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State, BCSO raid office of 'pill doctor'

11 computers and records are seized

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The Baker County Sheriff's Office, with assistance from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, served a search warrant at Dr. Charles Scarborough's medical clinic at 31 S. 5th St. in Macclenny the morning of September 16, hauling away nearly a dozen computers and other paper records.

Sheriff Joey Dobson said arrests resulting from the Friday morning raid would be forthcoming as the investigation progresses.

Dr. Scarborough was on a trip to Georgia when the search and seizure involving a handful of state investigators and a few more from the sheriff's office took place.

The office doesn't see patients on Fridays, but staffers usually there were not present either, said Sheriff Dobson. Some employees arrived later that morning, hoping to intercept paychecks that never arrived.

The state recently launched its Prescription Drug Monitoring Program database that requires doctors and pharmacies dispensing certain drugs like OxyContin, Percocet, Xanax and other highly-abused medi-

cines to report information about patients, their prescriptions and dosages to the database at least every seven days.

Doctors, pharmacies and law enforcement may also request such information from the state to combat so-called doctor shopping and the illegal diversion of prescription pills to the black market by fraudulent means.

Sheriff Dobson said he's sure the database will prove useful to law enforcement investigat-



Tiffany Kelly, a former patient, protesting outside Dr. Scarborough's office in October 2010 after being refused an appointment to get more medication. The mother of two said she was prescribed methadone, Xanax and Percocet after being shot in the leg and needing surgery.

ing the clinic, its employees and Dr. Scarborough, but the search last week was prompted



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Florida Division of Law Enforcement agents load computers seized from Dr. Scarborough's office the morning of September 16. Also pictured (far left) is sheriff's office investigations chief Chuck Brannan.

"The database will be used more now that we have this information," he said.

Dr. Scarborough is notable for the high volume of traffic at his downtown clinic, long-waiting times and out-of-state visitors.

"There are people out there at 5 o'clock in the morning. The other night he was still seeing patients at 2 am," said neighboring resident Jeremy Beasley, who has lived on College

Street for the last two years.

"I've been tolerating the loitering, loud music and even fights I've had to break up for far too long," he said. "A practice like this should not be legally allowed to operate as it does. It's a disgrace to this small community and the values so many of us stand for."

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4 arrests, including dispenser of 'scripts'

The sheriff's department late Tuesday arrested a Glen St. Mary woman for illegally dispensing controlled narcotics from the office of Dr. Charles Scarborough.

Veronica Lee Alford, 40, who apparently resides now at a Macclenny address mere blocks

south on South 5th from the medical clinic police believe has been operating for years as a "pill mill," was described in an arrest affidavit as a front desk employee who often filled in pre-signed prescription forms and handed them out to favored patients.

Ms. Alford, investigators have been told by first-hand witnesses, sold prescriptions for such widely abused drugs as Oxycodone and Xanax, sometimes through the rear door of the office at South 5th and Railroad Ave.

A warrant was issued for her arrest Tuesday afternoon following interviews with others arrested before last Friday's raid on Dr. Scarborough's office [see article at left] during which office computers and other records were seized by agents of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Among the allegations con-



Veronica Alford



Kayla Dampier



Aaron Devereaux



Melissa Bedsole

Most officials shy from taking raise

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Elected county officials could get a salary bump next month due to the county's population growth in 2010, but only one official contacted by *The Press* this week, County Commissioner Michael Crews, plans to take the money.

The extra pay would bring his annual salary to \$29,813.

The extra \$373 a year, in Mr. Crews' view, would be better spent in his hands than if it were to remain in county coffers.

"I intend to keep it," said the often outspoken first term

commissioner. "I spend a lot of my money on gas and going to different things as a commissioner. The \$150 we do get [for transportation] is really an insufficient amount ...

And I give a lot of money. People call and ask for help, financial help, whether it's making a car payment or buying groceries or helping with the light bill. I do that. I plan on continuing to do that. It's a little bit of money, and it's still ultimately going back. No, not every dime of my salary goes to helping people, but you'd be surprised how many people come to you for help. And then there's re-election in 2012. Those are expensive."

The commissioner said he intends to seek re-election and his last run in 2008 cost more than \$7000.

"And to be quite honest, as a commissioner, I think I deserve it. I work hard for my constituents. I would not have voted for a salary increase if it was within

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Michael Crews

North county trio arrested for growing pot, 820 plants seized

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Youth pastor dies in accident

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First Assembly of God youth pastor Todd Annis lost his life in a car accident last week, but according to members of the congregation, the legacy of the work he started in the church and the community has only just begun to grow and expand.

"Todd is irreplaceable," said pastor Joshua Potts, who worked daily with the youth minister. "It's like there's this big, quiet hole now where Todd used to be and that quiet is deafening. He cared about others so much more than himself. His goal was to leave this world a better place than he found it."

Tyler Norton, 18, was Mr. Annis' youth assistant at the church. He spoke with Channel 4 reporters about Mr. Annis last Saturday.

"He trained us to the point we could do the church's work on our own," he told them. "Now it's time for us to make him proud."

Mr. Annis, 32, and his wife Lauren lived in Jacksonville and were returning home Saturday after watching a football game with church youth in Macclenny. Their vehicle was struck by another car near I-10 and Chaffee Road shortly after 8 pm.



Todd Annis

The driver of the other vehicle was not hurt. Mrs. Annis sustained minor injuries.

The Sunday service at the church was devoted to Mr. Annis' memory.

A video of the congregation and of Pastor Potts' message was later sent to uplift and support Mrs. Annis and her family.

"Our love is with you," he told them. "Our support is with you. And the Holy spirit is there giving you comfort and peace. This is a somber time, but also a time of hope because we know exactly where Todd is and what he lived for."

The pastor also spoke of embracing the profound peace that comes from God through his son, even in times of deepest tragedy.

"It's easy to have peace when everything is going fine and we all know this," said Mr. Potts. "It's not so easy when things go terribly wrong, but that's when it's most important to seek refuge in that peace. After all, it was Jesus who calmed the storm."

According to Mr. Potts, who spoke with *The Press* on Monday, Mr. Annis was special because he lived life to

the fullest.

"He was filled with energy, vision, the drive to excel and to impact the lives of others, particularly the

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tained in the warrant:

• That Ms. Alford dispensed two prescriptions in the spring of this year for Hydrocodone in the name of Ronald Higginbotham, who was in Columbia Correctional prison at the time.

They were picked up by his wife Karen Higginbotham, who told investigators on August 29 she paid \$50 each for them.

"Karen ... advised it is well known in the community that Veronica can get you any prescription you want," reads the affidavit. Ms. Higginbotham also claimed that Ms. Alford had a two-option payment system — cash or a kickback of some of the pills.

She also alleged that "a few

close friends" of the defendant can get drugs for free.

• Another interviewee, Cory Lord of Macclenny, alleged that Ms. Alford arranged to pay him and his brother Michael Boyette in pills for plumbing repairs at her rented residence last March.

Earlier this month before the Friday raid, three Callahan residents were arrested in Nassau County on multiple counts of obtaining fraudulent prescription drugs and trafficking in them.

All allegedly obtained the drugs via prescriptions illegally issued from Dr. Scarborough's office without actually visiting it.

According to warrant affidavits in those cases, information on the suspects was obtained during several visits by investiga-

tors to the clinic in August based on computer records indicating prescriptions were issued to several pharmacies and not backed up by patient visit records.

Arrested were Kayla Dampier, 20, a onetime employee of Dr. Scarborough who did drug testing on patients, her boyfriend Aaron Devereaux, 22, whose estranged wife Lorrie is a current employee, and Melissa Bedsole, age 42.

Ms. Dampier is charged with 13 counts of trafficking in illegal drugs and a single count of obtaining a prescription by fraud; Mr. Devereaux with five counts of obtaining prescriptions by fraud and an equal number of trafficking counts; Ms. Bedsole with 26 counts of obtaining pre-

scriptions by fraud and 11 counts of trafficking.

The five-page affidavit completed by Investigator John Hardin indicates the alleged violations date back one year. Based on his description of visits to Dr. Scarborough's office and interviews with him and several employees, dispensing of prescription medications like Oxycodone, Xanax and other mood altering and pain killing narcotics without prior hospital visits was rampant.

The affidavit also portrays a doctor's office rife with employees, some of them pill-addicted, who had relatives and acquaintances as regular recipients of prescriptions that Dr. Scarborough concedes were sometimes

issued without his prior approval.

The physician told the investigators Hardin and Mike Hauge that unauthorized issuance has been an "ongoing problem" and that he has fired employees for doing it.

He admitted at one point that office staff had access, including passwords, to one of the prescription database computers that was no longer used but still accessible.

Even more incriminating were other admissions to the investigators by the physician, a graduate of the prestigious Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis with sub-specialty training in anesthesiology, that he often signs prescription or-

ders without first examining patients.

The investigators' affidavit that accompanied the three arrests reads:

"Dr. Scarborough advised when staff members hand him a stack of prescriptions for patients, he normally just signs without looking at them. He also advised since Lorrie Devereaux [estranged wife of Aaron] was a staff member, he frequently writes prescriptions for staff and their family members without actually seeing them.

"The doctor said he takes the staff at their word when they tell him they or their family member need a prescription for ailments or injuries."

3 pot growers arrested 820 plants; 2 served time before

Three neighbors on Moccasin Circle in north Baker County near Baxter were arrested recently and charged with cultivating and growing over 800 marijuana plants on both sides of the state line.

State, federal and local agencies collaborated in the arrest of J.N. Canaday, 65, David Lee Stokes, 45, and Seaf Rhoden, 48, based on an investigation that dated back to February of this year.

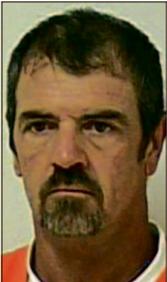
The first two defendants were picked up on September 7 on a Rayonier timber tract in Charlton County, GA. Mr. Rhoden was arrested at the



J.N. Canaday

Walmart Distribution Center in Macclenny, where he has been employed seven years, on September 15. He waived extradition to Georgia and all three remain in custody in Folkston.

Because of the number of pot plants involved, the case is likely to be turned over to the US Attorney's office in Savannah for prosecution.



David Stokes

Mr. Canaday and Mr. Stokes have served time in the federal system before — for the same offense. They were arrested in the fall of 1998 and sentenced along with a third co-defendant to 30 months in prison, followed by a three-year probation.

The trio is charged with maintaining 623 plants on eight sites in Georgia, some within the boundaries of the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, and another 197 plants on two sites in Baker County.

According to chief sheriff's investigator Chuck Brannan, the Baker County plants were pulled up on September 12 — 89 of them off Moccasin Circle north of the suspects' residences, and 108 in another tract north of there just outside the refuge boundary on Rayonier property.

The plants ranged in height from 6 inches to 6 feet, and many were irrigated using roof tar paper-lined troughs. The plants appeared to be in good shape despite scant rainfall.

The federal DEA places a somewhat exaggerated street value on each plant of \$2200, which would make the total haul at \$1.8 million.

It was not immediately known how the marijuana was being distributed once harvested. In the earlier case, Mr. Canaday told federal investigators he had a contact in the Gainesville area.

The investigation reportedly was launched after discovery of some of the plants by an agent of the US Fish and Wildlife Service, which has jurisdiction in the Okefenokee. Other than that agency and the local sheriff's of-

fices, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the federal prosecutor's office in Savannah were involved in the case.

Investigator Brannan said Mr. Canaday and Mr. Stokes were indicted in 1998 for having about 2400 plants under cultivation —

all on the Baker County side of the line.

"It looks like they sort of flip-flopped this time around, and switched most of it north across the line into areas that are even more remote," said the investigator.

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Pastor: dies in accident

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young. His leadership was sterling and his primary motivation was to raise up other people, especially those who would be future leaders.

"He was constantly in learning mode to improve and strive for excellence in leadership and he turned often to the writings of Christian author and speaker John Maxwell for inspiration.

"His drive was infectious. Even when he didn't have a plan, he had a plan. He'd say 'I don't know exactly what I'm going to do but I know what I'm not going to do. I'm not going to settle or just maintain. I'm going to push forward and create momentum.'"

Pastor Potts also recognized Mr. Annis' remarkable rapport with the 30-plus youth he worked with at First Assembly.

"He was genuine — what you saw was what you got. His compassion was real and the youth saw and felt this," he said.

Several years ago, Mr. Annis began working at First Assembly part time while still at his job at the Duval County Courthouse. In April 2010, he became the church's full time youth pastor and shortly after, one of his charges, Tyler Norton, became his first assistant, a role his church calls the "armor bearer."

Someone in the armor bearer position is responsible for doing whatever it takes to make the youth pastor's work run easy and smooth. He would be the "go to guy" helping set up and break down after events, chauffeuring youth with no transportation to and from church, running sound for the Phase II ministry music concerts at the high school — lending a hand to whatever was needed.

Todd Annis would have a profound effect on Tyler's life and the life of the church.

So much so that upon hearing of his death, the

youth group immediately decided it did not want another leader.

"Mr. Annis cannot be replaced and we don't want another youth pastor," said Tyler Norton. "We have decided to carry on the programs he started by ourselves and with Pastor Potts' blessing. Mr. Annis prepared us to do the work and we owe it to his memory."

For Tyler, the loss is very personal. A photo of him with Mr. Annis is on the dashboard of his car. It will always be there, he vows.

The young man spent a lot of time in the Annis' home. The family assisted him in significant ways, helping him get his car and obtain entrance into First Coast College of Jacksonville to pursue fire fighting and emergency response.

He admires his late youth pastor for many reasons.

"Mr. Annis was able to establish such a strong spiritual presence at the high school through the Phase II concert program he helped develop, his work with the Christian Fellowship Club and the Starbucks coffee outreach for the high school's parents and faculty," said Tyler.

"He did things like take us to the Dominican Republic on a youth mission and he shared his love and talent for music. He was an awesome guitar player. It's difficult to explain why he was so special because it would take volumes to express it. His loss is so hard, but the Lord is getting us through this, the Lord and friends, of course," he said.

One thing Tyler believes beyond a shadow of a doubt is that Mr. Annis will always watch over him.

"I know when the day comes that I'm out there fighting a fire, he'll be right behind me, holding the hose," he said.

Officials shy on taking raises

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my authority," he said. "I would never do that."

But this raise is coming from Tallahassee in accordance with state statutes that adjust the salaries of county commissioners, school board members and constitutional officers based largely on changes in population.

Baker County's population grew to more than 27,000 residents last year, which boosted salaries by as much as \$392 in most cases.

But thanks to legislation passed this year, elected officials can now turn the money down.

As of October 1, School Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson, Sheriff Joey Dobson, Clerk of Courts Al Fraser, Tax Collector Gene Harvey and Property Appraiser Tim Sweat will be eligible for an additional \$392 in compensation, according to figures recently released by the state's Office of Economic and Demographic Research.

The office reported that Supervisor of Elections Nita Crawford and county commissioners Jimmy Anderson, Mark Hartley, Adam Giddens, Michael Crews and Gordon Crews could receive another \$373 in annual pay. The

maximum pay for school board members was increased by \$104.

Aside from Michael Crews, all of the county's elected officials said they will not accept the raises, most citing the county commission's decision to slash 3 percent raises for all county employees to help balance the 2011-12 budget.

"Honestly, I plan to return my raise," said County Commissioner Gordon Crews, "because our employees didn't get a raise. I just think it's the right thing to do."

The commissioner also expressed his disappointment that county workers weren't given any additional compensation this year. He noted that the raise he's eligible for, about \$14 more a pay period, could help offset employee health insurance contributions.

"It's not much, but it's something," said Gordon Crews.

Commissioner Hartley recalled past salary adjustments, some as little as \$2 or \$3 more.

"One time they gave it to us and it was like \$100 and we just wrote a check back," he said. "That's what I'd like to do. I don't care to have it. If other employees can't have a raise, I wouldn't feel right about taking it."

Clerk of Courts Al Fraser said his salary hasn't changed in four years, adding, "I wouldn't take a dime more if my life depended on it."

The potential repercussions of accepting a raise in the midst of a budget crunch is not lost on Michael Crews. He said he understands that his critics will likely use it against him.

"But if anybody did that, I'd say they were shallow in their thought process," he said. "And if they let this \$300 affect their decision about me, instead of looking at my job performance, they'll be voting for me for the wrong reasons anyway ... I want them to vote for me because they believe I'm the best candidate and I did what I said I would do when I ran for election."

Arrested at bar

Three juveniles from the Macclenny area were jailed late on September 18 after creating a disturbance outside Mac's Liquors on US 90 downtown. Two are male and one female.

Deputy Daryl Mobley said he responded to the call shortly after 11 and first encountered one of the males, age 15, who cursed and verbally resisted when told to step back while the officer spoke to Dustin Martin, 18, of Macclenny, who agreed to leave the premises.

About the same time, a second male, age 17, began arguing with officers and acted as if he intended to physically challenge the deputy when he threatened arrest.

The third arrestee, age 16, then began cursing and screaming at officers when they handcuffed the other two. She was arrested for disorderly conduct, as was the 15-year-old.

He was also charged with resisting arrest without violence, as was the 17-year-old, who faces an additional charge of disorderly intoxication.

In other arrests, Connie Key, 26, of Jacksonville was charged with driving on a license with four prior suspensions after her 2004 Cadillac was stopped at CR 127 and US 90 in Sanderson the morning of September 13.

Deputy Chris Walker said he initiated the stop after noting an expired license tag. A further check of the computer data base turned up the license suspensions.

The officer noted Ms. Key was last charged with the driver's license violation on July 15.

Kevin Killilea, 36, of Naples, FL was arrested at Northeast Florida State Hospital the evening of September 17 after authorities learned he was wanted in Collier County for theft.

Deputy Matt Yarborough transported Mr. Killilea to the state hospital earlier that day, and he was admitted on a Baker Act. After being served with the warrant, he was taken to county jail.

Karlee Malik, 19, listed as homeless, was arrested on In-

terstate 10 shortly after she left Walmart on SR 228 S. before police got there to investigate a complaint that she was panhandling the evening of September 17.

She was taken to jail when the officer learned of a St. Johns County warrant for obstructing a public street.

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State, BCSO raid office...

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raid with comments like, "Shut him down!" or "What took them so long?" But there were others, including a former patient of Dr. Scarborough, who praised his compassion for the sick and said patients abusing prescription drugs or selling them on the street are the problem.

"If it wasn't for [Dr. Scarborough] I would not be well today due to panic attacks," said Marie Hartline, a 20-year patient.

Dr. Scarborough's office was open for business four days after the raid on September 20.



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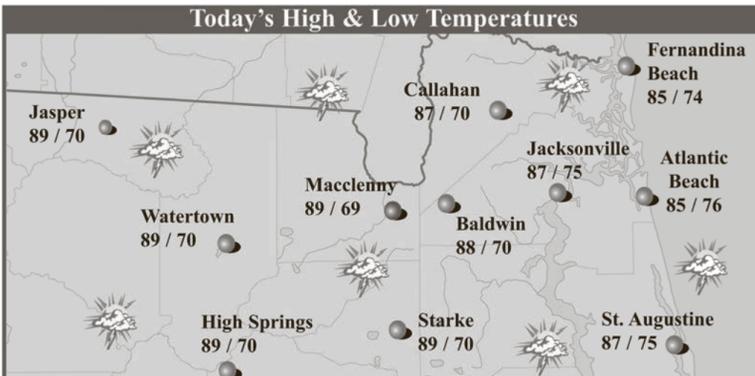


The Baker County Press Weather

Sept. 22, 2011

Seven Day Forecast

	Thursday Scat'd T-storms High: 89 Low: 69
	Friday T-storms Likely High: 88 Low: 68
	Saturday Isolated T-storms High: 89 Low: 67
	Sunday Partly Cloudy High: 88 Low: 67
	Monday Partly Cloudy High: 86 Low: 66
	Tuesday Isolated T-storms High: 89 Low: 68
	Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 91 Low: 70



Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Thursday	7:16 a.m.	7:26 p.m.
Friday	7:17 a.m.	7:24 p.m.
Saturday	7:17 a.m.	7:23 p.m.
Sunday	7:18 a.m.	7:22 p.m.
Monday	7:19 a.m.	7:21 p.m.
Tuesday	7:19 a.m.	7:19 p.m.
Wednesday	7:20 a.m.	7:18 p.m.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Tue, 9/13	91	59	89/70	0.00"
Wed, 9/14	91	63	89/70	0.00"
Thu, 9/15	90	63	88/70	0.00"
Fri, 9/16	91	64	88/70	0.00"
Sat, 9/17	81	66	88/70	0.00"
Sun, 9/18	81	66	88/70	0.00"
Mon, 9/19	84	66	88/69	0.00"

Precipitation 0.00"
Normal precipitation 1.60"
Departure from normal -1.60"
Average temperature 75.4°
Average normal temperature ... 79.1°
Departure from normal -3.7°

Data as reported from Cecil Field Airport

St. Mary's River Levels

	Now	Change
Moniac, GA	4.24 ft.	0.00 ft.
Macclenny	1.14 ft.	0.00 ft.

Hunting/Fishing Times

Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM
Thu	6:25-8:25	6:55-8:55
Fri	7:17-9:17	7:47-9:47
Sat	8:10-10:10	8:40-10:40
Sun	9:02-11:02	9:32-11:32
Mon	9:56-11:56	10:26-12:26
Tue	10:50-12:50	11:20-1:20
Wed	11:46-1:46	---

Weather History

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Final prep for Saturday Development budget at \$319,600

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Final preparations for the county's 150th birthday party — the Sesquicentennial celebration — will be underway the latter part of this week including float building, stage construction and power hook-ups for vendors.

The September 24 event's planning committee met the evening of September 15 to cement logistical details and advertising plans during the week preceding the all-day celebration centered at the corner of South 5th and McIver streets in Macclenny.

The city's fire chief, Buddy Dugger, has been organizing the mid-morning parade and said early this week 35 groups are set to participate, some with as many as 12 vehicles, or "units," including a dozen tractors and two equestrian groups.

The high school's marching band will perform as well.

"I think we'll have a pretty good parade. It's coming together real well," Chief Dugger told the committee, which gathered



The Sesquicentennial planning committee meeting the evening of September 15 at city hall to finalize plans for the celebration nine days later.

at city hall that evening for more than an hour.

Floats are expected from the sheriff's office, NEFCOM, one of the event's lead sponsors, St. James Baptist Church of Macclenny and others. Applications for entry into the parade will be accepted through Friday, September 23.

The weekend forecast is calling for thunderstorms, so the committee confirmed tent donations from the sheriff's office, NEFCOM and Chamber of Commerce.

Phantom Fireworks has do-

nated enough fireworks for a 10- to 15-minute display that will start about 10 pm, Chief Dugger said. A release of some 600 red, white and blue balloons is planned, too.

Another recently added feature to the day's festivities is the Baker County Historical Society's "Send your boss to jail" fundraiser. Employees can call 259-1861, and for a \$50 donation, have their boss hauled off to the historic county jail on McIver Street by a sheriff's deputy.

After a mug shot at the jail, the bosses will be released. Maybe.

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The Baker County Development Commission approved its annual budget for the coming 2011-12 fiscal year the morning of September 12, along with an audit of its financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2010.

Most of the \$319,600 budget is allocated to reserves with just \$37,850 in anticipated spending for operating expenses like advertising, insurance, accounting and administrative services from Chamber of Commerce director Darryl Register.

The lion's share of the revenue in the 2011-12 fiscal year that begins October 1 is expected to come from timber sale proceeds and cash from the sale of property owned by the commission.

The audit report prepared by Lyons & Lyons of Macclenny notes that the commission made no payments on a \$40,000 operating loan from the Chamber of Commerce in 2009, but the sales

are expected to cover repayment in the coming year.

The commission has four members and three vacant seats that cannot be filled without approval from the governor's office, Mr. Register said.

He explained that the governor's office requires two applicants for each spot, and despite having five willing applicants, no action has been taken. Mr. Register has requested that two of the

spots be filled, but to no avail.

He said persons interested in being appointed to the commission should contact his office at 259-6433. People with interest in economic development and creating high-wage jobs would be well-suited to the post.

"That's what we look to do, create high-wage jobs and broaden the tax base through corporate investment in Baker County," said Mr. Register.

Critical injury in I-10 wreck near rest area

Two south Florida occupants of an eastbound vehicle on Interstate 10 were flown to Shands Jacksonville, one of them with critical injuries, following an accident in west Baker County the afternoon of September 17.

Trooper J. Ford of the Florida Highway Patrol said the 1993 Toyota driven by Amanda Born, 23, of Boca Raton drifted from the inner lane and struck an eastbound 1999 Honda driven by Denise Johnson, 45, of Jacksonville.

The impact knocked both vehicles onto the shoulder, where the Honda struck a road sign and a tree.

The Toyota traveled along the ditch and also struck a tree, seriously injuring Ms. Born and critically injuring passenger David Laconte, 42, of West Palm Beach.

Ms. Johnson was taken to Lake Shore in Lake City with minor injuries.

The accident happened at 4:15 near the interstate rest area.

Charges pend a further investigation by FHP.

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County history more than Olustee, moonshining

So, Bob, why should I care about Baker County being 150 years old? I'm not really much of a history buff.

As Jim McGauley pointed out in his column last week, there really hasn't been a lot of buzz around town about the upcoming Sesquicentennial celebration on

Saturday. Jim listed a number of reasons for that including the fact that we are a notoriously last minute bunch here in BC.

Well the last minute is here and I hope to see you downtown and at the various other venues on Saturday. There's going to be a little bit of every-

thing at the celebration — music, crafts, parades, re-enactors, a lot of entertainment.

As you probably know, I've been rehearsing *Baker County, Fla. 1861-1961*, the community theatre and high school drama department's dramatization of the county history. We'll have an information booth on the production downtown on Saturday, so come by and visit.

Unfortunately, because of

renovations in our auditorium, our full show won't be performed until January, but we'll be performing a short scene from the play sometime between 1-2 pm on Saturday on the main stage.

What's shocked me as I put the show together is how little people know about the county's history. If you ask folks about some of the interesting things that have happened over the past 150 years, most of them will only

be able to mention the Battle of Olustee and moonshining.

Until I started this project, I was probably as in the dark about Baker County history as most of you. But, as I've been researching the play, I've been surprised by what a rich history we actually have.

Over the last few months I've been relating some of the high points — stories from Olustee; the Yellow Fever Epidemic that killed well over half the population; how Baker County influenced a presidential election and stories about Capt. CB McCleny. I've only touched on a few of the great stories from and about the county's interesting history.

I picked only those that can be dramatized, but there are plenty of others that you can read about on the Baker County Historical Society's web page. There's Enoch Roberts, known as "The Devil Roberts," who was reportedly the "meanest man in Baker County."

Around the turn of the century, when he was a boy of 14 he reportedly beat his mother to death with a stick for pouring syrup on his dog. Killing your mama with a stick is pretty mean in anyone's book. Later in life he murdered an assassin sent to do him in. He was said to have also murdered his brother (now that's a dysfunctional family. They could be a weekly series on the CW network). Finally, old Enoch met his end in a gunfight on streets of Lake Butler.

One of the more exciting and baffling stories is about the Baxter Rebellion, which Gene Barber chronicled in a five-part series in *The Press* during the late 70s.

Here's the gist of it. Once a year, most of the residents of Baxter would take an excursion by train to St. Augustine for the day. They would swim in the ocean, see the sights and enjoy

the attractions. During the 1905 excursion, a fellow named Duncan, the owner of a turpentine plant, decided to take his black workers with him.

Some of the locals who were already drunk on what they called "good time insurance juice" took exception to that and on the trip home got into a fight. It was more than a brawl and by the time the train pulled in to Baxter anywhere from 12 to 15 people were dead and the train car was "a river of blood."

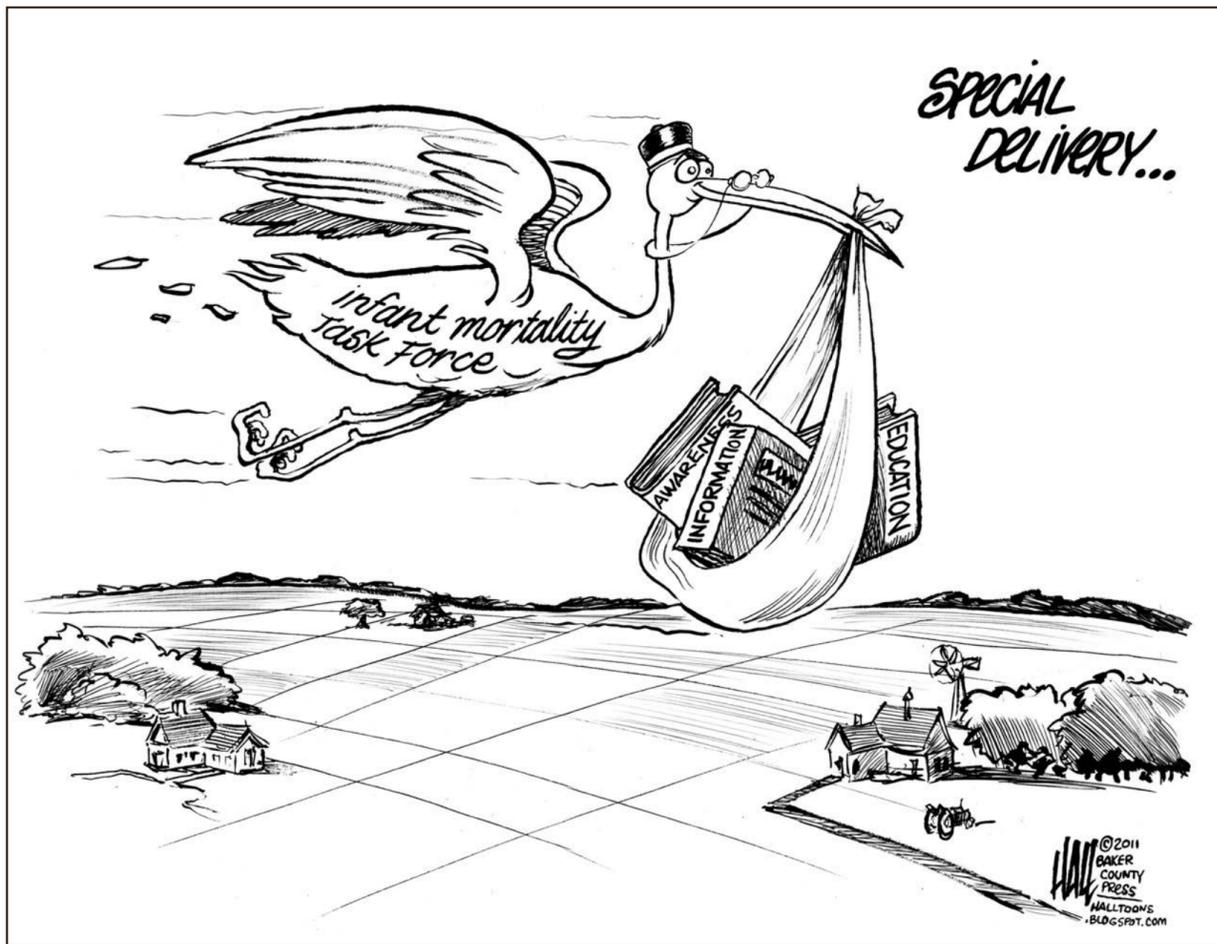
The fighting continued for the rest of the day and into the night. The only deputy in that part of the county, Rufe Thrift, was shot dead by a mob as he was trying to keep out of Duncan's house.

When they killed the deputy, they realized they had gone too far (I guess the other dozen dead didn't really matter) and high-tailed it across the border into Georgia. Sheriff UC Herndon knew it had gone beyond his control and called out the state militia. They marched into Georgia and arrested everyone they could find.

But when the trial took place in Folkston, family members of the defendants surrounded the Charlton County Courthouse carrying rifles and shotguns and the intimidated jury found everyone on trial "not guilty."

There are plenty of other stories just as interesting and exciting as the ones I've been chronicling. But very few of our residents really know about them. I wish a unit on Baker County history could be taught in the school system before we lose these stories to the dust of the past.

Come on out to the Sesquicentennial celebrations on Saturday. You won't regret it. Watch history come alive.



Taking salary hike is, well, gutsy

It's been a busy week for us at *The Press* with state investigators raiding a local doctor's office known far and wide as the spot to obtain prescription pills pretty painlessly, the fast approaching Sesquicentennial party and county fair, and the death of a youth pastor whose good works here will not be soon forgotten, all on top of the more routine happenings that we cover week in and week out.

What I hope, for a number of reasons, doesn't get lost in this week's edition is the article about the potential salary increase for the county's elected officials per a convoluted state formula with the underlying premise that

those elected deserve more money if they represent more people.

First, it's worth noting that county commissioners, constitutional officers and the school district's leaders, all up for the raises, don't sign their own paychecks, so to speak, as it's often said that

politicians line their pockets any chance they get. Rather, the salary changes originated from up on high in Tallahassee, which also insulates local officials from defending their salary levels.

The salary adjustments fluctuate from year to year, moving a few dollars one way or the other with population shifts, often not garnering much attention.

But this year the move up-

ward, based on the county breaking the 27,000 population threshold in 2010, involved a few hundred dollars more, sparking the interest of an anonymous caller to our office wondering why the county could afford raises for elected officials, but not the jobs of two laid off administrative employees.

It's often because of such calls that we become aware of stories we otherwise may have missed, or arrive at too late for it to be relevant. Would so many of the elected officials polled this week about whether they intended to accept or reject the extra compensation, have chosen the latter had *The Press* not come calling?

As much as we're a watchdog of government, and to a lesser extent private business, it's invaluable to have citizens and readers to help point us in the right direction and shine a light on matters that affect the public at large. I'd like to thank that caller and encourage those of like mind to assist in our efforts to hold your leaders' feet to the fire.

In times gone by, when unemployment was lower and GDP higher, politicians may have been more apt to accept a salary increase, reasoning that, yes, it is more difficult to govern more people and the additional compensation is therefore justified.

Now, such notions have been crushed to dust. These days, people are wondering why we pay politicians at all, particularly at the federal level when so many turn into highly-paid lobbyists.

All that said, it was incredibly refreshing to hear one local commissioner sound more like a pragmatist, throwing political conventions aside and saying, for the record, he intends to keep the extra dough.

Since being elected in 2008, Commissioner Michael Crews, a conservative Republican, has

proved to be a rather outspoken representative, rarely shying away from controversial issues. It's also not difficult to understand where the commissioner is coming from because he'll almost always tell you, in very blunt language.

Last week was no exception.

I must admit I was a surprised by his decision, though looking back now after listening to his reasoning, it seems pretty in tune with history. This is a commissioner who loaned an elderly resident a handgun so she could feel more secure.

He justified his plans rather simply. He often gives money to people he believes need it, mentioning specifically groceries, light bills and car payments.

"I hate telling people there's nothing I can do," Michael Crews said. "I've had to tell some no, and I hate to tell them that, but the number of people needing and asking for help has increased."

You may not agree with his decision to accept the salary increase, but the commissioner's candor and courage to go against the prevailing political winds of the day are both worthy of respect.

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'What you had to say ...'

Hits on www.bakercountypress.com skyrocketed after news broke of the raid at Dr. Scarborough's office by state and local investigators the morning of September 16. The link posted to our Facebook page prompted a bevy of reactions. Here's what they had to say ...

Scott Imkindofbigdeal Mathis: "Everyone knew that was coming."

Wayne Stewart: "It's about time. Is there one cop in Baker County that didn't all ready know, ouch."

Judy Wiest Parks: "It is about time! How long does it take? Duh!"

Kristin Simmons: "It's about time! They've got to start somewhere!"

Trey Sinclair: "I wonder what all the addicts will resort to now that their main supply is cut off. More breakins?"

Laura Wright Cline: "Good! Finally!"

Eva Mathis: "They won't shut him down this time either, it's not the first time he's been investigated."

Wayne Stewart: "The drug war is a waist of tax dollars. Give up please, it's not working."

Tammy Crawford McFarland: "If no one was there ... who got served? Sounds like a leak got out to me."

Robert Thompson: "Dumb cops? Or was the staff alerted? Why did they waste time showing up there? Why didn't they go when they know somebody is there to open the door? How do they know he's in Georgia? Makes no sense. Showboating!"

Shirley-Winston Sapp: "Dr. Charlie has been our physician for a very long time. He is a fine man and a good doctor. The patient has to take some responsibility in his health care."

Ashley Greer Smith: "A patient

needs to take responsibility, yes. But a doctor needs to know when patients are not responsible and are abusing the drugs he is prescribing. Which is obviously happening there. It's not normal to have crowds outside of a doctor's office."

Debbie Norman Mobley: "I think they should shut him down! I do believe he has helped people but that time has passed. To many pill heads hanging around all of Baker county! It's sad how peoples lives get ripped apart all for a pill!"

Candy Godbold: "This man is a doctor, not the police. He is bound by confidentiality laws not to open his mouth about your medical records, drug addictions or sexually transmitted illnesses. If you've suspected him of being some type of drug dealer then why haven't you as a citizen stepped up? You can't throw a rock in Macclenny without hitting two people who are hooked on prescription pills and three that sell them. And that is Dr. Scarborough's fault?!? No, it's the people who sell and abuse them that carry the blame. God forbid we blame the addicts."

Aaron Scott: "Dr. Scarborough has not been my doctor in years, but I can tell you that he was exceptional in the time and care he takes with each patient. Why are people standing outside late in the evening? Because the wait for Dr. Scarborough is so long! I've booked the first appointment of the day and still not seen him for 90 minutes (he would go to the nursing home first). He spends time with his patients."

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Dog kennel business rejected

\$27.4 million '11-12 budget passes with little comment

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

Adopting a new \$27.4 million budget, which was balanced with a record \$2.2 million from dwindling reserves instead of deeper spending cuts, took the Baker County Commission only a minute or two on the evening of September 19. But rejecting a couple's business plan for a dog kennel in a rural neighborhood near Glen St. Mary took over an hour.

Commissioners spent numerous hours in four lengthy workshop sessions this summer producing a 14 percent lower budget after making \$4.6 million in spending cuts prior to this week's final public hearing on the budget, which drew no debate and only one brief comment from a member of the audience.

"This is the largest amount ever taken out of reserves for the budget," said Sharon Padgett, a frequent critic of county spending habits. "I wanted more cuts. I hate to see us taking out that much money."

Commissioners said they, too, didn't like having to dip so deeply into the rainy day fund, which received a \$1.7 million boost from reserves last year, and hoped they wouldn't have to do it again next year.

"I was hopeful the budget could have been done in a different way," said Commission Chairman Michael Crews. "Unfortunately, that was not to be. Hopefully, we won't be in such a precarious position next year."

The budget is funded in part by the same property tax, or millage, rate as last year's rate of \$7.1459 per \$1,000 of taxable property value. Because of declining property values countywide, however, most homeowners will pay lower tax bills in the coming fiscal year, which begins October 1.

After the budget hearing the board opened a public hearing to consider three zoning issues, including an appeal filed by Duncan and Jill Walters following the Land Planning Agency's rejection

of their plans to open a dog kennel and grooming business on 10 acres in West Glen Estates, a subdivision in an agricultural zone between Glen St. Mary and Sanderson.

The advisory panel voted 3-2 last month to deny the couple's application for a special zoning exception that would have allowed a 10-unit kennel at their 10-acre residence on King Ruise Road just east of Cow Pen Road.

Following testimony from about a dozen people, some for and some against, the commission voted 3-1 to uphold the LPA's decision based on the contention that a kennel/grooming business would be inappropriate for a residential area, even though it's zoned for agricultural use and planning department staff had recommended approval.

"I have a concern with businesses being with homes," said Commissioner Mark Hartley.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters, however, pointed out that the county's zoning code already allows non-residential uses in the area, including sawmills, hog farms, slaughterhouses and labor camps. They said their plans for a kennel comprised of "ten spacious air-conditioned suites" would be far more desirable than those uses.

Ed Preston, county planning director, said businesses are permitted in the area as long as they are related to agriculture and that a commercial dog kennel could be approved by special zoning exception.

"This is not residentially-zoned property, but it is mostly residentially-used property," Mr. Preston said in reference to West Glen Estates, later adding: "This is a very strange subdivision. It is called a subdivision, but it was never platted."

Commissioner Jimmy Anderson recommended denying the Walters' appeal after he pointed out that those who spoke in favor of the proposed kennel don't live near West Glen Estates, while those who spoke in opposition do. Mr. Hartley seconded the mo-

tion and Commissioner Gordon Crews agreed.

A previous motion by Commissioner Adam Giddens to approve the request, with certain conditions, died for lack of support. He said he couldn't see denying the request for a small dog kennel when Mr. and Mrs. Walters could operate a hog farm without needing anyone's consent.

In addition to the anti-business stance, opponents said they were concerned about constant barking, odors and additional traffic that a kennel might produce. Mr. and Mrs. Walters had argued that their operation of a "small boutique and boarding facility" would be clean, about 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor, and would not be a nuisance.

Supporters argued that Baker County needs a new boarding facility for dogs, including Louise Elliott who said dogs in the type of facility envisioned by Mr. and Mrs. Walters would not be as noisy as hunting dogs "that bark day and night totally unregulated" near her home on State Road 121.

In the end, advocates were outnumbered by opponents who agreed that a new boarding facility for dogs would be an asset to the county. Just not in their neighborhood.

"The only reason we're opposed is because it (the proposed kennel) is a business," said Sandy Hines, who lives with her family on nearby Cow Pen Road. "We petitioned about 25 homeowners within a one-mile radius and every single person we spoke to signed the petition. They do not want businesses in our neighborhood."

In two other cases commissioners approved:

- Requests for zoning exceptions from Commissioner Michael Crews (who abstained from voting) and his brother Raymond Crews to divide their adjacent 16.4-acre parcels so they could sell half their acreage on the east side of County Road 229. County planners had recommended approval.

The parcels are in an area

where lots are required to be at least 7.5 acres in size. Because subdivision regulations require direct access to a paved road, the only way to accomplish the request is to create so-called "flag lots," which will be formed by 30-foot-wide driveways (the flag

pole) extending more than 800 feet from the paved road along the edge of the properties to the new parcels in the rear (the flag).

To control the proliferation of flag lots, they are only allowed with the approval of the county commission. The LPA reviews the applications and sends them on to the commission with a recommendation.

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Cathy Mixon	159
Gage Griner	175
Eden Branch	184

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The Baker County Board of Commissioners is seeking proposals from certified firms to provide timber site preparation and planting services at St. Mary's Shoals Park in Glen St. Mary, FL.

The proposed site preparation and planting activities will be performed in Sections 1 & 2, Township 2 South, Range 21 East and Section 35, Township 1 South, Range 21 East. Total acreage for site preparation and planting is estimated to be 220 acres.

Services to be performed on all 220 acres will include chopping, raking, and burning of piles. Approximately 88 acres will be planted with longleaf pine. Longleaf planting acreage will be harvested. Approximately 132 acres will be planted with slash pine. Slash planting acreage will be bedded. All planting will be conducted by hand-planting with containerized seedlings at an industry standard of 726 trees per acre and 5 x 12 foot spacing. All site preparation and planting activities will be conducted in accordance with the State of Florida Division of Forestry's Silviculture Best Management Practices.

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GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC
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Plaintiff,
v.
JOHN DEANE MILLS, and CHARLOTTE COMBS MILLS, IF LIVING, BUT IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNORS, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF CHARLOTTE COMBS MILLS, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANTS,
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NRRLL is located 2.5 miles north of Raiford, FL on State Road 121 in Union County, FL. Bid packages and other information are available for pick up at the Administration Office at NRSWA, 24276 NE 157th Street, Raiford, FL 32083. All bids must be submitted on the Bid Form provided. Completed bids are to be mailed to New River Solid Waste Association, P.O. Box 647, Raiford, FL 32083 or delivered to the NRSWA Administration Office. After the IFB opening, the bids will be examined for completeness and preserved in the custody of the Executive Director, NRSWA Purchasing Policy will be ensued. All bids received after the specified time and date will not be considered. Contact the NRSWA office at 386-431-1000 for questions concerning the bid packages. The DEADLINE for submittal in response to the above IFB is **October 14, 2011, 2:00 p.m.** 9/22

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Chastidy L Porter
Last known address of:
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Nita D. Crawford
Baker County Supervisor of Elections
P.O. BOX 505
Macclenny, Florida, 32063
9/22

CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO.: 02-2011-CP-0050
DIVISION:

IN RE: ESTATE OF
CHRISTOPHER V. JEFFERSON,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of CHRISTOPHER V. JEFFERSON, deceased, whose date of death was November 16, 2010, 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 and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

If you have been served with a copy of this notice and you have any claim or demand against the decedent's estate, even if that claim is unmaturing, contingent or unliquidated, you must file your claim with the court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF A DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS NOTICE.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturing, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with the court ON OR BEFORE THE DATE THAT IS 3 MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is September 22, 2011.

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Jacksonville, Florida 32202
(904) 356-2600

Personal Representative:
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9/22-9/29

CITY OF MACCLENNY
The City of Macclenny will now be accepting bids for the demolition of several condemned structures. Please contact Joy Chapman at City Hall, 118 E Macclenny Avenue, for addresses and further information. Bids will be accepted until September 30, 2011.

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NOTICE
Is hereby given that the BAKER COUNTY HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM is closing the application process for its Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) pending attribution of the existing Waiting List. The current waiting period is well in excess of eighteen months.

Is also given that MACCLENNY HOUSING AUTHORITY is closing the application process for its Public Housing Program pending attribution of the existing one (1) and two (2) bedroom Waiting Lists. The current waiting period for both of these lists is in excess of two years. The three (3) and four (4) bedroom waiting lists remain open. Closings are effective as of 1 October 2011.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 02-2011-CA-0051

YVSTAR CREDIT UNION
Plaintiff,
vs.
JOSEPH W. PETERS; ET AL,
Defendants).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated the 24th day of August, 2011, and entered in Case No. 02-2011-CA-0051, of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein YVSTAR CREDIT UNION is the Plaintiff, JOSEPH W. PETERS; CINDY N. PETERS; and JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWNTENANTS are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063, at 11:00 a.m. in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes on the 11th day of October, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 14, part of the North half of the SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southwest Corner of said North half of the SE 1/4; thence N 87°16'41" E, along the South line of said North half of the SE 1/4, a distance of 302.07 feet to a point on the East line of a 60 foot wide road right-of-way; thence N 22°47'36" E, along the East line, 24.71 feet to a bend in said line; thence N 03°29'56" E, still along said line 00'03'50" E, 77.83 feet; thence N 03°29'56" E, 21.15 feet; thence S 87°21'53" W, 275.83 feet to the aforementioned East Right-of-Way line; thence S 03°29'56" W, along said East line, 100.15 feet to the point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH the Right of ingress and egress over and across the following 60 foot wide ingress and egress easement:
A strip of land 60.00 feet wide laying 30.00 feet each side of the following described centerline:

Commence at the SW corner of the North half of the SE 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida; thence N 87°16'41" E, along the South line of said North half of the SE 1/4 a distance of 88.00 feet; thence S 04°09'15" W, 41.62 feet to a point on the North Right-of-Way line of a 60.00 foot wide public road known as Gaskins Circle South, said point being on a curve concave to the South, having a radius of 411.67 feet and a central angle of 21°04'06" and being subtended by a chord having a bearing of S 72°27'17" E, and a chord length of 150.52 feet; thence Southeastly along the arc of said curve and North Right-of-Way line an arc distance of 151.38 feet to a 3/4" iron pipe stamped LB 2392 and being the Point of Beginning of the herein described centerline; thence N 22°47'36" E, along said centerline, 140.27 feet to a bend in said line; thence N 03°29'56" E, still along said centerline, 386.40 feet to the point of termination of said centerline.

The said lines of the above described easement are to be lengthened or shortened as necessary to create a continuous corridor 60.00 feet in width from the North Right-of-Way line of Gaskins Circle South (A public right-of-way) to the North line of the lot described herein.

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 SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodations in order to participate in the proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administrator at the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Ave., Macclenny, FL 32069, and whose telephone number is (904) 259-0209 within two working days of the receipt of this notice.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2011.
AL FRASER
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Julie B. Combs
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO: 02-2011-CP-048

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
LULA MAE DAVIS a/k/a LULA M. DAVIS,
DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(Summary Administration)

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of LULA MAE DAVIS a/k/a LULA M. DAVIS, File Number 02-2011-CP-048, by the Circuit Court for BAKER COUNTY, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 339 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063; that the total value of the estate is a checking account and a savings account and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Name Address
DAVIS FAMILY TRUST - MARION D. RIVERS, TRUSTEE

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claim with the court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED

The date of the first publication of this Notice is September 22, 2011.

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Person Giving Notice:
Marion D. Rivers
5150 Willard Crews Lane
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9/22-9/29

'Holding her,' not a battery

A Macclenny woman was named in a complaint for battery, but insists she was only holding onto another woman until police arrived at the Walmart parking lot to investigate a case of leaving youngsters unattended in a vehicle.

Denise Crews, 57, told Deputy Randy Davis she saw Robin Vanvactor, 54, of Sanderson walk away from a vehicle the afternoon of September 16 and called police because of the presence of the children, ages 6 and 7.

When Ms. Vanvactor returned about 10 minutes later, the police were not there and Ms. Crews said instead of allowing her to re-enter her vehicle she restrained her.

Ms. Vanvactor, who claimed she is disabled, called for help and Diane and Shawn Burridge of Sanderson responded and got between the two.

She told Deputy Davis she left the vehicle to speak to her roommate inside Walmart.

In other battery complaints, one was filed against a male Baker High student, age 15, for punching his male cousin, 16, while the latter stood in a bus line the afternoon of September 16.

The father of the victim called police to his Glen St. Mary residence and told Deputy Rodney Driggers the cousin had been taunting his son after the latter was recently charged with a sex crime.

The deputy noted bruising and swelling around the youth's right eye.

- Crystal Smith, 27, of Glen, an employee at Northeast Florida State Hospital, accused a female patient, 33, of shoving and hitting her the morning of September 15 when Ms. Smith was making a head count on a ward.

- Deputy Matt Yarborough filed battery complaints against Pamela Balfour, 42, and Linda Johnson, 35, after they accused each other of starting a fight outside Northwood Apartments the afternoon of September 17.

The confrontation that turned physical started at a card game.

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Local students in sex-ed study

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Does abstinence-based sex education really work?

That's the question at the center of a five-year experiment by the University of South Florida in which Baker, Bradford and Union county ninth graders are serving as the control groups this year.

The Florida Department of Health is giving the Baker County Health Department about \$67,000 annually to teach an abstinence-based sex education curriculum known as TOP (Teen Outreach Program) at the high school through the course of the study.

The curriculum, however, will not be presented fully this year, and perhaps next year, in the control group counties, so as to gauge the effectiveness of TOPS at preventing teen pregnancy.

Instead of TOP, health department's health educators will deliver an alcohol and drug abuse prevention program and conduct before and after surveys with students, said the department's top administrator Kerry Dunlavy.

"It teaches lots and lots of skills," she said of the substitute

curriculum.

Local seventh and eighth graders will continue to receive an abstinence-based sex ed program from health department educators as they have for years.

The school board approved the TOP curriculum last May, but the department only found out a few weeks ago that Baker County would be in the study's control group this year.

Health educator Lauren Griffis added that Baker County could remain in the control for another year, but the full TOP curriculum would be taught in the final three years of the study.

"I think it will be great for our county to see if this curriculum will work to lower the teen pregnancy rate," said Ms. Griffis.

While the teen birth rate — defined as the number of births to females age 15 to 19 — dropped in Baker County during the latter part of the last decade, it remained 46 percent higher than the statewide rate in 2009, according to data from the state.

The number of births to teens is also on the rise, with 53 in 2009 and 63 in 2010.

The university study has been one year in the making.

It was last September that the state was awarded some \$3.5

million from the US Department of Health and Human Services' office of Adolescent Health to replicate programs shown to lower the rate of teen pregnancy among participants, about \$2.5 million of which is funding the research effort by USF's College of Public Health.

The project will involve ninth graders in almost 100 high schools in 26 non-metropolitan Florida counties.

TOP spends less than 15 percent of its curriculum on sexuality, including a brief introduction to pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, focusing more on "developing a positive self-image, life-management skills and setting achievable goals," the college reports.

"The theory behind TOP is that encouraging teens to address problems in their communities and help others builds a sense of self-worth enhances problem-solving and leadership skills — which may lead to better decision-making overall and less risky behavior," reads an October, 2010 press release about the grant from the college. "Data from a previous national, but limited, evaluation indicates the program has resulted in statistically significant reductions in

teen pregnancy and school failure."

But, Eric Buhi, PhD, USF's principal investigator for the study, said it's not clear whether TOP reduces teen pregnancy and school absenteeism "down the road."

"At the end of this five-year project we'll have the rigorous, longitudinal data to be able to draw conclusions about the long-term impact of TOP," he said.

USF researchers will assess the effects of TOP on participants, compared to demographically similar nonparticipants, as much as three years after the program's initial implementation. They will measure such outcomes as rates of teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, school suspensions, failures and drop outs.

The study comes on the heels of the Florida Legislature turning away about \$2.8 million annually under the federal Affordable Care Act for "comprehensive sex education" that includes information about abstinence and the use of contraception to avoid pregnancy and STDs, in favor of less money for abstinence-only programs.

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Judge: 41 drug cases will not be thrown out

Circuit Judge Phyllis Rosier last week agreed with colleagues on circuit and appeals benches elsewhere in Florida that a 2002 law that does not require the state to prove that drug defendants know the substance they possess is illegal is constitutional.

The ruling, issued September 15, thus allows 41 pending cases in Baker County to go forward.

Circuit courts across Florida were hit with a barrage of motions to allow drug offenders off the hook after a federal judge in Orlando opined that the statute in question was unconstitutional on its face because it eliminates a centuries-old common law tenet of *mens rea*, or knowledge of wrongdoing.

Without that element, the federal judge held, someone could be prosecuted for possessing drugs even if they were unaware they had them, or believed them to be legal substances.

During a September 6 hearing in Baker County circuit court, during which many of the 41 defendants were present, public and private defense attorneys argued *mens rea* is a foundation of American jurisprudence.

"The state goes too far," stated Julie Johnson, an assistant public defender. "It gives the state the presumption that they [defendants] knew it [was illegal drugs]. It lumps in people who did not know it."

Ralph Yazdiya, division chief for the state attorney's office in Baker County, countered that the 2002 statute has been upheld by state appeals courts and no Florida courts are bound by the opinions of federal courts, save those of the US Supreme Court.

Mr. Yazdiya echoed the crux of arguments put forth by prosecutors across Florida since the July ruling.

Judge Rosier during that hearing, perhaps tipping her hand as to her ruling last week, confessed to the assembly she was "having trouble making the leap from unlawful to "strict liability," referring to what is required of the state to successfully prosecute drug cases.

The cases affected are those against: Gregory Beck, Kayla Blackburn, Jeffery Burnsed, Jessica Cannon, Scott Caro, Amanda Carter, Sierra Church, Elizabeth Davis, Oscar Dyer, Jessica Floyd, Jimmie Lee Harrell, Timothy Harrison, Joseph Hollings, George Jackson, Sherterria Jackson, Joannie Johnson, Anthony Lombardi, Cory Lord, Derrickal Major, Gary Markham, Leon Paige, Duwayne Peacock, Donald Pette-way, Gerald Hodges, Cornelius Hodges, Kathleen Schell, Clinton Scott, Chantrell Seels, Hope Simmons, Laura Sparkman, Edward Stewart, Mark Stoddard, Patrick Stoutamire, Nathaniel Strachan, Adam Swisher, James Thompson, Sandra Thompson, Charles Unartel, Clayton Whitehead, Pamela Thomas and Misty Lee.

Another A/C stolen

The sheriff's department last week investigated another case of a stolen air conditioner, this one a window unit taken from the rear of a rental house on Rush Lane near Sanderson.

Owner William Raulerson said he last saw the unit on September 9 and discovered the theft six days later. He valued it at \$550 and Deputy Chris Walker noted that the unit was pulled from the outside after the wiring was removed.

Police have looked into dozens of cases the past year of both central and window air conditioner thefts, and the vandalizing of units for the resale value of their copper wiring.

In other thefts, Kelly Sanders reported her wallet containing \$85, various forms of identification and a bank card was taken from the bedroom of her residence on Wateroak Lane near Sanderson.

She told Deputy Matt Yarborough the theft took place between 5-8 pm on September 12, and named a suspect who had been living there.

Ronald Pendleton named a relative as a likely suspect in the theft of collectable coins from his residence on Jim Starling Rd. He reported the loss, including one two-sided quarter, the evening of September 15.

Criminal complaints for shoplifting were filed against Donald Winters, 36, and Holly Winters, 32, of Glen St. Mary after they attempted to leave Walmart on S. SR 228 with items from the toy department valued at \$26.

A store security worker said he observed the couple and stopped them when they attempted to leave the store just before 2 pm on September 15.

He also told Deputy Koty Crews that Mr. Winters, accompanied by a 14-year-old daughter, shoplifted at the store the previous week.

A white male who drove off in a white Toyota Camry was captured on video and seen by cus-

tomers leaving the Exxon Store on South 6th in Macclenny with two cases of beer.

The suspect, in his early to mid-20s, entered the store about 8:17 pm on September 14 and exited with the beer while the clerk was distracted, according to Deputy Jeremiah Combs' report.

The beer was valued at \$35.

Another male drove off from the Raceway station on Woodlawn Rd. near Macclenny the afternoon of September 15 after presenting a bogus debit card.

The clerk told Deputy Patrick McGauley the man pumped \$57 worth of gas about 2:40 and drove off about the time it came back declined.

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NEFCOM is adapting To the world of wireless phones

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The mom-and-pop telephone company that began here with a single phone in a grocery store some 100 years ago is now facing ever increasing competition from mobile communications. But instead of trying to compete with the likes of Verizon and Sprint, Macclenny-based NEFCOM has doubled down on its strength — local land lines that carry information to and from its service area via the Internet.

The rural telephone company, founded as Macclenny Telephone Company shortly before World War I and later incorporated as Northeast Florida Telephone Company and then NEFCOM, serves all of Baker County with the exception of Olustee.

It's spent the last few years running fiber-optic lines throughout its nearly 500-square-mile service area to offer all of its customers access to broadband speed Internet service.

NEFCOM also linked its local fiber optic network with the broadband hub in Jacksonville in 2009 through a \$600,000 annual lease agreement with Dedicated Fiber Systems of Jacksonville, which installed a fiber optic line from Lane Avenue to the county line.

"We've gone from where the phone company was a monopoly — when you couldn't go to the store and buy a phone, you had to get it from the phone company — to now we don't even sell phones anymore," said NEFCOM's General Manager Mike Griffis, who began with the company in 1979, "climbing poles and putting service in homes."

He soon began working with business phone systems and later moved on to design and engineer cable routes for about 10 years. Mr. Griffis also helped create the company's first sales and marketing department.

He's also a former county commissioner.

NEFCOM started seeing competition in the 1980s after deregulation of the industry allowed any company, not just the local phone company, to wire homes for telephone service.

About the same time, AT&T and its nationwide Bell telephone system was broken up with an anti-trust lawsuit that spawned regional Bell telephone companies like BellSouth and left other AT&T subsidiaries like Bell Labs intact.

"That's when we started to see competition for local and long distance service," Mr. Griffis said of AT&T's divestiture from the Bell System. He explained that through corporate mergers and acquisitions, many of the regional Bell companies have since rejoined to form the country's largest cell phone carriers.

For years NEFCOM benefited from an exclusive franchise for



PHOTOS BY JOEL ADDINGTON
Above: Kenny Johns (left) and Ray Hodges bury a fiber optic line on the east side of SR 228 S. the afternoon of September 16.



local and long distance phone service here, courtesy of the federal government. "But there are no franchise areas for cell phones," Mr. Griffis said.

Today, NEFCOM's monopoly is no more, but it retains the lines and infrastructure that other communications companies rely on to reach Baker County customers, whether its over the Internet, a cell phone or land line telephone.

"Throughout the country, land line service is going away, but it's still the most reliable," Mr. Griffis said.

He pointed to the recent earthquake in Virginia, during which cellular service was lost due to the high volume of calls being made at the same time. "You can only put so much traffic on a highway before you run out of capacity and it stops moving," he said. "But the land lines, they stayed intact."

Still, there's been a clear trend during the last decade toward wireless communications. And while Mr. Griffis confirmed NEFCOM is losing land line customers, he said those losses have come while the company has added Internet customers with its high-speed DSL service, particularly in the most rural pockets of the county where other Internet service providers like Comcast don't reach.

"What we see ourselves doing in the future is still offering telephone service, but getting more and more into data," Mr. Griffis said.

NEFCOM owns or leases the lines that carry data coming and going from its service area. It can be a local bank communicating with its headquarters in the Northeast or connecting the Internet hub in Jacksonville to cell phone towers here that relay calls

across the country.

So what does the general manager think about both Sprint and Verizon setting up shop in Macclenny? "It does [bother me]," he said. "We see our land lines going away and we know they're going to buy a cell phone," he said.

But there may be an upside. "The more cell phones sold here means more capacity will be needed for the towers and they have to buy that capacity from us," he said.

That said, Mr. Griffis added that land line service remains "a huge part of our business."

And what do the national carriers lack?

"What separates NEFCOM is our people. Our employees have always been our biggest asset and they always will be. They're here, in our churches and coaching Little League games. We even have a former county commissioner as general manager," he said.

Man stabbed in weekend fight

The sheriff's department says an investigation is ongoing into the stabbing of a Glen St. Mary man in front of a residence on CR 125 South in the early morning hours of September 18.

Tyler Payne, 25, was taken to Shands Jacksonville after initial treatment at Fraser Hospital for a stab wound to the chest. He was driven to Fraser by private vehicle following an altercation at the residence of Allen Pippins about 3 am after the victim and others returned there from the Country Club Lounge.

Deputy Daryl Mobley early this week said Justin Hanby, 31, of Jacksonville was due to be interviewed after he was named by the victim as the person who stabbed him with a pocket knife.

Mr. Hanby, who spoke by phone with police later that morning, said Mr. Payne struck him in the head during an argument that began about a fight early at the lounge that involved the victim and a third party.

Mr. Hanby, who was with his wife at the Pippins' residence, told Deputy Jerrod Satterwhite he came away from the fight with a laceration to his arm that required a visit to a Jacksonville emergency room.

Mr. Hanby could be charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, a second-degree felony.

In a second incident, a Jacksonville woman was named in a criminal complaint for allegedly swinging a shovel at Larry Mercer, 37, outside his residence on Clarence Dobbs Rd. the afternoon of September 13.

Mr. Mercer told Deputy Matt

Yarborough that Mary Kilpatrick, 46, arrived at the address to collect property from his father, who was not at home.

When asked to leave, she grabbed a "sharp pointed shovel" and swung it at Mr. Mercer before throwing it to the ground, where the shovel struck him in the shin.

Ms. Kilpatrick then drove off with an unidentified male.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The City of Macclenny has tentatively adopted a budget for 2011-2012. A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on Monday, September 26, 2011 6:00 p.m. at **MACCLENNY CITY HALL** 118 East Macclenny Ave Macclenny, Florida

Blood drive set

The Baker County Historical Society is hosting a community blood drive on September 24 at the Sesquicentennial event. It will be set up somewhere along south 5th Street.

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BUDGET SUMMARY				
CITY OF MACCLENNY-FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012				
THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MACCLENNY ARE 10% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
ESTIMATED REVENUES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	ENTERPRISE FUND	TOTAL
Ad Valorem Taxes (3.6000 millage rate)	\$744,618	\$-	\$-	\$744,618
Sales and Use Taxes	367,446	0	0	367,446
Franchise Fees	450,675	0	0	450,675
Utility Service Taxes	673,847	0	55,000	728,847
License & Permits	67,500	0	0	67,500
Intergovernmental Revenue	596,010	700,000	0	1,296,010
Charges For Services	836,000	0	2,208,711	3,044,711
Fines and Forfeitures	3,500	0	0	3,500
Interest Revenue	0	621	2,963	3,584
Special Assessments/Impact Fees	0	39,500	0	39,500
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	3,450	0	24,200	27,650
Transfers In	198,000	0	0	198,000
Debt Proceeds	0	0	0	0
Fund balance/Reserves	0	128,665	200,000	328,665
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER				
FINANCING SOURCES	\$3,941,046	\$868,786	\$2,490,874	\$7,300,706
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES				
General Government	\$162,603	\$-	\$-	\$162,603
Financial & Administrative	693,460	-	-	693,460
Public Safety	1,770,941	15,980	0	1,786,921
Physical Environment	609,696	0	1,703,311	2,313,007
Transportation	409,243	140,000	0	549,243
Human Services	98,080	700,000	0	798,080
Transfers Out	0	0	198,000	198,000
Debt Services	162,158	0	446,334	608,492
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$3,906,181	\$855,980	\$2,347,645	\$7,109,806
RESERVES				
Reserve For Contingencies	34,865	12,806	143,229	190,900
TOTAL RESERVES	\$34,865	\$12,806	\$143,229	\$190,900
TOTAL APPROPRIATED				
EXPENDITURES AND RESERVES	\$3,941,046	\$868,786	\$2,490,874	\$7,300,706
THE TENTATIVE ADOPTED AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.				



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Fair entry preparation

ALICIA LAMBORN
BAKER COUNTY
EXTENSION AGENT

The Baker County Fair is quickly approaching and that means it is now time to gather your entries to display. Whether young or old, consider showing off your talents at the fair. The Horticulture and Home Arts divisions would love to have some fresh competition this year.

The fair begins on Friday, September 30 and runs through Saturday, October 8.

• Gardeners of all ages, both amateur and experienced are invited to show off their plants in the Horticulture division. Adults and youth are judged separately. All qualified entries will receive a ribbon and cash prize, and qualifying is easy.

Enter up to 25 plants, but not more than one of the same cultivar or variety of plant. Many sections, including hanging baskets, flowering/fruited plants, foliage plants, bonsai, cacti and succulents, special displays (mixed container gardens, topiary, etc.) and patio plants are available.

All plants must have been grown by the entrant and in his or her possession for at least

three months prior to the fair. Before dropping off plants for judging, they should be cleaned by using a wet cloth to remove dirt from the outside of the pot and removing dead leaves and debris from inside the container.

While cleaning and grooming plants is not required, it will earn extra points with the judges and possibly a better ribbon. However, all plants must be free from disease and insects or they will be disqualified from judging.

Horticulture entries will be accepted Tuesday, September 27 from 4-8 pm and Wednesday, September 28 from 9 am to noon. Please call Cindy Jenkins at 259-9517 with other questions.

• Art of all kinds completed within the last calendar year is accepted for home arts entries. Some examples include photography, sculpture, painting, and drawings. Crafts are another fun project to enter into the fair. Needlework, quilts, garments, jewelry, wood carving, ceramics and flower arranging are just a few.

• Showing off your kitchen talent is also one way to score a few bragging rights. Canned products such as vegetables, fruits, relishes, jellies and sauces will make nice entries. USDA guidelines must be followed as to proper canning methods. Baked products including breads, pies, cookies and candies are also a wonderful way to display home talent.

Home arts entries will be accepted at the fairgrounds from noon to 7 pm on both Tuesday, September 27 and Wednesday, September 28. Baked goods and candies will only be accepted on September 28 from 3-7 pm.

All horticulture and home arts entries must be picked up on Sunday, October 9 from 1-5 pm or premium money will be forfeited and items will be donated to charity.

Start getting your entries ready today.

Old-fashioned wood craftsman

KELLEY LANNIGAN
FEATURES
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Roger Johnson, a woodworker from Lakeland, Georgia, will be among the many traditional crafts demonstrators at the county's Sesquicentennial celebration September 24.

Using the customary hand tools of his craft, his demonstration will include splitting and shaping cypress shakes with a froe and wooden mallet and shaping them on a shaving horse with a draw knife.

Shakes are wooden shingles more common in earlier times to cover the roof and sides of wooden buildings.

With a passion for log cabins and early 19th and 20th Century houses, Mr. Johnson's most recent projects include building a replica of a block-style log cabin with dove tail joints for the Lowndes County Historical Society.

The cabin is one of a group of buildings in downtown Lakeland,

including a syrup shed, railroad depot, the R. L. Patten General Store and the Miller Hardware-Store, that have benefited from his attention. In addition, he has worked on renovations to the town's circa 1890s historical society building.

He's been involved in the preservation of many other sites and projects as well.

Mr. Johnson's talent for woodworking began on his family's Lakeland tree farm when he started building cypress bird feeders and houses when he was a boy. Over time, he moved from those small endeavors to constructing bee hives, then went on to larger, more complicated projects such as furniture.

He is currently constructing a woodworking shop after rolling the trees to the site himself before cutting, planing and notching the lumber at his sawmill.

He also creates large scale animal sculptures of wood such as alligators, woodpeckers and owls.



Woodworker Roger Johnson.

PHOTO COURTESY OF ROGER JOHNSON

Arrest for attacking her mother

A Macclenny woman was arrested for domestic battery the afternoon of September 17 after an altercation with her mother at a residence off Woodlawn Rd.

It was the third such battery case involving adult children and their parents in the past two weeks.

Deputy Chris Walker said he found Sheila Griffis, 47, hiding in a bedroom at her residence off Glenn Williamson Rd. shortly after the 2 pm incident. He moments before had seen her flee from the nearby home of her mother, 81-year-old Estelle Williamson when he arrived.

The mother told Deputy Walker her daughter began throwing items around both the kitchen and living room during an argument, and several times had restrained her mother from summoning police via a "life alert" device.

Mrs. Williamson told the officer she fears her daughter will harm her "if something is not done with her."

In another domestic case, a criminal complaint for stalking was filed against James Kirkland, 52, of Macclenny after his estranged wife Cecily Cox, 35, told police he followed her to two local restaurants the evening of September 15.

Ms. Cox said she left Woody's BBQ because of Mr. Kirkland's presence, then returned there when an acquaintance informed her he had left. She returned to the restaurant, and a short time later so did Mr. Kirkland.

She then went with friends to Calendars downtown, and he showed up there as well. Ms. Cox told Deputy Robert Simpkins similar incidents including following her from work have been "ongoing."

Mr. Kirkland when interviewed denied stalking his ex-wife, explaining it was "not uncommon to cross paths with her" in a small town.

4-H thanks event sponsors

The Baker 4-H Livestock Club and the Hilliard "Back 40" 4-H Club hosted the Labor Day Classic Swine Show at the Northeast Florida Fairgrounds on Sept 3rd. This was the first year of the show and the plan is to make it an annual event.

In addition to judging over 50 kids for showmanship, Bryant Oliver of Wheeler Co., GA, judged 67 swine for market animal quality. Olin Thrift of Folkston was awarded Grand Champion for his hog and Brandon Oliver of Volusia Co. the reserve Grand Champion.

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- Early Bird Madness from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. - \$20 Armband Rides All Rides
- Midnight Madness from 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. - \$15 Armband Rides All Rides

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

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OBITUARIES

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Todd Annis, 32, local youth pastor

Rev. Todd Everett Annis, 32, of Jacksonville died September 17, 2011 in a vehicle accident.



Todd Annis

He was a lifelong resident of Jacksonville and the youth pastor at First Assembly of God in Macclenny, where he organized the youth group, IGNITE. He was a spiritual mentor to Baker County high school and middle school football teams, he organized the Phase II events at the BCHS Christian Fellowship Group, overseas mission trips, preached at the City Rescue Mission in downtown Jacksonville, and was a member of "Endless Sacrifice," which performed at the Jacksonville Landing. His hobbies included building model airplanes and he loved the Florida Gators.

Survivors include wife Lauren O'Neal Annis; brother Tommy (Amy) Annis; parents Thomas E. and Betty L. Annis; father-in-law and mother-in law Tony and Barbara O'Neal; nephews Luke and Daniel; grandmother Evelyn Sellers, and many aunts, uncles and friends.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday, September 21 at 2:00 pm at First Baptist Church in Glen St. Mary with Rev. Joshua Potts officiating, assisted by Revs. Tim Staier and Shane Comellas. The family will receive friends two hours prior to the service. Interment will be in Riverside Memorial Park. Giddens-Reed Funeral Home in Baldwin is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Blackburn, 64, of Jacksonville

Robert Eric Blackburn, 64, of Jacksonville died September 13, 2011 at the Shands Jacksonville Hospital.

Mr. Blackburn was a lifelong resident of Jacksonville and was the son of the late William Robert and Minnie Lee Dugger Blackburn. He was preceded in death by wife Bobbi Jean Pylant Blackburn. He loved to fish and worked in the construction field all of his life. He was a member of Lannie Road Baptist Church.

Survivors include daughters Tina (Burlley) Peters of Sanderson and Patricia Tyson of Starke; son James Blackburn of Starke; sister Paula Ann Johnson of Jacksonville; brother Wayne Knight of Jacksonville; grandchildren Shandi Tison, Bo Tison and Brandi Peacock; great grandchildren C. P. Peacock and Breanna Peacock.

The funeral service was held September 16 in the chapel of Guerry Funeral Home with Rev. Jim Cox officiating.

Robert Carter Sr., 62, of Macclenny

Robert William Carter Sr., 62, of Macclenny died September 20, 2011. Mr. Carter was born April 26, 1949 in Baker County to Charlie and Doris Carter. He was a crane operator, a member of local union #673 and served in the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include wife Alice Hires-Carter; brother Mark Carter; sons Robert Carter Jr., Jason Carter and Ryan Carter; daughters Shanna Rhoden and Lori Conner; 16 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

Giddens-Reed Funeral Home in Baldwin is in charge of arrangements.

Lois Crews, 86, of Sanderson

Lois Johnson Crews, 86, of Sanderson died September 14, 2011. She was born March 21, 1925 to Warren and Nora Elizabeth Green Johnson in Nassau County and was a member of St. George First Baptist Church since 1955.

She is survived by daughter Brenda Hodges (Rick) of Sanderson; brother Connie "Dicey" Johnson (Barbara Ann) of Hilliard; sister Delores (Lori) Witcher of Callahan; grandsons Clinton Hodges (Kari) and Paul Hodges (Noel) of Sanderson; great-grandchildren Ethan Hodges, Maddlynn Hodges and Isaac Hodges; several nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives. She was preceded in death by husband Leon Crews Sr. and son Leon Crews Jr.

The funeral service was held September 16 at her church with Rev. Ray McKendree officiating. Burial followed in Boone's Creek Cemetery.

Shepard Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Reed Goodman, 62, NEFSH retiree

Reed A. Goodman, 62, of Macclenny died Tuesday, August 30, 2001 at Lake City Medical Center after an extended illness. Mr. Goodman was born in Greenville, SC and moved near Macclenny in 1992. He retired seven years ago as a vocational instructor at NEFSH. He was the son of the late John F., Sr. and Dorothy Rowe Goodman. He was also preceded in death by son, Bro. John F. Goodman Jr.

Survivors include wife Wanda Gail Goodman of Macclenny; sons Robert A. "Buddy" Goodman and William Gregg Goodman; sisters Alice Davis and Trudy Cross; brothers John F. "Bub" Goodman Jr., Jimmy Goodman, Mike Goodman, Carl Goodman, Terry Goodman, David Goodman, and Richard Goodman.

There was no service held for Mr. Goodman. Archer Funeral Home of Lake Butler was in charge of arrangements.

Charles Morris, 39, of Glen St. Mary

Charles John Morris, 39, of Glen St. Mary died September 14, 2011 at his residence with family by his side after a long battle with cancer.



Charles Morris

He was born in Jacksonville on March 8, 1972 to Charles Respert Morris and Sharon Diane Ratliff Morris. Charles was a resident of Baker County since 1987. He was an avid NASCAR, Jaguar, and Seminoles fan and enjoyed fishing and playing video games with his son. Charles also loved cooking and he was able to fulfill his passion by being a cook at Pier 6 and Sixth Street Steakhouse in Macclenny.

Survivors include his wife Angela Lynn Morris of Glen St. Mary; his parents of Glen St. Mary; children Shane Bly Morris of Glen St. Mary and Brittany Lynn Black of Eastman, GA; brothers Dennis Wayne Morris of Macclenny and Brock Respert Morris of Jacksonville County; sister Tammy Lynn (Chris) Scott of Homerville, GA; granddaughter Amira Lynn Norton and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends.

The funeral services was held September 17 at Souls Harbor Church of God in Glen St Mary with Elder Curtis Ruise officiating. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of the arrangements.

Heartfelt thanks

The family of Charles John Morris thanks everyone for their prayers, cards, food and flowers during the loss of our son. Thank you to friends, his co-workers, the sheriff's office, and Ferreira Funeral Services.

C. & S. Morris, brother and sister, and all of our family

Ruby Stone, 85, of Jax Beach dies

Ruby C. Stone, 85, of Jacksonville Beach died September 18, 2011. She was born in Anniston, AL to the late Samuel Eugene Cornelison and Cora Beatrice Ballard on October 30, 1925. Ruby grew up in Haines City, moved to Jacksonville Beach in 1947 and spent her adult life there.



Ruby Stone

She worked as a principal's secretary in the Duval County school system for 24 years and a member of Beaches United Methodist Church.

Ruby served as president of the PTA, member of Pilot International, Grand Regent in the Order of the Women of the Moose, junior and senior Women's Clubs and lay leader in her church. She also enjoyed playing bridge, gardening and crocheting. She was predeceased by her husband of 43 years, Neil Edward Stone and daughter Kay-Lyn Turner.

Survivors include children Cam (Charlie) Seward-Leeper of Palm Valley and Carol Stone Capo of Maxville; sisters Sue Cody of Haines City and Connie Vance of St. Louis, MO; sister-in-law Anne Lanier of Jacksonville; grandchildren Courtney, Cathline, Edward, Cynthia, Jerry Neil, Carol Anne, Julie, Chase and Justin; 16 great grandchildren; various cousins, nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, September 24 at 12:00 pm at Mt. Zion and Swift Creek Cemetery in Olustee with Pastor Greg Freeze officiating. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 24 at 3 pm at Lake Shore United Methodist Church. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services is in charge of the arrangements.

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The Canaday family reunion will be held on Sunday, September 25 at 1:00 pm at North Prong Church.

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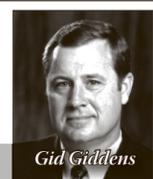
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The Arc's new name

The Arc North Florida, formerly Comprehensive Community Services, inaugurated its new name with a re-grand opening the afternoon of September 15 at its adult day training center, 678 W. Macclenny Ave. The catered luncheon and ribbon cutting ceremony attended by fellow Chamber of Commerce members, The Arc North Florida staffers and clients lasted about 45 minutes, concluding with the ribbon cutting shown above. Pictured with the scissors are (left) Bobbie Lake, executive director of the Live Oak-based organization and Bobby Steele, president of the Chamber's board of directors, and to their right, Mary Starling, a client. The Arc North Florida is a nonprofit organization that provides employment training and 24-hour residential services to about 60 people with disabilities in Baker, Suwanee, Hamilton and Lafayette counties. Mr. Lake said that while the organization remains independent and governed by its own board of directors, the re-branding helps to recognize its affiliation the national organization by the same name.



In Loving Memory of Gene Davis

10/4/1944 - 9/24/2010

A year has passed since you departed our world, our world filled of trouble and strife and toil. My, how time has traveled so slowly without you here to spoil.

Each passing day we are reminded of you, whether it's a passing hunting truck or a camper headed to a bluegrass do!

Your gentle ways and kind heart will always be with us, overshadowed with family memories that we fondly discuss.

Today is another day closer to the day we shall be reunited and meet, at the pearly gates of Heaven and its golden streets.

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In Loving Memory of Amanda Marie Martin

11/4/1977 - 9/24/2007

I sit here and ponder how very much I'd like to talk to you. There are so many things that we didn't get to say.

An angel came and took you by the hand and said your place was ready in Heaven, far above, and you had to leave behind all those you dearly loved.

You had so much to live for and so many people to live for. And though your life on earth is past, in Heaven it starts anew. You'll live for all eternity just as God promised you.

And though you've walked through Heaven's gate, we are never far apart. For every time I think of you, you're right here deep within my heart.

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Women's conference

Tabernacle of the Enlightened Church of God in Margaretta welcomes all women to its first annual women's conference.

The conference will be held Friday, September 23 and Saturday, September 24 at 7:00 nightly.

For more information contact Pastor Priscilla Atkins at 706-220-3825.

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WWII plane flyover for 150th

KELLEY LANNIGAN

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Four planes from the T-6 Warbirds team, which is affiliated with the Leeward Air Ranch in Ocala, will be flying in formation as part of Baker County's Sesquicentennial celebration this Saturday.

The antique planes are maintained by pilots who are specially trained in formation flying and who routinely perform for Veteran's Day parades, festivals, funerals and other occasions.

There are 500 flyable T-6 planes, which are also known as "Texans" because so many were produced in Dallas during the 1940s.

During WWII the planes were used as bombers, strafers and patrol craft but their primary function was to train hundreds of aviators and conduct spotting missions. They also carried out post-strike inspections to access damage.

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T-6 Warbirds in flight.

to accurately deliver their ordnance.

"It takes a great deal of discipline to fly in formation," said Rick Hosking, who will be piloting one of the antique training planes when he and his team make two passes timed with spe-

cific events at the celebration.

Spectators will witness the Diamond Formation, commonly performed at air shows as well as the stunning Missing Man formation performed to honor a person who has died.

According to Mr. Hosking, he

and the other pilots, who all personally maintain their aircraft, have a special passion for the T-6 planes.

"These planes have souls," said he said. "They have a presence and character that is missing from modern aircraft."

'Magic Mike' visits the WC

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Flying robot birds, talking toys, slight of hand tricks, eye-bending illusions and stuff that makes lots of crazy noise — that's what Gainesville magician and science enthusiast Mike Stillwell had in store for local kids at his show September 17.

The program took place at the Macclenny Women's Club and was sponsored by the New River Library Co-op.

While studying electrical engineering at the University of Florida, Mr. Stillwell supported himself by working as a waiter.

He soon found he could increase tips by doing magic tricks for his customers. His magic became so popular with patrons that his boss dismissed him as a waiter and hired him back as a magician. Soon he was performing magic regularly at several venues, learning to juggle and helping run a magic supply shop.

"I failed my last engineering exam because I was tied up at a juggling convention," he said. "By then I knew I wasn't going to be an engineer but I was so close to graduating it didn't make sense not to get the degree."

He took a gamble, asked the professor for a second chance on the exam and got it, but under one condition.

"I had to perform magic for him," said Mike.

At first, Saturday's performance at the Women's Club looked doubtful. Show time arrived and only three kids were in the audience. But Magic Mike had been through this before and was undaunted. He just bided his time focusing all his attention on the few children present as if they were the most important people in the world.

They squealed with delight as he teased them and repeatedly shot them with his handy, dandy air grenade, a device that sends a

massive puff of air rushing past whatever is in its way.

As if by magic, kids suddenly began pouring through the door and in minutes all seats were filled. As they were settling in they got it from the air grenade too.

Magic Mike demonstrated

panes in the windows seemed literally to rattle.

Tapping the metal rod produced very little sound, but rubbing it just the right way resulted in nearly deafening vibrations.

One illusion trick caused the audience to see the head of a volunteer either appear to shrink or expand, which got a huge reaction from the audience. The giant mirage trick perplexed kids with its holographic-like images of a tiger.

When children tried to touch the seemingly solid image of the tiger, their fingers passed right through.

What was the most fun of the entire show? Afterwards, of course.

When it concluded, for about a half hour, kids got to try out all the gadgets and noise-makers and examine the illusion devices up close.



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Sebastian Overland and Magic Mike making noise.

just how far the gust carried, about 20 feet. From across the room he shot the curtains and they swayed suddenly back and forth. He shot at a folded paper dog which scooted across a table.

"I've used this in the mall to make people's hair suddenly blow back from their heads and they didn't know where it was coming from," he told the kids.

The pair of black and white dancing robot toys were a big hit. Operated by a remote control, a child volunteer could make them sway, bend, dip, wiggle, walk and talk. Sometimes, they just started talking by themselves and Science Mike would scold them to be quiet.

But what kid doesn't like to make noise? The science geek had brought lots of audio gadgets for them to try, beginning with whistling tubes. Kids frantically spun the ridged, hollow tubes which were about two and a half feet in length, creating a wild whirring sound like a mini-tornado.

When Science Mile added a vibrating rod to the mix, the glass

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Recap of Wildcat opponent results

The Wildcats had an open week to prepare for this Friday's home game versus Clay County, the first district clash of the season. Here's a look at how the rest of the opposition did last week.

✓ Clay County got 215 yards from junior running back Joe Cooper as it demolished Oakleaf 53-27. The defense forced a pair of interceptions and quarterback Hunter Alexander threw for three touchdowns and 207 yards.

✓ Baldwin stayed on the winning track with a 34-7 rout of Englewood. Tim Warren rushed for 181 yards and four touchdowns, but it was the 10 sacks of the Rams' quarterback that made the difference.

✓ Bolles continued to roll over its opposition, defeating Crestview 31-0. Austin Kirksey returned an interception for 99 yards and a score and also caught a 40-yard touchdown pass.

✓ Paxon lost its second in a row, falling to Ribault 31-0. Senior tailback Daryl Campbell scored three touchdowns in the second half to seal the game.

✓ Trinity can only hope that the rest of the season mirrors last year. Last season on their way to a state title, the Conquerors lost to BCHS and Madison. It happened again as Trinity fell 27-7 to the powerful Cowboys. Tommie Young had 124 yards and three touchdowns for Madison and Sheddrick Williams ran back the second half kickoff 95 yards for a score. Marvel Taylor scored for TC.

✓ Bishop Kenny held off a furious second-half comeback by Episcopal to take the victory 36-26. The Eagles scored 19 straight points in the second half but couldn't pull all the way back. Luke Del Rio (son of Jack) threw for 325 yards in the win.

✓ Palatka lost to Ridgeview 17-6.

✓ Terry Parker was pounded by Lee 46-7.

✓ Forrest got its first win of the campaign with a narrow 15-13 victory over Stanton Prep.

✓ Bradford County remained undefeated behind a 26-0 shutout of Hamilton County.

Seminoles can't shake history in loss to OK

Saturday was a big day in college football as many of the top teams in the country faced off against one another three weeks into the college football season. In fact, the top three games took place in the state of Florida as FSU took on #1 ranked Oklahoma, UF faced off against Tennessee and Miami took on Ohio State in what was quipped to be the Ineligibility Bowl.

History was not on FSU's side when it faced off against OU on Saturday in Tallahassee. The last time the Seminoles had beaten the Sooners during the regular season Fred Biletnikoff caught four touchdown passes. That's right, the guy the year end receiving award is named for and an NFL Hall of Famer. The year was 1965.

So, history was not on FSU's side and it certainly repeated itself on Saturday night. This was a game of heavy hits and heavy hitters. Within the first few minutes FSU's top receiver was on his way to the hospital with a head injury. By halftime OU had players carted off and Seminole quarterback EJ Manuel was limping to the training room.

Second stringer Clint Trickle (what a great name, though probably better suited for NASCAR) did admirably, but at 180 pounds soaking wet he was facing OU defensive linemen weighing twice as much. The FSU defense stopped OU most of the game but without Manuel the offense

stuttered and the Sooners won by 10 points.

As for Florida, the ESPN analysts were singing the offense's praises in the Gator's 10-point win over Tennessee. But my Gator friends who attended the game were singing the old song learned from the Spurrier era. As my wife Kelley walked out the door to the game her last words were, "Tennessee's gonna whip our tails."

When I asked her if she had fun when she got back, she shook her head and said, "Alabama's gonna whip our tails."

Gator fans – true Gator fans that is, are never satisfied with a win unless it's by 67 points and even then the wail will be "the refs nearly stole that one from us." Tennessee was the first test of how UF will stack up against tough opposition. Next week against Alabama will be another exam. But with the exception of South Carolina's Marcus Lattimore, I don't know a player in the country who looked more prepared than Chris Rainey on Saturday.

If the OSU game is any indication, Miami has been able to put its off-the-field woes behind. Lamar Miller cut up the Buckeyes for 186 yards on the ground on their way to a 31-24 win that was more dominant than the score indicates. It was the first time since 2007 that a team had 200-plus yards rushing on the Buckeyes.

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Layni Kennedy

Daughter is born

Casey Barton and Shawn Kennedy of Macclenny are pleased to announce the arrival of daughter Layni Michelle on September 8, 2011 at Orange Park Medical Center.

Layni weighed 4 lbs., 2 oz. and measured 18 inches long.

Grandparents include Al and Michelle Kennedy and Charlie and Pam Barton of Macclenny.



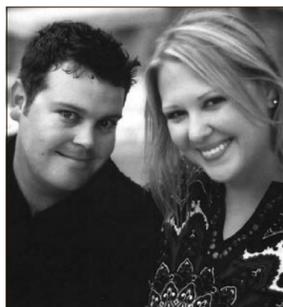
Mallory Williams

Daughter arrives

Morgan and Maddox Williams are pleased to announce the arrival of sister Mallory Ann on August 27, 2011 at Baptist Medical Center in Jacksonville.

Mallory weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz. and measured 19 3/4 inches long.

Proud parents are Megan Franks and Robert Williams of Sanderson. Grandparents include Susan and George Franks of Glen St. Mary, Pete and Wanda Davis of Sanderson and the late Ann Davis.



Talbert - Bell

To wed October 15

Mr. and Mrs. Jim W. Talbert of Port St. Lucie are pleased to announce the marriage of daughter Jennifer to Joshua Bell, both of Jacksonville. Joshua is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Bell of St. Johns and the grandson of Main and Ida Pearl Outlaw of Macclenny.

Jenni is a graduate of the University of North Florida with a degree in criminal justice and is employed by the state of Florida. Josh attended Florida State University and Florida State College and has an associate of arts degree. He is employed by Belcorp.

The wedding will take place October 15, 2011 at 5:30 pm at the Club Continental.

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A reception to celebrate their anniversary is being given by their daughter Brenda (Bob) Bast of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on September 24 from 2:00-5:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Macclenny. Family and friends are invited.

Ms. Bast will also be celebrating an anniversary that day.

GED test dates

Registration for October GED test will be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 27 at the Baker County school district's career and adult education building at 523 West Minnesota Avenue in Macclenny.

Registration will be limited to the first 30 people. The GED test will be given October 17, 18, and 19. Please allow a minimum of two hours for registration.

The testing fee of \$70, a valid picture ID, and Social Security card are required at registration. Discounted testing fees are available for Baker County adult education students who are currently enrolled in the GED preparation program with a minimum of 12 hours class time.

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A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget and TAXES will be held on

Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 5:30 pm
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Suwannee River Water Management District
9225 County Road 49 (corner of US 90 and CR 49)
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September 26 - September 30

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Breakfast: Pancakes with syrup, peach slices, milk

Lunch: Shepherd's Pie with wheat roll or Deli turkey and cheese sandwich on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Tossed salad, steamed broccoli, pear cup, milk

Tuesday, September 27

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs with baked potato rounds, slice of toast, milk

Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce and a slice of Italian bread or hot dog on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Baked fries, green beans, seasonal fresh fruit, milk choice

Wednesday, September 28

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, peach slices, milk

Lunch: Pepperoni pizza hot pocket or Ham with beans and rice with a wheat roll. Choice of 2 sides: Steamed green peas, raw veggies with ranch dressing, seasonal fresh fruit, milk choice

Thursday, September 29

Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, pineapple juice, milk

Lunch: Cheese Pizza or BBQ pork on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Baked fries, green beans, applesauce, milk choice

Friday, September 30

Breakfast: Cereal with slice of toast, orange juice, milk

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	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Total All Funds
CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	\$10,085,626	\$24,326,784	\$34,412,410
ESTIMATED REVENUES			
TAXES			
Ad Valorem Taxes (Millage per \$1000 / 0.4143 Mills)	\$5,412,674	\$0	\$5,412,674
Documentary Stamp Taxes	\$0	\$2,265,838	\$2,265,838
Florida Forever	\$0	\$0	\$0
PERMIT AND LICENSE FEES	\$0	\$302,367	\$302,367
OTHER INCOME			
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES			
2011 Legislative Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wetlands Grant	\$0	\$247,000	\$247,000
DEP Coastal Zone Management Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
ERP Grant	\$0	\$453,000	\$453,000
Suwannee River Partnership Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
Delineated Areas Grant	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000
DOT Grants	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000
Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water Protection & Sustainability Grant	\$0	\$1,233,000	\$1,233,000
DEP Monitoring Grant	\$96,800	\$0	\$96,800
SWIM Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL GRANTS			
FEMA Grants	\$0	\$1,023,500	\$1,023,500
NRCS Grants	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000
TEA-21 Grant	\$0	\$0	\$0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest and General Sales	\$158,000	\$50,000	\$208,000
Timber Sales	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
P2000 Resale - USFS/PCS	\$0	\$0	\$0
PCS Mitigation Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Otter Springs Revenue	\$0	\$440,000	\$440,000
R.O. Ranch	\$0	\$0	\$0
FUND TRANSFERS	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES	\$5,667,474	\$7,309,705	\$12,977,179
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND BALANCES	\$15,753,100	\$31,636,489	\$47,389,589
EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES			
Salaries And Benefits	\$4,176,368	\$1,359,729	\$5,536,097
Other Personal Services	\$7,125,043	\$12,020,204	\$19,145,247
Expenses	\$1,415,889	\$812,236	\$2,228,125
Operating Capital Outlay	\$151,000	\$67,000	\$218,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	\$0	\$7,207,820	\$7,207,820
Interagency Expenditures	\$124,800	\$1,359,500	\$1,484,300
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$12,993,100	\$22,826,489	\$35,819,589
Reserves	\$2,760,000	\$8,810,000	\$11,570,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND RESERVES	\$15,753,100	\$31,636,489	\$47,389,589

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Lady Cats suffer first loss of the season to Bishop Kenny

There were times in recent years when the Lady Wildcat volleyball team would have more players on the bench than fans in the stands.

Not anymore.

Coach Heather Sulkowski's Lady Cats play to capacity crowds in the gym, and the team is responding to that show of support with excellent play. The girls are 4-1 on the season, with the only loss coming this week to a powerful Bishop Kenny squad.

The Lady Cats started the week by beating Terry Parker 3-1 at home on Tuesday, September 13. They cruised to a 25-10 win in the first game before the Indians regrouped to win the second 20-25. From then on it was all BCHS as they won the third game 25-9 and easily took the final game 25-13.

Kayla Holland continued to lead the offense with 15 kills against Terry Parker. Logan Raulerson had 25 from her setter position. The Cats served very well in the match with Brooke Robertson scoring 9 aces and Tori Paulson 8.

The JV team won its match 25-14 and 25-14.

BCHS hosted a formidable opponent in the Lady Crusaders of Bishop Kenny on Thursday, September 15 and was handed a 3-0 defeat. Kenny was a machine as they defeated the Lady Cats 12-25, 10-25, and 10-25.

Chelsey Ruise had four blocks in the game and Holland five kills and seven digs. Raulerson had



Chelsey Ruise (left) and Kayla Holland.

PHOTO BY JUD JOHNSON

six assists and Cati Frazee six digs.

The JV also lost to Kenny by a score of 7-25 and 15-25. The JV is 4-2 on the season.

The girls will be home to face Bishop Snyder on September 26 and Union County on September 27 at 5:30 and 6:30 pm.

Cats' defense to face high-powered runner in first district game

It was Joe Cooper to the right, Joe Cooper to the left, and Joe Cooper up the middle on Friday for the Clay County Blue Devils on their way to an impressive 53-27 win over the Oakleaf Knights.

The junior running back had 215 yards rushing on 14 carries to lead the Blue Devils to the win as they get ready for a trip to Baker County on Friday, September 23.

The Devils are 2-1 on the season with wins over the Knights and Ridgeview after an opening night loss to Fleming Island. They hope to shock BCHS in the first district game for both teams.

Cooper is their out and out offensive leader with 483 yards rushing in three games. Many running backs would be happy with that number for the season. He is complemented by Franzy Emile, who ran for 121 yards in the comeback win over Ridgeview.

The Cats haven't faced a running back like Cooper so far this season. Trinity had a stable of good backs operating out of the "Wildcat" formation, but Cooper is a different story. He's quick and strong and their marquee player. The Cat defense will have to contain him.

Sophomore quarterback Hunter Alexander can throw the ball when he isn't pressured. He completed 12 of 15 passes for 207 yards against Oakleaf.

The Blue Devils started shaky, giving up 227 yards through the air in a 42-27 loss to Fleming Island in their first game. They gave up another 200 yards through the air to Ridgeview and 274 yards passing to Oakleaf. Their pass defense is suspect and

if Thomas Sirk can find the touch that he had against Westminster, the Blue Devils could pay dearly for a porous secondary.

He'll have to be on target though. Defensive backs Zach Devore and Wes Weeks both had interceptions against Oakleaf.

Up front, the Blue Devils are big and physical on both sides of the ball. They were trailing to Ridgeview but eventually wore them down and in the second half took control of the game.

The Wildcats ran out of gas against Trinity and Coach Ryan Sulkowski has preached the value of being mentally and physically prepared for the game. That means not reading your own press coverage and believing the hype and also being ready to play four quarters of football.

"You don't win state titles in the power polls," said Sulkowski. "You win it on the field. This is a district game; it's one we've got to win."

The Wildcats had the luxury of an off-week to prepare for their first district showdown, so the coaches should have them ready to go. The game kicks off at 7:30 pm at Memorial Stadium.

Younger fans must have parent, adult

All children below the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or supervising adult to attend Baker High football games.

Fans should also be aware that general admission tickets do not guarantee a seat at Memorial Stadium.

Come as early as you can to secure a seat. The gates open at 6:00 pm before the 7:30 kickoff.

This week all past Wildcat football players will be recognized during a pre-game program that starts at 7:00.

Also, the Sesquicentennial art show and essay winners will be announced during the pre-game. The art show involved students grades 1-5; the essay grades 6-12. Wear red!

Little league board elections set for September 27 at fields

Baker County Little League Association will hold its annual election of the board of directors on Tuesday, September 27 at 7 pm in the Knabb Sports Complex boardroom.

All baseball and softball managers of either spring or fall teams are eligible to vote in the upcoming elections.

Additionally, honorary members, league umpires and current board members are also entitled to vote for the 20-some posts.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend and cast ballots for the new board, which will be making a decision about whether to continue the organization's 40-year-old affiliation with Little League International, or switch to another sanctioning body, said board member Melissa Burnsed.

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2011

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FESTIVAL IS DOWNTOWN ON 5TH ST. | MAIN STAGE AT 5TH ST. & MCIVER



Parade | Re-enactors | Historical Demonstrators | Historical Jail & Home Tours
 Food & Crafts | Street Dance | www.150yearsofbaker.com

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Sesquicentennial Schedule

- 10:30 am Parade begins
- 11:45 am WWII T6 Flyover (2 passes)
- 12:00 pm Opening Ceremonies
- 1-1:45 pm Junior Combs (Southern Joy)
- 2-7:00 pm Gospel Sing at First Baptist Church of Macclenny
- 2-2:45 pm Natural Truth
- 2:45 & 3:45 pm Dynamic Dance Cloggers
- 3-3:45 pm Natural Truth
- 4-5:00 pm Sounds of Baker County (Mark Carpenter)
- 5:00 pm Dynamic Sounds of Brit and Blair
- 5:30-6:30 pm Third Wheel (SSM Nashville Recording Group)
- 7-8:00 pm Kevin Denny (Lyric Recording Artist)
- 8:30 pm Fiddling Champion - Dave Becnel
- 9-10:00 pm Street Dance with Branch and Dean

Gospel Sing Schedule

- 2:00 pm Southern Triology
- 2:15 pm Dan Gibbs
- 2:30 pm Rushing Wind Quartet
- 3:00 pm Second Crossing
- 3:30 pm Camela Hodson
- 3:45 pm Dave and Sherrie
- 4:00 pm Gail Moore
- 4:15 pm Raiford Road Youth Choir
- 4:30 pm Pure Heart
- 5:00 pm The Harper Brothers
- 5:30 pm River City
- 6:00 pm Thomas Family Band
- 6:30 pm Southern Joy
- 7:00 pm Image Breakers

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