centered nature and become focused on the greatest commandment which includes loving God and others as ourselves.

The Bible refers to those who become God's children as instruments and vessels of honor. The idea of being used by the Master of the universe is a privilege and as His followers, we are to be listening for His voice, growing stronger in our compassion, and more aware of what He desires (which by the way there is much to do). He may be guiding and preparing us to present a Bible scripture with a friend at work or maybe to write a letter to a loved one that we are concerned about. There are so many opportunities all around us where we could bring encouragement. I know there are times in my life where I could have used someone's kindness. It feels good to know that someone is thinking about us and cares enough to make an intentional effort to bless us as we all want to feel loved and respected. Galatians chapter six talks about our deeds being like seeds and that we all reap according to what we sow. Applying this spiritual principal to our life, allows us to see how important it is to care about others in the same way we would like someone to care about us. If you need a miracle, become someone's miracle, if you desire to have more friends, go out of your way to be friendly, if you want to be loved, learn how to love. Yes, God can make the divine appointments but our responsibility is to make ourselves available.

Jesus told a parable in Luke chapter ten about a man who was attacked by thieves and left beside the road nearly dead. Two different men came upon the situation (one of them a minister) and both ignored him. Then a Samaritan man found him and literally saved his life. The good Samaritan became the wounded man's miracle and presents the question that is worthy of consideration; are we the type who passes by and looks the other way, or the one who stops and becomes involved?

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Kids get set for school at Spring Hill Operation Backpack

by ROCCO MAGLIO

On Saturday, July 28 the 5th annual Spring Hill Operation Backpack was held. Operation Backpack provides backpacks and school supplies to elementary and middle school students attending Hernando or Pasco schools. The event lasted from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Towne Square Mall on US 19.

About 860 children received around \$10,000 in backpacks and school supplies. There were more than 1700 people that attended the event. There was tremendous community support with a large number of contributors to the event, the main event sponsors were: Suncoast Credit Union and the Whittel & Melton Law Firm. A number of local business, clubs and politicians contributed school supplies and were on hand to distribute them.

The students accompanied by an adult received their backpack and then passed a long row of tables where they received different school supplies for their backpack. The children had a choice of many different colored backpacks.

The line was quite long, but the children mostly seemed to enjoy the experience. There was also a bounce house, hotdogs, and more.



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A glimpse inside Sheriff's Office at District One Open House

by JULIE B. MAGLIO

Photos by ALICE MARY HERDEN

On Thursday July 26, 2018 community members enjoyed the opportunity to listen to varied presentations by the Hernando County Sheriff's Office on their operations to protect the county and its citizens at the District One Open House. District One covers the majority of the county which now includes The City of Brooksville. Tours of the facility which was the former location of Brooksville Police Department were conducted. Investigation staff were relocated from the Sheriff's Office headquarters and they say they like their new space as it is quieter and offers more privacy.

There's a training room where detectives and patrol deputies have roll-call before their shifts begin. Eventually, training personnel will be moved to the District One office from main headquarters too. They'll have a tactics training room with padded walls and a simulator for deputies to practice their reactions to various situations.

Patrol deputies make good use of a break room and kitchen area where they can heat up meals often at odd hours since they work 12 hour shifts. There are also interview rooms, several offices, a conference room, an evidence room and a reception area where a staff member can handle walk in police reports from behind bulletproof



ABOVE: SWAT team members Joe Schneider (L) and Joe Hylar (R) answered questions for the public about SWAT operations during the HCSO District One Open House in Brooksville. RIGHT: Civilian mounted patrol Debby Shaughnessy

glass. Typically an officer who has been injured and is on desk duty can write up police reports from citizens who come in to report a crime.

John Schneider, a member of the SWAT team spoke to an eager and inquisitive audience on the functions of the SWAT team. He said, "We're here to save lives." He explained that they get two days a month to train and it's very intense when they are training. They do a lot of firearms training, firearms discipline, assault vehicle training, officer and citizen down drills. Once a year the full team goes to the military compound in Central Florida to train with special forces.

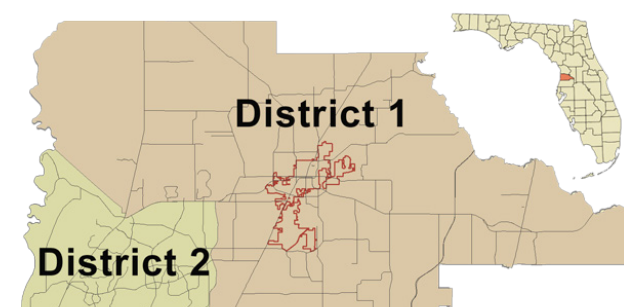
Last year- the SWAT had 20-25 activations,



K-9 Demonstration at the District One Open House on July 26, 2018.

Schneider estimates. Two years prior they were closer to 40 or 50. "Crime has decreased a lot in our community," he said.

When they are sent into a situation, Schneider explained that he carries 65-70 lbs of gear on his back. SWAT team members certainly



Map showing HCSO's District 1 and District 2 coverage areas



Sheriff Al Nienhuis holds up bite sleeve for a curious visitor to see after the K-9 demonstration.

have a tough job. Members of the Community Oriented Policing, Forensics, Vice and Narcotics, K-9, and HCSO Civilian Mounted Units were also on hand for presentations as well as Sheriff Nienhuis, his Command Staff, Communications

Center staff and patrol deputies assigned to serve the city.

The District One Office is located at: 87 Veterans Ave, Brooksville, FL 34601