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Sentence disparity in similar sex cases

Criminal cases arising from sexual activity with minors are unfortunately not uncommon in Baker County.

The victims are female and the defendants male in the vast majority of cases, and the accused vary in age from teenagers up through middle age and above.

Three such cases found their way onto the circuit court docket in recent weeks — all involving then minor age males having sex with girls. Two of the girls were 13 years of age and the third 14.

The cases have common elements, and the law takes a dim view of sexual predators of all ages, particularly when victims are so young. Florida has stiffer penalties for molesting children under 16 because the law presumes they are not capable of giving consent.

Despite the similarities, the sentences handed down in each of these cases differ significantly.

• Joshua McCoy, now 18 but a minor when he was arrested for having sex with a 13-year-old 7th grader at Baker County Middle School, pleaded no contest on October 23 to twin counts of aggravated assault with intent to commit a felony.



Joshua McCoy

Judge Phyllis Rosier sentenced him to five years in prison, followed by a similar term on probation. Mr. McCoy, then a junior at BCHS who had moved to the Sanderson area from Augusta, GA three months before the incident in January of this year, has no prior criminal past.

A pre-sentence investigation by the state came up with two recommendations the judge ignored: two years in a youthful offender prison or four years on sexual offender probation.

• Ray Charles Cooley III, 19, of Macclenny pleaded on October 18 to a single count of aggravated assault with intent to commit a felony and was

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City zoning board OKs new Italian eatery with karaoke

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Teen held captive on pot farm

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County deputies went to the Crews Road residence of Troy Edward Howell the afternoon of October 25 on a tip he was growing pot and abusing a niece and nephews. What they found were indications of multiple felonies including kidnapping, torture, child abuse and marijuana production.

Mr. Howell gained custody of two boys, ages 18 and 15, and their sister, age 13, after the children's grandfather died.

They lived with Mr. Howell at 18831 Crews Rd. north of Glen St. Mary for more than two years enduring physical and mental abuse at the hands of their uncle, according to statements made to investigators by the children and included police reports.

Chuck Brannan, the sheriff's chief investigator, said Mr. Howell, 29, and the youths occupied a mobile home near a second trailer



PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON
Troy Howell at first appearance.

used for cultivating and processing marijuana.

The 18-year-old was kept locked in his bedroom for hours on end with a door bell mounted to the wall so he could alert Mr. Howell for food or to use the bathroom, the investigator said.

The victim told investigators he was a student at Baker County High School until this year and was often restrained by a thick chain attached through the floor to the trailer's axle, sheriff's records state.

The teen was not chained up when officers arrived.

"He just walked outside and talked to us with [Mr. Howell]," said Inv. Brannan.

The youth initially said nothing was wrong,

but soon told officers he was scared and that his uncle had kept him chained up, according to Deputy Tracie Benton's report.

The teen bore signs of abuse, including bruises on his head and torso and a swollen eye. According to police, he later said the suspect had beaten him with a PVC pipe, choked him by pulling the chain while it was around his neck and kept him chained up by the neck or ankle unless he was doing chores.

"At night time, he puts me in my room, closes the door and locks it," the 18-year-old was quoted as saying during a recorded interview with investigators.

He told them the abuse spanned a year to a year and a half.

The teen was taken to Fraser Hospital for treatment. The other siblings were placed in the custody of the Florida Department of Children and Families, who transferred custody to an aunt in Jacksonville.

Mr. Howell faces charges of battery, aggravated battery, aggravated child abuse, false imprisonment, child neglect and cultivation of marijuana.

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Fees for services system is proposed

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

County and municipal officials from Macclenny and Glen St. Mary are now working together on a plan to rely more on special assessments and less on property taxes to raise revenue to fund government services in an era of declining property taxes.

A workshop hosted by the Baker County Commission on the afternoon of November 1 concluded with all participants agreeing that assessment fees is an idea worth pursuing and that another meeting should be held in early December to continue the discussion.

Currently on the table is a proposed assessment for county wide emergency medical services, which would be added to two other existing assessments, one for fire protection and the other for solid waste disposal. Officials also are still considering a separate fee to help fund law enforcement.

Details yet to be worked out include how much the assessments should be, how increases should be determined, how much of an offset there should be on county property taxes paid by Macclenny residents and what exemptions may be made for the poor and elderly.

"I think this could be a pretty good journey moving forward," said County Manager C.J. Thompson as he set the stage for the workshop discussion after handing out a packet of papers containing data intended to support the assessment proposal.

The issue came to a head this summer after county commissioners faced a budget deficit and had to supplement the 2011-12 spending plan with \$2.2 million from reserves, money that is supposed to be used for emergencies, to offset a loss in tax revenue. The imbalance between expenditures and revenues will likely continue next year, officials said, but siphoning off reserve funds to fix deficits is no longer a viable option.

"The county must continue to reduce spending as well as address revenue deficiencies to remain fiscally solvent moving forward," Mr. Thompson said.

To illustrate his point, the county manager's handout included revenue and expenditure data from the Emergency Medical Services department showing plenty of red ink. For example, expenditures last year totaled \$1,243,006 but the department only generated \$869,652 in revenue.

"The most fair and equitable way to address the operating deficit is to levy a special assessment versus increasing ad valorem (property) taxes," the county manager said, adding

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PHOTOS BY JOEL ADDINGTON

Homecoming 2011

Baker County High School celebrated homecoming with the public the evening of October 27 with a parade through downtown Macclenny followed by the "Cat Growl" at Memorial Stadium. The junior class parade float (shown below), based on Michael Jackson's hit song and video "Thriller," won first place while the sophomores' float (above) took second place. At left (top) are homecoming queen and king, Jenna Sands and Kyle Ryan, during half-time of the homecoming game October 28. At left (bottom) is sophomore Andrew Goddard (in red) with junior Tim Plemmons. See more photos from homecoming on page 11 and video from the parade at www.bakercountypress.com.



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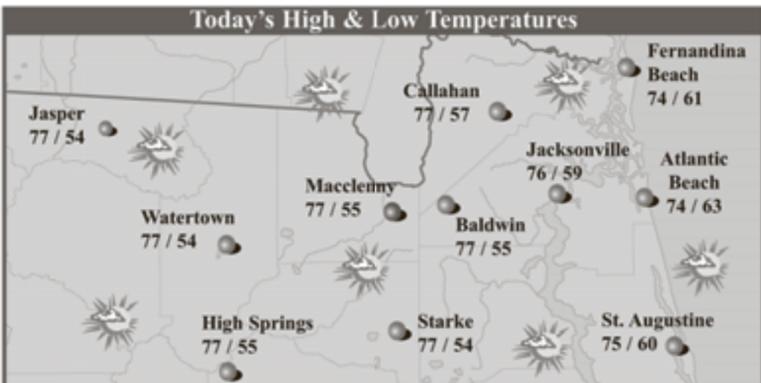
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	Friday Mostly Sunny High: 78 Low: 55
	Saturday Mostly Sunny High: 79 Low: 56
	Sunday Mostly Sunny High: 79 Low: 59
	Monday Mostly Sunny High: 81 Low: 63
	Tuesday Mostly Sunny High: 79 Low: 60
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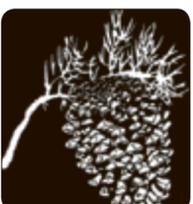
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Friday	7:45 a.m.	6:39 p.m.	
Saturday	7:45 a.m.	6:38 p.m.	
Sunday	6:46 a.m.	5:38 p.m.	
Monday	6:47 a.m.	5:37 p.m.	
Tuesday	6:48 a.m.	5:36 p.m.	
Wednesday	6:49 a.m.	5:36 p.m.	

Last Week's Local Almanac				
Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Tue, 10/25	77	41	79/58	0.00"
Wed, 10/26	77	59	79/57	0.00"
Thu, 10/27	82	55	79/57	0.00"
Fri, 10/28	79	63	78/57	0.00"
Sat, 10/29	68	50	78/57	0.57"
Sun, 10/30	68	46	78/56	0.00"
Mon, 10/31	73	54	78/56	0.22"

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Thu	6:19-8:19	5:49-7:49
Fri	7:01-9:01	6:31-8:31
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Service fees proposed...

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 that state law gives the county the authority to implement such an assessment unilaterally but the county desires a partnership with Macclenny and Glen St. Mary to make it happen.
 Assessment fees would be uniform. All property owners would pay the same amount, regardless of property values. The current property tax system has built-in inequities, Mr. Thompson said, using data obtained from the property appraiser's office to illustrate his point.
 In one scenario, two neighboring homes roughly the same size and age had significantly different taxable values and county tax bills. One had a taxable value of \$29,363 and a \$209.93 county tax bill, compared with a \$57,743 for the other residence and a bill of \$412.83.
 In another example, a 2,557-square-foot home built in 2005 had a taxable value of \$145,687 and a county tax bill of \$1,041.59, while a 2,689 square foot house next door built in 2006 had a value of \$102,553 and a \$733.20 bill.
 Plausible explanations exist for the differences, Mr. Thompson said, including Florida's Save Our Homes law that places strict limits on annual taxable value increases on homesteaded properties. Another explanation could be that the owner of one home qualified for a \$100,000 homestead exemption because of age or disability while their next door neighbor did not.
 A key argument that pro-assessment advocates have made is that an assessment on every parcel would require all property owners to pay something for public services. Today many homeowners pay no taxes at all.
 Mr. Thompson said there are 9,023 buildings on the county tax

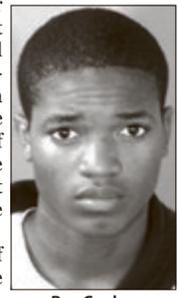
rolls presently, excluding churches and government buildings, but about 1,300 properties in the county have no taxable value.
 After the meeting, he estimated that nearly 12 percent of all privately-owned properties in Baker County have taxable values of zero.
 Macclenny city officials expressed cautious optimism about the assessment plan, saying they could support it if assurances are given that city taxpayers will receive a reduction in the county tax rate in exchange for the new fee.
 "I like the process you've developed," Macclenny Commissioner Phil Rhoden said. "It spreads the pain equally. But city taxpayers are county taxpayers, too, and we don't require all the services that county taxpayers do. I'm already paying my fair share for services not rendered."
 For example, Mr. Rhoden said, the city has a fire department and provides garbage and trash pickup, so municipal residents don't need the county's volunteer fire service nor its dumps.
 Until a "fair tax rate" is determined for Macclenny residents, he said he can't support the proposed assessment plan.
 Macclenny Commissioner Vernon Bennett wasn't willing to give his total commitment just yet, either.
 "It's a well thought out plan but I couldn't vote for it today," Mr. Bennett said. "What I really like about it is you get people involved with assessments that don't pay any taxes."
 After the workshop ended about 4:40 pm, the county commission took a 20-minute recess before moving into a regular meeting schedule, during which the board:
 • Scheduled a public hearing for 6 pm on November 21 to con-

sider a request to subdivide two 10-acre parcels, the Deer Creek and Forest Acres subdivisions, on Claude Harvey Road in West Glen Estates north of Glen St. Mary.
 The petitioner, KRC Property, is requesting a rezoning to permit development of 10 one-acre homesites on each 10-acre parcel. Current zoning allows one dwelling per 10 acres. Planning staff has reviewed the plans and recommends approval.
 • Adopted a proclamation declaring the month of November Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month. The proclamation states that an estimated 44,030 people in the US will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer by the end of this year and 37,660, including 2,610 in Florida, will die from the disease, the fourth leading cause of cancer deaths.
 The proclamation also states that by the time pancreatic cancer is detected the disease has progressed so much that most patients die within the first year and nearly all are dead within five years. There is no cure for pancreatic cancer and there have been no significant improvements in the survival rates in the past 40 years.

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Sentence disparity...

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 sentenced by the same judge to 364 days in county jail followed by three years on probation. He must also undergo psychosexual counseling.
 Mr. Cooley, also a BCHS student, was arrested for committing a sex act with a 14-year-old girl in an abandoned trailer near Sanderson in March of this year. He has a prior record of burglary and the state dropped a petty theft charge as part of the plea agreement.
 As in the case of Mr. McCoy, the state originally filed charges of lewd and lascivious molestation, which carries a more severe penalty of up to 15 years in prison, but later downgraded them to aggravated assault with a maximum of 10 years per count.
 Last week the court set a November 22 sentencing date in the case of Aaron Wayne Taylor, 22, for violating probation in a 2009 case where he was charged with repeatedly having sex with a 13-year-old, the sister of a friend.
 Mr. Taylor, of Glen St. Mary, was given five years of probation in June of that year for the offense that occurred between March and May of 2008.
 Court records show the state violated his probation for missing seven sessions of psychosexual counseling as ordered by the court. He also told his probation officer he was not seeking employment, another provision.
 Why the disparity in sentences?
 Assistant state attorney Ralph Yazdiya said it's a matter of dif-



Ray Cooley

fering circumstances from case to case.
 Sometimes that means the family of a victim is content with probation instead of jail or prison, as in the case of Mr. Taylor after it was learned that the baby born to the girl in December, 2008 was not his.
 In the case of Mr. McCoy, the prosecutor said, the victim's family sought the five-year sentence, half of what Mr. Yazdiya said the defendant could have received for the two counts. On the other hand, his sentence guideline score was 19-20 months.
 "He [Mr. McCoy] didn't fit the profile of a sexual offender, so I wanted to be consistent with other cases and drop the lewd and lascivious to aggravated battery. I've done that before," explained the prosecutor.
 Rodney Gregory, a Jacksonville attorney who defended Mr. McCoy, declined comment this week on the relatively harsh sentence, explaining he was exploring ways to re-address it before Judge Rosier.
 His client, according to court records, aspires to be a musician and played in a church musical group in Augusta, where his family still resides. In addition to his clean criminal record, he had no academic or disciplinary problems during the short time he was enrolled at BCHS.

Vehicles dragged off tract

Two vehicles were apparently dragged from their parking place beside a shed off Sandsdale Road northwest of Macclenny sometime between September 16 and October 29.
 Property owner Boynton Crockett called police when he discovered his 1972 Ford pickup had been taken, as had a Toyota of unknown year that belongs to Donald Abram, who lives in Alabama. Both were in inoperable condition and had only scrap value.
 Deputy Daryl Mobley found signs on the ground that the vehicles were pulled out of a concealed area near the shed. The value of both vehicles was placed at \$600.
 • A CD player valued at \$400 was taken October 28 from a parked 1998 Chevrolet pickup belonging to Marice Ruise and parked on Ruise Lane in Margaretta.
 The owner's girlfriend Abby Vonk told Deputy Daniel Nichols the theft occurred between midnight and 10 am. The owner is working out of town and the vehicle has been parked there about two months.
 • The driver's side seat on a 1998 Chevrolet pickup was burned while the vehicle was parked outside the residence of Alicia Andrews on Frank Combs Circle in the north county overnight on October 29.
 A neighbor told Deputy Nichols she heard commotion outside the address about 9:30 that evening.

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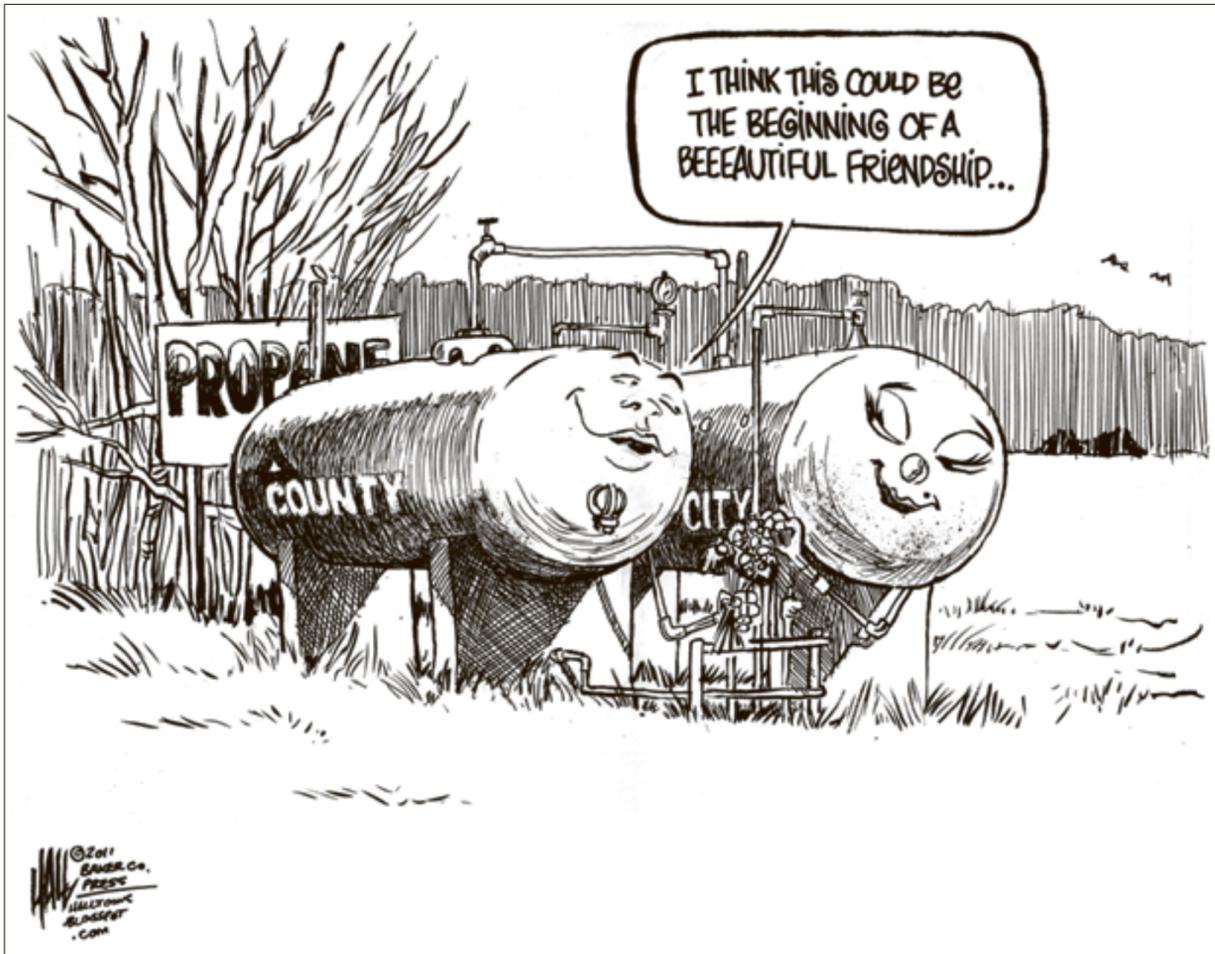
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----- **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR** -----

CR 229 school bus stop is a 'blind curve' danger

Dear Editor:

In response to last week's article regarding parents' responsibility at bus stops, I agree they should ensure their children make the bus stop in a safe and timely manner. Do I agree that the parents are solely responsible for their safety? No!

As a grandparent and taxpayer, I've voiced my concerns on more than one occasion to Commissioner Mike Crews and Superintendent of Schools Sherrie Raulerson regarding what I believe to be one of the most dangerous bus stops in the county. I believe they both realize this stop may not be in the best interest of our children.

It's at CR 229 North and Hid Dugger Road, where approximately two dozen parents must drive their children to the stop where the dirt road meets CR 229.

Not more than a half mile to the south is a "blind curve" where logging trucks are constantly entering and exiting onto CR 229, not to mention the ongoing traffic north and south of the stop.

The article quoted Mr. Jacobs, the school district's transportation director, as saying the "operating budget is the major constraint" when mapping bus stops and "the first thing determined is if the route is along safe roads."

Apparently, this doesn't apply to this particularly stop.

Since when did we stop considering the precious lives and safety of our children in lieu of "budget constraints?"

We're not talking about the life of one child (which would be one too many); we're talking about a dozen or more whose lives are at risk on these dark and foggy mornings when they're forced to cross CR 229 in the face of ongoing traffic where it may be too late to stop.

There are no lights, no crossing guards, no law enforcement there. However, the parents, grandparents and guardians of our children are there doing their best to ensure the safety of the children.

With the ongoing growth of our county, I believe it's time for everyone involved in the welfare of our children to review not only this bus stop but all stops to ensure the safety of our children.

Regina Berger
Macclenny

The ever-shrinking 'Wishbook'

You've got to be kidding me. This is it? This paltry little thing? After months of waiting and anticipating, I get *this* in the mail.

A travesty! I am talking about the new Sears Wishbook I just found hiding in my mailbox. *Hiding* in my mailbox. That about says it all.

When I was a kid checking the mailbox every day for the Sears Wishbook, there was no way it could hide. It was larger than the phone book and had hundreds of pages full of stuff I could only dream about.

After all, it was the Wishbook — the kids' toy Bible. It had everything you could possibly want. This anorexic version doesn't even deserve to be called the Wishbook. It's only a little over a hundred pages long. Where are the toys? It's all video games and tech stuff.

When I was 10 years old, late October meant two things — Halloween and the Wishbook. Forget raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens — Halloween and the Wishbook were my two favorite things.

They were neck and neck in importance. Halloween meant making costumes and free candy. The Wishbook was all about dreaming.

When it arrived, my sister and

I fought over who got it first. If she hadn't beaten me to it I would sprawl on the floor. Whatever was on television or on the radio was long forgotten, replaced by dreamland.

MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD

In the Wishbook, which was split neatly in half between the world of big people and little people, you could find the stuff dreams are made of. Lionel trains and Lincoln Logs and toy planes with machine guns that lit up red like they were really firing.

I pretty much ignored the big people section with clothes and watches and televisions and went straight to the toys.

I skipped all the little kid stuff and stuck my tongue out at Barbie and Ken and Midge or Madge or whatever her name was as I passed them by in all their pink and purple glory. For me it was all about steam shovels and toy soldiers and dinosaurs and rocket ships.

"Make a list," my mother said as she walked by.

She didn't have to ask twice. I was already making a mental list. Category one was the toys I might actually get — ones my parents could afford. Category two were the ones I could only dream about, like race car sets and bikes. Category three toys fell into that hazy area between category one and two — these were toys that

maybe my parents wouldn't get me but perhaps — just perhaps, my Grandma would chip in on.

I still remember some of toys from the Wishbook of old.

There was the full NASA space port with launching pad, rockets, trucks and bunkers. Way over there in category two.

G.I. Joe sat in a desert landscape, hunched behind plastic palm trees and sandbags. He was in full WW II Marine garb and firing a .50 caliber machine gun. Christmas day he arrived in my stocking with his machine gun but minus all the other stuff. I didn't care a lick. I had a backyard to hide him in.

I recall one particular category two present that, although I coveted it (sorry Moses), I knew I'd never receive — the 1965 James Bond race car set. You can still see it if you Google it. It had Bond's Aston Martin roadster

and cool stuff like an oil slick and chasms to jump. There's even a tribute video on YouTube. Alas. No James Bond.

But I was shocked and amazed one Christmas morning to discover a Lionel train set under the tree. My parents must have saved for months. I still have it, complete with a working milk car that dispensed milk containers, a log car and coal car that dumped their contents and a locomotive that blew smoke and had a whistle. It was as if the Sears Wishbook had come to life under the tree.

To this day looking through the Wishbook is a treasured part of my childhood. So many hours spent dreaming. But like so many things today I shake my head in anguish at what it's become.

Something to glance at once and throw in the trash.



Facebook fans

'What you had to say ...'

In honor of Halloween, we turned to Facebook last week to ask, "What's the scariest person, place or thing in Baker County?" Responses varied widely, from cemeteries to moms. Here's some of what our fans on Facebook had to say ...

Hanna Blue: "My mother, when she gets mad."

Dakota Carpenter: "The fact that *The Baker County Press* has nothing better to write about than delinquents and dead people."

Anna Bell: "It used to be the front of Scarborough's office."

Brent Michael Dennard: "Turner Cemetery. At night."

Lisa Curtiss: "I remember the Wildman in Taylor."

Pat Salter: "The juniors float in the homecoming parade! Very creative. Great job guys. Y'all were awesome!"

Lupe Campos: "One Man Cemetery. At night."

Christina Ladymasterchief Harris: "The lack of education in some areas."

Leslie Semones Cannon: "Walmart."

Jodie J. Lord: "Macedonia Cemetery at night!"

April Sheree Brogdon: "Hamp Register Road ... Real spooky at night!"

Wayne Stewart: "The hospital if I'm almost dead and trying to make it to Jacksonville."

Jason Knabb: "Quarter woman? Who remembers her from the 80s?"

Deb 'n Phil Cypert: "The traffic congestion in some neighborhoods on Halloween night. Hopefully, the sheriff's department will monitor this situation again this year. Have a safe and Happy Halloween!"

Marc Lyon: "If you ever drug the strip in the late 70s thru the 80s you knew 'the Quarter Woman.' She lived with her husband in Ms. Mae Brown's garage apartment on South Blvd. Her husband worked for *The Times-Union* servicing the newspaper boxes in Macclenny. She was a Macclenny icon! Ms. Quarter loved her newspapers as well as her drink. She kept a small wire in her bra that had several uses. She would go behind her husband on his paper route and pick the boxes and take all the newspapers, then she would stand at busy spots in town and sell the papers for a quarter. Lol!"

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Theresa L. Rhoden
Glen St. Mary

Spare the bear

Dear Editor:

As an animal lover, I believe compassion is the key whether they are as big as a bear or tiny as a chihuahua. They all deserve love.

To the FWC (Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission), was it really necessary to kill such a beautiful animal, knowing it hadn't hurt a soul? Yes, it could have very easily, but was it the bear's fault it wasn't monitored properly when it was relocated from Middleburg to Camp Blanding?

Do we really need to know what the consequences are of black bear and human interactions? Not safe, and not very smart.

It is possible to tranquilize an animal as big as a black bear. Why was it unsuccessful two weeks earlier? Why couldn't they try again? Why must you shoot an animal in the head that you let roam freely because of neglectful monitoring?

The bottom line is it's FWC's fault. I am very disappointed.

Natalie Giordano
Macclenny

A bad taste after burglary

Dear Editor:

Recently, I was out of town and my house was broken into and my television stolen. The door may or may not have been locked, and my son was inside asleep.

My son has a hearing deficiency so he did not hear the intruder. Though prudent, who expects someone to be afraid in their own home and always lock the door? After all, we live in Baker County!

Not only was I violated by the burglar who broke into my home, but I also feel violated by the police who insinuated either I had something to do with the robbery or I deserved it because of the neighborhood I live in (Joan Street).

Also, I feel violated by the local rent-to-own dealership that expects me to pay for the television, even though I no longer have it. Sometimes legal and moral have very separate boundaries. I have to have continued faith in the goodwill of Baker County, but right now it's a little difficult.

Ronnie Hembry
Macclenny

Praise for ABC

Dear Editor:

I am a proud parent of a child at ABC Learning Center and was very impressed with how the employees handled a parent who was taking pictures of kids in another age group other than his child's and being overly obnoxious, talking loudly, and making no sense at a Halloween party at their facility [See related article on page 8].

They handled the incident with class and I feel very safe for the protection of my 3-year-old in their care. This parent was rude to the girls and the police officers who responded. All I can do is thank them for taking such great care of our young ones.

Amy Chism
St. George, GA

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Held captive on pot farm

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He was denied bail and remained in county jail early this week.

Three days after his arrest, Mr. Howell called his sister, who was charged with caring for the youngest child and her 15-year-old brother. Mr. Howell was allowed to speak with the girl and blamed her for his arrest, said Sheriff Joey Dobson.

That call has led to another charge for witness tampering.

Mr. Howell's criminal history in Florida includes traffic and minor drug violations, Inv. Brannan said.

According to the investigator, police seized 9 pounds of processed pot for the Glen address, likely taken from 90 marijuana plants found in another room minus their buds. Also seized were six plants the investigator said were cloned to grow the others and an illegally sawed-off shotgun.

The property was kept secure with the blacked-out windows, electrical fencing and infrared video surveillance that could be monitored from inside both mobile homes.

"It was a pretty elaborate growing operation ... with one

room devoted to growing, another room for chemicals and fertilizer and another room for processing," said Inv. Brannan.

Mr. Howell rented the property from its owner Jean Edwards of Orange Park. He has resided there for three or four years, Inv. Brannan said.

The suspect's niece, who attends the Baker County Middle School, alerted school officials to the marijuana growing and abuse October 26. They in turn contacted the sheriff's office.

Billy Kinghorn, who resides across the road from the suspect's address, said he rarely saw Mr. Howell, but recalled seeing the younger siblings get on and off the bus or play in the yard.

"I try to take care of my place," he said. "I don't worry about nobody else."

The children's mother and grandmother, both in Ohio, said they were unaware and shocked by the alleged abuse.

"I love my children with all my heart," said the mother Shannon Smith. "I did not know any of this was happening."

Their grandmother, Debra Grigsby, said she used to be close to Mr. Howell but it all changed after his father James Howell

died.

Ms. Grigsby said the suspect wouldn't let her talk to the children and threatened her if she came to visit. She added she's very proud of her granddaughter for reporting the alleged abuse despite being scared of her uncle.

"I don't care what happens to him. I just want to get my grandchildren back here where they belong," she said.

The two youngest siblings were removed from their aunt's custody and placed in a foster home by the Florida Department of Children and Families, said the department's spokesman John Harrell.

He said allowing the sister to speak with Mr. Howell from jail was "absolutely inappropriate" and caregivers at the new foster home understand that Mr. Howell should not be communicating with them.

Mr. Harrell added that the oldest sibling has received some assistance from the department, but as an adult the state would only be involved should the 18-year-old be deemed disabled by a doctor.

Sheriff Dobson said late Tuesday he was unaware of the oldest siblings whereabouts.

Tried to re-injure neck of girlfriend

A Glen St. Mary man was jailed the afternoon of October 17 for felony domestic battery on his live-in girlfriend during an argument that began over spilled water on a carpet.

James Williams, 32, fled the from the CR 125 South residence before Deputy Shawn Bishara arrived after the incident about 3 o'clock. He was later taken into custody after the sheriff's office K-9 Tango overpowered him while hiding in the kitchen area of an unoccupied trailer on Clinton Ave. in Glen.

Mr. Williams is accused of holding April Byrd, 28, down while striking her head on the floor and several times twisting her neck.

Ms. Byrd told Deputy Bishara her boyfriend was aware of a previous neck injury and was attempting to re-injure it.

Police learned that the accused is wanted in Duval County for failure to pay child support, and in New York for violating a protective order sought by the girlfriend. She told police she has five children, two of them by Mr. Williams.

The boyfriend was thought to be hiding in the trailer after he was spotted by Sgt. Pete Quinley in the neighborhood following the incident. Mr. Williams was bitten by the K-9 and treated by rescue at the scene.

In another case, a 50-year-old father was arrested during the early morning hours of October 28 for domestic battery on his daughter, 17, at their residence on Hemlock Rd. near Macclenny.

The daughter told Deputy Patrick McGauley her father choked her briefly before leaving the address about 12:35 am. He had become angry at her for yelling at her mother.

The officer arrested the accused at the Macclenny Waffle House.

The same deputy filed a criminal complaint on October 26 alleging an 11-year-old boy knocked his mother to the floor at their residence on Crews Rd. when she attempted to spank him.

The mother requested the complaint, telling Deputy McGauley her two sons had gone "out of control."

Held knife to throat

Police arrested a Glen St. Mary man for aggravated assault after he allegedly held a knife to the throat of another man during a fight outside the accused's residence on J.C. Harvey Rd.

Deputy Robert Aberly responded to the scene about 6:20 pm on October 30 and arrested Kenneth Phillips, 48, after taking statements from James Stavely, 42, of Macclenny and Mr. Phillips' girlfriend, 27-year-old Brandy Mills.

Mr. Phillips allegedly confronted Mr. Stavely after the latter returned to the address to return a change purse belonging to Ms. Mills. The suspect's juvenile-aged brother also was involved in the fracas but was not charged.

Mr. Phillips was also charged with battery on the girlfriend, who told Deputy Aberly she was choked just prior to Mr. Stavely's return to the residence.

Criminal complaints were filed earlier that afternoon against two parties to a disturbance at a Maple St. residence in the Macclenny II subdivision.

Deputy Daryl Mobley filed the complaints against Garrett Simmons, 26, for assault on Kayla Bennett, 19, of Macclenny, and

a complaint for battery against Lindsey Townsend, 20, of Glen St. Mary involving the same victim.

Garret Follis, 23, of Sanderson was named in a battery complaint for an alleged attack on Bobby Blue, 47, also of Sanderson, outside Mac's Liquors just after midnight on October 30.

Deputy Earl Lord said he found Mr. Blue in a semi-conscious state when he arrived at the downtown Macclenny bar about 12:30 am. A witness said he saw the parties arguing and Mr. Follis punch him in the face before driving off.

The witness identified the assailant, who was also picked out by the victim from a photo lineup, said Deputy Lord.

Allegedly took \$5K given for hunt lease

A Macclenny man was named in a criminal complaint on October 28 for allegedly stealing \$5000 that had been given to him by two men as payment of a hunting lease membership.

James Manning, 58, accepted the checks from James Martin and Thomas Pughe, both of Lighthouse Point, FL in Broward County, back in August for lease rights at the Plum Creek Hunt Club in the west county.

The victims then learned from a club official that the checks were never given to the official. They told Deputy Jacob Satterwhite that Mr. Manning asked the checks be made out to him instead of the club.

The complaint is for grand theft and fraud, both third-degree felonies.

In another case, police learned that a Macclenny man caught shoplifting at Walmart on October 28 was wanted in Nassau County for assault.

A store security worker detained Joshua Yarbrough, 19, after observing him attempting to leave the store about 2 pm with two shotgun night sights and arrow tips from the sporting goods department.

The merchandise was valued at \$49.

A misdemeanor drug possession charge was added when Deputy Daryl Mobley found a partially smoked marijuana cigarette on the suspect.

Regina Eddins, 34, of Jacksonville was charged with shoplifting four magazines and hair spray from Walmart the afternoon of October 29.

Store security confirmed she had a similar arrest at another Walmart previously.

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Solved via Facebook

Mower theft suspect ID'ed via site

A surveillance video and a Facebook social network site were instrumental in leading police to the identity of a Macclenny man charged with stealing a power trimmer from a warehouse in the rear of the Badcock Home Furnishing store on CR 228.

Benjamin Cline, 23, is charged with walking off with the mower valued at \$440 the afternoon of October 27.

Deputy Robert Simpkins said a video depicts a white male later identified as Mr. Cline enter the storage area at 1:37. The officer soon determined the trimmer was taken to Baker Pawn by a female who said she was pawning it for her boyfriend.

Based on the pawn records, she was identified as Autumn Stieger, 20, who maintains a Facebook site that police used to identify her and her boyfriend via posted photographs.

Deputy Simpkins then questioned the couple at Ms. Stieger's Jule Rd. residence in Macclenny and arrested Mr. Cline for grand theft. A criminal complaint filed with the state attorney's office charges the girlfriend with dealing in stolen property, also a felony.

Court records show Mr. Cline has numerous criminal charges pending, including felony theft, burglary, two counts of possessing prescription drugs, trafficking in stolen property and possession of marijuana. The state has dropped other cases.

In other theft arrests, Eddie Fields, 38, of Macclenny was jailed on October 30 for taking \$900 cash from Jennifer Brooks while the victim was at his Sycamore St. residence.

Mr. Fields first told Deputy Jacob Satterwhite that Ms. Brooks spent the money on drugs the previous evening, but under further questioning he produced all but \$100 of the missing money.

The suspect's girlfriend then came up with the remaining money after he was arrested. He is charged with grand theft.

Police were also called to the scene of several residential thefts the past week:

- Someone pried open a rear door to enter the residence of Anthony Jones on Circle G Lane in Sanderson during daylight hours on October 26.

- Mr. Jones told Deputy Patrick McGauley two phones valued at \$100 each were taken, as was a gold necklace valued at \$2500 and belonging to Devin Williams, who also resides there.

The necklace was hidden in a

shoe.

- A window air conditioning unit valued at \$400 was taken from an unoccupied one-room structure belonging to Kathryn Manning off Noah Raulerson Rd.

Ms. Manning told Deputy Daniel Nichols the unit went missing between October 26-29. A neighbor told the officer she observed a white Chevrolet pickup driven by a white male in his 30s on the property a week earlier, and the same vehicle about 2:30 am on October 27.

On the second visit, she believes she heard the voices of three males.

- Samuel Combs reported that six tire rims valued at \$320 were taken from a shed and the bed of a pickup at his residence on Abernathy Circle between October 24-28.

He gave Deputy Chris Walker the name of a west county man who had earlier inquired about the wheels.

- Gwendolyn Walls reported that someone entered the residence of her daughter Patricia Stephens on Morningside Lane in Glen the evening of October 29

and took a purse, identification car, \$146 in cash and prescription medication.

Deputy Chris Walker later questioned a male who had been at the address doing yard work that afternoon. He denied involvement.

Clarification: In last week's edition it was reported that Christie Raulerson, 37, of Macclenny was arrested October 18 for trespassing at CVS Pharmacy. She was named in a criminal complaint in lieu of being taken to jail.

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A new restaurant is coming to Macclenny. But you won't find any hamburgers or barbecue on the menu.

The owners, Gary and Charlotte Cook, plan to bring a taste of the Mediterranean to a commercial strip center at the corner of U.S. 90 and Lowder Street, featuring Italian cuisine and framed images of the boot-shaped historic country on the walls.

"We want to give our customers full service," said Mrs. Cook, a bookkeeper at Baker County High School. "It's going to be a very classy place."

An interesting twist to their concept is that the restaurant, open from 11 am to 10 pm Tuesday through Saturday, also will feature karaoke music and singers as entertainment after 7 pm nightly.

The Rising Star Karaoke Café was given the go ahead by the Macclenny Zoning Board of Adjustment on the evening of Oct. 31. Changing the use of the property from retail, which mainly serves quick in-and-out customers, to a karaoke café where patrons might sit for hours, required approval of a special zoning exception to a category called "assembly status."

"Karaoke, or amusement, has to be done by special exception," said Roger Yarbrough, assistant city manager and head of the

building and zoning department. The restaurant will occupy 3,400 square feet of space that once housed Raynor Pharmacy for many years and later a pawn shop in a shopping center that also contains Aardvark Video and Little Caesars Pizza.

Mr. Cook, the culinary arts instructor at Baker County High School and a former chef and manager in the restaurant business for many years, said the Rising Star will culminate a dream of his for a long time.

"I've wanted to do it for many years," he said after the zoning board meeting. "I guess there's a time for everything. We stumbled across karaoke here about five years ago and started a business where we went around to different businesses and did parties at peoples homes."

But it's the restaurant, not karaoke, that will pay their bills and, hopefully, allow them to retire in a couple of years or so.

"That's where you make your money," Mr. Cook said. "Karaoke is just entertainment."

It's entertainment she and her husband have enjoyed for many years, Mrs. Cook.

"We camp a lot," she said. "We would take our equipment with us and set up in the campgrounds and have a wonderful time with the people there. We just love to see people having fun and enjoying life."

"What better way than with food and entertainment?" her husband added.

Another popular karaoke restaurant in town is Calendars about a mile east on U.S. 90. The Cooks say Baker County is big enough for both businesses, which are different in at least one

respect: Calendar's sells beer and wine but the Cook's restaurant will not sell any alcoholic beverages.

"We're not wanting to compete with them whatsoever," Mrs. Cook said. "Ours will be non-alcoholic and family oriented. We'll have a game room for the kids with two pool tables and probably a few video games and a claw (a machine containing prizes that may be retrieved with a mechanical claw).

Mr. Cook said the fire marshal said they would have enough space to seat up to 150 people, but he only plans to have enough seating for 100 patrons. After remodeling, which he said will cost at least \$20,000, furniture and equipment will be installed and a grand opening scheduled in a few weeks.

"Our goal is to open by Dec. 1," Mrs. Cook said. "We want to be open in time for the Christmas parade."

Knowing that many people who start restaurant businesses don't survive beyond the first year, the Cooks believe they have the one ingredient most important to success.

"Experience," Mr. Cook said, noting that he was in the restaurant business before he began teaching 25 years ago. "Most people who go into the restaurant business know absolutely nothing about it. I have experience."

Experience in the kitchen and with karaoke, he said.

To help minimize noisy interference with the music and singers, the stage will be carpeted and special sound-absorbing drapes will be placed on all the windows, the Cooks said.

"We've got the entertain-

ment," Mr. Cook said. "If they come for nothing else, the entertainment is free."

The old drive-through window where people used to pick up prescriptions will remain for customers who call ahead to order their favorite Italian dishes to go.

But no pizza. The Cooks had to sign a contract agreeing not to compete with neighbor Little Caesars.

Other variances or special exceptions granted by the zoning board of adjustment included:

- A request by Louie Salameh, owner of LL Crab Shack and Seafood Market at 336 W. Macclenny Ave., to reduce the setback requirement for a new sign from 10 feet to 2 feet from the sidewalk. Mr. Salameh said he plans to expand his business to include fresh produce and wants to erect a sign on poles 10 feet tall to attract passing motorists and pedestrians.

Mr. Yarbrough told the board that the request was reasonable in light of the fact that most other businesses on US 90 have signs within a few feet of the sidewalk because the lots are so small.

"It's hard for 90 percent of the properties to meet the 10-foot setback requirement," Mr. Yarbrough said. "There's no adverse effect and no objections to this request."

- A request from American Enterprise Bank to reduce the number of parking spaces from 73 to 70 at 698 W. Macclenny Ave., the shopping center where the new karaoke café is going.

The reduced parking will accommodate construction of a drive-through ATM just off US 90 directly across from Aardvark Video.

The parking lot will be re-striped and painted with arrows showing the intended flow of traffic, including an exit-only lane that flows into Lowder Street near the railroad tracks. The exit lane also will be narrowed to discourage motorists from making an illegal right turn into the parking lot from Lowder.

Bonds eat up BCDC profit

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The Baker Correctional Development Corporation made more than \$4 million in bond payments during the last fiscal year, eating up the \$1,039,615 in net income the nonprofit reported to its board of directors earlier this month.

So while it may appear that BCDC made money between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011, the corporation's finance manager Jeffrey Cox is quick to note that's not the case.

"The cash has to be used to pay the bonds," said Jeffrey Cox this week to clarify the income statement distributed to board members during their quarterly meeting October 19.

Minutes from the meeting reflect Mr. Cox reporting BCDC made \$1,030,000 in principle payments and roughly \$3.2 million in interest payments during the last year.

BCDC was created in 2008 to build the Baker County Sheriff's Complex, which includes the county jail and sheriff's administration building, and oversee repayment of the \$45 million bonded to complete the project.

The sheriff's office operates the facility under a contract with BCDC.

The income statement Mr. Cox spoke to shows operating revenue and expenses. BCDC generated about \$13.8 million in operating revenue for the year while spending about \$9.2 million.

A balance sheet also handed out at the meeting — which lists balances at the start of the fiscal year, at the end of the fiscal year and the difference — represents a more accurate picture of the corporation's financial position, Mr. Cox said.

The balance sheet includes values for assets beyond operating revenue, like land and buildings, as well as long-term liabilities like payments on the bonds.

The balance sheet shows increases of \$291,395 in accounts receivable, \$374,129 in the bond fund used to pay principle and interest, and \$323,414 in reserves.

Cash on hand fell \$50,171.

The value of other assets like real estate, structures, furniture and equipment decreased by some \$1.8 million, leading to a \$940,281 drop in total assets.

Total liabilities, which include accounts payable and outstanding loan and bond debts, dropped by nearly \$2 million through the end of the year.

The result was a \$1,039,612 decrease in the corporation's negative fund balance, which Mr.

Cox described as the value of the corporation.

BCDC began the fiscal year with a negative fund balance of roughly \$6.2 million and finished the year with a negative fund balance of about \$5.2 million, the balance sheet shows.

Mr. Cox also informed the board that BCDC's reserve fund, which should be \$3.7 million in accordance with the corporation's contract with bondholders, has a much lower balance of \$878,954. Still, he said, BCDC made progress by adding \$323,414 to reserves during the fiscal year.

The board was given the facility's latest inmate counts during the meeting as well.

Meeting minutes show that sheriff's corrections chief Maj. John Finley said the average daily population for the fourth quarter was 422 prisoners — 251 from Immigration and Customs Enforcement [ICE], 122 from the county, 31 from the US Marshals in Florida and 18 from the US Marshals in Georgia.

For the entire year, the average daily population at the 500-plus-bed jail reached 427, with ICE accounting for 269, the county 130, the US Marshals 50 and the Bureau of Prisons 5.

The next BCDC meeting is scheduled for January 18.

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15 years for DUI road death

A Tallahassee man will have to serve a minimum of four years of a 15-year sentence imposed in circuit court here on October 25 for DUI manslaughter in the death of a Valdosta infant.

Clarence Allen, 60, was driving eastbound in the westbound lane of Interstate 10 in west Baker County late on May 8, 2010 when his Buick collided head-on with a Honda SUV. Cayden Graham, 5 months old, died when thrown from the overturning Honda and four family members were injured.

Judge Phyllis Rosier imposed a five-year probation upon release from prison and revoked Mr. Allen's driver's license for life. He gets credit for 329 days in jail since he was arrested late last year following completion of an investigation by the Florida Highway Patrol.

His blood alcohol level that night was .189, more than twice what the state considers intoxicated.

In return for the defendant's no contest plea, the state dropped counts of vehicular homicide, DUI resulting in serious bodily injury and drunk driving.

Mr. Allen's criminal record includes arrests for burglary, grand theft and possession of marijuana, cocaine and a controlled drug.

In other sentencings the same day:

• Chester Jefferson, 40, of Jacksonville drew a year prison term after he admitted to violat-

Trespass on grounds of BCMS

A 13-year-old male student at Baker County Middle School who had been suspended earlier was arrested on October 27 for trespassing on campus.

Vice-principal Gary Pelham told campus deputy Allen Markley he first encountered the student, who is from the Sanderson area and had been suspended from the Alternative School for disruptive students, about 11:45 am in front of the school and warned him not to come back on campus.

Mr. Pelham advised the officer that afternoon that the student was again on the property and attempting to board a school bus.

In other arrests: Kathryn Alred, 36, of Jacksonville was taken to jail when Deputy Chris Walker learned she was wanted in Holmes County for trespass and criminal mischief.

The officer confronted Ms. Alred about 9 pm on October 25 as he answered a suspicious person report on CR 23C north of Macclenny. The woman told him she was attempting to get a ride to her mother's in Jacksonville.

• Kelly Johnson, 32, was already in county jail on October 28 when served with a Bradford County warrant for grand theft and forgery.

• Mark Yarbrough, 30, of Baldwin was in jail on October 28 when served with a Monroe County warrant for violating probation for drunk driving and driving on a suspended license.

Benefit dinner

A dinner benefit will take place at Macclenny Moose Lodge on November 12 beginning from 11 am to 5 pm to support Beverly Starling.

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ing probation in several forgery cases dating back to 2009.

Court records show that Mr. Jefferson violated terms of his probation by failing a drug test and failing to complete drug and alcohol abuse counseling.

• Justin Thomas of Baldwin pleaded no contest to felony driving without a license as an habitual offender, leaving the scene of an accident and resisting police. He was given a six-month term in county jail.

Judge Rosier also ordered a two-year probation upon release and the defendant will pen a letter of apology to the sheriff's of-

fice for his behavior when arrested in July of this year.

• The state dropped one count of using a firearm while drunk and Christopher Schantz pleaded no contest to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

The judge ordered him onto a four-year drug offender probation and fined him \$100. Police will keep the firearm.

• Cornelius Ruise pleaded no contest to manufacturing marijuana and drew a two-year drug offender probation in addition to a \$500 fine.

• The fine was \$1000 for Salthair Surrency after a plea to

sale and possession of marijuana with intent to sell. The defendant will be on drug offender probation two years.

• The state dropped all but three of 22 original charges against Scott Caro, who pleaded no contest to felony possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and underage possession of liquor.

He was placed on drug offender probation for one year.

• Thomas Walker was given nearly one year in county jail followed by two years on drug offender probation in return for his no contest plea to grand theft.



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Paramedic wins raffle

Baker County paramedic Chris Harvin's raffle ticket was drawn at Fire & Iron Motorcycle Club, Chapter 21's first gun raffle on October 13 at the Jacksonville Landing. The raffle's proceeds benefited fallen firefighters and their families. Ms. Harvin (center) is pictured above at the Macclenny fire department's Station 1 on East Macclenny Avenue with (from left) club president Don Burkhardt, Will Padgett, Lance Thibault and Kevin Mattox. They presented the Glock 21 .45-caliber pistol to her October 19. The motorcycle club members are active or retired career and volunteer firefighters. They support various charity organizations like the Wounded Warrior Project and Toys for Tots. The Jacksonville chapter 21 serves Baker, Clay, Duval and Nassau counties.

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Dated: September 30, 2011.

/s/ Warren W. Schaeffer, #28488
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Defendant(s).

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 32063, 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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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, 295.96 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.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1999, 68 x 32, EXPRESS MANOR MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER FLHML2Y1526-21848AB.

Commonly known as: 10545 County Road 127, Sanderson, Florida 32087,

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash at the inside the front doors of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida 32063, at 11:00 AM (EST), on the 21 day of November, 2011.

If you are a subordinate lien holder claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the Clerk of Court no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim, you will not be entitled to any remaining funds.

Notice to Persons With Disabilities: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator's office not later than seven days prior to the proceeding.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Julie B. Combs
Deputy Clerk

Timothy D. Padgett, P.A.
2878 Remington Green Circle
Tallahassee, Florida 32308
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10/27-11/3

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:

1999 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Pickup Truck
VIN# 2GCGEC193X1223471

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

I shall offer this property for sale, at Higginbotham's Towing & Recovery, 7611 W. Mount Vernon St., Glen St. Mary, FL, County of Baker, State of Florida, on November 15, 2011 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible. I will offer for sale all of the defendant's, Anthony Thomas Harvey, right, title and interest in the aforesaid personal property, at public auction and will sell the same, subject to taxes, all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND. The proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above described execution. (NOTE: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Baker County Sheriff's Office at (904) 259-0245 prior to the date of the sale.)

Joey B. Dobson, Sheriff
Baker County, Florida
By: Pamela L. Davis
Deputy Sheriff

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NOTICE TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Baker County Board of Commissioners will receive written, sealed bids at the Baker County Administration Office, located at 55 North Third Street, Macclenny, Florida 32063, until November 29, 2011 at 3:00 pm for the following:

Project Number 2011-04 RD/
George Taber Boulevard
Resurfacing, Pavement Markings and Grassing of +/- 0.62 miles

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on November 15, 2011 at 10:00 am in the Baker County Administration Building at 55 North Third Street, Macclenny, FL 32063. All contractors bidding this project must be pre-qualified with FDOT in Tallahassee, Florida. Any person or organization that has been on a convicted vendor list within the past 36 months may not submit a bid. Specifications and bid documents will be available at the above mentioned address. All bids must be sealed with the project number clearly marked on the outside of the bid packet. Any bids received after November 29, 2011 at 3:00 pm, will not be accepted. The successful bidder will be required to do the following: use E-Verify to verify the immigration status of workers.

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NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on October 21, 2011:

Roberts Land & Timber Investment Corp, PO Box 233, Lake Butler, Florida, 32054; permit # 400-003-121103-2. The project is located in Baker County, Sections 8, 9, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Township 3 South, Range 20 East. The permit authorizes a surface water management system on 2.50 acres for construction of silviculture roads, ditch blocks, low water crossings, and installation of culverts for Silviculture - Roads With Culverts. The receiving water body is Cedar Creek.

The file containing the application for the above listed permit is available for inspection Monday through Friday except for legal holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the St. Johns River Water Management District (District) Headquarters, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, Florida 32178-1429. A person whose substantial interests are affected by the District permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with section 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, or may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy under section 120.573, Florida Statutes, before the deadline for filing a petition. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect the right to a hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement. The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in section 120.573, Florida Statutes, and rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-404 Florida Administrative Code. Petitions must comply with the requirements of Florida Administrative Code, Chapter 28-106 and be filed with (received by) the District Clerk located at District Headquarters, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, Florida 32177. Petitions for administrative hearing on the above application must be filed within twenty-one (21) days of publication of this notice. Failure to file a petition within this time period shall constitute a waiver of any rights(s) such person(s) may have to request an administrative determination (hearing) under sections 120.569 and 120.57 Florida Statutes, concerning the subject permit. Petitions that are not filed in accordance with the above provisions are subject to dismissal.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the District's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this notice of intent. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by such final decision of the District on the applicant have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA
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 LORI CHRISTINE MOODY, deceased; UNIDENTIFIED 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 Clair Street (a 60 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, 116.97 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.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

AL FRASER, CLERK
BAKER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
By: Julie B. Combs
Deputy Clerk

10/27-11/3

Sonya Daws, P.A.
3116 Capital Circle NE, Suite 5
Tallahassee, FL 32308
Phone: (850) 668-5246
Fax: (850)668-5352
Email: egordon@dawsllaw.com
10/27-11/3

Dated: October 19, 2011.

AL FRASER, CLERK
BAKER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
By: Julie B. Combs
Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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.

Julie B. Combs
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1992 Ford Ranger
VIN# 1FTCR14A9NPA31354

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

CASE NO.: 02-2010-CA-0212

DIVISION:

DUVAL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT MAYHALL, MELISSA MAYHALL;
and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the Order of Summary Judgment of Foreclosure in this case, in the Circuit Court of Baker County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Baker County, Florida described as:

THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 4, BLOCK 15, TOWN OF SANDERSON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 38 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID LANDS ALSO BEING KNOWN AS LOT 6, BLOCK 15, TOWN OF SANDERSON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK "D", PAGE 796 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.

And which postal address is:
13837 Bay Street, Sanderson, FL 32087.

at Public Sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front of the Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Ave., Macclenny, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 22 day of November, 2011.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ms. Jan Phillips, ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of this Court this 26th day of October, 2011.

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

11/3-11/10

Submitted by:
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Jacksonville, FL 32203
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Fax (904) 356-0516

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NOTICE TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Baker County Board of Commissioners will receive written, sealed bids at the Baker County Administration Office, located at 55 North Third Street, Macclenny, Florida 32063, until November 29, 2011 at 3:00 pm for the following:

Project Number 2011-03 RD/ Cow Pen Road Asphalt Paving, Pavement Markings and Grassing of +/- 2.7 miles

A mandatory pre-bid conference will

State relaxes 'cottage' food rule

More market vendors sought

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The Florida Division of Agriculture and Consumer Services recently enacted a revision to the state law that allows vendors who produce some food items in their homes more access to venues like local farmers' markets to sell their products.

In the future, visitors to the Baker County Farmers Market can expect to see more vendors selling so-called "cottage food products," which are produced without a license and outside commercial kitchens.

"We knew the legislation was pending but didn't know it had passed until it was brought to our attention by one of our current vendors," said Helene Guest, who is a co-chair of the Baker County Farmers Market.

According to Ms. Guest, many vendors who produced cottage products had approached them when the market first opened in March, 2010.

The market couldn't accommodate them because at that time laws regulating homemade food items, especially any containing animal, dairy or other products needing refrigeration, required they come from a commercial or certified kitchen.

An individual's home kitchen, provided it's a separate room in a house, can be certified, but the process is expensive. And vendors are required to take classes to get a food safety license from the state.

For the average person, this process is not an option, market managers soon learned.

But the recent deregulation of cottage food relaxes requirements for certain food items such as breads, cakes, cookies, candies, jams, jellies and fruit pies.

A number of guidelines remain in place for cottage foods, however.

No state license is required, but county and city regulations must still be followed.

Such foods must be packaged with a label that clearly states the item is a cottage food product and is not subject to Florida's food safety regulations. Other required label information includes the type of item, the produc-



er's name and home address, a detailed list of ingredients and the net weight.

Labels must also identify ingredients that are possible allergens, like peanuts.

Products may not be sold over the Internet, by mail order or at wholesale.

Cottage food vendors are also limited to \$15,000 in gross sales annually.

Before the law changed, the farmers' market here was limited in the variety of vendors it could attract, something that has been a challenge since its first spring season in 2010.

"It will be a good thing for our market here in Baker County," said Ms. Guest. "We'll be able to attract more vendors and offer more variety which will be nice for the customers."

Ms. Guest is enthusiastic about the new law for other reasons, too.

"This is perfect for someone who wants to start a business and avoid a lot of overhead, as well as build or add to a strong local client base," she said. "It would be very good for anyone wanting to just work part-time or someone like a mother with small children and limited time."

Ms. Guest said the farmers' market has

contacted vendors from the first season who expressed interest but didn't meet regulatory requirements at that time.

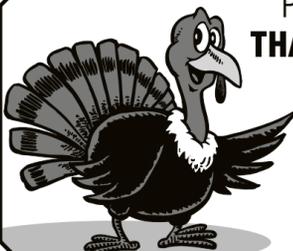
She hopes the next spring season, which begins in March 2012, opens with many more vendors signed up.

"What this deregulation will do is allow people to do what they do well, to sell it and profit from it. That way customers and vendors will all benefit," she said.

To read more about the new cottage food law and see specific guidelines for labeling requirements and more go to www.freshfrom-florida.com then to the FDAS Divisions and Services tab. Go to Divisions, then click on Food Safety. Scroll down and click on the Cottage Food Safety Brochure link.

The Baker County Farmers' Market is in the midst of its fall run on Saturday mornings through November 19 at the Macclenny City Park (by the duck pond). Booth rentals are \$10. Call the Baker County Chamber of Commerce at 259-6443 for more information.

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7556 Aunt Mary Harvey Road in Glen St. Mary at the Glen Church
Contact Connie Hollingsworth, Director 259 – 3920



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DEA forfeiture cash benefits the county, Council on Aging, seniors

Sheriff Joey Dobson (center left) presented the Baker County Commission and the Baker County Council on Aging a check for \$35,000 the evening of November 1 before the board's regular meeting at 5 pm. Sheriff Dobson said the money is the county's share of "federal forfeiture drug money" that will be donated by the county to the Council on Aging [COA] as part of the county's annual donation to the nonprofit agency. The Council on Aging provides services to local seniors, including transportation and meal delivery. Also pictured (from left) are commissioners Jimmy Anderson, Gordon Crews, Adam Giddens, Michael Crews, Mark Hartley and COA director Jackie Wright.

Benefit dinners

Daelyn Young is a bright and cheerful eighth grader who excels in academics and has a cheerful disposition. He was admitted to Wolfson Children's Hospital on September 14 with a diagnosis of transverse myelitis. He is looking at a long recovery.

To assist Daelyn's parents, Cindy and David Young of Macclenny, with medical costs, a benefit chicken and rice dinner will be held November 12 at Anytime Fitness parking lot starting at noon. Dinners will be \$8 each. Please come out and support this beautiful child.

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Must be present to win.

Man who disrupted day care Halloween was high on pills

A Macclenny man was taken to county jail about midday on October 27 after he became unruly when asked not to take photographs of children at the ABC Learning Center on South 5th St.

An employee at the day care center called police just before noon when Jason Byrd, 41, ignored her request to cease taking photos in violation of the facility's policy.

Deputy Steven Smith said Mr. Byrd assumed a threatening stance when confronted and behaved in a belligerent manner before being handcuffed and placed in a patrol car.

The officer shortly after noticed a white powder around the suspect's mouth, and he admitted to chewing up five Oxycodone pills he extracted from a cigarette pack while in the patrol car. He was medically cleared before being booked at the jail for disorderly intoxication and resisting arrest without violence.

His criminal past includes arrests for the same offense and for domestic violence.

Deputy Smith later determined that Mr. Byrd has a prescription for the pain-killing medication.

In other arrests:
 • Michael Sellers, 40, of Glen St. Mary was charged with drunk driving after he was found incoherent and seated behind the wheel of a 2007 Chevrolet truck in the parking lot of the Country Club Lounge.

Deputy Ben Anderson re-



Jason Bryd helped into rescue unit for a medical evaluation at Fraser.

PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

sponded to a call about 2:15 am on October 29 and said the vehicle's engine was running when he questioned Mr. Sellers, who then failed field sobriety testing. His blood alcohol was later measured at .231 — nearly three times the legal limit for intoxication.

• Deputy David Wright, the county's officer at Shoals Park, arrested Justin Bennett, 18, for DUI the afternoon of October 29.

The officer was southbound about 5 o'clock on CR 125 just north of Glen when he observed Mr. Bennett's 2001 Ford driving at varying speeds and twice cross the center line.

He failed field sobriety testing and was also charged with possession of a marijuana smoking pipe found in his boot while being booked at county jail.



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

Vocabulary parade a hit at Keller

Students at Keller Intermediate participated in the school's annual Vocabulary Parade October 27. Students are assigned a vocabulary word and challenged to learn the definition and interpret the word's meaning through a costume. First and second place winners were chosen from each classroom and then all students assembled in the gymnasium to see the winning entries parade before the entire student body. Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson was in attendance and praised the students for their knowledge and creative energy in designing their costumes. Pictured are some of the classroom winners and their vocabulary words, from left, Marcia Davis (lycanthrope); Zoelle Dunn (equestrian); Tanner Kennedy (gallinaceous); Alexandra Oakes (miscellaneous); Jagger Crews (static electricity) and Mika Gray (elderly).

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Boy wishes to warm fellow cancer patients

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"There is no one like Benjamin," said Linda Davis of her 7-year-old grandson Benjamin Davis, who will soon finish a year of chemotherapy treatments for a rare form of childhood cancer called rhabdomyosarcoma.

The disease only occurs in about 250 people annually.

"Even through all of this, except on days just after chemo when he had no energy, he has remained the happiest little boy," she said. "He always thinks of others first."

That concern for others, so remarkable in a child of 7, will manifest in an equally remarkable way this Christmas as family and friends help Benjamin fulfill a very personal wish.

"His wish is for blankets," said Ms. Davis, who earlier this week was posting fliers about her grandson's request around Macclenny.

"Blankets for Benjamin" will be, as the family puts it, a "celebration of life."

Benjamin's most recent MRI showed that the cancerous tumors which were discovered in his face and sinus cavities last March have shrunk and appear to have become inactive.

The family was joyful at the news and asked young Benjamin what he wanted to do to celebrate his last chemo treatment, scheduled for December 23.

His request amazed them all. Most little boys would ask for a trip to Disney World or a new four-wheeler, but not Benjamin. Having spent a lot of time at Wolfson Children's Hospital and the oncology unit at Nemours, he has gotten to know a lot of other children struggling with cancer. To celebrate his last treatment, he wants to be able to give them each a blanket.

"One of the side effects of chemotherapy is weight loss, which makes it difficult to retain body heat and the patient always feels cold," said Ms. Davis. "A blanket is an essential thing to have when you're going through that."

Members of the Davis family have taken his request and are running with it. Ms. Davis and others have been posting flyers asking for blanket donations and visiting some of the local busi-

nesses about participating in the drive.

She is encouraged at the response from the community.

"Benjamin is never without his Seminoles blanket," she says, referencing the boy's favorite football team. "You see it in a lot of photos taken of him."

The family is asking for donations of blankets that will appeal to boys, girls or generic designs that work for both. They can be new or used, handmade or purchased from the store.

They must be very clean because children with cancer have impaired immune systems.

Blankets will be collected by the family through December 21.

Ms. Davis is excited because she has already received several donations.

"People have been really nice," she said.



PHOTO BY KELLEY LANNIGAN

Linda Davis posts blanket drive flyers around town.

TURKEY SHOOT

Saturday, Nov. 5 at 11:00 AM - until

Dinkins N.C.M. Church

\$2.00 a shot for turkeys

\$3.00 a shot for hams

Sponsored by: Dinkins Church Youth

From Macclenny/Glen St. Mary: Hwy 90 W. to caution light in Sanderson, turn right onto CR 127 N. go about 6 miles, the church is on the left

Going on vacation? Need a birth certificate?

The Baker County Health Department has birth certificates for Florida residents. Walk-ins for vital statistics are welcome. The cost is \$10 and a photo ID is required.

Baker County Health Department Working Toward Wellness
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www.doh.state.fl.us/cdbaker

"We want to do everything we can to make this happen. Benjamin has always thought about everyone else's happiness. He won't even come away from a doctor or dentist appointment unless he can bring home a treat for his sister, as well as himself."

To donate a blanket or for more information call Linda Davis at 305-8615 or Becky Davis at 275-3074.

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County likely in new senate district Officials prefer remaining in Crenshaw's group

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It's fairly uncertain what Baker County's legislative delegation will look like after redistricting concludes, but that didn't stop a group of local officials from brainstorming the best ways to influence the once-a-decade process last week.

The group — consisting of Chamber of Commerce director Darryl Register, Sheriff Joey Dobson, former county commissioner Mike Griffis, and City Manager Gerald Dopson, among others — expressed a clear preference for retaining Congressman Ander Crenshaw as the county's congressional representative.

The Jacksonville Republican sent his aide, Nathan Riska, to the meeting. He said Rep. Crenshaw wants to keep the region's navy bases, specifically Naval Air Station Jacksonville and Naval Station Mayport, within his district.

Today the congressman's District 4 encompasses portions of Duval, Leon and Jefferson counties and all of Baker, Nassau, Union, Columbia, Hamilton and Madison counties.

"He's going to fight to keep those as much as possible," Mr. Riska said of the naval installations.

Redistricting committees in the Florida House and Senate have been meeting to review district maps suggested by the public for the state's congressional seats as well as state house and senate seats.

Senate redistricting committee chairman Don Gaetz (R-Destin) recently announced the receipt of 100 citizen maps. Lawmakers have not publicly unveiled any maps of their own making.

The lack of clarity on potential districts makes crafting a plan going forward very difficult, said Mr. Register, who attended the October 18 senate redistricting committee meeting before gathering with local officials the morning of October 25.

"It's still so early in the process — this will be debated and



PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON
Chamber of Commerce director Darryl Register tweaks a map of Northeast Florida's congressional districts at www.floridaredistricting.com.

re-debated and over-debated through the end of session," he said.

Still, the group agreed to support Rep. Crenshaw by submitting to legislators a map that keeps the congressman as Baker County's representative in Washington, D.C. by the November 2 deadline for citizen submittals.

A week after the October 25 meeting Mr. Register said the strategy had changed. Instead, he said, local officials should monitor future maps released by the legislature and oppose any that remove Baker County from Rep. Crenshaw's district.

A district map creation tool is available online at www.floridaredistricting.com. The tool lets citizens grow and shrink districts while automatically adjusting and displaying the number of people in the resulting district based on 2010 census data.

Each district has been assigned by the state legislature an ideal number of people. For instance, Rep. Crenshaw's District 4 is 6.9 percent overpopulated.

Mr. Register began creating the new map during the October 25 meeting, projecting his laptop computer screen to another screen on the wall. He rearranged District 4 to get within about 5000 people of the ideal population of 48,073 by removing Madison, Jefferson and Leon counties. The group reasoned that with another slice from Hamilton County, the district could reach the ideal population.

While the officials hoped to remain with Rep. Crenshaw, they were resigned to the expectation that Baker County will not remain within Florida Senator Charlie Dean's (R-Inverness) District 3.

Mr. Griffis said that after voters passed the so-called Fair Districts amendments to the Florida Constitution, insiders in Tallahassee appeared certain that Sen. Dean's district would be redrawn to exclude Baker County.

The amendments require that Congressional districts and state legislative districts are made as compact as possible and use existing geographic boundaries like county lines, major highways or waterways, all while protecting minority districts.

Mr. Register said the senate redistricting committee's top priority during the redistricting process is keeping minority districts, like that of US Rep. Corrine Brown (D-Jacksonville), intact.

Sen. Dean's district includes all of Baker, Suwannee, Lafayette, Taylor, Hamilton and Dixie counties; and portions of Columbia, Madison, Jefferson, Levy, Citrus and Marion counties. It's overpopulated by 25,048 people.

Sen. Dean has been a staunch opponent of privatizing management of Northeast Florida State Hospital, a measure supported by the Republican leadership in Tallahassee.

A probable replacement district for Sen. Dean's district, local officials believe, is Sen. Steve Oelrich's (R-Gainesville) District 14, which borders Baker County on the south and includes Bradford, Union, Gilchrist and Alachua counties, and parts of Columbia, Levy, Marion and Putnam counties.

Sen. Oelrich's term is up in 2014 and Mr. Register said he's worked well with local officials in the past.

"In the senate I don't think we can do much, but in the congressional districts I think we can," he told the group.

With respect to Florida House Rep. Janet Adkins (R-Fernandina Beach), whose District 12 includes Baker, Nassau, Union, Bradford and a portion of Clay counties, the group agreed to support her representation as the redistricting process moves ahead.

Should Baker County be removed from District 12, Mr. Register said the county could be roped in with Rep. Charles Van Zant's (R-Palatka) District 21.

He added that while Rep. Van Zant resisted privatizing the state hospital in 2009, he reversed his position the following year.

"Elected officials will have an opportunity to craft their own maps at some point," said Mr. Register. "And we can work with them on that when the time comes."

Get a seat at Veterans Day show

Now's the time to get your reserved tickets for the BCHS/Baker County Community Theatre production of *A Star-Spangled Salute*, their first-ever Veterans Day show which runs November 10-13 in the BCHS Auditorium.

The show is packed with music and fun as we travel through time with an Armed Forces Radio Service broadcast during World War II featuring great swing music like "Chattanooga Choo Choo," "I'll Never Smile Again," "Pistol Packin' Mama" and "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

Then it's on to a Frank Sinatra Show from Korea featuring Rosemary Clooney and Marilyn Monroe. "Good Morning, Vietnam" gives us the wacky Sgt. Adrian Cronauer as he attempts to put a smile on the faces of the soldiers in Vietnam and keep them rocking with songs like "Ain't No Mountain High Enough." Then we're back in Baker County for Thanksgiving and a touching tribute to the troops in Iraq and



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Ana Tomas.

Afghanistan.

This is definitely not a show to miss and reserved seats are on sale in the first four rows for \$10 by calling 259-6286. General admission tickets are \$5 on sale at the door. The show runs November 10-12 at 7:30 pm and November 13 at 2 pm. The drama department is still looking for photographs of local service men to use in the show. Please e-mail photos to bgerard@bakercountyfl.us. and they will be added to the slide show of local heroes.

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The program takes place during the 2012 legislative session which is held from January 10 to March 9. Messengers are high school students who travel to the capitol and work one week during the 60-day session. Rep. Adkins will sponsor one messenger, who will work for one week in and around the capitol. The student selected will have the privilege of observing the capitol during its busiest time and of seeing his or her state government in action.

Throughout the week, the messenger will observe house sessions in the chamber and assist the representative by delivering important documents and messages to her.

There will be optional, educational activities for messengers that may include participating in a mock session and taking tours of the Governor's Mansion, the Florida Supreme Court and the Museum of Florida History.

Applicants must be 15 to 18 years old. If you wish to apply, please send a paragraph describing why you are interested and why you want to be chosen to Rep. Janet Adkins' office at 905 S. 8th St., Fernandina Beach, FL 32034. The deadline is November 7.

For more information and to download the application, please visit www.myfloridahouse.gov. Once there, scroll down to the "Quick Links" section, and click on the Pages and Messengers tab.

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The Tax Collector's office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday; the last working day of each month the hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. We are located at 32 North 5th Street, Macclenny, Florida; telephone 904-653-4518 or 904-653-4519.

Statements have been mailed to all property owners November 1, 2011 at last known address. If you have acquired property since January 1, 2011 and do not receive a tax bill, please inquire at the Tax Collector's office for your tax statement.

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Memorial service for Ivy Lee Thomas

Ivy Lee Thomas, 64, of Baldwin, died October 27, 2011.

Survivors include daughter Kayla Fisher (Michael Pollock); sister Juanita Carlton; nephews Dennis, Danny, Doug and David Carlton and brother Larry Herin.

A memorial service was held at 7 pm on Tuesday, November 1 in the chapel of Giddens-Reed Funeral Home in Baldwin with Rev. David Thomas officiating.

Hazel Rhoden dies at age 99

Hazel Mae Thompson Rhoden, 99, of St. George, GA died October 25, 2011. She was born in St. George to the late Julius Thompson and Missouri Canaday on September 7, 1912 and resided in St. George all of her life.



Hazel Rhoden

She was a member of First Baptist Church of St. George and enjoyed sewing, cooking and spending time with her family. She was predeceased by her husband of 60 years Noah Rhoden.

Survivors include children Shirley (Hugh) Dinkins of Jacksonville, Noah L. "Buddy" (Oralee) Rhoden; grandchildren Mark Rhoden, Dant (Denise) Wynne, Robin (Jim) Freeburger, Susan Wynne, Dana (Keith) Baker and Toni Griffis; great-grandchildren Kyle and Kelly Spinks and great-great-grandchildren Amy, Noah, Jessi, Loegan and Trey; also special family members Gina and Jeanie.

The funeral service was held October 28 at her church with Pastor James Conner officiating. Interment followed at Boone's Creek Cemetery in St. George. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

Thomas Johnson, 77, a JSO retiree

Thomas Warren "Tom" Johnson, 77, of Macclenny died Wednesday, October 26, in Sevierville, Tennessee. He was born in Jacksonville and resided in Macclenny since 1994.



Thomas Johnson

He was a detective with the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office for 35 years and retired in 1990 as a lieutenant. He was a member of Taylor Church and was a caring friend to everyone. He never met a stranger.

Survivors include wife Faye Reynolds Johnson of Macclenny; daughters Ruth (Stan) Plumb of Hagerstown, MD., Debbie (Karl) Hidalgo of Orange Park, Julie (Howard) McLendon and Pam (Bobby) Carswell, both of Jacksonville; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive.

The funeral service was held October 30, at his church with Rev. Mark Woods officiating, assisted by Rev. Jim Cox. Interment followed at Taylor Cemetery. Guerry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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James Duval, 71, of Glen St. Mary

James W. "Jim" Duval, 71, of Glen St. Mary died Monday, October 31, 2011 at Memorial Hospital, Jacksonville following a long illness.



James Duval

He was born in Baldwin and moved to Glen St. Mary in 1972. He owned and operated Jim's Truck & Diesel & Wrecker Service in Macclenny for over 20 years. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Glen St. Mary and enjoyed hunting, fishing and being with his family. He was preceded in death by wife Martha L. Duval and by parents Phil and Mary E. Allen Duval.

Survivors include sons Marcus (Dora) Duval of Ft. Bliss, Texas and Phil (Jeana) Duval of Macclenny; sisters Faye Thornhill and Christine Jackson, both of Sanderson; brother Phil Allen (Linda) Duval of Tallahassee; grandchildren Stephanie (Jeff) Huddleson, Jessica Duval and Klata Duval; great-granddaughters Isabel and Kinsley; niece and caregiver Karen Finley of Glen St. Mary.

The funeral service will be conducted at 11 am Thursday, November 3, at his church with Pastor Randy Williams officiating, and a eulogy from Mr. Dan Kerr. Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-9 pm Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Guerry Funeral Home, Macclenny.

In Loving Memory of Jason Paul Stell

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Gospel sing

New River NC Methodist Church on CR 125 in Union County will host a gospel sing and fish fry November 5.

The meal will be served at 5:30 pm and Southern Joy will sing at 7 pm.

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UF weight control study enrolling

This winter researchers at the University of Florida will begin a study examining a weight management treatment program for children and their parents in rural areas of Baker County, as well as other rural areas in north central Florida.

The Extension Family Lifestyle Intervention Project for Kids, or E-FLIP for Kids, is designed to help children and parents improve their diet and physical activity to promote positive self-image and better weight management. The no-cost program helps families work together to learn how to manage real-life problems and make gradual changes in their lifestyles.

E-FLIP for Kids is led by David Janicke, Ph.D., along with a team that includes physicians, nurses, nutritionists, an exercise physiologist and behavioral health psychologists. The study is supported by a grant from the National Institute of Diabetes &

Digestive & Kidney Disorders.

The program will compare family-based group treatment programs versus a treatment program in which only parents attend group treatment meetings. The programs are designed to help children establish healthier weight status, as well as healthier eating and exercise habits. The treatment programs last one year.

Group treatment sessions will occur once per week during the first few months of the program, but will decline in frequency to once a month at the end of the program. Families will also be followed for 12 months after treatment ends to assess the long-term impact of the treatments.

E-FLIP for Kids is available to Baker County parents and their children between the ages of 8 and 12. To participate, children must have a parent or legal guardian who is willing to attend

group treatment sessions. All treatment visits will be held at the cooperative extension office (Ag Center) on W. Macclenny Ave. Families will be given \$10 per treatment session to compensate them for travel costs.

Screening visits for the study are currently underway, with the treatment programs beginning in February 2012. Families interested in signing up for the program or who have questions should call the E-FLIP for Kids office toll free at 1-866-673-9623. Our team will help you determine your eligibility for the study. The E-FLIP for Kids team is taking calls now.

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Jimmy Ellis' kids and the Manning family

Church bazaar

The Baldwin United Methodist Women will be hosting their annual bazaar on Nov. 5 at the church located at 51 S. Chestnut St. There will be food, baked goods, small quilts and glassware available.

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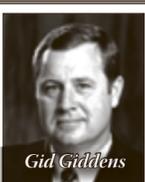
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GED boot camp instructor Vicki Grubbs and NEFSH maintenance worker Matthew Colson, who passed his GED test last March after completing the four-week boot camp.

Fast-tracking for GED Accelerated 'boot camp' online

JOEL ADDINGTON
NEWS EDITOR

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Matthew Colson needed his high school diploma to start earning benefits as a full-time maintenance worker at Northeast Florida State Hospital. And he needed it fast.

The quickest way to get it, he said, was the Adult Education Center's newest program — GED boot camp. A few weeks later he began the four-week program and passed the GED test on March 21, 2011.

The 27-year-old Baldwin resident and former construction worker was educated, but he hadn't been in school for nearly a decade. The GED boot camp drilled him in the skills critical to passing the test and helped him shed the anxiety he had about working with computers.

The boot camp is an accelerated GED program that blends one night a week of classroom instruction with up to two additional nights of class online with other students and boot camp instructor Vicki Grubbs.

"At first, I was the only one having trouble with my computer skills," Mr. Colson said. "But after we got set up, it went really well."

Ms. Grubbs said the boot camp program, which began last December, has proved very effective.

"We've had great results," she said. "Some adults find it easier to adapt and learn online."

The boot camp takes place in the weeks leading up to the GED exams, which are administered multiple times throughout the year.

Adult education programs cost \$30 per semester for Florida residents and the test fee is \$70, with a \$10 discount if GED classes are taken beforehand. The next boot camp begins November 14.

The boot camp is limited to 10 adults, 18 years or older, who must also have access to a computer with Internet service.

Ms. Grubbs communicates with students in a virtual classroom using a web cam and microphone. Students can respond with text messages or web cams of their own.

Ms. Grubbs said the online environment lets students watch videos, view Power Point presentations and chat with each other about their lessons.

Lessons cover reading, writing, math, social studies and science.

"Sessions are all recorded so they can go back and review as much as they like," said the instructor.

Participants have included students from the Monday through Friday GED classes offered by the Adult Education Center, but also those seeking the convenience of virtual learning.

"We have some [students] that bleed over who want that higher level or online-style instruction," Ms. Grubbs said. "But it's ideal for the outside world, too, and geared to potential students who need to take the GED test but don't have the time to come in and sit in a classroom every day. It's for those who can squeeze in two and a half hours once a week and do the rest at home. Those that work odd hours or rotating shifts, they can come and get their GED."

The next boot camp will have a Monday classroom session, mandatory online session on Thursday and an optional online session on Saturday.

The online sessions last an hour and a half.

Students must pass a pre-test to enroll in the boot camp to show they're ready for the accelerated pace of the program, which Ms. Grubbs described as last minute cramming sessions.

"We don't cover everything we cover in the normal class," she said. "It's more last minute, quick fix things, so they can run with it and get the GED passed."

The Adult Education Center is located at 523 W. Minnesota Ave. in Macclenny. Call 259-0403 for more information.

HPC studies youth-sports concussions

The Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida (HPC) released the results of its study on hospital admissions from youth sport-related concussions late last month.

After selecting the topic a year ago, the HPC worked on assembling and convening a group of representatives from area hospitals to form the study council that would determine the research questions and begin collecting and analyzing the local data.

At its first meeting in December 2010, the group finalized the core research questions: What is the incidence and prevalence of sport-related concussions for children between the ages of 10-18 in Northeast Florida hospitals between the years 2004-2009? What is the admission rate of sport-related concussions for those children? Is there a difference between hospital admissions, discharges, length of stay, and payer source associated with these concussions? And how many received brain scans after presenting at the hospitals?

Only one of the 12 Traumatic Brain Injuries treated at Fraser Hospital in Macclenny during the study period was related to youth sports, the results show.

For more information about the study and sports-related concussions in the region, call Jacksonville-based HPC at (904) 723-2162.

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School Lunch MENU

November 7 - November 11

Offered everyday:
Cold lunch plate of chef salad with wheat roll or crackers and dessert (when offered) 1% lowfat white milk, ½% lowfat flavored milk, orange juice.

Monday, November 7

Breakfast: Waffle with syrup, peach slices, milk

Lunch: Deli Turkey and cheese sandwich on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Tossed salad, steamed broccoli, pear cup, milk choice.

Tuesday, November 8

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

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

Wednesday, November 9

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, peach slices, milk

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

Thursday, November 10

Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, pineapple juice, milk.

Lunch: Cheese pizza or BBQ pork on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Baked fries, green beans, mix fruit cup, milk choice

Friday, November 11

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November 3

BCHS: Cross Country Class 2 A District Meet at Bradford, 5 pm, Community Pep Rally and Bonfire at Memorial Stadium, 7:30 pm WES: Good Morning Show Club Meeting, 8 am PK/K: School Advisory Council Meeting, 8 am

November 4

District-wide: Report Cards BCBS: Senior Night Football vs. Bishop Kenney, 7:30 pm, Pep Rally, 1:45 pm WES: Positive Behavior Support Club Meeting, 8 am.

November 7

District-wide: School Board Meeting, 6:30 pm District School Board Room WES: Family Reading Night, 4-7 pm, Scholastic Book Fair

November 8

BCBS: PERT Test (formerly CPT), 7:45 am, HiQ vs. Union, 4 pm WES: Scholastic Book Fair PK/K: Kinder Khorus, 8 am

November 9

BCBS: PERT Test (formerly CPT), 7:45 am WES: Scholastic Book Fair, Merrie Melodies Club Mtg, 8 am, Picture retakes

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Silver awards for FFA team at nationals

The Baker High School FFA poultry team came away from the national convention in Indianapolis in mid-October with a silver emblem as it represented Florida and competed against 36 other teams from around the country. Pictured above (from left) are advisor Greg Johnson, Brennen Baze, Taylor Long, Clayton Lyons and Taylor Truluck with a representative of Tyson Foods. The students all received silver emblems as well in the evaluation career development event, an activity that tests participants' ability to select quality poultry products. The competition consists of a written exam, evaluation of live birds and eggs and judging parts and products.

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Washington Oaks State Park's rocky shoreline.

Florida's 'rocky' coast

Washington Oaks park near Crescent Beach

A Day Away

KELLEY LANNIGAN

Washington Oaks State Park and botanical garden is one of those places you can drive by every day for years without ever knowing of the absolute treasure tucked away just out of sight from the busy road.

Do yourself a favor and visit. You'll be surprised that such a unique marine environment is so accessible to northern Floridians.

Located just 2 miles south of Marineland below Crescent Beach, the state park is bisected by Highway A1A.

On one side, bordered by the Matanzas River, visitors can stroll through a beautiful botanical garden.

On the other, beachcombers find themselves in a surprising landscape, more reminiscent of the rugged, rocky California coast than Florida.

Either locale is a treat for the senses and great for photo opportunities.

Most of the park's 400 acres exist in their natural state. The formal gardens are nestled within a hammock of huge oak trees draped with Spanish moss. Throughout are walkways, waterways, reflection ponds, gazebos and expanses of flowers such as camellias, bird of paradise and azaleas. A courtyard filled with many varieties of roses invites visitors to stroll leisurely and smell the fragrant blooms. The beauty of the gardens have made them a popular location for weddings.

Along the Matanzas River side of the garden is a seawall with benches and BBQ grills. Migrating marine birds and manatee are frequently seen in this area. This section of the park also contains trails for hiking and biking and visitors can fish from the seawall and in the surf on the beach side.

The unique rock outcrop along

Benefit for toys

A poker run fund raiser, silent auction and motorcycle ride are being sponsored by Gator Patrick's bar in east Macclenny on November 5.

Proceeds will go to the Macclenny Fire Department's annual Christmas for Kids benefit. Donations of toys and dry goods will be accepted.

This year's ride will start and finish at the bar, with stops in Jacksonville, Middleburg, Starke and Lake Butler.

A barbeque dinner will be served at the finish.

For more information, contact Donan Barrett 259-1921.

the beach is thought to be the result of a bar of sediment formed 100,000 years ago just off the shore during the last interglacial ice age.

Sea levels later fell nearly 30 feet, exposing the bar to air and weather. Percolating rain water dissolved the calcium carbonate in the sediment's coquina (shell) material which cemented it together into rock.

Five thousand years ago, ocean waves began wearing away the exposed rock, carving out the startling coastline seen today.

The tract of land that eventually became the park was once owned by a relative of George Washington. In 1963 Louise and Owen Young bought the prop-

erty, built a winter retirement home and established the gardens. In 1964 they donated most of the property to the State of Florida.

With separate entrances to the gardens and the beach, visitors must drive to the section they want to visit. The good news is one entrance ticket is good for both areas and the nominal entrance fee is about the best bargain around.

Pets are welcome on the hiking and biking trails but not in the gardens or on the beach and must be on a leash at all times.

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YARD SALES



Heartbroken family hoping to recover 6 large metal tins with years of Christmas ornaments from garage in Copper Creek. Reward. 735-4304. 10/27-11/3p

Thursday 3:00 - 6:00 pm, Friday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Saturday 8:00 - 10:00 am, 930 and 933 Red Fox Way. Fox Ridge Estates. Sony Trinitron 36" TV, toys, Your baby can read program, brand new facial, foot and hand spa, household items, holiday decorations, VHS Disney movies, books, clothes (girls 12-18 months, boys 4T, women's and men's) and many more items priced to sell.

Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, 7349 W. Madison in Glen. Multifamily, large variety to choose from.

Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm, 144 S. 5th Street. (Women's Club) Proceeds goes to help with Christmas giveaway for kids.

Friday only 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, 2228 Glory Rd in Allen Acres, Macclenny. Estate sale: free piano. Antiques: 2 beds, chest of drawers, chairs and table. Other items will be large china cabinet, 2 ceiling fans, oak kitchen cabinets, entertainment center, microwave, desk, odds and ends.

Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, 9710 Barber Loop off Wolfe Dr. Infant boys, girls 2T-4T, womens, lots of other stuff.

Friday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, 101 E Macclenny Ave. C.O.A.'s "bigger than usual" sale. Its time to stock up on warm clothing for the family, and we have tons of Christmas items and lots of doo-dads. Please stop by and check out our bake sale too.

Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, Magnolia Dr off Miltontdale. Multifamily. Something for everyone, rain cancels.

Friday and Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, 13488 E. Tall Pine Rd. Clothes, girls all sizes, boys 10-18, women's clothes all sizes, household items.

Friday and Saturday 8:00 am - ?, 121 North, right at checking station on Blue Hole Rd. follow signs. Two families, household items, Christmas decor, size 0-8 pants, S-L shirts, material, pressure cooker with jars. Something for everyone at reasonable prices. Rain cancels.

Friday and Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, 5926 Woodlawn Cemetery Rd. Weather permitting, vacuum cleaner, barstools, lamps, plants, clothes, lots of household items.

Friday and Saturday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, Macclenny II, 4477 Dogwood St, Five families.

Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, 10028 Stasi Rd in Glen. Nursery furniture, children's clothes, household items.

Friday and Saturday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm, Mud Lake Rd and Keith Griffis Circle. Clothes, household items, Nascar, fishing gear, misc.

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Ladycats begin playoffs at 14-5

The Lady Wildcat volleyball team heads into the first round of the playoffs this week. The girls were district runners-up after defeating Paxon and losing to champions Bishop Kenny. The Cats are 14-5 on the season.

The Cats' hard work was rewarded this week with some outstanding honors. Coach Heather Sulkowski was named 5A Coach of the Year in District 4 of the Florida Athletic Coaches Association. Chelsey Ruise was named Player of the Year and Ruise and



PHOTOS BY JUD JOHNSON
Kayla Holland (right) during the Bishop Kenny match as Chelsey Ruise (left) looks on with Logan Raulerson. Below is coach Heather Sulkowski with Ruise.



Logan Raulerson were named to the All District team. FACA's District 4 spans four counties. The Wildcats defeated Paxon 3-1 - 25-20, 25-20, 16-25 and 25-17 - on October 25 at BCHS. It was a gratifying win for the Cats, who had lost to the Eagles twice this season. Logan Raulerson had 40 assists. Kayla Holland had 23 kills and 12 digs while Chelsey Ruise had 13 kills. Caitlin Smith had 11 kills and Cati Frazee had 27 digs. Bishop Kenny easily defeated the Wild-

cats in the championship match the following day 0-3 with scores of 15-25, 11-25 and 21-25. Kayla Holland led the Cats with 5 kills. Chelsey Ruise had 4 kills, Logan had 15 assists and Brooke Roberts had 6 digs.

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Cats blank district foe Forrest 49-0

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If there was any suspicion that the Wildcats were overlooking the Forrest game with Bishop Kenny looming in their future, it was dispelled within minutes of Friday's kickoff at the homecoming game against Nathan Bedford Forrest High School.

The Cats started fast the evening of October 28 and kept pressure on their district rival on the way to a 49-0 victory. The win means that the Cats will battle Bishop Kenny for the district title November 4.

The Wildcats jumped out to an early lead after a pair of Falon Lee runs that set up an 18-yard touchdown pass from Thomas Sirk to Kendrick Singleton. Lee cracked a 38-yard run and another for 24 yards to set up the score and an early 7-0 lead.

The Wildcats got back the services of placekicker Jeremy Wannamaker, who has been out for more than a month with a high ankle sprain. Wannamaker is still not 100 percent. Though he was perfect on extra points, he was kicking left footed to avoid the strain on his ankle.

The Wildcat defense continued its dominating performance as it held Forrest to just 5 yards rushing on 22 attempts. Forrest had more success through the air, but was unable to crack the Cat defense.

Forrest gave the ball back to the Wildcats, who went on an 80-yard march culminating in another Sirk-to-Singleton touchdown pass. The 33-yard strike put BCHS up 14-0.

It was quickly a three-touchdown lead. Rickie Tharpe picked off Forrest quarterback Eric Stokes and gave BCHS the ball at the 14-yard line. Sirk found Brandon Miller for the quick touchdown at the end of the first quarter.

The start of the second period provided the most exciting highlight of the game. Forrest had its most effective drive of the game, moving the ball through the air all the way to the BCHS 30-yard line. But Stokes made a mistake and Falon Lee anticipated the pass, picking it off at the 10-yard line. From there he went from defensive back to running back, out-running the Rebels for a 90-yard interception return for a touchdown.

The interception seemed to let all the air out of Forrest and the Rebels would not challenge for the rest of the game.

On their next series, the Cats converted yet again. Sirk found Lee at midfield and hit on the next play for a Singleton 50-yard touchdown strike. Wannamaker added the PAT for a 35-0 lead.

The Wildcats got the ball back inside Forrest



PHOTOS BY JUD JOHNSON
Above: Trey Mosely runs, also pictured from the Wildcats are No. 6 Drew Rogers and No. 62 Blaine Dugger. Below (top) Malone Hadley breaks up a pass and (bottom) Kyle Alexander tackles a Forrest receiver.



territory and after a Sirk connection with Malone Hadley, Lee took the ball on five successive runs, ending with a 3-yard touchdown plunge.

The final score came on a 30-yard hook up from Cory Lawler to Drew Rogers.

Sirk's accuracy was outstanding, going 11 of 13 for 198 yards and four touchdowns. Lee was over the 100-yard mark yet again with 15 carries for 106 yards.

District title or bust

The Wildcats are in for the game of the season on Friday when they take on Bishop Kenny for all the marbles. Ironically, this is just one of many "games of the season."

The Westminster game was called that, and then the Trinity game and finally the Bolles match up. In reality, they all met the criteria. But Friday's game with the Crusaders is the one that qualifies.

It's win or go home for BCHS. If they beat Kenny they are the district champs. If they lose they don't make the playoffs because they have lost to Clay in head-to-head competition unless the unthinkable happens and Clay falters on Friday versus Forrest.

There are a lot of similarities between the two teams. Like BCHS, Kenny has a lot of weapons. They have a marquee quarterback in sophomore Jon Wolford and a big time receiver in Ahmad Fulwood. Their other receivers are all solid and Peter Helow and Wolford's big brother Bobby are favorite targets.

Though they don't have as solid a running back as Falon Lee, Cameron Singletary is also dangerous. Kurt Krier can kick the ball a mile.

The Wildcat linebackers will have to be very alert and the safeties and defensive backs can't go to sleep or Wolford will air it out.

The real question will be whether the Wildcat pass rush can overcome the Kenny offensive line. Elijah Lee, CeCe Jefferson, Hunter Sullivan, Jared Lee, Rickie Tharpe and the rest of the defensive front have put the hurry up on a few quarterbacks this

season. If they can harass Wolford it could keep his numbers down.

Will Kenny give up points defensively like it has in other games? When he's having a good night, Thomas Sirk can be as accurate as they come. When he's not on target or his receivers are heavily covered he can beat you with his legs, as Bolles discovered.

A Wildcat pep rally and bon fire is scheduled for November 3 at Memorial Stadium starting at 7:30 pm.

Kenny, Clay rolling over opponents

The Wildcats kept on pace for Friday's showdown with Bishop Kenny with a 49-0 whitewashing of Forrest. Here's how the other opponents fared.

✓ Bishop Kenny continued to roll over opponents in impressive fashion. The Crusaders shocked Terry Parker early on their way to a 44-0 halftime lead and then took their foot off the gas in the 44-8 win.

✓ Clay got a pair of touchdowns from Francy Emile and outclassed Paxon 41-20. Though DJ Cooper is the Devils' main offensive threat, Emile is definitely the scoring machine, with 13 touchdowns this season.

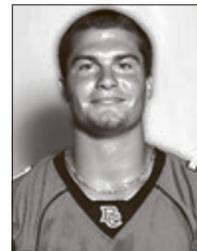
✓ Baldwin clinched its first playoff bid since Carl West was their coach with a nail biting 27-25 win over Newberry. Jordan Mullis brought the Indians back with two late scores as Baldwin will visit the post-season for the first time since 2000. Coach Steve Shields has brought a new intensity to the Indians, who are second to Union County in District 7 1A.

✓ Here's a shocker. Yulee junior running back Derrick Henry was unstoppable, rushing for 292 yards as the Hornets came back from a two-touchdown deficit to defeat Trinity Christian 36-35. Henry, who has committed to Georgia, ran all over the Trinity defense.

✓ Bradford rolled to a 49-0 win over Interlachen in a district match up.

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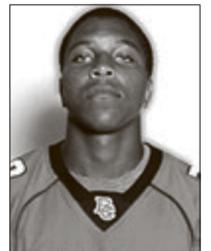
Jeremy Wannamaker

In his return to action from injury, Wannamaker provided a spark in the kicking game with his perfect performance on PATs. Remarkably, he did so with his left foot, although he is a right-footed kicker.



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