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## SUV lifted by manpower to free driver

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A Lake Butler woman was injured after the SUV she was driving veered off Woodlawn Road south of Macclenny the afternoon of October 20 and overturned.

The 1997 GMC Yukon landed on top of the driver, Elizabeth Robertson, according to Ira McDuffie of Macclenny, who came upon the accident scene shortly after it occurred about 1 pm.

"We literally pushed [the SUV] over," said Mr. McDuffie. "All I could see were her feet sticking out from under it ... She was trapped under the windshield."

Mr. McDuffie said he and a handful of first responders stood the Yukon on its side to free the victim. A paramedic thanked him for his help and shook his hand before the ambulance transported Ms. Robertson to Shands Jacksonville.

The SUV was traveling east on Woodlawn when it crossed the center line for an unknown reason and traveled



Rescue personnel tend to the driver of the 1997 GMC Yukon above, which overturned after veering off Woodlawn Road the afternoon of October 20, as passerby Ira McDuffie (right) looks on.

PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

off the roadway and onto the north shoulder's ditch where it flipped, said Lt. Bill Leeper of the Florida Highway Patrol.

The driver was charged with

careless driving.

Mason Bryant has lived near the accident scene just east of Glenn Williamson Road for the last 23 years.

He said there's been six wrecks on the recently widened and repaved roadway in the last month alone.

Mr. Bryant attributed the

wrecks to the fresh asphalt and the thoroughfare's 45 mph speed limit.

"Now people think they can drive like it's NASCAR," he said.

## FWC kills nuisance bear near Trail Ridge

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The nuisance black bear that ravaged garbage cans and a birthday cake inside a Trail Ridge-area home in Macclenny earlier this month was shot and killed by state wildlife officers October 19.

After tracking the black bear for about two weeks, biologists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission [FWC] pinpointed its location using telemetry equipment near US 90, states an October 20 report from the state agency.

But due to thick underbrush in the area, it was decided that dogs would be used to scare the bear up and into a tree, making it an easy target for a tranquilizer dart, said Karen Parker, an FWC spokesperson.

Sheriff's deputies stopped traffic on US 90 as a precaution while wildlife officers were tracking the animal.

An attempt to sneak up on the bear and tranquilize it was unsuccessful two weeks prior.

"We were hopeful that the bear would climb a tree to evade the dogs, making it easy and safe to tranquilize the animal, but that did not happen," said Ms. Parker. "Instead, the bear became aggressive. To wait for the drugs to take effect would have taken much too long. The FWC officer with the group of biologists and dog handlers tracking the bear authorized one of the handlers to shoot the bear. The animal was killed by a single shot to the head."

The decision to euthanize the bear was made once it broke into the home in Macclenny.

"This was a public-safety issue. The decision to euthanize an animal is never taken lightly at the FWC," Ms. Parker said.

The animal was part of a group of black bears being studied by the FWC and Camp Blanding's Environmental Management division.

The troublesome bear, designated R125, was relocated from Middleburg to Camp Blanding several months ago.

Since then, biologists had been tracking it and gathering data on its habits, behavior and movement. The purpose of the study is to better measure and predict the consequences of black bear interactions with humans and their habitats.

The state offers the following advice to avoid such interactions:

- Don't leave out things that will attract bears. If it will attract a raccoon, it will attract a bear. Don't leave a continuous supply of pet food outside. Don't store pet food in a way or place that bears can get to it.

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## Bus stop safety is laid at feet of parents

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The school district has a message for parents who may be concerned about the safety of their children at school bus stops — become more involved in your child's safety.

"I say this with respect, but the safety of children from their doorstep to the bus stop is the responsibility of the parents," said Johnnie Jacobs, the school district's transportation director. "The locations of stops are made as convenient and in as safe a place as can be determined given all the mitigating factors involved."

Parents have sounded-off on *The Press'* Facebook page recently about potential hazards for children at bus stops, including the distance they must travel from their homes to stops, adverse weather conditions and the locations of stops

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## Elementary and under schools aim to maintain high scores

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## She saves up candy for Halloween

**JOEL ADDINGTON AND KELLEY LANNIGAN**

She End of Macclenny really loves Halloween, and she's delighted it will be a one-night affair this year.

Last fall, when Halloween fell on a Sunday, the Baker County Commission asked that trick or treaters venture out on Saturday instead, so that trick or treating coincided with the other Halloween-themed events in the community, some at local churches.

Commissioners designated by formal proclamation that the night of October 30, 2010 would be "the official trick or treat night."

For the last decade, Ms. End and her husband John have prepared for the holiday by hoarding copious amounts of candy, dispensing the sweets to eager trick or treaters. They host a Halloween party at their Miltdonale Dr. home for friends as well.

And last year was no different.

"We got kids on both nights," she said of Halloween weekend 2010. "Unfortunately, on Sunday, I didn't have any candy to give out."

This year, with Halloween safely on a Monday, there should be no confusion about when trick or treating will take place. For Ms. End, however, it's never been a question.

"Halloween is always October 31. Are you going to change Christmas because it falls on a weekday and messes up your work week?" she asked rhetorically. "[Halloween] is not about evil. It's just a fun holiday for kids to dress up and go out and celebrate."

The 19-year Baker County resident started buying candy last July to ready for the hundreds of costumed children she says typically arrive at her home.

"I have this huge laundry basket that I line with a plastic garbage bag," she said. "I start in the summer filling it



up and on Halloween night other people bring more candy when they come for the party as well."

She estimates her contribution at about 50 pounds of candy or more.

"I try to think about things like a child I know who is diabetic," she says. "He was diagnosed just before Halloween a while back. He still trick or treats, but has to give his candy away."

Ms. End buys sugar free candy and makes the child a special treat bag. "Halloween is all about kids," she said. "Nobody should feel left out."

As a teenager in Orlando, Ms. End often took children she was baby-sitting out and about for the traditional Halloween ritual.

One of her favorite Halloween memories is of an elderly woman in her neighborhood who lovingly made candy apples for trick or treaters.

"It was the only time the kids were allowed to eat anything homemade," said Ms. End. "She'd call ahead of time to find out how many kids would be coming in my group. Sometimes I had as many as 12 kids and she'd have the apples individually wrapped for each one. She did that for years."

Now, friends and their children come over on Halloween night. The young children are sent out with a few adults to trick or treat while the other adults distribute the candy.

"After all the trick or treaters go home, we enjoy a party and cookout in our backyard," Ms. End said.

A new addition to the festivities this year is a fog machine that Mr. End intends to set up in the newly-built garage.

"We're passing around ideas on how to spook it up a little bit more — not so bad that we scare off the smaller children, but enough to add some intrigue for the older ones," said Ms. End. "Maybe some chains rattling or spooky sound effects to play."

### Halloween/Fall Weekend Events

**Fall Into Family Fun Trunk or Treat at the YMCA**, Saturday, October 29 from 11 am - 1 pm at 98 W. Lowder St. Kids can wear costumes and trick or treat at participating cars in the parking lot. There will be a chili cook-off, games, costume contest and more.

**Trick or Treat on Main Street**, October 29 from 1-3 pm. Kids can trick or treat at businesses along US 90. Pick

up a map of participating business locations from Baker Title and Escrow, 553 E. Macclenny Ave.

**Haunted Jail** at 42 W. McIver Ave. next to the Emily Taber Library, October 28, 29 and 31 starting at 7 pm. It's sponsored by the Baker County Historical Society and the Baker County High School history club. Enter the haunted jail's "Realm of Terror," then

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ONLINE POLL RESULTS

Are you confused about when trick or treating will be this year?

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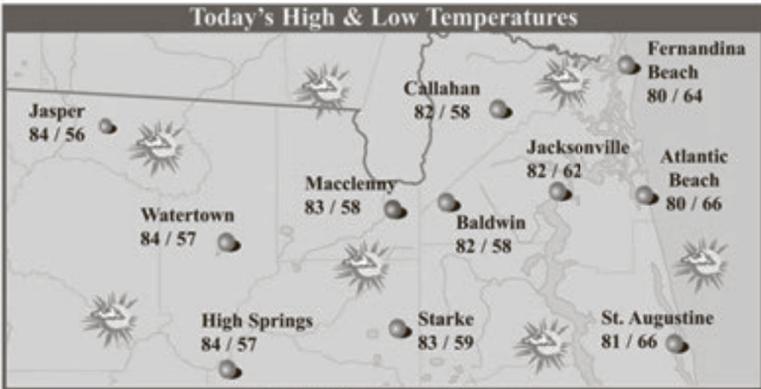
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The Baker County Press Weather

Oct. 27, 2011

**Seven Day Forecast**

	<b>Thursday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 83 Low: 58
	<b>Friday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 81 Low: 54
	<b>Saturday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 73 Low: 47
	<b>Sunday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 74 Low: 48
	<b>Monday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 75 Low: 51
	<b>Tuesday</b> Mostly Sunny High: 78 Low: 52
	<b>Wednesday</b> Partly Cloudy High: 78 Low: 54



**Sun/Moon Chart This Week**

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Thursday	7:38 a.m.	6:46 p.m.
Friday	7:39 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
Saturday	7:40 a.m.	6:44 p.m.
Sunday	7:41 a.m.	6:43 p.m.
Monday	7:41 a.m.	6:42 p.m.
Tuesday	7:42 a.m.	6:42 p.m.
Wednesday	7:43 a.m.	6:41 p.m.

**Last Week's Local Almanac**

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Tue, 10/18	81	63	81/60	0.00"
Wed, 10/19	75	50	80/60	0.07"
Thu, 10/20	64	41	80/59	0.00"
Fri, 10/21	68	36	80/59	0.00"
Sat, 10/22	70	36	80/59	0.00"
Sun, 10/23	73	39	79/58	0.00"
Mon, 10/24	75	46	79/58	0.00"

Precipitation . . . . .0.07"  
 Normal precipitation . . . . .0.59"  
 Departure from normal . . . . .-0.52"  
 Average temperature . . . . .58.4°  
 Average normal temperature . . . . .69.4°  
 Departure from normal . . . . .-11.0°  
 Data as reported from Cecil Field Airport

**St. Mary's River Levels**

Location	Now	Change
Moniac, GA	5.07 ft.	-0.04 ft.
Macclenny	1.81 ft.	-0.05 ft.

**Hunting/Fishing Times**

Day	AM	PM
Thu	11:25-1:25	11:55-1:55
Fri	12:57-2:57	12:27-2:27
Sat	1:59-3:59	1:29-3:29
Sun	2:58-4:58	2:28-4:28
Mon	3:54-5:54	3:24-5:24
Tue	4:46-6:46	4:16-6:16
Wed	5:34-7:34	5:04-7:04

**Weather History**

Oct. 27, 1962 - An early season winter storm over New England blanketed northern Maine with seven to 16 inches of snow and southeastern New England with up to three inches of snow. Worcester, Mass. received a record 4.7 inches of snow.

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**Bus stop safety: parents' responsibility**

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 on well-trafficked roads shrouded in the early morning darkness.

The lack of lighting at some stops has come to the attention of the City of Macclenny.

Roger Yarbrough, assistant city manager, is asking for input from parents about the most poorly-lit stops. He says the city is in the process of trying to identify those locations.

"We would like to address this issue and hopefully find a way to improve the lighting in those areas for the students waiting for the bus. Anyone who can help us identify problem areas can call our office at 259-0968," he said.

Parents have also been wondering why school buses enter some subdivisions but not others.

Mr. Jacobs said a number of factors determine the bus routes, schedules and location of stops, including time constraints, funding and simple logistics, all of which can prohibit buses from picking up students individually or allowing them to enter some residential areas at all.

Variables like road conditions, bridge locations and the maximum number of students a bus can safely transport factor into decisions about routes and stops.

"Who wouldn't want a situation in which the bus stops at each and every house for each and every child?" said Mr. Jacobs. "I would want that myself. Unfortunately that isn't possible."

Mr. Jacobs cited the operating budget as the major constraint when mapping bus routes and stops.

Fuel costs dictate the length of bus routes, so keeping routes brief and limiting stops as much as possible help combat excessive fuel costs, he said.

Time is also an issue and dictates the routes, its length and the number of stops.

"Students must arrive at schools in a timely manner and that window of time is narrow," said Mr. Jacobs.

Adding additional stops or turns can add significant time to a bus route. Designating a cen-



A centralized stop on the corner of North Blvd. and Timberlane Drive near the Timberlane subdivision.

tralized stop for one area and having students gather there to catch a bus, especially in rural areas and at subdivisions, helps manage the time frames for routes.

"Keeping bus routes as brief as possible is necessary," added David Davis, the school district's director of curriculum.

"The state places a minimum amount of 'instructional minutes' students must receive at school and those requirements must be met," he said. "Even the time it takes to load and unload students to and from buses must be factored in so keeping routes and time schedules as concise as possible is important."

"There is a ripple effect. If a bus is late or its route were to be lengthened, students who rely on the school breakfast program would be impacted as well as the schedules of the cafeteria workers. Everything effects everything else," he said.

So how are routes and stops designated?

"The first thing determined is if the entire route is along safe roads and if a centralized stop is in the safest most convenient place," said Mr. Jacobs.

State and federal guidelines dictate that school buses are only operated on main roads and county maintained roads. Negotiating the terrain on privately maintained roads can pose many problems, so they are generally

not included in routes.

The current policy that governs routes and school bus operation was adopted in the mid 1990s.

Buses already running routes into the Copper Creek and Macclenny II subdivisions north and south of the city at that time remain in place. They generally do not enter subdivisions built after that time with some exceptions, Mr. Jacobs explained.

Buses only enter Copper Creek a limited distance. Other subdivisions must be entered to pick up handicap students without other transportation options.

Whether the bus can negotiate the area must be considered, too. Can it turn around? Is there accessibility to the specific address?

"Zipping in and out of an area or even turning around in the street is not a big deal for a person in their Toyota Corolla,"

said Mr. Jacobs. "But a school bus is completely different. The way people park their cars on the street can determine if a driver can negotiate a corner, turn the bus around or even access its destination at all."

He says some people complain the buses stop too often. "They may not be seeing the bigger picture," he said.

Part of that picture is the presence of registered sex offenders. Frequent stops are a way to help prevent children from needing to pass such residences or gather near them for extended periods of time, explained Mr. Jacobs.

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**Nuisance bear killed**

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- Keep trash receptacles indoors or inside a garage with the door closed. Only put trash out on the day it's to be collected. Using bear-proof trash receptacles is also effective.
- Clean BBQ grills after use and store indoors until needed. A dirty BBQ grill is irresistible for a bear.
- Do not, in any circumstance,

es, feed bears on purpose.

For more information about solving conflicts between humans and bears as well as sources for bear-proof trash receptacles, visit <http://myfwc.com/conservation/you-conserve/wildlife/black-bears/>.

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## ----- LETTERS TO THE EDITOR -----

## 35 years worth of ornaments are gone

Dear Editor:

With summer finally winding down and cooler temperatures upon us, you can't help but feel Christmas is just around the corner. That's what I thought as I walked into my garage and glanced at the shelf that usually held 35 years worth of Christmas tree ornaments.

The shelf, I realized with a sick roll of my stomach, was empty.

Six large tins, the old-fashioned metal kind, were nowhere to be found. Just like in the movie "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," every twinkling light had vanished, from baby's first Christmas, to old and fragile ornaments passed down from my mother. Years and years of memories were gone. Some were expensive, some were not; all were precious to me, and all were gone.

What happened, I realized, is that I had opened my home to the Grinch disguised as a friend.

After a short investigation it was discovered that my friend sold the large tins of Christmas ornaments without my permission. Sadly, I came to understand Christmas might never be the same. My friend, I believe, is in a straight downward spiral. And she is not talking. Not even to the police.

How could anyone be so cruel, my family asked, so thoughtless? It was only when my small granddaughter asked about the ornaments that she had made for me that the case took a more pleasant turn. "You can't really steal Christmas," my granddaughter said sweetly. "Please don't be sad Grandma, you still got me."

It had been a heart-breaking few weeks for my family, but out of the mouths of babes come words of wisdom. Christmas, after all, is kept in the heart, not in cans in the garage on a shelf. Keep that in mind when the holidays get here. Christmas is Christ's birthday. Remember your family. Forget the Grinch!

Anyone with information on these recently missing ornaments from a garage in Copper Creek is asked to leave a message for Debra at 904-735-4304.

Debra Jones  
Macclenny

## County's illegitimate birth rate is a disgrace

Dear Editor:

This letter is from one mad taxpayer voicing the opinion of many on the subjects of welfare and child support.

The number of children born out of wedlock in this county is a disgrace to all of us who have to pay for it. Nine months after graduation comes a baby boom!

Government, parents and clergy do not discourage this from happening; if anything it is encouraged to create jobs for the welfare offices, food stamps, WIC (Women, Infants and Children), the health department payroll and on. It's a snowball effect.

Fathers should pay child support. But even that picture is wrong. The mothers of these babies should have to get a job and match dollar for dollar what the fathers pay. Both parents should have to work and continue their education so they can eventually support their children.

If the babies' parents do not become self-reliant and provide for their children, other measures should be taken by the state agencies. Many of these young mothers say, "Now I can stay home and not have to do anything."

Child support is their pay check and welfare is their life-

style.

Assistance is not a way of life. Get these people off their couches and off their backs to support their own children.

The state could use some of this money to help the seniors of Baker County, who truly need assistance and are no longer able-bodied.

Luci DeWitt  
Macclenny

## 'Park' movie was a delight

Dear Editor:

I attended the "Movie in the Park" event last weekend with my wife and two kids and had a wonderful time.

I want to express my appreciation to everyone who played a part in making this event such a success. While there were a few technical difficulties at the start, they were quickly resolved and the presentation went on to be a great, family-oriented movie.

The vendors were local organizations and the attendees were all very polite and courteous. It's great to support local organizations and groups and have a great time in the process. I hope we can have more of these activities here in our community.

James Bennett  
Macclenny

## Occupy Baker County - sign up now!

We should feel left out.

Nobody around here is talking about an "Occupy Baker County" movement. They've sprouted up everywhere else, drawing legions of the "dispossessed" from the ranks of college kids with degrees in transgender colonialism who can't get jobs and have left their parents' basements long enough to allow a thorough cleaning, organized labor (mostly public employees I suspect), aging hippies from the 1960s who've been waiting around for something like this for

a half-century, anarchists, communists, socialists and — similar to the late 1960s when yours truly was in college — hangers-on pretty much there for the sex and rock 'n roll.

Whew!

In fairness, there are others with legitimate grievances — people with underwater mortgages or foreclosed mortgages, society's "contributors" who find themselves in the ranks of the unemployed, etc.

They're all taking it out on "Wall Street" and "the bankers." These are tough times, and tough times inevitably invite targets for people's frustration. They're mad at the "1 percent" of the population who they believe are getting all the breaks and don't pay their "fair share."

They don't seem perplexed by the statistics proving that indeed the top income echelons do pay their fair share; in fact they pay more

than their fair share considering nearly half of Americans pay nothing in federal taxes — not even \$5 or \$500.

Oh well.

So let's get started with an "occupy" movement right here. What do we need to do?

For starters, if you're interested in being part of it you must cease bathing (shaving and shampooing as well) today — right now.

Tents? We'll need to tweet and Facebook (those are verbs now) the time to gather in front of Walmart out there on SR 228 and demand they give us tents of varying colors — for free.

As long as we're on the property, we'll be demanding also that Walmart cease prosecuting people for shoplifting. They're the largest retailer in the world, a top Fortune 500 company, greedy, and the Walton family that still owns part of the behemoth is much too wealthy.

What's more important — them holding on to their fortunes or our tents? We demand also the right to stroll into the Supercenter and steal all the diapers, cigarettes, jewelry, booze and televisions to lug back to our parents' houses where we intend to live for the next 20 years.

It's a pity we don't have any locally owned banks anymore. We'd be able to withhold our car, college loan and home mortgage pay-

ments and put the squeeze on rich bankers *who live right here in Baker County.*

Since there aren't any, we'll have to settle for screwing the shareholders at the local credit unions and at the branch banks like Wells Fargo (they're huge and greedy), TD Bank (they're Canadian but so what) and First Federal Bank of Florida (based in Lake City where many scoundrels live).

We're going to be busy at Occupy Baker County. And we haven't even started with the local school system where we should demand the immediate end to charging for meals at the cafeterias (for the dwindling number still paying), repressive property taxes, paid admission to sporting events and, yes, paying for yearbooks and senior pictures.

Should children have to walk to bus stops? Capitalist nonsense! We want door-to-door service to every residence in Baker County, even if our children don't feel like going to school on a given day. Testing and grades are pointless — nothing more than clever ruses developed by the "1 percent" to pit us against each other and trash our self-esteem.

Out the door with all of it!

There's more, much more, to what we'll be calling the Occupy Baker County Manifesto. We'll be posting regular updates on the computers and Smart Phones your parents bought for you or you paid for with school loans.

In the meantime, get started on that body odor and body hair. The Movement needs you!

## IMPRESSIONS

Jim McGauley



## Child runover sign of apathetic culture

JESSICA PREVATT | STAFF

My breath literally left my body as I watched the video that has sparked so much outrage of the toddler in China who was run over not once, but twice. Watching her get hit by the first van was bad enough, watching as people walked around for seven minutes and do nothing was worse, but then a second van runs over her. Finally a lady stops and drags her out of the roadway.

My first reaction was utter horror. As a mother my first thought was, "What if that had been my little one?" Then the outrage against humanity. Honestly, how can people live with themselves? It's bad enough someone was hurt, possibly dying, and no one stopped. What makes it infinitely worse is the fact the injured party was a toddler who is not old enough to help herself and nobody sounded the alarm.

The young girl died from her injuries. The only good news was the Chinese have arrested two people who were allegedly driving the vans. A sad ending to a tragic story.

Unfortunately, the news is full of similar incidents on a daily basis. The one above has

made more of an impact because of the disturbing video that captured the entire scene. Have we as humans honestly gotten that callous to other people's suffering? Did you know more than five children die a day from neglect and/or abuse? A day, not a week...in America.

The 'it's not my problem' attitude is appalling. So many bad things could be avoided if people would show a little compassion and concern for their neighbors. Not being a nosy gossiping neighbor, but just checking in with the elderly in your community, keeping an eye on kids if they are playing outside. If you feel a child may be abused or neglected, call someone. Don't jump the gun, be sure before you ruin someone's life, but don't just ignore it in hopes someone else will do it for you.

If my child were to ever wander off and head towards a road or parking lot, I would be eternally grateful to the person who prevented him from possibly being run over. I might be very embarrassed, but I'd much rather be embarrassed than grieving the loss of a child. Accidents like that can be preventable if we look out for one another.

Take notice of what's going

around you. In the end, you are the one who would have to live with yourself if you allowed something horrible to happen without lifting a finger.

Jessica Prevatt is a married mother of two boys and the advertising/production director at The Baker County Press.



## Facebook fans

## 'What you had to say ...'

Litter along the roadsides of Baker County never fails to elicit strong reactions from readers. One of our Facebook fans, Jack Presnell, solicited thoughts about punishing litter bugs by making them pick up trash on weekends. Here's a sampling of what Facebook users had to say ...

Blanche E Legendre Chinn: "Sounds like a good idea to me!"

James Raulerson: "I think this idea should be adopted everywhere."

Matthew Barfield: "Does that go for cigarette butts too?"

Miranda Williams: "Yea. Maybe if they are made to clean up their mess, they won't be so quick to litter ... and our county will stay pretty and clean!"

Greg Sheppard: "I love it! At one

time I had our local BSA [Boy Scouts of America] troop adopt a roadway to address this. After two years, the boys got really sick of picking up other's trash so participation stopped. I for one get real tired of seeing our roadways trashed; really sick of the lazy ones throwing entire week's of garbage out in the ditches — we have dumps for that."

Sandra Carter Harvey: "It's a great idea but not just the highways ... How about the rivers and parks? It makes me sick when I try to take my son fishing and some ignorant, lazy person has dumped their trash out there. The bad part is, it's not just trash left behind from fishing or whatever. It's large garbage bags filled with trash because some moron couldn't find their way to the city dump."

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## Glen sinking a deep well 730 feet

Steel casement pipes line up near the site of Glen St. Mary's new central water system well being drilled in the middle of Celebration Park south of town hall. The well, expected to reach 730 feet in depth, was over halfway there this week as this crew from Partridge Well Drilling in Jacksonville bore through layers of sand and rock. The well will alternate with the existing deep well in the same block to serve both the south and north sides of US 90. The alternate well accounts for \$240,490 of the town's ongoing \$600,000 water expansion project funded by a federal grant. Mayor Juanice Padgett reported to the town council during its regular meeting October 18 that a one-block sewer line extension on Lincoln Ave. south of 90 should be complete this week. The well should be drilled by early November.

## Halloween/Fall Weekend ...

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take a candlelight tour of the old sheriff's building to see the hanging gallows. Food, drinks and game booths will be available for smaller children.

**Fall Festival at First Assembly of God**, October 30 from 4-7 pm at 206 N. 5th St. It includes free candy, hotdogs, game booths, music, a cake walk and bounce house.

**Hallelujah Night**, Mt. Zion Church at 14670 SR 121 N. from 5-8 pm. If Halloween is not your thing, but you still want to celebrate, Mt. Zion NCM Church is offering Hallelujah Night as an alternative. Join them for a celebration including food, fun, fellowship, games and prizes for kids and teens.

**Fall Festival at Destiny People**

**Worship Center**, October 31 from 6-9 pm at 7445 S. SR 121. Games and hay rides, food, candy, costumes and prizes will be available.

**Trunk or Treat at First Baptist Church of Glen**, October 31 from 6-8 pm at 9846 George Taber Rd. Trick or treat for candy from car trunks in the church parking lot, jump games, enjoy free hot dogs in the fellowship hall or carve a pumpkin with a gospel message.

**Trick or Treat at Macclenny Nursing and Rehab**, October 31 starting at 6 pm at 755 S. 5th St. Residents will hand out treats to kids in the center's central courtyard.

**Trick or Treat at W. Frank Wells Nursing Home**, October 31, 6-8 pm at 210 N. 2nd St.

**Pumpkin Patch** at the First United Methodist Church, Macclenny, 93 N. 5th St. and Shuey Ave. Pumpkins are for sale, harvest displays and photo opportunities are available, too. Open daily through October 31.



## Kitchen fire does \$38,000 damage

A kitchen fire started by unattended cooking grease is blamed for a house fire at a residence on Woodlawn Road just east of CR 125 about midnight on October 25.

It took only a matter of minutes for arriving units to douse the flames coming from the rear kitchen area at the residence of Earl Lord, and units stayed on the scene about two hours for a control and clean-up operation.

Valorie Lord said she was frying chicken and fries and an oven cleaner was on when the fire broke out. Chief Richard Dolan of the county fire department placed the loss estimate at \$38,000.

County firefighters also responded to an estimated quarter-mile long oil spill on SR 121 N. just north of the intersection with 23B about 12 hours later.

Three units arrived at the spill about 12:23 pm the afternoon of October 25. Cat litter was spread over the oil to begin absorbing it until the Florida Department of Transportation crew arrived to combat the slick with sand.

A sheriff's deputy directed traffic around the spill for about an hour.

Chief Dolan said he didn't have much information on a truck believed to be the source of the spill.

"I was told it was a semi that lost its oil filter and approximately 5 gallons of oil," he said by e-mail late Tuesday.

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# Retaining higher scores Among goals for the lower grades

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NEWS EDITOR

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A large majority of the Baker County school district's youngest students performed at or above grade level on standardized tests last year. The goals for the coming year are to make small gains or remain close to current levels of performance.

The principals of Macclenny Elementary, Westside Elementary and the PreK-Kindergarten Center all presented their improvement goals to the school board the evening of October 17, though they varied slightly.

Many of Macclenny Elementary's improvement goals in reading and math are to stay within 5 percentage points of current performance levels or do better, while those of Westside Elementary are to improve slightly in all areas.

For example, at Macclenny Elementary [MES], the share of third graders achieving reading proficiency on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test, or FCAT, grew 12 percent between 2010 and 2011 to 45 percent, according to the school's 2011-12 improvement plan.

Come next spring, the share is expected to remain in the 40 to 50 percent range.

Added to the proficiency measure were the 41 percent of third graders scoring above proficiency in reading, down from 50 percent in 2010. The target for 2012 is that between 36 and 46 percent of those students will score above proficient.

On the FCAT math exam, the expectations for MES are similar.

Thirty percent of third graders scored proficient, or at grade level, in 2011, a decrease of 4 percent from the previous year, and 53 percent scored above grade level, which was an increase of 8 percent from 2010.

This spring, the goals are for between 25 and 35 percent to achieve proficiency and between 48 and 58 percent to perform better than proficient.

The school improvement plans also address the percentage of students school-wide making learning gains, as measured on standardized tests. But because FCAT exams are first administered in the third grade, lower grades are given the Discovery Education Assessment, or DEA, tests in reading and math at the end of the school year.

First graders take the test at the beginning of the year and at the end of the year so comparisons can be made.

On the DEA reading test, 86 percent of MES first graders, 83 percent of its second graders and 79 percent of its third graders showed gains. The 2012 goal is to remain within 5 percentage points of the current levels.

On the DEA math test, 87 percent of MES first graders, 83 percent of its second graders and 87 percent of its third graders made improvement. The goal is to stay within 5 percent of those levels as well.

At Westside Elementary [WES], all of the reading and math goals for the coming year represent small,

1 percent increases over 2011 performance.

For instance, third graders achieving proficiency in reading are expected to grow from 41 percent to 42 percent and those reaching the higher-than-proficiency level are expected to rise 46 percent to 47 percent.

Among second graders, WES aims to have 36 percent show proficiency in reading and 54 percent to perform even better. The goals for WES first graders are to have 30 percent demonstrate proficiency and 29 percent to perform above that level.

The share of students showing reading gains at the school in 2011 totaled 97 percent of third graders, 96 percent of second graders and 93 percent of first graders.

"We are very proud of those scores," the school's principal Lynne Fort told school board members.

Similar goals are found in the math goals portion of WES's plan.

First graders scoring proficient on the DEA math test are expected to rise from 43 to 44 percent, those scoring above proficiency are expected to rise from 23 to 24 percent and those making gains are expected to rise from 91 to 92 percent.

The share of WES second graders capable of grade level math should rise from 26 to 27 percent, those performing at a higher level should jump from 67 to 68 percent and those showing gains should reach 99 percent under the plan.

The goals for WES third graders taking the FCAT math exam are for 30 percent to achieve proficiency, 59 percent to perform above proficiency and 100 percent to make improvement from the previous year. All the targets are 1 percent above current performance levels.

MES principal Debbie Fraser and WES principal, Ms. Fort, pointed to a number of strategies — many computer-based study tools — to boost reading and math scores both among struggling students and those school-wide.

Both schools' improvement plans also aim to maintain or boost attendance rates and decrease the number of students with 10 or more absences or tardies.

MES's plan shows a 3 percent rise in attendance from 2010 to 2011 to 97 percent. The goals for 2012 are to maintain or increase the attendance rate while reducing the rates of excessive absences and tardies by 1 percent or more.

Ten or more absences or tardies are deemed excessive.

At WES, the faculty hopes to increase attendance by 1 percent to 97.5 percent and drop the excessive absences and tardies by the same amount.

To reach the attendance goals, the schools intend to reward students who don't miss or arrive late to school with parties and other incentives.

The PreK-Kindergarten Center's goals are largely to maintain and increase reading mastery and attendance levels.

Ninety-five percent of students achieved "mastery in reading" last year and 58 percent of children had 10 or more absences.

# Arrest for phone theft

A 17-year-old female student at Baker County High School was arrested about midday on October 19 for stealing a cell phone from another student.

Campus deputy Matt Riegel said the victim, a 15-year-old female, reported the phone taken from her backpack about 11 am. Shortly after, school administrator Carrie Dopson ordered all students in the victim's class to empty the contents of their backpacks and the \$600 phone was found in the suspect's possession.

The accused, who is from Macclenny, insisted she did not know how the phone came to be in her backpack. A memory card and case were not recovered.

She was charged with grand theft, a felony.

In other thefts, Preston Adams of Macclenny reported his iPod was taken from a vehicle at his residence on North 5th St. the evening of October 22.

Mr. Adams said he placed the item on the trunk of a vehicle parked in his driveway and returned to find it gone. He told Deputy Koty Crews a young black male wearing a red jacket was in the area when the theft occurred about 6:25.

A criminal complaint for shoplifting was filed against Jason Perry, 26, of Macclenny for allegedly trying to leave Walmart with \$175 worth of merchandise.

A store security worker said Mr. Perry was stopped about noon on October 20 and produced a receipt from October 12, then walked out of the store. Deputy Jacob Satterwhite said he recognized Mr. Perry on the surveillance video and filed the complaint after failing to contact him that day.

The shopping cart contained groceries and a marine battery valued at \$118.

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1. Reduction of parking spaces to construct an ATM at 698 West Macclenny Avenue.
2. Reduction of parking spaces for a karaoke and café and change use from retail to assembly at 698 West Macclenny Avenue.
3. Installation of pick-up window at the restaurant located at 455 West Macclenny Avenue.
4. Relaxing setbacks for signage at 336 West Macclenny Avenue.

Roger Yarbrough  
Building & Zoning Coordinator  
City of Macclenny

# On judicial nominating board

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Former county commissioner and NEFCOM general manager Mike Griffis of Glen St. Mary was appointed last week by Governor Rick Scott to the Eighth Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission.

The nominating commission is charged with recommending applicants for vacant judgeships within the district. It's now accepting applications to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of Alachua County Judge Robert P. Cates.

Mr. Griffis, 52, was among three new appointments to the



Mike Griffis

panel and two reappointments made by the governor October 21.

"It is my hope that all of the Judicial Nominating Commissions will send me as many applicants as possible who share my judicial philosophies," the governor said after making eight other appointments last spring. "As governor, I understand that the judges I appoint will prove to be my longest lasting legacy. For that reason, I want to appoint judges with the intelligence and demeanor to administer justice in an even-handed and humble manner. Judges should adhere to the written law, changeable only by the Legislature or con-

stitutional amendment, not by the bench according to personal preferences or perceptions of popular preference."

Mr. Griffis served on Baker County's governing board from 2006 to 2010, when he announced he would not seek reelection.

His term with the nominating commission will end in July 1, 2015.

Mr. Griffis has also represented Baker County on the North Florida Broadband Authority since 2009, served as president of the Northeast Florida Regional Council from 2006 to 2010, and sat on the governing boards of the Florida Telecommunications Relay Network, Inc. and the Baker County Chamber of Commerce.

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The Value Adjustment Board (VAB) meets each year to hear petitions and make decisions relating to property tax assessments, exemptions, classifications, and tax deferrals.

Summary of Year's Actions							
Type of Property	Number of Parcels					Reduction in County Taxable Value Due to Board Actions	Shift in Taxes Due to Board Actions
	Exemptions		Assessments*		Both		
	Granted	Requested	Reduced	Requested	Withdrawn or settled		
Residential	0	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Commercial	0	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Industrial and miscellaneous	0	0	1	1	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Agricultural or classified use	0	0	2	2	2	\$0.00	\$0.00
High-water recharge	0	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Historic commercial or nonprofit	0	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Business machinery and equipment	0	0	0	1	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Vacant lots and acreage	0	0	2	5	3	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

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If you have a question about these actions, contact the Chair or the Clerk of the Value Adjustment Board.	
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# Domestic battery arrests One victim a pregnant girlfriend

A Sanderson man was jailed early on October 19 for aggravated domestic battery on his girlfriend, who is five months pregnant.

Stacie Harris, 25, bore facial bruising consistent with her statement to police that boyfriend Marlin Mette, 32, struck her about the head and eye when he attacked her in the bedroom of their residence on Waterloo Lane.

Ms. Harris said an argument ensued about midnight after she refused his advances because he had been drinking all day. Deputy Johnny Hodges charged her with battery on the boyfriend during the altercation, and Ms. Harris was also served with a warrant for shoplifting.

She fled the residence with the couple's 8-month-old son until officers arrived.

In another incident involving a drunk boyfriend, Shirley Patton, 44, told police she used a fork and knife to fend off Billy Crawford, 44, as he attempted to choke her during an altercation at their residence on Rufus Powers Rd. near Glen St. Mary.

Deputy Chris Walker said he arrived at the address about 9 pm on October 19 and noted a large bald spot on Ms. Patton's head from where the boyfriend had pulled her hair.

The boyfriend countered that he was trying to hug Ms. Patton, not choke her, and he obtained cuts on his fingers attempting to "nail something to the wall."

Mr. Crawford was booked for domestic battery.  
• Brandy Jones, 28, of Sanderson was arrested

early on October 24 for domestic battery on her estranged husband and criminal mischief for damaging property at his North 4th St. residence in Macclenny.

Derrick Jones, 26, told Deputy Hodges the accused became enraged and attempted to enter his residence late the previous evening and fight his girlfriend, 18-year-old Kristi Davis of Glen St. Mary.

Ms. Jones allegedly broke a window attempting to gain entry after she was barred from doing so through the front door, then swung at Mr. Jones with broken glass and damaged a nearby couch.

• Deputy Tony Norman arrested Keith Willis, 45, of Macclenny for threatening his mother Maxie Townsend, 75, at her residence on Leslie Thomas Lane near Glen the morning of October 24.

The officer responded to a disturbance call about 5 am and was told by Ms. Townsend that her son apparently was hallucinating and became uncontrollable.

He was arrested for making threats against an elderly person, damaging property at the house and assault on Deputy Norman for rushing at him with a ceramic object as he approached the residence.

• A complaint for battery was filed October 23 against a 32-year-old male patient at Northeast Florida State Hospital for attacking employee Steven Rhoades, 61, of Jacksonville.

The employee told Deputy Shawn Bishara he was slapped and shoved.

# Wanted in Clay and Duval

A St. George, GA man chased down by a deputy for theft of a lottery ticket from the State Line Grocery on SR 121 North of Macclenny turned up wanted in two northeast Florida counties.

Jacob Perry, 28, was a passenger in a 2006 Mitsubishi stopped by Deputy Daniel Nichols after the store clerk reported the theft about 9 pm on October 19. The vehicle matched a description of the one that drove off from the store.

He initially gave the officer a name that conflicted with the driver's license database that matched his photograph, and when taken back to the store with several acquaintances, he admitted to Cpl. Randy Davis stealing the ticket and damaging another.

The computer record also indicated that Mr. Perry was wanted in Duval County for violating probation for burglary, and in Clay County for violating probation for fraud.

Deputy Nichols added a charge of resisting arrest for giving the false name.

In other arrests the past week:  
• Shauna Calloway, 43, of Glen St. Mary was booked early on October 20 for possession of a crack smoking pipe.

Deputy Earl Lord questioned Ms. Calloway after seeing her riding a bicycle in the westbound lane of North Boulevard in Macclenny about 2 am. She produced the pipe from a pocket.

• Deputy Lord arrested Johnnie Carter, 30, outside his residence on Woodlawn Rd. about 1 am on October 20 for disorderly intoxication.

The officer said when he arrived at the address on a disturbance call, Mr. Carter was drinking outside and insisted several times he be taken to jail to prevent him from "beating someone up."

• Octavius Thompson, 23, of Baldwin was arrested for driving without a license after his 2001 Buick was stopped in north Sanderson about 1:30 am on October 22.

Deputy Patrick McGauley said the Buick ran a stop sign at

CR 229 and Friendship Place, for which the driver was ticketed.

• Deputy Robert Simpkins arrested Christie Raulerson, 37, of Macclenny for trespassing at CVS Pharmacy in Macclenny the evening of October 18.

The store sought a trespass warrant against Ms. Raulerson in April, 2009 and the deputy learned from dispatch that it was still active.

• Fate Holcy, 34, of Macclenny was arrested on a Duval County warrant for failure to notify authorities of an address change.

Investigator Tracie Benton said Mr. Holcy is a sex offender and she had earlier denied him permission to move to a residence on Eagle Dr. in Macclenny, where she found him the afternoon of October 20.

• Kimberly Homs, 49, of Deltona, FL was already in county jail charged with drunk driving when served with a warrant on October 23 from Marion County for reckless driving.

# Corrections noted from previous edition

The article about Dr. Charles Scarborough losing his medical license in the October 20 edition of *The Press* and a previous article about arrests in connection with the criminal investigation of prescription drug fraud at the doctor's office both incorrectly identified suspect Aaron Devereaux as Lorrie Devereaux's estranged husband.

Rather, Mr. Devereaux is Ms. Devereaux's nephew by marriage. Her estranged husband is Bobby

Devereaux. Aaron Devereaux was in a relationship with Kayla Dampier, another suspect arrested in the case, and is the son of Melissa Bledsoe, who was also among those arrested. Ms. Bledsoe is 42 years old, not 26 as the article in the October 20 edition noted.

In addition, a photo caption in the October 13 edition misidentified the market swine grand champion winner in the county fair livestock show. The person pictured was Mason Sweat, not Jason Sweat.

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# Legal Notices

## Registration of Fictitious Names

We the undersigned, being duly sworn, do hereby declare under oath that the names of all persons interested in the business or profession carried on under the name of The Shot and the extent of the interest of each is as follows:

NAME	EXTENT OF INTEREST
Jason Perryman	50%
Walter C. Perryman	50%
	Jason Perryman Signature
	Walter C. Perryman Signature

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COUNTY OF BAKER

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of October, 2011.

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

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## NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the County Court of Baker County, Florida, on the 20th day of July, 2011, in the cause wherein COUNTRY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION was plaintiff and ANTHONY THOMAS HARVEY was defendant, being Case No. 2009-SC-104 in said court, I, Joey B. Dobson, as Sheriff of Baker County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the party named in the Writ of Execution, Anthony Thomas Harvey, in and to the following described property, to-wit:

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(Note: Anyone interested in viewing the vehicle being sold may do so 45 minutes prior to the time of the sale.)

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By: Pamela L. Davis  
Deputy Sheriff

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Defendant: James Forth and the remaining heirs and assigns of Laura E. Little, Deceased.

## SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

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TO THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANT(S):

You are hereby summoned and required to appear and defend against the claims of the complaint (petition) filed with the court in this action, by filing with the clerk of this court an answer or other response. You are required to file your answer or other response within 30 days after the service of this summons upon you. Service of this summons shall be complete on the day of the last publication. A copy of the complaint (petition) may be obtained from the clerk of the court.

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This is an action to determine rights and quiet title regarding real property located in Weld County, Colorado.

Dated: September 30, 2011.

/s/ Warren W. Schaeffer, #28488  
Attorney for Plaintiff

\*This pleading was filed electronically pursuant to CRCP Rule 121 §1-26. Original signature on file at the law firm of Warren W. Schaeffer, LLC.

\*Rule 12(a), C.R.C.P., allows 30 days for answer or response where service of process is by publication. However, under various statutes, a different response time is set forth: e.g., §38-6-104, C.R.S. (eminentdomain); §38-36-121, C.R.S. (Torrrens registration).

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 02-2011-CA-0050

VYSTAR CREDIT UNION

Plaintiff,

vs.

ALFREDO CAMPOS-ZAMAGO; ET AL,

Defendant(s).

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## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated the 5th day of October, 2011, and entered in Case No. 02-2011-CA-0050, of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein VYSTAR CREDIT UNION is the Plaintiff ALFREDO CAMPOS-ZAMAGO; LUCINA CAMPOS; and JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32069, at 11:00 a.m. in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes on the 10th day of November, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

The Northerly 80 feet of a portion of Lot 4, Block 32, Town of Macclenny, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Deed Book "D", page 800, of the Public Records of Baker County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northeast corner of said Block 32, which is common with the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of said block, with is common with the intersection of the Southerly line of Shuey Street, a 66 foot Right of Way with the Westerly line of East Boulevard, a 100 foot Right of Way and thence run S 10°29'07" E, along the said Westerly line, a distance of 120.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue S 10°29'07" E, a distance of 80.00 feet; thence run S 78°58'09" W, now departing from said West line, a distance of 196.79 feet; thence run N 11°07'04" W, a distance of 80.00 feet; thence run N 78°58'09" E, a distance of 197.68 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), disabled person who, because of their disabilities, need special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator at (904) 259-3121 not later than five (5) business days prior to such proceeding.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2011.

AL FRASER  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Julie B. Combs  
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:  
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10/13-11/3

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO: 02-2010-CA-0070

GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC,  
1400 Turbine Drive, Suite 200  
Rapid City, SD 57703

Plaintiff,

v.

DEBORAH S. ADAMS,  
A/K/A DEBORAH ADAMS,  
SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., and  
UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS,  
Defendants.

## NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiff's Final Summary Judgment Of Foreclosure entered in the above-captioned action, I will sell the property situated in Baker County, Florida, described as follows, to wit:

Parcel "K"

A part of Government Lots 4 and 5, Section 36, Township 2 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southeast corner of said lot 5; thence S 85 degrees 54' 23" E, and along the South line of said Lot 5, 59.65 feet to the East right-of-way line of County Road #127 and the Point of Beginning; thence N 3 degrees 29' 08" W, and along said right of way, 295.36 feet; thence N 85 degrees 54' 23" E, 745.47 feet; thence S 0 degrees 22' 46" E, 285.96 feet to the South line of Government Lot 4; thence S 85 degrees 54' 23" W, and along said South line, 669.78 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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CASE NO.: 02-2010-CA-0184  
CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC., a Tennessee corporation authorized to transact business in Florida,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

DANIEL LEON MOODY, JR., A/K/A DANIEL L. MOODY, JR., the unmarried spouse of LOUI CHRISTOPHER MOODY, ERIE JOHN DOE(S) and/or UNIDENTIFIED JANE DOE(S),  
Defendants.

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Plaintiff's Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on November 22, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. (EST), at the main entrance of the Baker County Courthouse, located at 339 East Macclenny Ave., MacClenny, Florida, the following described property:

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Township 2 South, Range 22 East, Baker County, Florida and begin more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of said Section 32, thence East 525 feet on the North line of said Section 32, thence South 379 feet to the Point of Beginning on the West right of way line of Blair Street (a 50 foot right of way as now established); said point of beginning also being the Southeast corner of those lands described in Official Records Volume 37, Page 357 of the Public Records of said county; thence continue South on said West right of way line 96.0 feet to the North right of way line of Ohio Ave. (a 50 foot right of way as now established); thence South 76 degrees 53 minutes 55 seconds West on said North right of way line 100.47 feet; thence North 08 degrees 50 minutes 18 seconds West, 118.97 feet to a point on the South line of said Official Records Volume 37, Page 357; thence North 89 degrees 23 minutes 54 seconds East on said South line 116.14 feet to the Point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1999 Fleetwood Stone Creek 28' X 60' Mobile Home, Identification No. FLFLW70A26495SK21 and FLFLW70B26495SK21.

Property Address: 607 W. Ohio Ave., MacClenny, FL 32063.

AL FRASER, CLERK  
BAKER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
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SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO., and  
UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS,  
Defendants.

Dated: October 19, 2011.

AL FRASER, CLERK  
BAKER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
By: Julie B. Combs  
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## CERTIFICATE OF CORRECT

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Sale was furnished by United States Mail to Sonya K. Daws, Esq., Sonya Daws, P.A., 3116 Capital Circle NE, Suite 5, Tallahassee, FL 32308; and Daniel L. Moody, Jr., 136 W. Ohio Ave., MacClenny, FL 32063, on this 19 day of October, 2011.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The North Florida Broadband Authority ("NFBA") announces a public meeting to which all interested persons are invited. The NFBA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among: Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor, Union and Wakulla Counties and municipalities of Cedar Key, Cross City, Lake City, Live Oak, Monticello, Perry, White Springs and Worthington Springs, Florida. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 31, 2011 at the Suwannee River Water Management District, Suwannee Room, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. The meeting agenda will be posted to the NFBA website www.nfba-fl.org at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. The NFBA Board will address general operating issues of the NFBA. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the NFBA with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding, or if you have any questions regarding this meeting, please contact the Clerk to the NFBA Board at (877) 552-3482, at least two business days prior to the date of the meeting.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE NORTH FLORIDA BROADBAND AUTHORITY TRANSITION COMMITTEE

The North Florida Broadband Authority ("NFBA") announces meetings of the NFBA Operations Committee to which all interested persons are invited to attend. The NFBA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor, Union and Wakulla Counties and municipalities of Cedar Key, Cross City, Lake City, Live Oak, Monticello, Perry, White Springs and Worthington Springs, Florida. The NFBA's Transition Committee meetings will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at the City of Lake City Council Chambers, 205 N.E. Marion Avenue, Lake City, FL 32055 and at 1:00 p.m. on the following Wednesdays, November 2, 2011; November 16, 2011; and at Noon on November 9, 2011 all Suwannee River Water Management District, Suwannee Room, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. The NFBA's Transitional Committee meeting is to conduct general business. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the NFBA with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding or have any questions please contact Faith Doyle, Clerk to the NFBA Board at (877) 552-3482 or (407) 629-6900 at least two (2) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

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# ACs, refrigerators, stove stolen

Three vacant rental homes north of Sanderson were looted of more than \$7000 in air conditioners and appliances between October 4-18.

Owner Bentley Rhoden reported the thefts at one of his units on Dolphin St. about 9:45 that morning, and soon learned two others nearby had been hit as well.

Deputy Brandon Kiser said the first residence was entered via a rear door and the central air conditioner and refrigerator taken. At the second address, it appeared side and front doors were jimmied and similar items taken.

A refrigerator, stove and air conditioner were removed from the third residence and a rear window likely was the point of entry.

A neighbor told the deputy she observed a black male at one of the residences who appeared to be loading something into the

bed of an older model red Ford truck the morning of October 17.

In a second residential theft the past week, Leonard Brock said cash, an AK-47 rifle with scope and semi-automatic .45 pistol were taken from his residence off CR 125 South.

The owner told Deputy Daniel Nichols he was away from 1-3:44

pm on October 20 and returned to find the rifle missing from the dining room of the double-wide.

The pistol and \$2000 cash were taken from a hidden area in a bed headboard.

Deputy Nichols found no point of entry, though Mr

# Calls for police, fire aid

## Make sure they're local, legitimate

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If you receive a call soliciting donations for police or firefighters, you should know the money will not benefit the Baker County Sheriff's Office or local fire departments, officials say.

Following complaints from a number of county residents about recent telephone calls from entities like the Jacksonville Fire Fighters Association, the International Association of Fire Fighters or the Fraternal Order of Police asking for money, Sheriff Joey Dobson and city and county fire chiefs Buddy Dugger and Richard Dolan say their respective departments do not conduct or condone phone solicitations in any form.

"Baker County doesn't see a dime of any money raised by groups outside of this county," said Mr. Dugger. "And any solicitation for funds or donations for the City of Macclenny Fire Department will be in print on official letterhead or announced locally through an ad."

The Macclenny department collects donations for two major events each year: the Fill-the-Boot drive for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and the annual Christmas for Kids charity to benefit underprivileged kids in Baker County.

"But we do not solicit by phone, ever," he said. "My advice to residents in our community is don't send money or give out personal information to these phone solicitors at all."

Glen St. Mary resident Catherine Grant received a phone solicitation from a caller she says identified himself as being from the Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters.

She asked if her donation would directly benefit Baker County and was told, "We cover the entire northeast region," she said. But the packet of information and sticker she received a

short time later was for Jacksonville.

Ms. Grant claims that when she called to complain she was told to return the sticker and other information she had received.

"They were really short with me on the phone and told me



Buddy Dugger



Richard Dolan

to send it all back," she said. "I did that, without the \$20 I had agreed to send them."

Confused, she shared her experience with Mr. Dugger.

"I want to point out that some of these groups are legitimate," said the fire chief, "such as the Jacksonville Fire Fighters Association. They do magnificent work for charity and I'll be the first one to praise their efforts because some of the work they fund wouldn't survive without them. But they are a union and our department is not a member of union. Donations to their organization do not benefit this county in any way."

One Macclenny resident who asked not to be identified reported getting several phone calls from solicitors claiming to be from the, "Baker County Fraternal Order of Police."

But there is no Baker County Fraternal Order of Police.

"There is a Fraternal Order of Police organization but we are not affiliated with it," said Sheriff Dobson. "And there is no Baker County Fraternal Order of Police. Anyone receiving such calls should not hesitate to contact the sheriff's office and we can set them straight about it."

Such solicitations occur throughout the year.

"For some reason it increases in the fall," said county fire chief Richard Dolan. "We see it every year. I get these kinds of calls myself. My advice is to ignore them or call my office if you have any doubts about who and what they are doing."

Mr. Dugger has a theory about what's behind some of the telephone fund raising.

"I've heard that these groups sometimes contract their fund raising out to other sources and the phone solicitors are not employees of these organizations. They may be unaware that they are calling outside the county or not concerned about it."

"And some of it may not be legitimate at all, just bogus groups out there trying to get money from trusting people or get their hands on people's personal information. And they will probably tell you what you want to hear to get the donation, like saying it will benefit Baker County."

The officials advised local residents who respond to a phone solicitor to ask lots of questions and do their best to find out who they are talking to, and when in doubt, contact the sheriff's office (259-0240), the Macclenny department (259-3331) or county department (259-0231) for clarification.

# Tax collections here among the state's lowest, group says

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Baker County has the sixth lowest property tax levies in the state and collects the fifth lowest in revenues, according to a report released from Florida TaxWatch.

The report compares the taxing and spending of Florida's 67 counties.

Union County, however, ranked last in the amount of taxes levied and collected. Both rankings were calculated on a per capita basis.

Here, the report shows, residents pay \$377 on average annually in total city and county property taxes. The only counties with lower averages are Union, Lafayette, Calhoun, Holmes and Liberty counties.

Baker County governments levy \$543 in property taxes per capita on average. Jackson County and the other North Florida counties above all have lower average levies.

Monroe County topped the rankings in both measures, billing and collecting more property taxes than anywhere else in the state.

In terms of total city and county government revenues — essentially property taxes plus other revenue sources like assessments and fees — Baker County had the 10th lowest at \$1729 per capita.

Florida TaxWatch also looked at combined city and county government expenditures. When it comes to per capita spending, Baker County ranked the 13th lowest at \$1736.

"Local taxing and spending is a major part of Florida government operations," said Florida TaxWatch president Dominic Calabro. "More than half of all Florida government spending is done at the local level, one of the

highest shares in the nation."

Florida TaxWatch is a 30-year-old nonprofit research organization focused on government taxes and spending.

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## Used batteries stolen

A perimeter fence was cut to gain entry to a storage area adjacent to the auto service center at the Macclenny Walmart and an estimated 20 used car batteries were stolen.

The store's service manager James Murphy called police on October 18 when he noticed the batteries missing from a pallet. He told Deputy Steven Smith they have a scrap value of about \$20 each.

He estimated the loss in both fence damage and batteries at \$500. A surveillance video was to be made available.

In other reports involving vehicles:

- Franklin Davis, 24, of Macclenny was named in a complaint for allegedly damaging the brake lines of a 1988 Corvette belonging to neighbor Wanda Bailey on Deerwood Circle in east Macclenny.

The estimated damage was \$250. Ms. Bailey told Deputy Patrick McGauley the lines were cut sometime in a two-week period before October 11. She reported it a week later.

- Dwight Jones reported the theft of five tractor tires and rims and two airplane tires and rims from vacant property at the end of Gredford Williams Rd. in Margaretta.

Mr. Jones told Deputy Shawn Bishara the theft occurred between October 7-20 and he estimated the loss at \$1000.

- Truck driver Stanley Dixon of Jacksonville said the windshield of his westbound semi was damaged by an object tossed from an oncoming pickup on US 90 near Cow Pen Rd. west of Glen St. Mary.

The incident occurred about 10 pm on October 22. The damage estimate was \$400.

- Holly Barnes called police when she discovered her 1998 Ford was vandalized while parked outside her residence on Eastwood Dr. overnight on October 22.

Deputy Brandon Kiser noted the vehicle bore scratch marks and a derogatory message was spray painted on the side.

## CIRCUIT COURT

# 16 months for violating probation

A Macclenny man was sentenced on October 18 to 16 months in prison for violating probation on two felony criminal mischief cases in 2010.

Wayne Jefferson, 29, violated a condition of his probation that required him to notify authorities when he changed residences.

He had been placed on probation after making a plea agreement in the twin cases. Mr. Jefferson was charged with damaging parked vehicles at two Macclenny addresses with a baseball bat.

He has a past criminal record that includes dealing in stolen property, burglary and resisting police.

In other cases heard that day, Bobby Hyatt was given a year and a day after pleading to burglary of a vehicle and grand theft.

Circuit Judge Phyllis Rosier ordered a 364-day county jail sentence for Ray Cooley III in return for a no contest plea to burglary. He will be on probation three years following release, and the state dropped a companion charge of petty theft.

- Richard Gowdy was given credit for 52 days already served off his year sentence for grand theft, and Thomas Sharp 206 days credit off a sentence for grand theft involving \$100,000 or more and burglary.

Mr. Sharp was one of a trio that looted the former Macclenny Products plant in the south city of rooftop and ground-based air conditioners. He will be on probation two years following release.

- The judge ordered Damon Pendleton onto a three-year probation in return for a no contest plea to grand theft. He has already served month-long sentences for related counts of credit card fraud and theft.

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# When knowing things counts

## Hi-Q team sweeps a trio

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Do you know the difference between a recession and a depression ... the tenants of spherical geometry ... the region of Russia that lies within the Arctic Circle ... or the various battles of the Korean War?

There's a small group of Baker High students whose wealth of knowledge extends to all of the above and much more.

Meet the Wildcat Hi-Q teams.

Eleven players in all — six upperclassmen on the varsity squad and five sophomores and freshmen on the junior varsity team — have been matching wits with academic teams from Bradford, Union and Columbia counties in recent weeks.

The varsity team of Dillon Burnsed, Zachory Spencer, Alejandro Guerra, Reagan McKeendree, Sarah Harrell and Chelsea Moore have gone undefeated in their first three contests, winning two matches by overwhelming margins.

To compete, Hi-Q teams choose four players to participate in a quiz show-like contest in which a moderator asks a "toss up" question and the first team to buzz in with the correct answer gains five points and a chance to answer a bonus question for 10 more points.

Alternate players may be substituted between the three rounds of questioning that make up a match.

The questions cover math, literature, science, current events, geography, history and government, among other subject areas.

"It's a lot of classic information — the basic facts that everyone should come out of high school knowing," said the Hi-Q team's long-time coach Cathy Hooper, who directs the gifted studies program at the high school.

The JV Hi-Q team's Megan Anderson has been in the gifted program throughout her schooling and said its prepared her well for the competitions.

"All we do pretty much is general knowledge and trivia type questions," said the sophomore, now in her second year with the team. "I'm quite fond of doing that, so that's pretty much why I started and why I enjoy it."

Students on the Hi-Qs are typically stronger in certain subject areas as opposed to others. Ms. Anderson, for instance, is well versed in math and science but said she struggles with the Constitution.

Ms. Hooper said the varsity team's strength



JV Hi-Q team members (from left) Videll Williams, Tommy Allbright, Megan Anderson and Forrest Elledge.

is the wide breath of understanding the teammates possess as a unit. She believes it gives them an advantage against most opponents.

"They've got the best coverage we've ever seen," she said. "They split that up pretty well and work together as a team."

While teamwork is essential to arriving at the correct answer to double-point bonus questions, buzzing in quickly and thinking fast are the keys to gaining that opportunity.

Just as student athletes practice to improve their physical speed and reflexes, the Hi-Q teams meet twice weekly to sharpen similar, but cerebral, skills of listening, thinking and responding swiftly.

The JV team has three newcomers this year — freshmen Videll Williams, Forrest Elledge and Kaylee Murphy. Ms. Anderson and Tommy Allbright are returning sophomores.

Their season began October 4 with a loss to Columbia County, 291 to 175. The varsity team, however, out scored Columbia by 117 points for the win.

A week later against Union County, both teams were victorious.

Ms. Hooper said the JV players prepared for the match by trying to better anticipate where toss-up questions were going so as to buzz in sooner and gain control of bonus questions. Unlike Jeopardy, there is no penalty for wrong answers.

The practice appeared to pay off. The underclassmen hammered their opponents by 193 points, 230 to 37.

The varsity team, on the other hand, had a much closer match, eking out a narrow 15-point win.

"They won by one question," said Ms. Hooper.

Then on October 18, the varsity players

jumped on Bradford County early and often, posting 182 points to Bradford's 46.

They followed the JV team's match, which got off to a rocky start.

Ms. Hooper said she was distracted initially, busy arranging seating for a large group of visitors with the Bradford County team, and didn't realize the home team benched its strongest JV player, Mr. Allbright, for the first round.

The team fell behind early and failed to make up the lost ground in later rounds. They finished with a 243-162 loss.

The Hi-Q players were on a bye this week, but will head to Columbia County on November 1. The next home match will be November 8 versus Union County. The six-match season will end November 15 at Bradford County.

Ms. Hooper said she expects her varsity team to win the district title in December and compete in regional matches with an estimated 20 to 25 other schools in Northeast Florida in January.

"I would be surprised if they don't go onto regionals," she said.

Among Ms. Hooper's Hi-Q team alums are County Manager C.J. Thompson, American Enterprise Bank president Jamey Hodges, who moderates the team's home matches, and JEA Engineer Paul Davis, among other professionals.

"Each team I've had was a bit different, but they are all very special to me ... I remember them all," she said.

Visit [www.bakercountypress.com](http://www.bakercountypress.com) for video from the Hi-Q teams' match against Bradford County and interviews with JV players Videll Williams and Megan Anderson.

## Airplane show

The model airplane show will be October 29 from 9 am - 4 pm at the model airfield north of Glen St. Mary on CR 125. The kids' presentations and a candy drop will take place at noon. All proceeds go to American Cancer Society.

## Pageant meeting

An organizational meeting for the Christmas Queen pageant will be November 1 at 6:30 pm at the BCMS auditorium. Applications will be available the night of the meeting for girls 2-19. Questions call Beth Davis 904-588-4939.

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# Teen volunteer recognized by county historical society

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Josh Horn, 16, a volunteer with the Baker County Historical Society, was honored October 22 for his dedication and commitment to the organization.

After presenting him with a certificate for his service hours earned from 2010-11, society president Sheldon Beasley commented that Josh was an exemplary young volunteer.

"We hope to keep him around for a long time," Mr. Beasley said.

Josh's parents, Jeff and Christina Horn, are members of the historical society. Josh says he has a personal interest in history in general, especially the events of World War II.

"It was a time when a lot of different cultures came together to fight for what they believed in," he said.

Local history is important too, the high school junior believes, and he sees his work at the historical society as a way to be of service to his community.

"I've been living here about 15 years. It's time to give something back," he said.

He started working at the society's headquarters at the Old Jail on McIver Street at the end of 2010, arriving every other Saturday and spending 4-to-5 hours each visit.

"I did things like move boxes of books, catalog photographs, record data in the computer, things like that," he said.

"He works with the society's obituary project too," said Mr. Smith. "In fact, he was instrumental in getting it set up online."

"I help visitors sometimes if they need it, mostly hunting for photos in the archives and filling requests for copies of those photos," Josh said.



Josh Horn, left, with historical society president Sheldon Beasley.

In fact, a recent request for photos for the county's Sesquicentennial celebration required about ten hours of searching in the archives to complete.

"I can tell you the work he has done has been great," said Mr. Beasley. "And we've begun to get more high school students involved in volunteer work here. Josh paved the way."

When Josh isn't at the historical society, he's usually studying or volunteering for other groups or projects. He also likes to shoot skeet, go fishing and work on cars.

"I take care of my dad's car," he said.

## Trick-or-treat night

Macclenny Nursing and Rehab, 755 S 5th Street, is having its annual trick-or-treat night on October 31 at 6 pm.

Donations are also appreciated and can be dropped off at the front office. Call Tammy at 259-4873 ext 218 with questions.



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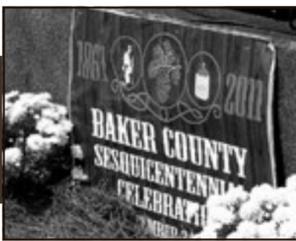
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# Dancers' donation to ill child

**KELLEY LANNIGAN**  
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Each year the Baker County High School Rhythmettes dance team sponsors the Fall Queen Pageant to raise funds to support their group's activities. This year, the proceeds from the pageant are being used for a very special purpose.

The team, which routinely performs at pep rallies and half-time shows during Wildcat home football and basketball games, voted unanimously to donate the \$1,000 raised at the October 8 pageant to the family of 4-year-old Christopher Hodges, who was diagnosed one year ago with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.

He has been on chemotherapy ever since and faces more in the future.

"Christopher's mom Lacey is a former Rhythmette," said Jennifer Richardson, who along with Angela Rhoden coaches the dance team. "She was overwhelmed when she first learned the girls wanted to do this."

The two ladies got the idea from a breast cancer awareness

program they were involved in last year. When they presented it to the Rhythmettes, the dance team took the idea and ran with it.

At Ms. Hodges' suggestion, the team enlisted the help of Ann

a slide show of Christopher and his family that was shown at the pageant during intermission as the Rhythmettes walked among the audience selling orange cancer awareness bracelets.

The Rhythmettes didn't stop

the Wildcat game against Bolles High School on October 14.

They sold raffle tickets at the gate to win a 10 quart cooker-fryer and raised even more money for their cause.

Young Christopher also appeared on the field with them right before their half-time performance. Gathering behind him, the girls formed a large silver heart with their pom-poms.

"They've been able to donate about \$1300 so far," said Ms. Richardson. "And they'll be selling even more raffle tickets at the Cat Growl pep rally and the homecoming game."

Ms. Richardson says she is proud of the spirit of generosity she has seen develop among the girls after they committed themselves to their cause.

And even more important, she says, is how the experience has helped the girls see beyond themselves to the bigger picture.

"I think this will help them be very good role models for their peers at the high school," she said. "They are now actively thinking about ways to help other people."



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN  
Front row: Lacey and Christopher Hodges. Middle row: Lauren Rice, Sarah St. John, Shelley Allen, Emily Givens, Mackenzie Rohde. Back row: Jennifer Givens, Kate Thompson, Isis Cooper, Dreamy Stewart, Mariah Givens and Kaden Orender.

Moshier, a local photographer, who had been involved with organizing another benefit for Christopher.

Ms. Moshier helped produce

there.

Wearing orange T-shirts that read "Dance" on the front and "Help Fight Leukemia" on the back, the team took its cause to

## Cyclist hit by truck

**JOEL ADDINGTON**  
NEWS EDITOR

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A Macclenny man riding a bicycle on North Boulevard the evening of October 25 was struck by a pickup truck and flown to Shands Jacksonville about 8:30 pm with non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the Chevrolet Silverado, Jamey Hodges, said he didn't see Edward Andrew Ward until the cyclist appeared on his hood after the collision.

The accident occurred north of the baseball fields on North Boulevard near Cardinal Lane.

Florida Highway Patrol Sgt. James Powell said at the scene that charges against Mr. Hodges were pending further investigation.

He said both men were traveling east on North Boulevard, Mr. Hodges in the truck and Mr. Ward on a bicycle with multiple reflectors, including one on the rear wheel fender.

Sgt. Powell said the right front of the vehicle hit the rear tire of the bike, which ejected the victim onto the hood before he rolled off onto the ground.

Mr. Ward lives with his grandmother Carolyn VanNess in the Lee & Baker Mobile Home Park at 331 North Blvd. West.

"He's a tough kid," she said at

the scene.

Ms. VanNess is also the mother of the late Paul D. VanNess, who was killed in a collision with a semi-truck at US 90 and Lowder Street on June 21, 2011.

Ms. VanNess was the driver of the 2004 Chevrolet Impala and Paul VanNess was the passenger when the car was hit by the semi, which FHP reported ran the traffic light at Lowder Street.



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

## McDonald coach of year

Baker High coach Scott McDonald was presented with recognition plaques by school Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson prior to the start of the Wildcats' home game against Bolles on October 14. The assistant football coach and head boys weight lifting coach was selected as Baker County High School's Coach of the Year for the 2009-10 season and the Florida Dairyman's Weightlifting Coach of the Year for 2010-11. "It was a complete surprise to me," he said. "It was a great honor, but we don't do this job for the awards. We do it to help these students succeed." McDonald has been coaching for the Baker County School District for eight years.

## Fright Nights at the Old Jail

The Haunted Old Jail will be open on Friday and Saturday nights, October 28 and 29, and on Halloween night, October 31, starting at 7 pm.

Step into the old cell block and experience "the fright of your life" at 42 West McIver Avenue next to the Taber Library.

The Baker County Historical Society and the Baker High History Club sponsor this experience of horror each Halloween for your enjoyment.

There will also be candlelight tours featuring the upstairs cells and gallows, game booths for kids, food and drinks. Proceeds will go toward restoring the old cell block and trips for History Club students.

## Pumpkin patch

The First United Methodist Church at the corner of N. 5th St. and Shuey Ave. will keep the pumpkin patch open through October 31.

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### Christmas-4-Kids & Toys for Tots

Christmas is fast approaching and local firefighters are asking the public and business owners' help in making a difference in the lives of children and needy families this holiday.

The City of Macclenny Fire Department is now accepting applications for this years Christmas-4-Kids program. Applications can be picked up at the fire station on Macclenny Avenue starting November 1. Deadline for eligibility is November 15. **NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DEADLINE.**

Founded and coordinated by the City's Fire Department, the program provides Christmas to underprivileged children or families that have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own. The program provides toys, clothes, shoes and other items the parent's request (if funding is available.)

The Christmas-4-Kids program is not an open door toy giveaway and does not promote any agency or organization. Parents are asked to tell children that toys are from them or Santa and not the fire department.

Interested business owners or individuals can make their checks payable to "Christmas-4-Kids", and mail them C/O Macclenny Fire Department, 118 E Macclenny Ave, Macclenny, FL 32063. Donations of new toys or clothing can be dropped at the Macclenny Fire Station or they can be picked up by program volunteers.

For more information, or to arrange a donation pick-up, call Stacy Mills at 509-5349 or the fire department at 259-3331.



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## John J. Crews, 61, of Kingsley Lake

John James Crews III, 61, of Kingsley Lake died Wednesday, October 19, 2011 of a recent illness. Mr. Crews was born in Jacksonville on January 18, 1950 to the late John J. Crews Jr. and Pauline W. Crews. Mr. Crews lived most of his life in Baker, Union, and Clay Counties. He was a graduate of The Bolles School and the University of Florida with a BA in 1975. He was a correctional officer and retired in 2002. He enjoyed reading, history, hunting and Florida Gator football.

Survivors include his wife Debbie Crews; children Colby Droubi of California, Laci Crews of Jacksonville, John Charles "Chuck" Crews of Lake Butler; step-daughter Rebeckah Gann Shemer; sister Debra Crews Treece; brother Brian W. Crews; eight grandchildren.

A memorial service for Mr. Crews was held Tuesday, October 25 in the chapel of Archer Funeral Home in Lake Butler with Bro. Scott Fisher officiating.

## Wilford Crews, 46, dies October 23

Wilford Lamar Crews, 46, of Macclenny died Sunday October 23 at his home following a long illness. He had resided in Macclenny all of his life. He was a newspaper delivery man with the Florida Times Union at the time of his death. He also was self-employed as a roofer and an auto mechanic for many years. Mr. Crews attended Raiford Road Church, was an avid Gator fan and enjoyed fishing. He was preceded in death by parents Jefferson Thomas Crews and Frances Wilkerson Crews.

Survivors include soulmate Mary Thomas; daughter Julie Thomas; granddaughter Kirsten Thomas; brother David Gatlin; sisters Marilyn (Kenneth) Turk, all of Macclenny and Debra Gainey of Glen St. Mary; numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial visitation for family and friends was held from 6-9 pm Wednesday, October 26 at Guerry Funeral Home in Macclenny. Final disposition was by cremation.

## Heartfelt thanks

The family of Glenn Hart would like to express its heartfelt thanks to all of our church family, friends, and neighbors for visits, food, cards, prayers, and calls.

Gaye, Jason and family, Mary Ellen and family and Nancy Crews and family

## Jimmy Ellis, 66, retired ironworker

Jimmy Leon Ellis, 66, of Macclenny died October 23, 2011. He was born in Clearwater to the late Calvin Ellis and Maxine Hodges Manning on July 15, 1945. He was a life long resident of Baker County and a member of the Ironworkers Local Union 597. Jimmy retired from T & G Steel after working for 28 years. He loved to fish, play guitar, and watch football and races. He was predeceased by Sylvester and Maxine Manning, Calvin Ellis, Jamie Ellis, Jimmy L. Cotterman, Seirra Roberson, Joseph "Bud" Harvey, Hilda Manning, Michael Tetstone and Dawn Ellis.

Survivors include children Teresa Ellis (Michael Stanford), Lisa (Anthony) Hutchinson, Jimmy Ellis Jr. Tina Brown and Susan Brown; brothers Johnny (Bernice) Manning, James Manning, Wyman Manning and Darryl Wayne Manning; sisters Janice (Billy) Sanford, Jeanie (Calvin) Edwards and Janet (Tommy) Lauramore, Evelyn Bennett Ellis; 12 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Tuesday October 25 at 2 pm at V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services with Pastor Tommy Anderson officiating. Interment followed at Macedonia Cemetery in Macclenny.



Jimmy Ellis

## Starke funeral for Mildred Howe, 77

Mildred Thrift Howe, 77, of Starke died October 22, 2011 at E. T. York Hospice Center in Gainesville. She was born in Taylor on February 14, 1934 to the late Spencer Thrift and Betty Combs Thrift. Mildred was born and raised in Baker County and moved to Bradford County in 1967. She retired from Dr. Patray's Office in Keystone Heights after over 20 years of dedicated work as a receptionist.

Mrs. Howe was a member of the First Baptist Church of Starke and enjoyed reading and listening to gospel and country music. She also enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mildred was preceded in death by her husband of 18 years, Rev. Lloyd Thomas Howe, and daughter Karen Hunsinger.

Survivors include sons Mike (Michelle) Howe of Wake Forest, NC and Kevin (Donna) Howe of Starke; sister Evelyn (Joe) Barber of Macclenny; grandchildren Allan Hunsinger, Nick Howe, Jonathan Howe, and Jordan Howe; great grandchildren Hayley Burke and Taylor Hunsinger.

The funeral service was held Wednesday, October 26 at 11 am at Archie Tanner Funeral Services in Starke with Reverend Robert Dennison officiating. Interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery.



Mildred Howe

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Jesus answered, "Verily, verily I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." John 3:5

## In Loving Memory of Buddy 'Cuz' Lauramore

3/9/1960 - 10/27/2009

Hi, I just wanted to give you an update on everything. I am still working in Macclenny. All is going well.

Tyler is in 11th grade now- WOW!-hard to believe but he turned 17 in September. He has more hair on his face than a lot of men. Ha Ha. He continues to do well in high school. He has a girlfriend Ashleigh, and she is a nice girl. They make a nice couple. He continues to skateboard and is doing well at this.

Melvin is still in Taylor. He is doing well, still playing with Scrapy all the time. Yes, I still hate Scrapy but love Sissy. She is such a pretty kitty. Melvin loves Scrapy and I love Sissy.

Melvin and I often say that we need you and Uncle Jack to come help us out with this yard. Maybe Uncle Jack will see this and call.

Aunt Vernie is not doing very good. She has breathing issues just like Daddy did. Uncle Jerry appears to be doing OK. We go to the Golden Corral monthly to eat together. We started doing this in remembrance of you.

It's been a rough year without you but we talk of you often. I know you still don't have a tombstone but maybe this year...Melvin and Tyler are pressuring me to get one.

Tell Grandfather we all said hello and Buddy we miss you terribly. I know we will meet again but some days that is not enough.

LOVE,  
SONYA, TYLER, MELVIN,  
AUNT VERNIE, AND UNCLE JERRY

## Heartfelt thanks

Lynn, Craig and I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our family and friends for all the love and support that was given to us after the loss of our son Chad. It has been a difficult year that I never dreamed to be faced with. I would always pray that God would take me first before he took one of my sons. But God knows best, that's what we have been told, and that's what is so hard to me is not knowing God's plans for our children. I know that Chad Lynn is not suffering and in pain anymore, and that we will see him again. Knowing this is going to give us the strength that we need to keep going and seeing our precious angel Carly Ann that he left us.

Special thanks to the McCullough and Yarborough families, to all of our friends and co-workers, the Baker County sheriff's department and especially to Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and staff for their kindness and helping us make final decisions for our son, Chad Lynn.

Tami, Lynn and Craig Yarborough

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Pastor: Oral E. Lyons

## Heartfelt thanks

We would like to express our deepest appreciation for the many prayers and ongoing support for our family during the passing of my wife and son, our momma and brother, Jennifer Gail Moore Crossland and Grayson Lane Crossland. The outpour of love and generosity from our family, friends, and community was and still is unbelievable. From the flowers, food, and much needed inspiration — everything was a true blessing. With all of the love and support we have received during this difficult time in our lives, our hearts are slowly being mended so that we can move on with such missing links in our family.

Thanks again truly and God bless.

Ashley, Allyson, and Emily Crossland

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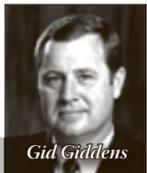
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**In Loving Memory of Georgia Faye Rhoden**  
7/11/1934 - 10/25/2010

We were all so blessed to have had Mama around us. We hope we can live up to her example of how a truly good person lives, always putting the needs of others ahead of her own.

She was great at putting three meals a day on the table, stretching a dollar further than anyone we've ever known, and loving unconditionally every child who stepped through her doorway. She always saw the silver lining and the grace of God in every life event. She never quoted scripture. We don't remember ever seeing her read a Bible, and have only vague recollections of her humming gospel hymns while she cooked, but she took God's greatest commandment — to love one another — to heart. She was the best example of living in Christ's image that we have every seen.

UNTIL WE'RE ALL TOGETHER AGAIN, ELLIS, CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN

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MOM AND DAD,  
YOUR PRINCESS CARLY ANN,  
CRAIG, CHELSEA, CHE', AND TINA



**In Loving Memory of Chad Lynn Yarborough**  
6/9/1983 - 10/23/2010

Chad, I know that you are at peace. It helps so much to set our hearts at ease. We loved you more than anyone could know, it hurt us so bad to have to let you go. But I know God knows what's best, that's why He put our baby to rest.

We cry and think of you every day, it just doesn't seem fair for God to take you away. I'm trying to find comfort in all of my grief and it does help knowing you've found great relief. For now you are free from all suffering and pain, so our great loss, became your great gain.

But we know, Chad, you are safe in God's land above, where there is nothing but peace and love. We know that some day we all have to die, it makes us so happy, knowing you'll be waiting for us in the sky.



**In Loving Memory of Chad Lynn Yarborough**  
6/9/1983 - 10/23/2010

Our life changed that day we found out you were there. Beginning your life, so small unaware. What would you be like? Would we know what to do, would we be good parents and take care of you?

We prayed only good things would happen for you, that you'd be successful in all that you do. You would find happiness, love and respect. A life rich and full without any regrets.

But life was stopped short, it was your time to leave. The angels arrived, but in our hearts we believe you're safe and secure without worry or care. Know your family's protected, we will always be there.

Chad, your life was a challenge, yet we knew you'd be great. Every night we thanked God that He could create someone so special. Like there was no other. We'll love you forever...

YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER,  
LYNN AND TAMI

**Fall fellowship**

First Community Holiness Church will be having a night for fall fellowship on Monday, October 31 at 6:30 pm on the corner of CR 229 and King Street in Sanderson.

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**Annual Raiford fall festival**

Kristie Fletcher (above, left) of Raiford Road Church helps eager kids negotiate the jar toss game, one of many booths at the church's annual fall festival. This year's event drew hundreds to the festival, billed as the church's gift to the community at the start of the fall season. The event is geared toward families, so people bring their kids for an afternoon that features lots of food, from corn dogs and french fries to freshly fried batches of pork rinds in three different flavors. Visitors get to eat and play games all afternoon for free. Other attractions were bounce houses and a cake walk. Church members bake or donate dozens and dozens of cakes for the cake walk, which was enjoyed by children and adults alike. "It's safe, it's fun and it's all free," said one visitor who attends the event each year. Church member Cathy Mendolera attributed the large attendance in part to the country's current economic climate. "I think this is the largest festival crowd to date. So many people have lost their jobs. They can come here for an afternoon of family fun and don't have to worry about anything, at least for a little while," she said.

**Common sense tips for a safe Halloween**

The Baker County Sheriffs Offices reminds everyone that Halloween is one of the most enjoyable days of the year for children, but parents should be aware of the potential risks that can affect children who are not supervised properly. Trick-or-treaters should always have adult supervision, even if they are traveling in a group of friends, to ensure the only scary experiences children have are those associated with the spirit of Halloween. The following recommendations are for parents and guardians:

An adult should always examine Halloween treats before children eat them. Never eat open or unwrapped Halloween foods.

Costumes should be flame-retardant and should allow children to walk freely without tripping. Children's ability to see, hear and move should not be impaired by unwieldy masks.

Make certain any face paint or make-up used on skin or costumes is non-toxic.

Extra care should be taken on streets and at crossings, especially at dusk and after dark.

Children should carry a flashlight and wear reflective or bright colored clothing at night.

Emergency identification information should be placed discreetly inside clothing of small children, in case of accidental separation.

Avoid having children wear their names outwardly on clothing or jewelry which may allow a stranger to call them by name and appear known to them.

As always, children should be cautioned to avoid strangers, as well as poorly-lit areas and homes of people they do not know.

Halloween treats should only be consumed if they are packaged appropriately. Parents can help protect their children by making sure treats are wrapped in their original, unbroken packages.



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Weeks - Odom

**To wed November 5**

Nora Odom of Macclenny is pleased to announce the marriage of son Timothy Weeks to Vanity Odom, both also of Macclenny.

The wedding will take place November 5, 2011 at 2 pm at United Christian Church.

**Heartfelt thanks**

I would like to thank everyone who made the Movie in the Park a success. First and foremost our sponsors without whom this event would not have been possible: Larry Burkins of Burkins Chevrolet, Andy Johnston Badcock Furniture & More, Dr. James Cardozo of Baker Chiropractic, Joel Barber of Gibson McDonald, Kerry Dunlavy of the Baker County Health Department, Gerald Dopson City of Macclenny. I would also like to thank all of our vendors for providing wonderful treats. A special thanks to the following individuals who went above and beyond to bring this event to fruition; Terrenia Staier whose vision and hard work led to this great event, Amy Johnson who did so much I can't list it here, Kimberly Terry, Roger Yarborough to whom I must say "You are the Man" — thank you for everything you did and your coaching along the way. Bob Burkins, thank you for your advice, time and encouragement. Thank you to Sheriff Joey Dobson for the patrol officers. To Deputy Darrell Mobley who voluntarily gave us the safety of a police presence and helped see the event to the end even loaded equipment. Thank you to Ansley Moore for sharing her 8<sup>th</sup> birthday with us at the Movie in the Park. Thank you to everyone who came out to brave the cold and watch the movie. Thank you to the Baker County Chamber of Commerce and *The Baker County Press* for helping to get the word out. I hope I have not omitted anyone if so I apologize. We are truly blessed to live in a community with such wonderful people who care so deeply about the people of Baker County. Again thank you everyone and God bless each of you.

Matt Burger

**Seeks photos of our veterans**

The BCHS Drama Department and Baker County Community Theatre are doing a Veteran's Day show called A Star-Spangled Salute Nov. 10-13 and need photos of our local heroes.

They want photos of service men and women from the World War II era through the present to include in a slide show as part of the production.

Please email your photos to: [bgerard@baker.k12.fl.us](mailto:bgerard@baker.k12.fl.us) and they will be used as part of the production. Also, men and women who have served in the military will be recognized during the show.

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**Werewolves, prom queens on Keller dance floor**

The gym at Keller Intermediate School was shaking the evening of October 21 when fourth and fifth graders wearing festive Halloween costumes danced to catchy tunes and ate as much pizza, candy and drinks as they could hold. The dance was Keller's way of rewarding students who haven't had a referral to the office or incurred any lunchroom debt. Teachers also got into the Halloween spirit by dressing up. Tina Davis, who teaches physical education, gave it her all serving as the master of ceremonies and dancing with the students. She later announced the winners of the Halloween costume contest as well. They were (from left) Colby Kennedy, Funniest Costume; Hallie Kilgore, Most Creative; Myles Morrison, Prom Queen; Trace Kemp, Prom Queen; Joel Griffith, Scariest and Aaron Starling, Prom Queen.



Adler Jameson Byrd

**Baby Brother Arrives!**

Dawson, Ansley, and Ireland Byrd are proud to announce the birth of their brother Adler Jameson Byrd. Adler was born September 9, 2011 at Baylor Regional Medical Center at Grapevine. He weighed 9 lbs., 5 oz. and measured 21 inches long.

Proud parents are David and Debbie Byrd of Dallas, Texas. Maternal grandparents are Jim and Kathy Combs of Macclenny. Paternal grandparents are Dan and Edie Byrd of Glen St. Mary.

Maternal great-grandparents are Maxie and Norma Combs of Jacksonville, Lena Burnsed of Lake City and the late Charles Burnsed of Macclenny. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Jennings and Edna Byrd of Jacksonville and the late David and Frankie Walden of Glen St. Mary.

**Foundation offers grants to boost healthcare access**

The nonprofit Riverside Hospital Foundation is seeking grant proposals to award up to \$75,000 annually for up to three years to fund programs that increase access to health care in Baker and four neighboring Northeast Florida counties.

The legacy foundation was established with proceeds from the sale of the former Riverside Hospital to St. Vincent's Healthcare in 1991.

Today, the foundation seeks to keep the mission of the hospital alive by supporting the region's medically-related nonprofit organizations.

To be considered for the grant, programs should be measurable, able to be replicated and self-sustaining in the future, and be focused on increasing healthcare access in one or more of the five counties in Northeast Florida.

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*Miss Jamie Elise Davis weds Mr. Randall James Crawford*

The wedding of Jamie Elise Davis and Randall James Crawford took place on October 8 at Christian Fellowship Temple with Pastor David Thomas officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Warren and Leigh Davis Jr. of Macclenny. The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. James and Patricia Yeomans of Macclenny.



Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a strapless beaded gown by designer Maggie Sottero and her mothers' veil. The mother-of-the-bride wore a floor length navy gown. The grooms mother wore a floor length champagne beaded gown. Attendants to the bride were Maid of Honor and sister of the bride, Laurel Elizabeth Davis, Jennifer Mann, Ashley Bennett, Lacey Combs and Heather Yukna. The brides' attendants wore strapless yellow chiffon knee length dresses. Attendants to the groom were Best Man and brother of the groom Brandon Wade Crawford, Jason Walker, father of the groom James Yeomans, Andrew Thompson and Daniel Wilbanks. The groom's attendants wore chocolate brown tuxes and yellow vests.

The church was adorned in fall colored lilies and assorted flowers put together by Mrs. Bert Combs. Piano music was performed by Kindall Crummey. Following the ceremony the brides' parents hosted a reception in the fellowship hall of the church. The groom's parents hosted the wedding rehearsal and dinner the evening before at Calendars Restaurant in Macclenny.

After a honeymoon cruise to Haiti, Jamaica and Cozumel, the couple will reside in Macclenny where Randall owns and operates two businesses, Souther Accounting and Tax Bureau and Souther Fumigation and Pest Control. Elise will continue to work at Ed Fraser Hospital.

**Candy needed**

W. Frank Wells Nursing Home will have its trick-or-treat night on October 31 from 6-8 pm. All children are welcome to come and enjoy this event with us.

Donations of candy are sought; please deliver to the nursing home.

**School Lunch MENU**

October 31 - November 4

Offered everyday:  
Cold lunch plate of chef salad with wheat roll or crackers and dessert (when offered) 1% lowfat white milk, 1/2% lowfat flavored milk, orange juice.

Monday, October 31

**Breakfast:** Toasted cheese sandwich, apple juice, milk

**Lunch:** Sloppy Joe on Bun or Baked chicken nuggets with a homemade roll. Choice of 2 sides: steamed green beans, whipped potatoes with gravy, chilled pears, milk choice.

Tuesday, November 1

**Breakfast:** Turkey sausage pancake wrap, orange/pineapple juice, milk

**Lunch:** Golden corn dog or ham with macaroni and cheese with homemade whole grain roll. Choice of 2 sides: baked beans, crispy cole slaw, chilled peaches with a school made cookie, milk choice.

Wednesday, November 2

**Breakfast:** Breakfast sausage pizza, tropical fruit juice, milk

**Lunch:** BBQ ribbette on a bun or baked lasagna with a slice of homemade Italian bread. Choice of 2 sides: Garden salad with dressing, garden green peas, seasonal fresh fruit and fruit cobbler, milk choice.

Thursday, November 3

**Breakfast:** Ultimate breakfast round, pineapple juice, milk.

**Lunch:** Slice of pepperoni pizza or chicken noodle soup with a homemade whole grain roll. Choice of 2 sides: tossed salad with dressing, mixed vegetables, peach cup, milk choice

Friday, November 4

**Breakfast:** Enriched cereal with slice of toast, orange juice, milk

**Lunch:** Breaded chicken patty on a bun or chicken fajitas on a corn tortillas. Choice of 2 sides: sweet potato rounds, lettuce and tomato slice, seasonal fresh fruit with fruit crisp, milk choice.

**Library food drive**

The Emily Taber Library is sponsoring a food drive October 31 - November 5 to help patrons get rid of overdue library fines. Donate one non-perishable item for every \$1 owed in overdue fines. Collected food will be donated to The Samaritan House Food Bank. Food items will be accepted in lieu of overdue fines only.

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## \$6K grant to protect BCSO deputies

Sheriff Joey Dobson (above center) accepted a \$6000 grant check the morning of October 21 from the DuPont Community Fund, a more than \$2 million philanthropic program of the international mining company E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company to address community sustainability in the areas of social progress, economic success and environmental excellence. The grant will be used to purchase armored vests for officers. The grant application was submitted by operation employees of DuPont Florida, two of which are pictured with Sheriff Dobson above. From left is David Wright, safety, health and environmental manager, and Morris Paige, maintenance manager and a life-long Baker County resident. "These officers place everything on the line when they go to work each day," said DuPont Florida plant manager David Podemyer in a press release issued October 14. "We value our partnership with the Baker County Sheriff's Office and the services their deputies provide in making our community a safe place to work and live."

## Head Start fetes fall with carnival

Parents and children in the Episcopal Children's Services Head Start and Early Head Start programs in Macclenny celebrated the start of fall October 21 with a mini-carnival of games and prizes at the program's center on 8th Street near Keller Intermediate School. Many kids, including 3-year-old David Kearns, shown below, hopped towards stuffed animals in sack races or made their way through a cardboard box maze like T.J. Lunsford, shown below right with his father Randy Lunsford and Mykell Thorpe. Others took turns sitting atop Paint, a very calm horse brought in by Terrell Register (pictured at far right). Alongside Paint is Ann Alford holding Landon Lee, 5. Matthew Weston, 4, is riding the horse. There were 20 games in all and plenty of time before lunch to romp on new playground equipment added last year along with a new building to expand the program. The new additions were funded from a two-year, roughly \$3 million federal grant to Episcopal Children's Services to grow Head Start and Early Head Start here and in other Northeast Florida counties.

PHOTOS BY JOEL ADDINGTON



## FFA plant sale

The Future Farmers of America chapter at Baker High is selling a variety of fall plants to help raise money for activities.

Trays of 72 vegetable plants and 48 flowering plants will be on sale.

Vegetable varieties include: mustard greens, cauliflower, broccoli, copenhagen cabbage, red, pink, and white cabbage, cabbage collards, Georgia collards, red kale, purple turnips, and early jersey waterfield cabbage.

Flower varieties include: petunia dream mix, petunia hybrid dream mix, red petunias, and snapdragons.

Come out and support your local agricultural students.

Plants will be on sale at the high school agriculture department from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

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## October Yard of the Month

The Garden Club of Baker County has voted the yard of Chris and Lisa Milton, residents of the Copper Creek subdivision, as the 2011 October Yard of the Month. The young couple acquired their home six months ago and have spent the time transforming a yard neglected for two years into the current welcoming expanse of green lawn, shrubs and seasonal fall flowers. The yard also features fall harvest decorations. The Miltons plan to re-sod their yard in the spring and add additional trees. "The Miltons have made a notable contribution to the landscape of Copper Creek," said Dr. Kyle Brown, a retired horticulturist from Glen St. Mary and active member of the garden club. For information about the "Yard of the Month" or to nominate a yard please contact The Garden Club of Baker County at 259-2754 or 318-9510.

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## Rice takes third place in Yulee

The Wildcat cross country team finished third at a meet in Yulee on October 13. Ezra Rice led the way for the Cats finishing third overall with a time of 21:35.

Cody Reeves collected a ninth place finish in the meet with a time of 22:47. Josh Colon got a personal best with a 15th place finish in 28:50. Branden Callen finished seventeenth in 32:28.

Jenna Reeves took second in 27:29, Catherine Davis sixth in 30:07 and Sidney Williford finished eighth in 31:56.

The Cats are at home on October 20 at 4:30 pm.



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## 2011 BCHS homecoming court

On the 2011 Baker County High School homecoming court (pictured from left) are Desiree Reed, Hannah Dopson, Katie Lewis, Hannah Trippett, Savanna Jones, Autumn Jackson, Kimberly Lipnick, Chelsey Ruise, Tianna Mitchell, Hailey Baldwin, Emilee McGlothlin, Lauren Rice, Ashleigh Rafuse, Jena Sands, Kayla Jeffes, Logan Nevill, Jordan Perry, Faith Finley, Joslyn Brown, Logan Raulerson, Sarynna Zastrow, Morgan McDuffie and Brittani Sapp. The homecoming parade will be October 27 at 5 pm on US 90 through downtown Macclenny with the "Cat Growl" pep rally at Memorial Stadium to follow. The parade will begin on 4th Street and head west three blocks before turning north toward the stadium at 7th Street. The homecoming king and queen will be announced at half-time of the Bedford Forrest football game October 28.

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## Still in race for district

The Baker High Wildcats had another record-breaking Friday night with the most ever touchdown passes and receptions on the way to a 61-0 victory over Terry Parker. Here's a look at how the opposition did this weekend.

✓ There were two big games last weekend. The Bishop Kenny Crusaders did the Wildcats a favor by defeating the Clay County Blue Devils 56-35. Sophomore sensation John Wolford threw eight touchdown passes as the Crusaders handed the Devils their second district loss. The loss gave the Cats a shot at the crown if they can win their remaining district games.

✓ The Raines Vikings owe Coach Ryan Sulkowski a nice fruit basket. They followed the Wildcat game plan and beat Bolles 26-21. It was the first district loss for the Bulldogs since 1992.

✓ Forrest, the Cats' next district foe, defeated Paxon 14-10. ✓ Bradford was handed its second straight loss with a heart-breaking 19-18 drop to Keystone Heights. The Tornadoes are 5-2 on the season.

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## Another record-breaker for BCHS

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Last Friday's football game was an important one for the Baker High Wildcats. Not only were they on the road facing district foe Terry Parker, but down the road Bishop Kenny faced off against Clay County in a game that could go a long way to deciding the playoff picture.

It couldn't have worked out better for the Cats. They turned in a complete offensive and defensive game and shut out the Braves 61-0 in another record-breaking night. They also got a hand from the Crusaders, who pummeled the Clay Blue Devils 56-35.

It was an almost perfect night for the Cats and Coach Ryan Sulkowski was prepared to pull out all the stops to get the district win.

That was evident on the first play of the game, when, instead of kicking deep to the Braves, the Cats tried what Bobby Bowden would have fondly called "trickeration." They shocked the Braves by opening with an on-side kick. The Cats got the ball and marched down the short field on a drive that ended in a 2-yard Thomas Sirk plunge. Roland Gaskins kicked the PAT and the Cats were up 7-0 before a lot of fans could take their seats.

Defensively, the Cats completely shut down the Braves. Nothing worked for Terry Parker as the defensive line clogged the middle, the linebackers harassed the quarterback and the defensive backs wore the receivers like a glove. It was three and out for Parker and the Cats got the ball back ready to go again.

Signal caller Sirk quickly found Malone Hadley on a 40-yard completion down to the 9-yard line. On the next play he connected with Kendrick Singleton on the first of his four touchdown passes that broke a long-standing school record three. Just like that it was 14-0.

Then, just like that, it was 21-0. BCHS got the ball off another three and out and Sirk dumped a short out pass to Singleton. The fleet receiver did the rest, turning on the jets to beat the defenders for a 75-yard touchdown run.

BCHS got the ball back quickly after Parker tried a little trickeration of its own, faking a punt and trying to pass for a first down. But the ball fell short and the Wildcats set up shop on the Parker 42.

Sirk, who was on target all night on the way to a record breaking six touchdown passes, found Roland Gaskins, who bobbed the ball, tipping it up to himself and making a circus catch over the shoulder before running in for a 30-yard score to put BCHS up 27-0.

With the game quickly slipping out of reach, Parker began to make some questionable defensive plays. While Sirk did the kickoff, a Parker defender went head-



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Above, Roland Gaskins stretches for a one-handed catch near the goal line during the Wildcats record-breaking shutout win against Terry Parker last Friday. At right, No. 4 Roland Gaskins and No. 5 Malone Hadley during a tackle. Also pictured from the Wildcats defense are Jared Lee, No. 22, and Kyle Alexander. The Wildcats will take on Bedford Forrest at home for homecoming October 28. The homecoming parade is October 27 through downtown Macclenny and starts at 5 pm.



hunting. He went 15 yards out of his way to take a shot at the quarterback and got a pair of 15 yard penalties for his efforts.

Parker was pinned deep in its end of the field and when the defense again turned in a stellar

effort, the Braves gave the Wildcats good field position and they capitalized yet again.

Sirk hit Brandon Miller at the 42 and Falon Lee, who ran the ball well all night, drove to the Parker 9-yard line on three plays. Sirk tossed the ball off to Singleton for the score and BCHS had put the game out of reach at 34-0.

Singleton wasn't through. He intercepted a Terry Parker pass to give the Wildcats the ball in Braves territory at the 30-yard line. The drive appeared the stall but Sulkowski again channeled Bobby Bowden and Sirk hit Jared Lee for the first down on a fake punt.

Two passes to Singleton put BCHS in the red zone at the 16 and a play later Sirk hit Malone Hadley in the corner of the end zone, breaking the single game touchdown pass record with his fifth strike to give BCHS a 41-0 lead.

Elijah Lee put a towering sack on the Parker quarterback to snuff another drive in the third period and it didn't take Sirk and Singleton long to pad their records a little more with another touchdown.

At that point, Sulkowski benched his quarterback and put Cory Lawler behind center. But it was much of the same, with Lawler finding Hadley for yet another score.

The final Wildcat touchdown came after a Kyle Alexander inter-

ception deep in Parker territory. The Cats drove into the red zone and Lawler ran it in for the score.

Sirk finished 16 for 19 with 300 yards passing, six passing and one rushing touchdown. Singleton had eight catches for 191 yards and four touchdowns. Falon Lee had 18 carries for 120 yards rushing.

Defensively, Jared Lee led the way with nine tackles. Elijah Lee had another outstanding game at defensive end with 3.5 sacks.

The offensive line of Terry Givens, Jordan Parker, Braden Gray, Blake Mills and Jon Kinney did another stellar job of protecting Sirk and opening holes for Lee.

"I challenged them pretty hard over the summer," said Sulkowski. "They stepped up to the challenge. Thomas has thrown the ball 150-plus times and they've only allowed six sacks."

The win and subsequent Clay loss means that if BCHS can beat 4-4 Forrest on October 28 at Homecoming and Bishop Kenny at Memorial Stadium the next week, the district title is theirs.

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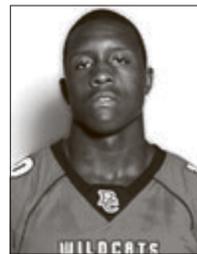
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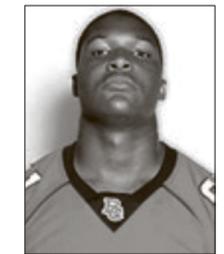
#### Kendrick Singleton

Kendrick Singleton tied a Wildcat record with three touchdown catches in the game against Terry Parker and helped the Wildcat offense earn 61 points.



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#### Unsung Hero of the Week #7



#### Elijah Lee

Elijah Lee continued his stellar play on the defensive line. Lee disrupted the Terry Parker offense all night and helped the Wildcat defense preserve a shutout!



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## Coach: keeping focus critical this week

Coach Ryan Sulkowski should have been thrilled Friday, and not just because of the record-breaking results of his 61-0 shutout of Terry Parker.

All the stars and planets must have been aligned properly. Not only did the Cats spank the Parker Braves, but the Bishop Kenny Crusaders broke open a close game and beat the Clay County Blue Devils 56-35.

Had Clay been able to stop the offensive juggernaut that is sophomore sensation John Wolford, it would have put the Wildcats into a tricky position with three teams at one district loss each. Even if BCHS won out, they would have

faced a playoff. In this scenario, if the Cats can beat Forrest this week and Bishop Kenny on November 4, they will be the district champions.

But winning out is still the pre-requisite to a trip to the playoffs in Sulkowski's second year as coach. The Cats host Forrest this week in a Homecoming game and that presents its own set of problems.

It's a must-win game for BCHS but homecoming games can be tricky. There are so many distractions, halftime activities run long and it can split a team's focus.

"I'm the only one who gets

to look ahead to Kenny," said Sulkowski. "These guys know what they're up against, they have to focus on their jobs."

One of their jobs will be stopping Forrest's quarterback. Like Kenny and Baker County, Forrest has a talented quarterback running the Rebels' locomotive. Eric Stokes is a versatile athlete — very quick and an effective runner. He also has good arm and a go-to receiver in Tyrell Mitchell.

Stokes has had to scramble a lot more than he would like. His offensive line has not given him a lot of protection and so he has had to use his legs.

When the offensive line is

able to operate it can open some holes. Jordan Mixson is their top runner, but Devante Fudge and Daquan Johnson have also had some effective carries.

The Rebels have suffered from mental errors, too, including 18 penalties against the Raines Vikings.

The Rebels are 4-4 and like the Wildcats have one district loss. They would like nothing better than to put themselves in the driver's seat for a playoff spot at the expense of a distracted BCHS.

Sulkowski is just as determined not to let that happen.

## Ladies cap season with two wins

The Lady Wildcat volleyball team won a pair of games this past week to wrap up its season with an outstanding 13-4 record. The girls host the district volleyball tournament this week.

BCHS hosted Suwannee County and beat the Lady Bulldogs 3-0, 25-14, 25-16, and 25-19 on Senior Night October 18. Caitlin Smith and Chelsey Ruise both had 9 kills and a .500 hit percentage. Logan Raulerson had 22 assists and Kallie Raulerson had 7 digs.

The Lady Wildcats honored seniors Caitlin Smith, Stephanie Collett, Chelsey Ruise, Taylor Jones, Logan Raulerson, Kallie Raulerson and Tori Paulson. The JV won 2-0, 15-5 and 15-

18. The Cats defeated Bishop Snyder on the road Thursday, October 20. The Cats won 3-0, 25-22, 25-14, 25-23. Cati Frazee led the defense with 9 digs and Caitlin Smith had 5 blocks. Mallory

Osteen had 5 aces. Smith and Brooke Robertson both had 9 kills and hit over .800 on an outstanding offensive night. Raulerson had 29 assists.

The JV won 2-0, 25-20, 25-17 and finished its season 12-16.

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