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Charged with DUI in fatality from '07

It took nearly three years, but the state has charged a Macclenny man in the death of a friend when their pickup truck rolled over on a hunting club road in the Cummer pasture.

Jamie Lee Barton, 23, is charged with DUI manslaughter and DUI impairment in the death of Jason L. Hodges, then 23, of Macclenny late on July 20, 2007. He entered a not guilty plea in circuit court on March 29 and was released on \$110,000 bond.



Jamie Barton

Mr. Barton was assigned a public defender and conditions of his bond prohibit him from driving and consuming alcohol.

Mr. Barton initially insisted to investigators from the Florida Highway Patrol that Mr. Hodges was driving on Devil's Island Lime Rock Rd. when their 1997 Chevrolet failed to negotiate a turn and partially overturned in a right-side ditch.

The accused also left the scene and traversed on foot to the home of an uncle several miles away off SR 121 where his parents were called. Police were not notified until he and his mother returned to the scene and she realized Mr. Hodges was dead and pinned between the vehicle and ground.

The lengthy report by Cpl. James Starling of FHP on both the accident and forensics at the scene also notes that Mr. Barton did not give a blood sample until 4-5 hours after the accident. His blood-alcohol level then was .082 in one sample and .081 in another — still above the legal limit.

Cpl. Starling also determined that the positioning of Mr. Hodges inside the vehicle and other factors like the distance between the gas pedal and front seat both indicated that Mr. Barton, the shorter of the two occupants, was driving.

FHP also says evidence at the scene discounts Mr. Bar-

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DOC's plans for re-entry center irk nearby residents

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Boys deliver weight lifting trifecta

Pictured with their championship medals from BCHS's third straight state weight lifting title are (back row from left) Ray Mangiafico, Reuben Jackson, Trace McCullough, Kendrick Singleton, (middle row from left) Coach Ryan Sulkowski, Coach Brock Canaday, Coach Scott McDonald, Cody Wheeler, Garrett Griffis, Coach Stewart Hardenbrook, (bottom row from left) Milton Baker, Denzel Mack and William Wheeler. They finished the state meet in New Port Richey one point ahead of second place finisher Arnold high school. Turn to page 15 to read the full story.

Joe Cone resigning as county manager

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After a 38-year career in municipal government, and the last four years at the helm of Baker County, County Manager Joe Cone is retiring.

He submitted a resignation letter to county commissioners earlier this month, offering the required 90-day notice stipulated in his employment contract. However, Mr. Cone said he intends to remain in the post until a suitable replacement is found.



Joe Cone

"I am willing to work with the commission in determining a mutually acceptable date to ensure the business of the county is not negatively impacted," reads the letter.

The board hired Mr. Cone, 63, in August 2006.

"I have worked with many city councils and county commissioners during the last 38 years and I can say without any reservation that the Baker County Commission is the most honest and conscientious group of elected individuals I've had

the privilege of working with," he wrote.

The Lake City resident also assured commissioners he reached the decision to retire on his own accord and was not "approached by anyone regarding this issue, particularly no member of the commission."

Mr. Cone recently was chided by Glen St. Mary resident Sharon Padgett for residing outside Baker County, even though his contract stipulated he move here. The requirement had been informally waived until April 6, when the commission voted unanimously to remove the requirement.

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PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

The Mitsubishi driven by Jeremy Black, who received minor injuries in a T-bone crash on S. SR 121 April 22.

Accident after driver runs light

Mary R. Foreman, 70, of Macclenny was traveling north on SR 121 S. (South 6th Street) in a 2002 Mercury about 3:20 pm April 22 when she failed to stop at the light on Woodlawn Road and struck the 2008 Mitsubishi pictured at left, reported the Florida Highway Patrol. The Mitsubishi, driven by Jeremy Black, 63, of Sneads, Fla., was turning south onto SR 121 S. when the collision occurred. Mr. Black was taken to Fraser Memorial with minor injuries, while the vehicle's passenger, Fullando Jenkins, 41, was not injured. Ms. Foreman was charged with running the stop light, said Lt. Bill Leeper of FHP.

Architect will study rehab of the old jail

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The Baker County Commission took its first official action towards rehabilitating the old county jail adjacent to the courthouse last week by hiring Kasper Architecture to evaluate the building, recommend needed repairs and estimate the cost.

The Jacksonville architect's \$2400 fee, plus expenses, covers a site visit and preparing trade-specific scopes of work for upgrading the roof, heating and air conditioning, plumbing and electrical.

Erik Kasper's proposal excludes improvements related to security, like mechanical cell doors and security cameras, and the front office portion of the 35-year-old structure.

Previous assessments of the former jail have shown roof leaks, mold, the need for replacing some of the security doors and other problems.

A different architect's estimate in April 2009 showed the non-security repairs could cost more than \$900,000, but that was months before the county applied for and received a \$416,000 grant funded through last year's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, more commonly called the stimulus package.

The grant will cover Kasper's fee and expenses. However, as County Manager Joe Cone told the commission the evening of April 19, should the board abandon the project in the future, the county will have to pay back any grant funds expended during the process.

Mr. Cone also said the initial task will provide the county with documents needed to bid the repair work and a "reliable estimate" on the cost.

Joining Mr. Kasper during his mid-May visit to the facility will be James Robertson, an inspector with the National Institute of Corrections.

Mr. Robertson will give a free assessment on what's needed to make the jail compliant with state standards, including security requirements.

"We'll get those two together and get some workable documents," Mr. Cone told the Public Safety Coordinating Council during its meeting earlier that afternoon.

Due to the limited funding, he said Mr. Kasper will be exploring options for partially renovating the 130-bed jail.

"If it's a matter of putting 50 or 60 [inmates] in there ..." he said later that evening. "Maybe we only renovate half the building."

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Charged with torching vehicles

It took several police agencies to track down a Jacksonville man who was jailed for torching two vehicles at Trailridge trailer park east of Macclenny during the early morning hours of April 19.



Larry Shryock

Larry Shryock, 72, was found shortly after dawn hiding near a residence off Rayonier Rd. after canine trackers from the Department of Corrections and sheriff's department twice found then lost his scent on both sides of US 90.

An aerial team squad from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office was also summoned to aid in the search through sometimes heavily wooded terrain.

A fire marshal determined that vehicles belonging to Terri Bennett and her son Nathan, both residents of different lots at the trailer park, were set fire using a propellant earlier that morning.

Ms. Bennett had recently ended a relationship with Mr. Shryock, who admitted to sheriff's investigator David Morgan that he had sent her threatening text messages and also showed him those texts.

The suspect, however, denied setting fire to either Ms. Bennett's 1992 Chevrolet sedan or her son's 1991 Chevrolet pickup.

Ms. Bennett called police and fire about 2:24 when she awakened to find her vehicle ablaze. She also told Deputy Koty Crews she recognized Mr. Shryock's voice when he yelled several times "Let the car burn" after she went outside. She did not see him.

Her son called authorities some time later when he returned to his residence after the first fire and found his truck on fire. He told Deputy Crews he recognized Mr. Shryock as he ran from the scene north into nearby woods

where the initial tracking scent was picked up.

The suspect was also seen by police crossing US 90 in the vicinity twice both west of the trailer park and east of the Walmart Distribution Center and into the Allen Acres neighborhood off US 90.

The officer's report notes that a gasoline can was missing from Mr. Bennett's porch. Investigator Morgan said the suspect's personal belongings when he was arrested included three cigarette lighters.

Mr. Shryock in the later interview said he ran from trackers about 6:30 am while walking along the CSX tracks because he did not recognize their Department of Corrections uniforms. He claims he was walking to Macclenny to panhandle at the Walmart Supercenter.

Mr. Shryock was booked for arson, criminal mischief and resisting by running from authorities.

Joe Cone resigning...

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During his tenure, the manager is most proud of the county's efforts to pave a number of dirt roads like Reid Stafford and Confederate Drive.

"I think it's close to 16 miles of roads in two years," said Mr. Cone.

Other accomplishments he oversaw include securing a traffic variance on I-10 that effectively lowered the up-front development costs for job-creating projects like two industrial parks being planned at either end of the county. Also of note, he said, is the county's first utility franchise agreement approved last year, a storm water master plan and a thoroughfare master plan.

"We built the foundation for activities that will inevitably occur," he said, alluding to future growth as Jacksonville and the region expands in coming decades.

There were also disappointments, namely the failed Cedar Creek mixed-use development.

"We worked so long and hard on that, to see it just fall apart," Mr. Cone said.

Challenges still lay ahead, too.

Mr. Cone hopes to remain long enough to see timber harvested from St. Mary's Shoals Park to help fund future maintenance of the county's newest recreation venue. Next year's budget and a feasibility study for renovating the old jail are also important tasks he wants to finish before leaving.

"[The budget] was tight last year, but we were able to keep the millage rate down," he said, adding that the rate has declined during his time with Baker County.

Mr. Cone, an avid boater and fisherman, intends to spend retirement in St. Johns County with his wife.

"Each week will be like six Saturdays and a Sunday," he said.

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Nothing good comes of an afternoon nap

MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD

It's funny how little things can disrupt your day.

No one was at home yesterday afternoon and for once I didn't have after school drama rehearsals so I decided I'd take a nap.

I rarely ever nap because its one of those doomed-to-failure activities. Dad taking a nap means that my children immediately formulate questions that have to be answered right then and there.

"Dad, what's the deepest known spot in the Pacific Ocean?"

"I'm taking a nap ... uh ... the Marianna's Trench."

Back to sleep.

"Dad, what's the chemical symbol for gold?"

"I'm taking a nap ... uh ... AU atomic number 79. Atomic mass 196.96655."

Or, if it is my wife who wanders in it will be simply, "What are you doing?"

"I'm taking a nap."

"Why?"

"... uh ... I'm tired?"

"You need to wake up and do something useful."

If we owned a dog, he'd probably jump on me.

But today nobody was around — not a soul. My son Spencer was in class at Santa Fe. Dylan was at softball practice. Kelley was still at school. Only the cat was on the porch and she seemed content to take a nap of her own.

So I stretched out on the couch and fell fast asleep — the snoring and drooling kind of sleep. One of those naps where nothing good is going to come of it.

My cell phone rings.

For the first few rings I can't place what I'm hearing. Then it pulls me from the depths of sleep. I sit up and look for the phone and promptly step on my glasses.

CRUNCH!!

Not a good sign. I find my phone in my pocket.

"Hello."

"What are you doing?" Amazing. She is miles away and somehow, in some miracle of extra sensory perception, my wife could tell I was taking a nap and "needed to wake up and do something useful."

"... uh I was taking a nap. I think I broke my glasses."

"Why'd you do a thing like that?"

That's one of those questions that begs a smart remark, but I couldn't think of one.

"I stepped on them."

"Were you sleep walking?"

"I was looking for the phone. What do you want?"

"I just wanted to know what

you were doing."

"Figures."

"Go get some duct tape and fix your glasses."

Glasses are one of those things that you don't really think about until you step on them while looking for your cell phone. Mine are lightweight and the lenses are held in place by some fine filament like fishing line.

I put on my glasses — or rather

my "glass" since I only had one lens — and wandered around looking for the duct tape.

I have been a glasses wearer since I was 10 years old. When I was 10 I contracted German measles. I didn't know I had them and so played outside in the bright sunlight all day. When I came in the house in the afternoon I was covered in spots but by then the damage was done.

Have you ever tried walking around with one eye closed? Goodbye depth perception. I kept running into things in my search for duct tape. Finally I was rewarded and set about trying to fix my glasses.

I cut a thin strip of duct tape and applied it to the bottom of my lens. I can see, sort of. I keep misjudging distances and catching the edge of counters and

walls. It will be fun driving in the morning. Keep your distance.

I guess the moral of this story is not that I shouldn't put my glasses where I can step on them. The moral of the story is obvious. If I was to ask my wife the moral of this story it would be simple.

Don't take naps — do something useful.



Rare sea shell still has mystique

THE BACK PORCH

Kelley Lannigan

Last week, digging through the "free box" at the library yielded an unexpected treasure: a copy of *Seashells of the World*, printed in 1963.

These pocket-sized Golden Nature Guides devoted to subjects of the natural world were once very popular and as a child, I spent hours pouring over them.

To this day I know the names of more trees, shells, birds and wildflowers than most people. Certainly not like a trained naturalist, but for a layman, I gained a pretty good working knowledge.

Certain images from the pages of these books were riveting to my child's mind, such as the now extinct ivory-billed woodpecker, the 3-foot-wide rafflesia, the world's largest flower and the odd, spiked leaves of the monkey

puzzle tree.

The shell book was my favorite and I kept it handy, especially on summer vacation.

From its well-worn pages I learned to tell the difference between the knobbed, channel and lightning welk shells that washed up on the beach.

The brittle white disks I found in such proliferation were sun-bleached skeletons of sand dollars, that when alive were dark green and fuzzy. Little black leathery pouches scooped up

from tidal pools once held the eggs of a skate, a member of the ray family. One image fascinated me more than the others — a marine creature known as the glory of the seas.

It is one of about 400 species of cone shell. It's not very glorious to look at as the fanciful name would suggest and there are infinitely more spectacular shells in the ocean. The glory of the sea's notoriety was due to its scarcity.

I must have read the passage under its image a thousand times during those summers at the beach:

"The glory of the seas is the most valuable shell in the world. Only 25 specimens have ever been found, the last one selling for \$1200. Most known specimens are in natural history museums."

Many times, standing there looking out over the breaking waves clutching my book did I imagine traveling to the Philippines and Indonesia where the elusive cone lived in secret, hidden places. I saw myself, bronzed from the sun, diving in the tropical waters. I would be among the few lucky people in the world to discover one of the rare shells.

Of course, I would be famous. Reporters would write about my discovery and my picture would be in the paper.

Jacques Cousteau would invite me to be a member of his crew on his ocean research ship *Calypso*. Someone would buy my shell and I'd be rich.

It was a delicious fantasy.

In latter decades, exploration techniques became more advanced and the seas that were

home to the elusive shell became more accessible. Larger caches of the cones were ultimately discovered and its rarity diminished, but not completely.

Even so, its numbers have never been abundant and although it no longer holds the "glorious" status it possessed in the mid 20th Century, it is still highly desired by serious shell collectors.

For me, the shell still holds a powerful mystique. I have never seen one or held its 5-inch length in my hands and examined the intricate zig-zag pattern that graces its smooth surface.

Yet, the flat, printed image in my little shell book will always be very special; a reminder of a time when my dreams were as big as the sky and as deep as the ocean.

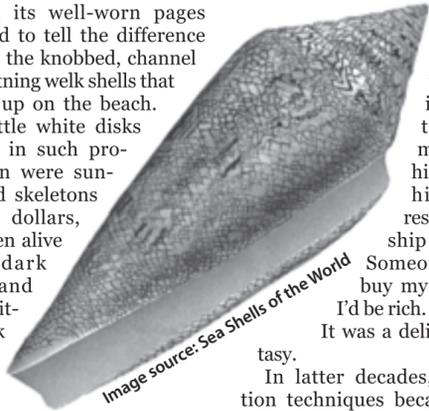


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Facebook fans

'What you had to say ...'

The Baker County Press has a fan page on Facebook (that social networking site you always hear about) for our online readers to connect with us. It's informal but effective in helping us find out what they think. We asked our fans on Facebook April 27, "Name something you've seen or done around the county in the last week that really bugged you..." Here's a look at the responses:

Laura Stafford-Jacobs:

"The paper never printing anything positive about the Baker County Tea Party. The mural in Glen is great! It was painted by two college boys."

Jennifer Sizemore Meadows:

"People who put their kids in the car without a car seat! See it all the time in this county and it makes me sick!"

Tonnie Marie McPhatter Blakely:

"Picking up other people's trash from

my front yard!"

Anna McGauley Stockton:

"Shopping at Wal-mart and the cashier doesn't even look at you. How about a greeting and maybe a thank you. Also, turning the screen towards me does not count as telling me my total."

Leigh Dubie:

"Trash falling out of vehicles on their way to dump, and not stopping to pick it up. Geez people it's not that hard to tie up bags, flatten boxes. I was riding my motorcycle over the weekend and was hit by an empty milk container that blew out of an open trash bag in the back of a pickup, driver just kept driving as his trash kept blowing out. Baker County would be a lot cleaner."

Michael McIntyre:

"I was hoping when they started on CR 125 that they were widening it. Tractor trailers travel CR 125 all the time, and by driving down the road all the crosses indicate something needs to be done. The road is too narrow."

Louise Curtiss Smith:

"I agree about no coverage of the Tea Party! This is a Conservative County!!"

Connie M. Keane:

"I agree with the garbage on the dump route. C'mon people, let's tie those bags up! And why is that boys graffiti still all over town? It looks horrible, and why isn't he responsible for cleaning it up?"

Laura Beth Briner:

"I despise seeing people's garbage (still in bags) on the side of the road."

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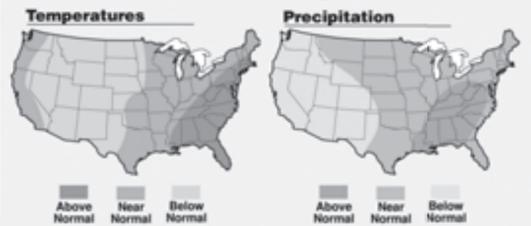
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High: 81° Low: 55°	High: 81° Low: 62°	High: 86° Low: 68°	High: 90° Low: 72°	High: 88° Low: 71°	High: 89° Low: 72°	High: 87° Low: 65°

Temperature and Precipitation Outlook

April 29 - May 5



Tides

Cedar Key	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
First high	3:28 a.m.	4:11 a.m.	4:53 a.m.	5:35 a.m.	6:21 a.m.	7:12 a.m.	8:10 a.m.
First low	8:54 a.m.	9:28 a.m.	10:03 a.m.	10:39 a.m.	11:19 a.m.	12:29 a.m.	1:19 a.m.
Second high	2:33 p.m.	3:07 p.m.	3:42 p.m.	4:20 p.m.	5:03 p.m.	5:53 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Second low	9:44 p.m.	10:24 p.m.	11:03 p.m.	11:45 p.m.	—	12:08 p.m.	1:13 p.m.

Jacksonville Beach	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
First high	9:20 a.m.	10:07 a.m.	10:53 a.m.	11:38 a.m.	12:07 a.m.	12:52 a.m.	1:38 a.m.
First low	3:29 a.m.	4:15 a.m.	5:01 a.m.	5:47 a.m.	6:35 a.m.	7:26 a.m.	8:17 a.m.
Second high	9:51 p.m.	10:37 p.m.	11:23 p.m.	—	12:23 p.m.	1:10 p.m.	1:59 p.m.
Second low	3:29 p.m.	4:14 p.m.	4:58 p.m.	5:43 p.m.	6:32 p.m.	7:26 p.m.	8:25 p.m.

Mayport	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
First high	9:59 a.m.	10:45 a.m.	11:31 a.m.	12:16 p.m.	12:42 a.m.	1:27 a.m.	2:15 a.m.
First low	3:39 a.m.	4:26 a.m.	5:13 a.m.	6:02 a.m.	6:53 a.m.	7:47 a.m.	8:40 a.m.
Second high	10:28 p.m.	11:13 p.m.	11:57 p.m.	—	1:02 p.m.	1:51 p.m.	2:43 p.m.
Second low	3:35 p.m.	4:19 p.m.	5:04 p.m.	5:52 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	7:44 p.m.	8:44 p.m.

St. Augustine	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
First high	9:26 a.m.	10:13 a.m.	10:59 a.m.	11:44 a.m.	12:13 a.m.	12:58 a.m.	1:44 a.m.
First low	3:31 a.m.	4:17 a.m.	5:03 a.m.	5:49 a.m.	6:37 a.m.	7:28 a.m.	8:19 a.m.
Second high	9:57 p.m.	10:43 p.m.	11:29 p.m.	—	12:29 p.m.	1:16 p.m.	2:05 p.m.
Second low	3:31 p.m.	4:16 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	5:45 p.m.	6:34 p.m.	7:28 p.m.	8:27 p.m.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise Thursday 6:47 a.m.
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 Moonset Thursday 7:16 a.m.



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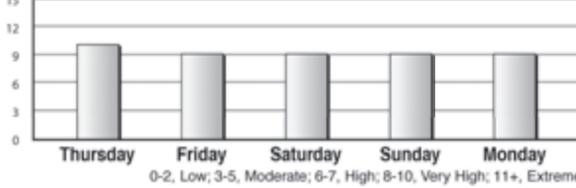
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Temperature
 High/Low for the week 87°/47°
 Normal high/low 80°/56°
 Average temperature 70.1°
 Normal average temperature 68.0°

Precipitation
 Total for the week 0.34"
 Total for the month 0.34"
 Total for the year 8.88"
 Normal for the month 2.74"
 Normal for the year 13.51"

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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
Apr 29	12:01 p.m.	5:48 a.m.	---	6:15 p.m.
Apr 30	12:30 a.m.	6:44 a.m.	12:57 p.m.	7:11 p.m.
May 1	1:29 a.m.	7:43 a.m.	1:57 p.m.	8:11 p.m.
May 2	2:30 a.m.	8:44 a.m.	2:58 p.m.	9:11 p.m.
May 3	3:30 a.m.	9:44 a.m.	3:57 p.m.	10:10 p.m.
May 4	4:28 a.m.	10:41 a.m.	4:53 p.m.	11:06 p.m.
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Architect will study rehab of former jail

Report breaks down higher daily rate for local inmates

The public safety council — which consists of representatives from the sheriff's office, the court system, probation and parole services and county commission — appointed a subcommittee in February to do a cost-benefit analysis of rehabilitating the old jail and research how the county-owned building could function.

The subcommittee, headed by Commissioner Michael Crews, will report its findings to the council, which may recommend a course of action to county commissioners.

The subcommittee recently received a report from Brian Bishop, the sheriff's office administrative chief, who also oversees the Baker Correctional Development Corporation's [BCDC] finances.

The non-profit corporation owns the 500-plus bed jail and sheriff's office complex located north of Macclenny.

Mr. Bishop's report, which states it's intended to summarize information requested by the subcommittee, breaks down the BCDC's roughly \$84 per day per inmate rate for housing prisoners, both local and federal, by defining how much of it pays for housing other county functions at the complex, like the emergency management, dispatch and law enforcement operations.

Prior to the new jail opening in June 2009, these functions took place at two other county-owned and maintained facilities — the old jail now vacant and the old emergency operations center on US 90 in west Macclenny occupied by fire-rescue and EMS departments.

The office portion of the new jail complex, about 23,000 square feet, is home to 9-1-1 dis-

patchers, sheriff's office personnel and emergency management. The report estimates the cost to build that portion of the structure was \$5.8 million.

That cost spread over 110 local inmates and 22 years — the life of the bonds used to fund construction of the new facility and the period after which ownership of the complex reverts to the county — is \$6.63 per inmate, per day; or about 8 percent of the \$84 daily rate.

The facility typically houses about 100 local prisoners on any given day.

"As the sheriff's previous administrative space was seriously outgrown and in need of repair, it is apparent that new space would have been required in the very near future," reads Mr. Bishop's report. "If the county had not taken advantage of the space at the BCDC facility, then the cost of a new sheriff's facility would have been assumed directly by the [Baker County Commission] and ultimately the taxpayers."

What's left of the \$84 daily rate after subtracting construction of space for the sheriff's office, emergency operations and 9-1-1 dispatch; a jail strictly for local inmates, plus maintenance and other operational costs like transporting those inmates to court, is \$48, or \$2 more than what the county was paying the sheriff's office to run the former facility.

Theoretically, Mr. Bishop argued, the county's cost for housing local inmates without the BCDC's new facility, would've been close to what it is today.

"The only difference is that the revenue producing potential [from housing federal inmates at the new jail] to offset the direct costs of providing these required



PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

This was the exercise yard at the vacated county jail.

functions of government is eliminated or greatly reduced, and the entire burden is on the taxpayers," he wrote.

Will rehabilitation be worth it?

Mr. Bishop's report seems to support the status quo — housing local inmates at the BCDC-owned complex operated by the sheriff's office.

The facility is running at about 60 percent capacity, and until 200 inmates are added on a consistent basis, there's no immediate need for additional space the rehabilitated jail would supply.

About a year ago, Sheriff Joey Dobson suggested the renovation could mean an additional revenue stream for the county, by leasing the space to BCDC, thus relieving space at the new facility for additional federal inmates.

There's not been an abundance of Immigration and Customs Enforcement [ICE] prisoners thus far, but Sheriff Dobson expects additional US Marshals' inmates to come from the Southern District Court of Georgia.

"It's coming," he predicted. "We just don't know when."

Also unclear at this time is who would operate the refurbished

county jail and how much that would cost. The county commission could staff the facility itself, pay the sheriff's office or a private company to do so. Sheriff Dobson said the last year his employees ran the facility the bill topped \$2 million.

As costs for the rehabilitation and future operation come to light, officials will have the information needed to project a daily rate for the old jail. The fate of the rehab largely rests on any potential savings over BCDC's \$84 rate.

Soon, county commissioners will also be considering a more than \$500,000 withdrawal from reserves to cover local inmate housing costs through the end of

the year.

The shortfall comes as a result of budgeting \$600,000 in lease revenue from the rehabilitated jail, which never materialized.

Last fall, in adopting the 2009-10 budget, commissioners projected the cash would be available to offset the bill for housing local prisoners.

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LAND PLANNING AGENCY

Seeks DOC 're-entry' school

3-2 vote against siting it next to US 90 residences

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The Baker County Commission is the next stop for a request from the Florida Department of Corrections [FDOC] to rezone about 20 acres a few miles east of Baker Correctional Institute on US 90 near Olustee for construction of a prisoner re-entry center.

Such facilities offer inmates approaching the end of their sentences educational and behavioral training designed to assist them in re-joining society as productive citizens.

"They're basically in school for different things to improve their ability to become a viable member of society and not come back to us," said FDOC environmental administrator Bailey Barefoot while addressing the Land Planning Agency board the evening of April 22.

LPA board members recommended with a 3-2 vote that county commissioners deny the state's request. The decision came after Kenneth and Sharon Moore, who live on an 80-acre wooded property next to the proposed re-entry center parcel, voiced objections over the facility's compatibility with their land.

"I have small children around this land," said Mrs. Moore in reference to some of her

28 grandchildren. "I don't feel comfortable with my children running around this land with this facility right next door. We didn't move here for this. We moved here to get away from it all, and now you're bringing it to our back door."

Mr. Barefoot also informed the board that the re-entry center, expected to open in the latter part of 2011 and proposed about 3.5 miles east of Baker Correctional, could mean 150 full-time jobs to manage some 432 inmates.

Kenneth Moore, who moved his family to the property 20 years ago, asked why the site next to his property was chosen from the FDOC's 3200 acres in Baker County.

"There's somewhere else they can put that prison and bring the jobs," he said.

Though Mr. Barefoot admitted he was not involved with the site selection process, he said it was likely chosen because it was separated from Baker Correctional, but still nearby.

"There's not really a location next to the prison that we own, that was suitable," he said, adding that he was not aware of any neighboring residents until contacted by the county in recent weeks.

The Moore's property contains two residences.

The county's planning department director Ed Preston recommended approval of the rezoning and land use change, which would reclassify FDOC's site from an agricultural land use designation to institutional.

"Adequate buffers and separation [from the homes] can be accomplished," Mr. Preston told the board.

LPA chairman C.J. Thompson voted with board members Jesse Davis and Allison Broughton against board member Amy Rios' motion to recommend approval of the zoning and land use change.

"I think it's a compatibility issue," Mr. Thompson said.

Pat Collier and Ms. Rios voted in favor of the failed motion. The matter now heads to the Baker County Commission for a final decision May 17.

Also that evening, the board approved Nancy Oliver's request to rezone five acres on the south side of Thannie Harvey Road just east of CR 125 in Taylor from agriculture 7.5-acre to residential 2.5-acre to accommodate construction of another dwelling.

Ms. Oliver said she's planning a detached garage and mother-in-law suite on the property.

The LPA's next meeting is planned for May 27.

Arrest for DUI death

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ton's contention that he was ejected, and instead he likely climbed out a partially opened driver side window and jumped from the vehicle.

The investigation also concluded the relatively low kinetic force of the rollover was not sufficient to propel the victim onto the passenger side where he was found partially outside the open driver side window.

Neither occupant was restrained by a seat belt.

Training for new guardians

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In high gear to keep Alachua's trash

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The New River landfill's board of directors went into emergency mode the afternoon of April 22 in response to rising pressure from Alachua County and its major trash hauler Emerald Waste Services to lower tipping fees.

The six-member board, minus Baker County Commission's two representatives Mark Hartley and Michael Crews, decided to task its engineers and auditors with reviewing and formulating a response to a recently-released study finished in August 2009 on New River's finances by Alachua County's Solid Waste Management office.

The study included analysis of New River's audits from 1999 to 2008 and a tipping fee study done by New River's engineer Jones Edmunds & Associates, as well as comparisons to other landfills. It was completed without input from New River staff, said landfill director Darrell O'Neal.

Emerald Waste Services [EWS], the exclusive residential trash hauler in Alachua County and non-exclusive commercial hauler, frequently cited information from the study during presentations before Alachua County and City of Gainesville commissioners this month.

Both the presentations and the study's 12-page summary focus on New River's exceedingly healthy financial position as demonstrated by annual dividend payments and host fees for the tri-county facility's members — Baker, Bradford and Union counties — and roughly \$10 million growth in cash reserves over the last decade.

The study report and EWS presentations diverge, however; on what should be done.

The report recommended, among other actions, that Alachua County request from New River a tipping fee reduction of \$2.50 per ton. Alachua's garbage accounts for more than 70 percent of all waste coming into the landfill.

The presentations by EWS called for privatizing Alachua County's sole transfer station, ending the subsidies to New River's member counties and deferring a "waste control" ordinance

that would divvy up the county into exclusive hauling franchises and could mandate disposal at Alachua County's transfer station.

EWS recently began diverting commercial waste from the transfer station, and in turn New River, to a transfer station it bought on Bear Archer Road. From there the garbage is taken to the Chesser Island landfill in Georgia for disposal.

New River's executive director Darrell O'Neal has said the diversion could cost the landfill as much as \$2.2 million a year.

The Alachua County study report first surfaced on the solid waste department's Web site in September 2009. Mr. O'Neal came across it, notified County Manager Randall Reid, and it was removed within two weeks.

"I've asked numerous times for that report from Alachua County," he told the board members last week before they approved a draft letter to the landfill's largest customer outlining their position.

"New River is willing to work with Alachua County to consider lower tipping fees under a scenario in which Alachua County and the City of Gainesville have enacted ordinances and taken other measures to ensure the waste stream generated in the county is indeed in the control of Alachua County," states the letter.

Without that control, Mr. O'Neal believes there's no assurance more waste won't be diverted from New River, and that, he said, could lead to higher tipping fees for member counties.

Mr. O'Neal said he also intends, with assistance from the landfill's consultants, to formulate a response to the recent EWS presentations. He'll present it during a joint meeting April 29 between Gainesville and Alachua County commissioners about establishing exclusive franchises for commercial waste.

The meeting will be aired live online at <http://www.alachua.fl.us/government/bocc/> and can be accessed by clicking the Video On Demand link on the left side of the page.

Some highlights from the report:

- "NRSWA [New River Solid Waste Association] is prospering when compared to similar facilities. The association has no debt. Reserves have tripled. Total assets have grown five-fold."
- "Alachua County delivers more than 70 percent of the waste the association receives, and in 2009 and 2010, more than 80 percent of the tipping fee revenues."
- "NRSWA's reserves are large enough that the association will not have to seek external funding as it embarks on an ambitious 12-year, \$30 million capital im-

provements program."

- "The rate [tipping fee] study contained a significant omission by not including the current unrestricted cash/near-cash balance of approximately \$13.8 million and the interest revenue that will be generated from this balance. The rate study shows only \$90,1854 in reserves in 2020, when in fact the amount would exceed \$20 million."

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School board takes \$918,000 bid

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Three more buildings at Baker County High School will be fitted with new heating and air conditioning systems this year following the school board's approval of a \$917,834 bid the evening of April 19 from Little & Williams of Lake City.

Little & Williams submitted the lowest among five bids received for replacing the HVAC systems at buildings 7, 12 and 15.

The project, which represents the second phase of its type at the campus, will finish all the major classroom buildings there by October, said Denny Wells, the district's facilities maintenance director.

"This is the advantage of having some money when the economy's down," he told the board when asked about the low price tag.

Marcelle Richardson, the

district's finance chief, said she'd budgeted more than \$1.6 million for the job. Still needed, however, is a new chiller, which she said is an expensive piece of equipment.

Regarding other improvements at district facilities, the board approved a contract with Northeast Florida Regional Council to oversee installation of hurricane-wind resistant screens at district schools for \$10,246.

The grant-funded retrofit project — already completed at Macclenny Elementary — is intended to upgrade five more buildings so they can serve as shelters during storm events.

To be retrofitted are building 19 at the middle school, the high school's building 15, building 18 at Keller Intermediate, the Phoenix Center's center building and Westside Elementary's building 7.

The upgrades must be complete by June 30 per the grant requirements. The grant will also

cover the regional council's fee.

In other business that evening:

- The school board approved a May 4-9 field trip to Washington, D.C. for two dozen students in the high school's Air Force Junior ROTC program.

The trip will include tours and visits to landmarks like the Capitol, the Smithsonian Institute's National Air and Space Museum and Arlington National Cemetery.

Students and their parents raised money for the trip, though the district will be assigning a substitute teacher during the ROTC instructors' absence.

- Two school district retirees, Lou Ann Mann and Suzanne Wirick, were also recognized for their service. Ms. Mann worked at the Kindergarten Center before retirement after 16 years with the district, and Ms. Wirick finished a 36-year career at the middle school.

Knife attack by girlfriend

A girlfriend said to be enraged when her boyfriend returned during the early morning hours of April 25 to their residence off Gallup Rd. near Macclenny was arrested later for allegedly holding a kitchen knife to his throat and threatening to kill him.

Gary Crews, 23, told police he came home about 5:00 and Gina Harris, 29, became angry when he awakened her. She then allegedly shoved him into a toilet and threatened him with the knife. She also threw his cell phone onto a kitchen floor, shattering it.

Ms. Harris, interviewed by Deputy Koty Crews later, said the argument started when her boyfriend text messaged another woman while lying in bed with her. She denied threatening him with the knife and said she shoved him in self-defense.

Deputy Crews said Mr. Crews had scratches on his neck, back, chest and arms consistent with his version of events.

Ms. Harris was booked for domestic battery, aggravated assault with the knife and criminal mischief for destroying the phone.

In other cases during an unusually active week of domestic calls answered by police:

- Shawn Farrell, 18, of Macclenny was arrested for aggravated battery for cutting his stepfather Rodney Craig, 47, with a pocket knife during an argument at their residence on East Jonathan St. the evening of April 21.

Mr. Craig told Deputy Larry Clark he was cut on the hand and arm attempting to disarm Mr. Farrell.

- Joseph Dennie, 34, of Sanderson was arrested for domestic battery following a complaint at the sheriff's department on April 20 by his wife Roben, 36, of repeated acts of physical and psychological abuse during their 10-year marriage.

Investigator Tracie Benton said Mrs. Dennie's accusations ranged from physical abuse while she was pregnant to abuse of their three children and her 16-year-old daughter.

- Joseph Chambers, 18, was arrested the afternoon of April 19 for attacking his brother, age 17, when he attempted to defend their mother during an argument at their residence off Shaw St. in Olustee.

The suspect's mother Rebecca Cobb, 36, said she ordered her

Back from Afghanistan

Army Spec. Justinray D. Spence has returned to Fort Richardson, Anchorage, Alaska after being deployed to Afghanistan for one year.

The soldier is one of 3,500 members of the 4th Airborne Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division stationed at Fort Richardson.

He is the son of Darrin D. Spence of Belleview, Fla., and grandson of Mary E. Sirmans of Macclenny.

Glen tables sign, bid revisions

The Glen St. Mary Town Council decided to step back a bit before further consideration on rules governing placement of political signs and revised procedures for accepting bids for services, contracts and other purchasing.

At the urging of Mayor Juance Padgett, the board on April 20 decided to study bid policies from other municipalities. On the sign ordinance, Glen appears willing to wait until Baker County comes up with its version.

There was a move afoot several months ago to adopt common political sign rules in the county, Glen St. Mary and Macclenny.

The latter municipality was advised by its attorney this month that Macclenny's present ordinance culled from others around Florida does not need tweaking and its commission appeared to agree to let it stand.

During a brief discussion during Glen's regular meeting that evening, support surfaced for a

provision similar to Macclenny's requiring cash deposits from campaigns to ensure that signs are taken down in a timely manner following elections.

Glen's counsel Joel Foreman of Lake City had earlier forwarded a memo based on a board discussion in March, and suggested potential legal problems with a 15-foot setback for political signage from property lines might be alleviated by limiting signs for a particular candidate or cause to one per 15 feet.

At present, the proposed law places the burden for sign removal on individual landowners, which would likely change if Glen adopts the cash deposit provision.

As for a revised bidding policy, the board backed off from support of a change requiring the highest and lowest bids be rejected except when fewer than three are submitted. Then, the town clerk would award a contract or purchase from the lowest bidder.

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DIVISION:

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MARVIN SANDERS, et al,
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2010-20-CP
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of THADDEUS E. RAYSOR, SR., deceased, whose date of death was November 14, 2009, File Number 2010-20-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Baker County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063. The names and addresses of the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO: 02-2010-CA-000018

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC.,
PLAINTIFF,

vs.

CARMEN G. DIAZ, ET AL.,
DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF ACTION
CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

TO: CARMEN G. DIAZ AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CARMEN G. DIAZ

whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 8, DAWKINS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF MACCLENNY, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 36 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DAVID J. STERN, ESQ. Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 900 South Pine Island Road #400, Plantation, FL 33324-3920 on or before May 31, 2010, (no later than 30 days from the date of the first publication of this notice of action) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at BAKER County, Florida, this 26 day of April, 2010.

Al Fraser
Clerk of Court
By: Jamie Crews
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 02-2009-CA-0235

CAROLINA FIRST BANK, as successor by merger with Mercantile Bank, as successor by merger with CNB National Bank,
Plaintiff,

vs.

RONALD E. STAFFORD and SERINA L. STAFFORD, his wife; et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Agreed Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 5, 2010, entered in Civil Case No. 02-2009-CA-0235 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein CAROLINA FIRST BANK, as successor by merger with Mercantile Bank, as successor by merger with CNB National Bank, is Plaintiff and RONALD E. STAFFORD; et al., are Defendant(s).

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Ave., Macclenny, FL 32063 at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 2nd day of June, 2010 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 15 of ALLEN LANDS, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page(s) 58 & 59 of the Public Records of Baker County, Florida, and that particular 1991 double wide Palm mobile home under identification nos. PH094157BFL and PH094157AFL and titled under nos. 61153140 & 61157083

Street address: 17842 John Allen Road, Glen St. Mary, FL 32040

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 23rd day of April, 2010.

Al Fraser
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Jamie Crews
Deputy Clerk

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Four stabbed in Margareta fight No assailant ID, refused witness statements

Police say four men who claimed they were stabbed during a large melee in Margareta during the early morning hours of April 24 have given them little to go on as to the identity of their assailant or assailants.

Deputy Jason Bryan said he interviewed the four at Fraser Memorial Hospital's emergency room just after 3:00 am and was told the fight involved a large number of persons gathered off CR 139B.

Willis Hudson, 34, of Macclenny was transferred to Shands Jacksonville for treatment of a stab wound in the lower abdomen.

The other three treated at Fraser for less serious wounds were identified as Brian Paige and Marcel Thomas, both 25 and from Sanderson, and Michael Williams, 24, of Margareta.

Mr. Paige had deep cuts to the left hand and fingers; Mr. Thomas had two puncture wounds in the right lower back and Mr. Williams a single wound to the right lower back.

Deputy Bryan noted the men claimed poor lighting prevented them from identifying anyone at the scene and they refused to sign witness statements.

In another incident at about the same time, two women showed up at Fraser Hospital for treatment of injuries they claim were inflicted by four others during a fight at the Club 229 north of Sanderson.

Angela Burroughs, 24, and Margo Gaskins, 20, both of Macclenny, sustained minor injuries. They identified their attackers as Andrew Shaw, 22, of Sanderson, Rhonda Clayton, 34, of Macclenny, Kelia Coleman, 23, and Grace Mills, 28, no address indicated.

Ms. Burroughs said she was attacked by the female suspects and kicked in the head by Mr. Shaw. Both she and Ms. Gaskins said they were prodded several times by Ms. Clayton and Ms. Mills wielding a stun gun.

Deputy Tony Norman later interviewed Ms. Mills, who admitted to fighting but not to having a stun gun. Mr. Shaw denied any involvement and the officer said no witnesses came forward.

Criminal complaints for battery will be filed against all four of the accused. Ms. Coleman and Ms. Clayton were not located.

In other reports:

- Joshua Fish, 25, of Glen St. Mary was arrested for battery on Darrell Barnwell, 23, at the latter's residence off Bertha Mae Harris Rd.

Deputy Earl Lord said the accused went to Mr. Barnwell's residence because his estranged girlfriend is staying there with the victim, who is her brother.

When asked to leave, Mr. Fish allegedly struck Mr. Barnwell on the face, shoulder and chest.

- A criminal complaint for battery was filed against Jenia Stone, 43, of Jacksonville for an alleged attack on her daughter Tonya Martin, 25, of Bryceville during the early morning hours of April 24.

The altercation took place at the Hog Pen Landing campground aside Ocean Pond.

Ms. Stone went to the sheriff's office alleging she was attacked, and the accused and a witness told Deputy Bryan later the daughter acted in self-defense.

Rent-to-own store goes after deadbeats

Criminal complaints for felony grand theft were filed April 21 against seven people for failing to meet lease payments on furniture, wide-screen televisions and other big ticket items.

All the property was acquired from the Aaron's rent-to-own store on South 6th in Macclenny.

Named in the complaints for third-degree felonies:

- Johashis Evans, 23, of Baldwin for not making payment obligations for a 22" television and computer acquired in December of last year. The items are valued at \$900.

- Celinda Long, 30, of Macclenny for a washer, dryer, and a 42" television valued at \$2344 and acquired in August and October, 2009.

- Michelle Brannen, 30, of Macclenny for a laptop computer valued at \$810 and acquired in September, 2009.

- Victoria Givens, 28, of Baldwin for a 42" television valued at \$1170 and acquired in December, 2009.

- Dena Cason, 27, of Baldwin for a surround-sound system and 46" television valued at \$1384 and acquired in December, 2009.

- Aundris Moore, 25, of Macclenny for bedroom furniture and a 32" television valued at \$1736 and acquired in February of this year.

- Freddy Wicker, 43, of Sanderson for furniture, a 60" television and console valued at \$2754 and acquired in February of this year.

Combative, arrested for being drunk

County deputies arrested two persons for disorderly intoxication the past week, one of them following a verbal confrontation in a west Macclenny neighborhood.

Deputy Daniel Nichols arrested Marcus Wyche, 26, of Lake City after several warnings to calm himself outside the residence of Teria Surrency on West Minnesota about 1:00 am on April 22.

Shortly before, the suspect had been arguing with Ms. Surrency and broke out a bedroom

window. Mr. Wyche also acted aggressively when the woman's father Theodore Surrency arrived at the scene.

- Late on April 19, Sgt. Phil Duval arrested Stormie Keller, 30, no address indicated, in the parking lot of Mac's Liquors in downtown Macclenny after she became unruly, yelling and cursing loudly.

The officer said he went to the scene after hearing commotion while parked in a nearby lot.

- William Morris, 50, of Macclenny was arrested outside his

residence on North Lowder the evening of April 24 for yelling at passersby. He told Deputy Chris Walker he was attempting to catch a ride.

Mr. Morris had earlier been given a ride home from Crystal River Seafood on South 6th because he was intoxicated and causing a disturbance.

- Casey Lauramore, 18, of Macclenny was arrested on the Baker High campus for resisting arrest in the late morning of April 21.

Campus deputy Matt Riegel

said Mr. Lauramore was in a vehicle in the west parking lot and he was called to the scene after a teacher detected a strong odor of marijuana.

Mr. Lauramore, a student who was then supposed to be in class, walked away from the officer when ordered to halt and was handcuffed after he crossed Madison St.

Two other occupants of the vehicle, Aaron Wilkerson, 20, of Glen and a 16-year-old male, were issued trespass warnings.

Two arrested for theft of AC, scrap metal

Two persons were arrested the morning of April 21 after they were caught with a pickup truck loaded with an air conditioner, copper wire and other scrap taken from a residence off Ben Rowe Circle southwest of Macclenny.

Deputy Ben Anderson said he was responding to a report of suspicious activity about 10:45 near the residence owned by Syretha Taylor of Sanderson. Patrolling the vicinity across Woodlawn Rd., Cpl. Anderson said he came up on a 1999 Chevrolet pickup at a residence near the dead-end of Dupree Rd.

After questioning, he arrested Charles Brown, 18, the owner of the truck who lives on Ben Rowe, and John Jordan, 19, of the Dupree Rd. address. Both allegedly admitted to taking the property of unknown value from the Taylor residence.

They were booked for burglary and grand theft, both third-degree felonies, but denied when questioned later they were involved in several recent thefts of similar property in that neighborhood.

In other theft reports:

- Edgar White said \$700 in fishing equipment was taken from his parked boat off Ben Rowe Circle shortly after 11:00 pm on April 25.

Mr. White said he confronted a suspect near his boat, and he ran from the property. He told Deputy Chris Walker a second subject dressed in black rode by the address on a bicycle about the same time.

- Preston Baker, 19, of Sanderson was named in a complaint

for grand theft for alleged unauthorized use of his father's debit card on March 1 to pay an \$800 telephone bill, and again on April 20 to withdraw \$400 from an account at Vystar Credit Union.

The complaint to police was made by his mother Paula, who indicated the son was responsible for other thefts that had not been

reported.

- Felicity Crawford, 33, of Jacksonville was arrested for stealing from the Walmart Supercenter the afternoon of April 22.

Deputy Kevin Jenkins said Ms. Crawford has been convicted of the same offense before and was issued a trespass order. She

allegedly stole hair and body care products.

- Benjamin Lee reported the second incidence of a plexiglass window broken at his rental house on South Boulevard. The vandalism occurred between April 15-17 and nothing inside the residence appeared to be missing.

Arrest for sale of crack

Sheriff's investigators arrested a Jacksonville man after arranging an undercover sale of crack cocaine in a south Macclenny church parking lot.

Bruce Mainor, 50, was charged with selling 3.6 grams of crack to the confidential informant for \$600 that had been furnished by the investigators after the buy was set up for midday on April 23 in the parking lot of the Mormon church on South 5th.

Mr. Mainor had another .3 grams of the drug in his possession, said Investigator Michael Hauge.

In other drug-related arrests the past week, a county deputy arrested James Fletcher, 26, of Macclenny for felony possession of two controlled narcotics.

Mr. Fletcher is currently on probation for a similar offense and was recently released from county jail.

Deputy Jason Bryan said he stopped the suspect driving a 1999 Chevrolet pickup on North 7th St. about 4:10 the morning of April 25 because it had no tag light.

The officer said Mr. Fletcher tossed a pill container from the vehicle after he turned into a residential driveway.

He was charged with having 40 pills of Oxycodone, 47 of Clonazopan and a small amount of marijuana.

- Vicki Smith, 53, of Macclenny was charged with possessing a crack pipe after her vehicle was stopped about 12:30 the morning of April 24 on North 7th St. in Macclenny.

Deputy Bryan made the traffic stop because Ms. Smith's vehicle had a faulty head light. He spotted the pipe as she rummaged through her purse looking for a driver's license.

- The same officer arrested Joshua Foerman, 21, of Macclenny about 10:00 the evening of April 20 for possession of a smoking pipe with marijuana residue.

Deputy Bryan said the suspect was walking near the former ABC store when he stopped to question him. Mr. Foerman also had four non-narcotic prescription drugs in a cigarette pack.



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Snow White in final weekend

Snow White (Sarah Davis) sings to the animals, left to right, Marcie Davis, Lily-Ann Drawdy, Noah Schatz, Emily Griffis, Allie England and Lucas Kish. The BCHS Drama presentation of Snow White is in its final weekend of performances. The shows are Thursday and Saturday at 7:30 pm and Sunday at 2:00 pm.

MAKING SENSE OF YOUR CENTS

Are you in crisis mode? Do you have no idea how you got in the financial mess you are in today?

Being in the trenches of personal finance problems is overwhelming. There is a reason why financial burdens are the number one cause for marriage problems in America! — the stress can get unbearable when you do not know where to turn. It becomes hard to think about and discuss your finances rationally, and you have no idea where to start.

There is no secret to getting out of crisis mode and getting yourself on a plan. The solution is simple: you can't buy it online; you can't find it at a debt consolidation or debt relief company (seriously, *don't* call them! That's a subject for a later column).

The folks who sell these misleading solutions want you to think there is a secret formula to getting yourself out of money problems. Wrong. The bad news is there is no quick, easy solution. The good news is that it is simple and there is only one person who can turn your financial behavior around: you!

Let's talk about getting yourself on a budget (Did I just see you cringe when you read that dreaded "b" word? Humor me and just keep reading - it won't be as bad as you think).

We can all agree that financial trouble does not happen overnight. For most of us, it occurs a little at a time, slowly but surely. A person's high credit card balance most likely did not result from one large purchase, but rather from countless small "harmless" purchases along the way. That same person probably wasn't shown by example from family members and mentors

how to handle money responsibly.

Many factors contribute to an individual's fiscal behavior. So you weren't taught this stuff as a child or young adult. So you've got credit card debt and have no clue where your paycheck is going. Put a stop to it, today!

Change your family tree. Don't let another generation grow up having no clue how to handle money. So many people throw in the towel and surrender to a lifetime of "just getting by." Take charge of your money and tell it where to go!

Sit down before your next paycheck and write out your expenses — a piece of paper and a pencil are all you need to get started solving your money problems. Give every dollar a name. Tell it where to go instead of wondering where it went. Make a list of your expenses, top to bottom, with the most important being at the top of the page. Keep it simple, but be sure to include everything. Also make sure that necessities like mortgage payment or rent, groceries, utilities, and transportation are at the top of that page and that nothing is above those.

The money left after necessities that goes toward other expenses is to also be planned out, down to the last dollar of your paycheck. The most important point I want you to take away from this process is to take care of necessities first! Don't let debt collectors, family pressure or other factors convince you otherwise. Your number one priority is to take care of yourself and your family by keeping a roof over your head and food in your bellies.

Once all expenses are on paper and prioritized, put what

money is left toward cleaning up your financial mess. If there is no money left once expenses are taken care of, consider cutting lifestyle expenses or temporarily taking on a part-time job for extra income.

I said the process was simple. I didn't say it was easy.

Trust me, writing out a budget before every paycheck will make a big difference in your spending habits. And not only will it open up lines of communication in the family, it is also a way to hold yourself accountable for your financial behavior and to see what areas need improvement. Most importantly, to know that your necessities are taken care of above all other items will give you enough peace of mind to get yourself out of crisis mode and to begin thinking rationally again.

Your family tree will be changed forever if you begin taking steps to take charge of your money instead of letting your money take charge of you!

Rosie Nickles lives in Macclenny and is a Dave Ramsey-certified financial counselor. She is a graduate of Bishop Kenny High School and has an accounting degree from the Robins School of Business at the University of Richmond, Virginia.

Old jail fair

The Baker County Historical Society, in conjunction with Baker County and the City of Macclenny, is celebrating the centennial anniversary of the Old Jail on McIver St. on July 3.

Celebration activities free to the public will be from 10:00 am-4:00 pm and McIver will be closed to vehicle traffic all day.

The society seeks a donation of \$25.00 per vendor booth for participation in this street fair. (The Baker County Historical Society is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization). All proceeds benefit the continuation of the building's preservation and the Historical Society.

For more information or to get a vendor application, please call Kevin Shell at 259-9739.

Andy drops 15 pounds In three weeks of *Ready Sweat Go!*

The Press is following Glen St. Mary resident Andy Johnston on his 10-week journey to lose weight through the YMCA's pilot diet and exercise program *Ready Sweat Go!* Mr. Johnston, owner of the Badcock furniture store in Macclenny, also serves on the YMCA's board of directors. What follows is his first-person account after three weeks in the new program and how it's affected his day-to-day life.



Andy Johnston

Starting something new is at once exciting, and intimidating.

That's how it was for my first week in our YMCA's *Ready Sweat Go* program. The workouts were challenging and interesting. My first six days went by in a blur of activity and sweat. Monday morning of week two is when I hit the wall — hard!

The wall is a special place you reach when you've pushed your body to the brink of its physical limitations. Your brain says go, but your body says no.

If I didn't have a commitment to get up and work out early Monday, I definitely would have stayed in bed and slept. Talking to my workout partner Monday, he said the same thing. Getting up an hour and a half early wasn't that difficult, going to sleep two hours early still is.

Knowing I wasn't alone at the wall helped immensely. Talking to my fellow classmates, many felt the same.

An important part of the program is every Tuesday night we are instructed on diet and nutrition. What I found interesting is they didn't tell us to eat less, or to eat a specific diet such as the Atkins or Nutrisystem.

What Marcy told us is we have to eat more to lose weight. Eat more? Obviously she hasn't seen me at an all-you-can-eat buffet getting mine and the next guy's money worth. Then she clarified what she meant by saying what my wife Lori always says, "You should be eating 4-5 times a day in smaller portions." We learned that by eating only once or twice a day we're telling our body that food is scarce. This causes our bodies to store up fat to prepare for the coming famine.

Excuses were made by a few people in group, such as, "I'm too busy to eat." I might get busy, but too busy to eat? Our second week weigh-in showed me that those who are eating or drinking

breakfast are losing weight; those who are not, aren't.

During the weighs-in, I've gotten lots of outside advice on what diet I should do. Everyone seems to have tried or knows somebody who lost weight on one of the fad diets. The problem with these diets is not losing weight; it's gaining all that weight and then some back when you stop the diet.

That's why I'm trying to eat smart, and eat food I like. For example, I love the Body by Vi smoothies with all the fruit and juice combinations. I made one for my daughter without the Body by Vi powder; not so great. I'm keeping mine the way they are.

Lunch is getting easier, a salad from Zaxby's, a sub from Subway, a chicken sandwich instead of a burger and fries.

I'm trying to get used to portion control and snacking in between meals. My wife picked up some almonds, fruit, and trail mix packages to use for snacks. I'm going to the local farmer's market to get some more fresh fruit and veggies. We went out to eat on Saturday, and with a little menu surfing I found an excellent healthy meal. Now if I can only get control of the midnight snacks, I'm good.

Giving Back

Since this program is being offered to the public free of charge, YMCA director Jim Bouldin asked us to get pledges to help raise money for the next group, and to help our Strong Kids Program. The YMCA never turns away people because of their inability to pay. I just want to thank all the people in Baker County, the First Coast YMCA, and the officers and fellow owners of the Badcock Corporation who had the misfortune of being in my phone. They pledged a total \$135 for each pound I lose, and every dollar goes right here for the children of Baker County. The night my wife Lori pledged she went out to McDonalds and picked up McFlurries and cones for everybody. But I stood strong, no ice cream for me. What's next, carrot cake? I smell a conspiracy. Thank goodness for my Vi smoothies. Call me at Badcock with any great recipe ideas.

Drill Sergeant Michelle

Some of you may know that the YMCA was closed during our third week for a major face-lift. Walls are coming down, new equipment with televisions brought in, and the like. I foolishly hoped that we'd get the week

off, too. Hardly! Michelle has Cecil and I running suicide drills on the pool deck, doing pushups and sit-ups until we are rolling around crying. When we can't do another pushup, she screams take a lap, run, or worse, skip a lap around the pool.

My first-grader Hannah is there running and skipping circles around us giggling. I'm gasping for breath, and Hannah says, "Let's do it again, that was fun!" Fun is fishing or golfing. Youth is definitely wasted on the young. She thinks kite flying is all about running with only six feet of kite string out. Just wait until swim team practice this week. I'll show her fun.

Our group teenagers are devoted. Tyler asked me if I would do the 5K with him and Jessica at the end of the program. Clueless, I said yes. I later was informed they planned to run, not walk, the entire distance. I get tired just thinking about running that far.

Progress So Far

All my griping doesn't hide the fact that the program and diet changes are working. After the first three weeks I've lost 15 pounds. Every pound I lose means another child can play sports or go a couple of weeks to day camp. Talk about motivation.

My snug pants fit better and my wife says I'm losing some of my gut. I can't say my energy is better yet. I still need to go to sleep a little earlier.

I will say that I have been looking forward to my off-day workouts, and my aches and pains are much less. This program is all about changing our lives; I don't want to look back in a few years and play the "could-a, should-a, would-a game."

Plant clinic

Baker County master gardeners will hold a plant clinic in the Macclenny Walmart garden center this Saturday, May 1 from 9:00 am to noon.

Stop by their booth to have your gardening questions answered, problems solved or just to pick up free helpful information. The gardeners will also be giving away free goodie bags with helpful information on ways to save water, and will be happy to share their experiences with you regarding the Baker County master gardener program.

Contact the Baker County Extension Office at 259-3520 for more information.



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Supervisors discuss an extension for paper ballots

Supervisor of Elections Nita Crawford [3rd from left] joined seven fellow supervisors in meeting with state legislators to advocate for an extension on the deadline mandating paper ballots for disabled voters. Pictured from left are Clay County Supervisor of Elections Chris Chambliss, Representative Audrey Gibson, Ms. Crawford, Union County Supervisor of Elections Debbie Osborne, Senator Stephen Wise, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections Kim Weeks, Duval County Supervisor of Elections Jerry Holland, Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Vicki Cannon and Bradford County Supervisor of Elections Terry Vaughn.

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Popeye's graduation class from left: Susan Howard and Cona, Lynda Wallace and Megan, Jennifer Stawicki and Bella, Robin Snider and BB, Vickie Szala and Gray Sea, Chris Staggers and Popeye, Cathy Couch and Bengal.

Dogs train for therapy Macclenny pooch among group

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Popeye, the Boston Terrier, is at it again. Last year he graced the front page of *The Press* because of his bicycle riding prowess. Not one to rest on his doggie laurels, this humanitarian-conscious canine has been busy going to school.

Popeye is one of seven dogs that has been participating in therapy dog classes in Jacksonville for the last six weeks.

The class had its formal graduation ceremony April 26 at the Taylor Manor, also in Jacksonville. Each dog received a diploma, a tassel and a large bag of supplies and treats from Doctor's Inlet Feed and Supply Store that included a coupon for free doggy yogurt.

The classes were sponsored by the Canine Obedience School, which has been in existence since 1950. Pat Ennis, a veteran therapy dog trainer who has been involved with the training dogs for 14 years, conducted the course.

Dogs and owners are coached in the protocols of dealing with and visiting seniors and others living or convalescing in care facilities.

To participate in the class, dogs were initially evaluated as to their suitability. A calm, easy-going temperament is a key factor. They must be generally comfortable around people and not easily distracted or intimidated by strangers or new surroundings.

Smaller dogs may need to be picked up and held to visit people

confined to beds and must be tolerant of that. They must understand commands of come and stay.

Owner Chris Staggers of Macclenny documented the progress of Popeye and his dogmates as they learned to fine art of gentle interaction with the residents who reside in such facilities.

Photos from the classes frequently showed up on his Facebook page.

The therapy dogs' final class before graduation took place in the Taylor Manor lobby among a large group of residents who had gathered for the occasion.

Dogs and owners took turns visiting with each one.

The residents seemed to greatly enjoy meeting and interacting with the canine visitors. They petted the dogs and asked questions such as age, name and type of dog. They also enjoyed "shaking hands."

"One reason this is so enjoyable for residents is that they cannot bring their own pets from home to live with them in these facilities," said Ms. Ennis. "It's a real treat and very meaningful for them to have a visit from a dog for that reason."

After the visit, the seniors witnessed the graduation ceremony. Each owner introduced their dog, shared a few facts and anecdotes and then demonstrated tricks or obedience training.

Popeye showed his self-discipline by resisting a dog treat that had been put on the floor between two chairs. Repeatedly, he obediently hopped from

one chair to another passing the tempting treat that beckoned from the floor. Finally, Mr. Staggers gave the verbal command to eat it and the dog didn't waste a second scooping up the tiny dog biscuit and wolfing it down.

Popeye was told to stay and not move. Mr. Staggers stepped away holding his lease. Even when he tugged hard on the lease, the dog did not move, but stayed rooted to the spot where he had been commanded to remain. Residents marveled at his obedience.

Of course, this feat, as all others, was followed by the reward of a treat.

Each owner introduced and showed their dog in turn. The dogs in the class included two yellow Labrador retrievers, a Welsh corgi, a Great Dane, a Greyhound and an English bulldog.

Each of the dogs had its own unique story. Some were rescue dogs that had been adopted.

Bengal, a gentle giant of a Greyhound, was born blind in one eye. Bella, one of the labs, had a hip replacement due to dysplasia and is shy but very loving.

Megan the Corgi is also trained to understand American sign language, should any residents she visits be hearing impaired.

Mr. Staggers is happy about Popeye's participation and is anxious to put his dog's new-found skills to work.

"Popeye will be visiting the nursing homes in Macclenny very soon," he said. "He's eager to get to work."



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN
Ron Chamblat, left, Rotary assistant governor for District 6970 attended the Baker County Rotary Club meeting April 14 to officially recognize new Paul Harris Fellows Jim Cardozo, second from left and Harvey Baxter, third from left. In-coming Rotary assistant governor Joel Barber is at right.

Two Rotarians recognized for donations to Polio foundation

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Two Paul Harris Fellows were honored at the April 14 meeting of the Baker County Rotary Club.

Ron Chamblat, assistant president for Rotary District 6970 which includes Baker County, was on hand to recognize Dr. James Cardozo and attorney Harvey Baxter, both of whom recently donated \$1,000 to the Paul Harris Foundation.

Paul Harris founded the Rotary Club as a social club for businessmen in 1905, and it evolved into an international service organization that today has 1.2 million members.

The foundation funds various humanitarian programs and projects primarily in developing countries that improve the quality of life through health care, clean water, food, education and other needs.

One of its major programs

is PolioPlus, which works progressively to eradicate the polio virus worldwide. The foundation, through its educational programs, provides funding for 1200 students to study abroad each year.

Before recognizing the Paul Harris Fellows, Mr. Chamblat gave Baker County Rotarians an update on the PolioPlus program.

The Rotary set out in the 1950s with a goal to eradicate polio from the planet. Of the three strains of the virus, the vaccines used in the last decades only worked aggressively on two. A recent breakthrough has come with a new vaccine that targets the remaining strain.

Mr. Chamblat considers this a significant advance in the battle against the disease. He described his horror at seeing news footage when he was younger of children and adults stricken with the dis-

ease and living in iron lung machines.

"There are only four countries that are still subject to the polio virus," said Mr. Chamblat. "Rotarians will be working until the virus is finally eradicated from the earth."

"Now, what can a person get these days for \$1,000?" he asked the club.

He did some Internet research and determined that for \$1000 a person can:

- Purchase solar powered sidewalk lights and a fountain for their garden.
- Get a pair of "Tiger Shoes" to wear on the golf course.
- Purchase a high definition camcorder or plasma screen television or a Kenmore stainless steel refrigerator.

Or, in the case of a donation to the Paul Harris Foundation, \$1,000 will provide 2000 people with a vaccination against polio.



PHOTO COURTESY OF GREG JOHNSON
Sales team (l-r) Matt Cantrell, Bobby Gage, Kyndall Brooks and Timmy Gibson with 'gator head' trophies.

FFA team places third in state

The Baker County FFA Ag Sales Team competed at the University of Florida on Friday April 23 and had an outstanding showing, finishing third in the state.

The sales team competes in four areas including individual sales situation, team sales, written exam, and individual business presentation. The team will be recognized at the Florida FFA Convention in June.

"The students have a great time in this career development event and have been in the top five in the state for the past six years," said sponsor Greg Johnson.

"This is a contest that truly challenges the students' thinking and interacting skills in having to adapt to any situation that they may be presented with."

Team members were Kyndall Brooks, Bobby Gage, Matt Cantrell, and Timmy Gibson.

ZONING VARIANCE NOTICE

Alan Tanner is requesting a zoning variance for the property located at 264 W Macclenny Avenue for the purpose of reducing the setbacks for an addition to the side of the existing building and loading and unloading trucks on right-of-way.

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GED graduation

The 2009-2010 GED graduation ceremony was held April 16, 2010 at the Baker County Middle School auditorium. Individual photographs are now available and may be picked up at the Baker County Career and Adult Education Office, 270 South Boulevard East.

Graduates include Thomas Ahrens, Ashley Black, Dawn Browning, Adriann Cremeans, Edna Davidson, Jamie Hancock, Chealsy Johnson, Dedic Jones, Melissa Knight, Ashley Litaker, Joyce Olshavsky, Brandi Raulerson, Jessalyn Thomas, Louie Wartluft, Cody Waters, Tyler Webb and Naomie Williams.

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'John' Girardo Sr., 76, native of Italy

Giovanni (John) Girardo Sr., 76, died Sunday, April 18, 2010 surrounded by family and friends at Macclenny Rehab and Nursing Home after a long illness.

Mr. Girardo was born in Sambiasc, Italy, the son of Nicola and Marie Cadorna Girardo. He attended schools in Italy and served in the Italian armed forces. He immigrated to the US in 1961 and became a naturalized US citizen in 1966.

He lived most of his adult life in Norwalk, CT and he was a retired member of the Connecticut Laborers Union Local 146. He worked for many years with Lametta Brothers Construction Co. of Norwalk, Mercedes Construction of Stamford and the Lions Construction of Norwalk, during which time he helped construct some of Norwalk and Stamford's prominent buildings and landmarks.

Mr. Girardo moved to Florida in 1991 and resided in Jacksonville where he was a member of the Italian Club of Mandarin and a parishioner at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church. He was an avid bowler and a member of the Beach Bowling League of Jacksonville.

He is survived by sons John Girardo Jr. of Sacramento, CA and George Nicola Girardo of Glen St. Mary; grandchildren Selena and Jackson Girardo; brothers Nick of East Norwalk, Pietro of Lamezia Terme, Italy and Salvatore of Melbourne, Australia; sister Mari Ferrara of Lamezia Terme; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews in the U.S., Italy and Australia.

The funeral service will be held May 1 at 11:00 am at St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Norwalk. Interment will follow in Lamezia Terme, Italy. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the American Cancer Society. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the Girardo Family, 9843 Glenwood Road, Glen St. Mary, Florida 32040.

ISC Cremation and Funeral Home of Lake City is in charge of local arrangements.

Lillie B. Johnson, a former resident

Lillie B. Johnson, 74, of Starke died on April 24, 2010 at North Florida Regional Medical Center after an extended illness.

A native of Stateline, MS, she was born on May 6, 1935 and attended schools in Mississippi. Mrs. Johnson moved at an early age to Baker County. She was a member of the Church of God in Christ in Macclenny, and after moving to Starke a member of the Church of God by Faith. She was very active in her church and a community leader.

Mrs. Johnson is survived by daughter Lillian Davis of Starke; sons Ivan and Marvin Smith of Stateline, Ray Smith of Starke and Milton Johnson of Sanderson; brothers Ray Smith of Winter Haven, John T. and Arthur Smith of Starke; 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral service for Mrs. Johnson will be held on Saturday, May 1 at 11:00 am at her church in Starke with Elder James McKnight and Rev. Alvin Green officiating. Burial will be in Mississippi at a later date.

The family will receive friends on Friday, April 30 in the chapel of Haile Funeral Home in Starke from 6:00-8:00 pm, and again an hour prior to the service at the church.



Lillie Johnson

Mary Johnson, 69, of Macclenny

Mary Louise Johnson Dyer, 69, of Macclenny died Sunday, April 25, 2010 at her home. She was born in Quincy, Florida on April 6, 1941 and graduated from Quincy High School in the class of 1959. She was predeceased by her husband Billy Dyer.

Survivors include children Cheryl and Tillie Dyer and Tony and Tommy Dyer, all of Macclenny, and Terri (Don) O'Steen of Albany; brothers James, J.W. and Charles Johnson, all of Tallahassee; sister Estelle Johnson Woller of Crestview; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The graveside service was April 28 at 11:00 am at the Rock Bluff Assembly of God Cemetery in Liberty County, FL. Reverend Kenny Dyer officiated. Charles McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy was in charge of arrangements.

Walter Midyette, 79, dies April 24

Walter Midyette, 79, of Maxville, died April 24, 2010. He was the son of George and Nettie Harris Midyette. He was born in Jacksonville and was a member of God's Faith Tabernacle in Callahan.

Survivors include sons Walter (Linda) Midyette Jr. of Boca Raton, Michael (Joan) Midyette Sr. of Glen St. Mary, Steven Midyette of Jacksonville; daughters Linda (Jim) Mason of Middleburg, Lawanda (Kevin) Jackson of Sneads, FL, Gloria (Wayne) Callaway of Savannah; brothers Sammy (Ophelia) Midyette and David (Carol) Midyette, both of Jacksonville, Andrew (Linda) Midyette of Daytona Beach, Eugene Midyette of Hollywood, FL, and Joe (Linda) Midyette of Callahan; sister Joann Godwin of Jacksonville; 28 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held at 11:00 am on April 28 at the chapel of Giddens-Reed Funeral Home in Baldwin with Rev. Joe Midyette officiating. Interment followed at Manning Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jason Harris, Jared Mason, Joey DeArmen, Charles Midyette, Michael Midyette Jr., Edward Midyette, Kevin Jackson and Wayne Callaway.

Janet Mobley, 58, of Glen dies

Janet Lilly Mobley, 58, of Glen St. Mary died Monday April 26, 2010 at her residence. She was a native of Dayton, Ohio and lived in Glen since she was 14 years of age. She was born on December 2, 1951 to the late Ceibert Otis and Arlene Beatrice Gillispie Lilly.



Janet Mobley

Mrs. Mobley was a member of Sanderson Congregational Holiness Church and enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren, reading and shopping. She was always lending a helping hand with her involvement in the card and grocery ministries through her church.

Survivors include children Tawanna (Dane) Pearson of Jacksonville, Arlene (Donnie) Griffis of Sanderson, Douglas (Debbie) Mobley and Nicholas Mobley, both of St. George, GA, Patrick (Melanie) Mobley of Glen, April Zaevi of Jacksonville Beach, former husband Douglas (Patricia) Mobley of St. George; brothers William Lilly and Dennis James Lilly; sisters Joyce Pridemore, Elizabeth Lilly and Debbie Mobley; seven grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held April 29 at 11:00 am at her church with Pastor Oral Lyons officiating. Interment will follow at Turner Cemetery. Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

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Mr. Swearingen, 59, dies April 19

Howard Roscoe Swearingen, 59, of Taylor died April 19, 2010. He was the son of Mozell Merritt (Vernon H.) Hensel and the late Howard Chandler Swearingen and was born March 17, 1951 in Coffee County, GA.



Howard Swearingen

Mr. Swearingen was a graduate of Paxon High School and a resident of Baker County since 1971. He honorably served in the National Guard and was the owner of Howard Swearingen Livestock, Inc., where he spent the majority of his time.

He also loved spending time with his children and grandchildren, riding horses and roping in the PRCA. He was predeceased by step-father Vernon H. Hensel, grandmother Velma Knight and grandson Jordan Smith.

Mr. Swearingen is survived by his mother of Taylor, children Amy (Michael) Walker of Taylor, Bart (Jesse) Swearingen of Glen St. Mary and Marie Swearingen of Macclenny; grandchildren Keith, Kristopher and Chase Smith, Shaylee Swearingen and Kyle Cooper; sister Debbie Lankford (JD) of Brockton, GA and several aunts and uncles.

The funeral service was Friday, April 23 at V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services chapel and interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery.



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The family of Mildred (Me-Maw) Andrew offers a special thanks to Brother Donnie Williams, Calvary Baptist Church and all our friends for the support, prayer, flowers and food during our loss. Thanks to Todd Ferreira and his special staff for doing a beautiful job.

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Pastor anniversary

McCray's Holiness Outreach Ministry in Olustee is hosting its pastor's sixth anniversary observance involving various churches.

They will be held nightly April 30 and May 1 beginning at 7:30 and May 2 at 11:00 am and 4:00 pm.

In Loving Memory Of Deborah Lynn Griffis
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Each time we see the sun go down, it seems the end of day, and yet we know the sun is rising somewhere far away. And when we lose someone we love, we learn to trust somehow that a new life in a brighter place is just beginning now. A place of grace and peace and joy beyond all time and sorrow, where loving hearts who part today will meet again tomorrow.

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Y undergoes face lift

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Things have been busy at the Baker Family YMCA. The organization has so far raised \$50,000 of its \$75,000 goal for annual Strong Kids campaign.

Its annual Healthy Kids Day event at the Baker County High School designed to foster children's well being by promoting healthy physical activity wrapped up recently. YMCA staff and the Baker Bullets Swim Team are currently busy gearing up for the 2010 summer season.

With all this and more going on, was it the best time for a facility upgrade?

You bet. Starting April 20, the YMCA closed for a week while the facility underwent a face lift.

"The changes have been significant," said director Jim Bouldin.

New, lighter paint tones throughout enhance the interior and create a brighter atmosphere.

The floor plan had changed dramatically. The walls of the child care room, located in the front of the building, were removed and the area expanded to house a cardio station with some new upgraded equipment.

"Some of the equipment have television screens," said Mr. Bouldin.

Free weights were moved to the main exercise floor area and a new aerobics studio took its



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN
Bud Hone, left, and YMCA director Jim Bouldin washing tiles.

place.

Windows have been installed to separate the aerobics studio from the free weight area and it now includes floor to ceiling mirrors on the opposite wall.

The former aerobics studio now houses the new child care area. The YMCA in St. Augustine recently underwent remodeling also and donated its still viable plastic tile flooring to the Baker YMCA. Those tiles have been installed in the aerobics studio and the child care area.

Mr. Bouldin and staff member Bud Hone had the interesting job last week of readying the nearly 2500 interlocking plastic tiles of different sizes for installation.

"The tiles are in excellent shape, but we wanted them to be clean and sterilized before going down on the floors," Mr. Bouldin said.

How to clean them all in a timely manner? That problem

was solved in a most creative way.

Mr. Bouldin received permission from his district director to dump the plastic tiles in the pool with a dose of extra chlorine for an overnight soak. The tiles covered the entire surface of the pool in a floating gray and purple mosaic.

The next day, Mr. Bouldin and Mr. Hone donned their bathing trunks and spent a number of hours submersed in water as they fished the tiles out by hand and stacked them according to size.

The tiles also received a pressure washing before installation.

"It is definitely a new day at the YMCA," said Mr. Bouldin of the pending renovation. "This upgrade addresses some of the wishes and desires that members have been expressing for a while. It's great to be able to make it happen."

JU coach motivates youth at BCHS gym

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"How do you feel?" shouted the coach.

"Good!" responded the teams of red-shirted players seated on the floor of the high school's gymnasium.

"Let me see it!" the coach shouted. "Let me hear it!"

The coach was Cliff Warren, head men's basketball coach at Jacksonville University. The players were participants in the Shoot-It-Up, three-on-three basketball tournament held April 17 at the school.

The games were part of a "Dare to be Different" grant administered through the Baker County Health Department that promotes healthy lifestyle choices. One of the program's main purposes is to challenge youth to make good decisions in the face of adversity. The event's theme was "Shoot Hoops, Not Drugs."

Coach Clifford, who came to give players an inspirational pep talk before the games began, helped them relax with a series of exercises.

"You want to move fast, you've got to get loose," he told them.

The coach then led players through a series of listening drills designed to help them focus at-



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN
Coach Cliff Warren leads group stretches.

tention and follow directions. He asked players to emulate what he said, putting specific emphasis on the speed and volume of his voice and changing it repeatedly. The players followed suit. If they faltered, they got a lesson on active listening.

Coach Warren had other listening lessons to impart as well.

"Listen to your parents," he said. "You're here because of their love and concern and personal sacrifice so that you can be a part of this and participate."

"Listen to your teachers and your coaches," he added. "Let

them educate you. Learn from them all you can."

Coach Warren talked of his own childhood, growing up in Washington, D.C. He described himself as a kid who often spoke before he thought.

"I wanted to play basketball all the time," he told them. "I mean all the time. What I didn't do much of the time was listen to what my parents told me."

He recalled his basketball playing privileges being withheld, contingent on one primary thing.

"You've got two ears and one

mouth," his parents told him. "You better learn to listen more than you talk. No basketball for you until you learn to listen."

Cliff Warren loved to talk, but he loved basketball more. He took the lesson to heart. He learned to listen.

"You have two ears and one mouth," he told the students. "What does that mean? It means you should listen twice as much as you speak. Think about it. You master this and you will reach

Warrant arrests

Several persons were arrested recently on outstanding criminal warrants from outside Baker County.

Deputy Chris Walker stopped a northbound 1991 Chevrolet on SR 121 near Interstate 10 the evening of April 20 and learned via computer that the driver, Shuan Harrell, 36, is wanted in Camden County, GA for battery.

Mr. Harrell was also charged with driving on a suspended license. The officer stopped him because the vehicle had no tag.

Michael Stephens, 34, of Sanderson was jailed after midnight on April 20 when Deputy Jason Bryan learned he is wanted in Charlton County, GA for marijuana possession.

The officer had gone to the Country Club Lounge off SR 121 on a disturbance call involving Mr. Stephens and his wife.

Deputy Earl Lord arrested Devan Cohen, 55, of Glen St. Mary about 5:00 am on April 25 following a traffic stop on US 90. Mr. Cohen is wanted on a Charlton County warrant for cruelty to children.

Bryan Bennett, 21, of Glen was taken to jail on April 24 to await extradition to Nassau County for a traffic offense. He was arrested off Rex Fish Rd.

Timothy Harrison, 24, of Sanderson was arrested late on April 19 in west Macclenny after Deputy Earl Lord learned he is wanted in Jacksonville for burglary.

your goals."

Coach Warren attended undergraduate and graduate school at Mount St. Mary's University in Maryland on a basketball scholarship.

It was at Mount St. Mary's that he secured his first coaching job. Positions at Siena College and Georgia Tech followed. He then came onboard at JU after another coach, Florida Sports Hall of Fame inductee Hugh Durham, retired in 2005.

He's helped send players like Chris Bosh to the NBA as well.

Gospel rap artist

First Community Church of Sanderson will have a special testimony service with Brother Tarrez Seabrook, Gospel rap artist, this Sunday at Faith Temple COGIC at 6:30 pm.

Advertising Deadline
Monday
5:00 pm
NO EXCEPTIONS!

Sanderson Congregational Holiness Church

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Sunday School 10:00 am
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Wed. Evening Prayer Serv. 7:30 pm
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Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
Sunday Children's Church 11:00 am
Sunday Evening Services 6:00 pm
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm

Pastor J. C. Lauramore welcomes all

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Two nightstands, dresser with mirror and TV stand sold together, used baby accessories. 904-838-2287. 4/15-4/29p

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Plant sale, Friday and Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, across from Richard's Market. Yesterdays, Roma tomato plants, Lantana, lots more. Dept. of Ag #4800569. The Plant Ladies. 4/29p

Automobiles

2005 Nissan Altima LS, one owner, clean, loaded, leather, full power, \$7750 OBO. 259-2643. 4/29p

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Lost & Found

LOST: Camera, lost in Walmart, reward. 434-9347. 4/29p

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Still or dog hunting club, 6000 acres, one mile from Macclenny in St. George, GA. \$500 initial membership. Contact Ron 904-591-7334. 4/29p

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Domestic for spring cleaning, hard work, experienced only. 904-259-5011. 4/29-5/6p

Urgent! Owner operators needed, step-deck/flatbed/dry vans. Local/regional/OTR. Paid weekly, 85% of gross; 40% advance. 1-888-880-5922. 4/22-4/29

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2.89 acres in Macclenny II on cul-de-sac, homes only, partially cleared \$73,000. 904-610-9974. 4/15-5/6p

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Friday and Saturday, 8:30 am-?, 5642 George Hodges Road. Early American hide-a-bed couch, computer cabinet, lots of stuff.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 6092 Copper Drive, Copper Creek. Dining table and chairs, dinette set, bedroom set, rugs, end tables and much more. Moving/yard sale

Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm, 211 S. College Street.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, Linda Street. Many items. Multi family

Saturday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, 125 S. to Glynn Allen to 8097 Trips Way. Antiques, collectibles and glassware yard sale. Last chance, everything 1/2 price.

Saturday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, 706 N. 6th Street, Macclenny. Clothes, misc. merchandise, tires.

Saturday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm, 7972 Pine Avenue, Macclenny II. Collectibles, tools, women's clothes, book shelves, entertainment center and a lot more.

Saturday, Youth fundraiser backyard sale, 750 Wheeler Drive, highway 90/north Lowder Street, Macclenny. Donations are welcome. New and used items include jewelry, purses, home decor, candles, name brand clothes for everyone, etc. Look for signs - when open - Saturdays. Call for other appointments or questions, 673-0888. We are building our youth group at The Lord's Church of Taylor. We also have some free items that were donated. Don't forget about Mother's Day gifts. Don't forget about Mother's Day gifts. Celebrating Home candles and Home Decor f/k/a Home Interiors.

Saturday, 8:00 am-1:00 pm, 4504 Hickory Street, Macclenny II. Girls and junior size clothes, girls bike, toys, games, twin and full size comforter set, household items, decorations and more.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 733 Foxrun Circle. Lots of baby boy clothes and more. Early birds welcome. 259-3890

Saturday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, In Maxville, follow signs at intersection 301 and SR 228, Furniture, tools, clothes - women and girls all sizes, men's large and X-large, lots of misc. Three family

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 17263 N. CR125. Little of everything.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 748 N. 5th Street, Macclenny. Twin bunk beds, furniture, clothes, Playstation 2 games, fireplace and lots more. Three family

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 89 N. College Street. Baby clothes.

Saturday, 8:00 am-?, 362 Jerry Circle, Macclenny. Some furniture, appliances, electronics and clothes.

Commercial Rental

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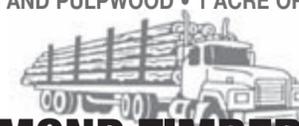
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Truck goes missing from SR 121 N. farm

Police are looking into the apparent theft of a work truck from the property of Ronald Francis on SR 121 north of Macclenny during a two-day period last week.

The owner reported he returned after a brief absence and the 2001 Nissan was missing from in front of a greenhouse where it was parked the previous morning when he left.

He told Deputy Chris Walker the truck is used by workers on his farm and all the keys were accounted for.

In other reports, police are looking for a Toyota pickup after its front grill and a parking lot were found on Fred Harvey

Rd. the morning of April 21. The location was near the toppled mailboxes belonging to Donald Zarrella and Ivey Giddens.

A passenger side window of a 1991 Honda belonging to Joshua Pristupa of Sanderson was shattered by flying gravel from a spinning vehicle outside the Glen St. Mary fire station about 2:15 am on April 24.

Donald Laudermilk said he witnessed the incident, which he said was caused by a black Ford spinning donuts between the station and rear of Country Boy's convenience store.

The gravel damaged a store light as well.

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Updated old style house with new wiring and panel box, tile with 5 rooms plus bath. Perfect for offices. Zoned commercial. **\$119,900**
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT-BASED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF MACCLENNY 2010 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Macclenny City Commission, acting as the Local Planning Agency of Macclenny, Florida, will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday May 11, 2010, 6:00 p.m.** at City Hall, 118 E Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida to consider and transmit PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE MACCLENNY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN to the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

SYNOPSIS: This is the transmittal hearing (first step) for the update of the Comprehensive Plan based on the Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR). The EAR was accepted and found sufficient by DCA on June 1, 2009. Beginning in November 2009, the City has worked toward completing the proposed amendments that will result in the 2025 Comprehensive Plan. Should the City Commission transmit the proposed amendments, DCA has 60 days to review and issue an Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report (expected by the end of July 2010). Once this Report has been issued, the City has up to 120 days to address the objections and recommendations and adopt the 2025 Comprehensive Plan. The City will hold two (2) public hearings on the final amendments updating the Comprehensive Plan, likely in September and October 2010.

Drafts of the proposed amendments are available for your review online at www.cityofmacclenny.com as well as at the City's Building and Zoning Department. The Building and Zoning Department is located at 118 E Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida. Written comments on this proposed amendment may be mailed to the attention of Janice Clark, Building and Zoning Department at the above address or emailed to jlark@cityofmacclenny.com. All interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed amendments.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Manager at (904) 259-0972 at least 48 hours prior to the time of the hearing.

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Gracelyn Oliver

First granddaughter

Jimmy and Nancy Oliver of Taylor are pleased to announce the birth of their first granddaughter, Gracelyn Beth Oliver, on April 19, 2010 in Manhattan Kansas.

Her parents are Dusty and Carissa Oliver. Lt. Oliver, a Blackhawk pilot, is currently in the Army stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. He is due to deploy to Iraq on May 7.

Also welcoming the new addition are her maternal grandparents are Shelia and Dewey Beath of Atmore, Ala. and Aunt April Beath also of Atmore, Ala., great-grandparents Don and Billie Oliver of Macclenny, Pat Storch of Boca Raton and Uncle Robert Oliver of Macclenny.

Thrift reunion

The annual Thrift family reunion will be Saturday, May 1 beginning at 5:00 pm at the Georgia Bend farm of Felton Thrift.

Take 121 north to 185, go to mile marker 3 and turn left on Alfred Thrift Road.

Please note the change of days and be sure to bring family, friends and food.

Fraser family reunion

The annual Fraser family reunion will be held May 2 beginning at 11:00 am at Heritage Park in Macclenny. Bring your covered dish and come early and enjoy the day. Be sure to bring family, friends and food.

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Monday, May 1

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Lunch: Tasty chili with beans, with a homemade wheat roll or chef's choice of 2nd entree, choice of 2 sides: Baked potato rounds, steamed peas, chilled fruit choice

Tuesday, May 2

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, fruit juice, milk

Lunch: Slice of pepperoni pizza or cheeseburger on a bun, choice of 2 sides: Baked french fries, seasoned mixed vegetables, chilled applesauce and a homemade cookie

Wednesday, May 3

Breakfast: Chicken biscuit, fruit juice and milk

Lunch: Hamburger or hot dog on a bun, choice of 2 sides: Baked french fries, lettuce and tomato slices, creamy coleslaw

Thursday, May 4

Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, peach slices and milk

Lunch: Taco salad with a homemade wheat roll or grilled ham and cheese sandwich, choice of 2 sides: lettuce and tomato blend, chilled fruit juice

Friday, May 5

Breakfast: Cereal with slice of toast, fruit juice and milk

Lunch: Mexican burrito with salsa or chicken nuggets with a homemade wheat roll, choice of 2 sides: Green beans with new potatoes, raw veggies with dressing, chilled fruit choice and a homemade cookie (gr. 7-12 peanut butter)

Honor Rolls...

**BAKER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
Principal's List - 3rd Nine Weeks**

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TENTH GRADE: James Addison, Tiffany Braddy, Colton Butcher, Robert Dietz, Kathryn Drawdy, Shirley Duran, Darius Fernandez, Kelsey Harris, Sarah Jackson, Michael Jones, Joseph Keen, Marissa Miller, Jordan Perry-Ruiz, Logan Raulerson, Mackenzie Rohde, Thomas Sirk, Jeremy Wannamaker, Danielle Westberry

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TWELFTH GRADE: Morgan Anderson, Milton Baker, Nichole Berry, Harley Boatz, Rodney Brazier, Chelsey Bryant, Ashley Burns, Rebekah Canaday, Austin Clark, Ashley Cole, Danielle Cole, Shayla Coleman, Joel Cox, Joshua A. Crews, Justin R. Davis, Ronald Dunn, Klata Duval, Alexander Evdokimov, Alyssa Fernandez, Leon Gross, Kari Harris, Blake Hart, Newdearia Hauge, Benjamin Hefty, Katie Higns, Ashley Holton, Kayleigh Johnson, Bryan Lehr, Russell McDermitt, Russell Moody, Daniel Ratliff, Brandon Robertson, Cheyenne Seiler, Tiffany Smith, Haley Thigpen, Haley Thomas, Carissa Ward, Stacy Weaver, Melanie Weis, Cody Wheeler, Kriston Zeigler

Honor Roll - 3rd Nine Weeks

NINTH GRADE: Patrick Berry, Mikayla Bosley, Robert Brannan, Brian Brown, Destinee Bryant, Kristian Burnham, Victoria Chisholm, Misty Clineman, Zachary Collins, Taylor Conner, Isis Cooper, Lauren Courson, Corey Craig, Haley Creamer, Aaron Crews, Bethanie Crews, Korie Crummey, Bronson Davis, Catherine Davis, Jessica H. Davis, Katherine Demers, Andrea Dempsey, Casey Dinkins, Haley Dopson, Kamala Dyal, Logan Fox, Erin Gaylor, Rhondasia Givens, Megan Graham, Bethany Greer, Mary Hart, Laken Head, Brianna Henderson, Crysta Hilton, Joshua Horn, Brandon Howell, Taylor Johnson, Johnathan Lamb, Amberly Lewis, David Long, Emil Lyons, Trey McDowell, Ashley Mercer, Landon Mitchell, Leslee Moorman, Baleigh Nipper, Devin Norman, Rachel Oyinloye, Marquis Paige, Erica Ploucher, Jalenia Plummer, Jordan Railey, Corlis Raulerson, Mercedes Rhoden, Benny Richardson, Jacqueline Roberts, Christopher Sellers, Autumn Smith, Kaylan Stafford, Keifer Starr, Madison Stephens, Christina Taylor, Jonathan Walsh, Ethan Wilkerson, Jaden Williams, Brandon Yancey, Ashley Zawolik

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ELEVENTH GRADE: Oliver Anderson, Erika Bain, William Baker, Rashard Belford, Brooklyn Bennett, Jennifer Boykin, Ashley Brownlee, Jacob Bryant, Sam Bussey, Rachiel Canaday, Daniel Combs, Chelsea Crews, Christian Crews, Kari Crummey, Kellie Dixon, Robert Dyer, Billy Folsom, Delaney Gainey, Taylor Hartley, Kathryn Hutcheson, David Hutto, Alicia Jackson, Isaac Johnson, Nathan Johnson, Ashlyn Kerce, James Kuster, Damon Lee, Cason Lowery, Denzel Mack, Daniel Mathews, Kelton Nipper, Chase Norman, Jamie Norman, Jared Obrien, Tyler Overstreet, Jeremy Pietrowski, Clifford Qualter, Hampton Raulerson, Shakirra Reed, Rebecca Rhynehardt, Dalton Roberts, Adrian Ruise, Rachael Sorrells, Shannon Stanton, Ellis Starling, Ashley Stuh, Haley Taylor, Ashleigh Thick, Melissa Tillman, Morgan Tubbs, Sean Ward, Kaitlyn Wilburn

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**KELLER INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
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FOURTH GRADE: Vera Baker, Cheyenne Ball, William Barber, Gregory Barrios, Shelby Behm, Devon Cole, Caitlyn Cook, Sarah Crews, William Crockett, Blake Dicks, Dalton Dietz, Brysen Dopson, Reagan Dopson, Allison England, Amaya Figueroa, Christian Gardner, Alyssa Giddens, Emma Gipson, Marisol Gonzalez, Zachary Gregory, Mariah Grendzinski, Alayni Guidash, Delaney Harvey, Karli Harvill, Christopher Hill, Dale Hodges, Kyrie Holman, Amberly Horne, Nicholas Howell, Autumn Hutter, Keiara Jackson, Morgan Jewell, James Johnson, Richard Kelly, Leah Kerce, Seth Kish, Ethan Knight, Lia Love, Sierra McCawley, Tara McDowell, Minh-Trang Nguyen, Camryn Payne, Kelsey Ray, Elijah Rayburn, Arlie Rhoden, Amber Simmons, Jarred Spurlock, Lillie Starling, Haley Stevens, Preston Sutton, Noah Taylor, Alyssa Thrift, Jackson Tinkle, Joseph Young

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Honor Roll - 3rd Nine Weeks

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Airman Rebeka Robinson

Navy basic grad

Airman Rebeka Robinson graduated from Navy basic training at Great Lakes Naval training center in Chicago on March 26.

She is the daughter of Rick and Kimberly Robinson of Macclenny and a 2009 graduate of BCHS. She will complete her training in Pensacola.

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BCHS: Baseball sub-district tournament (H), 4:00 p.m. Grad Nite, 9:00 p.m. Baseball district championship, 7:00 p.m. KIS: Accelerated reading goal day. Last day to qualify for accelerated reading contest. WES: 3rd grade Sea World field trip

May 1
BCHS: Drama Dept. presents "Snow White" @ 7:00 p.m.

May 2
BCHS: Drama Dept. presents "Snow White" @ 2:00 p.m.

May 3
District-wide: Teach appreciation week. BCHS: John Piersol motivational speech, cafeteria, 8:00 a.m. KIS: FAIR testing

May 4
District-Wide: Teach appreciation week BCHS: Cheerleading tryout practice, 2:30 p.m. BMS: M a - jorette Try-outs, 3:30 p.m. KIS: FAIR testing WES: School advisory council mtg., 8:00 a.m. Good Morning Show club mtg., 8:00 a.m.

May 5
District-wide: School Board meeting, 6:30 p.m. Early dismissal. Teach appreciation week BCHS: Cheerleading tryout practice, 2:30 p.m. BMS: Majorette try-outs, 3:00 p.m. KIS: FAIR testing WES: Fundraiser pickup - 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

May 6
District-Wide: Teacher appreciation week BCHS: Cheerleading tryout practice, 2:30 p.m. Educational talent search fieldtrip to Santa Fe Community College, 4:00 p.m. KIS: FAIR testing. Tigers in Tune spring concert. WES: Merrie Melodies Club mtg., 8:00 a.m. PK/K: Circus play, BCMS auditorium, 6:30 p.m.

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Boys take state title in lifting, again

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

Third time's a charm. That certainly has been the case for the Wildcat weight lifting team, who took its third straight state title this week at River Ridge High School in New Port Richey.

The Wildcats won the Class 1A title by narrowly defeating Arnold High School of Panama City by one point, 21-20. Coach Scott McDonald knew that Arnold and Matanzas High would be his top competition.

The Wildcats battled head-to-head with the two schools and in the end McDonald had predicted correctly. The Wildcats took the top spot followed narrowly by Arnold and Matanzas.

"It's a great day to be a Wildcat," said the coach.

The Wildcats captured a pair of individual golds in addition to the team championship. Ruben Jackson won the 199-pound weight class with a 365-pound bench press and a 300-pound clean and jerk for a 665-pound total. The lifts gave him a 5-pound edge over Lee Webb of Pasco High.

Cody Wheeler won the 219-pound class in even tighter fashion. Wheeler benched 340 and had a 295 clean and jerk for a 335 total. The total was identical to Arnold's Cullen Thompson. But Thompson outweighed Wheeler by six pounds and Wheeler took the gold and Thompson the silver. It was also enough to give the Cats the point they needed to win the team title.

The Cats had to get a big showing from the entire team. It wasn't enough for the standouts to perform; every point was vital.

"That's what it boiled down to," said McDonald.

The Wildcats gave a tremendous effort and as Arnold and Matanzas piled up points, BCHS matched them point for point and slowly pulled ahead. It was in the middle and heavier weight classes where BCHS excels and once again they made the difference.

Milton Baker took a bronze medal with a third place finish in the 169-pound class. Baker benched 310 and had a 270 in the clean and jerk for a 580 total, 10 pounds higher than the fourth place finisher.

Kendrick Singleton got the Cats two points with a 5th place finish in the 183-pound class. Ray Mangiafico also had a 5th place finish to give BCHS a much needed 2 points.

Denzel Mack, Trace McCullough, William Wheeler and Garrett Griffis also performed well.

"Hard work and dedication paid off again," said McDonald, in his first season as head coach of the weight lifting team. "I would like to thank everyone who helped to make this a successful season."

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Wildcats dispatch Bolles 4-2

Coach says possible rematch looms in playoffs

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

Coach John Staples could not have wrapped up his regular season in a more fitting fashion than by knocking off two highly-ranked and regarded teams.

The Cats beat the Bolles Bulldogs, the seventh-ranked team in the nation, 4-2 at home on Senior Night, April 20, and then stopped the Episcopal Eagles 6-5 in a nail-biter the next night in the final regular season game of Staples' memorable 18-year career.

To beat a team of the stature of the Bolles Bulldogs, sometimes destiny has to step in and take a hand — or perhaps knock a hand aside.

The game had been plagued by a light rain here and there and late in the game it made the going a little slick. With the Cats trailing 2-1, Cason Lowery hit a bases loaded fly ball and as the Bolles outfielder tracked back to catch the ball he slipped slightly and the ball hit the heel of his glove and he bobbled it. Lowery's double brought in three runs and sealed the win for BCHS.

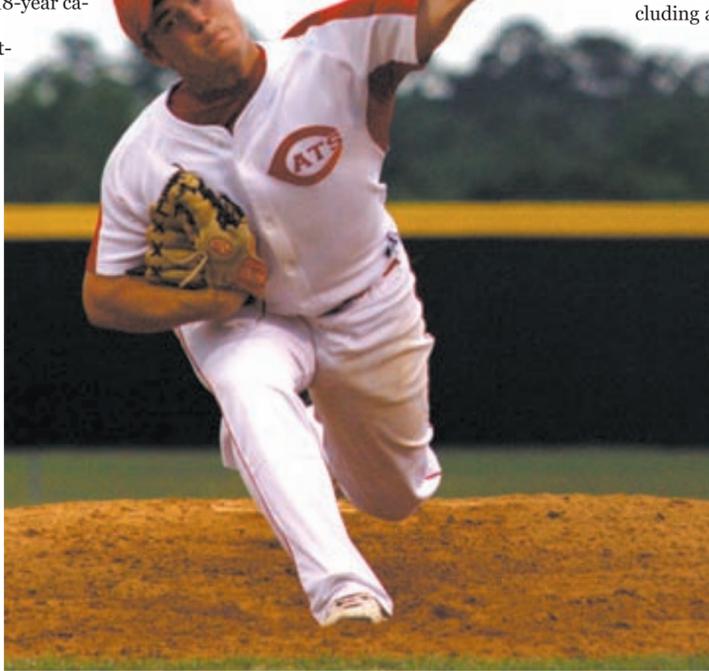
Cameron Crews was outstanding on the mound, striking out 13 Bolles batters and allowing only five hits. Johnny Elasiak had a pair of hits for BCHS.

"If we both get into the playoffs that will be one of

the first two round games, so Bolles has two weeks to try and rise to our standards," cracked Coach Staples.

In the last regular season game of the year, the Cats defeated the highly touted Episcopal Eagles 6-5 April 21.

Because it was Coach Staples' last regular season game of his career,



Cameron Crews pitching against Bolles last week.

reer, 31 former players showed up to send their former coach off.

It was a very emotional moment for Staples and his wife.

"Seeing all those guys show up was very, very special to me and [his wife] Staci. In fact it might have been the highlight of my coaching career," he said.

Chris Waddell had two hits and two RBIs, Adam Holland had two hits, and freshman Hunter Hanks came through with a pair, including a lead-off hit to get the 7th inning started.

With the score tied 5-5 in the bottom of the seventh, Hanks led off with a single. Johnny Elasiak sacrificed Hanks to second on a precision bunt down the first base line.

Episcopal played the percentages and chose to walk the next two hitters, bringing senior Adam Holland to the plate. Holland took the first pitch and laid down a perfect squeeze bunt to win the game for the Cats.

"We have been very patient with Hanks and not rushed him into the lineup, but now he is ready to be an everyday guy," said Staples. "He's going to be very special in this program."

The district championship game will be Thursday, April 29, at 7:00 at BCHS.

Baseball begins districts

The Wildcat baseball team got off to a good start in the quest for the district title with a 4-2 win over the Baldwin Indians April 27 at BCHS. The Cats led the game early with a pair of runs in the first.

Johnny Elasiak led off the game with a triple when the Baldwin right fielder misplayed the ball. He scored on a ground ball by Chris Waddell and was brought home with a Thomas Sirk single.

The Indians were game, however, and tied it in the third inning. Baker County took the lead for good in the fourth when Klute Duval reached on an error. Hunter Hanks walked and Elasiak cracked a two run game-winning single.

Dillon Jones got his seventh win of the season going just over four innings and allowing only two hits with nine strikeouts. Cason Lowery led the Cats with two hits.



Kiana Parker

Ladycats finish second in districts

Advance to sub-region

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The Lady Wildcat softball team advanced to the sub-regionals from the loser's bracket after a second-place finish in the district behind Keystone Heights.

The Lady Cats got off to a great start on April 20 with a 5-0 shutout of West Nassau at their home field. It was a quick start with a leadoff walk from Ashley Holton, who then scored on an RBI single by Jordan hand to put the Cats up 1-0.

Taylor Crummey had a big night at the plate with a pair of doubles and two RBIs. Holton added a two-run double in the sixth inning to seal the win. Cami Craig had a strong night on the mound with a five-hit shutout.

Craig was back on the mound dueling Bishop Snyder's Sydney Wright. Though Wright pitched well for the Cardinals, she couldn't out-match Craig.

"Cami was really good again in the biggest game of the season," said Coach Jamie Rodgers. "This was a must win and she

got it done."

In the third, Holton drove a triple over the Snyder right fielder's head to bring in Alexis Branch and give BCHS a 1-0 lead.

Snyder tied the score in the bottom of the sixth, but in the seventh Shelby Gatto reached on a lead off single. Krista Smith moved pinch runner Brittany Alford to second with a sacrifice bunt. With two outs freshman Branch delivered the game winning single to score Alford.

It was all Keystone Heights on Friday night as they jumped out to a 5-0 lead and held off a furious Cat rally to win 13-6.

Keystone took the lead into the fourth before BCHS scored three to get on the board. They got two more in the fifth to tie the score. But the wheels came off the bus at that point.

"Our defense fell apart in the top of the sixth with three errors to help Keystone to a seven-run inning and put the game out of reach," said Rodgers. "Our girls never gave in and played very hard until it was over."



Ashley Holton at bat.

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Former Wildcat signs contract with the Falcons

Camp May 6

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Bear Woods is NFL bound.

Woods, the former BCHS Wildcat and standout linebacker for the Troy University Trojans in Alabama, has signed as a preferred free agent with the Atlanta Falcons. He is the son of Mark and Kelly Woods and was one of the leading tacklers in the Sunbelt Conference, and one of eight Trojans to be drafted or snapped up in free agency.

Woods went undrafted but it didn't take long for the Falcons to contact the linebacker. Within five minutes of the end of the draft sequence over the weekend, Woods was an Atlanta Falcon.

"I had been talking to them all along," said Woods. "There were five teams that were looking at me, but Atlanta was my first choice. They called me the third day of the draft to wish me luck and said that they would either draft me or offer

me a contract."

When Woods went unchosen during the NFL draft, the Falcons called almost immediately after their final pick to offer the deal.

Woods had been worried that he might have to go as far away as Seattle or Kansas City to play ball. "I was relieved," he added. "My parents were really excited that I'd be this close to home."

He is looking forward to being with the Falcons because they are looking to shore up their linebacker corps and Woods fit the bill.

"They were really looking for linebackers. They liked me because I am a cerebral player and could learn all three positions," he said.

Woods starts his career as a Falcon



Jonathan Woods

almost immediately. He will begin rookie minicamp on May 6. He hopes to snatch playing time as a reserve linebacker and on special teams this season.

He had a stellar career at Troy.

"Troy's been a blast," said Woods. "Anytime you can be part of four conference titles it's special."

It was not an easy road for him, struggling through a variety of injuries. In the end, however, he persevered. He had 143 tackles from his linebacker position with 79 solo and 64 assisted tackles this season. He had four sacks and an interception. He was Troy's leading tackler as a junior with 108.

The Falcons were impressed with his presence around the ball, his technical

skills and tremendous drive.

It was a big draft for Troy. With eight players either drafted or signed via free agency, the school equaled the number from powerhouses Florida State and Miami and had more players selected than Auburn.

Woods believes his selection to the NFL could be a stepping stone for future Baker County players to follow their dream.

"I think the most important thing is that it shows that it can be done," said Woods. "I struggled through high school and when I was starting out here at Troy. But I made it through and I hope that I can encourage kids that it's possible if they just keep working hard."

One thing is for certain — when the NFL season starts football fans in Baker County will be looking for those signature red dreadlocks flowing from the red and black helmet of the Atlanta Falcons and cheering on their hometown star, Bear Woods.

Parker to state track meet finals

Kiana Parker will be representing BCHS in the state track finals April 24 in Winter Park.

Parker placed third in the high jump with a leap of 5'4". She tied the height of winner Jasmine Ferguson of Pensacola Catholic and second place finisher Jessica Harriion of South Walton, but made the height in more attempts.

Parker is the only Wildcat who qualified for the finals.

Chelsea Ruise placed ninth in the high jump. Devon Paige was fifth in the long jump at 21'2" and Chris McCray finished eighth.

Favion Allen placed fourteenth in the 110 hurdles and the 4-by-100-meter relay team of Taytum McCullough, Courtney Wallas, Chelsea Ruise and Parker finished ninth.



7th annual 'Ride with Fire'



Riders and their companions left the starting area at Glen St. Mary's Celebration Park on 87 motorcycles the morning of April 24 for the seventh annual Ride With Fire benefit for the Baker County fire department. This year the route was reduced somewhat to 77 miles through the north county and Osceola National Forest west to Olustee and then back again to the county fairgrounds for food and entertainment. County fire chief Richard Dolan said the event typically raises \$3500 used to purchase equipment like uniforms and cooling suits for the county's eight fire stations.

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