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## County limits sex offenders Must live 2500 ft away from kids

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About four months ago convicted sex offender Allen Bennett was set to be released from prison. This troubled County Commissioner Michael Crews because Mr. Bennett's female victim, still under 12 years old, lives across the street from the man's former home in Sanderson.

"He was going to come back and live at his home," said Mr. Crews. "She's going to be waiting for the bus while he's on the porch in the morning drinking coffee."

Mr. Crews feared that facing her molester, day after day, would re-victimize the girl. He hoped to find a way to stop that from happening.

"I've always been real sensitive toward victims that are minors or children, especially with sexual molestation," said Mr. Crews, the father of two daughters and one son. "I don't think the laws are restrictive enough."

What evolved over the next few months was the county's first sexual offender ordinance, which the Baker County Commission adopted June 2. It prohibits sexual offenders from living within 2500 feet of schools, parks, playgrounds or other places where children regularly congregate.

Florida statutes bar sex offenders from residing within 1000 feet of such places.

The 56 registered sexual offenders now residing in Baker County will not be subject to the tighter restriction, nor can they be penalized if a day care center or school opens up within 2500 feet of their home.

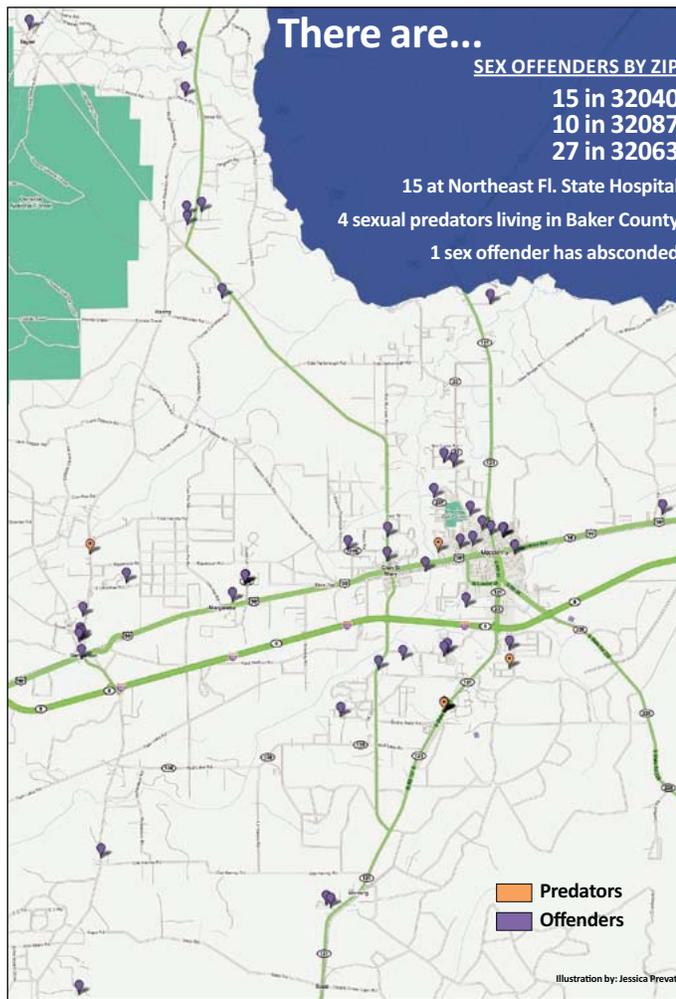
Rather, the ordinance will impact sexual offenders who come to Baker County in the future or those who change their place of residence.

Sex offenders are required by state law to report to the sheriff's department annually with their permanent address, which local law enforcement is tasked with verifying quarterly to ensure they comply with residential restrictions. If they do not, they can be arrested or have charges filed against them with the state attorney's office.

"We just finished that up," said Maj. Gerald Gonzalez, the department's operations chief, regarding the quarterly address checks.

Violation of the 2500-foot prohibition is a misdemeanor that carries a penalty of 60 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine, but for offenders on probation after release from incarceration, a violation could mean additional prison time.

"That's where I think it's most effective," Mr. Crews  
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## Suspected appliance burglar in custody

The sheriff's department believes it has solved grand theft cases involving new appliances and other items from houses under construction in Macclenny dating back to April of 2008.

Police have also charged the suspect, Jay Dee Calvert, 42, of Macclenny, with receiving nearly \$5000 in stolen inventory — mostly power garden tools — taken in a night burglary at Hagan Ace Hardware in east Glen St. Mary on May 8. The suspect's arrest on June 10 followed an alleged confession



Jay Calvert

of involvement in three thefts from homes in the Rolling Meadows subdivision last year.

Investigators received a tip about the suspect's possible link to the crimes following a domestic disturbance involving Mr. Calvert and estranged wife Amy, 33, at her residence off McIver St. the evening of June 9. Maj. Chuck Brannan of the sheriff's department declined specific comment on how the information came available, other than to say responding Deputy Tony Norman spotted a weeder and edger taken in the hardware burglary.

Mrs. Calvert told the officer she borrowed the items from her husband.

Police think Mr. Calvert used his job as a drywall laborer at Rolling Meadows to "scope out" nearly \$2400 in hardware, a clothes washer/dryer and two stoves.

He also admitted involvement in the theft of \$4550 in new appliances including refrigerators, washer/dryers, microwave ovens, stoves and a dishwasher from similar sites in Duval and Clay counties. Five of those items were recovered and being used at his residence off River Circle. Another ten were recovered from a nearby one occupied by the suspect's mother Mary Bezona.

The incident report indicates police were given permission to search both residences, and that some of the appliances were still in boxes on a rear porch at the mother's. Also found in Mr. Calvert's home were two pieces of hanging artwork believed taken in Duval and Clay county.

During questioning last week, the suspect claimed he arranged with a man named Adam to loot the Rolling Meadows homes after construction crews left in the evening. Mr. Calvert said he has known the individual several years and had similar arrangements the

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## Q and A with Representative Janet Adkins

Fresh from her first six months in office as the Florida House representative for District 12, Janet Adkins sat down with *The Press* the afternoon of June 15 to reflect on her part in the battle over privatizing Northeast Florida State Hospital, her legislative accomplishments and aspirations, how her family of four handled her transition to state office and what she's doing now. The following are excerpts from our conversation:

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**did you ever have second thoughts about running for office?**

**Janet Adkins:** I wouldn't say that. I think God puts you in certain places at certain points in your life. He opens doors for you, and expects you to walk through them. I think that this season, this is what I'm supposed to do. I don't have any regrets. It's incredible work.

**BCP: What have you been up to since the session ended?**

**JA:** I have been on a break. I've been going to the different towns giving them legislative updates and economic updates ... Basically going before the school boards and county commissions in their domain to communicate with them on the state of the state. People ask me how do you feel about the state budget. And my response is you need to look at the state budget in light of the state's economy. If you look at it in that light, then you understand

why we made some of the decisions that we did. So you have to take it in context.

**BCP: Looking back on your first six months in office, on a scale of one to 10, how successful do you think you've been?**

**JA:** I think history will play itself out and history will grade me. I will share with you what the majority leader on the closing days of session said to me. He said, 'Janet your session was golden, absolutely golden.' I said, 'I'm simply trying to go home with what I came here with.' And he said, 'Janet, sometimes that's all you can hope for.' In this tough economy, I think that was a very accurate statement ... We actually had some gains though, some significant policy gains.

**BCP: Like what?**

**JA:** One accomplish-

ment was SCOP, the Small County Outreach Program. We had filed house bill 819. We got it heard in one committee and we soon learned that on its own, it would not make it through the

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# Special flower reminds of home

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Last spring, when Dr. Kyle Brown traveled through Australia and New Zealand, he was able to see first hand many examples of those county's unusual plants, trees and flowers. He took almost 1300 photos to document the specimens he saw. One tree turned out to have a particular tie to Macclenny, a Cockspar Coral tree.

Dr. Brown, who is retired, holds advanced degrees in botany and spent much of his career at Lake City Community College as a professor in the golf and landscape management program. In his leisure time he propagates plants on his property north of Glen St. Mary and is active in the Baker County Garden Club.

"For an old botanist like me, that trip to Australia and New



Cockspar Coral blooms.

Zealand was like a dream," he said.

The Cockspar Coral Tree is indigenous to South America. A beautiful tree, it has heart shaped compound leaves and scarlet flowers that bloom in full, heavy bunches. A section of a single bloom forms a distinct curve and gives the tree one of its common names — Cockspar. The tree has other common names as well, among them Cat's Claw, Crybaby, Fireman's Helmet and Lucky Bean.

The bloom of the Cockspar Coral is the national flower of Argentina and Uruguay. The tree is also the official city tree of Los Angeles, where it is often used for ornamental landscaping purposes. When it blooms it produces

a prolific amount of flowers which cover the ground and sidewalks with a thick bright carpet of red when they shed. The tree's bark is distinctive and its wood is light and porous and used in Argentina to construct rafts, model air crafts and beehives.

Years ago Dr. Brown discovered one of the trees growing in Macclenny in the yard of a home on Third Street. He was surprised to make the discovery since the tree was so uncommon to the area and didn't grow in the wild. He knew of the magnificent flower clusters the tree produced and he longed to see it in bloom. As the years went by however, somehow he always missed it.

"I would forget the tree was there, since I seldom go down that street. When I would remember, it would have already bloomed, so I never got to see those wonderful scarlet blossoms," he said.

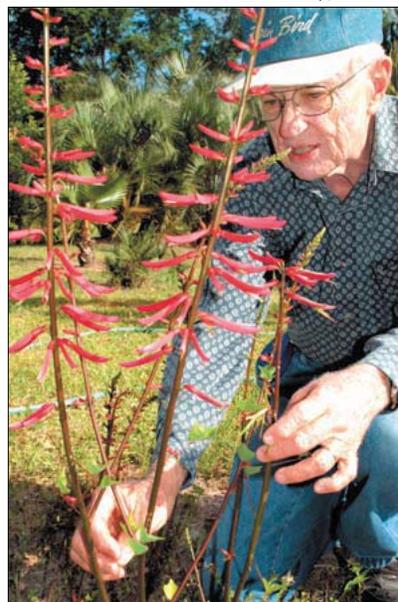
While in Australia, Dr. Brown stumbled on a Cockspar Coral with some strange characteris-

tics. He recognized the distinctive bark, but the tree's structure was unfamiliar. The multiple trunks ended in odd plumbs of leaves, giving the tree an amorphous, knobby appearance. It turned out to be some sort of natural mutation. This tree wasn't in bloom either. He tried to imagine what form the bloom structures on the mutated tree would take. He thought a lot about the unusual tree after returning to the states.

Although the Cockspar Coral is not native to Florida, its cousin, the Coral Bean, does grow here in the wild. Dr. Brown was recently delighted to identify several Coral Bean seedlings growing on his property. Their scarlet flowers, while different from the Cockspar Coral, are also impressive. When they began to produce buds, he got excited. These he would actually get to see bloom.

Then another bit of luck smiled on the old botanist. He was recently driving along Third street and suddenly spotted the Cockspar Coral tree in full bloom.

After years of missing out on seeing the Cockspar Coral bloom he saw the tree's unusual mutated variety, discovered its cousin on his land, and got to see both bloom — all in one season.



Dr. Brown and Coral Bean seedling.

PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

## Limits on offenders

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said of the new law.

He's a former sheriff's deputy and head of security at Northeast Florida State Hospital, which houses 14 local sex offenders, four of whom have been deemed sexual predators. That designation is reserved for repeat sex offenders, those that used violence or whose victims were children.

Mr. Crews says he is disappointed, however, that the new law isn't more restrictive.

"The ordinance didn't accomplish the main thing I wanted — that once an offender is released, they cannot move or live within a certain distance of their victim," he said.

The sexual offender that prompted the ordinance now lives in Jacksonville as a requirement of his probation, but the man could eventually return to his family's home in Sanderson.

"[Probation] is preventing it now, but he can come back," said Mr. Crews.

He said that when researching how restrictive the ordinance could be, the county's attorney Terry Brown discovered the Supreme Court overturned a law prohibiting sexual offenders from residing within 1000 or so feet of his stops.

Baker County's ordinance is as restrictive as possible without conflicting with legal precedent, said Mr. Crews.

The new law also includes a provision to penalize property owners who knowingly rent residences to sexual offenders in violation of the 2500-foot restriction, which Maj. Gonzalez said will be difficult to enforce.

"There's no requirement for the offenders to report [their status] to their landlord... It's one of those deals you can't prove," he said. "That's going to be an issue — enforcing the penalties against landlords."

Anyone interested in searching for sexual offenders in their neighborhood can go to <http://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender>.

## Burglar...

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past two years.

He told investigators, however, he did not know Adam's last name.

The suspect also recounted that on the night of the Ace Hardware burglary, Adam and another male suspect showed up at his house with a white pickup truck full of Stihl power landscaping equipment. Mr. Calvert bought from them the weeder and edger found at his wife's residence.

Maj. Brannan said Mr. Calvert served a prison term in Ohio for stealing, and his wife has a pending shoplifting case. The department has not yet decided whether to charge Mrs. Bezona or the suspect's girlfriend Marjorie Hamm, who may have helped Mr. Calvert move appliances to his mother's residence before police arrived.

He is in county jail charged with grand theft, burglary, trafficking in stolen property, trespass on a construction site and coordinating grand theft, all felonies.

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## Naked driving not that unusual

### THE BACK PORCH

Kelley Lannigan

As it turns out, driving in the nude seems to be a rather active pastime, at least for a certain segment of society.

According to Jacksonville.com, deputies in Ware County recently stopped a man whose car was weaving across his lane. Turns out he was driving without his skivvies. They told him to get his clothes on, keep them on and go home.

I couldn't determine if it's actually against the law in Florida to drive naked. There does seem to be some dictate requiring drivers to wear shoes, but not clothes.

Detroit Lions assistant coach Joe Cullen will not be remembered for his coaching prowess. His notoriety will always be for his arrest record. Back in 2005, the good coach was arrested for driving drunk. The following week he was arrested for driving naked and drunk.

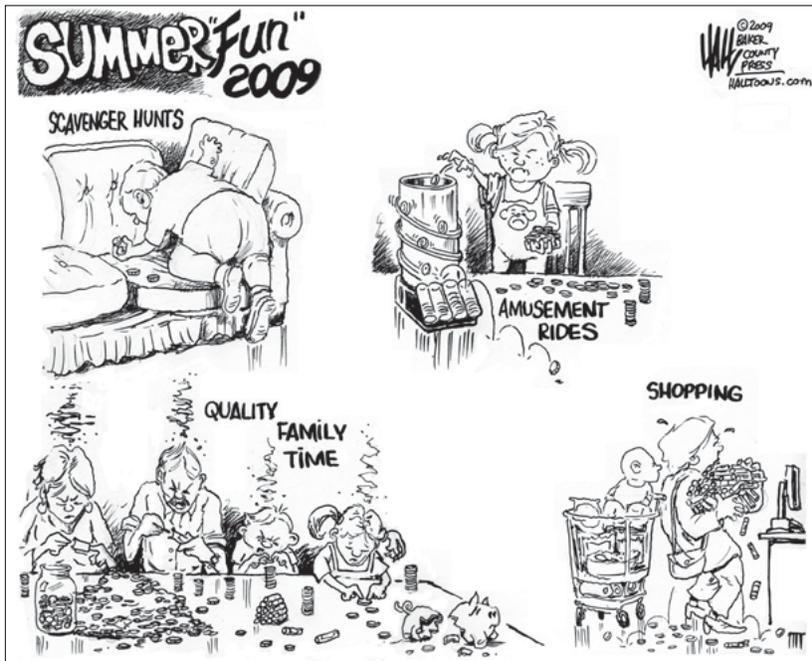
The intoxicated Cullen got a hankering for a burger and some fries which he sought to remedy by going to a Wendy's drive thru. He just forgot to put on his clothes before he left the house. He got his single with cheese and his biggie fries. He got arrested, too.

Actor Robert Downey, Jr., whose reputation for being extremely talented as well as being extremely screwed up, was once arrested for driving his Porsche down Hollywood Boulevard wearing nothing but a smile. You'd think a guy with that kind of money would buy himself a pair of shorts. Then on the other hand, if I was going to drive anything while naked it would definitely be a Porsche. Driving naked in a Mini Cooper just doesn't have the same panache.

In Maine, a 60-year-old woman was pulled over for driving 75 in a 55 mile zone. The arresting officer discovered that she was intoxicated and naked. Her clothes, she claimed, had washed away earlier that morning in a stream.

My favorite incident involved a car that caught on fire at a gas station. The man and woman inside refused to exit the burning vehicle and when the fire department and sheriff's deputies arrived they learned why. The woman was totally naked and the man was wearing only black socks.

These incidents involving arrests usually occur when people have been drinking which in itself



is a prime reason not to hit the bottle too hard. In their inebriated state, people seem to have no reservations about hopping out of their vehicles, resisting arrest and letting it all hang out for the whole world to see.

Dozens of videos on YouTube show actual arrests of drunk, naked drivers. How'd you like for that to be the reason your grand kids remember you?

However, for a large percentage of folks who are perfectly sober and in control of their faculties, driving in the buff seems to be a common practice.

In looking up info for this column I came across a web site that featured naturists blogging about this very subject. If you don't know, naturist is code for someone who practices the nudist lifestyle. Driving nude seems to be a common activity among naturists, especially when returning home from a naturist group outing or when it's really, really hot outside.

This typically is done under cover of darkness when passing truck drivers are less likely to be able to see down into the interior of their vehicles. Naturists recommend keeping a towel and a pair of shorts handy at all times. If you own a home with a remote control garage door you can exit your car without flashing the neighbors and when the police show up.

Personally, I'd rather not have to worry about getting caught *au naturel* and having it end up on YouTube, so I'll just stick to wearing my clothes when I get behind the wheel. And, of course, my shoes.

## Blazé for Father's Day But will enjoy gifts and laziness

Ah, Father's Day.

I was reminded earlier this week that Father's Day is this weekend. My son Dylan, who will be visiting his girlfriend and her family in Utah, wanted to take me to the movies for Father's Day since he'll miss it.

"Oh, is it Father's Day this weekend?"

"Yep. You want to see a movie?"

"I'll wait until you get back. More good stuff will be out then."

"Okay."

There's one of the differences between men and women that I've chronicled in many columns. I sort of knew that Father's Day was in June, maybe, but I had no idea when. I kind of remembered it was sandwiched somewhere between Flag Day and Independence Day, but since I didn't know when Flag Day was, it sort of snuck up on me. Had my family forgot about Father's Day, would I have been terribly disturbed and had my feelings hurt? Would I have given them the cold shoulder and refused to talk to them until they made matters right?

More than likely I wouldn't have remembered myself and when I did find out I would have shrugged and said, "You guys planning on doing something sometime?" That's probably the way most guys would react.

I can't imagine there are a lot of women who would take Mother's Day so nonchalantly. I feel ashamed to admit I am one of those guys who have indeed forgotten Mother's Day and my wedding anniversary.

I just anticipated a gasp of outrage from women readers. Or perhaps an ironic shake of the head as if to say — "Oh yes, I knew it, he's one of those. I should have known it. I've read enough of his columns to realize who it is that we're dealing with here. Oh, yes."

My wife was pretty good about it. She was disappointed and a little hurt that I'd forgotten, but I wasn't so far in the doghouse that I couldn't see the door.

I could see the door. In fact,

### MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD

I have such a clear picture of it that I haven't forgotten Mother's Day since. Or our anniversary for that matter.

I don't think my wife has ever forgotten Father's Day. It just doesn't have much of a place in my life. I know my children love and appreciate me, so I don't really have to have a holiday to celebrate that.

I wouldn't miss Father's Day if it goes away and am a little surprised when it shows up. I like to get presents.

My family is really good about presents, too. I don't own a single, solitary World's Greatest Dad mug. The closest I ever got to that was a tie the kids made for me when they were little. They put their hand prints all over it and drew pictures and wrote stuff on it in fabric paint. I still have it.

Probably the best Father's Day present I ever got was a great charcoal grill. I'm thinking about grilling on it in honor of its second birthday, but like I wrote in last week's column, if I appear on my porch in anything less than a Kevlar suit of armor, the mosquitoes are likely to carry me off. In fact, they'd probably take the grill as well so they could have hot food.

The best thing about birthdays and Father's Day is I get to pick the food. But some guys choose to grill steaks or ribs or hamburgers.

Not me, buddy, I don't want to do that much work on Father's Day. Even if I wasn't in dread danger of being abducted by mosquitoes and their yellow fly henchmen, I still wouldn't grill out.

Father's Day and my birthday are the only two days that I can be legally lazy. As anyone who knows me can easily tell you, I can be plenty lazy on any given day, but these are the only two times I can get away with it without anyone griping.

So, if you come looking for

me on Sunday I will be laying around on the couch watching the USA take on Egypt in the Confederations Cup Soccer Tournament and eating something good that my wife has made for me.

I hope the same is true for all of you dads.

Happy Father's Day, Dads.

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## Stimulus bumpy at local level, but a plus

### On Point In Print

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In light of all the wrangling about what was or wasn't technically "economic stimulus" in the federal package, maybe more time could've been spent smoothing out its implementation.

For the last few months local governments, non-profits and private companies have been getting their ducks in a row to be in the best possible position to receive a slice of the trillions of dollars most of us hope will help put the economy on the road to recovery.

But the State of Florida, short of using the cash to balance its budget in an era of ever falling revenues and increasing expenses, doesn't seem to have a firm grasp on how it — as the intermediary between the feds and us — will dole out the stimulus funds.

As evidenced by this week's story about the impact of the stimulus package on the county's housing assistance program SHIP (see page 5), there remain some kinks to be worked out.

Just to comprehend the impact to this one program was an exercise in concentration, and for local officials, surely one in frustration.

Though the stimulus will give those who haven't owned a home in at least three years \$8000 to live the American dream, it also caused the county to dip into its savings account (those would be your tax dollars) to the tune of \$165,000. That money may, and I stress the word "may," find its way back into the bank next year.

But you also have to consider the other stimulus money that's coming to Baker County — \$800,000 at last count for CR 125 north of Glen St. Mary. Another \$400,000 is coming for law enforcement and the talks been about putting toward rehabilitating the now old jail behind the courthouse.

Considering the number of local residents in the construction business, whether it's plumbing, electrical or laying block or asphalt, this money will put folks here to work. And soon.

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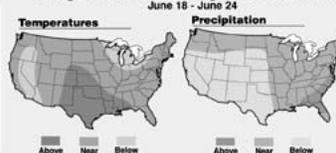
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	<b>HOT</b>	<b>HOT</b>				
Partly sunny and hot	Very hot; chance for an afternoon t-storm	Chance for an afternoon t-storm; very hot	Partly sunny and hot	Partly sunny and humid with a thunderstorm	Rather cloudy, humid; a shower in the p.m.	A shower in the a.m.; mainly cloudy, humid
High: 96° Low: 76°	High: 101° Low: 77°	High: 98° Low: 77°	High: 96° Low: 75°	High: 93° Low: 73°	High: 93° Low: 75°	High: 88° Low: 73°

## Temperature and Precipitation Outlook



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Code Key	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23	Jun 24
First high	10:10 a.m.	12:06 a.m.	1:14 a.m.	2:12 a.m.	3:04 a.m.	3:50 a.m.	4:33 a.m.
First low	4:03 a.m.	5:08 a.m.	6:08 a.m.	7:03 a.m.	7:54 a.m.	8:43 a.m.	9:32 a.m.
Second high	11:01 a.m.	11:52 a.m.	12:48 p.m.	1:32 p.m.	2:23 p.m.	3:14 p.m.	3:59 p.m.
Second low	5:32 p.m.	6:32 p.m.	7:29 p.m.	8:17 p.m.	9:06 p.m.	9:53 p.m.	10:38 p.m.

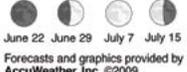
Jacksville Beach	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23	Jun 24
First high	4:12 a.m.	5:11 a.m.	6:10 a.m.	7:07 a.m.	8:04 a.m.	9:01 a.m.	9:58 a.m.
First low	10:38 a.m.	11:32 a.m.	12:26 a.m.	1:23 a.m.	2:17 a.m.	3:09 a.m.	4:00 a.m.
Second high	4:52 p.m.	5:50 p.m.	6:47 p.m.	7:43 p.m.	8:39 p.m.	9:34 p.m.	10:28 p.m.
Second low	11:29 p.m.	—	12:28 p.m.	1:23 p.m.	2:19 p.m.	3:14 p.m.	4:06 p.m.

Mayport	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23	Jun 24
First high	4:40 a.m.	5:42 a.m.	6:43 a.m.	7:43 a.m.	8:41 a.m.	9:39 a.m.	10:37 a.m.
First low	10:34 a.m.	11:29 a.m.	12:31 a.m.	1:29 a.m.	2:23 a.m.	3:16 a.m.	4:08 a.m.
Second high	5:25 p.m.	6:24 p.m.	7:22 p.m.	8:19 p.m.	9:15 p.m.	10:10 p.m.	11:04 p.m.
Second low	11:32 p.m.	—	12:26 p.m.	1:23 p.m.	2:19 p.m.	3:14 p.m.	4:10 p.m.

St. Augustine	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22	Jun 23	Jun 24
First high	4:18 a.m.	5:17 a.m.	6:16 a.m.	7:13 a.m.	8:10 a.m.	9:07 a.m.	10:04 a.m.
First low	10:40 a.m.	11:34 a.m.	12:28 a.m.	1:25 a.m.	2:19 a.m.	3:11 a.m.	4:02 a.m.
Second high	4:58 p.m.	5:56 p.m.	6:53 p.m.	7:49 p.m.	8:45 p.m.	9:40 p.m.	10:34 p.m.
Second low	11:31 p.m.	—	12:30 p.m.	1:25 p.m.	2:20 p.m.	3:14 p.m.	4:08 p.m.

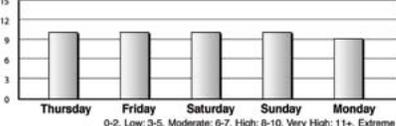
### Sun and Moon

Sunrise Thursday	6:27 a.m.
Sunset Thursday	6:33 p.m.
Moonrise Thursday	2:24 a.m.
Moonset Thursday	4:19 p.m.



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### Almanac

Jacksonville week ending Monday, Jun 15	
Temperature	High/Low for the week: 95°/69°
Normal high/low	89°/65°
Average temperature	82.7°
Normal average temperature	78.7°
Precipitation	Total for the week: trace
Total for the month	2.48"
Total for the year	30.68"
Normal for the month	2.52"
Normal for the year	19.91"

### 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 18	7:30 a.m.	1:18 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	1:41 p.m.
Jun 19	8:13 a.m.	2:01 a.m.	8:38 p.m.	2:26 p.m.
Jun 20	9:00 a.m.	2:46 a.m.	9:28 p.m.	3:14 p.m.
Jun 21	9:52 a.m.	3:37 a.m.	10:22 p.m.	4:07 p.m.
Jun 22	10:49 a.m.	4:33 a.m.	11:21 p.m.	5:05 p.m.
Jun 23	11:51 a.m.	5:35 a.m.	—	6:08 p.m.
Jun 24	12:24 a.m.	6:41 a.m.	12:21 p.m.	7:13 p.m.

### River Levels

	Flood stage	Monday	24-hour change
St. John's at Jacksonville	10.58	—	-0.09
St. Marks at Newport	7.0	6.58	-0.01
Auclita at Lamont	9.0	6.53	+0.49
Santa Fe at Fort White	24.0	22.34	-0.02
Suwannee at White Springs	77.0	62.51	-0.44

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# Rep. Adkins Q and A ...

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run process. We were just going to full out of time. But what we needed to do was get that language, those 11 words included in another bill. So the essence of house bill 819 was passed in the closing days of session. What we can now do — this affects Baker, Bradford, Union, Nassau — it impacts SCOP. Before it could only resurface roads, now it can pave dirt roads, repair county bridges and deal with drainage issues. We got that passed on the last day of session.

**JA:** Another win we had was with Medicaid reform. We did a health care forum in Nassau County a week before we went into session. We had a Medicaid reform bill we had filed and we knew we would end up making amendments to it so we filed it as a place holder and then we were trying to gather community input on the problems and challenges of Medicaid reform. It affects Duval, Nassau, Baker and Clay. So four of the six counties [in District 12] are impacted by Medicaid reform. And what virtually all the health departments in District 12 shared with me, and some of the people in the hospitals, what they told me was that under Medicaid reform, the state law had set up a three-year window whereby they would continue what's called fee-for-service. But in September 2009, that fee-for-service was to transition into something called capitated rates. What the health departments, hospitals and doctors told us, and provider service networks, they said, 'Janet, when we're forced to go to capitated rates in September 2009, it's going to be absolutely devastating.'

**BCP:** How is that [capitated rate] defined?

**JA:** The whole premise behind Medicaid reform was to drive down Medicaid costs. So you've got this pool of Medicaid recipients. For three years the idea was to gather historical data to define the numbers that would go into a formula that would then be used in what's called capitated rates, OK. But for the first three years, they were going to be paid like everybody else in the state, fee-for-service. After gathering the statistical data, they would go to capitated rates, which meant

that it would put a cap on the amount of money they would receive based on historical usage.

**BCP:** It adjusts for inflation doesn't it?

**JA:** I don't know how the details of the formula work. What I know is that the health departments were very concerned. I had Baker, Clay, Nassau and Duval, all singing the same song about how Medicaid reform had hurt the counties. I'll give you an example. Duval was the first county to go under Medicaid reform, and then Baker, Clay and Nassau went in a year later ... It has put us in a different classification if you will, and I believe in this economy at a bit of a disadvantage. We have felt the pinch of Medicaid reform where as the rest of the state hasn't. You take that forward to September 2009, and you go to capitated rates, we're feeling even more of a pinch than what the rest of the state is. It's like death by a couple hundred cuts. So what we were able to do is get language inserted that extends the transition point to capitated rates from September 2009 to September 2011.

**BCP:** Isn't that just going to forestall the inevitable?

**JA:** Maybe, but here's the issue. Medicaid reform is a five-year pilot. After the first three years, they said you're going to capitated rates. But the state legislature has not made the decision to expand Medicaid reform to the rest of the state. That policy decision has not been made. When I pressed the issue, they would say, 'We're not expanding Medicaid reform this year.' Well, if you're not expanding it, don't penalize my district when you're not willing to make that policy jump. I don't know if Medicaid reform will be expanded, but in two years, that decision will have to be made. At that point, that pilot is over and something has to be done.

**BCP:** So the hospital, SCOP and Medicaid reform are probably the three issues or accomplishments you're most proud of from this session?

**JA:** I would say so, yeah.

**BCP:** How about any goals that didn't get reached or that you want to hit again next session?

**JA:** There was one big one that we could not, could not, get moving this session. It was the reduction of business regulations on small businesses. We will continue to work that issue and try that again next session. We'll do that because, you look at this economy, the key is jobs. The key to Florida's economic recovery is jobs. And so, I believe Florida has to look at ways to reduce regulation on business, specifically small business, so we can get in a posture of attracting new jobs and new companies to Florida. We've got to diversify our economy.

**BCP:** Have you targeted any specific sectors or regulations or agencies like FDEP or anything like that?

**JA:** What I hope is that this will be across the board. What we are going to be doing over the next six months, is working with committee staff with a small business advisory group to get this across the board — I mean DEP can sometimes pose big barriers to business and businesses relocating to Florida.

**BCP:** From the family side, what kind of adjustment was it for them and for yourself, working in Tallahassee, doing the commuting, etc.?

**JA:** The commute is actually much better than I anticipated. If you can imagine, it's only three hours and two minutes to Tallahassee, and you talk to other lawmakers throughout Florida and they will drive from Tallahassee to Jacksonville so they can catch an airplane to Miami. When you think about what they're going through, three hours and two minutes is a breeze. You turn on the radio, put music on, and the next thing you know you're pulling in the driveway. So it's not that difficult. The family thing went a lot easier than I expected.

Now the last three weeks were challenging. What we did was just take it one week at a time. That's all you could do ... The calendar comes out on Thursday or Friday, so you didn't know until the Thursday or Friday before when you needed to be there. We just took the stance as a family to take it one week at a time and that worked. When you're committed, you find a way. And I'm happy to say my kids still did good in school.

**BCP:** What do you find to be the best part of your job?

**JA:** The best part is being out in the community. It's the great honor of being able to represent the people back home. That really came home loud and clear on the NEFSH [Northeast Florida State Hospital] issue.

We fought that battle three times and won three times. First we fought it in the special session. When we determined it was outside the call of session, and they tried to sneak it in, we called the rules on them, literally. I called the rules chairman on his cell. His response was, 'Janet, I trust Marcello [Lorente].' And I thought this is not good because he's calling him by his first name. He said, 'But I'll look into it.' I said, 'OK Mr. Chairman. I'd appreciate it if you would.' Then we won it at the committee level [during the regular session] ... It had shown up again. I got the call Thursday, April 1, April Fools Day, that Chairman Zapata had taken [privatization language] out. Fortunately I was still near Tallahassee the next day, Friday April 2, when I got the phone call [that privatization was put back in overnight].

**BCP:** What was your reaction to that phone call?

**JA:** Utter disbelief. It was, 'You're kidding.' Then I got a little bit angry. So I left the meeting. I was in and headed back to the capitol ... I headed back to my office to file amendments and I learned that five o'clock was the

deadline to file amendments. So I began to put together as many amendments as I could think of. I put together four. At ten till five I was on the second floor of the capitol filing amendments when my cell phone rang. It was the speaker. I'd been on the phone so much that the call got disconnected because my battery died, but not until after I'd told him, 'Mr. Speaker I want you to know I'm on the second floor filing amendments. I understand the deadline is five o'clock. I will make the deadline and would like to talk to you about them. And I understand I can withdraw from me, not through the grape vine, I'm filing these amendments.' And I said, 'In fact, if you're still at the capitol, I'll come talk to you now.' No, no, no, I'm on my way home. I'm like, 'OK. We'll talk on Monday.' The next Monday I find myself in his office explaining my amendments. What I learned was that when you file amendments, other people can file amendments to your amendment. That's what happened. Of my four amendments, only one of them eliminated the privatization language. So what they did, was have somebody else file an amendment to my amendment that basically put the privatization language back in.

**BCP:** At that late hour?

**JA:** No, there's a different deadline for filing amendments to amendments. By the time I got back in on Monday they'd filed the amendment to my amendment. What I didn't know at that time was that I could file a substitute amendment to her amendment. I could have ended her amendment to my amendment. There's four layers. There's the amendment, the amendment

to the amendment, there's a substitute amendment and then an amendment to the substitute amendment. OK. Once you get those four layers of amendment, it stops. But I didn't know that trick yet.

**BCP:** They were probably counting on you not knowing.

**JA:** Exactly ... There's a lot to learn. So we knew we didn't have the votes at the council level to win. So we withdrew the amendments, because you always want to preserve your position. You don't want to force a vote and force the council or house to take a position, and not preserve your position for the next round. After the council level, we still had the house floor level, which is where we ended up defeating it in special session. At the house floor, we were close when I tried to count votes. So we withdrew again. We presented again, but we didn't force the vote and force the house to take that position, because it would've compromised our position at conference.

**BCP:** What's the toughest part about being a house representative?

**JA:** There's so much to learn. That's the toughest part. Fortunately, I came in with 10 years of experience at the local level. I can't begin to imagine those who would go in without any experience or understanding of education or health care or whatever.

**BCP:** Is there anything else you'd like to say to the people of Baker County?

**JA:** It's just an honor to represent Baker County. I've got a world of respect for the Baker County community. The community spirit I personally witnessed, the community caring, was absolutely incredible.

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# Stimulus complicates SHIP

## Changes unclear as county chips in \$165K

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Faced with the possibility of no funding for the county's housing assistance program from July 1 through December 1, the Baker County Commission authorized using about \$165,000 from its roughly \$7 million in reserves June 16 to ensure five projects already under way in the program get completed.

The projects — two new homes and three home rehabilitations — are part of the county's SHIP (State Housing Initiatives Partnership) program, which offers eligible citizens grants for repairing their homes, building new homes or making down payments.

But because the Florida legislature used federal stimulus dollars to fund the SHIP program in the 2009-10 fiscal year, which begins July 1, the rules governing how the grants work are changing, at least through December 1, when stimulus-related restrictions are set to expire.

But county officials still aren't clear on what the changes will mean.

"The rules aren't even out yet," County Manager Joe Cone told the commission.

He said the details will be released July 22 by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, the state agency that administers federal SHIP funds.

Baker County typically receives about \$350,000 each year to fund SHIP projects and the program's administration, and that's not expected to change. But right now the county only has \$22,200 left in SHIP funds and was depending on another disbursement in July to complete the five ongoing projects.

However, Mr. Cone said the stimulus package restrictions will limit the use of that money solely to down payment assistance in the amount of \$8000 per recipient and only buyers that haven't owned a home in three or more years will be eligible.

SHIP program manager Arlene Griffin said there's only been three recipients of down payment assistance (up to \$20,000 per buyer under current rules) since she started administering the funds here three years ago.

After covering administrative costs for the program, namely Ms. Griffin's salary and benefits, the county will be looking for 28 eligible recipients of the \$8000 home buyer incentive.

"That's probably not going to happen," said Mr. Cone. "The demand's not there."

Nonetheless, he said the county will advertise for the program.

He said recipients will get a check and have 18 months to pay the county back, presumably using a \$8000 bonus for first-time home buyers (or those who haven't owned a home in three years) on federal tax returns.

Mr. Cone further explained that the expiration date on the new SHIP rules is expected to be December 1, which only gives the county about five months to disburse the stimulus money unless Congress extends the date.

The immediate problem though was funding the five projects awarded in April at a cost of about \$188,000.

Mr. Cone recommended using reserve money and remaining SHIP funds to honor the existing construction contracts and finish the projects.

"I think we need to make that fund whole and honor our contracts," said Commissioner Gordon Crews.

The remaining three board members agreed — Commissioner Alex Robinson was absent from the meeting due to a death in his family.

"I'm not surprised something came from Washington that leaves a person with common sense scratching their head," commented Commissioner Michael Crews.

In other business, the board: Approved revised scopes for design work on two road improvement projects, greatly reducing the consultant's fees for both.

Changes to the scope of improvements to South CR 229 reduced the fee of Eisman & Russo Inc. of Jacksonville from \$116,906 to \$65,832. The improvements include resurfacing the 7-mile stretch from I-10 south to the Union County line.

The same action was taken for the consultant's design work relating to improvements on CR 23A. The fee was reduced from \$347,435 to \$271,669, a reduction of about \$76,000. That project includes resurfacing and sidewalks from SR 121 north to about Fern Street, roughly 5 miles.

Both projects are being funded through state grants from SCOP (Small County Outreach Program) and SCRAP (Small County Road Assistance Program).

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Your input is requested no later than June 30, 2009.

For further information, contact Debra R. Melvin, Director of ESE/ Student Services at (904) 259-7825.

# High school gets new leader in district's employee shuffle

In what has become known as the "summer shuffle," newly elected School Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson made her first major personnel change earlier this week — all in the administrative ranks.

The results:  
• Tom Hill, a former math teacher and vice-principal at Baker County High School, moves into the principal slot effective July 7. He replaces Johnnie Jacobs, who will take over the district transportation office.

• Debbie Fraser, now an assistant principal at Macclenny Elementary, takes the reins at the PreK/Kindergarten Center in Macclenny. She replaces Alice Faye Sinclair, a retired administrator who filled in the latter part of the school year when Mrs. Raulerson took over as superintendent.

• Gary Pelham, who headed up the transportation department eight years, moves over to assistant principal at the middle school.

The shuffle resulted in others moving laterally into school administrative desks:

• Jennifer Payne leaves as assistant principal at Keller Intermediate to take Mr. Hill's place at BCHS.

• Denise Mann will move to Macclenny Elementary replacing Ms. Fraser as assistant principal.

• Bonnie Jones vacates as assistant principal at PreK and moves to the same slot at Keller replacing Ms. Payne.

Superintendent Raulerson said for the time being she is not replacing Glenn McKendree as associate superintendent. The longtime district administrator and former principal is retiring this month.

Assistant principal posts at both the high school and PreK will remain open for now, she said, and may be filled by teachers on a temporary basis. She expects to make those appointments in July.

The new superintendent says she is aware the shuffle marks her first major policy move since taking office late last year.

"I've been colleagues with these people [when she was principal at PreK] and now I have to step back and see the whole picture; it's very complex and difficult," remarked the superintendent. "I spent a lot of time in each school lately, and I made the decisions based on what I believe will make the biggest positive impact."

Supt. Raulerson described the initial reaction to the shifts on Monday as "positive."

The appointments will be on the school board's agenda for early July.

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# Probation flouting Repeat violator gets 18 months

A repeat probation violator was sentenced to an 18-month state prison term after he entered a plea in circuit court on June 15.

Nathan Collett, 29, of Jacksonville had most recently violated terms of his probation in a 2007 grand theft case by trespassing and vandalizing an ex-girlfriend's trailer in January, and changing his residence without notifying a probation officer. He also is charged in Duval County with stealing 20 pairs of jeans from a retail store on Roosevelt Blvd. in February.

Mr. Collett's court record indicates he was sent to prison in 2002 for violating a Clay County probation, and again the next year violated by absconding from supervision.

Judge James Nilon sentenced a north county couple to house arrest and probation

after accepting a plea agreement on twin counts of child abuse.

Paul A. Raulerson, 40, and Jennifer L. Raulerson, 35, were arrested on third-degree felony charges earlier this year for beating Mr. Raulerson's 10-year-old daughter on the buttocks with a paddle. The girl went to a neighbor's residence off Auzzie Harvey Rd. near Taylor, and the neighbor called police after noting bruises on the child's body.

The Raulersons will be on drug offender house arrest a year, followed by three years on drug offender probation. The are to have no contact with the child, undergo mental health evaluation and counseling.

In other sentences:  
• Nicholas Boatright will serve a 90-day jail sentence followed by three months on

house arrest and three years on probation after pleading to fraud and felony petty theft.

Maurice Givens will be on house arrest three months for sale of cocaine. Judge Nilon revoked an earlier probation in the 2006 case.

Christopher Cole was ordered back to county jail for 180 days less 54 days already served for grand theft auto. He will be on probation after release.

These defendants were sentenced to probation: Larry Carter one year for child neglect; Joshua Geiger one year for improper exhibition of a firearm; Alicia Dost 18 months for felony defrauding a second-hand dealer.

# Sanderson truck missing

A 2002 Chevrolet pickup was reported stolen from an address on Columbia St. in Sanderson during the early morning hours of June 12.

The truck belonging to Erica Snyder of Sanderson, had been driven there by a daughter visiting her boyfriend. They and other acquaintances had gone to the homes of friends during the night, and when the daughter returned to the boyfriend's residence the next morning before 7:00 it was gone.

The daughter told Deputy Daniel Nichols she left the keys in the vehicle.

Robert Daglin, who lives at the address, said he heard a vehicle leave the area at a high rate of speed about 2:00 am.

Lisa Thomas reported a CD player/radio was removed from her 1994 Ford sedan during the night on June 14. The unit was valued at \$300 and the car was parked at her residence off Orbey Rhoden Rd. near Glen St. Mary.

Ms. Thomas told Deputy Randy Davis a Ford truck was

parked next to the car and had a more valuable radio in it, along with the ignition key. It was not disturbed.

In a vandalism case, Harold Moore, 18, of Macclenny was charged the evening of June 9 after he allegedly broke three windows at a residence

on Quail Ave. Mr. Moore, who was standing nearby when Deputy Matt Sigers arrived about 7:00, initially denied involvement but was implicated by a young female witness.

The officer retrieved several small pieces of concrete at the foot of the windows.

# Unlicensed driver caught for 18th time

Oscar Hightower of Jacksonville and Woodrow Joyner of Macclenny were found behind the wheel June 13 without valid driver's licenses, both had arrest warrants from outside the county and Mr. Hightower had 17 current license suspensions.

He was driving a 1995 GMC truck with a cracked windshield eastbound on US 90 about 1:30 that afternoon when pulled over by Deputy Matthew Sigers.

As the officer approached, Mr. Hightower, 41, of W. Beaver St., exited the truck and told the officer he didn't have a license.

A computer check showed the suspect to be an habitual traffic offender with numerous license suspensions and two warrants from Duval County.

Mr. Hightower was taken to county jail and cited for driving while license suspended and the

faulty windshield. The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office was also notified of the arrest.

Mr. Joyner, 39, of Brent Lane, was heading north on South 6th Street in his 1990 Toyota sedan when spotted about 6:45 by Deputy Patrick McGauley, who was familiar with the suspect and his lack of a valid driver's license.

The officer conducted a traffic stop on Willis Hodges Rd. at Buck Starling Rd. where Mr. Joyner advised he didn't have a license. A check with dispatch confirmed same and turned up an arrest warrant for traffic offenses from Charlton County, Ga.

He was taken to jail and his truck given to a family member. Deputy McGauley also noted in his report that Charlton County denied extradition on the warrant.

# Shoplifting cases of beer

A Sanderson man is accused of attempting to shoplift four cases of beer from the Walmart Supercenter on June 9, and of battery for punching a store employee who attempted to stop him from leaving the store.

Bobby Barnes, 28, was arrested at his residence off Jack Dugger Rd. that evening after he was identified via a surveillance video. He admitted the offenses during questioning at the jail annex.

Deputy Randy Davis said Mr. Barnes was spotted by a store security worker placing the beer in a cart, then pushed it toward the exit. When the employee confronted him, Mr. Barnes shoved the cart back into the store, and struck employee Kenneth Paige in the shoulder and upper arm when he attempted to restrain him.

Deputy Davis' report notes that Mr. Paige had already identified the accused.

Mr. Barnes was taken into custody by Deputy Jerald Peterson.

In another theft case that occurred at Walmart, Patricia Clark of Macclenny reported her purse stolen from the parking lot pavement where she inadvertently left it the morning of June 10.

Ms. Clark told police she set the purse down while putting oil in her vehicle about 7:30, then returned almost two hours later and it was gone. It contained a debit card, check book, \$30 cash and a cell phone.

A surveillance video from the afternoon of June 8 shows a black male with a white beard conning a cashier at the Macclenny Food Lion out of \$51 using the "quick change" technique.

The suspect entered the store with two other males about 4:00.

Another video, this one at Wachovia bank in Macclenny, allegedly shows Glen Rafuse of Macclenny attempting to cash a check that had been written to Nicholas Hatcher, who lives near the suspect in the Deerwood settlement off SR 228 south.

The suspect, who is related by marriage to the victim, may have taken the check from a cluster of mailboxes in the neighborhood.

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# Drugs found in pickup

Marijuana seeds, cocaine, a digital scale and several small plastic bags were found in a pick-up truck June 12 by its owner, who was attempting to recover the vehicle from Jeremy Griffis of Macclenny at the latter's place of employment in Glen St. Mary.

The owner of the 2001 Ford F-250, Bradley Hall, 30, of Glen was accompanied by Justin Piner, 31, of Jacksonville, who advised they call police after making the discovery at 10167 Kinghorn Rd.

Deputy Earl Lord met the pair at Oak Ridge Lane, where Mr. Hall said that Mr. Griffis, 28, has had the truck for several months and attempts to contact him to return the vehicle have been unsuccessful.

The officer confirmed the presence of the drugs and drug sales paraphernalia — including 13 grams of a white powdery substance that tested positive for cocaine — were placed into evidence.

No arrests had been made as of early this week and the case remains under investigation.

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# Rotary's Cambodia outreach

## Baker club doing its part

**KELLEY LANNIGAN**  
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The Baker County Rotary Club took a peek into the lives of rural Cambodians and what Rotary International is doing to rejuvenate the country during a presentation from the Gainesville chapter's Elena Casson on June 3.

Ms. Casson has visited Cambodia several times in conjunction with Rotary International's support of Sustainable Cambodia, an international non-profit organization working to help the rural villages create a sustainable way of life through the construction of wells, irrigation systems and schools.

The group also runs health, nutrition and medical programs.

Rotary International's role is to provide funding for clean water and irrigation projects. In 2008, the Baker County Rotary helped fund a clean water well in a rural village. The club has also donated \$500 toward another well to be constructed in the near future.

"A clean water well means everything to a village. Cambodia is a country that has either seasonal flood or drought conditions. When the drought comes there may be little or no water for five months," said Ms. Casson.

During the drought season, villagers may hike miles every day to a source of water, often muddy and unclear. Even if a school is available, children may not attend because of the hours they spend carrying water home to their families.

As Ms. Casson explained, because of the climate, most rural Cambodians can only maintain a subsistence level existence, planting rice during the wet season and facing starvation during the dry.

A village well changes all that, with fresh drinking water and water for irrigation so crops can be grown year round. When not faced with drought and potential starvation, villagers have time and energy to devote to other pursuits such as vocational and adult literacy training and projects for the betterment of the community.

"A well makes all the difference, because there is consistent water for people, animals and crops," said Ms. Casson. "Physically,



Elena Casson accepts a check for \$500 from Rotary president Cindi Ray.

PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

Cambodians have been behind normal developmental standards because of a lack of protein in their diets. Because of Sustainable Cambodia programs, children are growing up healthier.

Clean water wells are just part of the empowerment model Sustainable Cambodia is working to establish in a country whose industry and culture were nearly wiped out by the communist Khmer Rouge government during the late 1970s.

Members of the Baker County Rotary Club were aware, as most people are, that Cambodia suffered greatly during the Vietnam War, but had little idea of the harmful practices that continued by the government in the years that followed. The devastating effects are still being felt decades later. Ms. Casson shared information about some of those practices.

"The Khmer Rouge murdered 20 million

of their own people — anyone with an education or professional affiliation — because they wanted to wipe out all western influence.

"They wanted a totally agrarian society that grew only rice, so they strip-cut the entire country, getting rid of much of the indigenous vegetation. As a result there were no more bees."

Without bees as pollinators the country became barren. Restoring active hives and teaching villagers the art of beekeeping is just one of the many ways Sustainable Cambodia is helping rural villagers re-establish the land.

Other programs include the pass-on farm animal program, day care and early childhood education, literacy and mobile libraries, health care, micro-business and loan programs.

"The country is coming back and it's a wonderful thing to see," said Ms. Casson.

# Angels and Demons is a real thrill ride

Earlier this year, in preparation for the movie *Angels and Demons* coming out I re-read the Dan Brown novel. Brown wrote the book before *The Da Vinci Code* became an international phenomenon and it contains his protagonist, the Harvard symbology professor Robert Langdon (Tom Hanks).

Ron Howard returned to direct the movie which is much more action-packed than *The Da Vinci Code*. *Angels and Demons* languished in obscurity until *The Da Vinci Code* became a hit and then it too became a best seller.

Howard pulled a few strings with the script and placed the story after, not before, the events in the first film. Like *The Da Vinci Code*, the plot is a little convoluted. But here's a quick synopsis.

A pope has died under unusual and suspicious circumstances. The College of Cardinals is going into seclusion to pick a new one. Meanwhile the Swiss Guard, the Vatican police, call Langdon in because a murder has been committed. The murderer has stolen a particle of anti-matter that is as powerful as an atomic bomb and branded the word *Illuminati* on his victim.

The *Illuminati* was a secret society of scientists who allegedly conspired against the Catholic Church and were wiped out. The *Illuminati* took responsibility for the killing and also captured four of the leading candidates for pope.

Langdon is briefed by the Camerlengo, the pope's secretary (Ewan McGregor) and with the help of scientist Vittoria Vetra (Ayelet Zurer) whose anti-matter was stolen, Langdon has to track down the anti-matter and save the cardinals. Langdon researches the *Illuminati* and discovers four churches where the cardinals might be held. Time is of the essence, since one cardinal will be murdered each hour leading up to midnight, when the anti-matter will explode.

It's a difficult story because it is so full of plot twists and difficult information that has to get across to the audience without losing the dramatic drive. Howard is an expert at juggling action and exposition and he does it with flair.

Langdon is much more a man of action than in the first film. He is chasing a crazed killer and is always one step behind.

The film was shot on location in Rome and the ancient city is a fabulous backdrop to the action. The Vatican was only mildly cooperative with the filmmakers, though in truth, the Church comes across in a much better light in this film than it did in *The Da Vinci Code*.

Hanks is, as usual, excellent, but Vetra was wasted. The female lead really just tags along rather than having the pivotal role that Audrey Tautou had in the first film.

It is Hanks' film. He drives the action and is strong and capable as Langdon. He also looks a lot better and that awful haircut that got so much ridicule is toned down.

I can't talk about the plot without giving away too many secrets, but suffice it to say that *Angels and Demons* is a real thrill ride that should keep *Da Vinci Code* fans happy.

It's rated PG 13; I give it 3 out of 4 stars.

# Livestock workshop

Local cattle producers are invited to participate in a cow-calf best management practices workshop on Tuesday, June 23 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at the Baker County Agriculture Center.

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Florida Cattlemen's Association and the University of Florida recently adopted best management practices for Florida producers. This program will provide producers with key information on the use of the new BMP Manual, enrollment process, soil testing, and forage production as it relates to water quality.

BMP's are practices or combinations of practices that based on research, field testing, and expert review are determined to be the most effective and practical means for improving water quality. The manual outlines practices for

nutrient management, water sources, integrated pest management, prescribed grazing, prescribed burns, handling animal mortality and erosion control measures among others.

There is a \$5 registration fee that will include dinner at 6:00 and materials. The program begins at 6:30. Pre-registration is required by calling the Baker County extension office at 259-3520 before Monday, June 22.

## Wildcat Football Booster Club

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Luke Morgan Miner

**Brother arrives**

Proud parents Tony Miner and Lenora Vines, along with brother Connor, would like to announce the birth of son and brother, Luke Morgan Miner.

Luke was born at Baptist South at 6:42 am on May 28, 2009 weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. He was 20 1/2" long.

Grandparents are Morgan and Annette Vines of Taylor, and Amy Weatherford of Jacksonville.



Landon James Epperson

**Son born June 10**

Steven and Sarah (Swartz) Epperson of Jacksonville are pleased to announce the birth of their first child Landon James Epperson. He was born at 9:56 am June 10, 2009 at Orange Park Medical Center weighing 8 lbs. He was 20 1/2" long.

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Kaitlyn Grace Shivers

**Daughter is born**

Craig and Amanda Shivers of Macclenny are proud to announce the birth of daughter Kaitlyn Grace Shivers, on June 11, 2009 at St. Vincent's Medical Center. Kaitlyn weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19" long.

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**Award recipient speaks at Woman's Club May 21**

Brooke Potts, a rising junior at Baker County High School, was a featured speaker at the Macclenny Woman's Club meeting May 21. Ms. Potts was selected by the school guidance department as the recipient of a 2009 Hugh O'Brian Leadership Training scholarship given annually by the woman's club. The scholarships are awarded to sophomores who have demonstrated or show potential leadership ability. Ms. Potts spoke about her experiences at Northeast Florida leadership training held in Tallahassee May 15-17. "It was immediately apparent why she was chosen," said Woman's Club President Trilby Crews. "Her positive attitude, speaking, organizational and public relations skills were most impressive."

**Summer camps...**

The Baker County extension service is offering the following programs and events this summer:

- ✓ Shooting sports day camp (archery) - June 23-25 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm for ages 8-18. Have fun learning about and shooting archery; cost \$50. Registration deadline June 19. New location: Baker County Agricultural Center.

- ✓ Jr. master gardener day camp - June 29-July 2 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm for age 8-18. Learn about plants, insects, wildlife, and gardening with hands-on activities; cost \$50. Registration deadline extended to June 23. Also at the ag center.

- ✓ Hay field day - June 30 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Program open to all livestock, horse, and hay producers; \$5 registration fee covers lunch and educational materials. Located at Mark Randall Farms, Wellborn, Florida.

- ✓ Environmental day camp - July 20-24 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm for ages 8-18. Guest speakers, environmental activities, aquatic environment and fishing; cost \$50. Registration deadline July 13. Held at Shoals Park.

- ✓ Crafty campers day camp - August 3-7 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm for ages 8-18. Enjoy a week of arts and crafts and sewing; cost \$50. Registration deadline July 27; at the ag center.

*Baker County High School Class of 1999 Reunion*

The BCHS class of 1999 is sponsoring a ten-year reunion on October 3, 2009 at 7:00 pm. The reunion will be held at the Comfort Inn Oceanfront at Jacksonville Beach. The cost is \$50 per person. Please mail payments to Kyla Taylor at 106 West Blvd., Macclenny. For more information please call 259-4307.

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**Health fair June 27**

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**Jack Alexander, 68, of Macclenny**

Jack Alexander, 68, of Macclenny died June 08, 2009 at home. Mr. Alexander, a native of Jeff Davis County, GA was born January 10, 1941 and was the son of the late Lamar & Mary Magieleen Tindol Alexander.

Survivors include daughter Ann Watts of Macclenny; sons Jackie Alexander of Jacksonville, Tony Alexander & Terrell Alexander of Macclenny; sister Marilyn Moody of Melbourne; brother Lamar Alexander Jr. of Baldwin; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held on June 12 at 2:00 pm at the Chapel of Sims Funeral Home with Rev. Albert Starling officiating. Interment followed in the Broxton City Cemetery near Broxton, GA. Pallbearers were Paul David Alexander, Charles Alexander Jr., Kevin Alexander, Jeremy Watts, Jason Watts, Troy Alexander & Aubrey Johns. Sims Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**'Ed' Horne, 69, USMC veteran**

Harry Edward "Ed" Horne passed away June 11, 2009 after a lengthy illness. He was born March 8, 1940 in Jacksonville and was a longtime resident. Mr. Horne moved to Macclenny for several years until ill health made it necessary for him to return to Jacksonville. He served in the United States Marine Corps and the US Merchant Marines, then worked for Cemex until an injury caused him to retire.



Harry Horne

Mr. Horne was a member of the Mt. Olive Church of Christ in Live Oak. He was preceded in death by father Kenneth Edward Horne in 1952; mother Gladys D. Horne Smith in 2004; sisters Inell Rachel Bullard in 2008 and Francis Sheffield Mitchell in 2004; stepson Chuck Warner in 1995.

Survivors include devoted wife of 30 years, Maxine Warner Horne; daughters Rosalyn Dalton, Debbie Rourke, and Diane Yarbrough; brothers Kenneth W. (Donna) Horne, WA (Marianne) Smith and Mark (Linda) Smith; sisters Gwendolyn H. (Richard) Pra, Judy H. (John) Taylor, Martha (Paul) Harris; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a host of extended family and friends.

The funeral service was held June 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the funeral home chapel. Interment followed in Riverside Memorial Park. Hardage-Giddens Town and Country Funeral Home in Jacksonville was in charge of arrangements.

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**Della Jones, 77, died June 13th**

Della Mae Harris Jones, 77, died June 13, 2009 at Hospice in Tampa. She was the daughter of Bertha Mae Harris and the late Isaiah C. Harris of Baker County. Della and her late husband owned Lowry Park. A m u s e r i d e s in Tampa from 1960 to 1979. After her retirement she enjoyed gardening & traveling. Also preceded in death by brother, Hugh "Shot" Harris.



Della Jones

Survivors include brother Tommy (Bonnie) Harris; sisters Genevieve (Joe) Ervolino, Barbara Gazzick, Renee Johnson, Ann (Tommy) Hunter, Carol (Leon) Douglass; devoted nephew Brett (Elaine) Johnson and devoted niece Patricia Carreno, also numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held June 18 at 11:00 am at Raiford Road Church. Interment followed at North Prong Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Lifepath Hospice, 12973 N Telecom Parkway, Suite 100, Temple Terrace, FL 33637. Guerry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**Family grateful**  
The family of Tommy G. Cole would like to express their sincere thanks for all of the love, gifts, visits, flowers and calls during Tommy's extended illness and recent passing. A special thank you to V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Home and Pastor David Thomas of Christian Fellowship Temple. Also, thank you to the Baker County Sheriff's Office.

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**L.E. Parish, 69, loved to socialize**

L.E. Parish, 69, of Macclenny died June 14, 2009. L.E. was born in Malone, FL to the late Dan Parish and Effie Mae Fears Parish on June 28, 1939. He retired in 2001 after 40 years employment as an insulator with the Asbestos Workers Local #13 in Jacksonville. L.E. was a resident of Baker County since 1959 and a member of Taylor Church. He loved spending time with his family, fishing, gardening, riding in his truck visiting people, grilling and cooking out. Above all those things, he loved being around and doing for people. He was predeceased by brother Hubert Parish.



L.E. Parish

Survivors include wife of 33 years Carolyn Parish of Macclenny; children Cindy (Dwight) Davis of Sanderson, Lindy (Skip) Richardson of Glen St. Mary, Lee (Trenia) Parish of Macclenny and Christie Parish of Jacksonville; brothers Durah Parish, Earl Parish, Sam Parish, Alex Robinson and Clinton Robinson; sisters Verna Johnson, Allie Shiver and Louise Williams; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held June 17 at 10:00 am at his church with Pastors Mark Woods & Jim Cox officiating. Interment followed at Taylor Cemetery. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

**Advertising Deadline Monday 5:00 pm NO EXCEPTIONS!**

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### In Loving Memory of Tommy Cole

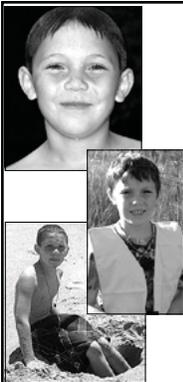
4/28/46-5/18/09  
I think of you often and always with love! I think about how hard you worked and how much you did for the family. I remember things you taught me and times when you encouraged me, and I see how your wisdom and caring have helped shape my life. I look on favorite memories that remind me how much we've always meant to each other and always will. There are so many times when I think of you, Dad, and feel proud and thankful and very lucky you're my father!

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY DAD, LOVE, JAY

### In Loving Memory of Paul O'Neill

6/19/39-1/13/07  
I think of times when you were here, I laugh and I cry. I know you are with God, but I wish you were still here too. I miss you and I always will. Happy Birthday and Happy Father's Day. You were a wonderful Dad to our children.

LOVE, DEE



**BLANE COBURN**  
You are our Sunshine  
Words can't express what our hearts feel...  
We love and miss you so much.  
XOXO  
Love,  
Daddy, Michelle, Shelby, Trey & Briton

# Missionaries realize dream Maddox family leaving for Honduras

**KELLEY LANNIGAN**  
FEATURES  
features@bakercountypress.com

Kara and George Maddox of Glen St. Mary will soon realize their dream of serving God in a foreign country when they become their first full-time missionaries sponsored by Raiford Road church. The couple and their two-year-old son Elias, will depart Miami for Honduras, June 20.

Raiford Road founded the International Missions Builders organization in 1995 which now includes churches in Jacksonville, Bryceville and Lake Butler. The young couple were blessed recently during a formal commissioning service by the Raiford Road Congregation. The service was particularly meaningful for the Maddoxes as it took place

## Family grateful

We would like to thank the community for coming out Saturday and supporting our car wash that was held for Mark Crossman who was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. All donations collected Saturday will go toward funeral arrangements. We would also like to thank our family and friends who helped make this event a success. We are fortunate to live in such a great community as Baker County. God has truly blessed us. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers.

Mark and Karen Crossman

during homecoming weekend and marked the church's 59th year.

"My grandparents, Woodrow and Sadie Johnson were among the founding members of Raiford Road Church," said Ms. Maddox. "That family legacy is especially meaningful to me as we undertake this chapter in our lives."

Ms. Maddox, the daughter of Tommy and Nancy Johnson, grew up in Macclenny and graduated from Baker County High School in 1999. She attended South Eastern College in North Carolina where she met George, whom she would later marry. Both students were drawn to missions work.

As a teenager, Ms. Maddox, was active in Raiford Road Church and was a member of mission teams that traveled to Honduras. While at college, she also spent a month during two of her summer vacations working with the Zulu tribe in South Africa. Will Graham, grandson of world famous Evangelist Billy Graham, was her team leader.

Her team lived in tents. They helped share the Gospel and conducted Vacation Bible School for children.

"Most of the teenage girls spoke English because they learn it in school," she said. "The adult women didn't know the language so we couldn't really talk, but we enjoyed cooking together."

Mr. Maddox, whose major was cultural and Biblical studies,

had to spend time in a foreign country as part of his academic requirements. He arranged to participate on an International Mission Board trip and found himself traveling by boat to remote villages in Peru.

"The villager's days are mostly consumed with producing enough food to survive," said Mr. Maddox. "So we gathered with them at night to share the Gospel."

Mr. Maddox's only language is English, so in order to share with the indigenous people he had to memorize in Spanish such passages as the story of Cain and Able, the Ten Commandments and the account of Elijah on Mt. Carmel when he called down fire from the sky.

He also taught in English while other fluent missionaries translated his lessons.

"Spanish isn't the only language so communicating was a challenge," said Mr. Maddox. "Many Peruvians speak another dialect and only know a little Spanish. They don't possess any written accounts of Biblical stories because most can't read or write and story telling is the main way they learn."

The couple married while in college. Both knew missions work was what they felt most called to do and began to pray about it.

When Raiford Road senior

pastor Johnny Raulerson visited his daughter, who was also attending South Eastern College, he met the Maddoxes for lunch one day.

He shared with them International Mission Builder's desire to establish a full time missionary presence in Honduras at the 17 acre site the organization had acquired outside of the city of El Cerron.

The Maddoxes both instantly felt that God was calling them to that location. Again they prayed about the decision. Soon after, they moved with their son to Glen St. Mary. They have spent the last two years in preparation for their future role in Honduras.

At a special gathering with family last Monday night, Mr. Maddox expressed his gratitude at the opportunity he feels he and his wife have been granted.

"The commission service was so special to us. Just as Paul and Barnabas, the first missionar-

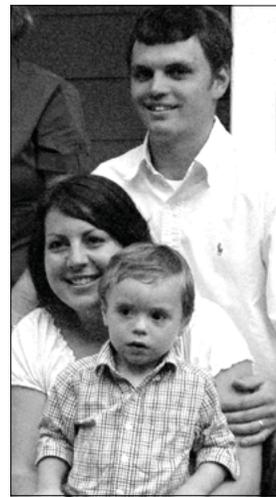


PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN  
George, Kara and Elias Maddox

ies of the New Testament were charged by their church, we have also been charged with this responsibility of sharing God's message with people who have never heard it."

"I'm so grateful for the legacy the people at Raiford Road Church established," said Ms. Maddox. "We will reap the blessings of the efforts of those who made the way for us to do this."

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- Lift recliner by Pride**, brown, less than one year old, \$200. 259-5455. 6/18p
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- Concealed weapons class** Tuesday June 23rd, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Application packet, photography, notary, fingerprints, certificate included \$80. Last class until fall and under current rules. Hole in The Wall. 259-6568. 6/11-6/18p

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- Bulldog puppies**, six weeks old, one male, three female, \$150 each. Call 904-626-9363. 6/18p
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## Lost & Found

- Found: By Extreme Outdoors** female American Bulldog/pit mix. White with spots, young. 259-4134. 6/18
- Found: Parrot** in Cuyler area. Call to identify. 259-3706. 6/18
- Lost: English Bulldog**, almost 1 1/2 years old. White, children's dog. Lost on 121 N. just after 228. 6/18c

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- Lightyear Wireless**. Great business opportunity. Your own online wireless business. Sell phone service, Direct TV, Dish Network, Broadband, other communications services. Call representative Sharon Beavers. 904-742-9399. 6/18p

**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/eoc2.com](http://www.baldwinfl.gov/eoc2.com). 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. 6/4-6/18p

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- 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. 6/4tfc
- 1 BR, 1 BA** apartment, includes utilities, \$500/month \$400 deposit. 904-334-1902. 6/18c
- 2 and 3 BR** mobile homes, central H/A, service pets only, water, lawn, garbage included. First, last and deposit required. 259-7335. 4/30tfc
- Nice apartment** 1 BR, 1 BA, kitchen, in downtown Macclenny. \$495/month, plus deposit. 904-540-4450. 6/11-6/18p
- 2 BR, 1 BA** apartment, washer/dryer hook-up, \$700/month, \$600 security deposit, one years lease. 351 N. Lowder. 259-9797. 4/30tfc
- 2 BR, 1 BA** mobile home, water, sewer, lawn service included. \$500/month, \$400 deposit. 904-334-1902. 6/18c
- 3 BR, 2 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 904-259-8444. 5/28tfc

## YARD SALES

**Friday, 8:00 am-7**, 901 Red Fox Way, Fox Ridge Estates. Lawn equipment, military boots, clothes, toddler bed and household items.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, 7349 W. Madison Street, Glen St. Mary.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, S. 121 across from Macclenny Church of God. Lots of items.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, 4453 Birch Street, Macclenny IL. Mens' things, RV and other stuff.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, 4849 Estates Street. Large dining table, six chairs.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, 6944 Woodlawn Road. Lots to choose from. Multi family.

**Friday and Saturday, 7:00 am-1:00 pm**, 125 N. Pierce Road, right on Pierce Road, third drive on right, Fishpond Lane. All household items, furniture, clothes, dishes, shoes, exercise equipment, etc. Multi family

**Saturday, 9:00 am-7**, 10685 Suzanne Drive, Macclenny. Plus size clothes.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, Ben Rowe Circle, follow signs. Kids, women's clothes all sizes, much more.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, 121 N five miles on Londa Thrift Road on left. Fishing equipment, Craftsman bed, computer desk. Too many items to list. Three family

**Saturday, 8:00 am-7**, 3rd and Minnesota. Lawn mower, screens, some of everything.

**Saturday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm**, From 90- 23 A north approximately three miles on left. Some computer parts, boys clothes, NB to 18 months, maternity clothes, corner computer desk.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-2**, Behind The Fast Way store off Woodlawn.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, 7065 Milntondale Road off North Lowder. Ladies 4-6, mens 34-36, boys 6-8 and girls 4-6 clothes and assorted shoes, home decor and household items, variety of bicycles.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-noon**, Take Lowder Street to Milntondale, left on River Circle, look for signs. Decorative/household items, furniture, etc.

- 4 BR, 2 BA** over 2400 SF in country, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, separate dining area, living room with fireplace, family room, huge laundry room, \$950/month plus deposit. Off dressway. 904-759-3864, 904-993-9836. 6/18-6/25p
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- 2 BR, 1 BA** brick home on fenced city lot, 661 Laverne Street. Washer and dryer, \$775/month, first and last month's rent plus \$500 deposit. 813-5558. 6/18p
- Baldwin apartment**, 2 BR 1 1/2 BA, central H/A, washer/dryer hookup, 12 miles to 110/295, pet friendly, \$600/month, \$600 security, will work with you. 266-9898. 6/18-6/25p
- 2 BR, 2 BA** \$300 deposit, \$600/month. Call 259-2072 or 259-2787. 6/11-6/18p
- Experience true southern living** in downtown Macclenny, 4 BR, 2 BA fenced yard, heart pine floors and 10' ceiling. Taking application now, \$1250/month plus deposit. Call 259-8444. 6/11tfc
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**Principals List - 4th Nine Weeks**

**6th Grade:** Cheltzie Alford, Jacqueline Anderson, Clayton Bureau, Grason Cain, Jacob Carter, Matthew Chisholm, Keith Conroy, Paul Constable, Haley Crenshaw, Kelsey Duggan, Sydney Duggan, Ashton Goethe, Anjani Goud, Gabrielle Harkins, Jessica Harrell, April Harvey, Kalya Ingram, Torie Jones, Molly Kerce, Mason Loadholt, Hannah Mathews, Summer McCray, Jacob Milton, Dalton Mullens, Garrett Nipper, Hannah Nowlen, Karlie Payne, Madysen Perry-niz, Tara Pickett, Jessica Pilkington, Ailee Pringle, Zachary Rafuse, William Raulerson, Grace Marie Rhodes, Hannah Rodgers, Brea Smith, Jacob Staley, Kaylee Thack, Callie Wheeler, Brianna Whitling, Dannielle Wilkerson, Donelle Williams, Videll Williams, Charles Wright

**7th Grade:** Ashton Adkins, Melissa Baker, Evan Barrett, Kelsey Berry, Amy Bradley, Kaitlyn Corlier, Mikki Evans, Emily Farley, Hawke Forbes, Christina Gerasimski, Clara Harvey, Abigail Hinson, Brittany Hodges, Branda Jarvis, James Joser, Shelby Kuhl, Caitlin Mason, Rebekah McNeil, Kaley Murphy, Joshua Nichols, Brittany Norrell, Malory Otzeen, Kiala Pigott, Chelsea Radeon, Morgan Ruehling, Chelsea Sanderson, Rachel Sibley, Paige Smola, Sarah St. John, Sarah Strohmest, Genie Taylor, Amber Welborn, Tyler Wendel, Hunter Williams, Sydney Willford, Mackenzie Wingard

**8th Grade:** Robert Brannan, Joshaly Brown, Victoria Chisholm, Bronson Davis, Laurel Davis, Mary Hart, William Johnson, Jonathan Lamb, Emily Lyons, Reagan McKendree, Emily Meadows, Raleigh Nipper, Caleb Rodgers, Jayson Stevens, Brooke Taylor, Allison Wagstaff, Ashley Wheeler, Ethan Wilkerson, Ashley Zawolik

**Honor Roll - 4th Nine Weeks**

**6th Grade:** Sharlie Bailey, Amanda Baldwin, Miranda Barker, Selira Barnes, Desira Barton, Clifford Bellomy, Karrison Benton, Katlyn Boston, Celeste Bourque, Keyonna Bruce, Brianna Burnsed, Morgan Burnsed, Kristin Bussey, Matthew Butcher, Jaime Carroll, Dylan Clark, Brooke Conder, Mikki Evans, Sydney Corbett, Kristin Cox, Seth Crenshaw, Dillon Cullen, Kansas Davis, Kelti Davis, Dustin Delgros, Danielle Dewolf, Verneha Donaldson, Chase Druy, Megan Durham, Megan Farmer, Savannah Fish, Miles Fraser, Taylor Gabbard, Maegan Garcia, Brendan Gibson, Reginald Givens, Rebekah Gould, Colton Gray, Angelica Griggs, Kaitlin Hance, Brooke Hancock, Brandon Harvey, Colby Hathcock, Reid Hedrick, Austin Hile, Brandon Hogg, Jacvan Hollings, Aislan Hooper, Natalie Horne, Ridge Horne, Ethan Jenkins, Myaci Johnson, Darcelle Johnson, Alia Jones, Savannah Karnes, Mandy Keene, Jordan Kennedy, Nicholas Kincheola, Cameron Kirby, Steve Kish, Callie Lokey, Rachel Long, Rebekah Long, Emily Martin, Tyler McCray, Ashley McDonnell, Thomas McEelfresh, Samuel McKenney, Blayne Merchant, George Midyette, Jonathan Mobley, Allison Monds, Elizabeth Mosley, Natalie Nettles, Rory Nickles, Cody Nipper, Jean-yyes Ortiz, Lailan Padgett, Angelica Paulson, Domaquansha Rankins, Jenelle Rayburn, Ethan Rivest, Madison Roberts, Steara Sanders, Jesslyn Sands, Victoria Sapp, Julia Schatz, Katelyn Scott, Kirstin Sculet, Christi Sheerin, Sadie Sibley, Samantha Simon, Cassidy Smallwood, Elizabeth Smith, Jacob Smith, Davante Sneed, Matthew Stafford, Joseph Thomas, Elena Tomas, Forrest Waldron, Steven Walker, Oakley Waltman, Mya Whitehead, Bakauti Williams, Savana

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## Class left off

Mrs. Sullivan's third grade class at Macclenny Elementary was left off last week's honor roll:

**Principals List:** Gregory Barrios, Catey Cavanaugh, Dalton Padgett, Joseph Tedesco III, Dawson Yarborough

**Honor Roll:** Cody Barfield, Jacob Bollinger, Davonte Brown, Avery Bryan, Dalton Johnson, Jordan Johnson, Halilee Rodgers, Jacob Thrift, Jenna Turner, Hunter Wilson

## Classes closed

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## Sheriff celebrates jail grand opening

Above: Sheriff Joey Dobson speaks to the large crowd that gathered at the new jail and sheriff's office complex on CR 228 north of Macclenny June 11 during opening ceremonies. At right: Christian Sadler (in front) and Andrew Hilton check out computers in the facility's communications center. Sheriff Joey Dobson said the move into the new Baker County Sheriff's Complex — including all personnel, operations and inmates — was completed June 16. The public should not go to the old administration and detention center next to the county courthouse on North 3rd Street, which has been closed down.



## Swimmers clinch win in opener

The YMCA's Baker Bullets swim team left the pool with a victory June 13 in its first meet this season against the Arlington and Riverside YMCAs.

"I was extremely pleased with their performance Saturday considering they've only been practicing three weeks," said coach Andy Johnston. "I think the kids will continue to do well against Jacksonville competition."

The Bullets will face two more teams June 20 at 9:00 am at McArthur YMCA in Fernandina Beach. Considering the size of the McArthur team, Mr. Johnston his team could be in for a tough meet.

"We're just so outnumbered," he said. McArthur will have more than 180 swimmers in the water while Baker County will bring about 46 kids to the competition.

They'll compete in six events — the backstroke,



Travis Oswald at right finishes a close race against a swimmer from Yates YMCA. Travis also coaches the beginners.

breaststroke, butterfly, freestyle, freestyle relay and individual medley — in eight age divisions separated by gender.

First place finishers from last week's meet: Braeden Knight in the 6 and under freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke; Lorian Bliss in the 8 and under freestyle and breaststroke; Kyrie Holman in the 8 and under backstroke; Dillon Ray in the 8 under freestyle, breaststroke and butterfly; Ashley Campbell in the senior freestyle and breaststroke; Chad Collins in the 10 and under backstroke; Alexis O'Donnell in the senior backstroke, Tim Padgett in the 13-14 butterfly; Jarrett Raulerson in the 11-12 butterfly; and Amanda Flakowicz in the 6 and under breaststroke.

The Bullets also had more than two dozen swimmers post second or third place finishes in two or more races to secure the winning point total.

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