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Thumbs down to Sunday sales on '12 ballot

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PRESS STAFF

A proposal to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday in Baker County once again went down in flames during a meeting of the county commission the evening of October 4.

More than a dozen people appeared before the commission to express their position on a proposed ballot initiative to let voters decide the issue next year. Most of them left happy with the board's unanimous rejection of the request.

"I don't support this going on the ballot, although I think it would fail," said Commissioner Gordon Crews, who said at one time he had favored allowing the issue to be settled by the voters. "But things change. Now I think that would be the easy way out."

He and other commissioners agreed that it was their responsibility to act in the best interests of the voters who elected them to office, rather than pass the buck and duck the issue.

After hearing from people in the audience and discussing the matter among themselves, commissioners voted 4-0 against the proposal after Mr. Crews moved for denial and Commissioner Jimmy Anderson seconded the motion.

For the next 10 seconds or so the only sound in the room was applause from those opposed to booze on Sunday, mostly on religious grounds.

"As a Christian I'm opposed to the idea of alcohol sales on Sunday," James Croft of Olustee told commissioners. "As a citizen of Baker County I'm still opposed. We elect representatives to vote on behalf of the public's wishes."

If the alcohol proposal were placed on the ballot, Mr. Croft said, "I believe we would open up the door to other initiatives."

David Thomas of Macclenny told commissioners that he had been praying for them to make the right decision in the matter and urged them to "make the decision that God would have you make."

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Arrested for assault on wife over loud music

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Pictured counter clockwise from top are Ralph Shannon and Inshala Walk on the Drop Needle ride, a scene from the midway and bull rider Canton McCormick, all on October 1; and magician Dale Scott of Orlando in the exhibition hall on the fair's opening night, September 30.

Man killed crossing highway in Sanderson

A Jacksonville man was killed after being hit by a semi-truck while crossing US 90 on foot the morning of October 4.

Ronald Ray Carroll, 41, entered the highway about 200 feet west of Hoss Keller Road near Sanderson and failed to observe the approaching 1999 Freightliner from the west, states Florida Highway Patrol Trooper A.L. Cummings' report of the crash.

The semi's left front side struck Mr. Carroll, who came to rest in the center of the roadway, about 4 am. The vehicle stopped about a quarter mile east of the victim.

Charges against the semi's driver, Dexter R. Phillips, 38, of Gainesville were pending further investigation, including whether Mr. Carroll was intoxicated, as of Tuesday afternoon.

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Hunter survives attack by shot bear

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A Macclenny man nearly lost his arm in a bear attack during an early morning hunting trip in Clinch County, GA. near the town of Statenville October 1.

Mitch Canaday, Sr., 53, was flown to Shands Jacksonville where he underwent emergency surgery to save his badly mangled right arm. He also received numerous stitches to repair bite marks to his torso.

"He is blessed," said his sister Kari Anderson. "There will be a series of surgeries but the doctors have told us that he will eventually regain full use of his arm."

According to Ms. Anderson, emergency medical personnel responded to the scene, followed by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, which sent a ranger and a sergeant to investigate.

No GDNR statement was available as of Tuesday night, but Rick Lavender, the department's communications and outreach specialist, said an incident report is being written. His unofficial report of what happened matched Ms. Anderson's account of the events.

She spoke with *The Press* by phone the afternoon of October 4, recounting what other hunt-

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Record gate for opening weekend

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Despite a malfunctioning generator that brought the midway to a halt Friday night and again Saturday afternoon, the county fair drew record setting crowds on opening weekend.

Fair president Cathy Rhoden said Saturday and Sunday gate totals were well above last year's take and the Saturday night rodeo was well attended by both fans and riders.

"We had a great bulls and barrels event with a lot of participation from local cowboys and cowgirls," she said.

Sixteen bull riders and 14 barrel racers took part in the rodeo events as well as a national title-holding rodeo clown.

"He was awesome," said Ms. Rhoden.

The generator powering the midway rides broke down for a few hours on opening night and during the afternoon of the following day.

"I think we got all those issues worked now," she said. "It's been all up hill since then."

The chili contest added this year to the fair failed to draw any entries and entries into the home arts competitions fell 26 percent.

Cindy Thomas, who helped coordinate

the contest for arts and crafts, baking, garments and canning categories, couldn't attribute the drop in interest to anything in particular. She said the contest's rules and advertising remained the same this year as in years past.

"I was just telling some ladies this weekend, 'we have so many good cooks in this county, yet we have so few entries in the baked goods category,'" said Ms. Thomas. "We have no clue why."

The contests drew 260 entries this year, down from 393 in 2010. Most of the decline came in the garments category — falling from 135 entries to just 58.

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Hunter survives bear attack

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ers in Mr. Canaday's group and family members described to her. Mr. Canaday and an unnamed companion were alerted to the presence of a bear by hunting dogs, she said.

When they spotted the bear in a ditch, Mr. Canaday's companion shot it. The man declined shooting a second time, fearing he could injure one of the dogs. Instead, Mr. Canaday stepped into the ditch and fired, which brought down the bear.

When the hunter turned to hand off the gun, one of the dogs attacked the still conscious bear. The injured animal reared up and lunged toward Mr. Canaday, pinning him down. He instinctively threw his arms up to protect his face.

The bear tore at his right arm and bit his torso. Mr. Canaday managed to roll away, giving his companion a clear third shot, which killed the animal.

The companion called 9-1-1 immediately.

"[The bear] laid his right arm open from the elbow down to the hand," said Ms. Anderson. "The bones were all crushed."

She said her brother was a very experienced hunter and described the incident as an unusual, even freakish accident.

"Nothing like this has ever happened in all the years he's been hunting," she said.

During the conversation, Ms. Anderson stressed her brothers' passion for bear hunting.

"You can bet, come next fall, he'll be right back out there as if nothing happened," she said.

"I want to thank all the peo-

ple in the community who have made kind expressions of concern since this happened," she said. "It means a great deal to the family."

Another incident involving a nuisance bear occurred the morning of October 3 at the Thomas Circle residence of Jeff Combs in the Trail Ridge area east of Macclenny.

Mr. Combs' father, Donald Combs, said the approximately 125-pound black bear was in the garage of his son's mobile home and caused damage.

The bear has been a nuisance in the neighborhood for the past two months, he said, and several reports to the Florida Wildlife Commission seemed to be falling on deaf ears, even though his son reported seeing a tracking collar on the animal.

Mr. Combs said his son has had to run the bear off, away from the house and away from the trash can, for several nights.

Once, the animal anchored itself in a nearby tree. "[FWC] had told us to cut out the lights and bring in the garbage and it would go away," he said. "That didn't happen."

About 3 am on Monday morning, the bear tore the mobile home's back door off the hinges, entered the kitchen, ransacked the trash can and destroyed a birthday cake on the kitchen table.

All of this occurred while Mr. Combs' son and girlfriend huddled in a nearby bedroom for protection.

"We found out from the FWC folks that it's a chronic problem bear that's been relocated," said

Mr. Combs when he spoke to *The Press* the following day. "They got the bear from Ocala and took him to the Green Cove Springs area and over four months he made his way up here.

"I told people who hunt in the area they should be careful going to their hunt stands until this problem is taken care of."

FWC did respond on Tuesday, October 4, placing a bear trap at the residence. The culvert trap was baited with cupcakes.

"When bears have access to unnatural food sources such as pet foods, garbage, barbecue grills, birdseed or livestock feed," said FWC public information officer Karen Parker, "they quickly learn to associate people with food."

She said the bear has been part of an FWC research project at Camp Blanding and is outfitted with a white collar and two ear tags.

According to the tracking information at 5 am Tuesday, the bear had moved several miles south of Macclenny to the south side of Interstate 10.

"We are attempting to capture the bear," Ms. Parker said. "Relocating this bear is not an option. Public safety is our number one concern. When we catch it, we will euthanize it. We do not want the bear entering another house."

She recommends securely storing garbage, bird feeders and barbecue grills in a garage or sturdy shed.

"People can also help by feeding pets indoors or bringing in dishes after feeding," Ms. Parker said.

Record gate at fair

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This weekend another new addition to the fair — a dance contest — will take place under the pavilion following the Star Search finale, which kicks-off at 8 pm Saturday, October 8 along with a dance party hosted by M.R. Sunshine of Jacksonville.

"He is kind of like an entertainer," Ms. Rhoden said. "We don't know what to expect, they just tell us that people won't want to leave the place once he gets started."

The Star Search competition drew about 30 entries this year, which Ms. Rhoden characterized as "a lot."

M.R. Sunshine will emcee dance parties Friday and Saturday at 8 pm.

The dance contest on Saturday, following the Star Search finale, will have three winners in three categories: line dancing, jitterbug/shag and ballroom, "but it's not going to be slow," said Ms. Rhoden of the ballroom category.

All ages are welcome in the dance contest. Another change to the fair's 2011 line-up is a new format for the Star Search competition. Children ages 5-11 will compete October 4, teens ages 12-17 October 5 and adults October 6, all starting at 7:30 pm.

Then on Saturday, the winners of each category will compete for the title of All Around 2011 Baker County Fair Star Search Winner.

No vote on Sunday alcohol

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Though most people in attendance appeared to be opposed to the proposal, there were a few who favored allowing alcohol sales on Sunday because, they said, it would probably attract more restaurants and perhaps other businesses to the county.

Bill and Kathleen Svagdis of Macclenny, who have promoted the idea of allowing alcohol to be sold on Sunday in the past, were behind this most recent movement as well.

Perhaps anticipating opposition based on religious grounds, Bill Svagdis opened his remarks to commissioners with a plea to leave their religious beliefs out of it.

"You are serving on a secular commission," Mr. Svagdis said, urging them to leave it up to voters to settle the question once and for all. "No individual has stated any secular or fiscal reason why this should not be voted on."

Noting that the commission just recently adopted a budget with a \$2.2 million deficit, which had to rely on reserve funds to balance the numbers, he argued that the additional sale of alcohol on Sunday would generate more revenue for the county coffers.

Commissioners, however, were swayed far more by their Christian beliefs than by any economic arguments. And they were not the least bit apologetic for letting their judgment as elected leaders be guided by their faith.

"I know everyone sitting on this board has proclaimed to be Christians," Commissioner Anderson said, adding that his conscience was being dictated by four letters: "WWJD — What Would Jesus Do?"

He said if people don't agree with his position, they can "get rid of me" at the next election. He also said his opposition stems from the fact that too many people are killed by drunk drivers, including two close friends of his recently.

Commissioner Adam Giddens said he would rather the issue be put to the voters in a ballot referendum, but knowing the way his colleagues were going to vote he said he would "not fight for it." He made the nay vote unanimous.

Later in the meeting, during a discussion about Halloween, Kathleen Svagdis noted the irony following commissioners' Christian stance on the alcohol issue.

"Halloween is a pagan holiday," she told commissioners. "You even talked about it at a commission meeting. How silly is that."

The issue came up when County Manager C.J. Thompson said he had received some calls inquiring about when Halloween would be celebrated.

"I don't think we want to start dictating what day a holiday falls on," he told commissioners. "I didn't have an answer other than October 31."

That falls on a Monday this year. Commissioners agreed that people should go by the calendar.

In other business, commissioners:

- Awarded a contract to Southeast Propane to provide propane gas to the county at \$1.87 per gallon for the next year. In its bid, the company agreed to provide the following services at no charge: labor for service calls, initial tank installation, complete system leak checks and annual tank lease.
- Received a presentation from Dawn Emerick, representing the Northeast Florida Health Planning Council, during which she told commissioners that a new web site containing a vast amount of information and data about Baker and other member counties is now available: www.nefloridacounts.org.

She said the web site, which was launched in May, is available to anyone interested in learning more about health and other issues affecting Baker County.

Received two e-mails from residents praising the county's newly opened ATV trails at Shoals Park.

"I am thoroughly impressed with it!" said Tim Jacobs, branch manager at the American Enterprise Bank in Macclenny, in one of the e-mails. "It's expansive, covering many different types of terrain, from wide open roads to tight trails, dry hilly land to low swampy areas, and everything in between."

He said he and his riding companions rode for nearly three hours and still didn't have time to ride all the trails the park has to offer. He said they saw abundant wildlife, including three deer, a turkey and a large black snake.

Mr. Jacobs said he was particularly pleased to find that the park has bathrooms and a lunch area, which he described as "a big plus."

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Reminiscing with famed M.A.S.H. star

It's not everyday my path crosses with a true blue bonafide movie star, but recently that's exactly what happened.

To my great delight, I found myself sitting face-to-face with Jamie Farr, the actor who played the unforgettable character of Klinger on the smash hit television show *M.A.S.H.*, which ran from 1972-

THE BACK PORCH

Kelley Lannigan



Kelley Lannigan and Jamie Farr.

had to leave acting. Skelton requested him to tour with his military show and the army granted the request. When the show was over, Skelton told Farr, "It will be hard to get started in the business again when you get out. That's when you come see me."

He did and Skelton put him under contract, which provided him money to send to his family.

He graciously showed me the gold St. Christopher's medal he still wears which Skelton had made for him and inscribed with a personal message of best wishes.

I asked him for advice for young aspiring actors and he was immediately forthcoming.

"The industry has changed a lot from when I first started," he said, "but I'd still give this basic advice: work hard, master your craft, be prepared and be the absolute best you can be."

He also recommends what a very wise person in the industry told him early on: Save your money.

"It's easy when you are on top to think it will never end, but it can. I have buddies of mine who aren't working," he said. "I am fortunate."

The actor says he never took his good fortune for granted. Even while *M.A.S.H.* still aired he was opening doors for himself in regional theatre, planning for the future so he'd always have a job.

I asked him about his Broadway debut, which came forty years after he'd been in the industry.

"I saw *Guys and Dolls* in the theatre when I was young. I never dreamed I'd be starring in it on Broadway one day," he told me.

I'd viewed clips from his *Guys and Dolls* performance on YouTube.

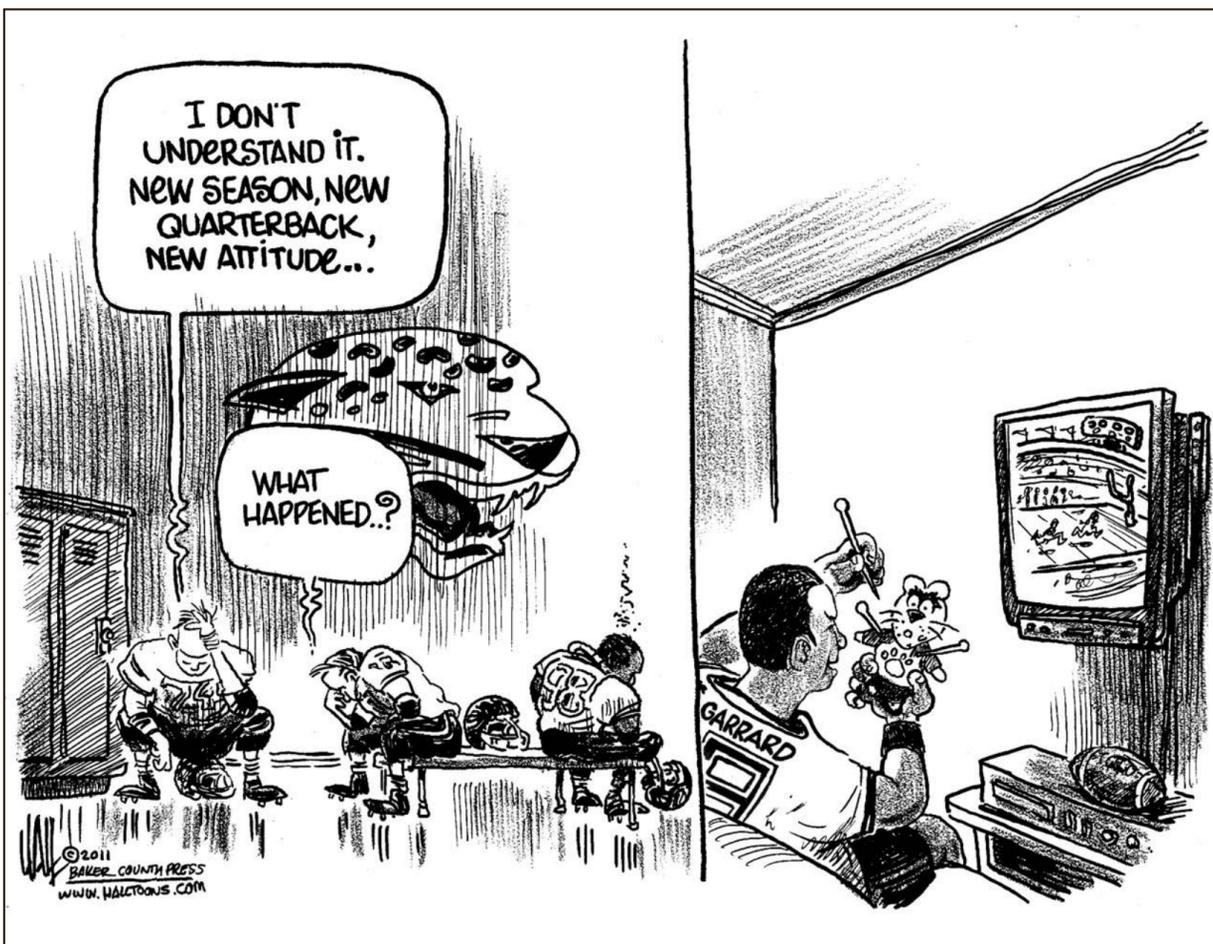
"And you can sing!" I said.

"No, I can't. No, I can't," he said, laughing. "And I did eight shows a week on Broadway to prove it!"

I had a hundred more questions but we were out of time.

"I'm truly blessed," he said. "For actors, the important thing is to keep working. It keeps your mind and skills sharp and keeps you in the game."

Lend Me A Tenor runs through October 16 at The Alhambra Dinner Theatre.



Bah humbug to new bankcard fees

There's a few odd things that have been running through my mind over the course of the last few weeks and it's about time I get them off my chest.

I noticed the other day that Bank of America is considering charging customers a monthly fee of \$5 for having a debit card. Just having one. Of course if you use it, you're also subject to all sorts of other charges on top of whatever you happen to buy - just because you chose to use the card.

Banks would probably tell you that debit cards are a big hassle and that they need these extra fees to make it worth their while. Right. As if they are going to do anything for our benefit that doesn't make them money in the first place. It's all done electronically anyway. It's not like Charles Dickens' day where you have Bob Cratchett sitting on a high stool diligently counting debit card receipts.

"Cratchett, you are slowing down. You have 8 million more receipts to process this week."

"I'm sorry, Mr. Scrooge. It is so cold in here. There is only one piece of coal in the grate and my hands are freezing?"

"Freezing, Cratchett? They are covered with bandages. Those bandages should keep you warm."

"Those bandages are from all the paper cuts from the first batch of 8 million receipts."

"No more complaining! Another word from you and I'll outsource you to Bangladesh."

I could understand \$5 a month if it was going to help Tiny Tim to walk again. But it's not.

It's sort of like being charged \$5 for having a library card - whether you choose to check out books or not. Then if you do check out a book there are all sorts of hidden fees like librarian usage fees, card stamping fees, library paste licking fees, vocabulary increase fees, etc., etc.

I don't own a debit card so I can't complain too much. I don't even own an ATM card. I figure if I have one I will only spend more money.

I briefly had one when we went on a trip because it was safer than using cash. When I went to use it for the first time I was baffled at what to do. It would have been bad enough trying to use the thing in the USA, but trying to interpret it in Italian was a night-

mare. For all I know I could have launched missiles against Russia or brought down the entire monetary system in Greece. Hmm. Greece's monetary system is on the verge of collapse. I hope it's not my fault.

I've been glancing at the Republican debates and I don't get it.

I have got to question the sanity and intelligence of the whole lot. Not because they are Republicans. Just because they are running for president in the first place.

Who in their right mind or with a lick of sense would want to be President of the United States?

Do they really think it is a good job? It's like being asked to hand-feed a man-eating tiger. There is no way it's going to end well.

All you have to do is look at President Obama to see that it is an awful job. In the last three years he looks like he has aged by two decades. Everybody is constantly on his back about one thing or another. When he does something wrong he's castigated for it. Even when he does some-

thing right, like the killing of Osama Bin Laden, he isn't given the credit.

And it isn't just him, it's anybody in the job. It has to be one of the worst jobs in the world. It should be featured on that Discovery Channel show *World's Dirtiest Jobs*.

I just figure that anybody who really *wants* to be President shouldn't be, because they are either a megalomaniac or have such a huge ego they should be avoided like the plague. It's like the old Groucho Marx joke, "I wouldn't want to belong to any club that would have me for a member."

Instead, we should pick the President at random. It would be like the Publisher's Clearinghouse Sweepstakes winner. A van would pull up to your house and Ryan Seacrest would get out and hand you the keys to the White House.

That's how I see it. One more thing - now that Andy Rooney has retired from 60 Minutes, I want his job.

MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD



Facebook fans

'What you had to say ...'

We posted a link to an article at bakercountypress.com on Facebook about the possibility of the Sunday liquor sales issue being on the ballot. Here's what they had to say...

Brandi Jo Waldo: "Yeah, sure, allow another day for someone to be drunk on a road driving for more people to get killed ... I mean why not!"

Scott Shannon: "It's a old outdated law that needs to be changed. Baker County could actually have real restaurants if it gets repealed."

Nick Apromollo: "I would vote to allow it, freedom to the people to make their choices, good or bad."

Terry Moshier: "Allowing alcoholic beverages to be sold on Sundays in Baker County will only increase crime. This will add to the burden already on the sheriff's department, probably indicating the need for more officers to offset the crime increase. Everything that we do in this

life has a consequence and most of the time it's not a good one. Duval County, Clay and many more within a 40 minute drive already offer this, as well they are reaping the crime and associated costs as a result of it. Do not allow alcoholic beverage sales on Sunday's in Baker County!"

Kimberly Atwood: "Yes, I think Baker could benefit from the Sunday sales. If it wasn't so close to go to another county to buy it, I would say maybe not, but people will go spend their money in another county and have the alcohol anyway so, why shouldn't the businesses here in our county reap the rewards, so if you want to be able to buy it here go and vote or if you don't want it to be sold on Sunday go and vote!"

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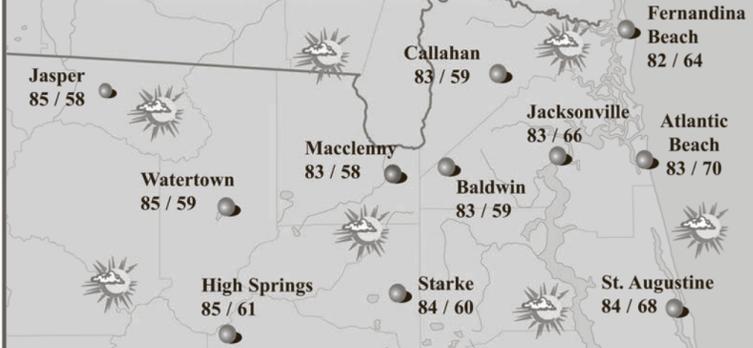
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	Friday Isolated T-storms High: 81 Low: 61
	Saturday Scat'd T-storms High: 81 Low: 59
	Sunday Scat'd T-storms High: 79 Low: 62
	Monday Scat'd T-storms High: 82 Low: 64
	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 85 Low: 61
	Wednesday Mostly Sunny High: 78 Low: 59

Today's High & Low Temperatures



Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	
Tue, 9/27	91	68	86/67	0.00"	Precipitation0.05"
Wed, 9/28	91	66	86/67	0.00"	Normal precipitation1.19"
Thu, 9/29	90	68	85/66	0.05"	Departure from normal-1.14"
Fri, 9/30	90	66	85/66	0.00"	Average temperature71.1°
Sat, 10/1	72	48	85/66	0.00"	Average normal temperature75.6°
Sun, 10/2	77	45	85/65	0.00"	Departure from normal-4.5°
Mon, 10/3	81	43	84/65	0.00"	Data as reported from Cecil Field Airport

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	
Thursday	7:24 a.m.	7:08 p.m.	
Friday	7:25 a.m.	7:07 p.m.	
Saturday	7:26 a.m.	7:06 p.m.	
Sunday	7:26 a.m.	7:05 p.m.	
Monday	7:27 a.m.	7:04 p.m.	
Tuesday	7:28 a.m.	7:03 p.m.	
Wednesday	7:28 a.m.	7:01 p.m.	

St. Mary's River Levels

	Now	Change
Moniac, GA	4.55 ft.	-0.04 ft.
Macclenny	1.65 ft.	-0.06 ft.

Hunting/Fishing Times

Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM
Thu	7:37-9:37	7:07-9:07
Fri	8:21-10:21	7:51-9:51
Sat	9:03-11:03	8:33-10:33
Sun	9:44-11:44	9:14-11:14
Mon	10:26-12:26	9:56-11:56
Tue	11:08-1:08	10:38-12:38
Wed	11:30-1:30	11:00-1:00

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BAKER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Stage being set for merit pay

New law prompts rewrite of teacher evaluations

JOEL ADDINGTON
NEWS EDITOR

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The school district is taking its first steps towards establishing merit pay for new teachers in accordance with sweeping education reforms passed this year by the state. And it's doing it without any additional funding.

Baker County was one of the few school districts in Florida not to pursue federal funds from the Race to the Top education program last year, but the school board is still spending thousands of dollars to comply with a new state law modeled after the federal program.

Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson remained adamant this week that the district made the right decision because the costs to the comply with the state law — \$12,500 this year and another \$10,000 through 2013 — pale in comparison to what the district would've spent to meet the terms of Race to the Top.

"It was a lot more," she said, "and it will continue to be."

The federal program offered more than a billion dollars to states committed to reforming their education systems to increase teacher effectiveness and student achievement, largely by tying teacher pay to student performance.

Sixty-two of Florida's 67 school districts and 53 local unions agreed to implement Race to the Top reforms, helping Florida secure some \$700 mil-

lion in federal Race to the Top funds.

Baker County turned down about \$64,000 a year over four years in Race to the Top grants. According to Superintendent Raulerson, other small school districts that took the money, now regret it.

Nonetheless, the school district must adhere to the new state law that requires student performance on standardized tests make up at least 50 percent of teacher and administrator evaluations beginning this year. It also limits salary increases to personnel with positive evaluations beginning in the 2014-15 school year.

Today district employees receive raises based on how long they've been employed.

Also beginning this year, student performance will be measured with a state-established model using FCAT and other assessment tools to gauge the effectiveness of teachers and administrators at boosting the academic performance of their students.

The state law effectively ends teacher tenure and outlines performance pay guidelines for teachers and administrators hired after June 30, 2014.

Only personnel deemed "effective" or "highly effective" under the new evaluation system will be eligible for salary hikes.

Current teachers and administrators can remain under the existing salary schedules based on longevity, as long as they remain with the district. They can

also opt into the new evaluation system, but once they do, they cannot opt out.

The school board hired Jerry Copeland, president of Educational Management Consultant Services, Inc. of Titusville, FL, last week to alter the district's teacher evaluation forms so they comply with the new statutes.

The changes are fairly minor, said David Davis, the district's director of teaching and learning. But he also described the new evaluation process as one with less room for error on the part of school districts, which in the past have been left to calculate students learning gains using a state-approved formula.

He said now the Florida Department of Education [DOE] will apply the formula and submit the results to school officials.

"DOE let the schools determine what the learning gains were," he said. "They gave us the criteria and the school was left to figure out those learning gains, but there was also a large discrepancy around the state as to what percentage of the evaluation form had to do with those gains."

Here, student performance has traditionally accounted for 50 percent of teacher evaluations, said Mr. Davis.

"With DOE supplying information, they're trying to cut out the possibility of errors and mistakes and add some uniformity," he said. "If you're going to tie teacher pay to student performance, you want a fairly accurate

and uniform measure throughout the state."

Mr. Davis recommended hiring Mr. Copeland because he developed the current teacher evaluation forms, which are similar to the new forms. He said teachers and administrators have a level of familiarity with them, which has helped keep anxiety about the changes to a minimum. Mr. Copeland's fee was also much lower than those of a large firm from Pennsylvania contracted by the state.

"In a nutshell, this year, if you approve this, we could save about \$5,500 dollars initially," Mr. Davis told school board members September 19, adding that another \$12,000 could be saved annually, all by avoiding the more complex and expensive teacher evaluation instrument from the Pennsylvania firm, Learning Sciences International.

"We're still working on the student growth part of this because DOE is still working on it," said Mr. Davis this week. "We're working with [Northeast Florida Education Consortium] to see how DOE will be presenting scores to us. And we'll work with Mr. Copeland to make sure we're inputting them into Mr. Copeland's instrument correctly."

City adopts '11-'12 budget and tax rate

The Macclenny City Commission adopted its new budget and property tax rate with little fanfare the evening of September 26 before hiring Parrish and Associates, Inc. to administer some \$700,000 in federal housing grants.

The Community Development Block Grants will finance rehab work on a dozen rundown city properties, whose owners have applied for assistance.

A citizens advisory task force will review all grant applications and make recommendations for appropriating the grant money after applicants have been screened to ensure they meet eligibility requirements, including income guidelines, city manager Gerald Dopson noted at a previous meeting.

The city's \$7.3 million budget for the 2011-12 fiscal year was largely unchanged from the previous year's spending plan.

City commissioners also left the property tax, or millage rate, unchanged at \$3.60 per \$1,000 of taxable property value. Maintaining the current tax rate will result in a 3.74 percent revenue reduction because of declining property values.

The tax bill on a home with a taxable value of \$150,000, after deducting the \$50,000 in homestead exemptions, would be \$360, in addition to levies by the county, the school district and other taxing authorities.

Killed crossing US 90

From page 1

Mr. Carroll was the second pedestrian to be hit on county roadways during the past week.

A vehicle's side mirror collided with a 14-year-old Macclenny girl the evening of September 27 as she walked along the shoulder of CR 23C north of Macclenny.

Ronnye A. Bischof received minor injuries, according to a report from FHP Trooper M.D. Childress, after the right outside mirror on what was described as a white pickup truck hit her left shoulder as she walked west near Camelot Place about 7:45 pm.

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BENT CREEK GOLF COURSE

Taylor store burglary

Beer stolen from two other stores

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

When Judith Blue arrived at the Taylor Store to open her business the morning of September 28 she noticed that someone had beaten her to it. The front door had been kicked in.

After reporting the incident to the sheriff's office Ms. Blue told the responding deputy, Robert Simpkins, that the burglary had occurred between 9 pm on September 27 and when she got there at 5:30 the next morning.

Deputy Simpkins noted in his report that the front door and door frame had sustained significant damage consistent with being forced open from the outside. He said he "also observed a footprint on the door, left behind by the suspect(s) having wet sand on the bottom of their shoe."

Ms. Blue said nothing appeared to be missing from the store, leaving the deputy to surmise that the suspect, or suspects, may have been "scared off once entry was obtained, but before any goods could be stolen."

The door had been "locked and dead bolted" when she closed the business the previous night, Ms. Blue said. She said she lives directly behind the store and did not hear or see anything unusual during the night.

"A request for frequent security checks of the business has been submitted in the event that the suspect(s) return in a second attempt to loot the store," Deputy Simpkins said.

In other recent crimes:

- A clerk at the S&S gas station at 1494 S. 6th St. reported the theft of a carton of beer by a man who entered the store shortly after 1 am on September 28 and walked out with an 18-pack of brew without paying for the merchandise.

The clerk, Thomas Klenk, told the sheriff's office that he knew the suspect only as "Donny," whom he said had previously worked at the store until about six months ago.

A surveillance video showed a man wearing a white cowboy style hat, blue jeans, a black Guy Harvey brand T-shirt and brown boots walk to the alcoholic beverage display, remove a carton of Bud Light beer and exit the rear of the business without attempting to pay for it.

Mr. Klenk said he followed the man outside and saw him get into a black Honda Accord and drive away. The value of the stolen beer was \$14.99.

- A clerk at the Kangaroo store at 340 E. Macclenny Ave. reported the theft of three cans of beer by a man who at first tried to buy the beer with a credit card but the card was declined.

The clerk, Candy Wilds, said the man, who was described only as a white male with a tattoo on the left side of his neck, entered the store the afternoon of September 24 "acting nervous and walked over to the cooler containing beer."

She said the man spent several minutes selecting different beers then putting them back before he came to the register with a 3-pack of Bud Light. After his card was

declined and the man walked out of the store, the clerk said she discovered three beers missing from the cooler where the man had moments earlier been standing.

Ms. Wilds said she and the store manager checked the surveillance video and saw the man placing the beers in his shirt. Based on a Florida issued identification card the man produced at the clerk's request, the sheriff's office is looking for a man named Jacob Perry who was born in 1983.

- The sheriff's office is searching for a customer who bought some merchandise at the Winn Dixie on South 6th Street and paid for it with a counterfeit \$100 bill the afternoon of October 2.

According to store manager Amanda Hopper, the customer passed the fake bill between 2 and 3:30 pm. The cashier, Angelo Peterson, said he suspected the bill was fake at the time but because other customers were waiting in line he said he completed the transaction.

Later, after closer examination by the clerk and his manager determined the bill to be counterfeit, the sheriff's office was contacted. The bogus bill and surveillance video displaying the transaction were placed into evi-

dence.

- A customer at Davis Laundromat, located at 7278 W. Mount Vernon St. in Glen St. Mary, reported the theft of her cell phone the afternoon of September 30.

Ericka Teegardin, 31, told deputies that she and her daughter had just left the laundry when she realized they had left her cell phone on one of the folding tables. When she returned minutes later the phone was gone.

Ms. Teegardin stated that she thought Geordina Keaton, who used to date her boyfriend and who was in the laundry at the same time, had taken her phone. However, Ms. Keaton told Deputy Daniel Nichols that she did not take the phone and was allowed to leave the premises.

After reviewing the Laundromat's surveillance video, Deputy Nichols said he discovered Ms. Keaton had not been truthful.

"I observed Geordina Keaton go to the table and pick up the phone an examine it ... then manipulate the phone and look around before quickly placing the phone in her purse," Deputy Nichols said, adding that a copy of the video would be obtained as evidence and theft charges filed against Ms. Keaton.

Legal Notices

ACCEPTING BIDS

The Baker County Health Department is accepting bids for the following:

1 Half Pipe skate Board ramp and 4 small skate board ramps.

Bids start at \$50.00. Please bring a sealed bid to the Baker County Health Department starting Thursday, September 29 from 8:00 am through Friday, October 7 at 3:00 pm.

If you have questions, please contact Jamie Williams at 653-5238 or Terrenia Staier at 653-5230. Award will be to the highest bidder and will be announced after the opening Friday October 7 after 3:00 pm. Ramps will be accepted as is with no warranty or liability toward the Baker County Health Department. The ramps must be moved by Friday October 17, 2011.

9/29-10/6

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 02-2009-CA-000120
DIVISION:

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, F/K/A COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., Plaintiff,
vs.
BENJAMIN D. ELLIS, et al., Defendants).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated September 19, 2011 and entered in Case No. 02-2009-CA-000120 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for BAKER County, Florida wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, F/K/A COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P., is the Plaintiff and BENJAMIN D. ELLIS; JULIE ELLIS; ROLLING MEADOWS OF MACCLENNY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; TENANT #1 N/A PAMELA DUXBURY; TENANT #2 N/A DUANE DUXBURY are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE BAKER COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 19th day of October, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 119, ROLLING MEADOWS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE(S) 96, 97, 98, 99, 100 AND 101, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 5561 HUCKLEBERRY TRAIL WEST, MACCLENNY, FL 32063

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on September 21, 2011.

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

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
F0905876 COUNTRY-CONV---Team 2

**See Americans with Disabilities Act
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact:
Ms. Jan Phillips
Human Resources Manager
Alachua County Family/Civil Courthouse
201 E. University Avenue, Room 410
Gainesville, FL 32601
Phone: 352-337-6237
Fax: 352-374-5238

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 11000114CA

AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC
Plaintiff,

JERRY A. GRIFFIS, et al.
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION-FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS

TO: BARBARA A. GRIFFIS & THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA A. GRIFFIS

including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lien holders, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant as may be infants, incompetents, or otherwise not sui juris.

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

LOT 35, CYPRESS POINTE, UNIT 1, according to the Plat thereof as Recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 90 through 92, inclusive, of the Public Records of Baker County, Florida.

More commonly known as 608 Largo Lane, Macclenny, FL 32063

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, Weltman, Weinberg & Reis, Co., L.P.A., whose address is 500 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 190, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309, on or before 30 days after date of first publication, which is October 6, 2011, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Witness my hand and seal of this Court on the 27 day of September, 2011.

Al Fraser, Clerk
Baker County, Florida
By: Julie Combs
Deputy Clerk

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis, Co., L.P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff
500 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 190
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309
Telephone No.: 954-740-5200
Facsimile: 954-740-5290

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at (352) 337-6237, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, if you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact Court Interpreting at interpreter@circuit8.org

WWR File #10062867
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 02-2010-CA-0204

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,
Plaintiff,
vs.

LA FRANCIS WALKER A/K/A LA FRANCIS MOORE WALKER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LA FRANCIS WALKER A/K/A LA FRANCIS MOORE WALKER UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 21, 2011 entered in Civil Case No.: 02-2010-CA-0204 of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, Plaintiff, and LA FRANCIS WALKER A/K/A LA FRANCIS MOORE WALKER, is a Defendant.

I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Front Door of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063 at 11:00 AM, on the 26th day of October, 2011, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, AND RUN EAST 55 FEET; THEN RUN SOUTH 99 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE LOT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THEN RUN EAST 55 FEET, THEN RUN SOUTH 99 FEET; THEN RUN WEST 55 FEET AND THEN RUN NORTH 99 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on September 22, 2011.

AL FRASER
CLERK OF THE COURT
By: Jamie Crews
Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff:
Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire
1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard
P.O. Box 400
Deerfield Beach, FL 33442
Telephone: (954) 360-9030
Facsimile: (954) 420-5187
9/29-10/6

NOTICE
Invitation for Bids (IFB)
Bid #11-05
Cell 6 Expansion - Pump Station Concrete Containment Slabs

The New River Solid Waste Association (NRSWA) is extending an invitation for bids to construct two concrete containment slabs for pump stations as part of the New River Regional Landfill (NRRL) Cell 6 Expansion. The successful Bidder will be responsible for furnishing materials and constructing the containment slabs in accordance with the specifications provided with the Invitation for Bids.

NRRL is located 2.5 miles north of Raiford, FL on State Road 121 in Union County, FL. Bid packages and other information will be available for pick up at the Administration Office at NRSWA, 24276 NE 157th Street, Raiford, FL 32083 beginning Thursday, September 29, 2011 at 9:00 AM. 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 **Tuesday, October 11, 2011, 2:00 p.m.**

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UNSPECIFIED SITE STRATEGY
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
October 6, 2011
City of Macclenny
118 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063
904/259-0972

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS
On or about October 17, 2011, the City of Macclenny will submit a request to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for the release of \$700,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development (HCD) Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project to provide affordable housing assistance for a minimum of twelve (12) eligible Low-to-Moderate Income residences. The proposed activities will include housing rehabilitation, demolition/replacement (where necessary) and temporary relocation of eligible families during construction activities. The activity locations will be determined on a site-specific basis, based on applicant eligibility.

The City of Macclenny has determined that the activities proposed in the Unspecified Site Strategy are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) requirements. As eligible sites are located, site specific checklist will be completed prior to the commitment of funds for each unit. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the City Manager's Office, City Hall, 118 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the Environmental Review Record (ERR) to Mr. Gary Dopson, City Manager. Additional project information is contained in the ERR on file at the City Manager's Office, Macclenny City Hall, 118 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063, and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 AM to 5:00 P.M. All comments must be received by October 14, 2011. Comments will be considered prior to the City of Macclenny requesting a release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Macclenny certifies to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and HUD that Gary Dopson, M.D., in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Macclenny to use the CDBG funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DEO will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Macclenny certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Macclenny; (b) the City of Macclenny has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures at 24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76 and shall be addressed to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, CDBG Program, 107 East Madison, MSC-400, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6508. Potential objectors should contact the City of Macclenny to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Gary Dopson, M.D., Mayor, Environmental Certifying Officer
10/6

REQUEST FOR BIDS

SHOALS PARK TIMBER SITE PREP & PLANTING DEADLINE EXTENSION

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 chipping and raking. Approximately 88 acres will be planted with longleaf pine. Longleaf planting acreage will be harrowed. 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.

Please contact the Baker County Grants Office at (904) 259-9825 or mauricep@bakercounty.org for a bid packet and information on visiting the project site.

This is a sealed bid sale; no faxed, e-mailed or verbal bids shall be accepted. All bids shall be submitted by **1:30 pm on October 12, 2011** in a sealed envelope addressed to:

Shoals Prep/Planting Bid
Baker County Board of County Commissioners
55 North 3rd Street
Macclenny, FL 32063

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 02-2009-CA-000260
DIVISION:

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007- HY2 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HY2,
Plaintiff,
vs.

WILLIAM TERRELL GIFFORD JR. , et al.,
Defendants(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated September 26, 2011 and entered in Case No. 02-2009-CA-000260 of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for BAKER County, Florida wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007- HY2 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HY2, is the Plaintiff and WILLIAM TERRELL GIFFORD JR.; LORI A. GIFFORD; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE BAKER COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 26th day of October, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

BEGIN AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 205.00 FEET, THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 8 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4, 210.00 FEET, THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 34 SECONDS EAST, PARALLEL WITH SAID SOUTH LINE OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 205.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHEAST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4, THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 8 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 210.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID LANDS BEING SUBJECT TO EASEMENT FOR COUNTY MAINTAINED GRADED ROAD ALONG SOUTHERLY LOT LINE. SAID LAND BEING SAME LANDS AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 45, PAGE 198.

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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.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on September 27, 2011.

Al Fraser
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Julie Combs
Deputy Clerk

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Alachua County Family/Civil Courthouse
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10/6-10/13

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NAME	EXTENT OF INTEREST
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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF BAKER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of October, 2011.

Al Fraser
Clerk of Court
Baker County, Florida
By: Julie Combs
As Deputy Clerk

10/6p

NOTICE OF BID FOR PEST AND RODENT CONTROL SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Baker County Board of Commissioners will receive written, sealed bids in the Baker County Administration Building, 55 N. Third St., Macclenny, FL 32063, until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 for Pest and Rodent Control Services for various County Facilities. Specifications and location of each facility may be obtained from the Baker County Administration Office or by calling (904) 259-3613. Bids should be sealed and contain the words, "Pest Control Bid" on the outside of the envelope. The Baker County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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The Florida CMNH Champion for 2011 is 10-year-old Haley Richardson, a native of Jacksonville whose grandparents Vernon and Janie Richardson, as well as other close relatives, are from Baker County.

In 2009, Haley was diagnosed with osteosarcoma, a type of bone cancer that tends to strike children just entering adolescence.

Formerly an active gymnast, Haley since then has undergone surgery, extended chemotherapy and was fitted with a newly developed prosthetic knee replacement which can be adjusted without surgery as she grows.

CMNH partners with various companies like Proctor & Gamble to raise funds for treatment of children with life threatening diseases.

After Haley was chosen as Florida's Champion, her pixie-like face graced the package of products such as Frosted Flakes and Pop Tarts and most recently Cheese-It Cracker boxes at participating Food Lion stores.

Ace Hardware is an official sponsor of the CMNH Champion program. On September 26, a limousine was sent for Haley and her family, delivering them to the Hagan Ace Hardware store on San Jose Boulevard.

Bill Hagan, owner of the eight Hagan Ace Hardware stores in Florida, officiated a special honorary ceremony. Representatives from CMNH and the Hagan Ace Hardware Macclenny store were present as well.

During the ceremony, the official store poster of Haley was un-



Haley Richardson with Hagan Ace Hardware stores owner Bill Hagan.

veiled. The poster, which CMNH calls an "Icon" shows her name, age, the state of Florida and the caption "Be an Ace Champion!"

Smaller versions of the Icon are available at cash registers for customers to purchase with a donation amount of their choice. All donations go to CMNH and the Icons are displayed at the front of the store.

After the unveiling, Haley also received a bouquet of flowers, a Webkinz handbag, a Champions T-shirt, Ace Hardware hat and a gift certificate for \$150 to use at the store.

Family members spoke with *The Press* by phone about Haley earlier this week.

"She's a brave little person," said her aunt, Rachel Laura-more. "She's always upbeat and optimistic."

Haley's mother, Tina Richardson, agreed, commenting further on her daughter's unflinching spirit.

"She's a handful, that one," she said of her highly social and energetic child. "She acts shy when she first meets you but when she gets to know you, look out!"

According to Mrs. Richardson, two years ago Haley, then 8, began complaining of pain in her right knee.

She and husband Eric thought it must be growing pains. The

child complained so much that grandparents Vernon and Janie Richardson, took her to Solantic Emergency Care to have an x-ray.

The x-ray revealed a mass in the right knee. The clinic urged them to take the girl straight to Wolfson Children's Hospital.

"We were in shock," said her mother. "My husband called me at work with the news."

Haley was admitted immediately to Wolfson and shortly thereafter, a needle biopsy revealed bad news.

It was osteosarcoma, a type of malignant bone tumor that occurs during the period of rapid growth signaling the beginning of adolescence. The disease strikes boys more often than girls.

Eight days later, Haley began her first chemotherapy treatment. Those treatments would continue over the next two years. Twice, her long black hair would all fall out. She couldn't attend school, which she loved, and had to receive instruction at the hospital.

Surgeons removed the diseased bone in her leg and inserted a special implant connecting her femur with a hinge joint in the knee. The metal components can be heated from the inside allowing them to expand as she grows.

"None of it really phased her," said her mother. "That's just the personality she has."

Cancer free for the last year, Haley recently finished up her chemotherapy treatments. She also went back to the gym in Jacksonville where she had formerly been so active, for a visit. She couldn't resist climbing up on the parallel bars she used to jump and flip around on with complete abandon.

"You know you aren't supposed to be doing that," cautioned her mother.

"Just for a moment, Mom. It'll be okay," she said.

With her strong new knee, she carefully and gently balanced herself on the beam. She smiled, but a little regretfully.

"I just didn't realize how much I missed it all until now," she said.

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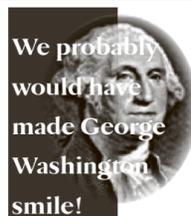
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Monday, October 10, 2011,
in observance of Columbus Day.

We will re-open for business on
Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.

Pot pipes in speeding truck

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

A Macclenny man and a 15-year-old girl were arrested on drug paraphernalia charges just before 4 am October 1 after a sheriff's deputy stopped a pick-up truck for speeding on U.S. 90 near the St. Mary's River Bridge.

Brandon M. Wilson, 20, was driving a 2005 Toyota truck eastbound on U.S. 90 when Cpl. Benjamin Anderson said he clocked them on radar at 64 mph in a 45 mph zone. After pulling the vehicle over the deputy said he smelled "burnt marijuana coming from inside the passenger compartment."



Brandon Wilson

As Mr. Wilson was exiting the vehicle at the officer's request Cpl. Anderson saw a wooden pipe in the driver's door compartment. At that time a passenger in the center of the seat, a female student at Baker County High, asked to leave the vehicle because she had to urinate and the officer allowed her to go behind some nearby trees and bushes.

When she returned to the truck moments later, according to Cpl. Anderson's report, the teen told him that she was on probation and that "she felt she was being harassed." As the officer searched the interior of the truck he found a second pipe, a glass one, in the center area of the passenger compartment, which the suspect said belonged to her.

Both pipes tested positive for marijuana residue and the girl and Mr. Wilson, who was given a verbal warning for speeding, were placed under arrest for misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. As she was being handcuffed, the teen said repeatedly, "I have no respect for you ... pigs," Cpl. Anderson noted in his report.

A third passenger in the vehicle, a 16-year-old male, was not

arrested.

In another drug-related incident, a 17-year-old student was arrested at the high school the afternoon of September 29 after school administrator John Staples reported the teen was "possibly under the influence of a controlled substance."

Deputy Matthew Riegel, a resource officer assigned to the high school, and Mr. Staples went to the Alternative School on campus, where staff member Jack Spencer stated that the student had given him a cell phone and a lighter when asked if he had anything on him. Mr. Spencer said he called Mr. Staples when the student refused to empty his other pocket.

After Mr. Staples and the deputy arrived, the student handed over a marijuana pipe and a "red foil bag marketed as incense but known as a synthetic version of THC," Deputy Riegel said in his report. The student was transported to the Baker County Detention Center and later released to his guardian.

In an unrelated disturbance at the school, two Jacksonville women were arrested on trespassing charges after going on campus in an attempt to contact a student there the afternoon of September 30.

Jessica L. Sheridan, 24, and Nancy A. Shinall, 56, were arrested after authorities said they came to the front office, after Ms. Sheridan had already been warned to stay off the campus, and tried to have a female student summoned to meet them there.

After the women were told their request could not be granted because their names were not listed on the student's records, they were arrested on trespassing charges.

According to a sheriff's officer's report, Ms. Sheridan stated that she is the student's aunt and they hadn't seen each other in eight years. She said she went to the campus to give the student some flowers and to wish her a happy birthday in an attempt to "reconnect with her after a family issue."

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John Griffis, 54, dies September 28

John Edward Griffis, 54, of Starke died September 28, 2011. He was born in Starke to Earl Griffis and Grace Thigpen Griffis on August 31, 1957. He was a life-long resident of Starke and employed at Buford Tree Service. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family. He was predeceased by daughter Angel Gail Griffis.



John Griffis

Survivors include parents Earl and Grace Griffis; daughter Kim (Charles) Ellis of Lake City; sisters Margaret Nemeth, Patty (Eddie) Akeridge, Earline (Doug) Eunice and Irene (Phil) Manassa; granddaughter Layne Albritton and soon to be delivered granddaughter Brystal Ellis.

The funeral service was held on October 3, 2011 at 3:00 pm at V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services Chapel in Macclenny with Pastor Stanley Ellis officiating. Interment followed at Macedonia Cemetery in Macclenny. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

Raymond Griffis, 82, of Olustee

Raymond "Cowboy" Griffis, 82, died October 2, 2011 after a lengthy illness. Mr. Griffis was a life-long Olustee resident, cowboy and county road department employee. He is preceded in death by daughter Darlene Griffis.

Survivors include wife Wanda Griffis of Olustee; son Tim Griffis of Lulu; step-son Robert (Thelma) Hogan of Lake City; step-daughters Robin Bailey of High Springs and Karen Griffis of Jacksonville; brother Willie (Vonnice) Griffis of Sanderson, sisters Betty (Bob) Howard and Louise (Clinton) Westberry of Sanderson and Myrtle Johnson of Valdosta; 12 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

The funeral service will be held Thursday October 6 at Wattertown Congregational Methodist Church in Lake City. Visitation will be at 1 pm and services will follow at 2 pm. Burial will be

Robert Lentz Sr., 50, of St. George

Robert Ezra Lentz Sr., 50, of St. George died September 29, 2011. Robert was born to the late Paul Ezra Lentz and Ida Mae Renshaw Lentz in Atlanta on March 3, 1961. He was a Charlton County resident most of his life and attended First Baptist Church of St. George. Robert was an avid NASCAR and Bulldog fan. He enjoyed fishing, cooking out and spending time with his family and grandchildren.



Robert Lentz Sr.

Survivors include sons Robert Ezra Lentz of Wisconsin, Steven D. Lentz of Indiana, Curtis G. (Chelsey) Lentz of Maryland and Joshua L. Lentz of St. George; brothers Lanier Lentz of St. George and Buddy Johnson of Yulee; sisters Delaine Creppell of Jacksonville, Gayle Petty of Folkston and Glenda Sirmans of Nashville, GA; grandchildren Austin, Aaliya, Alexis Raylan, Rylie and Kodie.

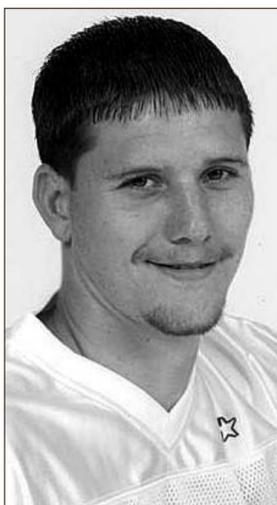
A memorial service was held Tuesday, October 4 at 11:00 am at his church with Pastor Ray McKendree officiating. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of the arrangements.

Robert Wilkerson was a pipefitter

Robert Dale Wilkerson, 63, of Macclenny died September 29 at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Jacksonville after a long illness. He resided in Macclenny all of his life and was the son of the late Thomas James Wilkerson and Maggie Lee Floyd Wilkerson. He worked as an auto mechanic and a pipe fitter for many years. He attended Faith Baptist Church and enjoyed fishing and being with members of his family.

Survivors include son Roger D. (Lori) Bennett of Glen St. Mary; sisters Judy Harris of Macclenny, Paulette Darcangelo of Fleming Island and Brenda (Tony) Thomas of Maxville; brothers James (Gail) Wilkerson and Ricky (Joyce) Wilkerson, both of Glen St. Mary, Danny (Connie) Wilkerson, David (Alice) Wilkerson and Tony Starling all of Macclenny; grandchild Chris Carter of Tyrone, GA.

A graveside funeral service was held, Monday, October 3 at 1 pm at Oak Grove Cemetery with Mr. Brian Graham officiating. Guerry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



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And if, God forbid, you leave this earth again while I see, I hope He knows if you go, you'll be bringing me!

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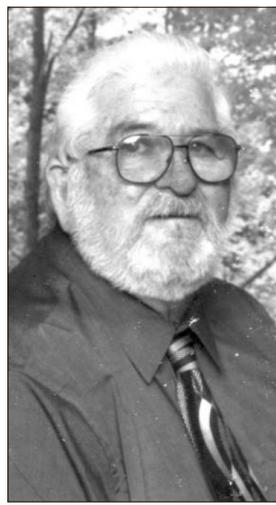
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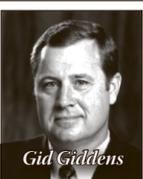
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9/11/1936 - 10/6/2010

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YOUR LOVING WIFE, AGNES

To My Bestie Cyndle Cherie Ireland

3/18/1989 - 10/5/2010

~RIP BEAUTIFUL~

The way I miss you is different now. I don't think about forever, I just don't know how. I miss your face, your laugh and your smile. It seems like a week ago, though it's been awhile.

One year since that terrible day, the day I lost you and the day I had to keep living without you. I never thought it would come to this, so many terrible days. I wish I could explain or just to hear you tell me what to do. But at least I have our memories and secrets too. No matter what we got into you can bet a dime, WE ALWAYS had a "Flippin' Awesome time!"

I miss you so much, there's still a void in my heart. I just wish we could still sing and dance till dark. I just wish we could take Bullet for a ride in your car or even play pool at some boring bar. I hear your voice and them crazy love songs. I miss you, best friend, all day long!

I know you're gone, I just wish I'd known when so that the last time I talked to you, I could have, I would have told you how much I loved you! How forever I'd know your smile and how I didn't think I could live without you, not even for awhile. Although you're gone and out of sight, you're definitely not out of my mind. You've flown away and not by choice you left me behind!

I hope you know I still think of you and how much you meant to me. It's been a year and it still seems like a week ago. I might not visit as much as I should, but I still think about you like I knew I would. I just don't understand. Why God, would you take someone so important away. I love you greatly and miss you in my own special way! My best friend, Cyndle, forever you will stay.

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Grits grinding on farm Crews family keeps tradition alive

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You'll hardly find them up north, but grits are a staple of southern dining and an instantly recognizable icon of southern culture.

Most people buy their grits, already ground and neatly packaged at the grocery store.

A few purists, like Terry Crews, still grind grits the old fashioned way on his farm in Glen St. Mary. He also grows the corn himself.

For the last four years, he's invited friends to the farm in early October for a morning of grits grinding followed by a lunch in the farm clubhouse featuring — you guessed it — good things made from ground corn.

"Man, that's some incredible corn bread," said one guest as he wolfed down a golden wedge of bread filled with pork cracklins and baked in a deep sided cast iron skillet.

Some of the corn ground that morning was used by Mr. Crews' wife, Trilby, who baked it into cornbread while the rest of the corn was being milled.

Along with the corn bread there was a big pot of grits, baked ham, fried venison, potato salad and a home-made yellow layer cake with chocolate and pecan frosting.

There wasn't much left over.

Mr. Crews planted three acres of corn during the summer, the last of which he harvested recently. At designated times after harvest, he cranks up the engine of his Red 1950s Farmall tractor to power the belt that turns the grist mill's two stones.

Dried corn is poured into the bowl of a metal hopper resting on the top of the mill.

Vibrations from the engine cause the corn to siphon down slowly through the opening in the hopper and filter into the space between the rotating stones.

When the corn is ground it flows into a sifter. The lighter, finer meal falls through the sifter's screen to a catch box, while the coarser grits remain on top.

The meal and grits are collected into bags and set aside. The process goes on for several hours.

Mr. Crews bought the mill back in 1987. He decided to refurbish it about five years ago and sought

out Meadows Milling in North Carolina to help him with the task.

"We have a cabin in the North Carolina mountains," he said. "When the family went up there for a vacation, I took the mill along and went on up to Meadows Milling with it."

Close inspection by employees revealed Mr. Crews' grist mill had actually been manufactured by Meadows Milling in 1903.

Meadows replaced the wood components, installed a new hopper and replaced the sifter.

The original sifter, whose screen had rusted, now hangs on the wall in the farm clubhouse.

Back on the family farm, the mill was installed in a barn. When it's time to use it, the Farmall is backed up to the door, the pulley belt is fitted onto the mill and the engine fired up.

Mr. Crews usually has someone to help him when he grinds the corn.

"It can be an awful lot of running around for one person," he says with a grin, speaking from experience.

The Crews hold an extended family reunion each year at the farm on the first weekend in December. The main event, after eating of

course, is the sugar cane grinding and syrup boiling. Family members get a bottle of syrup to take home afterwards.

Following in that tradition, guests attending last Friday's corn grinding also got a complimentary bag of grits.

Mr. Crews devoted the first corn grinding this season to his grandchildren. Both sugar cane syrup and grits grinding are dying traditions and Mr. Crews is committed to preserve the practices by introducing them to a new generation.

"This is the first year at the family reunion in December that we'll be grinding corn for grits too," he said.



Terry Crews with restored grist mill.

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BCSO beard contest begins

Sheriff Joey Dobson announced this week that his officers will be permitted to grow out their beards during the next two months, provided they donate \$40 to Hubbard House, a Jacksonville-based women's shelter.

"That's why they look like goobers," said the sheriff. "It's for a good cause."

The deputies will shave off their facial hair during the first week of December after competing for titles like "best beard" and "best goatee," as judged by Hubbard House staffers.

Benefit dinners

A dinner benefit, "Tips for Tonya," will take place at the Pit Stop in Glen on October 15 beginning at 11 am.

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Vows September 12

Joan and Rocky Sapp and Roy Daniel of Glen St. Mary are pleased to announce the marriage of daughter Sara of Glen St. Mary, to Darren Combs of Macclenny. Darren is the son of Daniel and Marry Lou Combs of Macclenny.

Sara and Darren were married September 12, 2011 at Tybee Island, GA. The couple will reside in Macclenny.



Rhaya Justin'e Gaskins-Ruise

Sister is born

Tyler, Rhadya, and Rhyan are pleased to announce the birth of their sister Rhaya Justin'e on September 2, 2011 at St. Lukes Family Birth Place in Jacksonville.

Rhaya weighed 8 lbs., 8 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long.

Proud Grandparents are Deacon Lumark and the late Lucille M. Gaskins of Sanderson and Pastor Japan and Edith M. Ruise of Glen St. Mary, Nana and G-daddy, Harold and Barbara Jefferson of Sanderson.

Family reunion

The Manning family reunion will be held Sunday, October 9, 2011 at Ocean Pond.

It begins at noon. Please bring a dish of your choice.

Bennett reunion

The Bennett family reunion will be held October 9, 2011 at North Prong Church. Lunch will be served at 2 pm.

Donations needed

Looking for commercial type kitchen items for fundraising and charity events held by the AFJROTC. Pop-up tents, grills, propane burners, crock pots, etc. Contact Don Burkhardt at 509-6900.

FCAT retakes

Testing dates for the FCAT retakes have been established to accommodate former BCHS students who hope to pass the test in order to receive their high school diploma.

The FCAT reading test will be given at Career and Adult Education, 523 W. Minnesota Ave., Macclenny, on October 12, at 8:45 am.

The FCAT math test is computer-based and will be given on October 13 at BCHS at 8:45 am. All participants must pre-register by calling the BCHS guidance office at (904) 259-6280.

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Joke turns into 'I do' on Ferris wheel

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They've been married before, both have children and both live in Macclenny. They met at Cuts n' Stuff salon where he went for a hair cut.

One year later, on October 4, they were exchanging wedding vows while sitting in the gondola on top of the Ferris wheel at the Baker County fair.

"We're both sort of spontaneous people," said Wayne Elliott as he hugged his fiancee Bonnie Todd just a few minutes prior to the ceremony. "So I guess getting married on a Ferris wheel at the Baker County fair just goes along with how we do most everything."

Earlier in the week, Ms. Todd asked Vince McDuffie, a local notary and personal friend, to perform their offbeat ceremony.

Friends and family gathered together in front of the Ferris wheel at 8 pm. A few minutes later, the ride operator began loading everyone on.

"Okay," said Mr. McDuffie, formerly addressing the happy couple, when they reached the top. "Repeat after me: 'With this ring, I thee wed and with all my worldly goods do I thee endow ...'"

The ceremony was short and sweet. Rings were exchanged and then it was complete. They were officially married.

"You may kiss your bride!" Mr. McDuffie declared.

From the gondola on either side cameras flashed and congratulations were shouted from all over the Ferris wheel.

As they waited for the ride to unload, the couple shared a few



Mr. and Mrs. Elliott.

facts about their courtship.

"I moved back to Macclenny about a year ago after being gone for 10 years and I was bound and determined not to ever marry anybody else," said Mrs. Elliott.

"I'd settled my kids in school here, then finally joined them after being on the road for work for many years," said Mr. Elliott. "I had no intention of dating anyone."

"He just sort of fell into my lap," she said.

"More like into your chair," he countered, laughing.

After meeting at the salon (Mrs. Elliott swears he didn't really need a haircut at all, it was just an excuse) the two became, as she puts it "joined at the hip."

Getting married at the fair was Mr. Elliott's idea.

He said he thought of a Halloween wedding where everyone could dress up, but it was too far off. He suggested other ideas, but his soon-to-be-bride and family



PHOTOS BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

The Elliotts share a kiss under the Ferris wheel.

didn't want to wait that long.

"Well, I guess we could just get married on the Ferris wheel at the fair," he had joked.

But his then fiancee took it seriously.

"Well, why not?" she had asked.

After the ceremony, the couple's children and their extended family and friends regrouped and all enjoyed the rest of the evening at the fair together.

"There's a lot more rides to ride!" said Mr. Elliott.

When asked about the wed-

ding on his Ferris wheel, the ride operator said, "It was a first for me."

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Plaques for essay, art winners

The Baker County Rotary and Kiwanis clubs teamed up to sponsor history-themed essay and art contests for students to coincide with the recent Sesquicentennial Celebration. The first and second place winners (some pictured) were recognized at this week's school board meeting the evening of October 3. Asia Washington (far left) won first place in the essay contest open to high school students and Jack Smith (second from right) took second place. At the middle school, Molly Walters (center) received first place honors for her essay and Mason Looby (far right) second place. The art contest open to first through fifth graders was won by Brooklyn Rhoden (second from left), first place, and Ally Richardson (not pictured), second place. First place winners won \$100 and second place recipients \$25 gift cards.

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Jags VP addresses team's regional impact at Chamber banquet

Jaguars senior vice president of sales and marketing, Macky Weaver (far left), recapped the team's impact to the metro area in and around Jacksonville at the Baker County Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet and awards ceremony the evening of September 27. Mr. Weaver, nephew to Jaguars owner Wayne Weaver, said he would make players, cheerleaders and other Jaguars representatives available for nonprofit activities in Baker County after the season ends. The organization was stymied this year by the lockout from offseason activities, he said. Local banker John Kennedy (second from left) was honored with the Ginger Barber Community Service Award for 37 years of volunteer public and nonprofit board participation and booster support. Bill Guerry (far right) received the Chamber's Business Appreciation Award for private investment in building the new funeral home that opened in east Macclenny last year. Sheriff Joey Dobson (center) was recognized with an economic development and job creation award for spearheading creation of the new jail and sheriff's complex north of Macclenny. Also pictured is Darryl Register.

Lady Cats net 3 wins

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

It was a great week for the Lady Wildcat volleyball team with three wins under their belt. The girls beat Bishop Snyder, Union County and Yulee to run their record to 8-2.

The Lady Cats started off the week with a 3-1 home victory over Snyder on Monday, September 26. The girls won the first game 25-17, and the second 25-20. Snyder battled back with a 19-25 win in the third game before the Cats wrapped it up 25-21.

The Cats were led by Kayla Holland who had 13 kills and 17 digs, Cati Frazee with 17 digs, Logan Raulerson with 33 assists and Chelsey Ruise with 7 kills and 5 blocks.

The JV also defeated Snyder 21-25, 25-21, 17-15.

The Cats cruised to a 3-0 win over Union County at home on September 27. The girls won 25-19, 25-21 and 25-21. Raulerson had 16 assists, Ruise 8 kills and 4 blocks. Stephanie Collette and Holland had 6 kills each.

JV won 25-19, 25-22.

The Lady Cats stopped Yulee 3-0 on Thursday on the road. They won 25-116, 25-18 and 26-24. Raulerson had 25 assists, Brooke Roberts 9 kills and 6 digs, Holland 8 kills and 6 digs and Frazee had 6 digs.

The JV also won 25-19 and 25-22 running their record to 6-5.

The Lady Cats travel to Suwannee on Thursday, October 6 before returning home on Monday, October 10 for their "Dig for the Cure" tournament to benefit breast cancer research at 5:30 pm in the gym against Yulee.

This is the first annual "Dig For The Cure" event at BCHS and sponsored in accordance with the Susan G. Koman affiliate of Jacksonville.

The Lady Cats are asking that everyone wear pink to honor cancer survivors and those who have lost a loved one to the disease. The team will be collecting pledges for each dig the team records during their match against Yulee. Fans can also make donations.

The junior varsity match will begin at 5:30 with varsity to follow.

Wins state FFA swine title

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

The school year has started well for the Baker High FFA with another major award. FFA vice president Clayton Lyons was named the winner in the Swine Entrepreneurship proficiency area at the Florida State FFA Convention.

Lyons has been with FFA for the past five years and has always had a passion for the field of agriculture. Lyons has expanded his swine operation over the years and sells a tremendous amount of show pigs and market hogs throughout the state, as well as to 4-H and other FFA members.

"This young man does a tremendous job and works hard to improve his genetics and overall goals of his operation," said FFA sponsor Greg Johnson.

As well as hogs, Lyons also owns a good size herd of Brangus that he shows at the Baker County Fair, Northeast Florida Fair, Jacksonville Fair and the Florida State Fair. Lyons has attended and completed artificial insemination school for beef in order to improve their genetics by breeding with high-ranking bulls in the breed association. Twenty-two of Lyons' hogs will be shown at the county fair.

"He has learned many aspects of the swine and beef business and does a great job in trying to help as many of the youth as he can in preparing for the upcoming shows," said Mr. Johnson. "Clayton has a tremendous amount of support from his outstanding parents, Clay and Patty Lyons. They help Clayton in every aspect of his business."



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Clayton Lyons (left) with former state agriculture secretary Charles Bronson.

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Cats overcome first half deficit More turnovers, penalties in Palatka victory

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

The first half of Friday's match-up with the Palatka Panthers at Memorial Stadium seemed like Déjà vu all over again as the visitors jumped out to a two touchdown lead and forced BCHS into playing catch up. But the opposition wasn't quite the caliber of the Clay County Blue Devils, and once the Cats woke up from the initial shock, they were able to march to a 27-14 win.

There were striking similarities in the September 30 game and the Clay contest four days earlier as the Panthers ran to the right side of the BCHS line for good yardage. It was the continued turnovers, however, that were most frustrating. Against Clay, the Cats turned the ball over seven times. In the early going against Palatka, BCHS committed a pair of fumbles, one of which set up the first Palatka score.

Neither team threatened throughout much of the first period. The Cats looked a little sluggish after just four days rest. Things got rolling for Palatka when the Panthers recovered a fumble in Wildcat territory in the waning seconds of the quarter. Three plays later, fullback Jeremy Faulk rambled in for the score from 25 yards out.

The PAT was good and Palatka was up by a touchdown.

Falon Lee, who had his best effort of the season with over 200 yards rushing for the game, moved the ball for BCHS, but penalties and incompletions doomed most of the early drives.

"We issued a challenge to [Lee]," said Coach Ryan Sulkowski. "If he wants to be an every down back he had to step up. And he did."

Penalties pinned Palatka back on their own 6 yard line on their next possession, but quarterback DeKarr Smith found Chris LeDuc and the receiver dodged and weaved his way 94 yards for the



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Above: C.C. Jefferson makes the tackle. Right: Fallon Lee on the move.



37-yard field goal attempt and the teams went into intermission with the Wildcats trailing 7-14.

The old cliché says that some games are a tale of two halves, and Friday night's game certainly fell into that category. It took a first half of miscues for the Wild-

cats to get on track, but they were certainly ready to play football when they came out of the locker room after halftime.

"You can't just roll your helmet out on the field and say it's Baker County football," said Sulkowski. "You have to come out ready to play."

The Cats scored on their first possession of the half with Lee looking unstoppable as he ran the ball in from 35 yards out. With first string kicker Jeremy Wannamaker on the sidelines in a wheel chair from an ankle injury, replacement kicker Roland Gaskins hammered home the extra point to tie the score.

The teams sparred throughout the rest of the third period, but the Cats got going near the start of the fourth quarter. Lee took the ball from the Wildcat 44 to the Palatka 25 yard line in three runs. Sirk hit Richard Kienath at the 15 yard line and two plays later Sirk scrambled and ran the ball in from 10 yards out for a 21-14 lead.

The Wildcat defense stymied the Panthers throughout the second half, and the final BCHS score came after a big fourth down stop gave the Cats the ball near midfield. Lee ran into Palatka territory to the 45 yard line. Sirk showed his shiftiness, sliding around the right side and outrunning the opposition for a 45 yard score.

Lee finished with 22 carries for 236 yards and a touchdown. Sirk had 20 carries for 201 yards and three scores.

Jared Lee posted 13 tackles, Hunter Sullivan nine tackles, Roland Gaskins six tackles and Falon Lee one interception for the defense.

Palatka had 95 yards rushing and 127 passing for 222 total yards.

BCHS will travel to Paxon on Friday, October 7 for a key district game. The Cats are 3-1 on the season while the Eagles are 1-3. The game will kickoff at 7 pm.

Runners finish in third

The Cross Country team continues to improve. Coach Chris Armoreda's young squad placed third out of five teams on Thursday, September 29 at the Fernandina Beach Invitational.



PHOTO BY JUD JOHNSON
From left (back) Coach Armoreda, Catherine Davis, Sydney Williford, Jenna Reeves, (front) Matthew Butcher, Josh Colón, Cody Reeves and Ezra Rice.

smith also knocked 30 seconds off their times.

Two boys and one girl placed in the top 10.

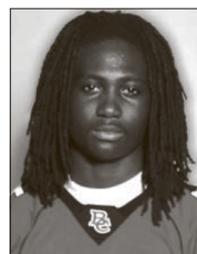
Ezra Rice led the way for the Cats with a 21:14 time for a sixth place finish. Brian Goldsmith finished in 21:27 for an eighth place finish and Jenna Reeves came across the line in 27:59 for a ninth place finish.

Armoreda was particularly pleased with Reeves, who shaved a minute off her time from the previous meet. Rice and Gold-

Other runners and their times include Cody Reeves — 22:12, Dalton Combs — 26:10, Keegan Ferguson — 30:47, Josh Colon — 32:57, Brandon Callen 34:17, Sydney Williford — 31:56 and Catherine Davis — 31:56.1.

The Cats will compete on Saturday, October 8 at the Baldwin Indians Invitational at Thomas Jefferson Park in Marietta. Girls start at 7:40 am and the boys at 8:20 am.

Player of the Week #4



Falon Lee RB

Falon Lee rushed for over 200 yards against Palatka and also snagged an interception on defense. Overall Falon had an outstanding ball game Friday night!



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Unsung Hero of the Week #4



Braden Gray OL

The Wildcats rushed for over 400 yards in their win over Palatka thanks in part to the contributions of Braden Gray and the rest of the offensive line.



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Wildcats face struggling Paxon in second district match-up

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The Wildcats will travel to Paxon Center for Advanced Studies October 8 to take on the Golden Eagles in a key District 3 match-up. After losing their opening district game against Clay County, a win against the 1-3 Eagles is essential for the 3-1 Wildcats.

On paper, the game looks like it should be a Wildcat victory. But games are played on the field, not the stat sheets, and with the wrong set of circumstances any team can fall victim to any other.

Paxon has struggled this season. After a win against Interlachen they were blown out 49-0 by Atlantic Coast, 31-17 by Ribault and 54-15 by Bishop Kenny in their opening district game. After a heart-breaking 21-17 loss last week to Baldwin, the squad is desperately looking for a win.

Coach Gil Carroll has some good players but has a long way to go if he wants to equal last season's 5-7 record. Carroll would like to avenge the 49-17 loss that the Eagles suffered last year against BCHS in the final game of the season.

If the Eagles are to succeed they will have to do a better job protecting quarterback Jared Register. Register was sacked five times in the loss to Baldwin on Friday. The offensive line had a hard time containing the Baldwin defenders and even when he wasn't on the ground, Register felt a lot of heat.

The defense will also have to contain the big play, which cost them the game versus Baldwin. Kevin James returned a kickoff for 89 yards for the Indians which proved the difference in the game.

The Eagles have had some trouble moving the ball offensively against strong, quick defenses. They could manage only 40 yards of total offense against Atlantic and they have been plagued by interceptions. But by the same token, despite the sacks they hit a 60 yard pass play against Baldwin.

"They have some good athletes who can make you pay if you make mistakes," said Sulkowski. "They have deep threat capabilities and players with high motors on defense who can get to the ball."

The game kicks off at 7 pm, not the 7:30 start we are used to at Memorial Stadium.

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