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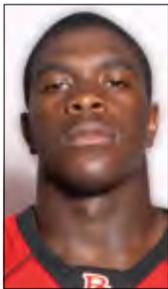
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## Seven are implicated in a melee near club

Seven criminal complaints for both felony and misdemeanor offenses were filed in the wake of a fight and multiple conflicting stories given to police on the circumstances surrounding it and individuals involved.

Deputy Brandon Kiser said he responded to a call on E. Ohio Ave. in Macclenny in the early morning on February 26 and questioned Roland Gaskins, 18, of Macclenny about several stab wounds on his back.

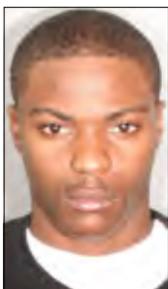


Roland Gaskins



Brandon Ruise

The officer learned that Mr. Gaskins had been involved earlier in a disturbance involving a large gathering in the parking lot of the Giggles Comedy Cafe on South 6th St. He was taken by rescue unit to nearby Fraser Hospital, and later transferred to Shands Jacksonville.



Dorian Surrency

Police soon learned that two other participants showed up at Fraser's emergency room, one of them a 16-year-old male from Glen St. Mary who also had stab wounds in the back.

The other, 18-year-old Bobby Rydell Gaskins of Sanderson had been struck on the head, causing a large knot and laceration.

Neither patient knew the  
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## Macclenny manager seeks more discretion on sign approvals

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# Glen man caught cooking meth

## CR 139B cordoned

A Glen St. Mary man is in county jail charged with manufacturing methamphetamine at his residence west of town on CR 139B on February 27.

Through traffic in the neighborhood was halted four nearly five hours as a precaution against explosions while a clean-up contractor from Jacksonville neutralized a "one pot" batch of the drug that was cooking in a 2-liter plastic bottle when sheriff's investigators visited the residence about 11:30 am.

Daryll Gatlin, 27, was arrested at the scene and booked at county jail for manufacturing drugs, felony possession and misdemeanor marijuana possession.



Police kept traffic, pedestrians away from this frame house on CR 139B for several hours Monday.



Daryll Gatlin

His live-in girlfriend Crystal Covington, 27, who was there with their small child at the time, was not charged. Investigator John Hardin said he and three other of-

ficers saw Mr. Gatlin shaking the plastic bottle in the front yard when they drove past the residence about 11:20 that morning.

Earlier, the investigator learned that the suspect purchased pseudoephedrine, a key ingredient in methamphetamine, at the Macclenny Walgreens. A pharmacy tech there confirmed that Mr. Gatlin frequented the store for similar purchases.

He was also tracked on a national database that records similar purchases and informs police agencies via e-mail.

Earlier this month, police received a tip through a third party that Ms. Covington was aware her boyfriend was cooking meth at the residence and feared for her safety and that of her children.

Investigator Hardin said a chemical odor common at meth labs was wafting around the residence when he approached it on foot. He also saw an empty blister pack of the over-the-counter product from Walgreens lying on the seat of Mr. Gatlin's ve-

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## Community garden nixed; county may need the land

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The community garden by the Baker County Sheriff's Complex saw its final harvest February 14.

During the last 18 months, the 2-acre tract on some six acres owned by the county yielded thousands of pounds of cabbage, peas, lettuce, carrots, turnips and other vegetables for the Samaritan House Food Bank.

"It was an extreme blessing because it was garden grown and freshly picked food," said Pastor Mitch Rhoden of United Christian Church in Macclenny, the food bank's manager. "We'd love to have someone step up and do that again."

Beyond the fresh food that made its way to the homes of needy Baker County families via the food bank on US 90 between Macclenny and Glen St. Mary, the community garden also gave inmates and other offenders an opportunity to be productive while learning how to garden.

Soon after the year began, Helene Guest of Lawtey, who helped establish the garden in the summer of 2010 with a \$5000 grant secured by the Baker County Health Department, met with County Manager C.J. Thompson.

It would soon be time to harvest and replant. Would the plot be available for another season?

She was told the county needs the property. But was there an alternate site? Again, she said, the answer was no.

Mr. Thompson said he was approached about the land's



Scraps from final harvest at garden in mid-February.

future availability, and because the Baker County Commission may eventually decide to build on it, the property is not available in the long term.

A new county administration building was planned for the tract in recent years, but a lack of funding has stifled its progress.

"When [commissioners] say go, I have to be able to move," said the county manager. "But no, they haven't said that yet."

While the commission been reluctant to borrow the nearly \$500,000 needed to complete the administration building

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## Board poised to kill off plans intended for Smoke Rise II

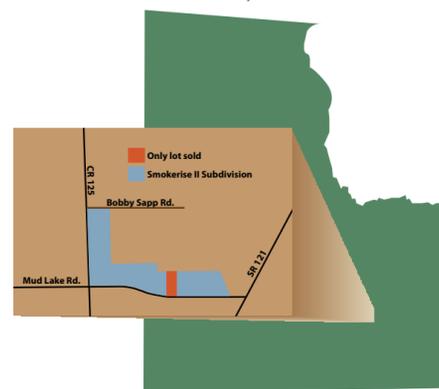
MIKE ANDERSON  
PRESS STAFF

After killing plans for a massive residential and commercial development on the north side of Interstate 10 last week, the Baker County Commission is set to vote on a request to terminate plans for a 108-acre subdivision south of the interstate.

The failure of both projects to get off the ground is blamed on an anemic real estate market.

County commissioners abandoned the 6,000-unit Cedar Creek

Development between Glen St. Mary and Sanderson on February 20. On April 16 they'll be asked to vacate a plat that was approved in 2002 for a 108-acre subdivision called Smoke Rise II at the corner of County Road 125 and Mud Lake Road.



However, the petition to vacate the subdivision and revert the lots back to agricultural zoning will go to the commission without the endorsement of the county's Land Planning Agency, which oversees planning and zoning issues.

The petition was defeated by a 2-2 vote of the advisory panel after a public hearing on February 23, despite a recommendation of approval from Planning and Zoning Director Ed Preston.

"The fact that only one lot has been sold makes it a candidate for unplatting," Mr. Preston said.

In a report attached to the petition was a one-sentence recommendation from the planning and zoning department: "Planning staff finds that this request for reversion of plat is consistent with the comprehensive plan and land development regulations and recommends approval."

During the ensuing 10 years since the plat was approved only one house — on the north side of Mud Lake Road — has been built on one of 21 original 5-acre lots. The remaining 20 lots were never sold.

The L-shaped subdivision, which is part of the Blair Nurseries Inc. tract between CR 125 and State Road 121, included six lots along the east side of CR 125 and 15 lots on Mud Lake Road.

"There's not the market out there to sell these lots," said Chad  
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16.9%	Grocery store
8.8%	Restaurant
6.6%	Nightclub
2.2%	Church
1.5%	Bookstore
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Seven Day Forecast	
<b>Thursday</b>	Partly Cloudy High: 81 Low: 54
<b>Friday</b>	Partly Cloudy High: 82 Low: 58
<b>Saturday</b>	Mostly Cloudy High: 80 Low: 55
<b>Sunday</b>	Mostly Sunny High: 69 Low: 46
<b>Monday</b>	Sunny High: 70 Low: 45
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mostly Sunny High: 73 Low: 50
<b>Wednesday</b>	Partly Cloudy High: 72 Low: 51

**Today's High & Low Temperatures**

Jasper	79 / 59	Callahan	81 / 58	Fernandina Beach	79 / 61
Macclenny	81 / 54	Jacksonville	80 / 61	Atlantic Beach	79 / 62
Watertown	80 / 57	Baldwin	81 / 53		
High Springs	81 / 57	Starke	81 / 56	St. Augustine	80 / 61

**Last Week's Local Almanac**

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Tue, 2/21	68	39	70/46	0.00"
Wed, 2/22	75	45	71/46	0.13"
Thu, 2/23	81	64	71/47	0.01"
Fri, 2/24	82	59	71/47	0.04"
Sat, 2/25	59	41	71/47	0.00"
Sun, 2/26	57	41	72/47	0.19"
Mon, 2/27	72	54	72/47	0.66"

Precipitation .....1.03"  
Normal precipitation .....0.85"  
Departure from normal .....+0.18"  
Average temperature .....59.8"  
Average normal temperature .....58.9"  
Departure from normal .....+0.9"

*Data as reported from Cecil Field Airport*

**March 1, 2012**

**Sun/Moon Chart This Week**

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moon
Thursday	6:54 a.m.	6:28 p.m.	New 3/22
Friday	6:53 a.m.	6:29 p.m.	
Saturday	6:52 a.m.	6:29 p.m.	
Sunday	6:50 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	
Monday	6:49 a.m.	6:31 p.m.	
Tuesday	6:48 a.m.	6:31 p.m.	First 3/30
Wednesday	6:47 a.m.	6:32 p.m.	

**St. Mary's River Levels**

Location	Now	Change
Moniac, GA	4.96 ft.	+0.21 ft.
Macclenny	1.80 ft.	+0.04 ft.

**Hunting/Fishing Times**

Day	AM	PM
Thu	6:08-8:08	5:38-7:38
Fri	6:59-8:59	6:29-8:29
Sat	7:50-9:50	7:20-9:20
Sun	8:41-10:41	8:11-10:11
Mon	9:33-11:33	9:03-11:03
Tue	10:24-12:24	9:54-11:54
Wed	11:15-1:15	10:45-12:45

**Weather History**

**March 1, 1910** - The deadliest avalanche of record in the United States thundered down the mountains near Wellington Station, Wash. It swept three huge locomotive train engines and some passenger cars over the side and into a canyon, claiming the lives of more than 100 people.

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## Likely end to Smoke Rise II

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Grimm, a landscape architect who represented Blair Nurseries owner Charles O. Rupp at the LPA board meeting. If the subdivision plat is vacated, Mr. Grimm said, the remaining property in Smoke Rise II could become part of another 200 adjacent acres and developed as a "rural type of community with single-family homes in a farm-type setting." Preliminary plans, he said, envision a mixture of lot sizes, ranging from perhaps half an acre on up to 2 or 3 acres, with about 577 dwelling units overall surrounding a large pasture where cows and horses could graze.

"We would be making the lots smaller so everybody shares more green space," Mr. Grimm said. However, the only homeowners in the soon-to-be-abandoned subdivision, David Garner and Celeste Reynolds, objected to Mr. Rupp's petition to vacate the plat.

"Our concern is that we could be harmed economically if the plat is vacated," Mr. Garner told the LPA board. "We're in the process of ensuring that we would not be giving up any plat rights that would devalue our property, like a chicken farm or anything like that."

Mr. Grimm said that an agreement had tentatively been drafted to address the couple's concerns and was being reviewed by attorneys on both sides in an attempt to resolve the dispute.

If the two sides can reach a mutually satisfying agreement, that's fine, LPA members said. But meanwhile, board Chairman Larry Porterfield and member Allison Broughton expressed sympathy for the homeowners and opposition to the request to terminate the subdivision plat.

"I can understand your concerns," Mr. Porterfield told the owners. "People in Greystone are taking a killing."

He referred to the Greystone subdivision on US 90 east of

Baker County High School. The developer went bankrupt after three houses were built and the subdivision was left unfinished with nobody claiming responsibility for maintaining the many remaining vacant, weed-choked lots.

Mrs. Reynolds said she and her husband bought their lot in 2003 and moved into their new home in 2004. At the time, she said, the development was marketed "under the guise of an equestrian-style community" where everyone would have a 5-acre lot and would be allowed to keep horses on their own property.

The way it stands now, she said, they could be left with the largest house in the neighborhood "and the only contemporary style there. It would stick out like a sore thumb."

After hearing both sides of the argument, Mrs. Broughton recommended the petitioner's request be denied because she felt the developer should live up to his word.

"When somebody buys a product it comes with a warranty, expressed or implied," Mrs. Broughton said. "I don't think it's right for anybody to come back and change that."

But her motion to deny the petition died for lack of a second. After several seconds of silence, board member Philip Zamarron said "to bring some finality to it, I would move to approve it since the two sides are moving toward an agreement."

Board member Scott Lyons seconded the motion but the final vote was a 2-2 tie, which is the same as a vote of denial.

All matters that go before the LPA automatically go to the county commission for ultimate disposition. Commissioners can concur with the advisory board's recommendation or overrule it.

## Caught cooking meth...

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hicle. Another product used in meth manufacturing, cold compress packs, was found in a wastebasket under a carport.

Mr. Gatlin admitted to the investigator he was cooking meth, and directed him to the plastic bottle on the front porch. Ms. Covington and baby were ordered from the residence and the area was cordoned off.

The clean-up contractor employed by the federal DEA [Drug Enforcement Agency] arrived at the scene in early afternoon and removed chemicals from an outdoor shed and cleaned other surfaces for two hours.

Randy Crews, a sheriff's investigator and member of a DEA regional task force who was at the scene, said this is the first active "meth house" discovered in Baker County. Others, at Deerwood Circle in east Macclenny and off Bob Burned Rd. north of Glen, have been discovered but had only the debris or "junk" of an operation on the premises.

A "mobile meth lab" was seized in Glen about the same time.

Those two stationary locations, and a third one in a Baldwin motel, were raided late last year and in January.

Mr. Gatlin has a criminal past that dates back to 2003, according to local court records, and was released from state prison in March, 2009 after serving time for fleeing police and grand theft.

He has also been in county jail over the years for offenses ranging from grand theft, forgery, traffic and leaving the scene of an accident.

He is being held under \$91,000 bond.

## Community garden harvests final crop

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project, Mr. Thompson said he knows of no other alternative. Last week a shed that housed tools and supplies for the community garden was relocated to Macclenny Elementary School, where students tend to raised-bed gardens with Ms. Guest's help. Electric fencing was removed from the community garden as well.

For the last year and a half, Ms. Guest, a retired bank manager, has spent three days a week at the garden. At first, she said, she was unhappy about having to abandon it, but in recent weeks, with more opportunities coming her way to spread the gospel of gardening, she's decided that perhaps her calling is teaching.

"It's okay. I've made peace with it ..." Ms. Guest said. "I love gardening and I love helping people feed themselves with fresh foods and giving fresh foods to those in need."

She hopes to develop a butterfly and bird sanctuary at Macclenny Elementary to show students how birds can be used to control garden pests and avoid the use of pesticides.

Then there's Ms. Guest's home gardening project funded by the Samaritan House Food Bank in partnership with the health department. Garden supplies and seeds are given free to low-income families and they're taught how to grow a portion of their own food. The gardening classes are followed by healthy eating classes taught by health department educators.

Done the right way, gardening can save families money in their food budget, help relieve stress through physical activity and promote a healthy diet supplemented by fresh vegetables, Ms. Guest said. She encourages gardeners and farmers to plant an additional 10 percent and donate the excess harvest to area food banks.

It's clear the community garden, however, meant a lot to Ms. Guest. She oversaw a cadre of volunteers, offenders in need of community service hours and county jail inmates at the site. They watered and harvested the plants and pulled weeds to keep the garden flourishing.

"It's a peaceful, special little place," she said. "I know God blessed all the hands that worked there."

Ms. Guest recalled summer mornings when helpers arrived at 6:45 am to beat the heat. She said they weren't having fun at first, but after some time, they began to enjoy the labor and take pride in helping feed others in need.

"It changed their hearts and I saw that," Ms. Guest said. Pastor Rhoden thanked Ms. Guest, the sheriff's office and county for their help and said he hoped another, permanent location for a new community garden will be found.

## Seven are named in club fight

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identity of their assailants, and Mr. Gaskins insisted he was jumped by several persons in Glen St. Mary. Several witnesses at the scene contradicted that.

A fourth victim, another 16-year-old male from Sanderson, had small lacerations on his shoulder and named Dorian Surrency, 18, of Macclenny as his assailant.

Deputy Kiser noted in his report that many of the others, mostly minors, refused to cooperate in the investigation.

Several hours later, the mother of another minor male, 13, went to the sheriff's department claiming he was struck on the head and in the stomach.

The deputy filed a complaint for aggravated battery against Brandon Ruise, 18, of Macclenny and one of the 16-year-old males for stabbing Roland Gaskins.

A complaint for felony battery was filed against Mr. Surrency, and simple battery on Brandon Ruise and a 16-year-old boy for attacking the 13-year-old.

The incident took place just after 1 a.m.

Roland Gaskins and a 16-year-old youth were named in a complaint for battery on another 16-year-old from Glen St. Mary.

In an unrelated incident, a complaint for battery was filed on February 20 naming Scott Raley, 43, of Glen for attacking Michael Collingwood, 18, at a residence on Islamorada Dr. in east Macclenny.

The accused approached Ms. Collingwood in the early afternoon about an alleged relationship with a minor female.

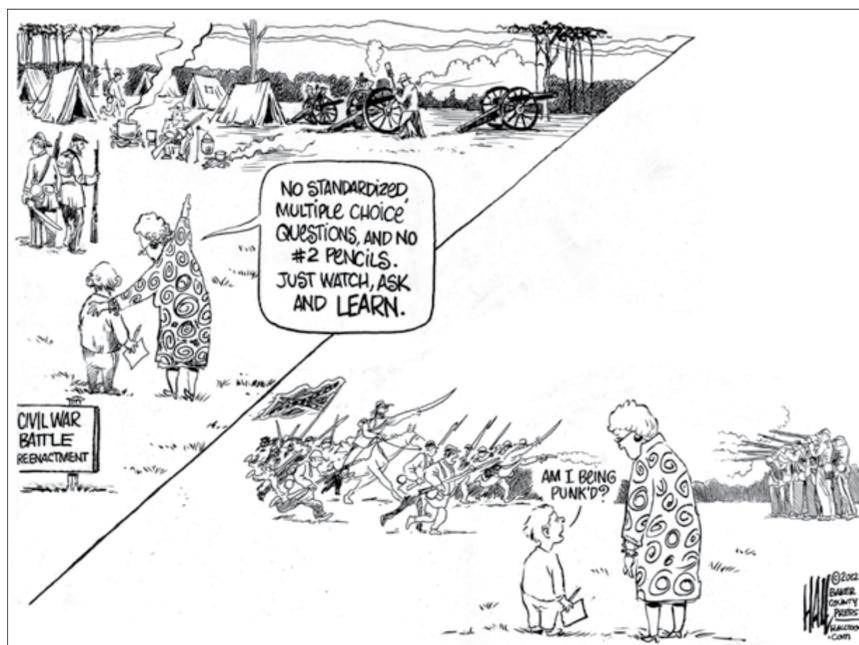
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## It's never too late to express feelings to a favorite teacher

I am a teacher and proud of it. There, I said it. I've been doing this job for 30 years and it is rewarding, often frustrating, challenging in both good and bad ways, eye opening and I wouldn't change it for the world.

On February 21, I went to the Baker County School Board meeting where, among other things, the board was honoring the Teachers of the Year. My wife Kelley Norman was one of those being honored.

During the lead-up to the introduction of the six teachers who were named finalists at their respective schools, Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson challenged the audience to do something.

She told the crowd that she had written thank you letters to two of the teachers who had changed her life — Clemmyte Daniels and Barbara Ritchey. She shared her own personal story about how these ladies had influenced her to become an educator and how they were role models to a young high school girl.

After she was finished, she asked the crowd to take up the pen and do the same; to pick out a teacher who influenced them and write, call or e-mail them.

"You have no idea how much this would appreciate it," she added.

She's right, and I challenge my readers to do the same thing. Think back and pick a teacher who has influenced you and tell them so.

My wife is the district's Teacher of the Year and part of her packet for the state competition includes letters from former students. I've seen her tear up reading some of these wonderful letters. I think you would be surprised what a kind word is worth to a teacher who may not get many of them from students.

Ironically, when Kelley and I talked after the ceremony, we both had the same teacher in mind.

I have had some fabulous teachers in my life, from my junior high history teacher Thomas Bankston, who taught me to love history, to my high school art teacher Harold Wilder, who pushed me and pushed me until I learned how to draw. My high school drama teacher Judy Smith put me on my life's course

for someone to have a wedding in their church.

The Christian Fellowship Temple wants \$800, First Baptist Church of Glen (where I was married 27 years ago without charge and where my husband Tommy helped build the church) wants \$1500.

I don't see where an hour-long ceremony can cost this much. I'm not asking for a handout, but I also don't feel it is right.

They call themselves Christians? May God help them.

Tricia McInarnay Macclenny

Jason Randall: "Just because it's a prescription doesn't mean it isn't abused like an illegal drug. If a billion dollar company produced meth and called it Methazolol (patent pending), we'd be giving it to our kids for depression."

Jack Presnell: "It sounds like you are saying the people in Baker County can't do with out mind changing drugs. If they are on drugs, they should seek help and their plenty of help out there."

Charmazing McWondful: "I feel very sorry for people who have an addiction of any kind! Don't forget, nobody knows what will knock on our own door tomorrow! Sit back and judge and think it's easy to stop an addiction if you choose, however, I pray that it never hits our front door because I've seen families devastated by all of it! Pray for them instead of bashing them!"

## Who are the 'unemployed'?

If you're not actively looking for a job, are you really unemployed?

This question has been gnawing at me for some time, mostly because when I remind some of my right-leaning friends that the national unemployment rate has fallen to its lowest point since President Obama took office, 8.3 percent, they all have the same response.

"Dude, the real unemployment rate is much higher," they say, as if programmed by the same puppet master.

Really? Get out ... "Sure, if you count all the people that have stopped looking for work or part-time workers who want full-time jobs, it's not 8.3 percent, it's double that," they say.

As it turns out, there's many ways to count the unemployed, just like there's more than one way to skin a cat (but why would anyone want to skin a feline, anyway?)

But I digress. According to the US Department of Labor, the nation's jobless rate in January 2012 was 8.3 percent, or 12.7 million people.

The department reported, "Job growth was widespread in the private sector, with large employment gains in professional and business services, leisure and hospitality, and

manufacturing. Government employment changed little over the month."

The same report shows, after you drill down some, that there were also about a million "discouraged" workers who have given up on joining the labor force. Add to that some 8.2 million who are part-time workers who can't find full-time work, and this newly-defined unemployment rate becomes 15.5 percent.

And if you were able to digest all that and not lose interest, kudos to you. Most people only hear the official rate of 8.3 percent before changing the channel back to NASCAR or American Idol.

So here's my beef: Regardless of which unemployment rate you look at, the official 8.3 percent or 15.5 percent, the trend line is the same. Downwards.

In January 2011, the official rate was 9.1 percent and the rate that includes discouraged and part-time workers fell by some 151,000 people between January 2011 and January 2012.

Now whether this progress is President Obama's doing or not, well, that's another argument altogether. But it's impossible to argue that the job market isn't improving. The data simply does not support it.

Now, who should history

Letter to the Editor

## Church wedding rentals fees steep

Dear Editor: My son is getting married in November and we're trying to find a place here in Baker County to have the ceremony. He called a few churches, but they want \$800 to \$1500 to rent the church, not counting the reception.

This upsets me. My father started a church in Baker County 40 years ago, and has helped a lot of churches in this area. He, Bro. Leslie Thomas, and many other preachers worked together and did a lot of good in this community, and I never knew of them charging

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MACCLENNY CITY COMMISSION

Sign law revision in the works Passes first reading; gives manager discretion

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Most signs advertising businesses in Macclenny are legal and meet the strict standards and requirements of the city's sign ordinance. But not all of them. Although the 20-year-old ordinance lists 32 specific types of prohibited signs, occasionally someone puts up a new sign that falls into a gray area. Over the years, the city commission has had to revisit the ordinance and conduct hearings to draft new language to cover a new type of sign.

The latest proposed amendment is an attempt to expedite the process by giving the city manager broader authority to determine whether signs violate the intent of the ordinance, if not the specific letter of the law.

Commissioners are expected to approve the revised ordinance following a public hearing on the evening of March 13. The first reading and tentative approval came on February 14.

"There's always going to be continual violations of the ordinance," City Manager Gerald Dopson conceded on February 28. "The intent (of the amendment) is to give the administration, or the city manager, the authority to look at certain situations where the clear intent is that somebody is trying to circumvent the ordinance."

He said he would consult with the city attorney and the city's code enforcement official before reaching any conclusion on the legality or illegality of a sign not expressly prohibited under the ordinance.

The issue resurfaced following the arrival of a new business last fall in a strip center on 6th Street just south of Lowder. The business put up numerous signs on the building and one on a pickup truck containing a mannequin holding a red flag in one hand and a tall sign in the other hand that stated: "We Buy Gold."

No permits had been issued by the city for any of the signs. City officials ordered the mannequin and signs removed, though the ordinance didn't specifically say a dummy in the back of a pickup was against the law.

Commissioners directed the city manager and City Attorney Frank Maloney to research the ordinance and come up with a recommen-



"Sign pollution," now removed from S. 6th St., targeted by the law change.

ation to strengthen its enforceability and possibly increase the monetary penalties for violations.

"We need to take more quick and effective action against these violators," Mr. Dopson said at the time.

The ordinance provides for penalties of \$25 to \$100 per day for each day a violation exists, depending upon the specific type of violation. The penalties are unchanged and the city manager was given discretionary authority to interpret the ordinance.

The new language adds the following under prohibited signs: "All signs which the City Manager determines do not meet the intention of Section 14-5, Purposes and Intent, and Section 14-24, Appearance Standards, of this ordinance or in the manager's opinion is an attempt to circumvent this Chapter."

During the commission's February 14 meeting a request to use flag signs on a fence in front of C&W Automotive on US 9 was denied.

Chuck Trotter, who opened the auto repair garage last year, said he had placed two flag signs on the fence in an attempt to attract the attention of passing motorists. He said the flags measured about 3 feet wide and 7 feet tall and contained the words: "Auto Repair" and "Brakes."

Mr. Trotter said he didn't know the signs violated the ordinance until Assistant City Manager Roger Yarbrough stopped by one day to inform him of that fact a couple of weeks after

he had put them on the fence.

City commissioners were sympathetic and said they wanted his business to be successful, but they couldn't make an exception for him. "At some point we could have sign pollution," the city manager said.

Commissioner Vernon Bennett said he didn't see any alternative but to deny Mr. Trotter's request.

"I can sympathize with you but you don't have any idea how many years we've been messing with this sign ordinance," Mr. Bennett said. "If we don't enforce the ordinance there's no sense in having one."

Code Enforcement Officer Joy Chapman said flags bearing commercial messages are "considered wind signs," which are expressly prohibited by ordinance.

On the other hand, she said the ordinance would permit Mr. Trotter to use American flags to help attract attention to his business. She said they would have to be attached to a pole, however, and not on a fence.

Mr. Trotter indicated he probably wouldn't use a US flag because "it represents my patriotism; it doesn't represent my business."

Mayor Gary Dopson, the city manager's brother, told Mr. Trotter that he would like to help him but if the city granted his request "there would be flag signs flying all over the place."

"We need your business and we want you to be successful, but if we change it (ordinance) for you we might as well do away with it," the mayor said.

Another type of advertising that has become popular in many communities, and which has shown up in Macclenny recently, are signs held by people standing or dancing on street corners and sidewalks in front of businesses they're advertising.

The city manager said such signs would probably be considered in violation of the ordinance, but he wants to discuss it with the city attorney and code enforcement officer before making a determination.

Such signs are more common in places like Orange Park and Jacksonville, but they have surfaced here to promote the gold broker targeted last fall and tax preparing services in recent months on S. 6th St.

Suspended student arrested at BCHS

A Baker County High School student on suspension and a second male who is not a student were arrested on February 24 for trespassing on the Glen St. Mary campus.

Campus deputy Matt Riegel was tipped off by a staff member that Brandon Howell, 19, was in the bus loading area about 1:45 p.m. He then arrested Mr. Howell, who had been suspended the previous day for verbally abusing members of the BCHS administration and warned to stay off campus.

Also charged was Howard Rowe, 20. Both men are from Glen.

In another incident at the high school, the father of a student reported on February 22 that his

son's cell phone was taken from his backpack the previous morning.

The student left the phone in the pocket of his pants stored in the backpack during gym class. The father valued the phone at \$464.

At Baker County Middle School in Macclenny, two students were arrested for fighting in the auditorium the afternoon of February 22.

A teacher alerted campus deputy Allen Markley after he broke up the fight that had drawn a large crowd of students around 2 p.m.

Both boys, age 13 and from the Glen St. Mary area, were charged with disorderly conduct.

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Joe Infantino to head second hospital-also

Joe Infantino, the top administrator at Northeast Florida State Hospital (NEFSH), is poised to replace the retiring head of North Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center in Gainesville, a 193-bed state mental health facility for defendants deemed incompetent to stand trial or who plead guilty by reason of insanity.

'Bloody trail' leads to shoplifting arrest

Call it the case of the bloody shoplifter.

Police filed a criminal complaint against a 17-year-old Macclenny youth who apparently cut his thumb with a razor while opening a package containing a pre-paid cell phone at Walmart.

A store employee told Deputy Clements Leo she confronted the youth leaving the store about midnight on February 24. He was bleeding from the hand, and told the employee he had cut himself in the store, and he was headed to Fraser Hospital for treatment.

The employee urged him to return with a promise that Walmart would cover the cost of treatment, and the youth gave her his name.

The worker then followed a blood trail back to the shoe department, where she found the open package. It had blood smears on it, and a pack of knife blades valued at \$12 was found

Conflict in details of burglary

There are no suspects in the theft of jewelry from an unlocked residence on US 90 west the evening of February 22.

Patricia Harvey told Deputy Clements Leo she was away from the residence between 6-10:20 and returned to find wedding rings valued at \$1000 and prescription drugs were missing. Both were in a bedroom, and she said the drugs were in the pocket of a coat in the closet.

The person she named as a likely suspect had an alibi backed up by a relative, according to the deputy.

Ms. Harvey later said a necklace and ring with a combined value of \$500 also had been taken, but Deputy Leo's report indicates the victim told conflicting stories about where they were stored and whether a 9 mm pistol was taken.

In another theft in west Macclenny, a catalytic converter was reported stolen from a 1999 Chevrolet belonging to Nedra Ezell and parked at her Blair St. residence.

She reported the incident on February 23, and said she last attempted to start the car three months ago. A nephew discovered the missing \$300 part while investigating an oil leak.

Drivers had warrants Traffic stops yield two wanted men

County deputies arrested two men wanted on outstanding warrants after making contact with them during traffic stops in north Macclenny the same day.

Deputy Shawn Bishara stopped a 2000 Ford pickup at Blair St. and Ohio Ave. early on February 21 after noting the vehicle had no visible tag.

Occupant Seth Raulerson, 23, of Macclenny was taken to jail when the deputy learned he was wanted for a probation violation.

The driver of the vehicle, Benjamin Harvey, also 23 and from Macclenny, was arrested for felony possession of four prescription pills found on the vehicle console.

Mr. Harvey insisted he had a prescription of the Lorabax, but could not produce proof.

The officer said he first spotted the pickup southbound on nearby CR 23A about 1:50 am.

Deputy Jeremiah Combs

Lifts cash in 'smash and grab'

Police are investigating the burglary of a downtown Macclenny store the evening of February 25, one of two incidents where windows were knocked out of front doors.

A surveillance camera recorded the image of a white male wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt and blue jean shorts as he entered Dixie Outfitters on South 5th about 8 pm.

He ran to the adjoining Flat Top Fades and More barber shop where he grabbed \$250 from a cash register before exiting the same door. Deputy Chad Montean said a red brick was used to smash a double pane front door, resulting in \$750 damage.

Nothing appeared to be disturbed at Dixie Outfitters, said the deputy. Police were able to lift fingerprints from the area.

In a second incident, someone broke out the bottom portion of the front door at the Fastway Store on Woodlawn Rd. about 12:30 the morning of February 21.

Nothing appeared to be missing from inside the convenience store, which has been the target of night burglars in the past.

Damage to the door was estimated at \$200.

stopped a 2002 Kia driven by Kenneth Largacci, 25, of Palatka on North Boulevard that evening about 9 after noticing it had a headlights out.

A check with the crime computer database revealed Mr. Largacci was wanted in Putnam County for violating probation on a vehicle theft charge.

David Pemberton Jr., 26, of Macclenny was arrested the morning of February 22 after he was found hiding at the residence of his father on W. 8th Ave. in Macclenny.

Deputy Matt Yarbrough said police received an alert from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office that Mr. Pemberton, who is wanted there for grand theft, may be at the address.

The suspect's father, David Pemberton Sr., 49, told the officer his son was not there but gave him permission to search the house. The suspect was found hiding under a bed in the master bedroom, and arrested on both the Duval County warrant and for resisting arrest.

About that time, a rescue

team was summoned to the address when the suspect's mother, Angela Flynt, 51, appeared to be having a seizure. Deputy Yarbrough noted she did not appear to evidence behavior of seizure patients, and she refused transport to the hospital.

Later, when being driven to jail, the deputy quoted Mr. Pemberton as saying his father was going to "cash out" by suing the sheriff's department.

Asked to explain that remark, he replied, "My mom faked a seizure and we are going to sue the sheriff because by arresting me you caused this."

Deputy Patrick McGauley arrested Jimmy Crews Jr., 44, of St. George, GA the afternoon of February 24 on a Baker County warrant for battery.

The officer said he stopped Mr. Crews in his 1998 Chevrolet pickup on US 90 in east Macclenny about 1:15 because he was aware of the suspect's identity and the warrant.

Mr. Crews was also charged with driving on a license with six prior suspensions.

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GLEN TOWN COUNCIL

Postpones sewer grant application

While the Town of Glen St. Mary is finishing up its grant-funded central water system north of US 90, it's unlikely another grant will be sought anytime soon for sewer lines.

During the regular council meeting the evening of February 20, the four members agreed with Mayor Juanice Padgett that Glen doesn't have the funds to become competitive in the running for another Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for sewer.

The town already runs central sewer and water down US 90, and now water service to all residents. Both utilities are tied into the Macclenny system.

Mayor Padgett noted that consulting engineers Mittauer and Associates estimated a \$60,000 price tag for design on the sewer extension that would bring Glen St. Mary closer to a grant award, but still slightly under the mini-

mum in the points system used by the state to decide who gets the money.

In the past, Glen utility projects have been funded by the CDBG system that favors low-income communities. The latest one for the north side water system was \$600,000.

"I'm not comfortable doing anything more (applying for another grant)," Mayor Padgett told the council. "For right now, I wasn't willing to commit to anything without more of a revenue stream (from new water accounts)."

The board agreed to put off new grant applications until 2013.

In a related item, anticipating a sewer addition in the future, Mayor Padgett will launch a visual survey of neighborhoods with

an eye to re-establishing 10-foot utility easements.

The rights-of-way existed on the original town plat and were abandoned in 1997.

The mayor said running sewer lines to the rear of parcels is far less costly than digging up street frontage. The town anticipates property owners giving back the easements since set-back rules eliminate their use for structures.

The alleyway system is also more practical because of gravity flow.

The newly-constructed water network is awaiting final inspection by the state, and should be in operation soon, the mayor reported. About 70 homes will be connected — 45 of them free of charge to low-income residents.

The remainder have to pay for a plumber to connect to a meter,

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# Arrest for choking girlfriend Then coerced her into going out to local bar

Police arrested a Glen St. Mary man for choking his live-in girlfriend at their residence on Honeysuckle Lane the evening of February 24.

During the course of an investigation into the 10 pm incident, they also learned that the alleged assailant Larry Shannon Dupree, 46, was wanted on a Georgia warrant for two counts of aggravated assault and a suspended driver's license.

Deputy Shawn Bishara responded to a call from the minor age son of Edith Ellsworth, 38, that the accused had attacked his mother, then threatened her with bodily harm if she did not accompany him to a bar.

The officer said he tracked the couple down at Mac's Liquors in downtown Macclenny and questioned Mr. Dupree in the parking lot. He referred to the earlier incident as "just an argument" and fled a short distance on foot when informed he was under arrest.

The deputy said Mr. Dupree was apprehended when he ran into the patrol car of Sgt. Phil Duval in the bar's rear parking lot.

The Department of Children and Families was notified because of the presence of Ms. Ellsworth's three children at the residence. Mr. Dupree was booked at county jail for felony battery and resisting police by running.

Deputy Bishara said the victim's neck was bruised and she refused to talk about the incident.

In another case that resulted in a felony domestic battery arrest, a north county man was taken into custody late on February 24 for striking his pregnant wife.

Megan Tideswell, 21, said John Bijeaux, 37, of Jacksonville became angry after their vehicle became stuck on Turner Cemetery Rd., and he struck her about the face and stomach. She is eight weeks pregnant.

They returned to their residence on CR 125 north, where Ms. Tideswell and a witness said Mr. Bijeaux again became irate and several times pushed back her head.

He was gone when police arrived, then arrested later after being questioned.

• A 25-year-old male patient at Northeast

Florida State Hospital was named in a complaint for battery of employee Martisha Dixon of Starke.

The employee told Deputy Johnny Hodges she was escorting a group of patients back to their ward the afternoon of February 25 when the accused struck her about the face and head while pulling her hair.

A criminal complaint for battery was filed February 22 on a 33-year-old Macclenny woman for allegedly striking her daughter on the right eye during an argument at their North Boulevard residence.

Deputy Robert Aberly responded to the address after the daughter, 15, ran away to her step-mother following the argument that began over her texting a 21-year-old man.

The mother admitted to spanking the girl with a belt, and the daughter later told the deputy her mother struck her with a closed fist. She had slight bruising under the eye.

Deputy Robert Simpkins arrested Jennifer Starling and Jessica Hudnall for disorderly intoxication early on February 25. Both women are 22 and from Macclenny.

The officer initially saw the women fighting outside the Country Club Lounge on South 6th at the 2 am closing time and warned them to leave.

Minutes later he saw them resume their argument in the parking lot of the Exxon Store next door.

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### CIRCUIT COURT

## Badcock burglar gets 20 years - again

Same conviction, same sentence.

Jamel Wescott, 22, of Jacksonville was sent back into the Florida prison system the afternoon of February 24 for 20 years following his conviction by a jury last month for a role in the July, 2009 pre-dawn burglary of the Badcock furniture store in south Macclenny.

It was his second conviction in the case and the second time a judge ordered the 20-year term. Mr. Wescott's 2010 conviction was overturned on appeal.

Unlike the earlier trial when he opted to represent himself, in January the defendant was represented by public counsel.

His twin brother Justin, a co-defendant, was due for a second

trial in January but reportedly is considering a plea deal. He also got 20 years after the original trial, during which he represented himself as well.

A third defendant has since died.

The Wescott twins had been out of prison a month when they planned the Badcock burglary that was thwarted by an alarm. They both have lengthy criminal records as juveniles.

In circuit court cases from February 21 before Judge Phyllis Rosier:

• Michael Prevatt was given 10 months in county jail for violating probation for felony probation for battery as a repeat offender. The violation came as a result of a drunk driving arrest.

• Another probation violator, Robert Brown, got six months in jail less time already served. His original cases for drunk driving and driver's license violations date back to 2010.

• Judge Rosier ordered Ronnie Nipper onto house arrest for a year after he entered a no contest plea to tampering with evidence.

He must do 75 hours community service on a MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) panel and the state dropped a companion charge of driving on a suspended license.

• James Tyson admitted to violating probation in a 2011 case for contributing to the delinquency of a minor and will serve six months in county jail. He will also pay a \$150 fee to the probation office.

• James Spaulding pleaded no contest to scheming to defraud Walmart and petty theft, and Judge Rosier ordered an 18-month probation. The state dropped a companion charge of presenting a false receipt attempting to get a cash refund.

Mr. Spaulding was also ordered to stay away from the

stores.

• In an unrelated fraud case, this one involving submitting fraudulent income tax returns, Salatheil Surrency pleaded no contest to scheming to defraud and grand theft and was placed on a four-year probation.

The judge ordered restitution to be determined later, and the state dropped a charge of bringing forged bank bills into the state.

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## No arrests after shots ring out in south city

The sheriff's department is investigating a shooting that took place in south Macclenny the afternoon of February 21.

Two individuals were named as suspects, but the report by Deputy Chad Montean notes that no arrests were made. He did interview several witnesses, however, who said four men exchanged gunfire near the power lines and Quail Lane.

Police were called to the neighborhood about 3:30 pm, and one witness pointed them to a green Nissan parked on South 9th St.

Deputy Montean questioned the car's driver, Craig Wide-mond, 23, of Macclenny, who claimed Graylin McKellum, 25, of Macclenny and two unnamed suspects from Jacksonville fired two bullets into the vehicle door.

A Macclenny woman told the officer she was picking up her children at a day care on Quail and saw the driver of the Nissan lean out the window and fire several times in her direction.

The day care owner, Linda Ross, found one bullet hole in a privacy fence on her property.

Another woman in the neighborhood told Deputy Montean she witnessed the shooting while playing ball with her children in a nearby yard.

The officer notes he interviewed a fifth woman who said she received a phone call in Baldwin about the incident, and was told Mr. McKellum and two other black males she does not know were involved.

As many as four shots were fired, and the officer said he stopped short of filing criminal charges because positive identification of the participants could not be established.

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- \* Current physical
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- \* Proof of residency (must be physical address)
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# Black history month celebrated After delayed start, program deemed success



Members of the Gamma Phi Alpha service organization perform during "My Black is Beautiful," a celebration of black history the evening of February 25 at the middle school.

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A first-time event showcasing a group of black history icons and the talents of local youths got off to a slow start the evening of February 25 at Baker County Middle School, but the show did go on.

The "My Black is Beautiful" production organized by Gamma Phi Alpha Inc. was one of the few Black History Month observances held locally, said Cathy Williams, a board member for the non-profit corporation formed late last year and led by her son Stephen Williams.

She said pastors Videll Williams and George Smith hold programs annually at their respective churches, but community-wide events like "My Black is Beautiful" are not as common.

"It was awesome. Just great," said Ms. Williams, an 8th grade math teacher at the middle school. "We had some very talented participants. The young people we were presenting that night, they were crossing over and giving back to society."

Ms. Williams said the youths completed a six-week process in which they pledged to become members of the co-ed organization modeled after Greek sororities and fraternities. During the pledge process, prospective members must perform 216 hours of community service.

Despite a 45-minute delay to the 6 pm start time, which

occurred because Gamma Phi Alpha Inc. did not have the \$100,000 in liability insurance the school district requires for use of school property by private groups, some of the roughly 50 people attending the event left before it began.

"It was success even with all the problems we had," Ms. Williams said early this week. She thanked pastors Williams and St. James Baptist, respectively, for underwriting the event at the last minute.

The show itself featured poems by Florida Gateway College student Tenysa Lee, 19, of Margaretta and Cora Ruise of Macclenny, who also played Mary

Bethune for a skit later in the performance.

Lorne Ruise, 36, of Jacksonville, who's a Margaretta native, sang the black national anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Kenesha Williams added a spiritual dance.

The band included Ty Baker, 19, of Macclenny on guitar and Spencer Blue, a 17-year-old student at Baker County High School, on the drums.

Chris Jones turned in a spoken word performance. During the skit, attendees heard from community members playing prominent roles in black history like Mary Bethune, founder of Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, and

scientist and botanist George Washington Carver of the famed Tuskegee Institute in Alabama.

They spoke about the accomplishments of their characters, which also included entrepreneur and philanthropist Madam C.J. Walker and President Obama, who was played by Videll Williams.

"At the end, they danced to the Lion King and that brought the house down," Ms. Williams said.

She hopes the program will become an annual event.

"If we don't know our history and what happened in the past, we won't know where we're going," Ms. Williams said.

## Leap Day ... her birthday

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Andrea Griffis of Macclenny was born on a day that only comes around once every four years.

This year, leap year, is one of them.

The dental hygienist born in 1972 will turn 40 this week. But because she was born on Leap Day, it will only be the tenth time in her life the calendar actually shows the day she was born, February 29.

Leap years occur because a true year is not exactly 365 days. It actually takes about 365 days, five hours, 49 minutes and 12 seconds for the earth to orbit the sun. To correct this astrological "drifting," an extra day is added to the calendar every four years with one exception - years evenly divisible by 100 are not leap years.

In non-leap years with 365 days, February has 28 days. This month has 29 days this year, making this year 366 days.

"Having a Leap Day birthday hasn't really affected me, either way," said Ms. Griffis, a life-long Macclenny resident. "It's always been a conversation starter and when people find out, they find it interesting. When I was younger



Andrea Griffis

sometimes people would tease me and say 'you don't get a birthday this year,' but I've always had memorable birthday celebrations growing up."

This week, Ms. Griffis, a wife and mother of two, said she'll spend leap day at work and attending Wednesday night church services. She plans to celebrate with friends and family this weekend.

While there's no reliable estimates on how many Leap Day babies there are in the world, Ms. Griffis says when two meet, there's a "instant connection."

Earlier this month she ran

into a fellow "leaping" while out for dinner.

"We had dinner at Osaka Japanese Steakhouse and in conversation we realized our hibachi chef was born on Leap Day as well. We laughed and I made him show me his driver's license to prove it," she said. "We high-fived and told him we'd definitely be back. It's always been a positive thing in my life. I consider it one of the things that makes me me."

On common years, Ms. Griffis observes her birthday on February 28.

"I'm not sure why, but maybe because my only sibling, a brother, has his birthday on March 4," she said.

Ms. Griffis has been married to her high school sweetheart Lance for the last 18 years. They have two children, a 13-year-old girl and 9-year-old son.

While she's says being a Leap Day baby hasn't impacted her life substantially, she said it's the source of an interesting coincidence. "The year I had my 9th 'actual' birthday, my daughter turned 9. And this year I will have my 10th 'actual' birthday and my son will also turn 10," Ms. Griffis noted.

She's worked at Dr. Meg Romeo's dental practice in Macclenny for the last 12 years.

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# Teen court 'attorneys' visit capitol in January

The Baker County Teen Court program attended Youth Success Day in Tallahassee January 31 in conjunction with other teen court programs around the state. Three of the youth volunteers, (pictured above from left) Anna Williams, Mikayla Bosley and Alexis Ellis, who serve as volunteer youth attorneys in the program, met Governor Rick Scott, the Secretary of the Department of Juvenile Justice and many state legislators. They also toured the Old and New State Capitol buildings as well as the Florida Supreme Court. The teen court program began in Baker County in 1994 as an alternative to the juvenile justice system. Youth who commit first time misdemeanor offenses are diverted to the program to face a jury of their peers and be held accountable for their actions. Program director Ryan Brannan, shown above in the back, said that 93 percent of defendants who enter the program do not re-offend. The program annually serves about 100 youths, including defendants and volunteers. Youth who volunteer for the program can serve as attorneys, jurors, clerks and bailiffs. Anyone between the ages of 10-17 can volunteer. For more information, contact Mr. Brannan at (904) 424-5085.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

**Registration of Fictitious Names**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of Jacksonville Primary Healthcare - Macclenny Office located at 31 South 5th Street, Macclenny, Florida 32063 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.  
 Dated at Jacksonville, Florida this 23rd day of February, 2012.

Jacksonville Multiphasical Group, LLC  
 Business owner  
 By: Herman N. Chang, M.D., President

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**A R & R INC**  
 10525 DUVAL LANE  
 MACCLENNY, FL 32063  
 Phone (904) 259-4774

The following vehicle will be sold at public auction March 16, 2012 at 10:00 am at A R & R INC, 10525 Duval Lane, Macclenny, FL 32063.

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The following units containing household items such as furniture, appliances, etc., will be sold by public auction at 9:00 am March 10, 2012 to satisfy back rent. The following tenants claim their property back if not sold before this date:

Name: Mariah Trosper  
 Unit # 305  
 2/23-3/1

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 02-2011-CA-0021**

COLUMBIA BANK, 1/3a  
 COLUMBIA COUNTY BANK,  
 Plaintiff,

vs.

DAVID B. HILLMAN, a/k/a DAVID HILLMAN HILLMAN, a/k/a BRANDON HILLMAN, DWIGHT JONES, GEAR & WHEEL MOBILE REPAIR, INC., a Florida corporation, and FLORIDA CREDIT UNION, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**  
 Notice is hereby given that the following described property:

The SE 1/4 of the West 40 acres of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 36, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the No. 1/4 corner of said Section 36, thence run N. 83 deg. 02' 37" E. and along the North line of said Section 36 606.15 feet; thence S. 17 deg. 38' 38" E. 647.46 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue S. 17 deg. 38' 38" E. 647.46 feet to a point on the Southern line of aforementioned NW 1/4 of NE 1/4; thence N. 83 deg. 29' 38" E. and along said Southern line 684.42 feet to the Southeast corner of aforementioned West 40 acres; thence N. 17 deg. 38' 39" W. and along the Easterly line of said West 40 acres 648.09 feet; thence S. 83 deg. 17' 39" W. 683.95 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 10.0 acres, more or less.

ALSO:

The SW 1/4 of the West 40 acres of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 36, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: Begin at the SW corner of said NW 1/4 of NE 1/4; thence run N. 17 deg. 38' 39" W. and along the Westerly line of said NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 645.02 feet; thence N. 83 deg. 17' 39" E. 686.60 feet; thence S. 17 deg. 38' 38" E. 647.46 feet to a point on the Southern line of aforementioned NW 1/4 of NE 1/4; thence S. 83 deg. 29' 38" W. and along said Southern line 687.07 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 10.0 acres, more or less.

TOGETHER WITH EASEMENTS FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS DESCRIBED BELOW, both lying in Section 36, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County.

Easement 1: For a point of reference commence at the Southeast corner of the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, said point being common with the Southwest corner of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of said Section 36; thence along the Easterly line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 N. 17 deg. 38' 41" W. 864.60 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence departing said Easterly line N. 50 deg. 28' 11" W. 171.30 feet; thence N. 58 deg. 38' 36" W. 238.02 feet to a point on the Easterly right-of-way line of County Road number 229 (a 100 foot right-of-way as now established); thence along said Easterly right-of-way line N. 07 deg. 38' 49" E. 52.77 feet; thence departing said Easterly right-of-way line S. 58 deg. 38' 36" E. 233.35 feet; thence S. 50 deg. 28' 11" W. 126.84 feet to a point on the aforementioned Easterly line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4; thence along said Easterly line S. 17 deg. 38' 41" E. 279.58 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Contains 0.27 acres, more or less.

Easement 2: For a point of reference commence at the Southeast corner of the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, said point being common with the Southwest corner of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 of said Section 36; thence along the Easterly line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 N. 17 deg. 38' 41" W. 864.60 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence departing said Easterly line S. 58 deg. 38' 36" E. 233.35 feet; thence S. 50 deg. 28' 11" W. 126.84 feet to a point on the aforementioned Easterly line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4; thence along said Easterly line S. 17 deg. 38' 41" E. 279.58 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Contains 0.27 acres, more or less.

Witness my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 24th day of February, 2012.

JOE B. DOBSON,  
 Sheriff of Baker County, Florida  
 By: Pamela L. Davis, D.S.

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**CITIZENS OF MACCLENNY**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE at the regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 6:00 o'clock P.M. at City Hall, 118 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida, the City of Macclenny will consider the below Ordinance for final reading:

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF MACCLENNY AMENDING THE CITY OF MACCLENNY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL CHAPTER 7, UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO ADOPT A NEW CHAPTER 7, UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS, TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR, TO ADOPT PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPMENT IN FLOOD HAZARD AREAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; TO ADOPT LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENTS AND LOCAL TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE PERTAINING TO THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Anyone having an interest in the final reading of this Ordinance is invited to attend the meeting.

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**INVITATION TO NEGOTIATE**

The First Coast Workforce Development, Inc. (D&B County Courthouse in Macclenny, Baker County, Florida, at 11:00 AM, on March 21, 2012, to the best and highest bidder for cash. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the notice of sale, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Witness my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 20th day of February, 2012.

AL FRASER  
 Clerk of Court  
 By: JAMES CREW  
 As Deputy Clerk

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Attorney for Plaintiff:  
 Eddie M. Anderson, P.A.  
 P.O. Box 1179  
 Lake City, FL 32056  
 Phone (386) 754-0771  
 Fax (386) 754-0772  
 2/23-3/1

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 02-2010-CA-0263**

GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, 4250 North Freeway, Fort Worth, TX 76137, Plaintiff,

vs.

TYWANNA L. PARKER, NAKYA TYWANNA LAGEAN DANIELS, COUNTRY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiff's Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in this case on February 22, 2012, the property situated in Baker County, Florida, described as follows, to wit:

**Lot 12**  
 Part of the N1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the SW corner of said N1/2 of the SE1/4; thence N 87 16' 41" E along the South line of said N1/2 of the SE1/4, a distance of 302.07 feet to a point on the East line of a 60 foot wide road right of way; thence N 22 47' 36" E, along said East line, 24.71 feet to a bend in said line; thence N 82 29' 56" E, still along said East line, 291.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 87 21' 53" E. 274.53 feet; thence N 03 29' 56" E, 100.00 feet; thence S 87 21' 53" W, 275.03 feet to the aforementioned East RIGHT OF WAY line; thence S 03 29' 56" W, along said East line, 100.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH the right ingress and egress over and across the following 60 foot wide ingress and egress easement: A strip of land 60.00 feet wide lying 30.00 feet each side of the following described centerline: part of the N1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 2, Range 20 East, Baker County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the SW corner of said N1/2 of the SE1/4; thence N 87 16' 41" E along the South line of said N1/2 of the SE1/4, a distance of 88 feet; thence S 04 09' 15" W, 41.82 feet to a bend in said line; thence N 82 27' 21" E, along a chord length of 150.52 feet, and the said centerline, 140.27 feet to a point on said N1/2 of the SE1/4, a distance of 88 feet; thence N 82 29' 56" E, still along said centerline, 386.40 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION of said centerline. The side lines of the above described easement are to be lengthened or shortened as a public right of way to the North line of road 60.00 feet in width from the North right of way line of Gaskins Circle South (a public right of way) to the North line of the lot described herein.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2000 x 24 REGINA MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER: FLA14615123AB.

Commonly known as: 9027 Circle G Lane, 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 21st day of March, 2012.

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.

Attorney for Plaintiff:  
 Timothy D. Padgett, Esq.  
 2878 Remington Green Circle  
 Tallahassee, FL 32308  
 904-422-5200

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**DIXIE MINI STORAGE**  
 9852 GLEN AVENUE  
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 Phone (904) 259-4637

The following units have until two weeks after the publication of this notice to furnish back rent and late fees or the contents of units) will become the property of Dixie Mini Storage.

Name	Unit
Amanda Price	3
Brittany Fuller	8
Chris Man	16
Autumn Corbett	19
Callie Chapman	21
John Chapman	25
Darrell Perry	26
Christine Latham/Watson	28

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 02-2010-CA-00030**

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

TERA HAGER, ET AL, Defendants)

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 22, 2012 and entered in CASE NO. 02-2010-CA-00030 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida wherein GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC is the Plaintiff and TERA HAGER (ET AL) (the Defendants). The Clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 a.m. to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse located at 339 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063, on the 21st day of March, 2012. The following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 3, FRANK COMBS CIRCLE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAN OF THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 89 AND 90 CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH 2006 DOUBLERIDGE MOBILE HOME VIN NO. L0GHA107100684 AND VIN NO. L0GHA107100686.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS OF THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE US PROCEEDINGS, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

Attorney for Plaintiff:  
 Peidergrast and Morgan, P.A.  
 6675 Corporate Way, Suite 301  
 Jacksonville, FL 32216  
 (904)508-0766  
 3/1-3/8

Clerk, Circuit Court  
 Julie Combs  
 Deputy Clerk

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 2010-0A-0226**

TO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

FRED W. MUNSON and KIM M. MUNSON, his wife, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the real property located in Baker County, Florida, described as follows:

Part of lands described in Deed Book 3, Page 43, of the Official Records of Baker County, Florida, and being part of Section 33, Township 2 South, Range 22 East, Baker County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the concrete monument marking the intersection of the East Right-of-Way line of said Section 33, Township 2 South, Range 22 East, Baker County, Florida, (A 100 foot wide public right-of-way) and the North Right-of-Way line of U.S. Highway 90 (A 66 foot wide public right-of-way) and thence N 79°22'00" E, along said right-of-way line, 725.50 feet to a half inch iron pipe, marking the SE corner of lands described in Deed Book 3, Page 43, of said Official Records and the Point of Beginning of the herein described lands; thence N 10°14'46" W, along the monumental East line of said Deed Book 3, Page 591, a distance of 112.88 feet to a 5/8" inch iron rod, LS 4708; thence N 78°22'00" E, parallel to said North Right-of-way line, 161.00 feet to a 6/8" inch iron rod, LS 4706; set on the monumented East line of lands described in said Deed Book 3, Page 43; thence S 10°14'46" E, along said East line, 112.88 feet to a half inch iron pipe on the aforementioned North Right-of-Way line; thence S 79°22'00" W, 161.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2000 x 24 REGINA MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER: FLA14615123AB.

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Attorney for Plaintiff:  
 Timothy D. Padgett, Esq.  
 2878 Remington Green Circle  
 Tallahassee, FL 32308  
 904-422-5200

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Name	Unit
George Dillard	99
Michelle Luntford	101
Tonya Crews	107
Veronica Shultis	115
David Boldy	117
Tonya Crews	121
Tommy Joe Sales	126
Scott Poliard	141
Kevin Wilson	147
Marcia Bumpardner	151
Brandi Young	152
Virgina Jones	156
Yolanda Reed	158
Olivia Robinson	160
Nanette Hensberger	161
Allen Rogers	163
Nikki Shaw	175
Crescey Matthews	180
Robert Swenney	182
Aquilia Peters	180

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 2010-0A-0226**

TO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

FRED W. MUNSON and KIM M. MUNSON, his wife, Defendants.

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Attorney for Plaintiff:  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 02-2010-CA-00030**

GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

TERA HAGER, ET AL, Defendants)

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 22, 2012 and entered in CASE NO. 02-2010-CA-00030 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida wherein GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC is the Plaintiff and TERA HAGER (ET AL) (the Defendants). The Clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 a.m. to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse located at 339 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063, on the 21st day of March, 2012. The following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

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Attorney for Plaintiff:  
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 6675 Corporate Way, Suite 301  
 Jacksonville, FL 32216  
 (904)508-0766  
 3/1-3/8

Clerk, Circuit Court  
 Julie Combs  
 Deputy Clerk

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, CASE NO. 2009-CA-000088**

AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

John Carmen, et al, Defendants,

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure or Order dated February 22, 2012, entered in Civil Case Number 2008-CA-000088, in the Circuit Court for Baker County, Florida, wherein AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC is the Plaintiff, and JOHN CARMEN, et al., are the Defendants, I will sell the property situated in Baker County, Florida, described as:

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at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the Front Door, Baker County Courthouse, 339 E. Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, FL 32063, at 11:00 AM, on the 21st day of March, 2012. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the sale is the persons must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated: February 27, 2012.

Baker County Clerk  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
 By: Julie Combs

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**CHURCH AND OBITUARY NOTICE INFORMATION**

Obituaries must be submitted in a timely fashion and have a local connection. Pictures are printed with obituaries free of charge. The newspaper reserves the right to publish photos based on quality. It is requested that all news items be typed or emailed to insure accuracy in print.

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**Gary Combs, 64, of Maryland dies**

Gary Albert Combs (US Army -retired), 64, of Millersville, MD died February 20, 2012.

Survivors include wife Loraine Combs; children Mikel Combs, Catherine Speer and Lawrence Speer; grandchild Nolan Speer; mother Ann Combs and brother Mike Combs, both of Macclenny.

Online condolences may be made at [www.barrancofuneral-home.com](http://www.barrancofuneral-home.com).

**Juanita Crews, 82, of Macclenny**

Juanita Rhoden Crews, 82, of Macclenny died Sunday February 26, 2012 at Macclenny Nursing and Rehab Center following a long illness.



Juanita Crews

Mrs. Crews was a native of Baker County and resided in Macclenny all of her life. She was a homemaker and an avid golf fan and golfer who enjoyed watching Gator football and Braves baseball. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Macclenny.

Mrs. Crews was preceded in death by her parents Gus and Ollie Johns Rhoden and husband of 51 years Elwood Foster Crews.

Survivors include daughters Kelly (Chuck) Satterwhite of Starke and Cheryl (Jim) Vance of Macclenny; son Phil (Judy) Crews of Ft. Myers; nine grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, February 28 at 11 am in the chapel of Guerry Funeral Home with Wayne Rhoden delivering a eulogy. Interment followed at Oak Grove Cemetery.

**Christopher Crews 21, of Sanderson**

Christopher "Chris" Tholie Crews, 21, of Sanderson died February 27, 2012. Mr. Crews was born in Orange Park and resided in Baxter all of his life. He was employed with the Columbia Correctional Facility in Lake City. He loved fishing, landscaping and gardening. Mr. Crews was a graduate of the Baker County High School Class of 2009 and was a member of the Baxter Church of God.



Christopher Crews

Survivors include parents Kenneth and Patricia Crews of Baxter; wife Michelle Ashley Crews of Baxter; maternal grandfather Rayford Rayburn of Payson, AZ and his maternal grandmother Barbara Johnson of Taylor; sister Melissa Crews of Baxter; brothers Ricky Rayburn, Stephen Crews and Forest Crews, all of Baxter.

The funeral service for Mr. Crews will be conducted Thursday, March 1 at 11 am at the Macclenny Church of God with the Rev. Shannon Conner officiating. Interment will follow at North Prong Cemetery. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 6 - 8 pm at Guerry Funeral Home in Macclenny.

**The Raulerson family**  
Melvie Jean, Donna (D.D.), John, Allen, Eddie and Tammy

**Bill Davis, 84, of Jacksonville**

James William "Bill" Davis, 84, of Jacksonville died February 24, 2012. He was a member of Evangel Temple Assembly of God and he will be greatly missed. Bill was preceded in death by daughter Stacey Ann.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years Maxie N. (Burnsed) Davis; children Debra Bell (Jim) of Hampton, VA, Mike Davis of Jacksonville, Barbie Fletcher of Jacksonville and Jeannie Baskin (John) of Macclenny; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at 11 am Tuesday, February 28 at his church. Interment was at 3:30 pm in Poplar Springs Baptist Church Cemetery in Nashville, Georgia. Giddens-Reed Funeral Home of Baldwin was in charge of arrangements.

**George O'Brien 'Brian' Hodges**

George O'Brien "Brian" Hodges, 50, of Macclenny died Saturday, February 18, 2012. Mr. Hodges was a lifelong resident of Baker County and small engine mechanic who enjoyed fishing, camping, playing music and singing. He also enjoyed spending time with family and friends.



George Hodges

Survivors include his mother Carolyn (Ronald) Plymel of Macclenny; brothers Eddie Hodges Jr. and Denny Hodges of Macclenny, Brad (Alicia) Hodges and Ray (Felicia) Hodges of Glen St. Mary, Steve (Elaine) Hodges, Frankie (Becky) Hodges and Lee Hodges of Sanderson, Jessie (Wendy) Hodges of Waycross, GA; and sister Lynn Hodges of Macclenny. He was preceded in death by his father, Bobby Lee Hodges; brothers Edward Alvin Hodges Sr. and Russell Oliver Hodges; and sister Shirley Higginbotham.

A memorial service was held Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 6 pm at Glen Friendship Tabernacle with Rev. Albert Starling officiating. Forbes Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

**Heartfelt thanks**

The family of Ray Raulerson would like to express its deepest gratitude for the many prayers, calls, food, cards and outpouring of love and support during our recent loss. We especially thank Pastor Tim Thomas and Pastor Gary Crummey for being there for us in our time of need and the funeral service. We would like to thank Christian Fellowship Temple and Mt. Zion New Congregational Methodist Church for the food and prayers. Also thanks to Pastor Tim Thomas and Pastor Gary Crummey for being there for us. Last but not least, we would like to thank V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Home and his assistants for their kindness and to the Baker County sheriff's department for their support.

**MACCLENNY CHURCH OF CHRIST**

573 S. 5th St. 259-6059  
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am  
Fellowship 10:30 am - 11:00 am  
Worship Services 11:00 am  
Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm  
Minister Sam F. Kitching

**Danny Lamb, 61, dies February 24th**

Danny George Lamb, 61, of Macclenny died February 24, 2012. He was born in Jacksonville to the late Mary Ellen Mattair Lamb on May 22, 1950. He was a resident of Baker County since 1960 and attended Celebration Baptist Church.



Danny Lamb

Danny was a 1968 graduate of Baker County High School, had an undergraduate degree in physical education from the University of West Florida and masters of education administration from Florida State University.

Mr. Lamb had 35 years in the auto sales industry and was the owner-operator of Danny Lamb's Auto and Truck Center for the last 16 years. Danny was a Civil War buff, enjoyed Carolina shag dancing, exercising, reading and he was passionate about the development of Downtown Macclenny. He was a loving and devoted father.

Survivors include devoted wife of 41 years Deborah Green Lamb of Macclenny; children Jeffrey Beau (Tracy) Lamb of Macclenny and Deborah Leigh (Jode) Ballard of Tampa; grandchildren Chloe Lamb, Molly Lamb and Miles Ballard; loving mother-in-law Bernice Green.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, February 28 at 11 am at First Baptist Church of Macclenny with pastors Elmer Crews and John A. Raulerson officiating. Interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery in Macclenny. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements.

**Revival starts Mar. 4**

New River NC Methodist church located on CR 125 in Union County, will be hosting a revival Sunday, March 4 at 6 pm, Monday and Tuesday, March 5 and 6 at 7:30 pm. Rev. Tommy Richardson will be the evangelist. Call 386-431-1536 or 904-966-3107 for directions.

**Sanderson Congregational Holiness Church**  
CR 127 N., Sanderson, FL  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Evening Prayer Serv. 7:30 pm  
Pastor: Oral E. Lyons

**The Road to Calvary**  
Corner of Madison & Stoddard  
Glen St. Mary  
Rev. Tommy & Doris Anderson  
Youth Director Margie Howard  
Phone: 904-259-2213  
Sunday School: 10:00 am  
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Night 7:30 pm

**Welcome First Baptist Church of Sanderson**  
CR 229 S., Sanderson FL  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sun. Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sun. Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Eve. Bible Study 7:00 pm  
Pastor Bob Christmas  
<http://www.tbcofsanderson.org>

**Main Outlaw, 88, WWII vet.**

Main Outlaw, 88, of Macclenny died Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at the VA Medical Center in Lake City following a long illness. He was a native of Moniac, GA and resided in Macclenny for the past 65 years. He was a truck driver for Southern Concrete Company in Jacksonville for 28 years until his retirement in 1979. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Macclenny, an Army veteran of WWII and loved to hunt, fish and work in his garden. He was preceded in death by his parents William Henry and Millie Thrift Outlaw, his son William Henry Outlaw and sister Mammie Sands.



Main Outlaw

Survivors include his wife of 66 years Ida Pearl Outlaw of Macclenny; daughter Willie Hazel (Tom) Bell of Fruit Cove; grandchildren Joshua Taylor (Jennie) Bell and Aaron Christopher (Misha) Bell; great-granddaughter Kennedy Peyton Bell.

The funeral service was held Saturday, February 25 at his church with Dr. Edsel Bone officiating, assisted by Rev. Bob Christmas. Interment followed at Woodlawn Cemetery in Macclenny. Guerry Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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**Mt. Zion N.C. Methodist Church**  
121 North 259-4461  
Macclenny, FL  
Pastor Tim Cheshire  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 pm

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

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**Heartfelt thanks**

The family of Shelton Carter wishes to express its appreciation for the love, prayers and support that was received during our time of sorrow. We are so appreciative of the food and flowers that were brought in by our family and friends and the comfort that each of you provided to us in our time of need.

We would like to extend a special thank you to the Hospice RN Tom Canazon, Mr. Hank Forbes and wife Dana of Forbes Funeral Home, Brother Albert Starling and Brother Billy Carter. We could not have made this difficult journey without each of you being there for us. God bless each of you.

**FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS,**  
YOUR WIFE THERESA CHANDLER,  
DAUGHTER ROSA DOLSON AND THE CHANDLER FAMILY

**THE LORD'S CHURCH**  
Intersection of CR 125 & 250 in Taylor 259-8353  
Sunday school - 10:00 am  
Sunday service ~ 11:00 am  
Wednesday night Bible Study ~ 6:30 pm  
Family style dinner - 1st Sunday of the month following service  
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Office: 904-259-3548  
Check us out on the web!  
[www.christianfellowshiptemple.com](http://www.christianfellowshiptemple.com)



Shirley Padgett

Shirley Padgett, the Woman's Club recording secretary and 2011 Woman of the Year, was selected the club's 2012 Volunteer of the Year.

**Heartfelt thanks**

The family of Autumn Sky Smith would like to give a special thanks to Hope Altman, the Altman family, April Thomas, the Thomas family, Red Bug and band members, churches and our community for helping, donations, prayers and support in our time of loss and grief. Then again a special thank you to each and every one of you.



Karelle Walker

In loving memory of and Happy Belated Birthday  
Karelle Walker  
1/12/1919 - 5/13/2008  
It has been three years since you left us. We will cherish your memories always in our hearts. We love you, but God loves you more.  
LILLIAN, SCOTT AND RONALD

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**Ex-teacher Shirley Padgett is GFWC Volunteer of Year**

Ms. Padgett is quite adept on the computer and has shared her expertise with other club members. She also worked on revising the club's Membership Yearbook, assisted on the Media Book, compiled and distributed meetings minutes, made tickets for the annual spaghetti luncheon and created the program for the annual Woman's Club fashion show.

She used her computer expertise in the community as well by creating DVD videos of a 50th wedding anniversary and the activities of Mrs. Alderman's kindergarten class.

Ms. Padgett enjoys cooking and often puts her kitchen skills to use for others. She has shared her culinary skills by preparing food for the High School welcome back breakfast for the faculty, casseroles and deserts for the spaghetti luncheon, food for the annual prayer breakfast, and treats for the annual membership coffee. In addition, she baked a cake for the mother-daughter purity luncheon sponsored at a local church. She also prepares cheesecakes in appreciation of teachers' birthdays.

As a retired teacher, Ms. Padgett keeps close ties to the educational community. She volunteers for health screenings, book fairs and reading activities at area schools, including FCAT writing test preparations at Mamie Agnes Jones Elementary School. She's also aided with the kindergarten field day and served as a judge at the high school's Hi-Q matches.

This year's honoree helped during clean-up day at the clubhouse and delivered clothing to local nursing homes as well as



Top volunteer Shirley Padgett

a bookcase to a local shelter for homeless women.

She participated in a yard sale to raise funds for the Annual Marjorie Lord Christmas party, a function for local children in need.

Ms. Padgett has also donated socks for an orphanage, a blanket for the Blankets for Benjamin project, canned food to the Samaritan House food bank, toys to the Christmas-4-Kids charity and money for a "baby shower" for a club member fostering two nieces.

She helped raise money for a scholarship from the Woman's Club through the Baker County Education Foundation. She volunteered at the Chamber of

**Heartfelt thanks**

The family of Gary Combs would like to extend its appreciation for your prayers, cards, visits, food and support. Words cannot express how much this meant to us during the loss of our precious loved one.

**Ann and Mike Combs and family**

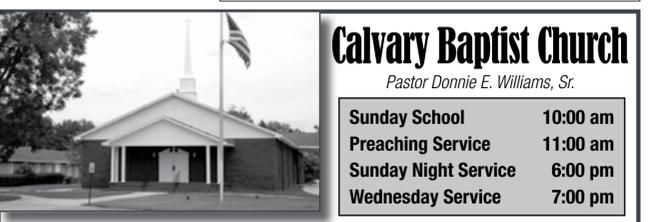
**Saint Peter's in the Glen**  
ANGELICAN CHURCH  
9:00 am Adult Sunday School  
10:00 am Sunday Worship/Holy Communion  
7:00 pm Wednesday Study/Holy Communion  
Glen St. Mary, Florida  
1/2 mile South of I-10 on CR 125, right on Nursery Road the historic Budder Mathis House

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**DINKINS NEW CONGREGATIONAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
CR 127 N. of Sanderson  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am  
Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm  
Wed. Night Service 7:30 pm  
Pastor Allen Crews  
Assistant Pastor Timothy Alford

**Sanderson Christian Revival Center**  
Pastor: Harold Friley  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Sunday Service 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Service 7:30 pm  
Come see the exciting things the Lord is doing.  
Corner of Sapp Rd. and CR 229

**New Hope Church, Inc.**  
23-A to Lauramore Rd. & Fairgrounds Rd.  
Sunday School 9:45 am  
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am  
Sunday Children's Church 11:00 am  
Sunday Evening Services 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm  
Pastor J. C. Lauramore welcomes all



**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Pastor Donnie E. Williams, Sr.  
Sunday School 10:00 am  
Preaching Service 11:00 am  
Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Service 7:00 pm  
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a few blocks north of Hwy. 90 in Macclenny  
[www.calvarybaptistmacclenny.com](http://www.calvarybaptistmacclenny.com) •• 259-4529

**Notice of Public Disclosure of the Full Cost of Solid Waste within the City of Macclenny**  
Pursuant to Rule 62.708, Florida Administrative Code, the Macclenny City Commissioners of Macclenny, Florida discloses the following Full Cost of Solid Waste Management for residential and non-residential users during the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

2010-2011	
Number of Residents	2,082
Number of Businesses	296
Total	2,378
Charge per Residence	\$207.84-\$281.76
Charge per Business (Based on cubic yard volume)	\$317.76-\$5,783.52
Solid Waste Management Cost for City	\$542,152.28
Solid Waste Special Assessment Collections from Residences and Businesses	\$827,001.35

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8:15 am and 10:45 am -  
"My Country 'Tis of Thee: A Call for America to Return to God"  
Sunday Evening Service: 6 pm



**Come hear the Southern Gospel group, The Blackwood Quartet, live at Evangel Temple Central on Friday, March 2nd! The cost is \$5 per ticket. You can buy them online today at [www.evangeltempleag.org](http://www.evangeltempleag.org).**

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March 23 at Evangel!  
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**SOCIAL NOTICE SUBMISSION INFORMATION**

Birth announcements, wedding notices and social events (military service notes and school graduations) must be submitted within four weeks of the event. All news and advertising must be submitted to the newspaper office prior to 5:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to publication, unless otherwise noted or arranged. It is requested that all news items be typed or emailed to insure accuracy in print.

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Rylan Jace

**Son born Feb. 2nd**

Alicia Combs and Alex Nipper are pleased to announce the arrival of son Rylan Jace on February 2, 2012 (Groundhog Day) at Baptist Medical Center in Jacksonville.

Rylan weighed 9 lbs., 5 oz. and measured 21½ inches long.

Grandparents include Colonel (Junior) and Gayle Combs of Baldwin, Marcus and Cheryl Nipper of Sanderson and Pat and Renee Barber-Ross of Saint Johns.

**20th class reunion planned for August**

The Baker County High School class of '92 will hold its 20 year reunion on Saturday, August 25 at the Hyatt Riverfront in Jacksonville.

The cost will be approximately \$60 per person. A non-refundable deposit of \$30 per person must be paid to Tiffany Harvey McNamary no later than Friday, March 30. The remainder will be due by July 1.

The evening includes dinner, music and a cash bar. Mail payment to Tiffany or drop it by Superior Cleaners, 709 South 6th St., Macclenny, FL 32063. Registration is at 8:45 am, testing begins at 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The testing fee of \$20 and valid picture ID are required at the time of registration. For questions contact Wanda Conner at 259-0403.



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**'Take Stock' scholarships awarded**

The Baker County School District's Take Stock in Children Scholarship Program held scholarship activation for its graduating seniors on February 14. The seniors and their parents completed college applications and other paperwork to receive their two-year Florida Prepaid tuition scholarships. The students were also given information about applying for financial aid. Students graduating from the program this year are: Jessica Baker, Kimberly Barton, Kelsey Benton, Jacob Chambers, Megan Harvey, Matthew Blanks, and Casey Wilds. They will attend Florida Gateway College in the fall. The Take Stock in Children [TSIC] Scholarship program provides tuition scholarships to attend Florida Gateway College for selected eighth graders whose families meet the income guidelines. Scholarship applications will be mailed to the residences of each eighth grade student in the spring. Returned applications are reviewed by a selection committee. Selected students are provided a mentor and participate in the program during their four years of high school. For further information regarding the program or how to become a mentor, please contact Ann Burch at 259-0428. Pictured above are (front row, from left) Megan Harvey, Paul Harvey, TSIC Coordinator Jacob Chambers, Carrie Dopson, TSIC Assistant Coordinator Ann Burch, (second row from left) Casey Wilds, Kelsy Benton, Tracie Benton, Kim Barton, Keith Barton, (back row from left) Jessica Baker, Deborah Mirador, Matthew Blanks, Kitty Blanks and TSIC College Transition Assistant Carol Papillon.

**Adult ed testing**

Baker County school district's career and adult education, 523 West Minnesota Avenue, will be administering the T.A.B.E. test to the public on March 29.

Registration is at 8:45 am, testing begins at 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The testing fee of \$20 and valid picture ID are required at the time of registration. For questions contact Wanda Conner at 259-0403.

**Heartfelt thanks**

This letter is to all of the emergency response teams that responded to the barn fire on Dupree Rd. last Saturday night. All I can say is thank you to each one of you. Your professionalism, attitude and cooperation made the best of a bad situation. The team effort definitely made a difference. While the barn was a total loss, there were no injuries. For this we are truly grateful.

Thanks again,  
The Rawls family



Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday,  
Benjamin Blake Iverson  
We love you,  
Ne-Ne Norman & Grandma Susie

**SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

**March 1**  
BCMS: Softball at Suwannee, 4:30 pm KIS: Florida Writes test, 8 am  
**March 2**  
KIS: Accelerate Reading Goal #6  
**March 3**  
KIS: FCAT Science Blitz, 8:45 am

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**School Lunch MENU**  
March 5 - March 9

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, March 5**  
**Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs with baked potato rounds, slice of toast and 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 and milk.

**Tuesday, March 6**  
**Breakfast:** Breakfast burrito, peach slices and 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 and milk.

**Wednesday, March 7**  
**Breakfast:** Sausage biscuit, pineapple juice and milk.

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

**Thursday, March 8**  
**Breakfast:** Enriched cereal with slice of toast, orange juice and milk.

**Lunch:** Roast pork slice with a whole grain roll or fish crisp on a bun. Choice of 2 sides: Italian green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, seasonal fresh fruit and milk.

**Friday, March 9**  
**Breakfast:** Turkey sausage pancake wrap, orange/pineapple juice and milk.

**Lunch:** Chili with beans and whole grain roll or turkey ham and cheese sandwich. Choice of 2 sides: baked sweet potato rounds, raw vegetables and dressing, chilled fruit mix and milk.

**FFA teams sweep the state fair**

The high school and middle school FFA chapters swept the state poultry contest in Tampa at the Florida State Fair on February 18, winning first, second, third and sixth place.

Baker High teams won first and second, with the middle school A team placing third and middle school B team placing sixth. There were 31 teams from around the state competing.

The contest consists of interior and exterior egg grading, ready to cook carcasses, past production hens and parts grading. The teams now will compete at the state contest at UF in April.

First place went to the team of Mason Mobley, Larrissa Brannen, Dillon Burnsed and Sarah Harrell. Mobley placed second individually and Brannen third. Burnsed was ninth.

Second place went to Alex Register, Chase Brannan, Sarah Whitehead and Brendan Gibson. Whitehead placed fourth and Register sixth. Brannan was seventh.

Third place went to the middle school team of Jesse Lambright, Christy Crews, Hunter Burnsed and Hunter Davis. Lambright placed fifth individually.

The sixth place team consisted of Ty Sikes, Hannah Wilkerson, Katie Whitehead and BJ Hagan.

Greg Johnson is the high school sponsor and Ashton Norman sponsors the middle school.



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**Valedictorian, salutatorian named**

Marissa Miller (right), 18, of Macclenny was named valedictorian of Baker County High School's 2012 graduating class last week while Mackenzie Rohde (left), 17, of Sanderson was named the class salutatorian. The honors are given to two graduating seniors with highest and second-highest weighted grade point averages. The high school weights its GPA for dual enrollment and advanced placement courses. Both students are dual enrolled at Florida Gateway College in Lake City. Ms. Miller's GPA was 4.22 and Ms. Rohde's GPA was 4.21.

**Tennis teams remain undefeated**

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

The boys and girls tennis teams remained undefeated with a win over West Nassau in Callahan on February 23. The boys have only lost one game during their undefeated run so far this season.

Both teams face a huge challenge, however, as they take on state-ranked Bolles on Thursday, March 1.

"This will provide our tennis teams a stiff test and give us some perspective at what the teams will be up against at the district tournament at the end of March," said Coach Chris Armoreda. "We will need to be mentally prepared. Playing a team like Bolles can play with one's psyche."

The Wildcat squads had an easy time of it in defeat-

ing West Nassau. The boys won 7-0 and the girls had a 5-2 posting.

Number one singles player Nick Dukeman won 8-2 while Sam Murphy swept his opponent 8-0 in the number two singles match. Jared Stafford, Hunter Stavelly and Grant Burns all won their singles matches 8-0.

The doubles team of Dukeman and Murphy were 8-2 winners and Stafford and Stavelly won 8-0.

Number one singles Kaylann Stafford lost 5-8 but Tianna Raysor bounced back with an 8-0 win in number two singles. Stephanie Gross won 8-4. Haleigh Latimer won 8-5 but Savannah Rhoden lost 2-8.

The doubles team of Stafford and Raysor won 8-2 and Gross and Latimer won 8-4.

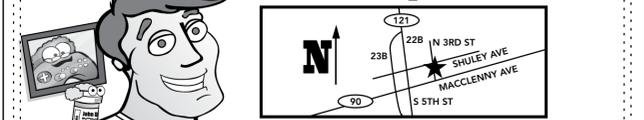
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**Kiwanis applauds WES 'terrific' kids**

The Kiwanis Club of Baker County recognized Terrific Kids at Westside Elementary February 17 for the second quarter of the school year.

The motto of Kiwanis International is "Serving the Children of the World," and to that end they sponsor programs for children of all ages. Terrific Kids is a program to promote character development and good citizenship.

Each quarter each teacher is asked to select one student from his or her class who exhibits at least one of the Terrific Kids traits. "Terrific" is an acronym representing the following: Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive, Friendly, Inquisitive and Capable.

The children selection were:  
• First Grade: Gabe Lawler, Avery Spurlock, Katie Small, Caleb South, Houston Noles, Kash Addy, Jacob Sweat, Jay Wilkerson, Harrison Muncy, Jasmine Roberson, Issac Craig and Philip Bowen.

• Second Grade: Joseph Hannah, Luke Whitaker, Aiya Jackson, Ryne Jacobs, Caramie Crews, Daniel Robinson, Dalton Chancery, Toby Fryer, Anthony Howell, Liyah Hilley, Brady Finley, Brenton Davis and Diamond Jackson.

• Third Grade: Billy Elledge, Tieuquan Thomas, Ashlyn Guntner, Jeremiah Robinson, Joseph Cery, Christopher Schlarbaum, Kade Richardson, Daisy Laura-more, Haley Ritter, Pheagan Patterson, Bagheera Jones and Michael Prevatt.  
• Fourth Grade: Maximus Canaday.

Kiwanis would like to thank those who helped supply items for the Terrific Kids bags this year: Baker County Health Department, Hardees, County Federal Credit Union, First Federal Bank, Clay Electric, NEFCOM, Walgreens, Insteel Wire, Edwards Jones Financial Advisors and Baker County Chamber of Commerce.

The Kiwanis Club of Baker County meets at noon on Fridays. On the fourth Friday of the month the club meets at Sixth Street Steakhouse. On the other Fridays the club meets at Firehouse Subs.

**Upcoming events at the Baker County Family YMCA**

Contact the Baker County Family YMCA for more information or to register for these upcoming programs!

**Soccer Registration**  
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**Shutout, district victories**

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

The bats finally got red hot for the Wildcat baseball team this past week as it posted a couple of big shutouts and collected its first district win of the young season.

The Cats exploded for 10 runs on February 21 as they trounced district rival Forrest in a big home match. Dillon Jones threw six scoreless innings and Jared Crews came in to wrap up the game in relief.

Brad Stone got the Cats going with a 2 run homer. John Lambright and Austin Rowe added RBI doubles. Hunter Hanks had 2 hits and a RBI.

BCHS got a big, 11-0 win on February 23 in Callahan after five innings. Brad Stone got his first win on the season with four innings of shutout ball. Jacob Milton came on and threw a scoreless fifth inning against West Nassau.

Offensively, Ethan Wilkerson had a pair of doubles and a single as well as 2 RBIs. Chris Waddell had a double and a single with 2 RBIs and Austin Rowe added a 2 run single.

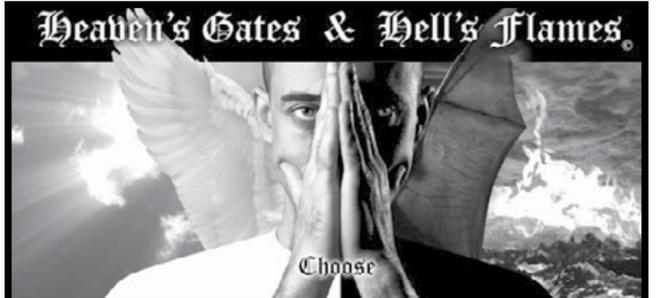
"We are starting to swing the bats," said Coach Fred Matricardi. "The West Nassau game was a big win for us but I would like to see us improve defensively."

The Cats face Yulee on the road Thursday, March 1.

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The middle school's Bobcat softball team poses with Schools Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson after a home game.

## Bobcats beat Tigers, Pirates for 2-2 record

**BOB GERARD | SPORTS**

The Lady Bobcat softball team has bounced back from a rough start to win two straight games and even its record at 2-2. The girls lost their opener to West Nassau Middle School 4-2 and fell to Suwannee 4-1. But they rebounded with a 2-1 win against Union County Middle School. They had a big offensive effort against Fernandina Beach, scattering 19 runs in a 19-4 victory. "We had a rough start, but we are playing better and are continuing to improve each game," said Coach Jon Mobley. "Losing to Suwannee has put us in a bad spot with the conference. We can't afford to lose any more conference games if we want to play for a championship." Offensive stand outs include Macy Jackson, Delicia Washington, Hayleigh Mulkey and Brandie Callaway.



## Ex-Cat Adam Lewis signs with Redbirds

**BOB GERARD | SPORTS**

Former Wildcat baseball standout Adam Lewis is well on his way to being a star in the major leagues. He signed with the St. Louis Cardinal organization from Mars Hill College and was one of just a handful of rookies to be invited to train with the Cardinals at their spring training venue in Jupiter, Florida. Lewis, an outstanding catcher at Mars Hill, impressed the Cardinal staff during his time in Jupiter to the extent that he was asked to attend a special mini-camp and signed a contract on February 26.

He is the son of Anna and Woody Lewis and batted .342 for the Lions. "Oh, my goodness, he was so excited after he got the call," said

Anna Lewis. "He just kept pinching himself to make sure it was true."

Instead of working out with the minor leaguers, Lewis was "up with the big guys," like Matt Holliday and Chris Carpenter.

"He was just in awe of these guys," said his mother.

It gets better. At the mini-camp, he will be under the supervision of Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith, considered by many to be

the best shortstop of all time.

Lewis isn't sure whether being under the watchful eye of the major league coaches will move him up the minor league food chain, but if he continues to perform at a high level, it certainly won't hurt.

For a former Wildcat it's "like a dream come true."



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Adam Lewis signs with St. Louis.

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## Lady Cats smothering foes

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After enduring a three-game slump, the Lady Wildcat softball team came back in a big way, out scoring opponents 44-1 over the last three games and evening up their season record at 3-3.

BCHS scattered 18 hits on February 21 on the way to a 22-1 rout of the Forrest Rebels. The game went three innings before the umpire imposed the Mercy Rule.

The Cats jumped out to a 13-0 first inning lead as they batted through the order twice.

Haley Crews cracked a pair of triples and Tina Hauge, Shelby Gatto, Kylie Holton, Taylor Crumme, Clara Harvey, Brooke Roberts, Crews and Tayler McCann all scored at least once.

The Cats added nine more runs in the second inning.

Crews had 4 RBIs and Holton 3. McCann, Crumme and Hauge had 2 RBIs. Gatto, Roberts, Genie Tayler, McKenzie Wingard, Megan Farmer and Brenda Jarvis all had RBIs.

Crews and Wingard combined for the win with Crews striking out 5 and Wingard 2.

On February 23 the Lady Cats



Tiffany Roberts at bat.

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shut out Paxon 10-0 on the road. They Cats scored 2 in the first, 1 in the third, 2 in the fourth, 1 in the fifth and six and 3 runs in the seventh inning.

Crews went the distance on the mound with 15 strikeouts, allow-

ing just a pair of hits. Clara Harvey and Farmer went 3 of 4 with 2 RBIs.

The Lady Cats host Fernandina Beach on March 1 before traveling to Trinity Christian on March 2.

## Falon Lee was finalist for Army Iron Man title

**BOB GERARD | SPORTS**

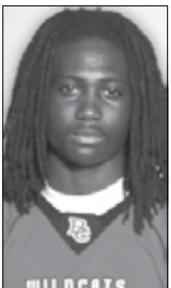
Wildcat junior running back and cornerback Falon Lee was named a finalist in the 2011 Army Iron Man of the Year, given annually to the top two-way player in the state of Florida.

Lee is a versatile player who during the 2011 season was both a thousand-yard rusher and led the Wildcats in interceptions. The junior was one of ten players selected in the state for the short list for the award. Ed White's Jacobi Green won the award in a statewide vote.

According to the Army website, to qualify the player had to ex-

cel "on both offense and defense, the Army Iron Man must demonstrate physical and emotional strength, as well as strength of character. The Army Iron Man embodies the qualities of 'Army strong.'"

Lee, who posted some big numbers this year for the Wildcats on both sides of the ball, was also a 3rd team All First Coast selection this past January. He led the Wildcats with 1082 yards rushing on 127 carries, and posted 11 receptions for 89 yards along with 7 touchdowns. On defense he also led the team with five interceptions and added 31 tackles for a solid campaign.



Falon Lee

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