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Mother, kids living in filth

Charged with felony child neglect

The sheriff's department has charged a Glen St. Mary woman with felony child neglect for housing her four children in an insect-infested residence.

Deputies went to the US 90 west address of Kelly O'Neill, 39, following a tip received from the mother of a BCHS student who is friends with the suspect's daughter, age 16.

According to Deputy Randy Davis, the woman was alarmed that her daughter paid for the child's lunch on October 17 because she said there had not been any food in her house the past three days.

The officer said the girl was standing in the front yard of the residence when he arrived about 6 pm. She said her mother and three brothers, ages 8, 11 and 12, returned about 11 pm the previous three nights and confirmed there had been no food in the house "that was safe to eat."

Cpl. Davis then inspected the interior at the invitation of the girl, who told him she was embarrassed at its condition. The officer confirmed it was rife with rotting food left on plates and an insect infestation, even in the refrigerator and freezer. The odor inside was "extremely

strong" and the floors were covered with boxes and containers stacked to leave only narrow passageways.

The home's five occupants apparently all slept in a master bedroom with soiled linens and more plates of infested food. The bathroom was in similar shape with "a strong odor of raw sewage" and a back porch was strewn with boxes and malodorous garbage bags.

Mrs. O'Neill later drove up to the property with her sons after an investigator from the Department of Children and Families was summoned and inspected the interior.

The investigator, Tina Ashley, informed Mrs. O'Neill her children would not be allowed to remain and they were placed with grandparents in Macclenny. The DCF worker was acquainted with the suspect, according to Cpl. Davis.

The officer said the mother told him conditions inside the house had been that way "several months" and she offered no explanation.

The mother told Sgt. Shawn Bishara she was busy with work and school, and the daughter would not help her keep house.



Kelly O'Neill



PHOTOS BY JOEL ADDINGTON

'Bark for Life' at city park

About a dozen canines converged at the Macclenny city park last Saturday for a Relay for Life fundraiser called "Bark for Life." The dogs competed in barking, costume and trick contests. The event also featured a blessing of the pets (pictured at right) by Marcy Knight (rear). Above, Charlie, a 10-year-old German shepherd who survived breast cancer, performs her hula hoop trick with owner Raymond Lucas.



Saturday shooting is said an accident

A Sanderson man was arrested early on October 19 on several gun-related charges after what was described as an accidental shooting that wounded a female who was seated in a vehicle with him and two others outside a bar.

Deputy Chad Montean said he responded to the Sanderson rescue station about 12:30 that morning where Abravia Thompson, 22, of Jacksonville had been taken for treatment of what was described as two gunshot wounds to her left arm. She was later transferred to Fraser Hospital.

Witnesses Devin Williams, 24, of Sanderson and a 15-year-

old male told police they were in the vehicle with the victim and Bobby Gaskins, 20, when he produced a .38 caliber from the waistband of his pants and it went off when he appeared to be looking for something.

Deputy Montean returned to the scene near the bar, commonly known as The Juke, and found Mr. Gaskins inside the Williams vehicle. He appeared to be intoxicated. Police also found a bloody T-shirt and a small baggie of marijuana on the front seats, along with a live .38 caliber bullet on the ground nearby.

The victim and witnesses told deputies no one was arguing before the shot or shots were fired.

Mr. Gaskins told Deputy Montean initially that he was not in the car, then recanted but said he did not know what happened.

He was booked for improper exhibition of a firearm and discharging it in public, use of a firearm while intoxicated and carrying it concealed.

Macclenny woman charged with craft fair fraud

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Oldcastle mediation scheduled Oct. 29th

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A South Florida lawyer will serve as a special magistrate in a mediation hearing on October 29 pitting Oldcastle Southern Group against the county commission for rejecting the company's sand mining proposal in April following months of protests lodged by local citizens groups.

Samuel S. Goren, a partner in the Fort Lauderdale law firm of Goren Cherof Doody & Ezrol,

If an impasse is declared in mediation the special magistrate may issue a final order.

was selected to preside over the hearing by mutual consent of the county and Oldcastle, which alleges that the county had no legal right to deny its application for a special zoning exception to allow mining in an agricultural area where duPont has been mining for decades south of Interstate 10 off SR 228.

Mark Hartley, chairman of the county commission and a leading opponent of sand mining in Baker County, will be the commission's representative at the hearing. He was appointed by his fellow commissioners during a meeting on October 15.

County Attorney Rich Komando told the board that the state statute governing mediation hearings requires the county to send a representative to the hearing with the authority to negotiate "in good faith" on behalf of the county and enter into any proposed settlement agreements. However, he said such agreements still would be subject to a vote by the county commission.

If no agreement is reached during the mediation process and an impasse is declared, the special magistrate, after considering all testimony and evidence presented in the case, may issue a final order. If the order is not acceptable to either side, the matter could end up in the courts.

When asked if the hearing would be open to the public, Mr. Komando said he did not

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'Failure' has been given a bad rap in scheme of things

IMPRESSIONS
Jim McGauley

Atychiphobia. Of course, you know what that is. It's the fear of failure, so we all know what it is, though we may never have come across that word. We all can relate to it even if we can't pronounce it. Fear of failure keeps most of us from the pinnacles of achievement that but a small percentage of people reach during a lifetime.

A recent article in the weekend edition of *The Wall Street Journal* talked about how this very natural phenomenon has ingrained itself into many western institutions. After all, we can now calculate the odds of just about everything. We have computer models to tell us how scenarios are likely to turn out. Technology has turned us into an exacting people.

Maybe we shouldn't be so. Maybe we should re-visit the value of failing at something and recognize the lessons failure teaches if we pay attention to them.

"I failed my way to success." Thomas Edison said that.

Look at how parenting has changed in recent decades. The emphasis both at home and in our schools is to shield children from any and all potential failures (and dangers).

School districts, mostly in the northeast where they're a lot smarter than us southern hicks, are banning traditional games like soccer and tag from recess as too dangerous. They don't keep score in many youth sports anymore for fear of instilling feelings of inferiority among players on the losing end of the stick.

When you shield excessively from potential danger, it seems to me you're also subtly attempting to shield children from negative feelings and risk. Level out the playing fields and no one stands out, hence no one feels bad.

Great policy for pinheads, but it ain't the real world.

To that we should say: "Hey, it's fine to feel 'bad' about losing, or failing. What counts is what a person does after he or she 'fails' and gets back on his feet."

The article referred to above also pointed out that products of the "no risk, everybody wins" generation are now in colleges and entering the business world. And they don't handle failure well.

That's what happens when you get a trophy for showing up. But when you find out the playing field is not level but bumpy and rife with blind spots that cause you to fall flat on your face, that's when you're in the real world.

The same with bullying.

Anti-bullying is all the rage now. Schools turning out graduates with rotting skill levels that are fast falling behind the rest of the western world can't get enough of anti-bullying seminars, T-shirts and stern penalties for violators.

Policies are fine, but the best tactics against bullying likely still exist in the school yard or the sidewalks of Neighborhood USA. If a bully "fails" at being a bully, he'll likely quit. The ones who don't, well, we'll always have them among us and the best we can hope for is they don't marry into our families or become our bosses.

As for risk taking, what we should all ask ourselves, whether we're in our teens or 70's, is whether the risks involved in a course of action are truly not worth it, or do we merely think they're not worth it.

The worst that can happen, after all, is failure. And one doesn't forget failure, thus it can be a great teaching tool.

Time for 'small-dollar' elections

I'll assume you've heard about the botched roll-out of the federal healthcare exchange commonly called Obamacare. Suffice it to say, the Obamacare website needs a lot of work before it will work for the millions of uninsured and just plain curious out there.

What you probably didn't hear about last week was another very problematic launch of Florida's new website to file unemployment claims. The website was kicking people off, throwing up error messages or erasing balances, which spurred claimants to flood the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's phone

lines asking for help. While the two websites certainly differ in complexity and cost, they were developed by private contractors paid with public money.

In the rush to blame the administration and the federal agencies, and they should share some of the blame for fumbling their oversight role, let's not forget that most bureaucrats don't know software coding.

CGI Federal, an American subsidiary of a Canadian com-

pany, won the largest contract involved in developing the healthcare website, while Deloitte Consulting, the subsidiary of international firm headquartered in New York City, was the contractor paid to build the unemployment website.

Both firms have very, very, deep pockets.

Deloitte is one of the top four professional services firms in the world. CGI reportedly has \$4.8 billion in annual revenues.

Given that both of these companies have botched simi-

lar projects before, how did they get these contracts in the first place? Cold hard cash and our corrupt campaign financing system, that's how.

These companies have a legion of lobbyists working on their behalf in Washington and Tallahassee ensuring government procurement practices benefit them. And who lines their pockets come election time? Bingo, companies like CGI and Deloitte.

Many I'm sure think there's no way to curb this kind of legal corruption within our political system. It's one of those problems that's just too big to solve, right? Heck no.

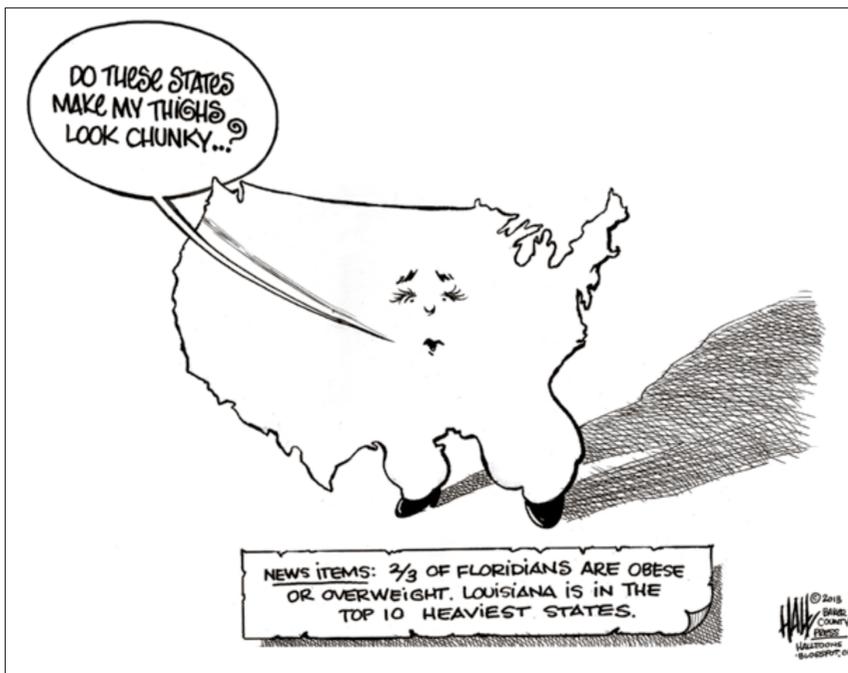
Small-dollar election reforms, like those suggested by a Harvard law professor Lawrence Lessig in recent years, can reduce the amount of money being spent on elections by special interests, including unions or corporations, while spreading more influence to folks like you and me.

Sure, we can take \$50 from our bank account and send it to a candidate, but next to the \$50,000 donation from some industry group, our influence is pretty puny by comparison.

Though there are other reforms out there to make small-dollar elections a reality, Mr. Lessig's plan is pretty simple. It would give every American who pays at least \$50 in federal taxes, a \$50 rebate in the form of a voucher that the taxpayer can give to the Congressional candidate as long as the candidate agrees to either only accept these vouchers, or only accept donations from citizens of \$100 or less.

That one change could revolutionize our politics and make our representatives actually represent the causes we care about, whether it's a flat income tax, the environment or anything else. Candidates might find out there's financial value in crafting laws that help the everyday taxpayers instead of handing tax loopholes for this industry or that one. Perhaps they would represent the will of the many to fund their re-election and spurn big money donors with special interests and special demands.

That sounds much more like democracy to me.



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'What you had to say ...'

Vote to reopen the government, who was right?

Two of Baker County's Congressmen — Rep. Ander Crenshaw (R-Jacksonville) and Sen. Bill Nelson (D) — voted for a bill to reopen the federal government and raise the debt ceiling. Sen. Marco Rubio (R) voted against the bill, which did nothing to delay or defund Obamacare. We asked our Facebook faithful which Congressmen cast the right vote. Here's a look at some of the comments we received:

John Hardin: I think we are asking the wrong questions. We should be asking why we are in this mess to begin with. Why have politicians on both sides of the aisle failed to balance our nations checkbook for decades? Why are billions of our tax dollars sent to foreign countries, yet we can't find the money to fund our obligations at home? Why are both parties for balanced budgets and lower deficits, yet that never gets accomplished? It is because both parties are only interested in wasting our money on pet projects for lobbyists and corporate welfare in exchange for support in the next election.

Scott Anderson: Rubio will get my vote. The other two will not.

Louise Curtis Smith: No one won! This country is being dismantled by the greed in Washington. There are very few who are not in on it! Rubio wants amnesty. The only amnesty is to enforce the laws already on the books!

Richard Clark: It doesn't take an accountant to know you can't keep spending money you don't have. Raising the debt ceiling to spend more money you don't have is not only stupid but irresponsible. It did not fix the problem. Next January it will start all over again.

Aaron Patterson: I see someone mentioned enforcement of laws already on the books ... Obamacare is a law already on the books. That's the whole problem with trying to defund it. What other laws can be held hostage be financial means? If it passes and is a law there shouldn't be any attempt to defund it until a bill refuting that law is passed.

SoulDee Dennie: Doesn't anyone recall the shutdown cost the taxpayers 245 billion dollars? And the threat of default actually contributed to the deficit? Crenshaw and Nelson did the right thing, Rubio? I have no idea what he is thinking standing with the likes of Cruz, who is only out for himself.

Julie Tampon: It's like Monopoly money, people. Come on, let's see how many times we can raise the debt ceiling in this administration. Spending money that is not ours. China is good for it. They'll never come to make good on any of it. Keep spending, it's free money!

Danny Norton: It doesn't really surprise me that they cannot balance their budget without raising the debt ceiling, not to mention what the affordable care act is going to do to us in the future. We will be borrowing more money to support this entitlement. We can't balance our budget in Baker County without going into our dwindling reserves. We need leaders to make hard decisions, unpopular decisions. Sooner or later we will run out of the other persons money!

James Clay Rhoden: Vote was right to reopen the government, vote against was also right! Defund Obamacare! Our Country is not a dictatorship and Obamacare is a form of dictatorship.

Clayton Yarbrough: For sure against [was the right vote]. Giving another free check book to a so-called President who is doing everything possible to bankrupt America? Our great grand children will never get that debt paid if there is even an American left for them or even our grand children at that.

Dana Crawford-Pulley: To end the shutdown. You may think it doesn't affect you directly in Baker County, yet I can assure you it does. Why should my husband, a federal employee, work for no pay? What of a friend, who first was furloughed, then ordered to work without pay? If you don't like something, come up with a working plan to fix it, don't be childish and immature and hold a country hostage, making us to be the laughingstock of the world.

Halloween costumes?

With Halloween coming up next week we asked readers, "What are your kids going to dress up as for Halloween this year?" Here's a look at the feedback:

Catherine Faith Tanner: Tinker Bell and Cinderella. Will Baker County be Trick or Treating on Halloween night since it's a school night?

Tabby Collingwood: A cat, ninja turtle, uncle si and maybe bam bam!

Sally Francis: Snow White and a ninja turtle.

Courtney Kline: Frankenstein.

Susan Papp Miller: Charles Lindbergh and Wolverine.

Misty Griffiths: My daughter has several different costumes for different things. She is going to be a cowgirl at school, a ballerina for our church fall festival, and a dog for trick or treating. My son is going to be Clark Kent.

Nicole Wiesner: Princess Sofia and Spy vs Spy.

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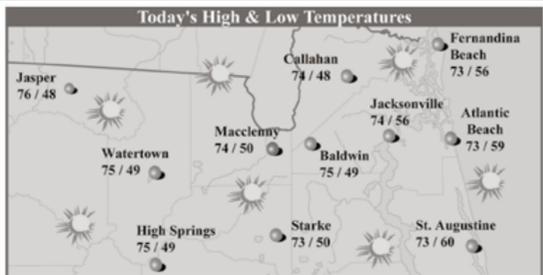
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BAKER CORRECTIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

FY '13 income off half million

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The Baker Correctional Development Corporation wrapped up its fiscal year last month with about half-a-million less in income than it anticipated a year earlier.

The year-end financial statements were reviewed by BCDC's board of directors at their quarterly meeting the afternoon of October 16.

BCDC owns the 512-bed county jail and sheriff's administration complex north of Macclenny and bonded \$45 million in 2008 to build and open the facility, which was modeled after a similar project in Glades County, FL.

Both the Glades facility and the one here depend heavily on housing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) inmates, as well as other federal prisoners, to generate enough cash flow to operate the jails and pay back the bonds with interest.

Unfortunately, Congress and the President recently overcame their budget impasse only to set up another fight over federal spending at the beginning of 2014.

That creates more uncertainty for federal agencies like ICE, which is overseen by the Department of Homeland Security. Those agencies are the source of the majority of the county jail's prisoners and thus most of BCDC's revenue.

And after the across-the-board budget cuts known as sequestration took effect in March, the number of ICE detainees housed at both facilities began to dwindle.

Here, the average daily population of ICE prisoners hit its lowest point of the 2012-13 fiscal year in July at 152 inmates, but has risen since then to 218 in September. Overall, the average population, including local inmates, was 386 for the fiscal year that ended Septem-

ICE numbers still sagging

ber 30, which is below the 409 mark BCDC officials have said is needed to meet the corporation's long-term obligations.

Facing a similar situation in Glades County, the Glades Correctional Development Corporation opted to close a 146-bed dorm at its jail in July, said Robert Demann, the corporation's registered agent and director.

He said the move reduced the facility's available capacity by 28 percent, leaving 378 open beds. Eighteen employees also lost their jobs.

The Glades County facility is averaging 305 federal inmates now — about 75 short of the target population — with about 50 local prisoners as well, according to Mr. Demann.

The nonprofit there is relying on reserve funds to supplement its operating costs for the time being, the director said.

"ICE is not picking inmates up (for criminal offenses); they're out on the street — that's the honest truth," said Mr. Demann.

"Everything was fine (before 2009); everything was working here," said Mr. Demann of the Glades facility. "Nobody could have foreseen what was going to happen with the change in administration. It hit us right between the eyes. The question is — will it change with another administration?"

In other business at the BCDC board meeting, members discussed the corporation's need for someone to replace its former attorney, Terry Brown, who resigned last summer citing medical reasons.

BCDC staff is expected to compile a list of potential hires in the coming weeks. A special meeting may be called to make a decision on the matter, Mr. Cox said.

BCHD signs on a new physician

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The Baker County Health Department recently welcomed a new primary care doctor, William Nields, who started October 11.

The announcement came during the monthly Healthy Baker, Inc. board meeting three days later. The board also seated a new member during the gathering.

Dr. Nields of Jacksonville replaced Dr. Sherri Sanders. He's available Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

He said he's excited to implement new and innovative programs in Baker County designed to prevent chronic diseases like obesity, high blood pressure and diabetes.

The board of directors for Healthy Baker — a nonprofit coalition of largely healthcare providers but also representatives from government and other sectors — approved the appointment of Tracie Sides, executive director of the Baker County Prevention Coalition, to the body.

She filled a vacancy left by Tonia James, who resigned her post as chair of the board, after taking a new job. Existing board member Dr. James Cordozo was installed as the new chair.

The board also voted to remove board member Chris Thomas for "non-participation." He has not attended the nonprofit's monthly meetings since last spring.

Kerry Dunlavey, the health department's administrator, said two vacancies still exist on the board, including the post of vice chair.

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Oldcastle: mediation Tuesday

From page 1 believe it fell under the state's Government in the Sunshine Law. However, he said it probably would depend upon whether both parties — the county and Oldcastle — mutually agreed to open the proceedings to the public.

When Mr. Komando told commissioners that one of them needed to serve as the board's representative at the hearing none of them immediately volunteered, although Commissioner Gordon Crews said he would be willing to serve if none of the others could do it. He said he would have to make arrangements to take time off from work at Fraser Hospital, where he is an emergency room nurse.

Next, Commissioner Adam Giddens stated that since he was the only commissioner who supported Oldcastle's application during a lengthy public hearing in the courthouse in April, he didn't think the others would want him to be the board's representative. He said it probably would be better if one of the other commissioners filled the role.

Commissioner Jimmy Anderson said he wouldn't mind doing it but he had a scheduling conflict. Since Commissioner James Croft was absent, that left only Mr. Hartley, who asked the attorney whether two commissioners could be present during the hearing.

"I'm not aware of any prohibition against more than one," Mr. Komando replied.

Mr. Giddens then suggested Mr. Hartley accept the responsibility and he agreed to do it.

The mediation hearing is only scheduled from 9 am to 3 pm on October 29, but could be extended to two full days.

Mr. Hartley was the first official to publicly state his opposition last year to two sand mining applications — one submitted by Oldcastle, a Tampa-based subsidiary of an international construction conglomerate headquartered in Ireland, and the other by E.R. Jahna Industries of Lake Wales, which wanted to mine an area north of US 90 east of Macclenny. Jahna has not yet resubmitted its application.

In June 2012 Mr. Hartley offered a motion to deny both proposals, which had previously been recommended for approval by the county's Land Planning Agency. The motion was defeated 4-1, however, because other commissioners wanted more time to research the requests and receive input from state regulators.

After appointing the chairman to represent the county at the mediation hearing, commissioners approved an agreement to split the bill for the special magistrate with Oldcastle. Mr. Goren will be paid \$250 an hour, plus travel, lodging and other out-of-pocket expenses.

In other business during the October 15 board meeting, commissioners:

• Agreed not to seek applicants to fill a vacancy created by the recent resignation of building official Bob Hathcox until after Bob Griffin, a residential building inspector in the building department, takes a state exam in an effort to receive his building code administrator license.

Meanwhile, Claude Bagwell, Macclenny's chief building inspector, began serving on October 15 as the county's interim building code administrator until the position is filled permanently.

Mr. Griffin told the board that after two days without Mr. Hathcox running the building department "everything is running smoothly, believe it or not." However, Mr. Bagwell, who served for many years as Jacksonville's chief building authority, will be in charge on Tuesdays and Thursdays to ensure the department continues to run smoothly, he said.

Mr. Griffin, who has been the county's No. 2 building inspector for years, said he will be studying hard to prepare for his upcoming state exam to become the department's top administrator.

"We're going to be praying for you that you pass the test, Bobby," Commissioner Anderson told him.

• Approved a number of priority transportation projects on a "wish list" that officials hope can be funded by the Florida Department of Transportation in 2013-14, including widening SR 228 to four lanes and adding curbs and gutters from Jonathan Street to Interstate 10. Cost of the project is estimated at \$9.7 million.

Other projects on the list call for new traffic signals in front of the post office at Lowder Street and SR 228 and on SR 121 at George Hodges Road; sidewalks along SR 121 from Linda Street to CR 23B and on CR 23B from SR 121 to Macclenny Elementary; widening and resurfacing of CR 229 from US 90 to I-10; and safety improvements at the intersection of US 90 and I-10, where numerous accidents have occurred, including some recent fatalities.

Commissioners also agreed to seek funding for a sidewalk from CR 125 in Glen St. Mary along U-shaped Madison Avenue, extending in front of Westside Elementary and the high school and eventually ending back on CR 125.

• Approved agreements with the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council for technical assistance in grant writing and administration of grants, as well as managing the county's State Housing Initiative Partnership, which provides affordable housing opportunities for low-income families.

The former positions of grants administrator and SHIP coordinator were eliminated by the county in cost-cutting measures.

• Agreed to waive rental fees and deposits for use of the agricultural center by Recovery at Work Group of Narcotics Anonymous for the group's second annual Recovery Celebration from noon to 11 pm on November 23.

The organization's first recovery celebration last year, which included food and a dance, drew over 230 addicts and their families to hear other recovering addicts from all over Florida and Georgia discuss their personal experience, strength and hope.

• Thanksgiving essay contest: Essays of no more than 1000 words answering the question, "What are you thankful for this year?" must be received by November 15 and include the author's name, age and contact phone number.

• Christmas short story contest: Christmas-themed short stories of no more than 2000 words must be received by December 13 and include the author's name, age and contact phone number.

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Child health study revamp

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In addition, the initial pilot phase helped researchers learn about the actual costs involved and ways to control those costs as the Main Study with 95,000 additional pregnant women moves forward across the country. Both studies — the Main Study and Vanguard Study — will continue in parallel with each other during the next two-plus decades.

In the way of lessons learned thus far, the pilot study showed that going door-to-door to enroll mothers is too costly, for instance, Mr. Knight said.

Therefore, other means like attending community events, sending out mailers and recruiting through obstetric and gynecological offices were employed with greater success.

The change in the study's management team was a streamlining of sorts, which helped contain costs as well.

Rather than functioning as 40 independent study locations each with a different managing agency, as was the model during the Vanguard Study, the federal government moved to a regional management model.

That places Baker County's study under the same management team as other sites in the southern US, including counties in Georgia, Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana and New Mexico.

"The National Children's Study is a long term study designed to examine the differences, such as access to healthcare, disease occurrence or exposure to toxins, between groups of children across the country, and to identify the factors that contribute to these differences and disparities," reads a recent press release to update Baker County residents on the study's progress.

The switch also meant a number of the study's staff locally were not retained for the Main Study recently launched, save two data collectors who have built close relationships to enrolled families here.

The study's office on South 6th Street in Macclenny has been closed and Mr. Knight said now mobile vans will be used to better reach study participants.

"The vans will go out and meet people wherever they want to be," he said. "It will be equipped to do biological specimen collection, blood, urine, saliva." Moms will also be given cell phones to keep them in contact with data collectors.

The idea, Mr. Knight said, is to ensure the mothers remain with the research project by making their participation as easy and painless as possible.

One challenge has been getting blood samples from the young children enrolled here, he added, saying the mobile units and age progression of the children may help reduce the high refusal rate.

"That's something we want to improve going forward," said Mr. Knight.

The first release of results from the initial phases of the study will likely occur about five years from now, with additional releases coming once every five years.

For the time being, residents can follow updates on the study

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BAKER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

BCMS, BCHS set new targets

Centering on higher testing performance

JOEL ADDINGTON NEWS EDITOR

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The Baker County School Board and Superintendent Sherie Raulerson heard from the middle and high school principals this week on how they intend to improve academic performance in their respective schools in the 2013-14 school year.

The state requires that schools develop improvement plans based on the previous year's testing results, graduation rates and other measures, while outlining future goals and detailing how the schools intend to reach those benchmarks.

BCMS Principal Sherry Barrett presented highlights from her school's 22-page improvement plan, which included the need to boost writing skills.

At the middle school, where 57 percent of students receive free or reduced lunch, just 41 percent of students passed the FCAT writing test last spring, which is 13 percentage points below the state average.

"This is where we took a real dip," said Mrs. Barrett.

The low writing scores contributed to the school receiving a B-rating from the state this year. It was the first time since 2006-07 the school was not deemed an A-rated school.

The improvement plan sets next year's goal for the share of students scoring proficient on the writing exam at 5 percentage points above the state average.

To do so, the plan calls for more training for teachers, after-school tutoring and an outside company to review student writing samples and offer feedback for improvement at an estimated cost of \$26,920.

Mrs. Barrett said the latter strategy was suggested by BCHS principal Tom Hill, who has used the company, Write Score Corporation, previously.

Students scored one percentage point above the state average on the FCAT science evaluation with 49 percent passing, she said, but the new goal was set at 5 percentage points above the state-wide figure.

To get there, Mrs. Barrett said funding will be key.

A program being implemented throughout eighth grade this year called Investigating and Questioning the World through Science, or IQWST, began last year in advanced science classrooms with grant funding from the University of Florida.

UF has been training two middle school teachers in the curriculum, Jennifer Richardson and Angela Rhoden, as they seek masters degrees in science education from the university.

Because much of the curriculum is based on hands-on experiments requiring lab equipment and supplies that get consumed and must be replaced, it's expensive, Mrs. Barrett explained.

Some \$7500 is needed for the program in the coming year, according to the improvement plan's budget section.

Mrs. Barrett noted that expanding the IQWST program to seventh grade next year and then sixth grade the following year will take additional funding from the university and the school district as well as community fund raising activities like a talent show.

"The data shows the program works," said the principal. "... We're seeing such a change in attitude's toward science."

Another lofty goal is to boost the school's already high 92 percent attendance rate to 95 percent for 2013-14.

Excessive absences dropped by 54 percent in 2012-13, thanks in part to the involvement of County Judge Joey Williams, who advises parents of their legal responsibility to ensure their



PHOTO BY JOEL ADDINGTON

BCMS principal Sherry Barrett presents her school improvement plan.

children are in school, Mrs. Barrett noted.

In addition to the three specific goals in the improvement plan, there's also numerous testing targets identified.

In reading, 62 percent of middle school students scored proficient on the last FCAT reading test, which was slightly below the target of 66 percent. Nonetheless, Mrs. Barrett said, the target for 2013-14 is even higher at 69 percent.

Math proficiency is higher at BCMS with 67 percent passing the FCAT math exam, also a little below the 70 percent target and the new benchmark for this year, 73 percent.

Mrs. Barrett was proud to announce that 99 percent of the 71 students who took the Algebra I end-of-course exam, one of the new tests students must pass before graduating high school, scored proficient or better.

Hill: Jump in literacy 'greatest accomplishment'

Mr. Hill, the BCHS principal, called his students' jump in reading scores the school's "greatest accomplishment" during his presentation.

Since 2008-09, he said the share of students passing the FCAT reading test jumped 38

lunch and about 16 percent are minorities and mostly black.

The three subgroups have lower graduation rates and fewer students showing reading, math and writing proficiency than other students.

The 42-page improvement plan for BCHS endeavors to reduce the achievement gap between black students and the total student body by at least 20 percent during the 2013-14 school year.

The strategy for doing so will involve inviting community leaders and successful individuals of minority ethnicity to meet and speak with students, and "real-time" credit recovery. The latter strategy involves giving students the opportunity to make up needed credits during the school year, rather than during summer school.

Mentoring for students in the subgroup is also planned throughout the school year, something Mr. Hill said will mean more outreach for him to the community to spur involvement, which he said has been difficult in the past.

He said about 40 students currently have assigned advocates or mentors, but more are always needed.

"We need advocates for every child," said the principal.

Boosting the learning gains of the bottom 25 percent of students in both algebra I and geometry by at least 35 percent is another goal noted in the plan.

"That would get us across the goal line to becoming an A-school ... if we get the points for an A," Mr. Hill said.

For the last two years, BCHS has received enough points in the state's formula to be labeled an A-school, but a one-grade-drop penalty levied for not making sufficient gains among the bottom 25 percent of students has dropped its letter grade to a 'B.'

The increase in math performance, the improvement plan states incoming freshman with poor math skills will be placed in remedial classes in addition to grade-level math classes, after school tutoring will be available and classroom sets of calculators will be purchased.

The third major goal outlined for the high school is improving FCAT writing scores with school-wide vocabulary words, teacher training and writing seminars prior to the FCAT test, among other strategies.

About 43 percent of the roughly 1200 students at the high school receive free or reduced

Link sought with shoplifters who took TVs from Walmart

The sheriff's department was looking into a possible link between a group of felony shoplifters who looted the Macclenny Walmart of televisions and electronics last week and a similar incident in Nassau County.

Deputy Michael Clark said he was notified via text from a Baldwin man the evening of October 16 after he witnessed three black females and at least one black male leave the store with four televisions, a sound system and a video player.

Value of the merchandise was placed at nearly \$1600. The deputy, who was off-duty at the time, returned to the store two days later and reviewed a security tape that depicted the suspects placing the items in shopping carts, then leaving through the south front entrance to a waiting vehicle.

In a second case of felony shoplifting, a Jacksonville woman was arrested the afternoon of October 20 at Walmart as she attempted to leave with \$398 worth of clothing and food.

A store security worker told Deputy Jeremiah Johnson he observed Bobbie Litherland, 38, remove tags from clothing and re-attach them to more expensive items before paying for \$61 in merchandise and heading for the store exit.

She also concealed articles in other items of clothing.

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Halloween Costume Contest Country Club Lounge October 26 | 10 pm Best Couple - \$150 Cash Most Original - \$75 Cash Scariest - \$50 Bar Tab Florida/Georgia Weekend November 2 | Bucket & Drink Specials 'Big Daddy Shaun' Stewart is cooking 1660 S. 6th Street | Macclenny | 259-5636

Craft fair scam arrest Number of victims may reach 80

A Macclenny woman already out on bond for the alleged theft of tax return money belonging to her boyfriend's mother is being charged with at least 18 misdemeanor and felony counts in connection with a crafts fair that never took place at the county fairgrounds.



Shauna Taylor

Shauna Taylor, 35, is being charged with collecting \$40 entry fees from her victims and misleading them into believing she set up the event scheduled for October 12 and billed as the Baker County Craft Fair.

Sheriff's investigator Chris Volz said Ms. Taylor may have used a Facebook announcement to bilk as many as 42 or possibly as high as 80 victims.

The nine cases as of October 16 involve victims from Glen St. Mary and Sanderson in Baker County, neighboring communities of Lake Butler and Bryceville and other areas not specified in the case reports.

The investigator interviewed Ms. Taylor at her

address on Lauramore Rd. that day after civil complaints were made to the sheriff's department. Deputy Earl Lord noted in his initial report that Ms. Taylor made statements that proved to be false, including that she obtained money for an \$800 facility deposit from Country Federal Credit Union and forwarded it to Cathy Rhoden, who manages the fairgrounds.

Ms. Taylor also falsely claimed she refunded victims because the exhibition building had been "double booked" and that she was accompanied by boyfriend Jason Pryde of Macclenny and used cash from the sale of a truck to fund a cashier's check.

Investigator Volz also said the suspect created a form sent out to potential exhibitors that inferred a connection with the Fair Association.

The sheriff's department is also looking into allegations that Ms. Taylor was behind a bogus scheme to raise money for sick children.

The suspect also has a felony case pending from last August when she was arrested for diverting a \$1487 tax refund check into a personal account after preparing a return on behalf of Kathrine Pryde, her boyfriend's mother.

Stole nails from a shed

A Glen St. Mary man faces multiple charges following his arrest the afternoon of October 20 for entering a shed off Woodlawn Rd. and hauling off a bucket of nails.

Danielle McHenry, daughter of the owner of the property Dana Fabia, called police about 2 pm when she spotted Lewis Karnes Jr., 46, on the property. She told Deputy Daryl Mobley he exited the shed with the bucket, and also had removed lawn mower blades and a lamp that were lying on the ground nearby.

When she advised she was calling police, Ms. McHenry said the suspect drove off in a 1994 Ford pickup. He was taken into custody shortly after by Deputy Jeremiah Combs, who found him parked off US 90 west of Glen St. Mary.

The daughter was acquainted with Mr. Karnes and the shed is located near a residence belonging to her mother. He was booked at county jail for trespass, attempted burglary and petty theft.

In other recent burglaries, Rhonda Long returned to her residence on Circle G Lane near Sanderson the afternoon of October 16 to find two televisions and an electronic tablet had been stolen.

Deputy Jacob Satterwhite said entry was through a kitchen window between about 7 am-4:45 pm and exit through a rear door. The property was valued at \$1700.

"The sheriff's department was notified on October 14 that an air conditioned unit worth \$2300 was removed from a residence on Park St. north of Glen St. Mary currently owned by Chase Bank following foreclosure.

A property manager discovered the theft during a routine visit in early September.

Melinda Davis gave Deputy Combs the name of a female sus-

pect she believes is responsible for stealing a BCHS class ring valued at \$250 from her residence last August. She reported the theft on October 18.

Deputies also responded to a number of vehicle-related thefts recently:

Two purses were stolen from a parked 2002 Cadillac off Mack Ruise Rd. in Margareta between 9 am-10:30 pm on October 18.

Lillian Ellis reported the theft and told Deputy Tony Norman the purses and contents belonged to her sister Karen Thomas.

Paul Hale reported a GPS stolen from his 2006 Toyota SUV overnight on October 17 while it was parked on Timberlane Dr. in north Macclenny.

Gabriel Vega called police the morning of October 17 to report the theft of a wallet and contents, and iPod and phone charger from his daughter's vehicle parked on Islamorada Dr. in northeast Macclenny.

Cyclist selling marijuana

A sheriff's investigator arrested a Glen St. Mary man for felony possession of marijuana with intent to sell it the evening of October 19.

Investigator Matt Yarborough said he spotted Darnell Lee, 31, riding a bicycle on MLK Dr. near McIver shortly after 8 pm, and the suspect swerved into the path of his vehicle.

The cyclist appeared agitated and evasive while being questioned, at one point reaching into the right pocket of his cargo shorts. The investigator said he aimed a flashlight into the pocket and spotted a large plastic bag containing 20 smaller baggies of pot.

His report noted that Mr. Lee accused the investigator and colleague Mike Hauge of planting the drugs on him.

In another case involving marijuana, Jerrell Bennett, 40, of Macclenny was named in a complaint after his pickup truck was stopped on South 6th about 1 am on October 19.

Deputy Trey McCullough said he observed the suspect's northbound 1996 Ford pickup twice drift over the shoulder traffic line

One day only sign-up for toys

The Macclenny Fire Department has reserved Saturday, November 9 as the sole day on which applications for this year's Christmas 4 Kids will be accepted.

Sign up at the fire station next to the Baker County Health Department between 8 am-4 pm.

Bring a valid ID with a current address, a copy of the child's current report card or, if the child is not of school age, a copy of his or her birth certificate.

Parents and guardians who received toys in 2011 or 2012 are not eligible to get them this year.

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Thanks, chief!

Thanks to county Fire Chief Steve Marfongella, who did not hesitate to rescue a stray cat that was up in an oak tree on our property. The cat had been in the tree several days. He went beyond his job with this act of kindness that was greatly appreciated. I want to add that they only come out to rescue if it is your animal, but the chief said he heard the distress in my voice so he responded. Thanks again.

Pam Nazworth and Lorraine Brungardt

Candy donations

Donations of candy for the annual hosting of trick or treaters at Wells Nursing Home can be dropped off at the activities office between now and October 31, the date of the event.

Parents are urged to bring their ghosts and goblins to the nursing home that evening.

For more information, call Linda at 259-6168.

Haunted jail opens Friday

The Haunted Old Jail opens this weekend with separate spooky experiences in the upstairs and downstairs cell blocks.

The annual event is organized by the Baker County High School History Club and the Historical Society, which owns the historic Old Jail at 42 W. Melver St. in Macclenny. It will be open for three nights: October 25 and 26, and then on Halloween October 31.

Doors open at 7 pm and admission to each cell block is \$3. Food and drinks will be sold as well. Proceeds will benefit the Old Jail's continued restoration and the History Club's yearly historical trip.

Advertising Deadline Monday 5:00 pm NO EXCEPTIONS!

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BCMA Pastor/Volunteer APPRECIATION BANQUET Thursday, November 14 | 7:00 pm at Raiford Road Church 9201 S. SR 121, Macclenny We would like to extend an invitation to both churches and local businesses to join us as we enjoy a great dinner, honor our pastors and volunteers and learn about our ministries in Baker County.

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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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Rites for Virgil Crews, 74, was held Sunday at funeral chapel

Virgil Lester Crews, 74, of Glen St. Mary died on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at the VA Hospital in Gainesville. Mr. Crews was a son of the late Lester Crews and Alice Starling Crews and a life-long resident of Baker County. He was a graduate of Baker County High School class of 1957, a veteran of the United States Army and a proud 50-year member of the Steamfitters and Pipefitters Local #234 in Jacksonville. Mr. Crews was an avid golfer and Florida Gator Football fan. He was preceded in death by sons Jeffrey V. Crews Sr. in 1978 and Barney Lewis Crews Sr. in 2012; great-grandson, Brandon Johnson in 2013; son-in-law David Mobley; sisters Rosemary Hines and Jeanette Maddox.



Virgil Crews

Mr. Crews is survived by his wife of 55 years, Pat Crews; daughter Patti L. Mobley (Rick Osburn); daughter-in-law Tina Griffis (Mike), all of Glen St. Mary; sister Faye Gibbs of Venice, FL; grandchildren Jeffrey "Jay" Crews Jr., Justin Griffis (Amber), Sara Little (Brandon), Barney Crews Jr. (Krystal), Brion Crews, Natalie Crews, Garrett Mobley and Sarah Mobley; nine great-grandchildren. The funeral service was conducted on Sunday, October 20 at 3 pm in the chapel of Guerry Funeral Home in Macclenny with Rev. David Thomas, pastor of Christian Fellowship Temple, officiating, assisted by Justin Griffis. Interment followed at Oak Grove Cemetery, Guerry Funeral Home of Macclenny was in charge of arrangements.

Oneida Gunter, 98, once taught here

Oneida Epps Gunter, 98, of Jacksonville died on October 19, 2013. She was a native of Sanderson, one of 16 children born to the late Isaac and Florence Epps, and was educated in Baker County schools. Mrs. Gunter later attended Florida Memorial College, Bethune-Cookman College and Syracuse University, and taught in both Sanderson and Macclenny schools before moving in 1957 to Jacksonville, where she continued in Duval County schools as a teacher and librarian until her retirement in June, 1970.



Oneida Gunter

Mrs. Gunter was predeceased by husband of 34 years, James M. Gunter. She was a longtime member of the Church of God in Christ and a minister for several years at the New Testament Holiness Church. At the time of her death, Mrs. Gunter was a member of Faith Bible Church in Sanderson. She is survived by daughter Dorothy Hawkins of Jacksonville and numerous other cousins, nieces, nephews and other relatives, friends and co-workers.

The funeral service for Mrs. Gunter will be held at 11 am on Saturday, October 26 at her church with interment following at Quitman Cemetery in Sanderson. A viewing will be held Friday evening from 4-8 pm at Carthage Chapel Funeral Home on West Beaver St. in Jacksonville.

Larry Howard, 60, of Sanderson dies

Larry Wayne Howard, 60, of Sanderson died Monday, October 14, in the Macclenny Nursing and Rehab Center following an extended illness. He was born in Jacksonville and resided there before moving to Sanderson six years ago. He worked most of his life as a roofer in the construction industry and enjoyed hunting and fishing in the Osceola Forest.



Larry Howard

He is survived by daughter Theresa Howard (Joseph Mullins Jr.) of Sanderson; son Alvin Wayne (Jamie) Howard of St. George, GA; mother Mary Imogene Klinger of Jacksonville; companion Jennifer Miller Thomas of Sanderson; sisters Elizabeth (Charles Sr.) Perritte of Jacksonville and Lisa (James) Cochran of Waycross, GA; brothers Henry (Deborah) Howard and Ricky Howard, both of Jacksonville and Alvin "Bud" Howard, Jr. of Bryceville; grandchildren Larry Wayne Alvin Howard, Felicity Mullins, Joseph Mullins Jr. and Adam Howard; step-grandchild Allison Lambert.

A graveside service was held at 3 pm on Monday, October 21 at Taylor Cemetery with Rev. Jim Cox officiating. Guerry Funeral Home of Macclenny was in charge of arrangements.

Funeral Friday for Rosie Taylor, 94

Rosie Stalvey Taylor, 94, of Macclenny died on October 19, 2013 in Jacksonville. She was born October 2, 1919 in Jasper, FL and was a Baptist.



Rosie Taylor

Ms. Taylor is survived by son Billy (Wanda) Stalvey; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by son Leonard Stalvey and daughters Shirley Cravey and Vonelle Baity.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, October 24 from 6-8 pm at Giddens-Reed Funeral Home in Baldwin. The funeral service will be on Friday, October 25 at 4 pm in the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow in Riverside Memorial Park in Jacksonville.

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Children's Church 11:00 a.m.
Evening Services 6:00 p.m.
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Heartfelt thanks

The family of Suzanne Rhoden expresses its heartfelt gratitude to everyone who extended their condolences after the loss of our beloved wife, Mama and Memaw. A special thank you to pastors David and Timmy Thomas of the Christian Fellowship Temple for your wonderful message; to Pastor Troy Alexander and VOL Ministries, of which she was a member, for your beautiful words; the Anderson Brothers, Terrell Hodges and Amos O'Neal; Forbes Funeral Home for its care and compassion, and all the family and friends who sent flowers, cards, and who brought food and attended the visitation and funeral, and to those who otherwise expressed condolences. We have been so blessed with the outpouring of love and support during this time. A special thank you to Tammy Griffis, Gail Rhoden, Sandy Johns, Tonya Wasson, Beverly Wright, Ricky Rhoden, Tiffany Nipper, Cary and Shelly Lawler, Anita Crews, Terrell and Amanda Hodges and family, Ronnie and Carla Williams, Ronnie and Wanda Norman, Donnie and Sherrie Dugger and Roger Parcels. There are not enough words to convey just how humbled and grateful we are for your unwavering support and love. A personal thank you to Sheriff Joey Dobson and Mr. Alex Robinson for your support and uplifting words of encouragement. As many of you know, Suzanne was a devoted wife of 38 years to me, and a wonderful mother to our children. She loved many things, above all her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are blessed to have had her love and presence in our lives for so many years.



In loving memory of
Linda Fields Burks
10/23/1952-11/21/2013
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Barbara Tackett, mother of locals, dies October 20

Barbara Sue Daniel Tackett, 73, of Mineral, VA, formerly of Flatwoods, KY, died on Sunday, October 20, 2013, at Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center in Spotsylvania, VA. Mrs. Tackett was born December 2, 1939, in Boldman, KY, a daughter of the late Harry Daniel Sr. and Gladah Lockhart Daniel. She was also preceded in death by her husband Donald Dwayne Tackett; brothers Gene Daniel and Emory David Daniel; sisters Joan Williams, Thelma Daniel, and Mary Salvers.



Barbara Tackett

She was an office manager for a water utility company and a country music singer with "Barbara and Erik Sings." She was a Methodist, a member of Order of the Eastern Star and a graduate of Central Florida Community College with a degree in business administration.

Mrs. Tackett is survived by daughters Kimberly Lynne (Mark) Tolin of Macclenny, Lori Ann Ward of Hagerstown, MD, Leah Jean "Deedle" (Dave) Manning of Macclenny and Dawn Alise (Bryan) McClure of Mineral, VA; brother, Harry Daniel Jr. of Fort Lauderdale; 11 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and two on the way.

The funeral was held on October 24, 2013 at Bailey Family Funeral Home in Flatwoods, KY, with burial in Bellefonte Memorial Gardens in Flatwoods, KY.

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Lady Bobcats clinch Florida Crown title

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The BCMS Bobcat volleyball team captured the Florida Crown Conference title for the first time in school history with a 2-0 (25-21, 25-15) home win over Suwannee County on October 17.

"It's exciting," Head Coach Angela Lauramore said. "It was our number one goal and we got it. It took all the players to win it."

The Bobcats and Suwannee played a tight first set that featured five lead changes. Baker County jumped out to an 11-7 lead, but the Bulldogs chipped away until they took a 14-12 advantage. The two teams would trade the lead until the home team led 18-17. The Bobcats scored four straight points and then held the lead to win the first set.

The second set came easier for the eventual conference champions. The action was tight through the early portion of the set, but the Bobcats pulled away after taking a 10-7 lead. After that point, the team never allowed Suwannee to be within five points of tying the game.

Baker County's conference championship win capped off an undefeated season in conference play and brought the team to an 11-7 overall record.

"The girls worked hard all year," Coach Lauramore said. "Now it all paid off."



Above from left: Coach Angela Lauramore, Mallory Morgan, Dixie Raulerson, Lia Love (also at right), Tori Richardson, Kaitlyn Williams, Ashley Paulson, Gracie Mobley, Katherine Rhoden and Mackenzie Carter. PHOTOS BY DEBBIE PELHAM

Romp over Hamilton secures title berth



Above: No. 2 David Smith carries the ball downfield. Below left: No. 22 Josh Haygood approaches defender. PHOTOS BY DEBBIE PELHAM



No. 17 Jaquez Jackson tugs at the jersey of the Hamilton County runner.

Varsity Cat volleyball team finishes at 9-14

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The BCHS volleyball program closed out its 2013 regular season with the varsity team splitting its final two games to move to 9-14 on the year.

The Wildcats hosted their final home game of the season October 15 when they defeated Union County 3-2 (25-9, 20-25, 25-23, 21-25, 15-9) on Senior Night. Before the game, the team honored its three senior players - defensive specialist Taylor Hodges, left side hitter Malory Osteen and setter Taylor Hancock - with a ceremony to celebrate their high school careers,

which included an emotional speech from Coach Heather Sulkowski.

"I can't believe our season is almost over," Sulkowski said while fighting back tears. "I can remember watching you three play as freshmen and thinking to myself how much potential you three had. I am glad that you guys were inaugural members of our club team and that I have had the opportunity to watch you grow both as athletes and young women."

The seniors said farewell on a high note and they had great performances in their last home win. Osteen led the team with 16 digs and added 10 kills and a block, while Hancock totaled 34 assists on the night. Underclassmen also did their part to

ensure the Wildcats ended their home schedule with a victory. Junior Rebekah Long led all hitters with 12 kills and a .434 hitting percentage. Junior Callie Wheeler had a solid night with 10 kills, eight digs and a block in addition to a near-perfect passing grade.

The Wildcats ended their regular season two days later on the road at Bishop Snyder 3-0 (8-25, 23-25, 23-25). Wheeler and freshman Lindsey Love led the team with six kills each. Love had a great game as she also topped the Wildcats with two aces and 12 service points, while also adding the squad's only block of the night. Wheeler also led the team with 10 digs, while sophomore Ashton Alford added

eight.

The JV team also finished off its season with a loss to Bishop Snyder 1-2 (25-18, 25-27, 19-21) and dropped to 6-11 on the season.

Now with the regular season behind them, the varsity Wildcats will turn their attention to the District 3-5A tournament at Bishop Kenny. The team will play the second-ranked Stanton October 22 and can still earn a playoff berth with a victory despite finishing the regular season in third.

If the Wildcats defeat Stanton, they will play the winner of Bishop Kenny and Paxson on October 23 at 7 pm for the district title.

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The BCMS Bobcats football team clinched a spot in the Florida Crown Conference title game with a dominant 54-14 home victory over Hamilton County October 15.

The Bobcats controlled the game from the opening whistle and a handful of explosive plays gave the team a 22-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Christian Watkins got the scoring underway when he broke a fourth-down conversion attempt 63 yards to find the end zone less than two minutes into the game. After the defense forced a three-and-out, Curtis Harmon had the first of several great special teams' plays by returning the ball to Hamilton's 4-yard line. Tavion Reed punched the ball in on the next play to extend the Bobcats lead.

The defense forced another Hamilton punt to give Baker County the ball back late in the quarter. Quarterback David Smith closed out the team's opening quarter scoring with a 32-yard scramble that he took to the house.

The second quarter started much like the first quarter did. Harmon found the end zone for the second of his three touchdowns on a 10-yard reverse 30 seconds into the quarter to give the Bobcats a 30-0 lead.

The offense would remain quiet for the remainder of the first half, as Head Coach Rock Rhoden began rotating his second-team players into the game more frequently.

As impressive as the offense was in the opening half, the defense played just as well. The unit only allowed two first downs and dropped Hamilton's quarterback for a sack.

Baker County continued to dominate the game in the third quarter despite the offense slowing down and the defense allowing Hamilton to move the ball more. The defense forced another three-and-out on the first possession of the second half, and a bad snap on the punt attempt gave the Bobcats the ball at Hamilton's 24-yard line. The team quickly took advantage of the great field position as Josh Haygood ran the ball for a 5-yard touchdown four plays later.

The defense gave up their first score of the night when they allowed an 88-yard touchdown run.

The Bobcats would answer right back on the subsequent kickoff when Harmon scored on an incredible 65-yard return touchdown after breaking several tackles and stiff arming a player to the dirt to give the team a 46-6 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Hamilton scored another touchdown in the fourth quarter, but it was far too late for them to mount any kind of significant comeback. Haygood's second touchdown run of the night - a 75-yard kickoff return - brought the running clock down to where the visiting team could only run one offensive play afterward.

The victory improved the Bobcats' record to 7-0 and locked them into the Florida Crown Conference championship game. The team will travel to play Live Oak October 24 with the conference title on the line.

If the Bobcats are able to win the title game, then they will be the third undefeated team in school history and only the second team in almost two decades to win the conference with an unbeaten record.

Only 3 runners compete at Amelia

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The BCHS cross country team continued its season October 19 when the runners traveled to Fernandina Beach to compete in the 2nd Annual Amelia Island Pirate Invitational.

The Wildcats had just three runners in the event with two boys and one girl making the trip. The team didn't finish well in the overall results due to the low numbers, but the runners performed well and had two athletes improve their times.

Sophomore Ty Hrabiec improved upon his previous best effort by more than 40 seconds to set a new personal record at 25:34.40. Follow sophomore Emily Harris shaved more than 23 seconds off her previous best time to finish the event with a time of 33:08.71.

Sophomore Sheldon Griffis finished about a minute off his personal best time, but he posted a time of 24:08.40 to be the first Wildcat to cross the finish line.



Wildcats make do with 16-2 victory at Yulee

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It wasn't pretty, but it will do. The BCHS Wildcat varsity football team kept its District 3-5A championship hopes alive with a gritty 16-2 road win over the hosting Yulee Hornets October 18.

The Wildcats (6-2, 4-1) overcame the loss of quarterback Jacob Carter with a solid effort from backup freshman quarterback Joe Green and a dominating defensive performance.

Carter left the game in a scoreless tie midway through the second quarter with a fractured collarbone that will take six to eight weeks to heal. Green, who has played sparingly during the season, quickly took advantage of the opportunity by scoring the first touchdown of the night on a 41-yard scramble where he outran Yulee's top-ranked rush defense to the end zone. The offense converted a two-point conversion to give the team an 8-0 lead at halftime.

But Green wasn't without his mistakes. He threw an interception on the Wildcats' opening drive of the second half that gave the Hornets the ball at Baker County's 17-yard line.

Luckily for the Wildcats, the defense was able to bail out the offense throughout the night by shutting down Yulee's offense. The defense got consistent pressure to Yulee's backfield and dropped the quarterback for eight sacks. The pressure led to five turnovers, including three



CeCe Jefferson and Rashodd Hadley team up to bring down Yulee's running back.

PHOTO BY JOO JOHNSON

from Jared Crews.

Crews' second interception of the night kept the Hornets from capitalizing on Green's interception and gave the Wildcats the ball back.

Baker County held onto the 8-0 lead into the fourth quarter and had to punt the ball to the Hornets early in the quarter, which was downed at the 10-yard line. The quarterback fumbled a snap two plays later and Crews jumped on the ball on Yulee's 14-

yard line to give the Wildcats the ball deep in the opponent's territory.

The Wildcats would waste no time taking advantage of the opportunity as Green found wide receiver Michael Boone in the corner of the end zone on the team's first play of the possession. Green rifled the ball to wide receiver Brandon Miller on the two-point conversion to extend the lead to 16-0.

Following a pair of sacks by

defensive ends CeCe Jefferson and Elisha Lee, the offense got the ball back on its own 10-yard line. The bad field position



Brody Crews runs after intercepting the ball.

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Packers v. Dolphins at Memorial Field

The Packers battled the Dolphins at Memorial Field last Saturday, October 19. Above, the Dolphins quarterback Timmy Penrod dives toward the end zone late in the game. Below, Dolphins cheerleaders (from right) Kendall Cones, Taylor Rhoden and Allison Bennett cheer on their team.



Garden Club's Yard of the Month

One of Baker County's premier landscaped residential properties was chosen by the Garden Club as its yard of the month for October. Above, Dee Williams poses in front of one of the majestic live oaks that grace the front yard of her home on SR 121 South near Twin Bridges. The tree beds are planted in flowering lilies, azaleas and other combinations that accent other islands of expertly groomed landscaping on the property. For more information on the Garden Club and to nominate a yard for the honor, please call 259-6844.



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