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on downtown  
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## Retiree benefits risking a deficit Over next three decades

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NEWS EDITOR

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Over the next 30 years the Baker County school district may incur more than \$8.3 million in unfunded liabilities related to its medical, dental and life insurance coverage of retired employees, according to an actuarial report recently completed.

“It’s basically a guess at your liability at this time and how much you would have to pay every year.”

—Marcelle Richardson  
School District Finance Manager

The report from Seattle-based consulting firm Milliman became mandatory this year under government accounting standards established in 2004 and must be included with the district’s annual financial report for the 2008-09 fiscal year that ended June 30.

“It’s basically a guess at your liability at this time and how much you would have to pay every year,” district finance manager Marcelle Richardson told the school board during its December 8 meeting.

The report notes that the

district paid out \$376,015 in claims during the last fiscal year and that the annual cost for the program is expected to rise by about \$265,000 over the next decade.

To completely fund the liability over the next 30 years, the report estimates the district would need to set aside about \$716,000 each year, or about twice the amount spent last year.

The district does not currently do so, nor did the board make any changes to district policy in light of the report.

“This isn’t financially the best time to set it aside,” Ms. Richardson said. “We’re basically paying as we go ... I will watch what other school districts do, but I don’t think anybody is setting money aside.”

The post-employment benefits program offers health care benefits from the time an employee retires through the age of

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## 2-year sentence for ‘hammer’ bandit

One of the members of the “Sledgehammer Gang” that broke through the walls of three area businesses in late 2008 and early this year received a two-year prison sentence after entering pleas in circuit court on December 7.

Michael Kronz V, 22, of Jacksonville has already served 295 days since his arrest and will get credit off the prison sentence for that time. Judge James Nilon imposed a three-year probation once Mr. Kronz completes the sentence.

As part of a deal with the state, he pleaded no contest to burglary and grand theft from the Games Galore store on South 6th in Macclenny behind Woody’s BBQ. Mr. Kronz and two juveniles including a brother entered the building during the night on January 28 by knocking a hole through a

wall with a sledgehammer. The same method was used to enter the Hole in the Wall gun shop on South 4th on December 8, 2008 and again at Duval Gun and Pawn in Glen St. Mary on January 10.

The defendant entered a similar plea to a reduced charge of burglary of the Hole in the Wall, reduced from armed burglary.

Local investigators got a break in the case early this year when the girlfriend of a man accused with Mr. Kronz in another case gave information on stolen guns to Jacksonville detectives. Mr. Kronz also was stopped by police in Jacksonville and had one of the stolen guns and the sledgehammer in his vehicle.

The thieves reportedly got \$6400 worth of firearms from Hole in the Wall, which they later claimed were stolen from them. The merchandise take at Games Galore was tallied at nearly \$1400, some of which was pawned in Jacksonville, as was a portion of the estimated \$9300 in jewelry taken from Duval Gun on US 90 in Glen.

In other sentences this week, Angelo Thomas, 29, of

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Furloughs  
extended  
into new  
year for  
jail staff

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## '09 LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE



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Paul Keane has lived in Macclenny for 24 years, so he knows what to expect from the annual Christmas Parade, which wound its way through downtown the evening of December 5. This year he decided to share the experience with his wife and grandson, sort of.

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## Coping with murder of her child

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“When my daughter Deanna was murdered by her ex-boyfriend in 2007, my life became a nightmare. I didn’t leave my house for nearly two years. I couldn’t eat. I couldn’t sleep. I lay awake at night, haunted by what her last hours must have been like.”

That’s what Eva Redmon of Macclenny told the congregation of Sanderson Christian Revival Center on November 8. Others who also lost children, many to violent crimes, attended the special service to hear her

speak.

It was arranged by pastor Duwayne Bridges, who recently helped Ms. Redmon write an account about her experiences dealing with her daughter’s death entitled *I Can Laugh Again*.

After being a virtual recluse for two years, Ms. Redmon attended the National Tea Party in Washington, DC in September and then the Get Motivated! seminar in Jacksonville.

The latter event featured speakers like Colin Powell and former First Lady Laura Bush. While there she was interviewed by Jacksonville’s



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Eva Redmon weekly visits Deanna’s grave.

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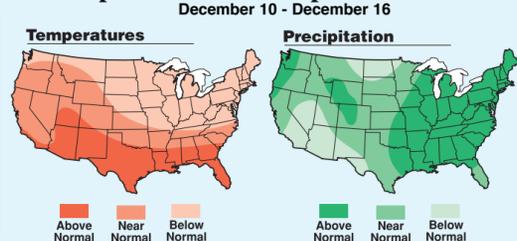
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Cooler with sunshine and patchy clouds	Mostly cloudy	Mostly cloudy with rain possible	Mostly cloudy, chance of a little rain	Mostly cloudy with a couple of showers	Mostly cloudy	Intervals of clouds and sunshine
High: 62° Low: 33°	High: 63° Low: 45°	High: 72° Low: 54°	High: 70° Low: 47°	High: 68° Low: 47°	High: 65° Low: 49°	High: 65° Low: 45°

## Temperature and Precipitation Outlook



## Tides

Cedar Key	Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	Dec. 13	Dec. 14	Dec. 15	Dec. 16
First high	8:48 a.m.	10:17 a.m.	11:31 a.m.	12:29 p.m.	1:16 p.m.	1:56 p.m.	12:23 a.m.
First low	2:34 a.m.	3:48 a.m.	4:52 a.m.	5:45 a.m.	6:32 a.m.	7:14 a.m.	7:52 a.m.
Second high	8:39 p.m.	9:28 p.m.	10:15 p.m.	11:00 p.m.	11:43 p.m.	—	2:32 p.m.
Second low	2:29 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	4:28 p.m.	5:21 p.m.	6:08 p.m.	6:51 p.m.	7:31 p.m.

Jacksonville Beach	Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	Dec. 13	Dec. 14	Dec. 15	Dec. 16
First high	2:29 a.m.	3:32 a.m.	4:31 a.m.	5:25 a.m.	6:15 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:43 a.m.
First low	8:55 a.m.	9:57 a.m.	10:55 a.m.	11:50 a.m.	12:40 p.m.	12:37 a.m.	1:22 a.m.
Second high	2:47 p.m.	3:47 p.m.	4:44 p.m.	5:36 p.m.	6:24 p.m.	7:08 p.m.	7:50 p.m.
Second low	9:12 p.m.	10:06 p.m.	10:59 p.m.	11:49 p.m.	—	1:26 p.m.	2:09 p.m.

Mayport	Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	Dec. 13	Dec. 14	Dec. 15	Dec. 16
First high	3:20 a.m.	4:22 a.m.	5:18 a.m.	6:10 a.m.	6:57 a.m.	7:42 a.m.	8:23 a.m.
First low	9:14 a.m.	10:15 a.m.	11:12 a.m.	12:05 p.m.	12:02 a.m.	12:48 a.m.	1:31 a.m.
Second high	3:35 p.m.	4:35 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	6:21 p.m.	7:08 p.m.	7:51 p.m.	8:33 p.m.
Second low	9:29 p.m.	10:22 p.m.	11:13 p.m.	—	12:54 p.m.	1:40 p.m.	2:22 p.m.

St. Augustine	Dec. 10	Dec. 11	Dec. 12	Dec. 13	Dec. 14	Dec. 15	Dec. 16
First high	2:35 a.m.	3:38 a.m.	4:37 a.m.	5:31 a.m.	6:21 a.m.	7:06 a.m.	7:49 a.m.
First low	8:57 a.m.	9:59 a.m.	10:57 a.m.	11:52 a.m.	12:42 p.m.	12:39 a.m.	1:24 a.m.
Second high	2:53 p.m.	3:53 p.m.	4:50 p.m.	5:42 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	7:14 p.m.	7:56 p.m.
Second low	9:14 p.m.	10:08 p.m.	11:01 p.m.	11:51 p.m.	—	1:28 p.m.	2:11 p.m.

## Sun and Moon

Sunrise Thursday ..... 7:14 a.m.  
 Sunset Thursday ..... 5:28 p.m.  
 Moonrise Thursday ..... 1:35 a.m.  
 Moonset Thursday ..... 1:20 p.m.

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## Almanac

Jacksonville week ending Monday, Dec 7.

**Temperature**  
 High/Low for the week ..... 78°/34°  
 Normal high/low ..... 68°/46°  
 Average temperature ..... 55.9°  
 Normal average temperature ..... 57.1°

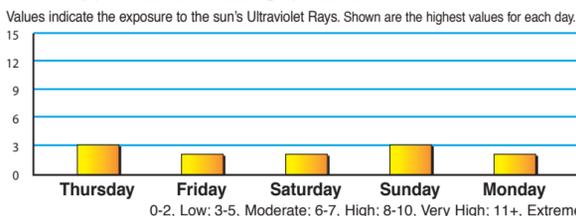
**Precipitation**  
 Total for the week ..... 1.92"  
 Total for the month ..... 1.92"  
 Total for the year ..... 55.27"  
 Normal for the month ..... 0.55"  
 Normal for the year ..... 50.25"

## 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
Dec 10	5:42 a.m.	11:54 a.m.	6:06 p.m.	—
Dec 11	6:27 a.m.	12:18 a.m.	6:50 p.m.	12:39 p.m.
Dec 12	7:10 a.m.	12:58 a.m.	7:34 p.m.	1:22 p.m.
Dec 13	7:52 a.m.	1:40 a.m.	8:17 p.m.	2:05 p.m.
Dec 14	8:37 a.m.	2:24 a.m.	9:02 p.m.	2:50 p.m.
Dec 15	9:24 a.m.	3:10 a.m.	9:50 p.m.	3:37 p.m.
Dec 16	10:13 a.m.	4:00 a.m.	10:39 p.m.	4:26 p.m.

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# 'Hammer' bandit...

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 Macclenny was given 183 days already served in county jail after pleading no contest to attempted armed robbery of the Quick N Handy convenience store on North 6th in Macclenny on May 10 of this year.

The state dropped companion charges of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and petty theft. Judge Nilon adjudicated Mr. Thomas guilty.

He is the same defendant acquitted last month of the similar crime of entering the Kangaroo store on US 90 across from the courthouse armed with a small caliber automatic pistol later that month. In both cases, the robber shown in surveillance videos had his face covered, though his physical size and voice inflection matched those of Mr. Thomas.

In the November trial, the jury heard evidence and testimony

from product distributors that a pack of Newport cigarettes found at Mr. Thomas' west Macclenny address the morning after the robbery came from the Kangaroo.

The defendant told police that morning he purchased the cigarettes from a store in Lawtey. The distributor testified that the lot number on the pack proves it was delivered to either of the two Kangaroo outlets in Macclenny, and that it could not have been purchased in Lawtey as claimed.

The Kangaroo store video shows the robber getting both cash and the Newports from a clerk before fleeing on foot from the store. A prison tracking dog followed a scent from the scene to Mr. Thomas' residence.

The defendant's criminal record includes an earlier robbery conviction for which he served an eight-year prison term.

- Justin Schulaka admitted to violating probation in a 2008 grand theft case and was placed on house arrest two years, followed by one year on drug-offender probation.
- Judge Nilon also set aside an earlier probation after Travis Tyson admitted to violating it, and placed him on drug-offender probation for two years. He also ordered a 270-day jail sentence, and gave the defendant credit for 122 days already served. The judge imposed evening curfews during the probation term.
- The driver's license of Loren Sellers was revoked for three years and she will serve consecutive six-month terms in county jail after pleading no contest to driving under the influence causing both personal and property damage. Judge Nilon imposed a four-year probation after release from jail, plus a \$500 fine.
- The state dropped one of the property damage counts in return for the plea.
- David Hullett will be on probation three years after pleading to making a fraudulent insurance claim and a false report of a crime.

# Deficit is possible...

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 65. During 2008-09, 54 retirees received health care benefits.

The report will be required every two years.

"A district that doesn't owe as much as we do probably doesn't have to do it as often," said Ms. Richardson.

In other business this week:

- The board accepted three low bids for construction projects around the district. They included: The \$129,017 bid for reroofing the district office from BBG Contracting Group of Jacksonville, the \$663,100 bid for replacement of heating and cooling systems at high school buildings 6 and 8 from Little and Williams of Lake City, and the \$149,725 bid for demolishing the middle school's former 6th grade center [also the former Macclenny Elementary] from Burkhalter Wrecking, Inc. of Jacksonville.
- The board also approved reimbursing a couple the cost of transporting their children to school. The parents recently lost their home in Baker County and moved in with family in Jacksonville, but were reluctant to change schools.

The reimbursement rate is 44.5 cents a mile with a maximum daily distance of 105 miles. The

district will also be reimbursed half the mileage cost by the Duval County School District.

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# OPINION

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

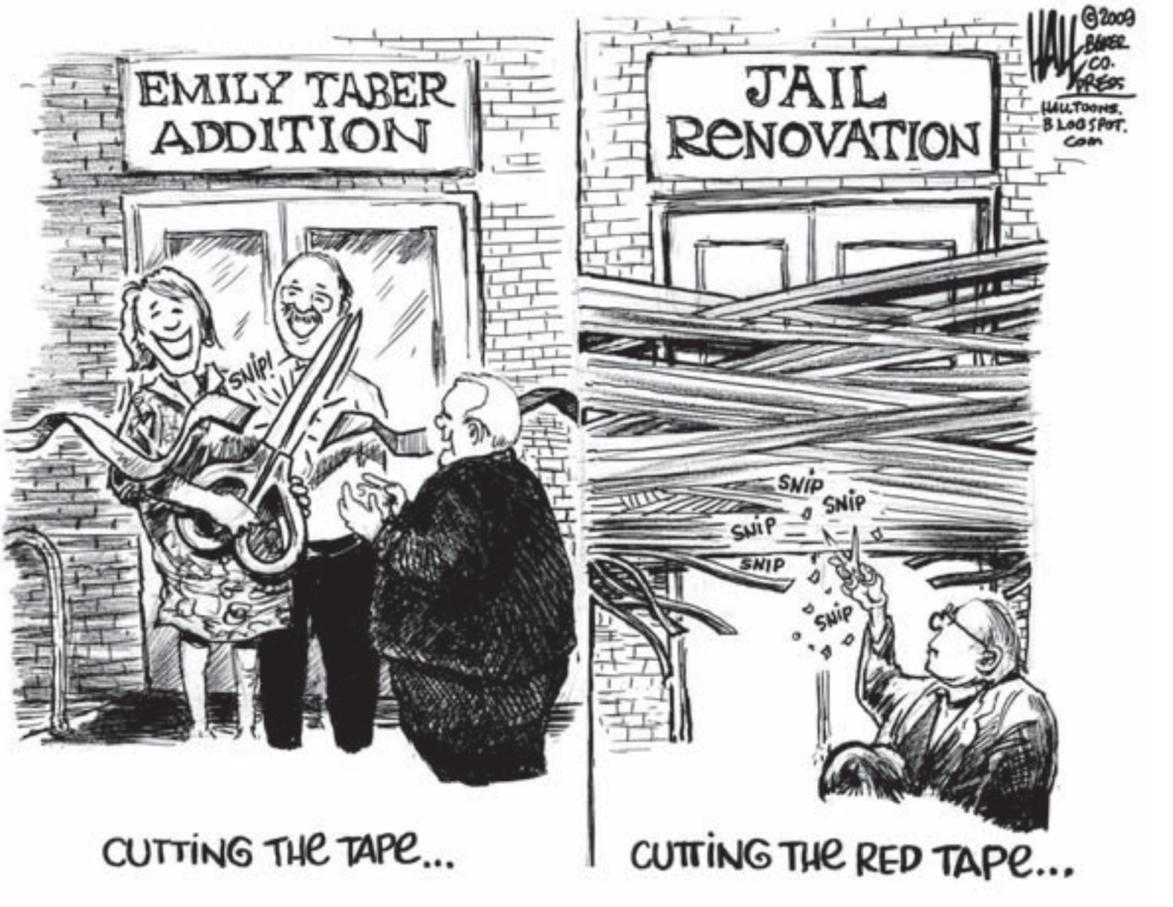
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CUTTING THE TAPE...

CUTTING THE RED TAPE...

## Ah yes, Christmas in New York!

### MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD

Nothing spells the holiday season to me like a big Jamaican man in a Santa suit selling fake Rolex watches on the street in Chinatown. And nothing quite embodies the spirit of the season more than a 60-year-old woman punching an Italian tourist in the nose because they both wanted the same taxi cab.

Yep. It's Christmas time in New York City, where you are guaranteed to see some of the most thrilling and unusual sights of the holiday season.

This year Kelley decided it would be fun to go to New York and see the Christmas lights. In all our years of going to New York we've never gone during Christmas. So we loaded up the family and her mom and dad and off we went.

Naturally, for us nothing is ever easy. Sara Beth had auditions in Tennessee and would be arriving late while the boys had finals at college and would be leaving early.

But for a while we all were together and celebrating the season.

It was loads of fun and very interesting as well. New York does it right. There were decorations everywhere and the political correctness that is supposed to be permeating the country didn't



The Christmas tree in Rockefeller Center.

PHOTO BY BOB GERARD

seem in evidence there. We were *Merry Christmased* and *Happy Hannukahed* and even *Buon Natted* in Little Italy. It was nice.

We started our tour with the Rockettes at Radio City Music

Hall. It is all decorated for the season and the Christmas show is amazing. Every live special effect possible is on stage — from a flying Santa to a NYC double-decker tour bus to live camels in the Nativity scene.

Add to that 72 beautiful precision dancers whose high kicks are exactly alike and you have a great start of a holiday excursion.

We were snowed on while looking at the Christmas tree in Rockefeller Center. If you're not used to snow, let me correct any misinformation you might have as a Floridian. Snow is nothing like what you see in movies. It's wet and cold. Everyone wants to see the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree so we were surrounded by 5000 of our closest friends. Somehow, the crowds parted for a second like the Red Sea and I

got the perfect picture of it. It was one of those "Ah" moments.

Seconds later I was reminded I was in New York City and not a Christmas movie.

"FBI."

"NYPD. Don't move!!"

I spun around and not 5 feet from me three undercover police officers had slammed a guy up against a wall and had a young woman by the arm.

The handcuffs were on in seconds.

It seems that with revelers come pickpockets. This guy and gal duo must not have been very good at it.

Later that night there were carolers in Times Square and we looked at the amazing windows at Bloomindales and Saks Fifth Avenue.

We took the subway down to Chinatown and that's where we saw the Jamaican Santa hawking fake Rolexes and Coach purses made at a sweatshop in Thailand. Chinatown is incredibly seedy, but one block over, Little Italy is a fairland of lights and smells and colors.

We bought the best cannolis we had ever tasted at a church bazaar. The baker was on hand filling them with fresh and sweet cream. Wow.

But the funny thing about it was that side-by-side with these wonderful holiday moments there would be moments of typical New York City antics.

Sara Beth and I took a taxi back to 6th Avenue from Little Italy. As he pulled up to the curb a couple of Italian tourists and a 60-year-old New York woman descended on the cab. We couldn't get out of it as they argued in English and Italian and finally the New Yorker hauled off and smacked the Italian lady in the nose.

We finally managed to get out and I hustled Sara Beth down the street so I don't know who won the 15-round bout. I'm inclined to put my money on the New York woman. She was old but wiry.

In all, it was a wonderful trip with great memories and lots of fun photos. I would recommend it to anyone who likes to travel.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Story about dog all lies

Dear Editor:

The story you wrote that appeared in last week's newspaper about abusing our dog is all lies.

Myself and fiancé Laura Anderson never did abuse our dog, a pit bull and blue tick hound mix. The cage is not too small for him, and he can move around in it.

We were staying at a friend's for a few days and Laura told Aletha Crozier that we can't have Buster [the dog] there or we'd cause our friend to lose his apartment.

Ms. Crozier's trailer is infested with cockroaches, and when Laura took the dog there she made sure that he had food and water and she made sure that he was covered up so he would not bother anybody and nobody would bother him.

Laura did tell Aletha she would return to take care of Buster when she left work. She went there and the trailer was locked. Aletha has said that the dog was not her responsibility and myself and Laura were to take care of the dog. Buster never attacked anybody and he is a sweet dog when you get to know him.

Corey Fetz Sr.  
Macclenny

## Could we do better than 'Gateway'??

I hate to sound like a naysayer, but the proposed new name for Lake City Community College is [ahem!] awful.

### IMPRESSIONS

Jim McGauley

Chuck Brannan of Macclenny, soon to be chairman of the LCCC trustees, said he pulled a

"John Kerry" and voted for the name after first voting against it. He's not wild about it either, but went along with it as a *fait accompli*.

The college announced last week it was sending over to the Florida Legislature its recommendation — Florida Gateway College.

The change was approved by the trustee board, one of four finalist names bubbling up from what the college said were focus groups in the five counties served by LCCC, including Baker.

Community colleges, once known as junior colleges, are juicing up their names all around Florida. Academia is fond of language fiddling, particularly when it perceives an existing word is somehow deficient or, as is often the case now, politically incorrect.

A recent, and more local, example is the disappearance of the term "administrators" for teachers kicked upstairs out of classrooms and into the several layers of bureaucracy. Someone perceived [rightly in my opinion] that the term had a negative connotation, so now they're called "educational leaders."

Left behind in the "fix" was the fact that "administrators" earned that negative rub because the public [rightly again] perceived there's too damned many of them. Academia's solution: re-name them and keep everything else the same.

Such negativity was not the case with junior colleges going to community colleges and now colleges, but someone pushed the legislature to allow them to "upgrade" to college status. Somebody, or somebodies, must have concluded there's a deficiency surrounding the term "community college."

But let's get back to the point. Couldn't somebody come up with a name that has more electricity? "Gateway" just doesn't lend anything to the word "college" and being a "gateway" isn't that great of an accolade in the first place. It's in the same category of, say "Pine Tree College" or "We're One of the First Counties You Drive Through from South Georgia College."

It is, in the words of our Joel Addington, "forgettable."

Mr. Brannan favored Suwannee River College or Suwannee Valley College because of the proximity to the fabled river. But Suwannee County, neighboring Columbia to the west, alas is in the catchment area of North Florida Community College in Madison. The latter campus is in the process of changing its name also [all 28 either have or are in the process], and maybe that would look like usurping a moniker.

LCCC's administration also was concerned lest the new name focus too much on a specific geographic area rather than the five counties it serves.

How's this? FCCJ in Jacksonville is going with Florida State College at Jacksonville, so why don't we go with Florida [dump the "State"] College at Lake City? Granted, it focuses on the city in which its main campus is located, but does that really matter? In fact, focusing on avoiding Lake City in any name complicates the issue, and I can't imagine igniting a furious protest from other counties because their names aren't in the new school title.

It'd be impossible to calculate the value of Lake City Community College [and the forestry school that preceded it] to Baker County students the past six decades, so ultimately what they call it probably doesn't make a lot of difference. The school doesn't plan in the immediate future to offer its own bachelor degree tracts [perhaps nursing and golf course maintenance first, according to Mr. Brannan] to replace the present agreement it has with St. Leo University near Tampa. So in my mind it remains very much a "community college" serving well the gap between high school and four-year institutions.

If they want to change the name to include "college" — fine. Florida Gateway College? Not so fine.

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# State road funds waning Allotments will likely be cut in half

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Florida's two small county road grant programs have pumped close to \$11 million into Baker County during the last decade, and for the next two years at least, one of the programs and about half the funding won't be available.

The program sticking around — the Small County Outreach Program [SCOP] that has doled out more than \$5.1 million here since 2001 did, however, get a theoretical boost last week during the state legislature's special session.

The session, in part, addressed how to pay for commuter trains in central and south Florida, which meant shuffling around transportation dollars and changing the SCOP funding formula.

Bills doing so passed both chambers of the legislature and call for increasing SCOP's allocation from 5 percent to 10 percent of the State Transportation Trust Fund beginning in 2014.

The trust fund itself only receives a portion of documentary stamp taxes — those levied on land transactions. And with the real estate market still slacking, estimating how much cash will filter down to SCOP isn't easy.

Larry Williams, an advisor in state Representative Janet Adkins' office, put it like this: "The way they're dividing up the money, it's a larger percentage of a smaller pie, but we don't know how much the pie is going to change."

An analysis by House staff estimated that SCOP funding would double from about \$20 million to \$40 million.

Mr. Williams questioned the estimate's reliability, saying, "Those are based on revenue estimates that are only good for two years or so. Who knows what they will be in 2014? It's anybody's guess."

The other road grant program — the Small County Road Assistance Program or SCRAP — was defunded for the next two years during the last legislative session. It's expected to return in the 2011-12 fiscal year.

The state's budget runs from July 1 to June 30.

## Where's the money gone?

What follows is a chronological list of the various road improvement projects completed via SCRAP and SCOP funding.

SCOP has been unfunded for four years since it began and has totaled more than \$5.1 million.

**2001-02**  
\$431,250 on CR 229 from US 90 to 3 miles north of Sanderson.

**2002-03** through **2004-05** not funded.

**2005-06**  
\$270,508 on CR 123 from Deck Mann Road to SR 10/US 90.

**2007-08** not funded.

**2008-09**  
\$2,393,725 on CR 23A from CR 228 to CR 23C.

**2009-10**  
\$2,039,700 on CR 130 from CR 229 to SR 121.

Added \$47,391 on Odis Yarborough Road.

SCRAP went unfunded for four of the last 10 years since it began and has brought in more than \$5.5 million.

**1999-00**  
\$349,800 on CR 125 from SR 121 to US 90.

\$930,600 on CR 127 from US 90/CR 125 to Willie Griffis Road.

\$385,000 on CR 231 from Union County Landfill to US 90.

**2000-01** not funded.

**2001-02**  
\$230,000 on CR 122 from CR 125 to CR 127.

**2002-03**  
\$115,000 on CR 23C from SR 121 to CR 23D.

**2003-04** not funded.

**2004-05**  
\$628,529 on CR 127 N. from Griffis Curve north to CR 125.

**2005-06** through **2006-07** not funded.

**2007-08**  
\$554,400 on Odis Yarborough Road from CR 125 to SR 23C.

**2008-09**  
\$1,632,667 on CR 229 S. from Union County Line to I-10.

**2009-10**  
\$736,380 on CR 23A [Woodlawn Road] from SR 121 to CR 125.

# Jail worker furloughs extended

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Sheriff Joey Dobson informed sheriff's office employees last week that jail worker furloughs would continue into the first quarter of 2010.

"The projection is still not there," he said about the expected number of inmates from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, during a monthly staff meeting December 4.

Inmate counts for the federal agency started off high in the beginning of November before dropping off sharply, said Mr. Dobson.

"We don't really know or understand why," he said, adding later that part of the problem has been the slow completion of video court facilities by Verizon.

They're expected for completion in mid-December.

Without the video capability, ICE inmates have to be physically transported by the agency to properly equipped facilities in Orlando. There they communicate remotely with court officials in Pompano Beach, Fla.

One consolation was that furloughed officers are being trained to do the transports themselves, with payment coming from a contract with ICE.

"I know it seems like we're always waiting on a date, and we are, but we're confident we will get there," the sheriff said.

Though he couldn't say exactly how long the furloughs will last, Mr. Dobson pledged to re-evaluate the need for such measures monthly.

The new jail's 92 employees have been required to take off one day without pay per pay period since late October, which will continue. The department's ad-



PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON  
Deputies Shawn Bishara, Dan Nichols and John Hardin were recognized for having the fullest beard, best goatee and neatest beard.

ministration chief Brian Bishop estimated the payroll savings at about \$36,600 a month.

Last week's meeting also included the judging for the department's annual charity beard growing contest to benefit Hubbard House for abused women.

Three officers were recognized for having the fullest beard, best goatee and neatest beard, respectively, of 28 employees who grew out their facial hair during November and December.

They must be clean shaven for

most of the year, but had the opportunity to donate \$20 a month to Hubbard House for the privilege of sporting the new look.

"The beards do have to go tonight," said Mr. Dobson. "They'll be clean shaven in the morning for the [Christmas] parade."

The benefit raised \$1000 for the women's shelter.

Two employees who organized a Thanksgiving basket drive for 21 needy families were also recognized.

## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF GLEN ST. MARY

The Town of Glen St. Mary is accepting resumes for the appointment of a Council Member for "Group 2". Applicants must be registered voters residing within the Town Limits. On your resume please list reasons why you would like to be a Council Member. All applicants will be interviewed by Council on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at the regular Town meeting at 7:00 P.M. Resumes can be dropped by Town Hall at 10046 South Glen Avenue Monday - Friday 8:30 A.M to 12:30 P.M. or mailed to P.O. Box 519, Glen St. Mary, FL 32040.

Deadline is December 11, 2009.

## CITY COMMISSION

# Fire dept. pact with LCCC to train

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The Macclenny Fire Department will partner with Lake City Community College to assist the school in its firefighter certification program, specifically by allowing students and instructors use of department facilities.

Macclenny commissioners approved an agreement between the department and college the evening of December 8 after being assured by Fire Chief Buddy Dugger it won't increase the cost of the city's workman's compensation or liability insurance.

Rather, the agreement requires the college to have at least \$1 million in liability insurance for students and teachers while performing their duties at city facilities.

Mr. Dugger said it's possible city firefighters could be hired as instructors in the training programs, and that the college's insurance policies would cover them in that instance.

The board also presented "Golden Heart" awards to a handful of businesses and other groups who donated to the fire department's annual Christmas for Kids toy drive, which is expected to distribute gifts to more than 250 needy children this year.

Walmart and its distribution center, Phantom Fireworks, the

Moose Lodge, Calendar's Pizzeria and Sports Bar, the county fire department and the city were recognized for chipping in gifts or monetary donations.

Eva Mathis, Tia Crews and Stacy Mills were also cited for organizing the effort.

In other business:

- The commission approved three ordinance changes, one on final reading and two on first reading, but all defining what constitutes a private street eligible for building permits and giving the city manager the authority to approve such streets.

The separate amendments were needed to address three different areas in the city's code that reference streets, advised City Attorney Frank Maloney.

- The board also agreed to pay a \$5040 share of Tallahassee lobbyist Chris Doolin's consulting fees, which amounts to about 20 percent of his annual contract. The county funds the remaining portion.

- Commissioner Dr. Richard Johnson was recognized with a framed certificate and pin denoting 20 years of service to the board from the Florida League of Cities. Mayor Dr. Gary Dopson was also presented his 30-year pin by fellow commissioner Vernon Bennett.

"I don't think if we searched the state over, we could find a better mayor," Mr. Bennett said.



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# The Lighted Christmas Parade...

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"I'm here to watch the SEC Championship," he said while sitting at one of the few unreserved tables inside Calendar's Pizzeria and Sports Bar shortly before kickoff that afternoon.

"They're parked out front and I'm parked in here," said Mr. Keane, an electrician. He was soon joined by his family for lunch and a break from the 50-degree temperatures outside.

Though the parade didn't start until after dark, many came out to enjoy the daytime festivities including booths from local businesses, community groups and vendors; children's activities like bounce houses, pony rides and a wall climb; plus music and dance performances.

The holiday event organized by the Macclenny Fire Department remained rain-free into the evening, drawing thousands of people downtown.

The extra foot traffic was welcomed by merchants like boutique owner Karen Rhoden. The sunshine prompted her to showcase merchandise outside her store at the corner of 5th St. and US 90.

Calendars co-owner Terri Faundree said she prepared for parade day

by triple ordering her inventory. It happened to coincide with the University of Florida's most pivotal football game this season.

"We've been telling everybody about the Christmas Parade to get as many people as we can to come down," she said the day before the celebration. The eatery also featured an Angel Tree where customers found the names of 31 area youths accepting Christmas gift donations.

The parade itself included about 100 different floats anchored by Santa Clause traveling inside the lift of a fire truck and hoisted above attendees, who lined both sides of Macclenny Ave. from 2nd St. west to 8th St.

The Walmart Distribution Center's entry won best all-around float while the high school's 4-H Club took the civic group award. Keller Intermediate's Just Say No Club was

recognized as tops among the school floats, Taylor Church won in the church category and Davis Carts took the same for business entries.

Storefront decorations were also judged with the following results: Northeast Florida Telephone Company on N. 3rd St. received first place, the Council on Aging on the north side of Macclenny Ave. [US 90] won second place and Touch of Spring Florist on S. 5th St. finished in third place.

Part of the \$1200 raised from the day's booth rentals will help fund the Macclenny Fire Department's Christmas for Kids toy drive. Fire Chief Buddy Dugger said applicants for the charity are up to 260 this year, an increase of roughly 100 since last year.

For more information about Christmas for Kids, please call the department at 259-3331.

**Santa Clause stopped in Macclenny the evening of December 5 to participate in the annual Christmas parade through downtown. Before his arrival, four residents taking part in the day's festivities told *The Press* what they wanted for Christmas.**



Paul Keane

"I'd like to see the economy get better and more people get jobs. World peace would be great too."



Jordan VanVactor

"A shotgun ... because it's hunting season."



Kimberly Register

"A piano. I had a keyboard, but I want a piano."



Darwin Ruise

"I want the new Acura. It'd be easier to get around instead of always borrowing mom's."

# Coping with murder of child

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Channel 4 and spoke about the need to challenge one's self to be motivated for a cause.

She has traveled to Tallahassee to meet Governor Charlie Crist and become acquainted with Dick Morris of Fox News. She has also begun working with the Justice Coalition and most important, as part of her healing process, speaking publicly about her daughter's murder.

"Deanna was a special, wonderful person. She deserves to be remembered," said Ms. Redmon.

Just after midnight on November 16, 2007, Ms. Redmon received a phone call informing her that Deanna, who lived in the small town of Jennings, Louisiana, was missing. She was a divorced mother of three and 40 years old.

David Troy Stelly, Deanna's estranged boyfriend, four days later confessed to her murder. Following his directions, sheriff's deputies found Deanna's body in a barn 25 miles outside the town. She had been badly beaten and shot four times in the head.

Neighbors of the couple interviewed during the investigation had heard them arguing just days prior to Deanna's disappearance and said Stelly shouted, "If I can't have you, no one will!"

Police allowed Ms. Redmon and several of her children to go to the barn after Deanna's body was found. She remembers being so overcome with emotion that she laid on the ground still stained with her daughter's blood and, "screamed from the pit of my soul."

Deanna's body was flown back to Macclenny. A favorite pink blanket covered her white coffin before she was laid to rest in Macedonia Cemetery. Today that blanket is in Ms. Redmon's home, resting on a small red rocking chair that belonged to Deanna as a child.

In the two years since the loss of her daughter, Ms. Redmon admits she hasn't wanted to go on. She wasn't suicidal, but she didn't want to live.

Finally, her surviving sons and daughters confronted their mother with the fact that although Deanna was gone, there were still five other children and who needed her. Shortly after, she had an epiphany which she remembered like this:

"One night I suddenly realized that God's only son was taken from him also and brutally murdered on the cross. God had forgiven me and all mankind for that act. Who was I now to harbor

unforgiveness of another?"

Finding the courage to forgive was the act that finally helped Ms. Redmon begin to let go of the horror, grief and guilt that had claimed her existence. On March 26, 2009, she faced David Troy Stelly in prison and told him she forgave him and extended to him God's grace.

That done, she felt she could finally begin the slow but sure process of healing. Suddenly people started to appear in her life who bolstered her inner strength and helped her once again get about the business of living.

At the Council on Aging, she met Mary Shepherd, who quickly became a close friend. Mary and her husband Harry began taking her to church. They prayed for and ministered to her frequently.

Pastor Bridges was so moved by her experiences he asked permission to write her story. They began meeting and talking together.

In September, she traveled with a dozen other folks from Macclenny to participate in the National Tea Party where she found herself among like-minded Americans who'd descended on Washington for the event.

Then she joined the Baker County Republican Woman's Club and was soon attending political rallies in Jacksonville and traveling to Orlando for the state convention.

Throughout, she battled episodes of depression, but each

time she sank, her new circle of friends pulled her back up.

Today, Ms. Redmon visits Deanna's grave often. She maintains it lovingly, raking its white sand into pleasing patterns. The last thing she does before she leaves is to press her hand print into the sand, then place two pieces of her daughter's favorite candy in the depression: a Hershey's Kiss and a York Peppermint Patty.

For other people who have experienced the tragic loss of a loved one, Ms. Redmon has some sage advice.

"Don't waste your life dwelling on the way you lost your loved one. How they died does not define who they were in life," she said. "Instead celebrate the times you shared, how you laughed with them, held them, watched the sun set or listened to it rain. Then, get out and do something to honor their memory."

Although the brutal, senseless murder of her beloved daughter is something she will never understand, Ms. Redmon is grateful for the three grandchildren Deanna left behind. In them she still sees the daughter who is no longer here.

She says her family is why she keeps breathing. Her journey is hard, but her Heavenly Father is restoring her joy. "He's turning my mourning into dancing," she said. "I've learned that if you have a need, the best way to fill it is to give to someone else who also has that need."

# Storm damage grant has limited use in Macclenny, Glen St. Mary

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Officials from the county's three local governments convened the morning of December 8 to decide how to spend a close to \$400,000 disaster recovery grant to repair damage sustained during last year's Tropical Storm Fay.

Finding projects that meet the one-time grant's narrow criteria — that damage must be documented and not yet repaired — wasn't easy.

The county has planned to combine some of the cash with about \$213,000 it's had since 2001 to pave as much of troublesome Cow Pen Road as possible.

But, per grant requirements, the \$395,781 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's [HUD] Community Development Block Grant [CDBG] program must be spent at the discretion of the Town of Glen St. Mary and City of Macclenny as well as the county.

Officials from Glen and the city didn't object to the Cow Pen project or another recommended by the county's road department director — paving Buck Starling Road, located east of S. 6th St. behind the Winn Dixie shopping center.

"The permitting's done and we've had damage there," said Robert Fletcher, the road department director.

Though the grant could also be used for repairing homes and businesses, officials weren't aware of any damage in the storm that remained in disrepair.

Adam Faircloth, the county's emergency management director, said about 30 homes were flooded during the May 2008 drenching.

"Not all of those people qualified for FEMA assistance, but those that didn't have already done whatever mitigation they needed to do," he said.

Another possible paving proj-

ect could be a short extension of Madison St. north of US 90 in Glen St. Mary.

Town Mayor Juanice Padgett said she got mired down on .3-mile stretch during Tropical Storm Fay.

The dirt road connects to Stoddard Avenue just north of US 90 and officials estimated the engineering needed for a paving permit would cost about \$10,000.

It remained unclear, however, whether the location's damage was ever documented and therefore likely to be eligible for the funds.

The group will finalize the grant application, which is due January 15. Funds are expected in the summer of 2010.

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# Students suspected of sniffing pain pills

A campus deputy filed criminal complaints against three minor age students at Baker County High School on December 4 after they admitted to snorting residue from several pulverized prescription pills in a bathroom on campus.

Sgt. Thomas Dyal said school principal Thomas Hill received a report that the students, ages 15 and 16, were seen in a girls' bathroom that morning before 10:00. During a subsequent interview, the 15-year-old — a male student — admitted taking the drugs from his father's medicine cabinet and smashing them into a powdery residue, some of which was later found on a metal surface in the bathroom.

The students apparently suffered no ill-effects from the ingestion, though they were checked out at the Fraser Hospital emergency room as a precaution.

One of the girls told Sgt. Dyal they had done the same thing the previous day, and the other girl said she had taken one of the pills but had not snorted the combination.

The father of the male student brought his prescriptions to the hospital. They included a statin drug for cholesterol and pain relievers.

The complaints are for felony drug possession and the state attorney's office will decide on prosecution.

In other arrests, a Jacksonville woman visiting an inmate at Baker Correctional near Olustee on December 5 was charged with misdemeanor possession of marijuana and packaging it as if she intended to smuggle it into the prison. Officer J.N. Livingston of the prison staff said a drug-sniffing canine alerted to the presence of drugs in the trunk of a car entering the grounds. Donisha Harold, 21, allegedly admitted the drug was in her purse stored in the trunk.

The arrest took place just before noon.

A Macclenny man was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia and driving on a suspended license after he was pulled over on South Boulevard late on December 3.

Deputy Jeffrey Shouse said he was aware Melvin Mann, 27, did not have a license when he spotted him about 11:15 at the wheel of a 1996 Chevrolet SUV. Mr. Mann quickly pulled to the rear of a residence and exited the vehicle. Passenger William Hand, 35, of Macclenny, who also does not have a valid license, told Deputy Shouse his companion was driving.

Mr. Mann's license had been suspended as an habitual offender.

Deputy Shouse filed the second charge after finding steel wool commonly used in smoking crack and a plastic bag with residue inside the vehicle.

Kenneth Burnette, 40, of St. George, Ga. was jailed for disorderly intoxication the evening of December 5 after creating a disturbance outside the Kangaroo store across from the county courthouse.

Deputy Matt Riegel said he was summoned because Mr. Burnette was cursing loudly and making sexually suggestive comments to people gathered in the proximity of the store to watch the annual Christmas parade downtown.

A second charge of resisting arrest without violence was added because Mr. Burnette resisted being handcuffed, then cursed and threatened the officer.

## Holiday lights

The Whispering Pines Homeowners Association proudly presents its annual display of decorated homes and luminaries on Saturday, December 12 beginning at 6:00 pm. This is our way of wishing everyone in our community a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Bring your family and friends for an evening of holiday enjoyment.

# Legal Notices

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CASE NO. 09-106-CA

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

HECTOR I. MEDINA, et al.  
Defendant(s),

### NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment Scheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on November 24, 2009 in this case now pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

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CASE NO.: 02-2009-CA-0144

NEW SOUTH FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

JAY D. CALVERT and  
AMY C. CALVERT  
f/k/a AMY C. BREWER, HIS WIFE; et al.  
Defendants.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 24, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 02-2009-CA-0144 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein NEW SOUTH FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, F.S.B. is Plaintiff and JAY D. CALVERT, et al., are Defendant(s).

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, to the highest bidder for cash, except as set forth below, at the front door of the **Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Ave., Macclenny, FL at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 18th day of January, 2010** the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**The South ½ of Lot 3, Block 52 of TOWN OF MACCLENNY, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book D, Page(s) 800 of the Public Records of Baker County, Florida.**

**Street Address: 431 East McIver Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 30th day of November, 2009.

AL FRASER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Bonnie Palleschi  
Deputy Clerk

Daniel S. Mandel, Esq.  
DANIEL S. MANDEL, P.A.  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
2700 N. Military Trail, Ste. 355  
Boca Raton, FL 33431  
Tel: (561) 826-1740  
Fax: (561) 826-1741  
12/3-12/10

### Registration of Fictitious Names

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, do hereby declare under oath that the names of all persons interested in the business or profession carried on under the name of **ST. Mary's Cove** whose principle place of business is: **1909 Steelwidge Road, Macclenny, Florida 32063** and the extent of the interest of each is as follows:

NAME	EXTENT OF INTEREST
George B. Rhoden	100%
George B. Rhoden	Signature

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF BAKER  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of December, 2009.

Al Fraser  
Clerk of Court  
Baker County, Florida  
By Bonnie Palleschi  
As Deputy Clerk

12/10p

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Baker County, Florida, will conduct a Public Hearing and adoption of the proposed Ordinance whose title herein after appears, to be heard Monday, December 21, 2009 commencing at 6:00pm, at 55 North Third Street, Macclenny, FL. A copy of the proposed Ordinance may be inspected by any member of the public at the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court in the Baker County Courthouse in Macclenny, Florida. On the date mentioned all interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to this proposed Ordinance.

### ORDINANCE 2009-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BAKER COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO AUTHORIZE A TAX ASSESSMENT REDUCTION FOR PARENT OR GRANDPARENT LIVING QUARTERS, PROVIDING A REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, DIRECTIONS TO THE CODIFIER, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation of an interpreter to participate in these proceedings should contact the County Commissioners Office at 904-259-3613, at least 48 hours prior to the time of the hearing.  
12/10-12/17

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CASE NO.: 02-2009-CP-0018

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:  
STERLING F. HOWELL,

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **STERLING F. HOWELL**, deceased, File Number 02-2009-CP-0018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Baker County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 339 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is December 3, 2009.

JOSEPH CHARLES MAY  
Personal Representative

FRANK E. MALONEY, JR., Esquire  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
445 East Macclenny Avenue  
Macclenny, FL 32063  
(904) 259-3155  
Florida Bar No.: 142990

12/3-12/10  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO.02-2008-CA0144DIV

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED MAY 1, 2004, FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2004-B, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-B  
PLAINTIFF

vs.

ANTHONY R. AMMONS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANTHONY R. AMMONS IF ANY; KELVIN T. PUTMON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KELVIN T. PUTMON IF ANY; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE - WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; GLORIA J. SHEFFIELD; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION  
DEFENDANT(S)

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting the Motion to Reset Foreclosure Sale (NOT ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 5, 2010) dated November 18, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 02-2008-CA0144DIV of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for BAKER County, Macclenny, Florida, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the East Door of the Courthouse at the BAKER County Courthouse located at 339 East Macclenny Avenue in Macclenny, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 18 day of January, 2010 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

**LOT 10, BLOCK D-1, SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK "D", WILLIAM KNABB ADDITION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 41 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2009.

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.

AL FRASER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Jamie Crews  
Deputy Clerk

LAW OFFICES OF DAVID J. STERN, P.A.  
900 SOUTH PINE ISLAND ROAD, SUITE 400  
PLANTATION, FL 33324-3920  
12/3-12/10

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY**

**CIVIL DIVISION**  
Case No. 02-2009-CA-000034  
Division

ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC  
Plaintiff,

vs.

JAMIE D. STACKHOUSE; DARLENE JOHNSON; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS AND TRUSTEES OF CLARICE STACKHOUSE, DECEASED AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,  
Defendants.

### NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on November 24, 2009, in the Circuit Court of Baker County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Baker County, Florida described as:

**LOT 11, RIVERVIEW ACRES, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 72 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH A 1994 DEST MOBILE HOME, SERIAL #038061**

and commonly known as: 23406 HASSIE JOHNS RD., SANDERSON, FL 32087; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse, on January 26, 2010 at 11:00 a.m..

Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 30th day of November, 2009.

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Bonnie Palleschi  
Deputy Clerk

Edward B. Pritchard  
(813) 229-0900 x1309  
Kass, Shuler, Solomon, Spector, Foyle & Singer, P.A.  
P.O. Box 800  
Tampa, FL 33601-0800  
12/10-12/17

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 02 2008 CA 000146

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE  
PLAINTIFF

vs.

LARRY ROGERS; JANIA ROGERS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE - WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION  
DEFENDANT(S)

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 24, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 02 2008 CA 000146 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for BAKER COUNTY, MACCLENNY, Florida, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the EAST DOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE at the BAKER County Courthouse located at 339 EAST MACCLENNY AVENUE, 1ST FLOOR IN MACCLENNY, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 26 day of January, 2010 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

**LOT 19, OF ALLEN LANDS, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 58 AND 58A OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 25th day of NOVEMBER, 2009.

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.

AL FRASER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Jamie Crews  
Deputy Clerk

LAW OFFICES OF DAVID J. STERN, P.A.  
900 SOUTH PINE ISLAND ROAD, SUITE 400  
PLANTATION, FL 33324-3920  
12/3-12/10

**NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF SITE SPECIFIC ALTERNATIVE CRITERIA**

On November 20, 2009, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) issued a final order establishing a site specific alternative criteria (SSAC) for dissolved oxygen for portions of Turkey Creek and the South Prong of the St. Marys River in Baker County. The SSAC applies to portions of Turkey Creek, including tributaries, from its headwaters to the confluence with the South Prong of the St. Marys River, and to portions of the South Prong of the St. Marys River, including tributaries, from its headwaters to US Route 90. Dissolved oxygen in these stream reaches shall be maintained at or above 3.0 mg/L as an annual average, with no more than 10% of the individual measurements falling below 1.35 mg/L on an annual basis.

A person whose substantial interests are affected by this final order may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under section 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., in accordance with the full notice of rights language contained in the final order. The petition must contain the information identified in the full notice of rights language contained in the final order and must be filed (received by the clerk) in the Department's Office of General Counsel at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 within 21 days of publication of this notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first.

The final order is available on the Department's Water Quality Standards website at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/ssgssps/surface.htm> or will be provided upon request to interested parties by mail or e-mail distribution. For a copy of the final order, contact Janet Klemm by mail at Standards and Assessment Section, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, MS # 6511, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, telephone at (850) 245-8427, or e-mail at [janet.klemm@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:janet.klemm@dep.state.fl.us).

12/10  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
CASE NO.: 02-2009-CP-0046

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:  
NATHANIEL COPELAND,  
Deceased.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Nathaniel Copeland, Deceased, whose date of death was September 1, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Baker County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 02-2009-CP-0046, the address of which is 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063. The names and address of the co-personal representatives and the co-personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent, or unliquidated claims, and who have been served a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditor's of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against the decedent's estate, including unmaturred, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IS DECEMBER 10, 2009.

HUGH D. FISH, JR.  
FLORIDA BAR NO.: 0242861  
POST OFFICE BOX 531  
MACCLENNY, FLORIDA 32063  
(904) 259-6606 OR 6705  
ATTORNEY FOR CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

NATALIE LEE MORRIS L. PAIGE  
CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

12/10-12/17

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the County Court of Baker County, Florida, on the 19th day of November, 2009, in the cause wherein, COUNTRY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION was plaintiff and DIANE HODGES was defendant, being Case No. 2005-SC-80 in said Court, I, Joey B. Dobson, as Sheriff of Baker County, Florida have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, Diane Hodges, in and to the following described personal property, to-wit:

2001 CHEVROLET MALIBU  
VIN #: 1G1ND52J616174269

(Note: Anyone interested in viewing the vehicle being sold may do so prior to the time of the sale at Higginbotham's Towing & Recovery located at 7611 W Mount Vernon Street, Glen St. Mary, FL.)

I shall offer this property for sale, at the front entrance of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Ave. in Macclenny, FL, County of Baker, State of Florida, on January 12, 2010 at the hour of 11:00a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. I will offer for sale all of the defendant's, Diane Hodges, right, title and interest in the aforesaid personal property, at public auction and will sell the same, subject to taxes, all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND. The proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above described execution. (NOTE: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Baker County Sheriff's Office at (904) 259-0245 prior to the date of the sale.)

JOEY B. DOBSON,  
Sheriff of Baker County, Florida  
By: Pamela L. Davis, D.S.

12/10-12/31

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
IN RE: ESTATE OF  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FILE NO.: 02-2009-CP-034

IN RE: ESTATE OF  
GEORGE C. SEARCY,  
Deceased.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of GEORGE C. SEARCY, deceased, whose date of death was July 28, 2009, is pending in the Circuit Court for BAKER County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this notice is December 10, 2009.

Attorney for Personal Representative:  
PAUL J. HEALY, ESQUIRE  
Attorney for ELLA SEARCY  
Florida Bar No. 799955  
1830 Atlantic Blvd  
Jacksonville, FL 32207  
Telephone: (904) 391 0029  
Fax: (904) 399 4574

Personal Representative:  
ELLA SEARCY  
6911 Gaillardia Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32211  
12/10-12/17

**A, R&R, INC**  
**10525 DUVAL LANE**  
**MACCLENNY, FL 32063**  
**Phone (904) 259-4774**

The following vehicle will be sold at public auction December 25, 2009 at 8:00 am at A, R&R INC, 10525 Duval Lane, Macclenny, FL 32063.

**2006 Chrysler PT Cruiser**  
**VIN #3A4F48B6T220278**

12/10

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**PROBATE DIVISION**  
**File No.: 09-121-CP**

# Break-up led to threat Teen's boyfriend faces assault charge

A distraught boyfriend was arrested near midnight on December 3 and charged with threatening to kill the 16-year-old girlfriend who earlier that day ended a relationship with him.

Cleveland Mann, 18, was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon [gun] for a telephoned threat after the estranged girlfriend refused to speak to him. She had gone to a residence off Shuey Ave. in Macclenny after leaving Mr. Mann's residence off Clete Harvey Rd.

Witness Beck Oliver, who lives at the Shuey address, and an older sister of the girlfriend affirmed the girl's version of events.

Deputy Brandon Kiser said Mr. Mann showed up at the Macclenny house and said he was unsure whether he made the threat because he was angry at the time.

In other cases classified as domestic violence, the 14-year-old daughter of a Macclenny woman was arrested after fighting with her the morning of December 2.

The mother, 41, told Deputy Shawn Bishara she and the daughter argued at their resi-

dence off Deerwood Circle about getting ready for school and got into a slapping match. At one point, the daughter bit her mother with sufficient force that the officer said bite marks were evident under her clothing.

The girl is charged with domestic battery and the case will be handled through the Department of Juvenile Justice.

• Thomas Kent Jr., 23, of Olustee was arrested the evening of December 4 and charged with battery of his father Thomas Sr., 59, during the argument at their home off CR 231 south of Olustee.

The elder Mr. Kent and his wife Mary, 54, told Deputy Kevin Jenkins their son threatened to burn down the house and kill both of them. He was arrested in a tent in a nearby yard where he had been staying.

• A criminal complaint alleging domestic battery was filed against Jody McDowell, 39, for allegedly slapping son Brett, 18, during an argument the morning of December 6 at their home off Pine Top Rd.

The two argued over the

father's allegation that his son and a girlfriend were abusing prescription medication. The younger Mr. McDowell's son, age 1, was present at the time.

• A series of complaints for battery emerged from the campus of Northeast Florida State Hospital the past week, including that a 30-year-old male patient accosted employee Christene Givens, 44, of Sanderson.

Ms. Givens told Deputy Johnny Hodges the patient argued with her, then pushed her to the floor the evening of December 4.

• Two other battery complaints were made on successive days, both involving hospital patients. Deputy Hodges interviewed two male patients, ages 44 and 31, who accused each other of attacks on December 4.

• The previous day, a 57-year-old female patient accused another female, age 19, of punching her and throwing her to the floor.

• David Weathington, 45, of Macclenny filed a complaint alleging he was threatened and shoved in the front yard of his residence off Brent Lane the afternoon of December 5.

# Daughter named in coin theft by father

A criminal complaint was filed December 3 against a Glen St. Mary woman for theft of \$400 in coins from the home of her father off Shelly Lane south of Macclenny.

Charles MacLaughlin initially told police the coins and an iPod valued at \$250 were missing from his residence, and named his daughter Trisha MacLaughlin, 20, as the likely suspect. He told Deputy Brad Dougherty he ordered his daughter to leave the residence the previous week and she returned December 3 with a boyfriend and another man to pick up her belongings.

The daughter initially said she did not enter her father's bedroom where the items were, and witness Kenneth Spencer, a Jacksonville police officer who accompanied the daughter and boyfriend, contradicted that.

The day after Mr. MacLaughlin made the initial report, he contacted Deputy Dougherty and said he found the iPod.

In another theft report, Shawn Hall said someone took an AK-47 rifle from a bedroom at his residence. He valued the rifle and 30-round clip at \$800.

Mr. Hall said he was away from the residence in the Woodlawn Park trailer park from 4:30 the afternoon of December 1 to about 2:00 the following morn-

ing, and that his grandmother who lives there as well was home part of that time. There is a suspect.

• A complaint for felony criminal mischief was filed December 2 against Christopher Sharp, 25, of Macclenny for destroying a \$3500 television at the residence of his estranged wife Ashley during an argument.

The wife told Deputy Brandon Kiser her husband became angry over their pending divorce and punched the television screen that evening about 6:45. He told the deputy he intends to buy her a new one.

• Patricia King, 44, of Jacksonville was named in a complaint for shoplifting at the Macclenny Walmart the early afternoon of December 1.

Ms. King was seen by a store security worker stuffing items into her purse, and was detained for police after she attempted to leave the store.

Deputy Robert Simpkins said the stolen items included batteries and a battery charger, iron-on lettering and video tapes. Value of the merchandise was \$111.

• A Walmart employee summoned police the afternoon of December 3 after the discovery of five counterfeit \$100 bills in a cash drawer.

# Incorrect photo

An article on page 7 of last week's edition on the sentencing of a defendant in an arson case had the incorrect photograph.



Brandi Manning

Here is the correct booking photo for Brandi Manning, 25, of Macclenny, who received

five years on probation after pleading to attempted first-degree arson.

The person whose photo appeared with the article has the same name, spelled differently.



# Christmas Riding Camp

Glen St. Mary  
**December 28-31**  
Great Christmas Gifts!  
259-7752

# Vehicles stolen, damaged

The sheriff's department entered information in the national crime computer following the apparent theft of a 2000 Jeep Cherokee from the property of Cindy Ott the evening of December 6.

Ms. Ott told Deputy Matt Hilliard she was away from her residence off Cove St. near Glen St. Mary about an hour and a half and returned at 7:30 to notice the vehicle gone from a garage on the west side of the property. The officer noted that vehicle activity in the area obscured individual tire tracks that may have offered clues as to the direction of travel.

In other reports, someone attempted to steal a pickup truck that was parked overnight in the Council on Aging lot off School Bus Dr. in west Macclenny.

Owner Billy McCrary of Glen St. Mary told Deputy Robert Simpkins he parked his 2003 Chevrolet Silverado and a trailer there following the Christmas Parade on December 5, and returned the next morning to find the driver's side window smashed and a

damaged steering column.

The trailer used in the parade had been unhooked and a generator on the trailer was not disturbed, nor was the lock on an entry gate.

• A criminal complaint names Walter Ferguson as the person who spread roofing nails on Redbud Lane near Maple St. in south Macclenny on December 3, damaging the tires on three vehicles.

Deputy Shawn Bishara said Mr. Ferguson denied involvement after a neighbor reported she saw him with a bucket near the road and he was placing nails on the ground. The officer also found several nails in nearby grass that matched those in tires of vehicles belonging to Sharen Tanner, Dana Krauss and Tedd Callihan.

The deputy's report also notes that Mr. Ferguson admitted to past disagreements with neighbors including Mr. Callihan. The narrative did not specify the nature of those disagreements.

# Come have breakfast with Santa Clause

Join in the fun and get in the Christmas spirit at the third annual Breakfast with Santa at the Baker Middle School cafeteria and auditorium on Saturday, December 12, starting at 8:00 am.

Kids can drop off letters to Santa in a special mailbox and get their photos taken with him. Hot breakfasts will be available from 8:00-10:00 am when the Baker High band will rev up its selection of holiday favorites. The first 100 children 12 and under will receive a special gift and be able to join in with the band.

The admission price of \$7 and includes breakfast and one photo with Santa. The event is sponsored by the Baker County Friends of Instrumental Arts, a band support group. For more details, contact Pam Gaylord at 275-3051.

INJURY LAW



## ATTORNEY

# David P. Dearing

former Baker County Prosecutor

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Gainesville, FL -

A local man was saved from almost certain doom when Jason Dillon, Used Car Manager of Wade Raulerson Honda, removed him from an upside down vehicle.

When questioned, Dillon responded, "I would gladly do it again in a heart beat! I think it's my calling to help my fellow man."

And when he said he would gladly do it again - he means it. Because this weekend, if you're upside down in your vehicle, Jason Dillon will help you get out.

Wade Raulerson Honda, located on Main Street in Gainesville, with the help of Jason Dillon will help upside down buyers get out of their current loans and leases.

"I came in the other day with a vehicle that was so upside down, I thought I'd never get rid of it," said a recent customer. "But, good 'ol Jason helped me get out of it, and got me into a 2007 Ford F-150 XLT with a payment of just \$197 a month, stock number FH8310, with \$0

down for 72 months at 5.9% APR with approved credit," continued the happy customer.

**"I would gladly do it again in a heart beat! I think it's my calling to help my fellow man."**

Jason Dillon,  
Used Car Manager  
Wade Raulerson Honda

In fact, Jason Dillon can get you out of almost any upside down vehicle, and into any vehicle in stock at Wade Raulerson Honda. That means you can choose from over 300 cars, trucks, vans, and SUVs. That's over 300 great deals.

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# Angels among us

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A tree filled with angels is helping spread the spirit of giving and will ensure that 31 needy kids get something special for Christmas this year.

According to Calvin Work, co-owner of Calendar's Restaurant in downtown Macclenny, customers have been asking him for the last couple of years if any business in town sponsored an Angel Tree.

He didn't know of one and decided this year it might be a worthwhile project.

"We knew we wanted to do it, but weren't sure quite how to go about it," he said. "Mostly, we weren't sure how to identify the kids that could most benefit from it."

Knowing the City of Macclenny fire department sponsored the Christmas for Kids project each year, he contacted them for guidance. He was referred to city hall, which provided him with a list of 31 children.

The Angel Tree went up in the restaurant's main dining room last week. Each of the tree's angel decorations is numbered and bears the first name, age and gender of one child. Clothing sizes and a wish list are also



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

Calendar employee Staci Ward and co-owner Calvin Work hang angels on the tree.



included. If someone desires to honor a wish, they choose an angel and

sign up. They can then drop off the gift at Calendar's or at city hall. The angels are available until December 18 or until all are sponsored.

Calendar's employee Ashley Gerzina-Bean, with some help from her mother, made the angels for the tree.

"I thought they would be simple paper cutouts shaped like angels," said Mr. Work. "But they

have feather wings and silver pipe cleaner halos. They're really attractive."

Mr. Work says Calendar's is happy to sponsor the tree.

"There are kids in this county that may not get much of anything for Christmas so I feel this is a very worthwhile project," he said.

# Eatery starts new holiday tradition

# Safety tips for seniors over the holidays

The Baker County sheriff's department is urging area senior citizens to take precautions during the upcoming Christmas and New Year holiday periods.

Seniors are urged to avoid driving at night, and to keep doors and windows locked; park as close as you can to your destination; avoid leaving valuables on your car; have keys in hand before approaching your car; and do not approach your car if there are suspicious people in the immediate area.

If you shop, do so during daylight hours, avoid wearing expensive jewelry and avoid overloading yourself with packages.

While at home, be extra cautious about locking doors when leaving; have a neighbor watch your house if you are gone for an extended time; leave your radio or TV on and never open a door to strangers. At this time of year, criminals often pose as delivery people.

As always, call the department at 259-2211 or 911 to report suspicious behavior or if you need assistance.

# Mobile job centers

WorkSource has expanded its presence beyond the walls of its career centers by deploying four vans with wireless laptops for free job seeker services, resume assistance, info on training scholarships, and referrals to outside agencies. The times and locations in Baker County for December:

- December 10, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Community Action Agency, 84 W. Lowder St. in Macclenny.
- December 14, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Central Elementary Center in Sanderson.
- December 30, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Baldwin Town Hall.

# Libertarians to meet

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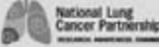
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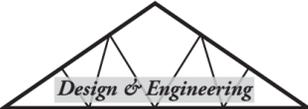
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## Flag retirement ceremony held in November

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## Withdrawal study

The St. Johns River Water Management District will continue its evaluation of potential environmental effects of river water withdrawals until mid-2011 to provide additional opportunity to interact with outside experts, include peer review comments and enhance scientific models.

In its quarterly update today to the District's Governing Board on the comprehensive study, District project team leaders said that extending the completion of the St. Johns River Water Supply Impact Study by seven months will ultimately ensure an even higher quality work product.

The prestigious National Research Council (NRC) has been actively involved in peer review of the study, and NRC input has allowed the District to enhance the study through additional data collection and analysis, and enhanced modeling.

"We have appreciated the opportunity to interact with the NRC, and their input is allowing us to create a stronger work product," said Tom Bartol, project manager for the study and director of the Division of Water Supply Management. "It's critical that we are flexible with this

study as it evolves to ensure that we end up with a comprehensive assessment based on sound science."

Although completion of the final report will be extended to mid-2011, the core findings from the study are scheduled to be completed and provided to the public and stakeholders in the fall of 2010, which is similar to the current schedule. The schedule extension allows opportunity for input from stakeholders and the public prior to preparation of the detailed final report.

The District launched the study in the fall of 2007 to further existing science on potential environmental effects of proposed river water withdrawals on the biological and water resources of the St. Johns River.

Visit the District's Web site at [www.sjrwmd.com/surfacewater-withdrawals](http://www.sjrwmd.com/surfacewater-withdrawals) for more information.

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### Happy 1st Birthday, Lacey Raulerson



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**December 14**  
BMS: Basketball vs. Richardson (H), Girls - 5:00 p.m., Boys - 6:15 p.m. WES: Project R.E.A.C.H. Lost & Found Pick-Up Day. PK/K: Christmas Parties

**December 15**  
MES: "Just Say No!" Club Mtg. Rentz 's Holiday Show. 1st Grade & Hawkins Christ-

mas Parties. WES: Good Morning Show Club Mtg., 8:00 a.m. Lost & Found Pick-up Day. PK/K: Christmas Parties

**December 16**  
MES: 2nd Grade Christmas Parties. WES: Lost & Found Pick-up Day. PK/K: Christmas Parties

**December 17**  
BMS: Basketball @ Lake City, Girls - 5:00 p.m., Boys - 6:15 p.m. KIS: "Tigers in Tune" Concert, 7:00 p.m. Christmas Parties. MES: 3rd Grade Christmas Parties. WES: Lost & Found Pick-up Day. PK/K: Christmas Parties

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**Mary Hartley, 72, was retired nurse**

Mary Evelyn Dekle Hartley, 72, of Odum, Georgia died Thursday, December 3, 2009 at Wayne Memorial Hospital in Jessup, GA after an extended illness. Mrs. Hartley was born in Jacksonville to Juliam P. and Alma Andrews Dekle. She was a former resident of Lake Butler and Baker County before moving to Odum 15 years ago.

Mrs. Hartley was a retired registered nurse and a member of Taylor Church.

Survivors include her husband of 45 years, Joseph Conant Hartley of Odum; sons Arte D. Thornton and Joel S. Thornton, both of Tallahassee, Howard Hartley of Tuscon, AZ, Andrew Hartley of Middleburg and Daniel Hartley of Sevierville, TN; sister Diane Dekle Davis of Macclenny; 17 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held December 7 at 11:00 am at Manntown Congregational Holiness Church with Rev. David Hodges officiating. Interment followed at Macedonia Cemetery. Archer Funeral Home of Lake Butler was in charge of arrangements.



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**Gailard Roggow of Starke dies at 51**

Gailard William Roggow, 51, died December 3, 2009 from complications of Hepatitis C. He was born in Fayetteville, NC on October 22, 1958 to Ida Beaird and Gailard William Roggow Sr.

Mr. Roggow served 21 honorable years in the Navy and was an accomplished cabinet maker and artistic boat builder. He lit up a room with his smile, and thrived on history, science, and knowledge. First a son, then a husband, a father, and finally a grandfather, he was also a protector, a provider and a man unafraid to dream and brave enough to fight even if it was for just one more day with his family. Although his body has left this earth his spirit is with us forever.

Survivors include his loving wife of 33 years, Barbara Roggow of Starke; loving daughter and son-in-law Bambi Roggow and Jason Goddin of Macclenny; adoring grandchildren Skyler and Dezeræ Eaton of Macclenny, and half-sister Anna Roggow of California.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

**'Tom' Wombles, 64, of Macclenny**

Thomas D. (Tom) Wombles, 64, of Macclenny died Thursday, December 3, 2009 at the Roberts Care Center in Palatka, FL following an extended illness. He was a native of Hannibal, Missouri and had resided in Lake City and Macclenny since 1983. He was the son of the late John Dee Wombles and Eulave Edith Main Wombles.

Mr. Wombles was a car salesman with Pineview Chevrolet in Macclenny and Eddie Accardi Chevrolet Mazda in Lake City for many years. He was a Methodist, and a Vietnam veteran of both the Army and Navy, a member of the Elks Club #893 of Lake City and a member of the Macclenny Moose Lodge. He was preceded in death by brother D.J. Wombles.

Survivors include former wife and close companion Evie T. Wombles of Kingsley Lake; daughter Danie Fletcher of Macclenny; sister Jacque (Bruce) Penstone of Pittsfield, IL; brothers Denny (Bird) Wombles and David (Lynne) Wombles, both of Quincy, IL, Mike (Bobbie) Wombles of Pleasant Hill, IL and Kevin (Terry) Wombles of Pittsfield, IL; one grandchild.

The funeral service was held December 9 at the chapel of Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield, IL. Interment followed at Shearer Cemetery in New Canton, IL. Guerry Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

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# 6th grade teacher rockets students' Math test scores Honored with 80 other top achievers

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Tara Rhoden, a sixth grade math teacher at Baker County Middle School, was among 81 Florida teachers who were recently recognized for helping their students achieve the largest FCAT math score gains in the state.

Even more notable is that Ms. Rhoden was one of only five teachers to attain such progress in three student categories: overall, low-performing and low-income children.

"The data was tabulated by the University of Florida and I was told my students achieved scores 1.5 times higher than any others in the state," she said.

Middle school principal David Davis accompanied Ms. Rhoden and her husband to an awards ceremony hosted by the Foundation for Excellence in Education at the Rosen Hotel in Orlando on December 5 where she and other teachers were honored by two-term former governor Jeb Bush, who established the non-profit foundation in 2007.

All teachers received a \$1000 prize, along with a cruise to the destination of their choice, free passes to Disney World and Universal Studios and a signed book by Ron Clark, a nationally-known educator, author and motivational speaker.

Because of her students' high scores in three categories, Ms. Rhoden also received a Smart Board and a family pass to Kennedy Space Center to witness a space shuttle launch.

None of the teachers, according to Ms. Rhoden, knew the nature of the gifts prior to the ceremony, so it was a huge surprise for everyone.

"It was such an amazing, extraordinary experience," she said.

Before the awards ceremony, Ms. Rhoden dined with Florida's former lieutenant governor Toni

Jennings and greatly enjoyed the presentation by Mr. Clark. However, meeting the former governor was the highlight.

"Jeb Bush is a very down-to-earth, funny man and I never knew that about him," she said. "Here we are at this high-class awards ceremony and he just plops down on his knees on the stage to have his photograph made with one of

the teachers who was very short. I'll never forget that."

Ms. Rhoden attributes her students' success largely to trial and error and having good role models.

"Early on, I was able to observe two phenomenal teachers

at work, Lisa Mobley and Cathy Adams. I tried to absorb all I could about their teaching methods and classroom management style," she said.

Today, her approach includes a few fundamental things, the most important of which is consistency.

"A consistent approach works well," she said. "I keep my classes structured and routine, not to the point of boredom, but so that students are focused and know what to expect."

Within that structure, students are exposed to the dynamics of mathematical rules and concepts. Over time, they master a set of rhymes that help them commit key mathematical rules to memory so they can easily call them up when needed. For example: *When a number and a letter are side by side, it means that you will multiply.*

Open communication is also a key factor and specific blocks of time during the lesson are devoted to student questions.

Examples of problems are posted on large charts around the room so that students always have a point of reference. If they get stumped, especially during a test, locating the example can help them work through a similar problem until they conquer it.

Ms. Rhoden always liked math, even as a child. She knew by sixth grade it was the path she would follow.

"I took to it and just kept going," she said.

After graduating from the University of North Florida, she began teaching at Baker County Middle School where she has been for the last six years. In 2007 she earned her master's degree in mathematics from Florida A&M in Tallahassee.

Ms. Rhoden also participates in a new program at the middle school called Saturday Blitz. Math teachers make themselves available on certain Saturdays leading up to FCAT for review and remedial instruction. The blitz is open to any student who needs or wants to take advantage of the opportunity to improve their performance.

"The awards ceremony was like an out-of-body experience," said Ms. Rhoden. "I still can't



Tara Rhoden in the classroom.

PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

believe this happened to me, because I really have not done anything that other educators don't do everyday."

She says her students are excited and proud of the award, too.

"Seeing the surprise and ex-

citement on their faces when they found out about it made me happier than anything else," she said.



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Tara Rhoden with Jeb Bush and Ryan Clark.

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# Old windmill finds new home

## Erected in park after 40-plus years near SR 121

**KELLEY LANNIGAN**  
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One day back in the mid 1960s, Macclenny resident George "Dub" Sands was out at Woodlawn Cemetery talking to Erland Fraser, the grounds keeper.

As he spoke with Mr. Fraser he took notice of the aging windmill that pumped water for the cemetery's maintenance. He also noticed that people had been using it for target practice.

"Those boys had about shot it up," said Mr. Sands. "Some of the propeller blades had holes clean through 'em. I decided I might want to do something about it."

So he inquired about the windmill's fate, and according to Mr. Sands, the following conversation took place.

"Erland, whatcha' gonna do with that old windmill? These boys around here are shootin' holes all through the thing."

"Well, why do you ask?" Mr. Fraser said.

"Cause I'll buy it. How much money would it take?"

"We'll I don't know. I'll have to think about it."

"Think about it? Why you gotta do that? I thought you was in charge. How much money would it take?" Mr. Sands asked. "I got 40 dollars in my pocket. Will you take 40 dollars for it and I'll stop all this and send my people out here and move it away from here?"

Mr. Fraser relented and Mr. Sands bought the windmill.

"It cost me \$50 to move the thing," he recalled.

The windmill was disassembled and transported to his property off SR 121 just south of the Georgia line. Then he began reconstructing it near the pond just outside his home. The tank, he estimated, would hold close to

a thousand gallons of water. "My idea was to use it to pump water from the pond to run sprinklers and irrigate the vegetables and other things we grow each year," he said.

But that's not what happened. When Mr. Sands spoke to then-Macclenny city manager Frank Wells about what he

was doing he was told it probably wouldn't work. As the late Mr. Wells explained, since Mr. Sands wasn't drilling a well and pumping water from deep in the ground, there likely wouldn't be enough water pressure generated to run sprinklers.

"Well, I just sort of lost interest in making it a working wind-

mill after that," said Mr. Sands. "I never fully installed the gear box, the off-set sprocket and cylinder parts. I just put 'em in storage where they've been all these years."

Still, he liked looking at the windmill. Later, he put up a second one on his property, again just for show.

He made the decision recently to donate the one from the cemetery to Heritage Park.



PHOTOS BY KELLEY LANNIGAN  
Above is George "Dub" Sands. At left is Heritage Park's "new" windmill.

Employees of the City of Macclenny worked for several weeks to assemble it adjacent to the Burned Blockhouse. They even fabricated a missing piece to enable it to work properly. The windmill is now a striking addition to the park grounds where historical displays of Baker County history are maintained.

"Those guys from the city called me one morning last week and told me it was up and I should come by and see it," said Mr. Sands. "My wife and I drove past and there she was, just a turning in the breeze."

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Contact the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs at 727-319-7400 to secure an application. You can also contact the Baker County adult ed department at 259-0403.

## Wrestlers finished 8th in meet

The young Wildcat wrestling team finished in eighth place this weekend at the Bradford Invitational in Starke.

The Cats made progress against much more experienced teams.

Coach Ron Lee was enthusiastic about their performance.

"I was very proud of them," he said. "They were going up against

teams that had two months worth of practice and conditioning when we only had two weeks."

Noah Davis and Chris Tran looked the best for the Wildcats. Davis went 3-2 in the 135-pound class and Tran was 2-2 in the 125-pound class. Zach Bloxham also went 2-2 for BCHS.

"They didn't give up," said Lee. "I told them that they just had to

keep on fighting."

Lee is pleased with the showing and is convinced that the team will get better as they build their conditioning and get valuable match experience. The Wildcats will travel to Sandlewood on Dec. 15 for a tri-meet with the Saints and Episcopal Eagles.

## APPLAUSE

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## Lady Cats rebound after 1st loss

**BOB GERARD  
SPORTS WRITER**

The Lady Wildcats suffered their first loss of the season against a physical Columbia High team, but bounced back to beat Yulee by 12 points to run their record to 5-1.

The Lady Cats fell to Columbia High 52-29 on December 1 as the Tigers exploded for a 17-7 first half. The Lady Cats could not get back in the game after that and didn't have a player in double figures for the night.

The pace slowed a little in the second period, but the Tigers still held a 34-16 lead at the half. It didn't get much better as CHS more than doubled the Lady Wildcats' scoring in both the third and fourth quarters.

"We played Columbia pretty well for about two-and-a-half periods, then we became careless with the ball and lazy on defense, which allowed them to score a lot of easy baskets in a hurry," said head coach Franklin Griffis. "We have to learn to play an entire game. The game of basketball can change momentum in a hurry, which is what happened with Columbia."

Destiny de la Pena led the Wildcats with 8 points. Kiara Battles had 5 points and 9 rebounds while Meagan O'Steen posted 8 rebounds.

The Lady Cats came back big on December 4, defeating Yulee by 12 points.

The Cats were led by de la Pena's 15 points and though Yulee held a 3-point lead at the end

of the first quarter, the girls kept working hard and went into the break up 21-19.

"We started out playing the first half against Yulee like we ended with Columbia," Griffis said. "At halftime, we switched to a zone defense that slowed down the main scorer for Yulee. It worked well for us and gave us an opportunity to get some steals and easy baskets of our own. One thing about our team is that we continue playing hard until the end of the game. It paid off for us against Yulee."

Parker controlled the boards for the Cats with 14 rebounds and Chelsey Ruise had 13 points. The game stayed tight throughout the third period, but in the fourth the



Wildcats took control of the inside game and out-scored Yulee 16-9 to secure the 52-40 win. "Columbia is pretty athletic throughout their line-up, with



Above is Chelsey Ruise (left) during the Tigers loss last week. At left is Destiny de la Pena.

several girls having the ability to score and play defense. Yulee relies on one or two girls to produce their points," said the coach.

The girls started facing three district opponents this week beginning Tuesday with Baldwin. Results for that game were not available by press time. BCHS will host Bishop Snyder Thursday, December 10, at 6:00 pm

and West Nassau the following night at 7:30 pm.

"I think that all of the teams in our district will be competitive with each other," Griffis said. "I expect hard-fought games with each of them. It will show us as we go into the holiday break how we stand in the district and what we need to focus on for the second half of the season. It should be interesting."

Joel Addington contributed to this story.

### In the Locker Room

with Coach Bobby Johns

I would like to close out a tremendous Wildcat football season by thanking some people that made it such a great year. I am certain I will miss someone important if I call everyone's name, so I will just make some blanket statements.

First, thanks to all the people in this community who joined our booster club. In tough economic times, we raised more money than any other year thus far, and that is a tribute to the overwhelming love this community has for its Wildcats. Special thanks to club officers for their dedication to our kids: Fred Munson, president, Trek McCullough, vice-president, Brian Smallwood, treasurer, and Kelly Smallwood, secretary.

They have done an unbelievable job over the past four years and this program would not be anywhere near the quality it has been without their unwavering support.

To all the fans, it has been one heck of a ride from 0-10 just four years ago to where we are now. We have seen this program grow every year to new heights and because of our tremendous fans we have built a reputation as one of the best followings of any school in the state. This was evident last week as we had such an unbelievable following at Godby. You are truly amazing and our team thanks you for all your support.

To all who fed us meals this year, thank you from the bottom of our heart — beginning with Tim Sweat and Dale Johnson, who organized all of the breakfasts and pre-game meals, to all of the churches and sponsors who fed us. Every year it amazes me even more to see the way all of you take care of our boys and are always there when we need you.

To the administration in Baker County and [athletic director] Melody Coggin, without your total dedication to our team, we could never be successful. We have a great school system that

begins with Mrs. Sherrie Raulerson and filters down all the way through our schools. Thank you for making 2009 a great year.

To Sheriff Joey Dobson and his staff, it has been exciting. Words will never express my sincere gratitude for all you do for us throughout the year and this year was the best ever. Thank you for taking care of us every week and always being there for the Cats.

Without my players' parents, nothing would be possible. They allowed me to take their sons and keep them as my own over the past four years and I hope all of you are proud of the men I have sent back to you. For those who have endured me for four years I hope you are proud of what your sons have accomplished.

For those who are just beginning, we have huge shoes to fill. I am certain we can continue this ride for as long as you will support what we are doing.

Thank you to all my coaches and their wives. No one really knows how much these men put into this program, but more than that, it is how much love and dedication they give these young players that makes this program what it is today. So much time spent away from their families to make it one of the best in the state and I want to thank both them and their families for their unwavering dedication to both me and the Wildcats.

Thanks also to my wife Chevron for another year of wonderful support. She is my strength and my vision and without her I could not do what I love to do. I love her and thank her for being there for me.

When all eyes are on the decisions we make on Friday nights and the "pretend" Wildcat fans begin to call for us, I know how much work has gone into every week's preparations and I am proud to know that we have won many games "against all the odds."

Finally, thanks to my players. You have given me four years of terrific football and we are not done yet. To have players who will totally commit to doing everything I have asked has been unbelievable and I will always remember the great times we have had together.

## Boys 1-1 after dropping home opener



Christopher McCray (top) versus Baldwin defender.

**BOB GERARD  
SPORTS WRITER**

The Wildcat basketball team opened its season with a home and away split this past weekend. The Cats defeated Baldwin on the road but lost to Ridgeview in their home opener.

The Cats defeated Baldwin 64-53 on Friday night in Baldwin, and got a big game from Chris McCray. He led all scorers with 21 points and was accurate from inside and out contributing four long range three-pointers.

The Cats pretty much led from horn to horn but the Indians kept it close in the first half. BCHS kept them at bay with some timely three-pointers from McCray and Marcelle Gayden.

The second half was more of the same. The Cats again kept the Indians at arm's length but didn't have any big runs to pull away. They just slowly amassed enough

points to make for a comfortable win.

There was nothing comfortable in Saturday's home opener against Ridgeview. The Panthers capitalized on Wildcat mistakes for a 68-41 rout.

"They were just a little more prepared than we were," said Coach Charles Ruise. "They exploited areas that we weren't ready for."

The Panthers started fast and went on a 15-2 first

period run that rocked the home crowd and the Wildcats. The Cats battled back in the second with a pair of three pointers from Gayden, but trailed 29-18 going into halftime.

Though BCHS tried to make adjustments in the locker room, the results didn't show on the court and Ridgeview opened the second half the way they did the first, going on a 23-6 run that effectively sealed the game.

The defensive dominance inside and out was evident in the fact that none of the Wildcats were in double figures. Walton and Blaine Finley led the way with 9 points and Gayden had 8.

The Cats will try to rebound

on the road on Friday, December 11, versus University Christian. Ruise is convinced that the loss to Ridgeview will be a learning experience.

"They just need some confidence building," said Ruise.

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**Dump truck drivers needed**, experienced only. 334-8739. 12/3-12/24p

**Experienced cook**. Apply at 38 E. Macclenny Avenue, 6-8:00 pm only. 12/10-12/17p

**Skilled A/C mechanic**, must have experience in service work, ductwork, and A/C installation. Apply at dependable32063@necom.net 10/15tfc

**Heavy duty diesel mechanic** needed, Travel Centers of America, Baldwin location, 1024 US 301 South. Driver's license required. Please apply to Mark Holmes, Shop Manager. 904-266-4281, ext. 22. 10/11tfc

**Local babysitter** for a temporary school bus driver, early morning with daily rate for four year old. 259-2271. 12/10p

## Career Opportunities

**Welding:** Enjoy working outdoors? Like to earn a good income? Consider welding at Lake City Community College. Classes begin January 6, 2010. Financial aid available. No high school diploma required. We have day, night and Saturday class. Register now through December 16 or January 4-5. Call (386) 754-4214 for details. 12/10-12/31c

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## Real Estate

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**6 acres** in Macclenny, \$20,000 an acre. 904-259-8028. 12/10-12/24p

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**FSBO**, 7½ acres on quiet dead-end road, mature oaks, zoned conventional or mobile home, one acre per dwelling, \$112,500. 259-5877. 6/18tfc

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

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**40 acres to 120 acres** starting at \$4000 per acre. 904-259-8028. 12/10-12/24c

**3 BR, 1 BA** house on three lots in Baldwin, needs some repair, \$48,000. 904-259-9221. 12/3-12/10p



## YARD SALES

**Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9:00 am-2:00 pm**, Ray Phillips to Persimmon Road. Wide variety of items - men, women and baby boy clothes, comforter set, what nots, totes, seasonal items, jewelry, gifts and much more. Robin Dugger. 259-8815.

**Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9:00 am-?, 13117** Dell Rose Lane, 125 N. street just past first caution light. New merchandise, sale store liquidation and gift items, home accents and other things for sale 75% off all new items. 259-8438. No early birds.

**Friday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm**, yard sale only.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm**, yard and bake sale. Eagle's Nest School Readiness Center, 590 N. 7th Street, Macclenny. Corner of 7th and Linda Street. Inside. 305-2131.

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

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 8305 CR139B**, Glen. Lots of stuff.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am - noon**, 121 N. ¼ mile past red light at 121 and 228. Namebrand boys and girls clothes, newborn - 4T, women's clothes, toys, commercial clothes rack and more.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-noon**, George Hodges Road, next to Zaxby's, ¼ mile on right, Roger Lane. Namebrand clothes for juniors and ladies, boys size 6, boys shoes size 12 and 12½, crib with mattress and sheet from Babies-R-Us, \$125 OBO and much more. All items from a smoke free home. Call for information 318-4993. No repeat items.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm**, 7582 Old Nursery Road. Lots of almost new toys, Power Wheels, Barbie Dune Buggy, crab sandbox, crib, changing table and more.

**Friday and Saturday, 11:00 am-?, 10034 River Oak Circle**, Glen. East Andrews Street to end of black top, turn left, fifth house on left.

**Friday and Saturday, 8:00 am-?, E. Tallpine Road** of Lower Street. Lots of Christmas items, some tools, lots of other goodies.

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 7:00 am-2:00 pm**, Off George Hodges next to Zaxby's. Furniture, baby clothes. Multi family

**Saturday, 8:00 am - noon**, Magnolia off Miltondale drive. Corner desk, foosball game, scrub pants, new skateboards and T-shirts, make excellent Christmas gifts, dining table and two chairs, dollhouse, desk, moves, 75 gallon fully loaded fish tank, guitar hero, adults and children's clothes. No early birds. Three family

**Saturday, 8:00 am-noon**, 576 East Minnesota Avenue. Nice name-brand clothing infant through adult, toys, home decor, lots of baby items, car seats, stroller, high chair and much more. No early birds please, rain cancels.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 5966 JB Hines Road**. Huge sale. Clothes, toys, games, household items, many great gifts for Christmas, too much to mention.

**Saturday, 7:00 am-noon**, 8043 Stewart Road off Woodlawn Road. King size comforter, full size pottery barn comforter set and quilt and accessories, twin comforter, lamps, curtains, mens large clothing, hunting clothes, girls size 12-16 clothes, ladies small-medium clothes.

**Saturday, 8:30 am-?, Miltondale** to Azalea Drive. Men's, women's, children's winter clothes, toys, household, etc.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-noon**, 12086 Mud Lake Road. Girl clothes newborn - toddler, kids toys small and large, Christmas trees and decorations. Multi family

**Saturday, 8:00 am - noon**, 125 south to Keith Griffis Circle. Almost everything \$.25 each. Lots of stuff.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm**, 7598 Yellow Pine Circle, porch sale. 259-4279. Jewelry only. All priced at \$.25 or \$.50

**Saturday, 8:00 am-2:00 pm**, 8689 Dupree Road, turn at Burger King and follow signs. Very big sale. Dresses, jeans, tops, shoes and more items, adult women's children and baby items. Nothing over \$.50

**Saturday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm**, 842 S. 7th Street, Cornerstone Church. Cub Scout Pack 555. A lot of good stuff.

**Saturday, 8:00 am - ?, 4802 Mulberry Street**, back of Macclenny II. Household items, misc. X-box with games.

**Saturday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm**, 23A north 2.8 miles from 90, left on Deer Creek Lane, second house on right. Toys, Geo tracks, Game Boys with dimes, Leapsters and more, kids clothes girls 7-8, boys 6, 7, 8 husky, new or like new, Gap Limited II, etc, and Christmas decorations.

**Saturday, 8:00 am - ?, 12354 W. Confederate Drive** in Glen. Lots of kids books, adult books, DVDs, VHS, misc. household items.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-noon**, Towards Maxville, SR 228 on left, just past county line.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, 6829 Odis Yarborough Road at Canon Heights. Antique plows farm equipment, antique tables and chairs, lots of stuff.

**Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, On highway 23A across from old golf course. Lok for signs.

**Two lots in Copper Creek**, Unit III. Call 813-1580. 12/11tfc

**1600 SF** five year old home, 3 BR, 2 BA hardwood floors and tile throughout, five-seater jacuzzi on back patio, very nice, quiet neighborhood, \$149,000. 904-497-3219, 904-994-8679. 12/10p

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