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Rayonier: city agent deceived on tract's use

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Lewyn Boyette is the central figure in a legal battle pitting the City of Macclenny against corporate giant Rayonier over a land dispute. The Jacksonville-based conglomerate contends the Macclenny real estate agent fraudulently convinced it to sell him 114 acres that he secretly planned to sell to the city for a sewage sludge disposal site off Steel Bridge Road.

The outcome in the lawsuit, filed by the city against Rayonier on January 15 at the Baker County courthouse, could boil down to a case of "he said — she said."

Rayonier officials accuse Mr. Boyette of lying last June to induce the company to sell him 114 acres of timberland that he immediately agreed to sell to the city, which needs a new site to get rid of up to 50,000 gallons a week of treated sewage sludge to meet new state disposal standards, for \$479,000.

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—Lewyn Boyette
City of Macclenny's real estate agent

While he did not disclose his plan to turn around and sell the property to the city, Mr. Boyette said he never lied to any Rayonier representatives in his conversations leading up to the property transaction, which called for Mr. Boyette to pay \$399,000 for the land.

“They never did go into detail about what I was going to use the property for,” Mr. Boyette said in an interview with *The Baker County Press* on February 1. “They just said they didn't want it used for sand mining.”

That's not how the initial conversation was remembered by Kathy Terwilliger, manager of Rayonier's real estate subsidiary Terra Pointe Services, which handled the purchase and sale agreement with Mr. Boyette.

In a letter addressed to Mr. Boyette on July 9, 2012, and which has become part of the growing court file in the case, Ms. Terwilliger noti-

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Jail officer accused of sex with inmate

An officer at the Baker County jail was arrested the afternoon of February 5 for sexual battery on a female inmate while on duty January 29.

Tarrece Givens, 27, of Sanderson, who has worked for the sheriff's office since September, 2011, turned himself in that afternoon about 1 o'clock and appeared before County Judge Joey Williams the following afternoon. He bond was set at \$100,000 and he posted it later



Tarrece Givens

that day. “It's a sad day anytime we have such allegations against employees that result in us having to arrest our own,” said Sheriff Joey Dobson in a prepared statement following the first appearance.

Mr. Dobson said the officer has had a clean employment record since coming to work at the jail and prior to that had been a corrections officer with the state. He was assigned to the control room.

The alleged victim is a state inmate being held as a federal witness, said the sheriff. He indicated no force was used and she was not injured.

The charge against Mr. Givens is sexual battery on a person over 12 by a corrections officer, a first-degree felony that can carry a prison sentence of 30 years.

Two men arrested with dozens of bogus credit cards

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A customer peruses the discounted titles at Aardvark Video in Macclenny, which is liquidating its inventory ahead of closing its doors later this month.

PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

Movie rental store is closing down

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After nearly three decades in business, Aardvark Video in Macclenny is calling it quits later this month. And it's not because of Netflix, Redbox or other competitors.

Shirley Smallwood, who's owned the business with her husband Zac since 1984, blames computers and other technology advancements.

She said today's youth have become so accustomed to using the Internet to access movies and other videos, retailers like her cannot stay afloat. After losing the kids, their parents' money soon follows.

“Plus people are just impatient,” Mrs. Smallwood said.

Even though Aardvark, located at US 90 and Lowder Street, receives copies of new releases 30 days ahead of Redbox and Netflix, the films can be seen “on-demand” through their cable provider even sooner for a few dollars more than the video store charges. They can also be illegally downloaded to computers for free.

Mrs. Smallwood said once customers factor in the convenience of not having to leave their living rooms, paying an extra dollar or two to watch a movie is an easy choice.

“The kids used to bring the parents in,



At bottom left, Shirley Smallwood, owner of the video store, rings up a video game last week.

PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

and now they, the kids, are the parents and their kids are not into the video renting thing,” she said. “They want to play games on the computer and they're so computer-oriented, they watch everything on the computer, not the TV.”

The store is discounting all its videos and games for liquidation and was preparing

last week to start selling off fixtures like the display racks, too.

“We just can't afford to stay in business,” said Mrs. Smallwood. “There's not enough demand out there.”

The recent closing of the Little Caesar's Pizza a few doors down in the strip shop-

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Confronts cops with handgun

Sheriff's deputies say a Macclenny man came to the door armed with a pistol when they went to his south city apartment on February 1 to arrest him for selling prescription drugs to an undercover buyer.

Robert Dyer, 54, initially yelled from behind his front door “I don't want to talk to the damn police” when investigators Matt Yarborough and Mike Hauge and other officers went to his residence on South 7th

St. and announced their presence.

Moments later, the suspect stepped into the doorway with a silver handgun in his right hand. Investigator Yarborough said Mr. Dyer then stood “in an offset shooting stance” and had the pistol pointed “at a low-ready position and was looking around the yard in a manner consistent with someone who is prepared to shoot.”

The investigators and five

other officers converged on the address about 9:30 am, and were aware that Mr. Dyer could be armed.

The suspect was arrested after dropping the pistol when the investigators, with their weapons drawn, ordered him to do so.

Later that morning, deputies armed with a search warrant seized six pistols and 14 rifles from the apartment, along with 28 bottles of prescription medicine and two vials of testosterone.

The warrants charging possession of narcotics with intent

to sell were based on undercover buys on December 17 and 19, 2012. Deputy Yarborough noted in his report that in a video of one of the buys, Mr. Dyer is holding a “1911-style handgun” and he is heard telling the undercover buyer that he had broken the rear site on it.

The suspect's wife Minerva, 54, was also at the residence that morning but was not arrested. She was treated for “minor abrasions” that resulted when she and her husband were taken to the ground and handcuffed.



Robert Dyer

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Commercials, halftime eclipse the 'game' itself

The Super Bowl on Sunday was only one aspect of the media extravaganza that is The Super Bowl Experience.

For two weeks the media poked, prodded and asked every question imaginable of the athletes, coaches, staff and even each other in an attempt to find something to broadcast or write about. The upshot of all this drivel is that the Super Bowl is the most over-hyped event of the year.

It's been this way since the game started generating millions of viewers. Only the World Cup of soccer is a bigger draw. The early Super Bowls were relatively simple affairs. You could walk up and buy a ticket the day of the game for \$5.

But that changed when Broadway Joe Namath blithely guaranteed that his New York Jets of the American Football League would beat the NFL's mighty champions the Baltimore Colts and their legendary quarterback Johnny Unitas and then went out and did it.

Since Super Bowl III, ratings have soared and so have ticket prices — to ridiculous levels.

When the lights went out in the Louisiana Superdome at the start of the second half of the game, someone ironically quipped on Facebook, "Now it's the rich people stuck in the Superdome," in reference to Hurricane Katrina when people stuck in the city were housed in the stadium.

Two of the most anxiously anticipated aspects of the game have nothing to do with football — the halftime spectacular and the commercials.

I hate the halftime spectacular. I haven't seen one I've liked and this year was no exception. There had been talk of a Beyonce reunion with Destiny's Child where she got her start, and sure enough it happened.

It was wasted on me. I'd have been happier with New Orleans' St. Augustine High School band, one of the best high school bands in the country. Somehow it would have seemed more...*footballly*.

But the Super Bowl isn't about football, it's about spectacle and promoting the NFL.

It's also about companies spending huge portions of their advertising budget on Super Bowl commercials. Just in case

you have \$4 million burning a hole in your pocket and a product to sell you too could have a 30-second spot during the Super Bowl.

That's right, \$4 million for 30 seconds — up \$500,000 from last year. And that's not counting the production cost of making the commercial, only air time during the game. So Budweiser, which isn't exactly hurting for cash, was shelling out a ton of money to introduce Budweiser Black Crown. Just so you know, In-Bev, the Belgian brewery that owns the American giant, held a contest among its brewers for a new beer and the lager that is similar in color and taste to Michelob's Amber Bock won.

Budweiser did have one of the best commercials, adding another to its Clydesdale series in which a pony raised to be a Budweiser Clydesdale sees the man who raised him and runs off to greet him. It's a great commercial.

Dodge used the voice of the late commentator Paul Harvey to do an excellent long piece on the value of being a farmer. It was touching and inspiring.

On the comedy side, the Taco Bell commercial about elderly men and women sneaking out of a nursing home and going clubbing, getting tattoos and eating tacos was one of the best.

Amy Poehler hit a home run with her Best Buy commercial, as did Kia's Babylandia, where a kid asks his parents where babies come from and they make up a ridiculous planet of babies.

In the awful category, supermodel Bar Raffelli kissing nerd Jesse Heiman for Go Daddy was, well, just plain bad. So was Toyota's Rav 4 genie with Kaley Cuoco of the Big Bang Theory. Korean rocker Psy doing Gangnam Style with giant pistachios was terrible and so were all the Budweiser Black Crown commercials.

My favorite one was for Tide. A guy spills salsa on his 49ers jersey in the likeness of Hall of Fame quarterback Joe Montana. As 49er fans flock to see the miraculous stain — surely a portent of a 49er victory, his wife, a Baltimore fan, washes out the stain with Tide. A great spot that will live long in the Super Bowl commercial lexicon.

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2013 is an 'opposite year'

Remember opposite day? What's up is down, what's bad is good and what you did yesterday is the exact opposite of what you're doing today.

Well, it must be opposite year in Tallahassee. As the governor and state legislators and lobbyists and bureaucrats gear up for the 2013 session, I keep reading about how things that were true in Tallahassee in 2012 are no longer true. In fact, they're diametrically opposed to that previous reality.

Let me explain. Last year the Republican-dominated state legislature added a dozen constitutional amendments to the November, 2012 ballot, making it one of the longest, and certainly the most tedious, voting documents I've ever read.

The amendments slowed down the process and many precincts remained open after the 7 pm closing time on Election Day to accommodate the glut of voters still waiting in line at the polls.

The ballot arrived the same year the legislature and Governor Rick Scott passed an elections reform bill, ostensibly to save taxpayers money, shaving a week off the early voting period, essentially cutting it in half.

Many, myself included, saw this as a not-so-effective way of discouraging registered voters from casting ballots. Of course, voters tend to be a stubborn bunch, and I like to think they saw through the ruse, and turned out even more determined to cast their ballots.

But now, the Florida Legislature and Gov. Scott, heretofore considered models for cost cutting, government shrinking, free market unleashing cults everywhere, appear to be charting a different course — reverse.

They want add a week to the early voting schedule and allow more places to serve as early voting locations. They want to

limit the number of amendments the legislature can place on the ballot.

After several years of budget reductions in education, healthcare, corrections and other state-funded services, the governor, at least, wants to give teachers and remaining state employees — like the many prison and state hospital workers in our area — bonuses of a few thousand dollars each.

Before, the message out of Tallahassee at this time of the year was a warning: don't ask for additional money, you'll be lucky if we don't cut your funding. Now, they're talking about a \$437 million surplus. If that's not proof of an economic recovery, I don't know what is.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Deerfield gets shaft once again

Dear Editor:

A flyer was mailed to me back in December from Oldcastle, and it was informative regarding the water, environment, economic impact and so on to sell how sand mining would be a great thing for Baker County.

Just like the DuPont mining was good for Baker County?

Just like the Trailridge Landfill was good for Baker County?

What about the residents of Deerfield (Blackbottom — in southeast Baker County) and what's good for them? Although I moved away from there three years ago, I still own a home there and my son and grandson, as well as many good neighbors, still live there.

Is this mining operation going to happen anyway, just like the landfill and the DuPont mine? As I said in a public hearing on the DuPont mining operation, it's not the people of Baker County who are continuously being subjected to these "inconveniences," it's the ones who live in Deerfield.

I was reminded of that many times when I stepped out of my house to go to work and smelled garbage (from the Trailridge Landfill). The folks in Deerfield were sold out for a mere \$80,000 that went to the coffers of Baker County. I have to assume residents out there are reminded regularly when the wind blows in their direction.

The DuPont mining operation was good for the folks in Deerfield in that it got streets paved — a true blessing. Then after the operation moved into the county, a public hearing was held in which we demanded to know what improvements were going to get out of our "inconvenience."

Now the folks out there are getting dumped on yet again and the county will rejoice with tax dollars that are sorely needed. But what about the people who have to live with the traffic and possible damage to their environment?

All I've seen is the information that Oldcastle has provided. They claim the water table won't fall, but do they recycle the water and pump polluted ground water down to push the sand? This should be thoroughly vetted without regard to the economic gains that come from it.

This operation will most likely happen whether the residents of Deerfield like it or not. My suggestion to them is not let it happen without getting something for your community. How about a park or a community center for the kids, or that the jobs be offered to the people out there first?

W. Keith Newman
 Jacksonville

Facebook fans 'What you had to say...'

We turned to Facebook early this week asking readers about their favorite Superbowl commercials. Here's a look at what our friends online had to say:

Charmaine McWonderful: Dodge At least one company is keeping God in our country and also showed the hard work of a farmer.
 Edna Mann Medina: Mine was Taco Bell and Dodge my husbands was Budweiser.
 Laura Ann Fuller: Dodge — God made a farmer!
 Eddie Davis: Dodge God made farmers.

Dana Pulley: The second Budweiser commercial. The Coke chase was a very close second though! (I chose the Show Girls to win, lol.)
 Barry Melton: God Made a Farmer and Leon Sandcastle.
 Angela Harmon: Dodge, Taco Bell, Budweiser Clydesdales, and Tide. Dodge was the best though.
 Theresa Rhoden: God made a farmer.

Ashelee Christie: Budwiser, M&M and Doritos.
 Derek-Beth Manning: Dodge - god made a farmer!!!
 Kelly Arbelo: Clydesdale
 Scott Shannon: God made the

farmer.
 Katherine Tidwell: Dodge ram, God made the farmer and Budweiser Clydesdale.
 Summer Case Raulerson: Dodge by far (and I'm not a Dodge fan) but Budweiser Clydesdales, and Taco Bell were great too!
 Patricia Carol Smith Nation: Dodge!
 Pierre Parker: Dodge.
 Dani Doyal: Allstate ... Love May-hem.
 Jessica Cohen: Jeep — as a sailor overseas — that one really got to me.

Laura Williams: Calvin Klein!!
 Mariah Gates Eggert: Budweiser and Dodge ... the Doritos goat was hilarious too.
 Kimberly Walker-Laidman: Go daddy kiss!
 Ashton Norman, Deborah Claire Gallups Manucy and Melissa White: Dodge!!
 Jerome Reimer Sr. The clydale horse, was the best.
 Tammy Crawford McFarland: Budweiser, Clydesdales and the goat for sale.
 Leigh Dubie: Farmers tops them all, followed by the Clydesdale.

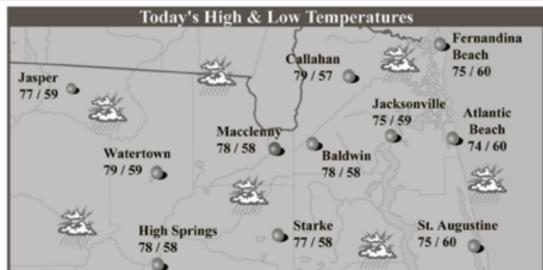
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Weather History section for Feb. 7, 1978, detailing a winter storm.

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Aims van at wife, cop Then arrested for domestic abuse

A Glen St. Mary man faces multiple criminal charges including assaulting both his wife and a county deputy by nearly striking them with his work van the evening of February 3.

Had 54 bogus credit cards

Two Jacksonville men were arrested on felony credit card fraud charges after one of them attempted to use several cards at the Kangaroo convenience store on South 6th in Macclenny the afternoon of January 29.



Antonio Lucas and Mohamed Sangare inside the Toyota.

Advertisement for First Federal Bank of Florida, featuring a piggy bank and the slogan 'It's not too late to contribute to your IRA'.

Rayonier: lied to on land use

From page 1 fied him of the company's refusal to go through with the sale "because of certain misrepresentations you made to induce Rayonier to sell the property."

Last movie rental outlet is shuttering

From page 1 ping center after a truck smashed through the lobby last December hastened the video store's demise.

K-9, footprints snag suspect

County deputies using a K-9 dog and matching bare footprints arrested a Macclenny man for entering a residence on Lilla Harvey Rd. near Taylor the evening of February 2, and showing the occupant down when he surprised the suspect inside.

Three lootings one neighborhood

The sheriff's department is investigating a trio of vehicle burglaries in a south Baker County neighborhood overnight on January 29, plus others that occurred at other locations on two other nights.

Advertisement for Baker Guns & Gold Pawn, featuring 'We need your GOLD!' and 'TOP \$\$\$ PAID'.

Advertisement for 'CALL JUNK JOE' with 'We pay cash \$325 & up for junk vehicles'.

Public Hearing notice for a Special Exception on a 17.07 acre parcel located on Palmetto Place in the Cedar Creek Subdivision Phase II.

Advertisement for 'Out of County Subscribers' with contact information for the Baker County Press.

Advertisement for Hugh D. Fish, Jr. J.D., Real Estate Family Law Personal Injury, located at 34 S. Fifth Street in Macclenny.

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Advertisement for Sherwin-Williams featuring '25% OFF* PAINTS AND STAINS & 15% OFF** PAINTING SUPPLIES'.

Advertisement for Combs Builders, Inc., 'WE ARE BAKER COUNTY'S ROOFING EXPERTS'.

Advertisement for Sherwin-Williams with 'SAVE 25% ON PAINTS AND STAINS' and 'SAVE 15% ON PAINTING SUPPLIES'.

MH contracts are up for grabs

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The face of substance abuse and mental health treatment in Baker County is changing, quite literally, in the wake of the state's move to privatize contract management for those services at the local level.

The top two directors at the community mental health clinic on Lowder Street will be moving to new jobs as the Community Behavioral Healthcare Services (CBHS) office prepares to shut down by June 30, due at least in part to the change.

Tonia James, CBHS executive director, has taken the position of consulting operations manager with ValueOptions, a national behavioral health and wellness company headquartered in Norfolk, VA with offices in Jacksonville.

That company is linked to Lutheran Services of Florida, a Tampa-based nonprofit hired by the state to restructure and manage contracts between the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) and community mental health and substance abuse service providers in the region.

DCF Secretary David Wilkins said last year the state should save \$50 million annually using Lutheran Services and other private organizations in other regions to manage the taxpayer-funded contracts, even while expanding treatment to more people.

The CBHS office provides outpatient psychiatric care to county residents with mental health problems and no insurance or government subsidized Medicaid coverage.

CBHS is staffed by county-paid employees who report to the administration at Northeast Florida State Hospital. DCF then reimburses the county for those payroll expenses.

CBHS clinical director Tracie Sides will become the new executive director of the Baker Prevention Coalition, an organization focused on combating substance abuse locally, in March. The coalition is also funded by DCF, but receives money from other federal and state sources as well.

Ms. Sides will replace Chris Thomas, who also leads Baker Community Counseling Services (BCCS), which manages drug court and other programs here.

He's been the coalition's act-

ing director since its inception in 2010.

"Without his foresight and working with [Stephen Holland, coalition coordinator] and the folks in Nassau County, we wouldn't be where we are today," said Mike Griffis, the coalition's new president, when announcing Ms. Sides' selection at this month's coalition meeting February 4.

The Nassau Alcohol Crime and Drug Abatement Coalition is serving as the mentor agency for the Baker County coalition. It's helped secure grant funding to sustain the local group and offered guidance to Mr. Thomas and Mr. Holland in establishing the organization, which is seeking nonprofit status from the IRS.

Ms. Sides also serves on the coalition's board of directors. She will step down in order to take the director position.

Mrs. James recently resigned from the board of another local nonprofit, Healthy Baker, Inc., a partnership among public and private healthcare providers, due to her new position with ValueOptions.

The for-profit company is subcontracted by Lutheran Services to perform it's administrative functions.

The state hired Lutheran Services last year to manage substance abuse and mental health provider contracts in 23 counties across northeast Florida for some \$92 million per year.

Estimated \$600,000 up for grabs

Instead of managing hundreds of provider contracts state-wide itself, DCF outsourced that role to a handful of "managing entities," each responsible for the contracts in a specific region.

Here that entity is Lutheran Services, which is in the process of consolidating three provider contracts in Baker County into one competitively procured comprehensive contract for mental health and substance abuse treatment services in Baker County.

The contract could be worth about \$600,000, roughly the amount spent on mental health and substance abuse services in Baker County this fiscal year.

The move also means that CBHS, which functioned as a quasi-local agency with funding and oversight from DCF, will close its doors at the end of the fiscal year.

Given the relationship be-

tween the office, the county and the state, CBHS was not in a position to compete for the comprehensive contract since the state could be seen as contracting with itself.

DCF, Ms. Sides said, soon decided to stop providing mental health services at the local level in Baker County and allow a private entity to assume the task.

Today, DCF has three contracts here: with BCCS for substance abuse treatment and prevention, with the county and CBHS for adult mental health and with Jacksonville-based Child Guidance Center for child mental health.

Those contracts end on June 30.

Last week, Lutheran Services released a request for proposals (RFP) for a three-year comprehensive contract for one entity to replace the three current providers.

BCCS, the Macclenny-based drug court provider, and a Lake City-based mental health organization, Resolutions Health Alliance (RHA), are partnering to compete for the contract.

BCCS will submit a proposal identifying RHA as a subcontractor, said Mr. Thomas, the lead agency's director.

BCCS has been contracting with the state and county court system since 2006 to provide court-ordered substance abuse counseling, driver improvement, anger management and drug screenings. RHA formed in 2004 and offers similar services in addition to mental health counseling in Lake City, Live Oak, Starke and Trenton.

Together BCCS and RHA hope to pool their resources to offer comprehensive substance abuse and mental services to Baker County residents for the next three years, though the RFP states there's an optional one-year extension for a maximum of four years.

Excluded from the new contract, however, are crisis stabilization unit (CSU), detox and substance abuse prevention services. They will be bid separately from the comprehensive substance abuse and mental health provider contract.

When people pose a danger to themselves or others, they can be taken into custody by police under the state's Baker Act. By law they must be delivered to the nearest CSU facility. For adults here, that facility has been the state hospital, but it will cease

achieving the purpose of the contract. The purpose, as stated in the RFP, is "to establish subcontractor(s) services for the delivery of community mental health and substance abuse services system to Baker County residents."

Ms. St. Clair said LSF intends to begin negotiations in March with the top ranked provider in hopes of leaving ample time to plan for the transition by July 1.

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those services after June 30.

That development has caused concern among law enforcement officials because deputies will have to travel out of the county to comply with Baker Act requirements.

To avoid the inconvenience and maintain patrols locally, police may take them to county jail, even though the offenders should be receiving mental health treatment.

"We are working with DCF regarding CSU services and future service provisions for Baker County," said Tina St. Clair, vice president of substance abuse and mental for Lutheran Services.

CSU services for children have not been available locally in the past. Facilities in surrounding counties handle those cases.

Detox services for locals, meanwhile, are provided through a contract with Gateway Community Services in Jacksonville. Ms. St. Clair said they will not be bid out at this time, but could be in the future.

Substance abuse prevention services, supplied today by BCCS, will be combatively procured in the coming months as well. Ms. St. Clair said an RFP regarding those services could be released in the next two or three weeks.

While the BCCS-RHA team has shown interest in the comprehensive RFP, she said no other entities have shown similar interest in recent months.

Still, other competitors for the work have until February 8 to submit a letter of intent to Lutheran Services.

Terms of the RFP

Which ever entity win's the contract, one of its directives will be to manage state funding "effectively and efficiently, ensuring that Lutheran Services of Florida is the payer of last resort," the RFP shows.

Providers' proposals, which are due by March 8, will be scored and ranked. Contract negotiations will then commence with highest-ranked provider. If unsuccessful, Lutheran will move onto the second-highest ranked organization and so on.

Providers seeking the contract will also have to submit a line item budget with explanations for each line item detailing how it's "allowable, reasonable and necessary," according to the RFP.

Any ties in the scoring will go to the provider with lowest "cost effective funding level" for

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Henry Griffin Jr., 61, of Olustee dies

Henry L. Griffin Jr., 61, of Olustee died on January 29, 2013 following a lingering illness.

Mr. Griffin is survived by his loving children Wiljeana Turner (Raymond) of Lake City, Latina Griffin of White Springs, Tiletta Griffin of Norcross, GA, Hendrix Taylor and Robert Wilson (Lynette) of Lake City, Dejuan Griffin of Baldwin, Henry Griffin III of Lake City, Willie, Genard, and Brian Perry of Starke; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sisters Wilhelmina Coleman (Hybitha) of Hillside, FL, Betty Jean Griffin of Maywood, IL and Olivette Griffin (Venard) of Lake City; nephews, nieces and other family members.



Henry Griffin Jr.

Curtis Stoutamire, 50, dies January 16

Curtis N. Stoutamire, 50, of Hattiesburg, MS died at his home on January 16, 2013. He was born in Glen St. Mary the third of seven children to Elder Curties and Flossie Stoutamire Sr.



Curtis Stoutamire

He graduated from Baker County High School in 1980 and post-humously received a bachelor of theology degree from Higher Calling Bible College and Theological Seminary in Hattiesburg. He served 24 years in the U.S. Army and retired in October, 2004 as a sergeant first class. Mr. Stoutamire was employed by the U.S. Postal Service until his death and was the vice president of the NALC local union in Hattiesburg.

Other than his parents, Mr. Stoutamire is survived by his loving wife Juanita of Hattiesburg; children SPC Kelvin (Carla) Stoutamire of Junction City, KS, CPT Courtney Sanders of Houston TX, Chaddrick Stoutamire of Clarksville, TN, SPC Henry (Sgt. Jennery) Hawkins of Mannheim, Germany, April Hawkins of Hattiesburg and SPC Elliott Sanderson of Grafenwoehr, Germany; siblings Cheryl Stoutamire of Glen, Evelyn (Monty) Jordan of Winston-Salem, NC, MSG Ronald (Alisha) Stoutamire of Seattle, WA, Margie (Eddie) Dasante of Birmingham, AL, John Stoutamire and Michael (Melvina) Stoutamire, both of Jacksonville; seven grandchildren; uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins and military friends.

The funeral service for Mr. Stoutamire was held on January 23 at 1 pm at the Rock of Ages Christian Fellowship Center in Hattiesburg where he served as a men's Sunday School teacher and on the usher board. Interment was at Highland Cemetery.

Doyle Hardenbrook, 45, dies January 28

Doyle Clayton Hardenbrook, 45, a lifelong resident of Macclenny, died on January 28, 2013. He was born in Jacksonville, Florida, on April 19, 1967 to Gwendolyn Bennett Walls and the late Carl Hardenbrook.



Doyle Hardenbrook

Doyle worked in construction and land development for many years, and enjoyed doing anything a country boy would like to do. He was preceded in death by his father and his sister Fonda Gail Campbell.

Mr. Hardenbrook is survived by his loving wife Stephanie Ann Hardenbrook of Macclenny; mother Gwendolyn (Ed) Walls of Glen St. Mary; children Andrew and Brad Hardenbrook of Macclenn, Chance, Dillon, and Ethan Hardenbrook of Olustee, Kaleb and Kylee Hardenbrook of Jacksonville, and Jonathan Barbara Lynn (Gary) Griffis of Olustee, Patricia Stephens of Glen St. Mary and Derenda Kay (Carl) Loyd of Georgia; four grandchildren.

The memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services of Macclenny was in charge of arrangements.

Michael Swindell, 60, of Macclenny

Michael Raymond Swindell Sr, 60, of Macclenny died on Tuesday, January 29, 2013. A lifelong resident of Baker County, he was an auto mechanic who loved his work. He also enjoyed hunting, gardening and spending time with his family and friends.



Michael Swindell

Mr. Swindell is survived by his wife of 41 years, Carolyn Swindell; sons Michael (Flora) Swindell Jr. of Sanderson, Jay (Tommie Sue) Swindell of Glen St. Mary, Josh (Cheryl) Swindell of Taylor and Marcus Swindell of Macclenny; daughter Rebecca Swindell (Mark Knight) of Macclenny; brothers Larry Swindell of St. George, GA, Bruce Swindell of Taylor, Daryl (Dee-Dee) Swindell of Glen St. Mary, and Randy (Katherine) Swindell of Taylor; sister Bonnie (Eugene) Lindsey of Sanderson; sixteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by parents John and Joyce Combs Swindell.

A funeral service was held at 2 pm on Friday, February 1 at The Lord's Church in Taylor with Rev. Greg Combs officiating. Interment followed at Taylor Cemetery. Forbes Funeral Home of Macclenny was in charge of arrangements.

Vardaman service

The memorial service for Norma Jean Vardaman, 76, of Macclenny will be in the chapel of Heritage Park on Lowder St. in Macclenny at 11 am on Saturday, February 9.

Mrs. Vardaman died on January 28, at Macclenny Nursing and Rehab Center.

Clothing giveaway

A free clothing giveaway will be held on Friday, February 8 beginning at 9 am in the lot behind the former Fraser Funeral Home at South 6th and Lowder in Macclenny. The event is sponsored by the Sanderson Revival Center.

Thanks so much

The family of Curtis N. Stoutamire Jr. expresses its sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness extended to them during his illness and in their hour of bereavement. Thanks for your calls, food and prayers during this difficult time. Your kindness will never be forgotten. "For I am now ready ... I have kept the faith."

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Memorial service

A memorial service will be held at 3 pm on February 9 at Oak Grove Cemetery in Macclenny for Katie "Bernice" Wilkerson, 87, of Live Oak. She died on December 22.



Katie Wilkerson

Mrs. Wilkerson was a native of Starke and lived in Macclenny until moving to Live Oak 12 years ago. She was the wife of the late T.J. Wilkerson and is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Memorialization was by cremation.

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Colt Bennett Davis

Born January 29

Randy and Beth Davis of Macclenny are pleased to announce the birth of son Colt Bennett on January 29, 2013 at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Jacksonville.

He weighed 8 lbs., 13 oz. and was 21 1/4 inches long. He joins brother Zachary.

Grandparents are David and Cathy Bennett of Macclenny and Herbert and Jan Davis of Bakersville, NC.



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU
February 1-28

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Monday, February 11

Breakfast: Cereal with a slice of toast. Choose 1: chilled peaches or fruit juice.

Lunch: Penne pasta with meatballs and marinara sauce or ham with pasta and cheese sauce. Sides: Fruit juice, cinnamon topped apple slices, baby carrots with ranch dressing, garden salad. Salad of the day: Buffalo chicken salad with crackers and croutons.

Tuesday, February 12

Breakfast: MVP breakfast bar. Choose 1: applesauce or fruit juice.

Lunch: Crunchy fish with tortilla or beef with pasta and marinara. Sides: orange wedges, peaches, roasted broccoli with cheese sauce, coleslaw. Cold plate of the day: yogurt with mozzarella cheese stick, fruit and muffin.

Wednesday, February 13

Breakfast: Mozzarella cheese stick with toast; Choose 1: peaches, fruit juice

Lunch: Asian glazed chicken nuggets with roll or beef vegetable soup with grilled cheese sandwich; Sides: fruit juice, banana, romaine salad, baked potato rounds; Salad of the day: chicken caesar salad

Thursday, February 14

Breakfast: Oatmeal cookie; Choose 1: banana, fruit juice

Lunch: Turkey sandwich with cheese or cheese pizza; Sides: fruit juice, grapes, baked french fries, lettuce & tomato slices; Cold plate: Yogurt with mozzarella cheese stick, fruit and muffin

Friday, February 15

Breakfast: Scrambled egg, toast, potato rounds; Choose 1: fruit juice, chilled fruit choice

Lunch: Chicken poppers with macaroni and cheese or hamburger; Sides: fruit choices, romaine garden salad, garbanzos; Salad of the day: chef salad



Mr. and Mrs. Johnson

50th anniversary

Shirley and Carl E. (Gene) Johnson of Maxville celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the St. Augustine Beaches Lodge on February 2.

They were married on that day in 1963 at the First Baptist Church of Maxville.

Their children are Carol Williams of Gainesville, Deborah Johnson of Middleburg and Carl Johnson Jr. of Macclenny. They have five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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District lauds volunteers

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The school board and superintendent recognized the evening of January 22 each school in the district for their accumulation of volunteer hours and cheered the academic achievements of Sanderson students who made the honor roll in the last grading period.

The students were given awards along with freshly baked cookies.

"This is a big deal for these children," said Superintendent Sherrie Raulerson. "It's great to see their faces when they get their awards."

The district as a whole logged nearly 28,000 hours from nearly 4000 volunteers at local schools, Robin Mobley announced at the meeting, which

took place at Sanderson Congregational Holiness Church on CR 127.

The high school had 845 volunteers donating more than 10,000 hours to the school, which Mrs. Mobley said saved the district "a ton of money" by offering students many opportunities they otherwise would not receive.

The tally for the middle school was more than 2000 hours from 412 volunteers; at Macclenny Elementary 1590 volunteers gave more than 4800 hours; at Westside 99 volunteers had more than 4600 hours and at the PreK Kindergarten Center 816 volunteers donated 2134 hours in all.

In other business that evening, the board renewed the Family Service Center's contract with the Women's Center of Jacksonville with one minor correction to the terms for the liability insurance the center must maintain.

Kindergarten prep sessions start soon

Parents of children who will be entering kindergarten in Baker County next fall should mark their calendars for the week of March 11-14.

Those are the dates set aside for kindergarten registration, and the school district needs an accurate count to plan for everything from books to buses and teachers.

"We're looking for the kids out there who aren't in our system yet," said Bonnie Jones, principal of the district's PreK/Kindergarten Center in Macclenny, where the registration will take place.

"I estimate as many as 250 are out there enrolled in the private PreK programs around the coun-

ty or not yet going to school. We need to know who they are."

Parents and guardians will need to produce a birth certificate at registration, along with proof of a physical and vaccination records. If the child was born in Florida, a copy of the certificate can be obtained from the health department for \$15 if one is not readily available.

Ms. Jones also asked parents to consider attending one of three kindergarten readiness sessions remaining on the calendar — on February 26, March 28 and April 19. They are designed to orient both children and parents to the school system.

Questions, including more details on the readiness sessions, should be directed to the PreK/Kindergarten Center on East Boulevard at 259-0405.

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SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

February 7

BCHS: Baseball vs. Eagles View, (H) 7:00 p.m. // WES: Good Morning Show Club, 8:00 a.m. // PK-K: Salute to Disney Program, 6:00 p.m.

February 8

BCHS: Wrestling Regional @ Bolles; Boys Basketball District Tournament, 6:00 p.m.; Softball Home Var. Only, 6:00 p.m.

February 9

BCHS: Wrestling Regional @ Bolles; Girls Weightlifting State @ Kissimmee, 8:00 a.m.; Boys Basketball District Tournament, 6:00 p.m.

February 11

BCHS: Tennis @ Lake Butler, 3:30 p.m.; JV Baseball @ Paxon, 6:00 p.m. // BCMS: half of AR Points Due; Softball @ Callahan, 4:00 p.m. // MES: Journalism Club, 3:15 p.m.

February 12

BCHS: Softball @ Paxon, 4:00 p.m.; JV Baseball @ Middleburg, 4:30 p.m.; Baseball @ Orange Park, 7:00 p.m. // BCMS: Softball vs. Yulee, (H) 4:00 p.m. // KIS: SAC Meeting, 8:00 a.m.

February 13

District-Wide: Early Dismissal // BCHS: Boy Weightlifting @ Fleming Island, 3:00 p.m. // WES: Merrie Melodies Club, 8:00 a.m.

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Third rank in district

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

It was an up and down week for the Wildcats basketball team going into this week's district tournament. The Cats defeated Oakleaf easily, but stumbled against the Trinity Conquerors before coming back to beat Interlachen in the last seconds of Friday's game.

The Wildcats opened the week with a 12-point win over Oakleaf on January 29. CeCe Jefferson had one of his more dominant halves of basketball with 12 points in the paint that helped propel BCHS to an early 6-point lead. The Cats were also sinking baskets from the perimeter in the half with Jesse Gardner hitting two three pointers and Charles Ruise Jr. one of the long bombs.

Gardner was on target throughout the night from the three point stripe. All 12 of his points came from outside the line.

BCHS led 35-29 at the half and kept the Knights at arm's length while steadily building their lead. The key to the win was good free throw shooting from Johnny Lamb and Cameron Mack in the fourth quarter as the Knights fouled to get back in the game.

Ruise led the Cats with 17 points. Lamb had 15, Jefferson 14 and Mack 6.

It was a completely different story on January 31, as the Conquerors came to town and defeated their hosts 56-42. The Wildcats stayed close to Trinity in the first but struggled in the second half. The Conquerors built a small lead in the third period but went on an 11-6 run to close out the game.

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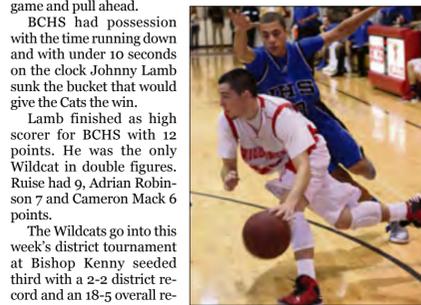
It took a basket in the last 10 seconds of the game for BCHS to snatch a 43-42 victory from Interlachen on Friday night. The game was a back and forth affair with the Cats maintaining a slim lead until the Rams pulled ahead at the end.

BCHS held on to a four-point lead throughout the third period, taking a 34-30 lead into the final quarter. Then the Rams hit a pair of clutch three pointers to tie the



Wes Combs drives to the hoop.

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Jesse Gardner attacks the basket.

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Strong finish at district tourney

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

Baker County High wrestling coach Adam Brunner has a clear understanding of the old cliché, "It ain't over till it's over." Yogi Berra's quote might have referred to baseball, but on Saturday at the district tournament in Crawfordville, he could easily have been talking about wrestling.

"The first round of this week-end's districts did not go as rehearsed," said Brunner. "We didn't advance any individuals into the second-round winner's

pool. But at the end of every tunnel, there is light."

The second round went more in the Cats' favor as Sean Mulkey, James Carter and Lenny Carter won their matches to give the Wildcats much-needed points.

"Wrestling for third and fourth place finishes was crucial in team points and individual placements," the coach said.

BCHS ended up with wins by Cody Miller (106), Brandon Harvey (126), Travis Hall (145), James Carter (182), and Lenny Carter (195) who all had third-

place finishes. Cat Davis (113), Jenna Reeves (120), Nathan Brown (132), Mulkey (160), Zac Collins (170), and Collyn Green (220) all placed fourth, but still advanced to the regionals at The Bolles School this Friday, February 8.

"There is a very good chance we can advance a few wrestlers out of this group to state on February 15," said Brunner. "The key this week is hard work, dedication, and the will to want to get better and compete with some of the best wrestlers in the area."

Tennis season kicks off Feb. 5

Despite the cool, windy weather, the BCHS tennis teams have been knocking the ball over the net as they prepare for the new season. Coach Chris Armoreda believes he will be fielding boys' and girls' squads with some experience and a stable of enthusiastic young players.

The boys' team is lead by returners Jared Stafford, Evan Barrett and Tyler Curry. They will be relied upon for leadership and a strong work ethic. Freshmen Brock Dukeman and Logan Campbell complete the team.

The BCHS girls are led by returning seniors Kaylann Stafford and Stephanie Gross, who like

their counterparts on the boys' team will be relied upon to lead a young and inexperienced girls' squad.

Other key returners are Toree Jones, Danielle Mathis and Savannah Rhoden. New additions to the girls' team are Megan Wilkes, Victoria Sapp, Deanna Rhoden, Ashton Ray and Andrea Clark.

"These players have been working hard every practice and

have vastly improved since the first day of practice three weeks ago," said Armoreda. He is cautiously optimistic that the upcoming season will be "full of successes and improvement."

The Wildcats open their season at home on February 5 versus Yulee at BCHS and play again on February 11 at Union County and on Valentine's Day at Bradford County.

Eagles end girls post season

The Lady Wildcats basketball team had a problem this season with the Paxon Eagles. The 17-6 Cats could play tough against almost any other opponent, but when they met up with the Eagles it was always difficult.

That proved to be the case on January 31, when the Cats were stopped cold 50-27 by the Eagles in the semi-finals of the district tournament. The game wasn't a fluke, the athletic Eagles had beaten BCHS by 25 in November in a regular season game.

Paxon went on to defeat Bishop Kenny 36-26 in the finals to take the district crown. For the Wildcats, though, the season finished on an off-note, they played extremely well.

"We played hard," said Coach Chris Chisholm. "Though we had some key injuries early on and young kids had to step up, the girls really played their hearts out."

"The Cats wrapped up the regular season on January 25 with a big 53-45 win over Bradford County in a game characteristic of the season. The girls showed some strong offense and good defense on the inside to scratch out the win.

BCHS had a big first half behind 11 points from senior forward Shaniece Paige. She and the Cats were up by a 26-15 score at the half and it looked as if BCHS would cruise to an easy victory.

They continued to pad the lead in the third period and led the Tornados 41-25 at the end of the third period. Then Bradford got very hot in the final period and chipped away at the lead.

The Wildcats held off the surging Tornados and Delicia Washington led all scorers with 25 points. Paige finished with 15 points and Candace Clack 8 points.

The Wildcats had a tough outing in the district tournament as Paxon exploded out to a 12-point lead in the first period and then built on the commanding lead throughout the game.

Paxon held Delicia Washington to just 12 points on the night. The Eagles were particularly effective in the second half, holding the Cats' top scorer to just three points.

All in all, it was a good season for first year head Coach Chisholm and his Cats who finished up 17-6 on the season.

Rebuilding year for softball

BOB GERARD | SPORTS

This will be a rebuilding year for the Lady Wildcats softball team.

The 2012 Lady Cats were district champions and advanced to the regional semi-final before losing to Ponte Vedra. Some talented seniors graduated, including Taylor McCann, Taylor Crumme, Haley Crews, Shelby Gatto and Tina Hauge, leaving holes to fill. But Coach Franklin Griffis is excited about the new season and their prospects.

"We lost some really good talent last year, but it gives a challenge to the returners and an opportunity to the newcomers to step up," said Griffis.

The Cats return four players from last year's varsity squad. Senior Brooke Roberts and juniors Kylie Holton, Branda Jarvis, Genie Taylor and Mackenzie Wingard will be expected to provide leadership on the young team.

Wingard is coming off shoulder surgery over the summer, but will anchor the pitching staff along with freshman Corley Sweat. Both looked good in the Lady Cats' pre-season opener at Trinity, where they beat Trinity Christian 8-2 and University Christian 3-2.

"We've added some speed so we should be more aggressive on the bases and we have been working hard on hitting the ball better," said Griffis.

The Cats are in the second year of their district contract so they will again be facing challengers Bishop Kenny, Terry Parker and Paxon.

"Our goal is to repeat as district champions and find a way to get past the regional semi-final game that has tripped us up over the past couple of years," commented Griffis.

Kasy Blue (SR) and Jennifer Hodges (JR) from last year's JV team and five freshmen; Ashton

other successful season." The Lady Cats will face Hilliard at 6 pm on Friday, February 8 at the softball field.

Griffis is happy with the team's progress and work ethic. "If the preseason games are any indication, we should have an-

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FOURTH GRADE: Saira Anderson, Alyssa Baker, Carley Baxley, Destiny Bolt, Wendy Bryan, Peyton Burnsed, Garrett Cain, Benjamin Callahan, Kierra Combs, Breanna Cranford, Ansley Crews, Delanie Crews, Taylor Crews, Wyatt Crockett, Allyson Crossland, Emily Davis, Jadie Fletcher, Toby Fryer, Keira Godbold, Kelsey Godwin, Kevin Harris, Gabrielle Himmelhaver, Caiden Hodges, Brayden Jackson, Chloe Johnson, Dewitt Johnson IV, Hannah Johnston, Jameka Jones, River Jordan, Logan Kemp, Kannyn Knabb, Braeden Knight, Alayna Ledford, Cody Lewis, Allie Lowery, Alayna Markley, Larissa McCawley, Connor Moore, Thai-son Nguyen, Breanna Norton, Bryn Padgett, Launa Parker, Makensie Parmeley, Hannah Peterson, Jordan Rhoden, Daniel Robinson, Benjamin Smith, Melanie Smith, Alyssa Taylor, Michael Taylor, Nicholas Taylor, Dawson Tetstone, Jenna Venturelli, Ira Walker, Addie Williams

FIFTH GRADE: Julia Archambault, Emilee Blanton, Kylie Bonds, Jacob Carver, Taylor Cercy, Lexi Clardy, Caleb Combs, Seth Crawford, Tyler Crews, Na'Desha Davis, Jaime Esterling II, Haiden Fish, Abigail French, Sierra Gatto, Joel Griffis, Timothy Griffis, Grayson Gurganious, Emily Hill, Amanda Johns, Brandon Kazmierczak, Emily Lee, Seth North, Lucy Nowlen, Samantha Ortiz-Alizieri, Andrea Pelfrey, Tommy Phillips, Landon Prevatt, Abigail Ray, Maci Rhoden, Kierra Richardson, Phillip Richerson, Blaine Roberts, Weston Sands, Albert Shoemaker Jr., Carole Spivey, Jace Stokes, Cheyenne Thrift, Hannah Wilford, Anna Wilkerson, Ashley Wyland

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FOURTH GRADE: Tyler Adcock, Noah Anderson, Trinity Armstrong, Hannah Baker, Abigail Barnes, Justin Barton, Garrett Baskin, Geneva Beck, Alissa Behrens, Ziyulus Belford, Makayla Bennett, Emmalee Berry, Justin Brown, Clark Bryant, Dustin Burnsed, Ryleigh Burnsed, Chayse Card, Justin Carter, Kelton Chambers, Dalton Chancey, Andrea Chapman, Khai Chrome, Adressa Clark, James Collins, Kaitleigh Combs, Emily Conner, Camron Crawford, Carson Crawford, Caramie Crews, Cheyenne Croft, Ross Crummey, Kaitlynn Daniels, Brianna Davis, Marah Davis, Joshua Dialo, Emma Dietz, Luke Do, Benjamin Dugan, Bryson Dugger, Ella Dunn, Amia Everett, Valencia Farmer, James Ferguson, Parker Ferry, Haydn Finley, Lauren Fiser, Jessie Fletcher, III, Matthew Frazee, Kristy Gallagher, Chase Gaskins, Damontae Gibson, Kennady Godwin, Andrew Gregory, Morgan Griffis, Reagan Griffis, Rylan Griffis, Shaylee Grovo, Waylon Hannah, Alexia Hardenbrook, Destiny Hardin, David Harrell, Jady Harris, Jeremy Hart, Jr, Trey Harvey, Emma Hauge, Logan Hedge, Emily Hilliard, Abby Hodges, Jaqulyn Hodges, Megan Horton, Anthony Howell, Katynn Hunt, Aiya Jackson, Johnnie Jacobs, Emily Jewell, Grace Johnson, Caleb Jones, Abigail Karpf, Pierce Kirkland, Brandon Lancho, Hilton Long, Kaylee Long, Dalton MacDonald, Blakely Mallory, Kevin Manley, Jr, Tami Mann, Kaylea McNeil, Alesha Meadows, Mary Merkle, Cason Milton, Zane Mobley, Darrayan Muldrew, Montana Mullins, Lillia Munn, Sarah Murphree, Amy Nguyen, Layne Nipper, Aaron Norman, Matthew North, Jacob Overland, Tyler Owens, Reygen Paige, Pierce Parker, James Phillips, Aubrey Rich, Tyler Richardson, Tyler Roberts, Shanna Robinson, Madison Robson, Liam Roll, Ryan Romeo, Dezmomd Ruise, Wintae Ruise, Makenzi Scott, Seth Scott, Luke Slattery, Claira Sluski, Mikell Smart, Peighton Smith, Conner South, James Speaks, Wesley Staggs, Gabriela Stuhr, Taylor Suggs, Griffin Sutek, Markayla Taylor, Kiley Thrift, Jasmine Vermillion, Blake Walker, Cassie Waters, Kaleigh White, Kaycie Whitfield, Caleb Whiting, Steven Wilkerson, Jr, Hala Williams, Savannah Wolffs, Jacob Wood, Adam Wright, Logan Wright, Noah Wyatt, Ashley Wynne

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THIRD GRADE: Dowling: Zaria Cooper, Kaiden Sherman. Hand: Lainna Burnett, Kelsey Craig, Abril Nolasco, David Prosch. Hilliard: Colton Clardy, Taryn Bolt. Kress: Angelina Hunter. Shivers: C.J. Ginnetto, Jacob Raulerson, Tia Ruise. Griffis: Layne Britt. Payne: Harper Archambault, Mattie Ball, Joseph Cercy, Eliza Clines, R.J. Clines, Chase Crews, Aubrey Fuss, Tyrenan Hale, Colton Herb, Josie Jacobs, Sydney Johnson, Kaylee Rogers, Branson Self, Alex Stokes, Caleb Woods. Wendel: Jalynn Harvey, Avyiah Lee, Brittney Wilcutts. White: Michael Prevatt.

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