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Life for Haleigh's family moves back toward 'normalcy'

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Almost five months after Haleigh Cummings disappeared from her father's Satsuma, FL residence, the lives of her mother Crystal Sheffield and maternal grandmother Marie Griffis, both of Glen St. Mary, have returned to a semblance of normalcy.

New leads in the missing 5-year-old's case, which police have been treating as an abduction, have all but dried up. The wave of national and worldwide media attention that descended on the small Putnam County community as the February 10 tragedy unfolded has subsided, and in late April Ms. Sheffield joined her family by returning to Baker County.

"The stress down there was just a little too much for her," said Ms. Griffis, adding that her daughter now lives on her property off Mud Lake Road.

"Now that we're home, we're doing good," she said. "Besides Haleigh being missing, everything's gone back to normal as far as our daily routines."

For Ms. Griffis that meant returning to her job as a school bus driver for the remainder of the school year. Ms. Sheffield returned to her duties as a housewife and mother to a 1-year-old daughter.

Ms. Griffis — who is now raising a 10-year-old girl — said having her eldest daughter close makes things easier for everyone.

"That way if they need to go somewhere, the kids can stay outside to play. We can each help each other with the children," she said.

Getting back to living their

Glen refunds \$20K in mediation pact

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The Town of Glen St. Mary settled a lawsuit by a disgruntled commercial developer out of court last month, agreeing to a \$20,000 payment that essentially reimburses the plaintiff for utility connection fees paid back in 2006.

Also resulting from the May 4 mediation agreement approved 4-1 by the five-member town council in closed session May 19 was assent by plaintiff Savage Enterprises of Margaretta that it will retain seven water meters on its US 90 property.

Juror is questioned by judge, defense will file for mistrial

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Marie Griffis the day after Haleigh Cummings disappeared from her father's Satsuma home.

everyday lives, however, doesn't mean giving up hope for Haleigh's return.

"I know there's people here in Baker County that know people in Putnam. If anybody sees or hears anything, please report it to the proper authorities, especially if they see Haleigh," said Ms. Griffis.

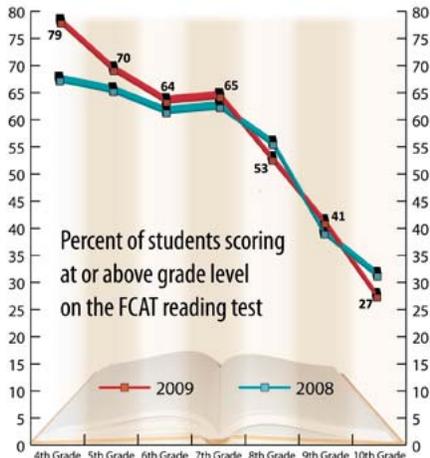
Ms. Sheffield's MySpace.com Web site displays a personal message to her daughter as well: "Haleigh mommy loves you to the moon and stars and back!!!! I will be waiting on you till the day you come home..."

Ms. Griffis said she expected the spotlight on Haleigh's case to diminish after fresh tips began tapering off. She said the Putnam County Sheriff's Office confirmed that "s occurred

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More FCAT scores released... 6th graders post a 15-point jump in math

The reading and mathematics Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) was first administered to grades three through 10 in 2001 and the results from the initial testing continue to serve as the benchmark for long-term comparisons of student academic progress with state standards. The science FCAT was first given to fifth, eighth and tenth graders in 2003, with the high school test moving to eleventh grade in 2005. Scores range 1-5 and represent the level of student achievement in each area. Students scoring 3 or above are performing at or above grade level. Source: Florida Department of Education.



	Reading			Math			Science		
	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change
KELLER INTERMEDIATE									
4th	68	79	+9	63	71	+8	na	na	na
5th	66	70	+4	62	60	-2	na	na	na
BAKER COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL									
6th	62	64	+2	54	69	+15	na	na	na
7th	63	65	+2	67	64	-3	na	na	na
8th	56	53	-3	72	73	+1	39	45	+6
BAKER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL									
9	39	41	+2	68	66	-2	na	na	na
10	31	27	-4	64	68	+4	na	na	na
11	na	na	na	na	na	na	32	30	-2

Irate landowner accused of leveling threats at planner

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It's rare for law enforcement to be present during public meetings concerning land development regulations, but it became necessary June 1 after local landowner James Slattery allegedly threatened the life of county Planning Director Ed Preston five days before.

A sheriff's deputy accompanied Mr. Slattery that evening to a workshop about restricting the use of the county's homestead division rule, which permits the division and sale of multiple lots without building roads or filing surveys and plans with the county.

The 48-year-old Glen St. Mary resident was the most vocal attendee of the meeting and opposed the changes.

Mr. Slattery said he borrowed \$175,000 using his house as collateral to buy about 80 surrounding acres on Crews Road, and if the proposed



James Slattery at the meeting Monday night.

restrictions were approved, he wouldn't be able to make enough money to cover his payments.

"I can't survive on that," he said. "I'll lose my house."

Mr. Slattery called the county offices May 26 and made the alleged threat while speaking to another county employee, Ann Yarborough, according to a police report written by Deputy William Stirling two days after the call.

The officer said Ms. Yarborough heard Mr. Slattery state, "If I can't provide for my family, I would be better off dead... If I go, I'm taking Ed Preston with me."

Mr. Preston reported the incident for documentation purposes but didn't want to anger Mr. Slattery by involving law enforcement further.

"Many times zoning decisions are emotional," he said. "We always try to do whatever we can not to aggravate citizens. We attempt to find out what they want to accomplish and a find

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Why do FCAT scores trend downward at higher grade levels?

IMPRESSIONS
Jim McGauley

Scanning the latest FCAT scores always leaves me with the same sensation: there's a lot of moving parts. You'll notice on this page my colleague Bob Gerard weighs in on the FCAT from a teacher's perspective and he, like many others I've known over the years, oozes frustration about what the state's testing has done to classroom instruction.

One must now "teach the test" to the exclusion of a lot of other material teachers used to cover. I get that, but what I don't get is the "downward" trends that develop as students make their way toward Memorial Stadium and graduation from high school. At least as measured by the FCAT, the percentage of students doing what the state says is "grade level" work trends toward the cellar.

Case in point: Baker High tenth graders lost four percentage points off the number of students reading at grade level. Just above one-quarter (27 percent) did so on the latest FCAT, down from 31 percent in 2008.

We're losing ground. In math, the same students posted a four percent gain and now roughly two-thirds test out at grade level. Ninth graders pulled up a bit and now 41 percent read at grade level.

Eleventh graders — one year from marching at Memorial Stadium — well, less than two-thirds of them don't reach grade levels in science — and that's down 2 percent from 2008.

We'll give a little leeway there; most of us aren't scientists. But reading?

Maybe you can't tell us much about why an apple drops downward from a tree, or how fast it drops. But you'd better be prepared to read it

warning about falling apples if you plan to live, love and thrive in the real world.

So, how should we (especially "we" in the newspaper business where reading skills matter) analyze this?

Are our kids (and students in neighboring counties) that dumb? Some might be, but not 73 percent of them.

Do they just not care about the FCAT or how they do on it? Or how it reflects on their school, and on the school district? Some teachers will admit privately that has become a big problem.

Do adverse cultural influences (coming from homes where education is not valued, for instance) and other distractions (the opposite sex, the desire to be "accepted" by others, etc.) take precedence over doing well at school?

Do these adverse factors play a larger role as students advance from grade school through intermediate and middle school?

Are kids simply bored with school because teachers aren't interesting and can't hold their attention as in "real world" activities like texting, the Internet and incessant cell phone conversations? Have teachers become unimaginative and robot-like because FCAT is now the "end-all" in gauging performance?

Granules of truth can be plucked from each of these.

From the standpoint of a private business that (here I loudly clear my throat) depends largely on a customer base that knows how to read, this spring's FCAT figures are disturbing. The students closest to graduation are doing the poorest. That's bad news for us — and worse news for them.

Maybe FCAT isn't the "end-all," but for those of us out here running businesses that pay taxes to help support schools, those of us dependent in many cases on local graduates to help us do what we do to stay in business — it's all we got.

For us anyway, the FCAT means something.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

No regard for others...

Dear Editor:
I live off Ponderosa Trail in Glen St. Mary, and some of the people who live in the neighborhood have no respect for anyone. They scream and holler at people walking on the road, and try to start fights. When one tries to talk to them like an adult, they shake and drool. When you get within four feet of them, you realize why. They're drunk. They are selfish, two-faced,

cowardly, disrespectful to others, and have no respect for themselves.

They let their dogs roam to trash other people's yards and kill their animals. Apparently having no respect for life runs in their families.

I don't feel sorry or have pity for them, for they have done this to themselves.

Christine Adams
Glen St. Mary



FCAT douses classroom spark

This is one of rare serious columns and I should title it *Why I like the FCAT/ Why I hate the FCAT.*

As you know, the FCAT scores will soon be out and there is much trepidation and gnashing of teeth at good old BCHS and elsewhere around the county. As a high school teacher, I'm asked a lot of questions about the FCAT and I usually do a pretty good job of mincing my words. But I'm tired of it, so here's a look at what I like about the test and what I don't like.

What I like about the FCAT: nothing. Okay, maybe that's a little harsh. There are one or two things I like about it. I tolerate the FCAT when I look at the big picture. I like the original idea behind the basic skill testing. It was supposed to foster a climate of change and bring in sweeping improvements in accountability in education. It was supposed to show all of us in the education field what we needed to improve in the classroom. We're actually teaching what we were supposed to be teaching and if not, the test was to demonstrate what we needed to do to improve so that kids could learn and grow.

That's the big picture and I like that. Unfortunately, we don't live in the big picture. We live in the small minutiae of everyday life and the FCAT effectively runs the day-to-day teaching and learning in every classroom in every district in the state of Florida. As the cliché says, the devil's in the details and the devil we know best is the FCAT.

What I hate about the FCAT (hate is a strong word so let's just say "dislike"): Remember the climate of change? It changed alright. It changed from teachers teaching the

MY SIDE OF THE MATTER ROBERT GERARD

things they love to teaching the test. There, I said it. From day one in August to the middle of March it's about the FCAT. It's all FCAT all the time in classes where the skills needed to succeed, or survive the test have to be taught.

Years ago, before I moved to the Media Center, I taught English for seven or eight years. I wasn't very good at it, hence the move to something I was good at, but I remember well that I liked a lot of what I did.

In a year I taught my 10th grade class The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, Alas Babylon, 12 Angry Men, To Kill a Mockingbird and Our Town. We wrote a lot, including our own tabloid based on the bizarre stories from supermarket newspapers, read short stories and poems, did grammar and lots of other stuff.

And I couldn't touch the coattails of my cohorts Betty Sands, Carmean Furr, Kelley Norman (my wife) and Barbara Ritchey, the English teachers who were really good at their job.

Today, a 10th grade teacher does FCAT and is lucky to sandwich in a novel or two. Before the FCAT, my wife would come home enthused and energetic. Now she comes home beaten down and depressed most days from being a number cruncher and bean counter. She feels like a failure.

I am convinced students learned more before the FCAT. That's not to say that they haven't become better performing students because of the FCAT, but they haven't learned as much. They can't — the test is effectively killing the liberal arts that have been the key to American education over the past 200 years.

A cycad with 'remarkable' features

I ran into Dr. Kyle Brown last week at a wild game supper at his church. He sat down at the table across from me, his plate brimming with fried quail and barbecued venison.

I've gotten to know the retired botanist well enough to sense when he has something he wants to tell me.

"I'm glad I ran into you," he said. "There's an unusual plant you should go see. It's in your neighborhood, too."

Since Dr. Brown learned of my personal interest in plants a couple of years ago, he has alerted me from time to time about interesting specimens growing and blooming around the city.

"There's a certain sago palm in someone's yard that's possessed of a rather remarkable mutation. I've certainly not seen anything like it before," he said.

My interest was piqued. I quickly forgot the remaining venison on my plate.

I'd covered a meeting of the Florida Palm and Cycad Society that took place on Dr. Brown's property last year. That's when I learned

that sago palms are not true palm trees at all, but belong to a group of plants called cycads, among the most ancient seed bearing organisms on earth.

The plants are distinctly male and female and when their flowering cone-like sections become visible in the spring, there is no mistaking which one is which. A normal male cycad produces a single cone that can reach several feet in length.

Dr. Brown gave me directions to the yard. Because there were multiple cycads at the location, I asked which one I should be looking for.

"That will be pretty obvious," he said. "You can't miss it."

I drove to the location afterwards and immediately found the plant. Sure enough, the old boy was possessed of some rather remarkable anatomical features. I pulled out my camera and shot these photos. They say a picture paints a thousand words.

Enough said.

THE BACK PORCH Kelley Lannigan



Above is a normal male cycad.



At right is the mutated cycad.

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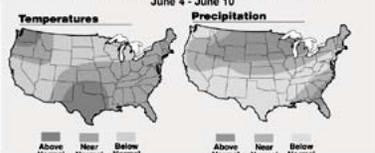
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High: 86° Low: 69°	High: 85° Low: 68°	High: 86° Low: 69°	High: 88° Low: 71°	High: 90° Low: 71°	High: 92° Low: 71°	High: 87° Low: 72°

Temperature and Precipitation Outlook



Tides

Cedar Key	Jun. 4	Jun. 5	Jun. 6	Jun. 7	Jun. 8	Jun. 9	Jun. 10
First high	12:47 a.m.	1:39 a.m.	2:23 a.m.	3:02 a.m.	3:38 a.m.	4:13 a.m.	4:46 a.m.
First low	5:56 a.m.	6:41 a.m.	7:22 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	8:37 a.m.	9:14 a.m.	9:51 a.m.
Second high	11:46 a.m.	12:25 p.m.	1:03 p.m.	1:39 p.m.	2:15 p.m.	2:51 p.m.	3:28 p.m.
Second low	7:07 p.m.	7:50 p.m.	8:28 p.m.	9:05 p.m.	9:39 p.m.	10:12 p.m.	10:44 p.m.

Jacksonville Beach	Jun. 4	Jun. 5	Jun. 6	Jun. 7	Jun. 8	Jun. 9	Jun. 10
First high	6:05 a.m.	6:54 a.m.	7:39 a.m.	8:22 a.m.	9:04 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	10:26 a.m.
First low	12:21 a.m.	1:12 a.m.	1:59 a.m.	2:43 a.m.	3:24 a.m.	4:03 a.m.	4:40 a.m.
Second high	6:45 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	8:13 p.m.	8:54 p.m.	9:34 p.m.	10:13 p.m.	10:51 p.m.
Second low	12:20 p.m.	1:06 p.m.	1:51 p.m.	2:33 p.m.	3:13 p.m.	3:51 p.m.	4:29 p.m.

Mayport	Jun. 4	Jun. 5	Jun. 6	Jun. 7	Jun. 8	Jun. 9	Jun. 10
First high	6:53 a.m.	7:41 a.m.	8:25 a.m.	9:07 a.m.	9:47 a.m.	10:27 a.m.	11:06 a.m.
First low	12:38 a.m.	1:28 a.m.	2:15 a.m.	2:58 a.m.	3:38 a.m.	4:16 a.m.	4:53 a.m.
Second high	7:30 p.m.	8:14 p.m.	8:56 p.m.	9:35 p.m.	10:13 p.m.	10:49 p.m.	11:25 p.m.
Second low	12:35 p.m.	1:21 p.m.	2:04 p.m.	2:44 p.m.	3:21 p.m.	3:57 p.m.	4:32 p.m.

St. Augustine	Jun. 4	Jun. 5	Jun. 6	Jun. 7	Jun. 8	Jun. 9	Jun. 10
First high	6:11 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	8:28 a.m.	9:10 a.m.	9:51 a.m.	10:32 a.m.
First low	12:23 a.m.	1:14 a.m.	2:01 a.m.	2:45 a.m.	3:26 a.m.	4:05 a.m.	4:42 a.m.
Second high	6:51 p.m.	7:36 p.m.	8:19 p.m.	9:00 p.m.	9:40 p.m.	10:19 p.m.	10:57 p.m.
Second low	12:22 p.m.	1:08 p.m.	1:53 p.m.	2:35 p.m.	3:15 p.m.	3:53 p.m.	4:31 p.m.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise Thursday	6:27 a.m.
Sunset Thursday	6:27 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	5:53 p.m.
Moonset Thursday	3:56 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
June 7	June 15	June 22	June 29

Almanac

Jacksonville week ending Monday, Jun. 1.

Temperature High/Low for the week	61°/87°
Normal high/low	85°/65°
Average temperature	78.7°
Normal average temperature	76.3°

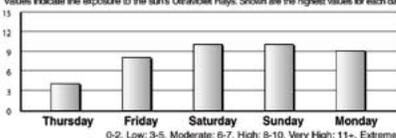
Precipitation Total for the week	0.24"
Total for the month	0.00"
Total for the year	28.20"
Normal for the month	0.15"
Normal for the year	17.54"

Solunar Table

The solunar period schedule allows planning days so you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during those times. Major periods begin at the times shown and last for 1.5 to 2 hours. The minor periods are shorter.

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Jun 4	8:53 a.m.	2:42 a.m.	9:16 p.m.	3:05 p.m.
Jun 5	9:34 a.m.	3:22 a.m.	9:58 p.m.	3:46 p.m.
Jun 6	10:18 a.m.	4:06 a.m.	10:43 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Jun 7	11:04 a.m.	4:52 a.m.	11:30 p.m.	5:17 p.m.
Jun 8	11:54 a.m.	5:41 a.m.	12:21 p.m.	6:07 p.m.
Jun 9	12:19 a.m.	6:33 a.m.	12:45 p.m.	6:58 p.m.
Jun 10	1:13 a.m.	7:26 a.m.	1:38 p.m.	7:51 p.m.

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Statistics are for Jacksonville through 7 a.m. Monday

	Flood stage	Monday	24-hour change
St. John's at Jacksonville	10.30	10.30	0.00
St. Marks at Newport	7.0	6.33	-0.67
Avulla at Lamont	9.0	6.19	-2.81
Santa Fe at Fort White	24.0	22.85	-1.15
Suwannee at White Springs	77.0	63.64	-13.36



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Allege threats by irate landowner

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Deputy Starling reached Mr. Slattery by phone May 28 to discuss the alleged threat. The officer said he denied directly threatening Mr. Preston, but admitted he'd gotten angry and made regrettable statements.

He pledged to apologize to the planning director, though that hadn't occurred as of June 2, Mr. Preston said.

"An employee of this county should not have to work under threat," Commissioner Mike Griffis said during the workshop, where Mr. Slattery's circumstances were discussed at length.

County commissioners, LPA board members and county staff advised the Riverbend Road resident about multiple strategies he

Seeks to toss verdict

The lawyer who represented convicted husband killer Meloney Jackson last month said this week he will file a motion to set aside the May 16 verdict because one of the jurors had a romantic relationship with the defendant's oldest son.

Following a 20-minute session the afternoon of May 29 during which public defender George Nelson, Ms. Jackson's counsel, questioned juror Amanda Daniels of Macclenny, Circuit Judge James Nilon set June 19 as the deadline to file the motion. The state has until July 6 to respond, and a hearing was set for July 20.

Mr. Nelson sought the interview before the judge after learning that Ms. Daniels left the courtroom that night holding hands with James Wallace,

Starling reunion

All friends and family of the late Abraham B. Starling and Frances Griffis Starling are invited to attend the family reunion on June 7 at the Lake Butler Community Center.

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Haleigh's family...

about two weeks ago.

"They said they were basically at a standstill, but that any new lead they get in, they'll check it out," she said.

While the lack of new leads and media coverage may seem like negative developments in the hunt for Haleigh, Ms. Griffis has been told that's not necessarily the case.

"[Investigators] are on this one path and it's been the same path since they began," she said. "They won't reveal what that is, but every time they get something new, they have to get off that path."

The family has also been advised by law enforcement to keep a low profile, in hopes that someone involved with the disappearance may slip up and talk about it.

"They figure maybe if it dies down, whoever did this will take more of a free reign, mingling and talking. They know that's what it's going to take to bust this case — somebody saying something," explained Ms. Griffis.

Despite that direction, she wants to keep Haleigh's story in public view.

"I would rather have the media keep it out there because I don't know where Haleigh is," Ms. Griffis said. "We're hoping and praying to God she's still alive, but we don't know one way or another. If she's been moved out of state, they need to get her story out there."

The sheriff's department had been communicating to Haleigh's maternal family mainly through Ms. Sheffield's attorney until recently.

"We just wanted to talk to them ourselves instead of getting it secondhand, so we could hear it come out of their lips," said Ms. Griffis. "They told us under no circumstances will they let this go. Someone will remain working this case. They still got a good-size staff working on it. But they told us they're not letting this go."

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COUNTY COMMISSION WORKSHOP



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The workshop group comprised of government officials and others related to the real estate business.

County officials moving closer to tightening 'homestead' divisions

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Local officials this week continued refining changes to the county's homestead division provision that many say was designed to help agricultural landowners in tough financial times, but has been abused in recent years to create *de facto* subdivisions lacking paved roads, drainage or other improvements.

"We're trying to be friendly to the local landowner and less friendly to a developer that needs to make his money and be out in a few years," Planning Director Ed Preston explained to a group made up of more than a dozen representatives from the Local Planning Agency (LPA), the Baker County Commission and the real estate business.

They convened June 1 for a workshop to discuss proposed changes to the homestead division provision, which today allows landowners to bypass the expense of surveying, filing plans with the county and making improvements when dividing and selling land.

Property holders can do so as long as they don't sell more than two, 2.5-acre lots per year and meet specific guidelines like having a homesteaded property somewhere in the county, meeting zoning requirements and owning the parent tract for at least five years.

By the end of the almost two-hour workshop, a consensus developed to cap the number of such lots at eight, limit the rate of divisions to two in a two-year period, require the parent tract be homesteaded for four years and require road stabilization

if there's more than one lot that doesn't front a paved road.

"It's got to hold up a fire truck," Mr. Preston said of the proposed private, stabilized easements to get to and from lots developed using the homestead division provision.

Alterations to the provision have been discussed by a task force that began meeting on the matter more than a year ago made up of landowners, a banking official, a title company representative, county staff and county commission chairman Mike Griffis.

"The task force spent considerable time determining a standard for roads that connect lots carved from larger tracts using the provision, so that emergency vehicles will be able to access those properties.

"I'm not going to have a house burn down on my watch," Mr. Griffis said.

The group also discussed requiring disclaimers on property deeds to ensure buyers of homestead division lots know the county won't be responsible for maintaining these stabilized roads in the future.

Mr. Preston said the county already spends about a million dollars a year to maintain its dirt roads.

Officials were confident that limiting the number and rate of homestead divisions and requiring that the parent tract is homesteaded would make the provision unattractive to out-of-town developers or local ones attempting to develop substantial subdivisions.

"We're creating a standard where there was no standard," summarized Commissioner Gordon Crews.

The proposed changes will first be considered by the LPA, which will make a recommendation to county commissioners on the matter. Final approval will be up to the latter body.

"We're almost there," declared Commissioner Griffis.

Energy assistance

The Northeast Florida Community Action Agency satellite office in Sanderson is now seeing customers for the low energy assistance program at Sanderson Elementary Center June 8 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.

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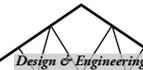
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City could adopt limits to 'off-sites'

The Macclenny City Commission is set to consider a new proposal for further regulating temporary business sales like those at local credit unions during a regular meeting June 9.

The measure limits local businesses to hosting two auto sales per year and three "other" temporary sales for non-auto merchandise like tractors or boats.

Vacant properties would be restricted to hosting only one off-site sale per year, however.

The latest changes would also lower the \$300 per day permit fee for local businesses to \$25 per day and include definitions to differentiate between hawkers, peddlers and temporary businesses.

The city already regulates off-site sales by restricting out-of-town dealers to once each event each year.

City officials first proposed more than three months ago to regulate such sales by limiting any given location to one sale per year per category of merchandise.

But local credit unions as well as most members of the Chamber of Commerce voiced opposition to that plan and city officials compromised during a workshop June 1 on a new, less restrictive proposal they hope will benefit local dealers without harming local lenders.

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Board split over the status of parsonage at defunct church

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The sale of a parsonage on 1.79 acres in the north county off CR 127 may be in jeopardy due to the dissolution of the Church of God in Baxter and the zoning problem it created.

The land is zoned for one dwelling per 7.5 acres. But churches are permitted in all zoning categories and the parsonage was considered part of the now defunct church when it was built in 1999, though it was located miles from the church itself.

"When it was a church, it was allowed," explained county Planning Director Ed Preston during the Land Planning Agency's (LPA) regular meeting May 28. "When it ceased being a church, it became not allowed."

The matter was brought before the LPA's governing board in the form of a request to rezone the property to one unit per acre. The change was sought by the parent Church of God in Orlando, which gained ownership of the land when the Baxter branch dissolved.

The church was represented by Macclenny real estate attorney Hugh Fish during last week's hearing. He argued the parsonage was established legally and that county land regulations fail to guide officials as to what happens when the church is no longer in existence.

"There is a loophole in the county's rules," said Mr. Fish. His client is attempting to sell the home, but the buyer cannot secure financing because the lot is too small for its current zoning and was divided without respect to subdivision rules.

Despite the latter violation, the county issued a building permit for the home in 1999. However, now that regulations are more stringently enforced, the property isn't eligible for new permits,

which would be necessary for any construction like a room addition or pool.

"We have a piece of property we can't do anything with," said Mr. Fish.

The LPA's four board members (Jack Baker was absent from the meeting) were divided on the rezoning request.

Chairman C.J. Thompson said he'd favor granting a special exception for the property — essentially making it eligible for building permits in the future — instead of rezoning it to a density of one unit per acre.

The LPA could choose to attach any number of conditions to a special exception approval. With a zoning change, they do not have that power.

But by going to one unit per acre, Mr. Preston said surrounding property owners would be in a better position to seek similar zoning. That could eventually lead to a high-density residential area abutting a low-density residential area, which zoning codes are designed to prevent.

"This is just a classic case of spot zoning," said Mr. Preston.

"That's why it sat so poorly with me," Mr. Thompson added about the request.

Others on the board members like Derrick Harvey said denying the rezoning would be unfair to the property owner.

"When the county issues a building permit, it's saying this is legal; you can do this," he said. "They shouldn't have to suffer."

The differing opinions may have resulted in a tie vote of the board, which Mr. Preston said would translate to a denial of the rezoning request. Such an outcome dictates a six-month wait before Mr. Fish could file a new request.

"I'm trying to read your minds," Mr. Fish told the board.

Rather than take his chances with a formal vote, the attorney opted to withdraw the rezoning request.

request. Mr. Fish has since submitted a special exception application, which will likely be heard at the LPA's next meeting.

In other business, the board considered three other special exception requests, taking the following actions:

- Denied — a request from Fred and Carolyn Sanford to keep a donkey, turkeys and goats on their George Hodges Road property about a mile west of SR 121.

- Two residents from the neighborhood spoke in opposition to the exception, namely due to the smell it would perpetuate. The matter is set to go before the county's Code Enforcement Board next week.

The applicants did not attend the meeting.

- Granted — a request from Frank and Linda Cohenour for family lot to be divided off a nine-acre parcel on the north side of Bobby Sapp Road between CR 121 and CR 125.

The couple lives on a contiguous one-acre lot and is not eligible for the family lot provision because the nine-acre tract isn't homesteaded and the width of the proposed family lot was 30 feet below the minimum required.

- Granted — Eric and Katherine Kennedy can now divide a two-acre family lot from their 7.5-acre tract in the Longbranch Farms subdivision off Crews Road north of CR 125. The couple lives on the parent parcel and intends to use the additional lot for a new home for Mr. Kennedy's parents.

"I'm fully retired," said the grandfather, Steve Kennedy, the former chief administrator at Northeast Florida State Hospital. "My only job is grandkids."

The board limited the applicants to no more than one family lot, however.

Jailed for battery, drug items

A Glen St. Mary husband was jailed for allegedly trying to shove his wife's head into a wall while she held their 1-year-old daughter the afternoon of May 25.

After Deputy Jerald Peterson arrested Derek Halle, 28, of N. Clinton Rd. for domestic battery, he searched the suspect's truck and found two syringes and two spoons commonly used to inject illegal drugs on the back floor board.

The officer said Mr. Halle answered yes when asked if he wanted his truck's running engine turned off and again when asked if he would consent to a search.

His wife, 26-year-old Christina Mette, reported Mr. Halle grabbed her by the hair before attempting to push her against the wall and then threw a drinking cup that struck her right leg, where the officer noted a red mark.

Deputy Peterson said the suspect neither admitted nor denied the allegations. Mr. Halle also faces a charge for possession of narcotics equipment. Both it and the battery charge are misdemeanors.

The Department of Children and Families was notified of the incident due to the presence of the child.

In other reports:

- Four children were present at the Deerwood Circle address of another domestic battery case reported the afternoon of May 25, though they were said to be outside during the altercation.

Eugina Goodwin told Deputy

Matthew Sigers her brother Marlin Mette, 30, struck her in the back of the head causing her to fall on the ground at their parents' residence in the northeast Macclenny trailer park about 2:00 pm.

Mr. Mette advised the officer he had a strictly verbal altercation with the sister until asked if he'd hit her. Then he stated he only pushed her head away from him, according to Deputy Sigers' report.

Parents Melvin and Kathy Mette said their son pushed the daughter in the head and then she pushed back. The deputy said neither would say if she was knocked to the floor.

Marvin Mette was then arrested for domestic battery.

The state attorney's office will decide whether to file a domestic battery charge against Harold Harper, 43, of Glen St. Mary.

Deputy Jeffrey Dawson said the suspect's ex-wife, Tiffany Kelly, 31, of the same address on E. Confederate Drive, reported that he forced her out the front door and threw a cell phone into her back during an argument the

evening of May 30 after he'd been drinking.

Mr. Harper denied the pushing and throwing the phone, though the officer took photographs of injuries to Ms. Kelly's wrist, knee and the center of her back. The suspect was escorted to his father's home and released. Deputy Dawson said the victim stated she'd collect her things and leave the residence.

- Charges for violating a domestic violence injunction and for violating a no-contact order were forwarded to the state attorney's office on May 30-31 in two separate cases.

Laurie Lee, 31, of Jacksonville faces the latter charge for text-messaging Jason Bryd, 39, of Macclenny about noon on May 30.

Reese Estep, 31, of Glen St. Mary allegedly violated the domestic violence injunction by calling his wife, Brandi Estep, 29, also of Glen, and going to her parents' home on Timber Trace while she was there about 8:30 pm May 31.

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Burglaries at high school

The central office and rear entrance of the gymnasium at Baker County High School were entered during off-hours the weekend before last, and an undetermined amount of cash from two vending machines appears to be the only property taken.

Police scoured the area for fingerprints and other clues after being notified by Principal Johnnie Jacobs the morning of May 26. A side window was broken to gain entry to the administra-

tive offices and a glass door at the rear entrance to the gym.

Cpl. Ben Anderson said the intruder or intruders rifled through desks and other property in several offices, and tampered unsuccessfully with a floor safe. They succeeded in prying open a vending machine there and at the gym. Similar crimes involving drink vending machines have occurred on the campus in recent months.

In other reports, someone en-

tered the home of Brandy Jones on Quail Lane in Macclenny either late on May 25 or during the following morning and took two Playstations and a Nintendo game.

Entry was through a bathroom window, and the property was taken from the living room and a bedroom. Value was \$420.

Ms. Jones named two suspects, and Deputy Patrick McGauley said one denied involvement and the second is believed to have moved from the area.

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Convicted felon likely suspect in two robberies

A convicted felon sent off to prison for robbing a gas station/convenience store in 2003 is suspected this week of committing the same crime at two Macclenny area stores in less than one month.

The sheriff's department said a product code on a package of Newport cigarettes taken during the morning robbery of the Kangaroo Store on US 90 across from the county courthouse was key in tying it to Deangelo Thomas, 29, who has a Raiford, FL address but apparently resides on Joan St. in Macclenny.



Deangelo Thomas

The Kangaroo clerk said a black male shielding his face with a white piece of clothing entered the store just after 7:00 demanding money and cigarettes. He was armed with a black semi-automatic pistol and fled with \$172 from the register and the

Newports. Deputy Patrick McGauley said a K-9 search team from Baker Correctional picked up a scent behind the store and followed it southwest to near the suspect's home. There officers found him standing in the roadway wearing a tank top and sweat pants. He denied knowledge of the robbery.

The suspect and another occupant gave officers permission to search the residence, which yielded the pack of cigarettes from a night stand. Mr. Thomas said he purchased them in Waldo, FL the previous evening.

Sheriff's investigator Randy Crews later that day determined the code on the cigarette pack matched other Newports in the Kangaroo inventory, but did not match those in the Waldo store where the suspect said he purchased them.

Police also believe a surveillance tape at Kangaroo reveals a suspect closely resembling Mr. Thomas in stature and vocal inflection, though Deputy McGauley noted the audio portion suggests the robber was attempting to disguise the sound. The clerk said he resisted

when the bandit ordered him outdoors to the rear of the store, and the suspect then fled on foot. Police found where he crossed a ditch atop a large drain pipe, and appears to have lost his balance there. Several currency bills were found nearby and are believed to be from the store.

Similar to a Sunday morning holdup at the Quick-N-Handy store on SR 121 north on May 10, a video depicts the robber using a cloth while opening the door to avoid leaving fingerprints.

The suspect that morning confronted the clerk and a customer before fleeing on foot. A canine search failed to find a tracking scent.

The Quick-N-Handy heist netted about \$250. Mr. Deangelo was released from Mayo Correctional Institution on May 18th after serving five years of an eight-year sentence for numerous offenses including the hold-up of the Amoco station at US 90 and Sixth St. in Macclenny in June of 2002.

His criminal record dates back to when he was a juvenile, and includes convictions for selling drugs and grand theft.

Girls are caught stealing at store

Custody violation

Pairs of juvenile age females were arrested in two separate instances of shoplifting at the Macclenny Walmart on South 5th St. In both cases, they were seen concealing merchandise in purses.

The first arrests occurred about 3:15 the afternoon of May 26 and involved 16-year-olds from the Sanderson area. They attempted to leave the store with \$117 worth of clothing in both purses and pockets.

The afternoon of May 29, the second pair — a 16-year-old from Glen St. Mary and 17-year-old from Lake Butler, were caught with \$136 in clothing and jewelry stashed in purses.

All four were charged with misdemeanor theft and warned to stay away from the store.

In other incidents, a ninth grade student at Baker County High School reported an iPod and camera taken from her purse during a year-end cookout May 27. A fellow student was later reported attempting to sell the items, and police planned to question him.

Two apparent fraud cases were reported recently:

- Anna Williams of Macclenny learned May 25 more than \$10,000 in purchases were made in her name from three retailers — both on-line and in-store. She had an account with only one of the retailers.

- Mario Foster of Jacksonville reported two checks — one for \$690 and the second for \$472 — were cashed at the Macclenny Walmart from his account. He notified police May 27 and said checks have been cashed in other counties as well. He suspects a former employee.

A criminal complaint was filed against a Jacksonville man who allegedly picked up his two children from a Macclenny day care center without their mother's knowledge and spent several hours with them before returning them in the custody of a relative in Baldwin.

Neshanda Small, 27, of Baldwin notified police the afternoon of May 28 after she learned the children, ages 4 and 2, had been picked up by Alvis Rivera, 30, from the Love Center Day Care in west Macclenny about 1:30 pm.

Ms. Small attempted unsuccessfully to contact her ex-boyfriend by phone, and Deputy Tony Norman said a Jacksonville Sheriff's Office unit was dispatched to the home of Mr. Rivera's mother on the westside. The father was there and said he had spent the afternoon with the children before dropping them off at Ms. Small's residence in the care of her aunt.

Mr. Rivera said he tried to phone the mother earlier to say

he was picking the children up, and then again when she wasn't at her home.

Deputy Norman said the complaint is for interfering with custody, a third-degree felony, based on the fact that Mr. Rivera had no court-sanctioned custody rights.

In other cases, Bryan Paige, 38, of Sanderson was charged with sale and possession of crack cocaine following a purchase by a confidential informant the afternoon of May 27.

Investigator Michael Hauge said the controlled buy took place on the suspect's property off Ivory Williams Rd. about 3:50.

Burglary, battery arrest

Suspect also resisted county deputy

An ex-boyfriend was jailed on multiple charges the morning of May 29 after he allegedly burglarized a pickup truck off Sanderson Circle, then went to the home of his ex-girlfriend where he was involved in a fracas.

Anthony Moore, 38, who ex-girlfriend Leslie Starling said is homeless, is charged with stealing property from a 1999 Ford belonging to Winston Williams about midnight. He then went to her nearby residence and attempted to gain entry through a window, but was thwarted by Ms. Starling and her sister Nicole Winston.

Mr. Moore is charged with battery for punching Ms. Starling in the face as she attempted to prevent his entry into the house.

Deputy Matt Riegel said items taken from the truck, including 18 CDs, a wallet, cell phone equipment and clothing, were found near the window and identified by the owner.

The suspect said he was attempting to see his children by Ms. Starling, who also were at the house.

The officer added one count of assault after Mr. Moore allegedly acted in a threatening manner and attempted to kick him after their arrival at county jail. He is also charged with loitering and grand theft.

Two days earlier, police were in the same neighborhood and criminal complaints against Ms. Starling and two others resulted after they told conflicting stories about a fight.

Also named in the battery complaint were Athena Carter, 20, and David Mitchell, 24, neighbors who said a fight broke out after they requested Mr. Moore leave their residence over a missing cell phone.

In other crimes involving vehicles:

- Michael Leonard reported his 1998 Toyota pickup was taken from aside a carport while he was away from his residence off Milntondale Rd. between May 21-25.
- Robert Lee of Holly Hill, FL told police co-worker Hector Ortiz took his 1998 Dodge pickup without permission on May 21. He reported the incident ten days later.

The vehicle was parked on the campus at Northeast Florida State Hospital, where both men are employed on a construction project. Mr. Ortiz is from the same Holly Hill address.

- Joe Prince, 39, of Glen St. Mary is charged with taking a camera from a vehicle belonging to Kathy Waters of Maxville while it was parked off Woodlawn Park Pl. during the night May 31. Mr. Prince was also arrested on a probation violation warrant.

- Two vehicles were vandalized by spray paint the same night in different locations. Crystal Gay said her 1998 Dodge was parked in the lot at Baker Correctional where she is employed, and George Garcia reported damage to a 2007 Chevrolet van parked

on West Minnesota Ave. in Macclenny.

The van is owned by Winn-Dixie.

- Sharonda Tisdale, 23, of Macclenny was named in a criminal complaint for damaging a 1999 Ford belonging to Nikki Ross and parked on Minnesota Ave. early on May 28.

Ms. Tisdale allegedly struck the vehicle several times with a baby car seat.

- A harmful substance was apparently poured into the gas tank of a 2003 Honda belonging to Terra Powless and parked on US 90 near College Ave. from 9:00 pm-midnight on May 23.
- A vehicle damaged an electric

entrance gate at the Glen Field Oaks subdivision off Woodlawn Rd. early on May 27.

- Brian Rhoden, who lives nearby, told police he saw a silver Chevrolet pickup strike the metal gate before driving off east on Woodlawn.

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Attends 'vision' session

Many teams paid little mind to Baker

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Seven representatives from Baker County's government, non-profit and business sectors took part in a massive regional planning exercise May 21 that began developing a vision for growth in Northeast Florida through the year 2060.

The exercise dubbed Reality Check First Coast gathered a few hundred local leaders at the World Golf Village in St. Johns County and armed them with Lego blocks symbolizing the 1.6 million new residents and 650,000 new jobs expected in the region during the next 50 years, plus ribbons representing new roads, rail or other modes of transportation.

Attendees then broke off into teams of 10, each tasked with choosing where to best locate new growth on maps of the region laid out on tables for each team.

"I think it was good exercise," said Chamber of Commerce Director Darryl Register. "The folks at my table were all willing to listen and talk, and if one of us from our respective counties said this is what our plan is, if it made sense, that's kind of the way we went."

Mr. Register was joined by County Manager Joe Cone, Mercantile Bank President John Kennedy, Land Planning Agency (LPA) Chairman Craig Thompson, Jack Baker of the LPA board and Farm Bureau insurance; and April Craft and Rosemary Johns, both of the Council on Aging.

Non-Baker County tables

There was a stark difference in tables with Baker County representatives and those without them.

"It was easy to tell where there was nobody from Baker County at the table because there wasn't many Legos put there, which was kind of the opposite of what I thought would happen," said Mr. Register. "With all the available land I thought they'd pile it up there."

Mr. Thompson concurred: "It was completely different," he said of the tables without local representation. "Walking around, you

exercise are shown below with their accompanying characteristics.

They will be used as jumping off points for public input meetings to be held throughout the region in the coming year to further refine a regional growth strategy.

"We can still influence it," said Mr. Register.

What did we end up with?

The patterns generally showed a 3.5 percent increase in population (about 56,000 more people) and a 2.5 percent jump in employment (about 16,000 new jobs) in Baker County.

What the exercise didn't do was account for the cost of funding infrastructure improvements to accommodate growth.

"The first thing we did was lay transportation and conservation areas, and there wasn't any reason I couldn't have high speed rail from Macclenny to Jacksonville," said Mr. Thompson. "Cost wasn't really a factor."

The Reality Check exercise has been completed in a number of metropolitan areas around the country including Los Angeles and Tampa. And it's only the first part of a long process to develop a regional growth strategy that could later be used to guide local comprehensive plans and development regulations.

What's next?

"There's still a lot of work that will be done," Mr. Thompson said. "This is only the beginning of the process. One thing I'd like to see is for us to do a Reality Check Baker County and play a very similar game for here. I think it'd be very helpful to find out what the residents want to see."

Those desires could be unrealistic, though.

"If you ask some people where they want the growth to go in Baker County, they'll say Jacksonville," he said. "But no growth is not an option in that game. You get a growth projection and you have to make it work."

Each of the four growth patterns identified at the end of the

exercise are shown below with their accompanying characteristics.

Corridor:

- Recognition of new and existing transportation corridors.
- New growth assigned is mostly mixed-use (residential mixed with commercial).
- New growth is compact and nodal supporting transit opportunities.

Multiple Growth Centers:

- Pattern of new growth is mixed.
- Preserves green space.
- May impact rural character.

Dispersed:

- Most new growth is assigned in low rise stacks.
- New growth is assigned outside existing urban areas.



One table's regional map after completing the Reality Check visioning exercise.

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- Pattern of new growth may or may not be mixed-use.
- Less preservation of green space.
- Impacts to rural character.

Urban Compact:

- Most new growth is assigned

- in stacks of greater than five Lego blocks.
- Most new growth is assigned to existing urban areas.
- Pattern of growth is mixed.
- Preserves open spaces.
- Preserves rural character.

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Macclenny II Subdivision 2008 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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In 2008 the Department of Environmental Protection performed a Source Water Assessment on our system and search of the data sources indicated no potential sources of contamination near our wells. The assessment results are available on the DEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at www.dep.state.us/swapp

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- Picocurie per liter (pCi/L) - measure of the radioactivity in water.

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Fluoride (ppm)	03/06	N	0.49	NA	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Water additive that promotes strong teeth when at optimum levels between 0.7 and 1.2 ppm
Nickel (ppb)	03/06	N	2.2	NA	NA	100	Pollution from mining and refining operations. Natural occurrence in soil.
Sodium (ppm)	03/06	N	14.0	NA	NA	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil

Stage 1 Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Product

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From left: Becky Kinchele, Madison Morgan, Tyler Paige and Colin Moore were just some of the eighth graders who contributed to the quilt.

Using quilts to fashion themes from literature

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A quilt to explore themes of literature?

It's a project that Baker County Middle School teacher Emily Clevenger has been successfully using with her eighth grade students. But how does quilting help teach anything about literature?

"As they read selections in literature, the students learn about the different components that make up a story," said Ms. Clevenger.

The main ideas students become familiar with and learn to recognize are plot, mood, theme, author's purpose, tone, setting and conflict. "This was a very different way of learning," said eighth grader Becky Kinchele.

Students formed groups of 3-4 people with each group responsible for creating a single square that would later be assembled as a quilt. Quilts of the past have been customarily hung in the auditorium and are on display for the annual school awards banquet held in May.

The quilt doesn't reflect specific stories the students have studied. Instead, they use their experience learning about the components of those stories, then rely on imaginations to create their own characters and story lines.

An example is a square in the lower left corner which depicts the idea of "setting." The story the students came up with took place in the mountains, so mountains featured as the main decorative image in the design.

"You get to brainstorm ideas with your group," said Colin Moore, who worked on a square featuring a story character named Taly Sue. "It was a fun project."

A variety of materials go into the quilt square designs including puff and glitter paint, ribbon and buttons. All cloth and materials to create the quilts are donated, much of it by parents.

When a class completes a group of the cloth squares, Ms. Clevenger's mother, Jean Kiger, sews them into a quilt.

Blues, Southern Rock

If you want hot music in a great environment, you may want to check out the Wanee Festival this weekend at the Spirit of the Wanee Music Park outside of Live Oak.

The Allman Brothers will headline the event, which has become a Who's Who of blues and Southern rock. The Wanee Festival has some of the great names in the genre including The Doobie Brothers, Little Feat and Buddy Guy.

It also features some of the great new bands and artists like the Derek Trucks Band, Susan Tedeschi and The Wailers.

The Doobie Brothers have sold over 20 million records including Minute by Minute, Takin' it to the Streets, China Grove, Black Wa-

ter, and What a Fool Believes.

Other acts at Suwannee: Gov't Mule, Buddy Guy, Derek Trucks Band, Little Feat, Umphrey's McGee, Susan Tedeschi, Arc Angels, The Wailers, Drive-By Truckers, Bill Kreutzmann, Keller Williams, Grace Potter & The Nocturnals, Jorma Kaukonen, Jaimoe's Jassss Band, Ivan Neville's Dumpstaphunk, Col. Bruce Hampton and The Quark Alliance, The Lee Boys, Hill Country Revue, Devon Allman's Hon-eytribe, Bonobos Convergence, Moeen Worker and Blowing Trees.

Tickets for the weekend are \$153, including camping, through Wednesday. One day tickets will also be available for Friday and Saturday.

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CITY OF MACCLENNY NON-SECONDARY CONTAMINANTS TABLE

Total coliform bacteria: Highest monthly percentage number is the highest monthly number of positive samples for systems collecting fewer than 40 samples per month. Highest monthly percentage number is the highest monthly percentage of positive samples for systems collecting at least 40 samples per month.

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	90th Percentile Result	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Total Coliform Bacteria	01/08	N	1	0	Floor systems collecting fewer than 40 samples per month; presence of coliform bacteria in 1 sample collected during a month.	Naturally present in the environment

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Radiological Contaminants/City of Macclenny							
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Radiological Contaminants/Enterprise East							
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Inorganic Contaminants/City of Macclenny							
Barium (ppm)	05/08	N	0.012	NA	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride (ppm)	05/08	N	0.64	NA	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Water additive that promotes strong teeth when at optimum levels between 0.7 and 1.3 ppm
Sodium (ppm)	05/08	N	11	NA	NA	160	Salt water intrusion, leaching from soil

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Fluoride (ppm)	05/08	N	0.46	NA	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Water additive that promotes strong teeth when at optimum levels between 0.7 and 1.3 ppm
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Synthetic Organic Contaminants including Pesticides and Herbicides/City of Macclenny							
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Disinfectant or Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Dates of sampling (mo./yr.)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG or MRDLG	MCL or MRDL	Likely Source of Contamination
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We constantly monitor for various contaminants in the water supply to meet all regulatory requirements. Our water system was in violation of federal and state water quality standards for Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate from 5/08 through 12/08. The levels of Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate shown in the Test Results Table. Some people who drink water containing Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate well in excess of the MCL over many years may have problems with their liver, or experience reproductive difficulties, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Our system is monitoring for this contaminant on a quarterly basis.

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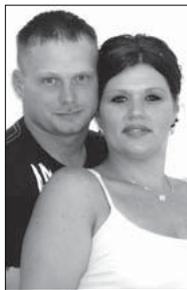
Receives award for excellence

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Macclenny Nursing and Rehab has received an Excellence in Action Award, one of nine given in the state of Florida and one of 365 nationally.

SOCIAL



McCune ~ Starling

June 6 vows

Krissy Dawn Starling and Richard Gene McCune, both of Macclenny, will be wed at 2:00 pm on June 6 at the Road to Calvary Church in Glen St. Mary.

The bride is the daughter of Terry Bennett of Jacksonville and Roy Starling of Macclenny, and the groom is the son of Richard and Diane McCune of Macclenny.

Following a honeymoon in St. Augustine, the couple will reside in Macclenny.

No invitations are being sent, and all family and friends are invited. A reception at the church follows the ceremony.

Camp STYLE

Are you looking for a summer camp program? If so, check out Camp STYLE 2009. There will be an open house June 11 from 6:00-8:00 pm. at the Family Service Center next to Keller Intermediate.

For more information, contact camp director Anne Lewis at 259-7822.

The award is made to nursing homes based on resident and family satisfaction surveys conducted independently by My InnerView, Inc.

Based in Wisconsin, InnerView provides nursing homes resources to help identify improvement solutions for senior care. It also publishes the annual report *National Survey of Consumer and Workforce Satisfaction in Nursing Homes*.

"When a nursing home gets publicity it's usually negative so we are thrilled to receive an award that reflects such a high level of satisfaction from the residents and family members that we serve," said Macclenny Nursing and Rehab Director John Simmons.

According to Mr. Simmons, the national average in satisfaction among residents and families regarding nursing homes is about 84 percent. The results from the My InnerView surveys puts Macclenny Nursing and Rehab at 95.6 percent.

He believes the reason for the high score is directly connected to the problem solving philosophy he and the facility's employees have worked hard to implement.

Since coming on board nearly three years ago, Mr. Simmons says he has worked to guide his

staff toward achieving a high level of personal attention to residents and families. He realizes the facility isn't perfect and sometimes makes mistakes, but readily works with a resident to resolve problems.

Mr. Simmons commended his staff for its commitment.

"These folks work here because they are truly committed to the care of these residents."

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Graduates from UF

Lauren Deanne Higginbotham, daughter of Jeff & Darlene Higginbotham, recently earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Florida with a major in public relations and a minor in business administration. After her upcoming wedding in June, Lauren plans to seek a position in her field within the north Florida area.

Congratulations!

Landen,
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We love you,
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For young gardeners

A junior master gardener summer camp will be held June 29-July 2 at the Baker County extension office.

The program is designed for ages 8 to 18, and participants will be joining Baker County adult master gardeners for a week long day camp.

Each day will have a different gardening theme and attendees will participate in hands-on activities while learning about a variety of topics such as plant biology, fruits, vegetables, insects, wildlife, alternative gardening and more!

The cost is \$50 per child and it will run from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily. Download registration forms at <http://bakercountypress.com> or pick up a registration packet from the extension office. Deadline to register is Friday, June 12, but attendance is limited so sign up today. Please call 904-259-3520 with any questions.

Fire service tax hike...

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future. In other business, the board approved:

• A one percent increase in the county's bed tax rate, from two to three percent, to help raise money for a future civic center in Baker County. The tax is paid by people staying in local motel rooms and has generated about \$266,000 in the nine years since

its establishment.

• An agreement with the Baker Correctional Development Corporation (BCDC) to loan the non-profit building the county's new 512-bed jail set to open this month \$195,000 to cover the cost of already completed utility upgrades at the site off CR 228. The loan will be paid back at 2.75 percent interest beginning in October 2010.



Happy 10th Birthday
June 7, 2009

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Graduates medical school

Kyle Knabb graduated from Nova Southeastern University's medical school on May 24. He will begin an Internal Medicine Residency at Broward General Hospital. Kyle is the son of Woody and Sheila Knabb. He is the grandson of V.H. and Rachel Keene, all of Macclenny, and Betty Fordham of West Palm Beach.

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OBITUARIES

CHURCH AND OBITUARY NOTICE INFORMATION

Obituaries must be submitted in a timely fashion and have a local connection. Pictures are printed with obituaries free of charge. The newspaper reserves the right to publish photos based on quality. It is requested that all news items be typed or emailed to insure accuracy in print.

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James Abernathy, 56, of Jacksonville

James Michael Abernathy, 56, of Jacksonville died May 24, 2009 in Macclenny following a lengthy illness. Mr. Abernathy was born May 1, 1953 in Gadsden, Alabama, the son of the late James Curtis Abernathy and the former Ellen King.

Survivors include son Gary (Jessi) Abernathy; sister Sandy (Steve) Parsons; brothers Curtis (Sandy) and Paul (Mia) Abernathy; one granddaughter.

The memorial service for Mr. Abernathy was held at 11:00 am May 30 at the chapel of Prestwood Funeral Home with Brother Gore officiating.

Ronald Chance retired mechanic

Ronald Owin Chance, 53, of Jacksonville died Sunday May 31, 2009 at his home. A native of Patuxent River, Maryland, Mr. Chance lived in Jacksonville since 1972 after moving from Pensacola. He was a very good mechanic and retired from Nimmich Hummer GMC and Pontiac due to his illness after 25 years of employment. Mr. Chance was a Baptist and was preceded in death by mother Miriam McKinnon in 1993.

Survivors include his wife of 20 years, Typhenes Ely Chance of Jacksonville, a native of Baker County; father and step-mother Owin H. and Dora Chance of Wildwood; daughters Kerri Marie Chance of Keystone Heights, Samantha (Brandon) Burnham of Ft. Myers, and Samantha Nicole Chance of Jacksonville; brothers Dennis Michael Chance of Jacksonville and Donald Allen Chance of Lake City; two granddaughters.

The funeral service for Mr. Chance was held on June 2 at 1:00 PM at Guerry Funeral Home chapel with Rev. Clifton Barton Jr. officiating. Interment followed at Macedonia Cemetery in Macclenny. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Community Hospice at 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, FL 32257.

In Loving Memory of W. Harry Johnson 1/8/38 - 6/2/97

Twelve years ago cancer took your body from us, but left us your love and memories. We still miss you daily and wish you could have gotten to enjoy the grands and great-grands as we do. Until we meet again...

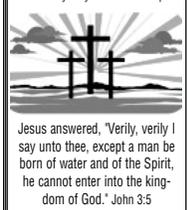
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 Morning Worship 11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
 Wed. Evening Prayer Serv. 7:30 pm
Pastor: Oral E. Lyons

Mt. Zion N.C. Methodist Church
 121 North † 259-4461
 Macclenny, FL

Pastor Tim Cheshire
 Sunday School 9:45 am
 Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
 Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 pm



Jesus answered, "Verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." John 3:5

Tommy Gainey NEFSH retiree

Tommy Elwin Gainey, 59, of Macclenny died June 1, 2009 after a lengthy illness. Tommy was born in St. George, Georgia to the late William Clayton Gainey and Matilda Howard Gainey on April 25, 1950. He was a resident of Baker County for most of his life and a member of Taylor Church.



Tommy Gainey

Tommy retired from Northeast Florida State Hospital after 25 years of service as a supervisor. He loved being a grandfather, traveling and playing golf. He was predeceased by brothers Joseph Lee Gainey and Johnny Gainey; sister Barbara Yawn.

Survivors include loving wife of 40 years, Vivian M. Williams Gainey; son Thomas Lee "Pojo" (Sherri) Gainey; mother-in-law Anna Marie Drake; brothers Skeeter, Bill Jr., Gene, Chuck, Ray, Mitchell and Mike Gainey; sister Vivian Joyce Paige; sister-in-law Caroline Elliott; four grandchildren.

The funeral service was held June 4 at 2:00 pm at the Christian Fellowship Temple with pastors Mark Woods, Jim Cox and Tommy Mallard officiating. Interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery. Visitation is June 3 from 6:00-8:00 pm at Ferreira Funeral Services in Macclenny.

Family grateful

The family of Emily Hope Fernandez Harrison and Logan Mann Johnson sends its sincere thanks to the many people who have helped us begin to get through such a difficult time. Thanks for the emotional support, food, donations, prayers and the love that everybody has given. We give a special thanks to the fire department, Women of the Moose, Macclenny Moose Lodge, Covenant Underground Utilities, sheriff's department, Guerry Funeral Home, Road to Calvary Church, Terry and Mary Lou Wilkerson, NEFSH, Fraser Hospital, Frank Wells Nursing Home, Glen Friendship Tabernacle Church, Albert Starling, Bruce and Dawn Ellison and the Pre-K/Kindergarten Center. We are so blessed to have great family, friends and to live in such a great community.

'Dave' Roberts, 65, built race cars

David (Dave) Roberts, 65, of Macclenny died May 31, 2009 following a brief illness. David was born in Tallahassee to David Wilson Roberts Sr. and Elizabeth Russell Roberts on June 7, 1943. He was preceded in death by his parents, an aunt and five uncles.

David built and raced stock cars on the local level with drivers Morgan Sheppard, Wayne Shuegart, Steve Moran and Dicky Ferry until he went to work in NASCAR series in 1981. During this time he worked for several racing teams, including Buddy Baker of Crisco Racing and Rusty Wallace of Penske Racing.

In 2005, David retired from racing to be at home with his family and friends. He was inducted in 2007 into the Jax Raceway Hall of Fame. David's love for cars went without saying, he started an auto restoration shop until ill health stopped him from working.

Survivors include wife Sherry, his wife of 46 years; sons David Roberts of Macclenny, Don (Marie) Roberts of NC; sisters Carolyn Bosse (Terry) of Lee, Florida, Gloria (Joe) Ward of Macclenny, Nancy Stevens of Yazoo, MS, Mary Beth Roberts of Tallahassee; brother Kenneth (Judy) Roberts of Macclenny; numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held June 3 at 11:00 am at Town and Country Funeral Home in Jacksonville with Cindy Langford and Rainey Russell officiating.



In Loving Memory of Launa Bree Monds 6/02/06 - 1/18/08

Happy Birthday to our precious baby girl, who is watching over us from Heaven. We miss you so much. We love you forever and ever.

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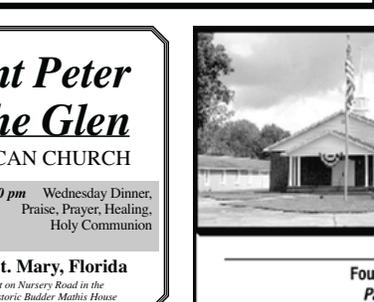
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In Loving Memory of Jessalyn M. Combs
1/22/88 - 6/03/07

Our daughter, our friend, our angel...
Two years ago today, the 3rd day of June, 2007, our daughter Jessalyn was invited into Heaven.

There were no heedful warnings, no formal invitations sent, just a call from a doctor and a final glimpse of a face filled with angelic sweet content.

She never got a chance to buy a dress or primp in front of the mirror. But an Angel would be sent as her time grew nearer.

She asked her was she ready to meet her Lord and Saviour? She tearfully nodded yes, and arrived in Heaven just a few breaths later.

We miss our little girl and the beauty she bestowed; now a cross is planted in her memory beside her final traveled road.

It took a while, but we came to understand that somewhere in Heaven there is a reunion being planned. Our broken hearts will be mended and our tears will be forever gone. And then and only then, we too will have been invited home.

MESSIAH YOU, BABY GIRL, MAMA, DEKRALI, DADDY & WYLLON

In Loving Memory of Tony Hall
9/23/80 - 6/05/99

Special memories
With a mischievous smile and twinkling eyes he had a way of touching lives. You couldn't help but love the country kind-of talk and how he had the "I know I'm fine" attitude in his walk. He was loved by so many, those his life has touched, he will always be remembered and missed so very much. No matter how long you knew him, you were charmed by his ways. He usually had a smile to give, even when he had bad days. To some he was a classmate, to others he was their kin. To lots he was an acquaintance, but to all he was a friend. He had an easy-going spirit, and a heart full of love. I'm so thankful that he knew our Heavenly Father above. I'm glad that he made Jesus his Lord and his King. I know when he entered the gates, all the angels began to sing. Though he's no longer with us, his memory will forever remain. And may the loss of his life show others what there's to gain. When you live a life for Jesus, you'll be rewarded up above. And you'll spend eternity with the Savior, surrounded by His love. I imagine that today he's kneeling before God's throne, because of the choice he made to claim Jesus as his own. And for those that know the Savior in that personal kind of way, they'll see him again in Heaven one day. Although the pain is hard to get through, try to see the light, because there's someone up in Heaven smiling down on you tonight.

BCMS awards top students

The following 8th grade students were honored at an awards ceremony May 27 at Baker County Middle School:

- Agriscience Most Improved**-Blake Mills
- Agriscience Most Outstanding**-Casey Dinkins
- Dona Kirkland Athletic Award**-Kathy Holland
- Margaret "Mack" Attack Athletic Award**-Blake Mills
- Most Improved in band**-Amber Shumate
- Most Outstanding in band**-Danielle Blow
- Class Recognition Most Outstanding**-Jaden Williams
- Class Recognition Most Improved**-Richard Hughes, Jeffrey Locke Jr.

- Exploratory Most Improved**-Kristen Lepper, Jayson Steven
- Exploratory Most Outstanding**-Baleigh Nipper, Ethan Wilkerson
- FCR Recognition**-Adam Barnes, Wesley Combs
- Gifted Most Improved**-Shawn Thornton
- Gifted Most Outstanding**-Reagan McKendree, Caban Tarte

High Writing Score: Dolton Ackerman, James Brookins 6.0, Victoria Chisholm, Bethany Crews, Bronson Davis, Haley Dopson 6.0, Brenton Evert, Mariah Givens, Christen Hand 6.0, Sarah Harrell 6.0, Mary Hart 6.0, Laken Head 6.0, Kayla Holland, Austin Hostetler 6.0, David Long, James McKelvey 6.0, Reagan McKendree, Calin Moore, Devin Norman, Erica Plousher, Megan Powell 6.0, Madison Stephens, James Sweet 6.0, Caban Tarte 6.0, Brooke Taylor, Hagan Taylor, Ashley Wheeler, Ashley Zawolik

Language Arts Most Improved: Michala Foorman, Alexander Sotomayor, Kaylan Stafford, Dimitri Standberry

Language Arts Most Outstanding: Michaela Atrial, Patrick Berry, Austin Hostetler, Allison Wagstaff

Math Most Improved: Thomas Eye, Gen Gayford, Deshaia Kirksey, James McKelvey, Shawn Thornton

Math Most Outstanding: Bronson Davis, Mercedes Rhoden, Reagan McKendree, Ashley Zawolik

Overall Top Reader-Reagan McKendree

Peer Mediators: Rebecca Kincheo, James McKelvey, Baleigh Nipper, Caleb Rodgers, Allison Wagstaff

Perfect Attendance: Patrick Berry, Dalton Bijeaux, Garrett Clardy Jr., Cody Hutson, Falon Lee, Michael Martinez, Landon Mitchell, Rachel Oyinloye, Ashley Paige, Latondria Perkins, Erick Stoutamire Jr.

Physical Education Most Outstanding: Andrea Dempsey, Robert Rogers

President's Academic Award: Patrick Berry, James Brookins, Rachel Chambers, William Clarkson, Bethanie Crews, Korie Crumme, Jessica Davis, Haley Dopson, Mariah Givens, Dustin Haller, William Johnson, Jonathan Lamb, Baleigh Nipper, Devin Norman, Taylor Odom, Summer Sparks, Kaylan Stafford, Allison Wagstaff, Cheyanne Whitton, Ethan Wilkerson, Robert Brannan IV, Victoria Chisholm, Bronson Davis, Mary Hart, Reagan McKendree, Brooke Taylor, Ashley Zawolik

Principal's Award: Robert Brannan IV, Victoria Chisholm, Bronson Davis, Mary Hart, Reagan McKendree, Brooke Taylor, Ashley Zawolik

Science Most Improved: Raymond Gore, Donald Sims Jr., Christina Taylor

Science Most Outstanding: David Baker, Baleigh Nipper, Ashley Wheeler, Ethan Wilkerson, Caleb Rodgers

Social Studies Most Improved: Bobby Gifford, Anray Roberts, Wyndell Wallace Jr.

Social Studies Most Outstanding: David Baker, Robert Brannan IV, Dimitri Standberry, Hagan Taylor, Keifer Starn

Top AR: Sarah Harrell, Reagan McKendree, Jesslyn Pinkston



Rear Admiral Thomas Hall speaking to the JROTC.

Admiral urges ROTC to make 'wise choices'

Rear Admiral Thomas Hall (retired), a former Undersecretary of Defense, spoke to a large group of Air Force JROTC and history students in the BCHS media center on May 14 and urged them to make wise choices that could affect their lives for years to come.

Admiral Hall, who recently retired as one of five undersecretaries at the Pentagon, spent 50 years in the military and public service. He was a naval aviator from the age of 18; he flew P3 submarine hunters; he was commander of NATO bases in Iceland and Bermuda and worked for the chief of naval operations.

After retirement, Adm. Hall was tapped by President Bush to be the assistant secretary of defense for reserve affairs. He was in charge of all reserve forces in the Armed Forces. He was promoted to undersecretary by President Obama and served during the first 100 days of the transition before retiring earlier this month.

Adm. Hall told the students of his early life in Barnsall, Oklahoma. He spoke to them about how the choices he had made in his life had not only saved his life on numerous occasions, but also steered him in the proper direction in his career.

He opened the floor to questions and spent two hours discussing foreign affairs, the military, and public service.

He was impressed with the width and depth of the questions that were posed. Students asked his opinions on international terrorism - "Muslim extremists think that there are only two kinds of people, infidels and the ones who believe like they do;" countries that could pose possible

threats in the near future - "Iran, North Korea and China. North Korea is run by a madman and I may have nuclear weapons - if I knew I couldn't tell you;" and on 9/11 "the reason that the terrorists killed 3500 people is that they couldn't kill 35,000 or 350,000."

When asked about whether the military should allow torture during interrogation, Hall admitted that he had been waterboarded during escape and evasion training. "They lay you flat on a table and pour water up your nose. It was a horrible experience. I thought I was drowning." He added that he didn't feel that the United States was a country that should be known for torturing prisoners but it's a difficult decision when faced with life and death choices.

The students also posed questions that made him laugh. He was asked why he had chosen the Naval Academy over the Air Force Academy, having been accepted at both. "I was 18 and I had a girlfriend in Oklahoma and the Naval Academy let me stay home three weeks longer."

"I speak at a lot of places and its rare that I have these kind of questions," he commented.

Hall was invited to speak through the efforts of BCHS English Department chairman Kelley Norman and JROTC director Major Joseph Chiofalo.

Westside honor roll

Principal's List - 4th Nine Weeks

1st Grade: Callahan: Sarah Blackburn, Alexis Fennell, Carter Kennedy, Lucy Nowlen, Kyler Robinson, Kyle Strickland. H. Crews: Marissa Brown, Nolen Mison, Christopher Ravita, Ashton Robinson, Christina Slater, Carole Spivey. Hart: Gracey Garrison, Abby Hanvey, Hanna Jeffries, Kaitlyn Wilson. Murphy: Haidee Fish, Madison Flossom, Emily Griffiths, Garrison Moore, Brooke Noblitt, Austin Rich, Bryson Spurlock, Joseph Stafford, Cassie Turner, Melanie Willis. Nunn: Colby Craig, Marcus Doss, Cheyenne Kinghorn. Raulerson: Abigail French, Emilee Hodges, Phillip Richerson, Shelby Rowe, Carl Self, David Tolson, Davon Woolf. Richardson: Mason Addison, Na'Desha Davis, Logan Thornton, Jessica Tillis. Roach: Reagan Haug, Montana McGinley, Sands: Kyle Ambrose, Julia Archambault, Jaden Baez, Brett Crawford, Antonio Esterling, Samantha Fink, Abigail Henley, Emily Hill, Dylan Jager, Danny Neri, Andrea Pelfrey, Landon Prewat, Blaine Roberts, Jenny Romano, Anna Wilkerson, Anna Wilkerson, Lexi Scheider, Shendian, Dominic Berardo, Sara Green, Taylor Hodges, Abigayle Kiera, Kiera Richardson. Thomas: Dylan Griffiths, Grayson Gurganious, Levi Jewell, Dalton Lewis, Abby Ray, Reagan Register, Scott Rewis, Jace Stokes. Warner: John Anderson, Mason Becerra, Emilee Blanton, Gavan Foster, Patrick Stephens.

2nd Grade: D. Crews: Matthew Flanders, Wyatt Godbold, Madeline Hand, Jessica Helms, Myrica Holliday, DeKle/Stafford: Mason Carter, Jared Caudle, Kamrie Chaney, Sydney Hughes, Sara Keves, Dustin Powers, James Wiggins. Duval: Ben Anderson, Andrew Bales, MacKenzie Bennett, Jared Burnsed, Dominic Crews, Trey Davis, Dailey Hanks, Kesler Anderson, Skylar Murphy, Taylor Orberg, Katie Register, Ally Richardson, Emma Self, Lyna Shumate, Elledge/Jacobos: Cody Bennett, Marcus Chisholm, Gonzalez: Brittany Burger, Lauren Cales. Hand: McKayla Bates, Conner Butcher, Hannah Williams. Hurst: Robert Baker, Natalie Hillard, Kaitlyn McComb, Shania Paige, Levi Pickett. James: Sabrina Donaldson, Owen Loadholt. Rhoden: Allen Penrod. Williams: Shayla Brazale

3rd Grade: Adams: Keona Adkins, Regan Barber, Shayla Crews, Bryson Dopson, Reagan Dopson, Griffin Hinson, Gracie Mobbly, Jackson Sands, Jarred Spurlock. Gray: Kayla Fussell, Kristen Godbold, Vanessa Jennings. Griffiths: Elizabeth Bennett, Hillard: Jonathan Brewer. Payne: Colin Ambrose, Kali Fujik, Mariah Grundman, McKenzie Hickman, Christopher Hill, Kylie Holman, Amber Horne, Autumn Hutter, Leah Cree, Ethan Knight, Camryn Payne, Lillie Starling. Shivers: Sarah Crews, Wade Johnson, Amber Simmons. Wenden: Abigail Baggett, Dalton Dietz, Amaya Figueroa. White: Cooper Hodges, Carliya Jefferson, Arlie Rhoden.

Honor Roll - 4th Nine Weeks

1st Grade: Callahan: Kennedy Godwin, Gage Griffiths, Allison Roberts, Shanaria Ruise, Rikka Tisdale. H. Crews: Tiffany Carter, Destiny Corbett, India Jackson, Thomas Rainier, Dylan Spries, Jeremiah Thomas, Vanessa Yale. Hart: Rebekah Barber, Emily Carpenter, Alexis Carter, Jacoby Clayton, Mitchael Combs, Chayse Crain, Gerald Davis, Alexis Johns, Amber Swindell, Matthew Thompson, Anthony York. Murphy: Zylus Belford, Tyler Carrington, Wyatt Elledge, Kiya Hunter, Grace Pruet. Nunn: Houston Bennett, Cameron Johns, Jada Jones, Billy Martin, Emily Mobbly, Jaden O'Neil, Jaquan Paige, Thomas Perroz, Tyeek Reid, Marlee Rheuark. Raulerson: Bryce Barton, Jeffrey Crews, Ashley Ferguson, Austin Nettles, Trent Sparkman, Hannah Starling, Kirsten Starling, Jasmine Vermillion, Kaden Wilson. Richardson: Cason Adams, Isaac Esteo, Elizabeth Eans, Johnny Frank, Andrew Guarjardo, Bryson Roberts, Hannah Walton, Austin Ward. Roach: Ja'Myra Canty, Payton Combs, Payton Crews, Galya Dyal, Jessica French, Raylyn Hodges, David Jackson, La'Shanti Mosley, Destineigh Norman, Emily Ossman, Kayla Tate, Hannah Ward. Sands: Kayin Goodwin, Alenee Horne, Karli Johnson, Claire Knabb, Cassie Pringle, Dale Willford. Sheridan: Jaxon Farmer, Lyndi Johnson, Amelie Knabb, Adam Miller, Chase Smallwood. Thomas: Anthony Aldridge, Jordyn DeFee, Dalton Welborn. Warner: Chase Griffiths, Daytrell Paige, Tristen Prewat, Reyna Roland, Dana Wiggins.

2nd Grade: D. Crews: Tiffany Carter, Gabil Fischer, Tanner Kennedy, Joshua Ossmann, Gabrielle Scholcraft, Amber Waters, DeKle/Stafford: Leaton Burnett, Macy Combs, Evander Flowers, Jimmy Hance, Alyssa Pipkins. Duval: Jillian Cox, Michelle Dukeman, Daniel Green, Chase Hancock, Demi Jones, Cheyenne Powell, Elledge/Jacobos: Ethan Arnold, Katelyn Brassart, Jan Ar Burnsed, Emily Dennison, Tyler Herbert, Jordan Peterson, Nathaniel Tubbsville. Gonzalez: Christopher Collett, Adam Howard, Cuy Howard. Hand: Isakri Anderson, Madison Hale, Layla Nettles, Katherine Rhoden, Kayla Rhoden, Wyatt Suggs, Blaine Turner, Caden Yarborough. Hurst: Amber Hughes, Cameron Jefferson, Colby Watson, Leonard Nettles, Tucker Spangler, Katherine Harris, James Kelly, Courtney Malloy, Janessa Plummer, Garrett Sparkman, Jacob Tison. Rhoden: D.J. Duran, Taylor King, Carlos Perez, Emily Shackleton, Avery Thornton, Ja'Que Williams, Alexandria Winn. Williams: Katie Bryant, Tonya Flinders, Dillon Hardenbrook, Haley Rogers, Jake Vickers.

3rd Grade: Adams: Timbra Allford, Keonna Coger, Destiny Davis, Chase Dyer, Madison Haller, Andrea Ruise, Binni Shelton Brannen, Sydney Shelton, Quinci Hand, Sam Ravita. Crews: Deanna Caudill, Tristan Davis, Taylor Dyal, Kylie Gabbard, Caitlynn Goldsmith, Clarissa Midgett, Landon Oca, Quantrel Ruise, Sadie Sparkman. Gray: Lacey Bell, Hannah Cochran, Savannah Harper, Tina Raulerson, Brandon Wages. Griffiths: Caleb Crews, Caylin Peters, Elizabeth Reagan, Miranda Tubbs, Kaitlyn Williams. Hillard: Alyssa Rich. Payne: Tarrin Burnsed, Devon Cole, Will Crockett, Antonio Denmark, Jade Hale, Delaney Harvey, Preston Stout, Noah Taylor. Shivers: Cheyenne Ball, Christian Gardner, Jade Gene Hodges, Taylor Moore, Mackenzie Williams, Joseph Young. Shope: Haley Dugger, Tallon Dugger, Dawson Ferguson, Kimberly Fink, Haley Self, Tammie Stoddard. Wenden: Yanna Brown, Cole Cashman, Kyle Francis, Jordan Glover, Morgan Jewell, Maegan Lawrence, Evie Knabb, Zachery Lilly, Cheyenne McGe. White: Sydney Burnsed, Alaina Crawford, Hannah Thomas, Dylan Williams, Thome Zimmerman.

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Wed. Bible Study: 7:30 pm
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JUNE 5-7

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June 5 at 7:00 pm
Mike & Kelly Bowling

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For Sale

Two antique sewing machines, Singer, working condition with attachments. 259-5908. 6/4p
Silver Queen corn, \$12/bushel. 707-8772. 6/4p
Cypress mulch and red mulch 259-2900. 6/4-6/25c
Daylilies are blooming at Sands Davilly Farm, 23A North Lowder Street, left on Bob Kirkland Road, 1/2 mile on left. 259-6891 or 303-1501. 5/14-6/4c
25'x36' garage trusses \$1500 OBO. 259-3300. 3/12tc
John Deere utility tractor, 50 hp, four cylinder diesel. Has less than 50 hours on it, has over two year warranty left. Comes with four attachments: bushhog rotary deck, boxblade with rake, cart and finish deck. Asking only \$13,500 OBO. Serious inquiries only please. Contact Robert or Christine at 254-8405. 6/4p
Artist! Dile, acrylics, water colors, canvases, drawing pads and much more! On sale now. The Office Mart, 110 S. Fifth Street. 259-3737. 6/4p
2007 Arctic Cat cover, camouflage in color \$50 firm. 259-6815. 6/4p
Jubilee farm tractor. 904-781-9258 after 5:00 pm. 6/4-6/11p
1990 20' Bass Tracker Pontoon boat, 60 hp Mercury engine, two new captain seats, fish finder, FM/AM CD player, live well, new batteries, \$4000. Call 275-3138. 6/4p
2007 Trail Sport camper by R-Vision TT, 25' one slide out NADA \$14,345. Asking \$12,600. 259-8595. 83-8706. 6/4p
Fill dirt, little or a lot, 10 yard loads and larger. 259-2900. 6/4-6/25c

Automobiles

1995 Chevy Love truck, \$500 OBO. 259-4168. 6/4-6/11p
1991 Cavalier, two door, five speed, low miles on engine, runs good \$800. 571-0913. 6/4p
2005 F-150 Lariat super cab, 28,400 miles. NADA \$17,250. Asking \$15,495. 259-8595. 813-8706. 6/4p
Chevy engine, straight 6 cylinder \$800. 904-887-6779. 6/4-6/11p

Miscellaneous

Tree trimming and removal, will clean up and haul off. 904-251-5655. 6/4p
Intensive summer reading instruction for grades 3-12. Individual instruction taught by highly qualified teacher. Six spots available. Call 904-409-9841. 5/28-6/4p
If you need a yard man call T.J. Ellison, 955-9567 or 275-4627. Leave message. 5/21-6/11p
Babysitting in my home, near 125 and 127, reasonable prices, hot meals, snacks, all ages, any hours Monday-Friday, will keep overnight if needed. 838-2287. 6/4-6/25p
NLI hunting club, 2000 plus acres, borders Okefenokee Swamp, 45 minutes from Macclenny. Deer, hogs, turkey, bear. Dues \$975 per year. Contact John Thomas 259-6199. 5/28-6/4p
Have a junk car that needs to be hauled off? Now buying. 904-259-7968, call 251-5655. 6/4tc

Animals

Dogs: all types from puppies to adults. Animal Control, \$65 adoption fees will apply. 259-6786. 11/20tc

To place, correct or cancel an ad by phone, call 904-259-2400 Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm or email classifieds@bakercountypress.com or online www.bakercountypress.com

To place, correct or cancel an ad by mail, send a copy of the ad exactly as it should appear, payment and phone number where we can reach you. PO Box 598 Macclenny, FL 32063

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Two lovable dogs free to good home. Very sweet and they're best friends. 727-967-2255. Brown bulldog mix and terrier mix. 6/4-6/11p
Goats for sale, females \$40, males \$35. Call Cheryl 259-3666. 5/14-6/4p
German Shepherd pups, AKC registered, POP all shots and wormed, \$450 male, \$500 female. 566-8810. 6/4-6/11p
Black female Lab puppies, AKC, health certificate. 386-793-2087. 6/4p

Found

Found: by Extreme Outdoors, female pit mix, white with spots, young, 259-4137. 6/4

Help Wanted

Notice to readers: The newspaper often publishes classified advertising on subjects like work-at-home, weight loss products, health products. While the newspaper uses reasonable discretion in deciding on publication of such ads, it takes no responsibility as to the truthfulness of claims. Respondents should use caution and common sense before sending any money or making other commitments based on statements and/or promises; demand specifics in writing. You can also call the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP to find out how to spot fraudulent solicitations. Remember: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. - The Baker County Press.

AC and duct installer, must be experienced, self motivated and have a good driving record. 259-8038 between 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Monday - Friday. 6/4-6/11p

Pier 6 Seaford now accepting applications for all positions. 259-6123. 5/21-6/11p

Tired of your job? Like to earn a good income? Consider welding at Lake City Community College. Two nuclear power plants in North Florida are looking for welders. Sea, rail, and truck lines in Jacksonville also need welders. Fall Classes begin August 24. Financial aid available. No high school diploma required. Day and night classes. Call (386) 754-4352 for details. 5/14-6/11c

RN - Well established local home health care agency seeks experienced RN for PRN position. Must have one year Med/Surg. Flexible hours, competitive pay. Call 259-3111 or fax resume to 259-5176. 3/5tc
Drivers: Owner Operators, weekend homee time. CDL-A, three years OTR experience. 800-588-7911 ext. 225. 6/4p

Experienced pet groomer needed for busy Lake City shop. 386-754-5553. 5/11-6/4p

New Perceptions, Inc. is accepting applications for employment in the Baker County area to work with people with developmental disabilities. One year experience, high school diploma or GED, Driver's license and background screening required. Call 904-966-2100 or fax resume to 904-966-2101. 5/21-6/11p

The Town of Baldwin will be accepting applications for a part time licensed water and wastewater plant operator through Monday, June 29, 2009. Applications are available at Baldwin Town Hall, 10 US 90 West, Baldwin, Florida 32234 or on the town's web site www.baldwinfl.gov. A class C operator's license is the minimum requirement for each system. For additional information pertaining to either system, please call 904-266-5030. Salary negotiable. Drug screen will be required. An Equal Opportunity Employer. 6/4-6/18c

Real Estate

Notice to Readers All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or an intention, to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." Familial status includes children under the age of 18 living with parents or legal custodians, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll free at 1-800-669-9777. The toll free telephone number for the impaired is 1-800-927-9275.

1 BR, 1 BA on 2.75 acres. House needs some work \$150,000. Owner can finance with 10% down. 251-5655. 6/4c
2003 doublewide 4 BR, 2 BA, 1612 SF. sits on 1.70 acres \$95,000 conv. finance only. 1.70 acres cleared for home or mobile home. \$58,900 or purchase 2003 doublewide with both lots totaling 3.4 acres for a total at \$125,000. Call 904-259-9022. After 5:00 pm call 904-591-0881. 5/21tc
FSBO, special offer, home on one acre lot, 2486 SF 4 BR, 2 BA, appraised for \$269,000 will take \$235,000. Seller will pay \$1500 of buyer's closing cost. Offer ends 6/30/09. 904-545-1413. 5/14-6/25p

FSBO, 4 BR, 2 BA located in Cuyler at intersection of 127 and 125, 17598 CR 127. No owner financing \$70,000 OBO. Shown by appointment only. Contact Dana at 904-306-6707 or cuylerhomeforsale@gmail.com. 6/4-6/25p
15 acres, 15 minutes from Glen St. Mary. Property on Pender Raulerson Road off 127, \$130,000. 904-289-7289. 5/21-6/11p
Two lots in Copper Creek, Unit III, Call 813-1580. 12/11tc

FSBO 2 BR, 2 BA brick home approximately 2100 SF on 2.82 Acres. Fire-place, tile, plantation shutters, 20x20 workshop, many upgrades, very nice. Neighborhood restricted to homes only. \$296,000. By appointment only. 237-0060 or 259-3963. 5/14tc

3 acres, high and dry, fish pond, homes or mobile homes, set-up included, owner financing. 912-843-8118. 2/22tc

40 acres to 120 acres, Baker county, starting at \$4000 per acre. 904-259-8028. 5/14-6/4c

Brick 3 BR, 1 BA house in Sanderson on one acre, nice open floor plan with attached covered carport, offers an additional hook-up site for mobile home at back of lot, \$149,000. Call 859-3026. 9/25tc

MacClenny Builders, Inc. Brick homes in Macclenny from \$145,000 \$210,000. 813-1580. 11/13tc

2002 Homes of Merit, 24x60, 3 BR, 2 BA on 1/2 acre lot, \$75,000. 384-9904. 5/14-6/4p

Six acres in Macclenny \$200,000 an acre. 904-259-8028. 5/14-6/4p

For Rent

2 BR, 2 BA mobile home, very nice \$300 deposit, \$600/month. Call 259-2072 or 259-2787. 6/4-6/11p

3 BR, 2 BA mobile home, central H/A, washer/dryer hook-up garage, water, sewage, lawn care included, \$625/month. \$225 deposit. 912-843-8165. 904-219-2690. 6/4c

Baldwin apartment, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA, w/d hook-up, central A/C, \$595/month. 266-9898. 9 am-6pm M-S. 5/14-6/4p

3 BR, 2 BA mobile home on 1/2 acre on corner of 125 South and Mudlake Road. Lawn maintenance included, \$750/month plus \$1050 deposit, total \$1800 to move in. 259-9066. 6/4tc

3 BR, 2 BA mobile home on Mudlake Road with storage barn, lawn maintenance included, \$650/month plus deposit. 904-434-8487. 5/28-6/4p

1 BR, 1 BA small apartment, water and electricity included, quiet neighborhood in Macclenny \$475/month. \$225 deposit. 259-6815. 6/4p
2 and 3 BR mobile homes, central H/A, service pets only, water, lawn, garbage included. First, last and deposit required. 259-7335. 4/30tc

3 BR, 1 BA brick home in nice Glen neighborhood, \$850/month, \$500 deposit. 904-613-1255. 5/21-6/4p

3 BR, 3 BA doublewide mobile home, dishwasher, washer and dryer, fireplace, central H/A in the country \$850/month. 912-843-8154. Extra field for horses. 6/4p

2 BR, 2 BA apartment, washer/dryer hook-up, \$700/month, \$600 security deposit, one years lease. 351 N. Lowder. 259-9797. 4/30tc

3 BR, 1 1/2 BA brick home in the city. Huge storage, large back yard, \$900/month, first and last month's rent plus deposit. Jason 591-1910. 6/4-6/11p

3 BR, 1 BA block home in Macclenny. Nice, established neighborhood. Close to hospital and schools. Big yard and covered double carport. No smoking and service pets only. \$775/month. Call 804-859-3026. 5/28tc

3 BR, 2 BA triplewide on 2 acres, dishwasher, fireplace \$825/month plus deposit. 904-472-1241. 6/4-6/11p

Homes and mobile homes for rent from \$750-\$850 monthly, 259-3343. 11/13tc

2 BR, 2 BA mobile home, central H/A, lawn care provided \$550/month with \$300 security deposit. 259-3313. 6/4p

3 BR, 2 BA, one car garage in city, security deposit \$950, \$950/month rent. Call 259-3343. 5/21tc



YARD SALES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 4163 Birch Street, Macclenny II. Plants, jewelry, crafts and much more. Five family
Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-on, 4363 Dogwood Street. Lots of women and men's clothes, toys, baby walker, port-a-crib, twin mattress. Lots of good stuff. No early birds please. Two family

Friday and Saturday, 7:30 am-?, 13591 E. Tallpine Road. Moving sale. Mower, dressers, recliners, household items, etc.

Friday and Saturday, 7:30 am-?, 586 W. Railroad Avenue. Lots of good stuff, reasonable prices.

Saturday, 8:00 am-on, Send a kid to camp. Fund raiser at Christ Central Macclenny. Clothing, household items, misc. We're located at 18 South 5th St. Yard sale will be in our parking area in the Midtown Center behind our building.

Saturday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm, New Life Church of God, inside, lots of baby clothes and much more. Multi family

Saturday, 8:00 am-? Across from the Methodist Church on 228. Baby boy clothes, high chair, car seat and toys and lots more.

Saturday, 7:30 am-?, 23A North to South Tallpine Road. Maternity clothes, infant, toddler boy clothes, scrubs, boy clothes, misc.

Saturday, 10:00 am-5:00 pm, US 90 and Lowder, next to Aadvark Video. Grand Opening. Three Palms Resale, LLC.

Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm, 6435 CR 23D. North on 121 to 23D, left one mile, follow signs. Lots of items.

Saturday, 8:00 am-3:00 pm, Super-duper indoor yard sale at the Council on Aging. Rain or shine. Lots of interesting items and nice clothes at low-low prices. Please come by we'd love to meet you. Also if you have something nice to donate, please drop it off at 101 E. Macclenny Avenue. Thanks - see you there.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 125 south of 90, brick house. More stuff, adult and girls 8-14 clothes, housewares, pictures, furniture. Multi family

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, US 90 W. to 229 N. cross tracks, third house on left, follow signs. Women's, men's and children's clothing and shoes all sizes, nick-nacks, furniture, movies and games, etc. Too much to list. Three family

Saturday, 8:00 am-on, 228 S. to Wolfe Drive to Barber Loop. The Snow's. Teen girl clothing, furniture, misc.

Saturday, 7:00 am-?, 748 North 5th Street. Lots of baby toys and clothes. TV, TV with DVD player, dishes, dresser, stroller, moving video, DVD's, X-box and Play Station 2 games, microwave, baby swings and lots more.

2 BR, 2 BA doublewide in Glen \$700/month, \$700 deposit. 259-6546. 259-4502. 6/4tc

3 BR, 1 1/2 BA mobile home, garbage pickup, water & lawn maintenance provided, \$525/month, \$525 deposit. 912-843-8118. 9/18tc

Room for rent in Christian home, \$125/week, \$75 deposit, utilities included. References required. 904-477-8995. 6/4-6/11p

2 BR, 2 BA with bonus room, recent renovations on large lot, quiet neighborhood within city limits. Will rent furnished for \$800/month, unfurnished for \$750 plus \$750 deposit. Call 224-8065. 5/21-6/11p

3 BR, 1 BA house in Glen. Call 259-6590. 318-0116 after 5:00 pm. 6/4-6/11p

2 BR, 2 BA, washer/dryer hook-up, dishwasher, 30 min. from Jacksonville in Baker county, \$700/month, first and last and will work with you. Call for information. 912-843-8139. 6/4-6/11p

Mobile homes, 2 and 3 BR, A/C, service animals only, \$500-\$755 plus deposit. 904-860-4604. 3/17tc

2 BR, 2 BA mobile home, central H/A, washer/dryer hook-up, garbage, water, sewage and lawn care included, \$485/month, \$485 deposit. 912-843-8165. 904-219-2690. 6/4c

2 BR, 1 BA brick home on fenced city lot, 661 Lavern Street. Washer and dryer, \$775/month, first and last month's rent plus \$500 deposit. 913-5558. 6/4-6/11p

3 BR, 2 BA, two car garage in gated community, security deposit \$1100, \$1100/month rent. Call 259-3343. 5/21tc

2 BR, 2 BA mobile home on one acre. Ben Rowe Circle East. \$800/month plus first, last and security. 904-397-0410, 954-263-7311. 5/28-6/4p

3 BR, 2 BA mobile home in Sanderson \$550/month. 476-8907. 6/4p

1 BR, 1 BA apartment in downtown Macclenny. Nice, established neighborhood. No smoking and service pets only. \$500/month. Call 904-859-3026. 5/28tc

FSBO -4BR/2BA stucco/stone home built in August 2008. 2015 SF. 2 car garage with cabinets. Upgrade deck maple cabinets with Corian solid surface countertops, stainless steel appliances, custom painted interior, custom ceiling fans, landscaped with privacy fence. Cypress Pointe subdivision in Macclenny. Catch fish in your back yard on this desirable lot that backs up to large pond with forest on one side and the end of cul-de-sac. \$173,000. Call for appointment 904-966-1568.

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3 BR, 2 BA house, Westside/Jacksonville. One car garage and fenced yard, good neighborhood, \$950/month plus first, last and security. 904-397-0410, 354-263-7311. 5/28-6/4p

2 BR, 1 BA mobile home \$385/month, \$385 deposit, garbage, water, sewage and lawn care included. 912-843-8165, 904-219-2690. 6/4c

RV, camping/trailer spot in Sanderson. 251-4130. 6/4p

Mobile Homes

2008, 28x52 3 BR, 2 BA "must go", will sell at invoice. Call Lewyn 904-259-8028. 5/14-6/4c

Reduced All lot models. 904-259-8028. 5/14-6/4c

2009, 32x80 will sell for invoice, call Lewyn, 904-259-8028. 5/14-6/4c

Commercial Rental

124 S. 6th Street, office and salon space available. Large, recently remodeled, approximately 1500 SF. 904-219-4225 or 904-566-7215. 5/28-6/18p

Commercial building for lease with 4,000 SF available, on main Macclenny intersection with plenty of parking space, call 259-2417. 10/16tc

Small office, utilities included, \$400/month. 259-9022. 3/12tc

Office space for rent, prime location, downtown Macclenny. \$588.50 per month plus deposit. Call 259-6546. 1/8tc

Advertising Deadline
Monday
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Chris Rhoden

Master's degree

Chris Rhoden graduated last month with a master's degree in architectural engineering from the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. He is the son of Steve and Sandra Rhoden of Houston, Texas and graduated in 2003 from Baker County High School. Chris attended USM on a football scholarship and obtained a bachelor's degree in 2007. He received a sixth year of eligibility due to an injury, and stayed to complete the graduate degree. He is currently a project manager for Hodges Construction in Hattiesburg.

LCCC honors

The following students from Baker County are on the President's List for spring term at LCCC with a 4.0 GPA: Charlotte Lawrence, Jeana Pearce and Brandi Rhoden. On the Vice-president's list for spring term at LCCC with a 3.5 GPA: Krystal Bowden, Jamie Buford, Edwin Cavanaugh IV, Seann Combs, Tucker Crews, Charles Jackson Jr., Jana Kennedy, Danyle Lewis, Jessica Morrison and Shae Raulerson.

Commodities

A small amount of US Department of Agriculture Surplus Food Commodities will be distributed on a first-come first-served basis June 12 from 9:00 am to noon at the Northeast Florida Community Action Agency.

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REDUCED! - MLS#496631 3BR 3.5BA hm in Macclenny offers 2,359 SF 3.67 acres, large rooms, formal entrance, large bonus room & much more!

WAIT NO LONGER! MLS#462063 Build the home of your dreams in this all brick community. \$45,900

10 HIGH & DRY ACRES! - MLS#460640 Waiting for you to build your dream home. Zoned for houses or mobile homes. Located on secluded rd 6 corner lot.

PERFECT LAND! MLS#408378 45.63 Acres! Great for horses & agriculture. CR121. Has older home & 2 rentals. Close to St. Mary's River. \$625,000

GREAT STARTER! MLS#473391 Adorable double wide 3BR 2BA mobile hm. Open fir plan, lg family rm w/frpk. This hm has been well taken care of.

COUNTRY LIVING! MLS#438836 Close to the city. This mobile hm sits on 2.32 acres w/4BR 2BA. A must see. Bring all offers! \$150,000

BEAUTIFUL HOME - MLS#481245 Nicely landscaped 4BR 2.5BA hm w/2,088 SF features automatic vacuum, in-ground pool w/spa, frpk & much more! \$219,900

BRING EVERYONE! - MLS# 423992 Bring family, pets & all the neighbors! This property will take care of all. Seller will give an allowance for any painting & updating of house. Price has been drastically reduced. Bring all offers! \$599,900

GORGEOUS LOT - MLS#474249 This land is covered in large mature oak trees as well as giant pine trees. You must truly see this property to appreciate it.

FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS - NOW IS THE TIME! MLS#468067 This 3BR 2BA home has a beautiful pool w/48 foot deck. Large open floor plan & lots of storage. Call today! \$113,000

WHAT'S YOUR NEED? - MLS#468881 4BR 3BA 11.74 acres built in 2004 custom home, virtual tour on-line. Call today! \$263,000

THE PLANTATION - MLS# 465612 Beautiful 3BR/2BA home on 2.54 acres in old nursery plantation. Make this your dream home. \$247,000

READY FOR YOU! MLS# 480840 Cute 3BR 2BA in the country offers 1512 SF 5/35 acres. Very well maintained mobile hm. Deck in back!

ADORABLE! - MLS#406637 Cute 3BR 2.5BA offers 1696 SF, wood floors throughout. One acre lot w/ mature oaks. This is a must see!

HIGH & DRY! - MLS#428488 5.63 acres for you to build your dream home! Surrounded by gorgeous homes. Lg pole barn. Homes only.

WHAT A DEAL! - MLS#473393 Two acres ready to go. Zoned for houses and mobile homes. This property will not disappoint. Large trees & cleared areas.

DREAMS COME TRUE! - MLS#462060 Beautiful new home site available for you to build your dream home in this all brick community. \$45,500

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - MLS#480868 Located on hwy 90. Available 6 m 1716 SF office bldg complete w/floody & cont. room. All wired for data networking, fire alarms, security. Additional equip room with Atlas key system & much more!

COUNTRY SETTING - MLS#467440 One acre homely 7.5 acres. Build your dream home on 15 acres completely cleared and waiting for you! \$265,000

NEW HOME SITES! - MLS#462028 Beautiful new hm site available for you to build your dream home in this all brick community. \$45,900

JAX RANCH CLUB - MLS# 452129 Get away from city by owning this spectacular vacant lot of 2.53 acres. Come canoe & ride horses. \$100,000

WATER FRONT LOT! MLS#473281 This well taken care of 3BR 2BA hm is located on the beautiful St. Mary's River. Don't let this one slip by!

BRING YOUR HORSES! MLS#459119 Beautiful 4BR/3.5BA cedar home on 9.3 acres. Four car garage, 3 fenced grazing areas and pool with spa & much more! \$449,900

THIS IS A MUST HAVE! - MLS# 474344 Looking for a place to call home or a summer retreat... Look no further. Navigable river front property located near public boat ramp. Gorgeous land with 3BR 2BA 2000 doublewide mobile hm.

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Bradford transfer student named MVP for year at awards banquet

Corey Elask was named the Most Valuable Player at the baseball awards banquet in the BCHS auditorium on May 28. Elask was a solid player for Coach John Staples since transferring from Bradford County two years ago. A smart player who hit the ball well and had strong defensive skills,

he led a BCHS team that had the best record of any one in school history at 25-5.

- Other honorees:
- ✓ Travis Tyson won the Leg-end Award.
 - ✓ Best Defensive Player was Chase Bennett.
 - ✓ Best Offensive player was

Chad Schroer.

- ✓ Most Valuable Pitcher was Brad Griffin.
- ✓ BJ Rowe won the Leadership Award.
- ✓ Dalton Raulerson won the Coaches' Award.
- ✓ Jonathan Nix was the Wildcat Award Winner.

Assistant head coach Jami Rodgers got an award for his four years on the coaching staff. Rodgers recently was named head coach of the Lady Wildcats softball team.

Jack Baker also received recognition as "Voice of the Wildcats."

"It was really hard for me personally to say goodbye to these guys," said Coach John Staples. "They have been solid individuals for this baseball program."

Staples was also philosophical about Jami Rodgers' move to the head coaching position of the Lady Wildcat Softball team. "As for losing Jami; he is irreplaceable."



In diesel program

John McNutt, the son of Joyce McNutt of Sanderson, was recently accepted to the University of Northwestern Ohio in Lima, and in August will begin classes in the diesel technology program. John attends the Florida Youth Challenge Academy in Starke.

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Florida teams hot

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If you didn't have reason last weekend to drive south to Gainesville or west to Tallahassee, you do now. Both the Gators and Seminoles won their respective regionals and now look at a three-game series on their home turf that could take them to the College World Series.

The Gators defeated Miami, Jacksonville and Bethune Cookman to advance to the Super Regionals. Along the way they were tested by the Cookman Cougars before winning 8-7.

FSU faced Georgia, Ohio State and Marist in its regional. They too didn't have a breeze, but won all three of their games to host the Super Regional this weekend.

The Gators will face the Southern Miss Eagles in Gainesville on Saturday at 3:00 pm. The Seminoles take on Arkansas at noon on Friday.

Tennis has definitely become a world game. My sons played high school tennis and so they turn on the Tennis Channel or ESPN whenever some big match is going on.

I like to watch tennis, but I prefer women's tennis to men's – they are just more pleasant to watch and the baseline style suits me better. But all that grunting and groaning gets on my nerves.

I watched the French Open, one of the four big tennis events along with Wimbledon, the US Open and the Australian Open. Swiss star Roger Federer had just won his way through to the next round. Spaniard Rafael Nadal, the odds-on favorite, had just lost to the shock and amazement of the commentators.

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