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Inmate discount plan put on hold

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Two weeks after giving tacit approval to a new deal with Baker Correctional Development Corporation on payment for the housing, feeding and supplying of medical care to local inmates at the county jail, the Baker County Commission shelved the agreement in search of more information.

The deal sounds good on

Overall it's a good thing. It gives us a set amount to budget with.

—Commissioner Adam Giddens

its face: It would reduce the daily rate the county pays for local prisoners by a little more than \$4 to \$80.40 for up to 125 inmates. After the 125-bed benchmark is reached, the daily rate falls to \$76.25. The standard daily rate has historically been \$84.72.

But of course there are caveats.

Today the county receives a small prepayment discount — 2 percent — that is not in the new contract.

The Inmate Housing and Care Agreement, as its titled, has a reconcile provision as well. It states, "the county inmate population average will be reconciled during the last weeks of March and September [or every six months]."

According to the sheriff's office finance chief Brian Bishop, that provision means the county will be billed every six months for an average of the six monthly averages of the daily population counts of local inmates.

Each day inmates arrive and leave the facility. The sheriff's office tracks the facility's population using monthly averages of the daily counts for each classification of inmate — county, Immigration and Customs and Enforcement (ICE),

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Ex-con breaks into BCI weight room

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BAKER COUNTY PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

Bennett, Barton in

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The die was cast after Supervisor of Elections Nita Crawford read aloud the early voting and absentee ballot results in Tuesday's primary election. The leading vote getters in five races at that time, shortly after polls closed at 7 p.m., would remain ahead of their respective opponents throughout the night. Former school superintendent Paula Barton won her

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*Runoff between Jody Anderson and Artie Burnett Nov. 4

County Commission District 4	School Board District 3	School Board District 4	Clerk of Court Democrat	Clerk of Court Republican
J. Bennett (61%) A. Giddens (39%)	P. Barton (66%) D. McDuffie (34%)	A. Burnett (42%) J. Anderson (35%) P. Scammacca (23%)	S. Harvey (37%) K. Roberts (27%) J. Combs (18%) S. Register (10%) S. Dugger (8%)	C. Brannan (54%) J. Baker III (46%)

15 years for beating elderly man

Plan pends hearing in September

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One of three defendants in a violent home invasion robbery last year is set to receive 15 years in prison, less time served, for his participation in the crime, which put a 72-year-old man in the hospital with serious injuries. The victim has since died, though it is unclear whether his injuries contributed to his death.

Marquel Shamon Davis, 19, of Margaretta agreed the morning of August 26 to plea to charges of home invasion robbery without a weapon, assault and battery on an elderly victim, grand theft, grand theft of a firearm and grand theft auto in exchange for his sentence, which will also include 10 years of probation following his release from prison.

The defendant, who was in court for a change of plea hearing and represented by Gainesville attorney William Salmon, will get credit for the 139 days he's spent in county jail since his arrest on August 19, 2013, the day after the late evening robbery at a travel trailer on South Boulevard West.

Assistant state attorney Ralph Yazdiya told Circuit Judge Mark Moseley he was prepared to prove at trial that Mr. Davis stole the cell phone



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Marquel Davis and his attorney William Salmon in court Tuesday.

of victim Johnny Johnson, as well as prescription pills, a television, knife, cash and credit cards.

Judge Moseley said he would accept the plea deal "provisionally," but he granted

Mr. Yazdiya's request, on behalf of the victim's family, to delay the sentencing hearing so family members could "gather their thoughts" and present a victim's statement at a later date.

The judge set the sentencing hearing for September 2 at 9 a.m. in an effort to get the case resolved sooner rather than later. Mr. Davis' co-defendants, Mardreikus Ford, 21, and Dedrick Jones, 23, both of Sanderson, are set to go to trial in October and Mr. Davis is expected to testify against them as a condition of the plea agreement.

Unlike the other two defendants, Mr. Davis is not a convicted felon.

Mr. Yazdiya said while nothing can fully satisfy the victim's family, they have agreed to the plea arrangement.

Without the deal, Judge Moseley told Mr. Davis he could face life in prison for his alleged crimes. "It's a real possibility in this case," he said. The judge also said Mr. Davis, should he violate the terms of his probation, could spend some 30 years in prison as a result.

On the night of the robbery Mr. Johnson was found by police bloodied and severely beaten. He suffered cuts and bruising on his face and arms that put him in the intensive care unit following emergency surgery.

They were apprehended after Deputy Earl Lord spotted the victim's white 2000 Chevy pickup on U.S. 90 about 1:30 the next morning and gave chase as it sped away. The occupants, Mr. Ford and Mr. Jones, fled from the truck on foot near Lowder Street and Minnesota Avenue in the west city.

A search didn't locate the men, but a cell phone found in the stolen truck led police to a residence on 9th Street where

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Two shot near KIS last week

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Two men were shot near Keller Intermediate School after allegedly attacking a third man with a baton inside a residence in a trailer park on West Minnesota Avenue the afternoon of August 20.

Ricky Antonio Johnson, 35, of Glen St. Mary was hit in the hand and Michael Lamar Jones, 40, also of Glen, was shot in the right bicep area during a confrontation with Brandon Alexander Ruise, 21, of Macclenny.

According to police, witnesses, including Mr. Ruise, said the victims were attempting to start a fight with Mr. Ruise. They were reportedly at odds over a woman and Mr. Ruise's brother's potential testimony against Michael Jones' brother, Dedrick Deshawn Jones.

Dedrick Jones is one of three suspects in an unrelated home invasion case from August, 2013 that left an elderly man hospitalized with serious injuries. He later died and Mr. Jones on Tuesday of this week entered into a plea agreement that includes giving testimony at an upcoming trial against his two co-defendants [see related story at left].

Witnesses told police Mr. Johnson and Michael Jones approached Mr. Ruise in the yard of the mobile home in lot 10 at 410 W. Minnesota Ave. try-

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Who do think will win the county commission race Tuesday?

52% A. Giddens
40% J. Bennett

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Seven Day Forecast

Thursday
Mostly Sunny
High: 93 Low: 71

Friday
Mostly Sunny
High: 93 Low: 73

Saturday
Isolated T-storms
High: 92 Low: 73

Sunday
Scat'd T-storms
High: 93 Low: 74

Monday
Scat'd T-storms
High: 92 Low: 76

Tuesday
Mostly Cloudy
High: 89 Low: 75

Wednesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 91 Low: 72

Today's High & Low Temperatures

Jasper 93 / 70
Callahan 92 / 73
Fernandina Beach 87 / 76
Jacksonville 91 / 75
Atlantic Beach 87 / 77
Macclenny 93 / 71
Baldwin 93 / 72
Watertown 93 / 69
Starke 92 / 71
High Springs 92 / 70
St. Augustine 89 / 75

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Thursday	7:03 a.m.	7:55 p.m.
Friday	7:04 a.m.	7:54 p.m.
Saturday	7:04 a.m.	7:53 p.m.
Sunday	7:05 a.m.	7:51 p.m.
Monday	7:05 a.m.	7:50 p.m.
Tuesday	7:06 a.m.	7:49 p.m.
Wednesday	7:06 a.m.	7:48 p.m.

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Mon, 8/18	91	73	91/72	0.04"
Tue, 8/19	93	73	91/72	0.00"
Wed, 8/20	95	73	91/72	0.00"
Thu, 8/21	95	73	91/72	0.01"
Fri, 8/22	95	70	91/72	0.00"
Sat, 8/23	97	73	91/72	0.40"
Sun, 8/24	90	72	91/72	0.16"

Additional data:
Precipitation0.61"
Normal precipitation1.64"
Departure from normal-1.03"
Average temperature83.1°
Average normal temperature81.5°
Departure from normal+1.6°

Data as reported from Cecil Field Airport

St. Mary's River Levels

Location	Now	Change
Moniac, GA	5.63 ft.	-0.02 ft.
Macclenny	2.57 ft.	-0.09 ft.

Hunting/Fishing Times

Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM
Thu	2:24-4:24	1:54-3:54
Fri	3:09-5:09	2:39-4:39
Sat	3:55-5:55	3:25-5:25
Sun	4:44-6:44	4:14-6:14
Mon	5:36-7:36	5:06-7:06
Tue	6:30-8:30	6:00-8:00
Wed	7:27-9:27	6:57-8:57

Weather History
Aug. 28, 1959 - Lieutenant Colonel William Rankin bailed out of his plane at a height of 46,000 feet into a violent thunderstorm and lived to write about the 45-minute journey. He said it was one of the most bizarre and painful experiences he could imagine.

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Two shot near Keller school

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ing to bait him into a fight. Mr. Ruise then retreated inside the residence as Michael Jones allegedly retrieved an extendable black baton from his truck and both he and Mr. Johnson followed Mr. Ruise inside.
Mr. Ruise told police Mr. Johnson soon grabbed him by the throat at Michael Jones' direction and the latter man began striking him with the baton, according to the report of sheriff's investigator Chris Volz.
That's when Mr. Ruise said he grabbed a .22-caliber rifle by a couch nearby and after struggling with Mr. Johnson over the gun, fired one shot. Mr. Ruise said he heard a second shot go off, but didn't know why the rifle fired. He then fled the scene.

Deputy Matthew Riegel was the first officer to respond to reports of shots fired at the location. He found Michael Jones wounded and unconscious but breathing. Mr. Johnson was outside with a wounded hand when police arrived.
Both victims were taken to Fraser Memorial for treatment and later UF Health, formerly Shands Jacksonville. Both Michael Jones and Mr. Johnson where uncooperative when interviewed by sheriff's investigators. Mr. Johnson refused to give any information on how he was shot while Michael Jones was "evasive," according to Deputy Clement Leo's account, about who shot him, who else was present at the time or where the gun came from.
Recovered from the scene were the rifle, two spent

.22-caliber shell casings, three live .22-caliber rounds and a picture frame with a bullet hole in it.
Police records show deputies met with assistant state attorney Ralph Yazdiya about the case following the suspect and victim interviews. Because the victims appeared to be the instigators in the confrontation and Mr. Ruise seemed to be acting in self defense, Mr. Yazdiya agreed that there was no probable cause to arrest Mr. Ruise.
Keller Intermediate School had about 20 children at the campus for extended day care when the 5:15 p.m. shooting occurred and the school was placed on temporary lock down, Sheriff Joey Dobson said last week. He said no bullets exited the trailer, however.

15 year sentence for beating

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they found Mr. Jones, along with a pair of shoes with soles matching footprints found at Mr. Johnson's home. The phone's GPS tracker also pointed police to an address on Mack Ruise Road where Mr. Davis was hiding. There they found much of the pilfered property.
Mr. Ford, whose record includes a robbery conviction in 2011, turned himself in at county jail later that day.
Authorities said at the time the victim, Mr. Johnson, whom all three suspects knew personally, opened his front door and the trio began assaulting him, one with a black pistol.

Two reports of cash taken from residence

Two county residents recently reported cash stolen from them, and persons they named as likely suspects denied involvement when questioned by police.
Gene Steves of Glen St. Mary told sheriff's investigator Mike Hauge he believed a Macclenny woman who visited his residence on Aunt Mary Harvey Road the evening of August 20 stole his wallet and \$675.
The victim further stated he suspected the woman pick-pocketed him while giving him a hug just before she departed.
The woman, questioned at her residence later, insisted Mr. Steves told her she could not remain at his residence that evening because police were due there to investigate theft of jewelry and money.
The victim countered that he was referring to an earlier theft.
• Judy Barefoot told Deputy Jeremiah Combs she awakened the morning of August 18 to find that \$239 in bills and coins had been lifted from a safe she kept near her bed at her residence in the Woodlawn Park trailer park.
The victim suggested her son and his girlfriend may be responsible since they spent the night there, but both denied involvement.
• Christopher Bonds reported a \$50 bicycle belonging to his young son was taken overnight on August 22 from the porch of his residence on South 5th St. in Macclenny.
Deputy Trey McCullough noted in his report that a damaged bike was left at the scene.

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Graphic imaging is still effective after 40,000 years

I'm teaching English at the high school for the first time in many years and my wife suggested an interesting topic to cover the first week to get my students thinking outside the box. We're learning about Native American pictographs and Emogis.

If you don't recognize either term, a pictograph is a picture that describes something. For Native Americans it might be a warrior with a spear or a buffalo drawn on stretched leather. In modern terms think the Nike swoosh or the symbol for the men and women's restroom in a public place. It doesn't matter if you are in Jacksonville or Istanbul, the symbol is the same and is completely recognizable.

An emogi is relatively new. A Japanese computer geek got tired of being misunderstood when he was out in cyberspace and wanted to create images to go along with the text of his message. So he created simple emogis. They are called that because it is a combination of e — the Japanese word for language — and mogi — for pictures. Think smiley face.

They were an immediate hit on social media. Facebook wanted its own detailed series of emogis so they paid Pixar, the company that created *Toy Story*, to design images, or what they call emoticons — symbols that indicate a particular emotion.

It's gotten so popular that another Japanese computer expert is working on a 100,000 character emogi vocabulary that he believes could be a universal written language. Once you learned what the emogis meant it wouldn't matter if you were in Zambia or Turkmenistan or Lithuania or Macclenny; you could communicate with pictures.

It's kind of like watching those old black and white Randolph Scott westerns from the 50s where the cavalry was trying to communicate with the Indians via sign language.

As we talked about it in class I realized how recognizable some of these pictographs really are.

It doesn't matter where you are in the world, if you have a Nike swoosh on your T-shirt there's

a good chance the logo is going to be recognized.

There's an interesting side story about how that happened. The two young shoe makers who formed Nike decided that the best way to get their brand across to the public was to sink all their money into signing a hot new athlete fresh out of the University of North Carolina who looked a sure bet to be an NBA star. They did and put his image flying through the air on their shoes and charged double the going rate for the sneakers. Nike and Air Jordans changed the tennis shoe market so that today a new Nike style release is a media event and they can charge hundreds of dollars for a pair of shoes it costs \$10 to make.

Plenty of brand logos are instantly recognizable. In sports the UnderArmour logo, Adidas' three stripes and Puma's leaping cat are familiar worldwide. Budweiser's crown, the golden arches, the red Target bullseye, the Apple with a bite out of it, Mercedes Benz badge, the red, white and blue swoosh of Pepsi, and the CBS eye are able to be identified worldwide.

Companies clearly understand the importance of how a clear pictograph identifies a product. Chevrolet wants to sell cars in Europe and Asia in

much the way Ford has for years. The Ford Focus didn't come from Detroit; it came from their European market where it has been popular since the 1990s.

So Chevy realized its logo pictograph, so common here, had to become just as common around the world. What did they do? Just like Nike did in the early 80s, they turned to sports.

Chevy spent \$560 million to have its logo emblazoned across the front of arguably the most famous sports team in the world, the Manchester United soccer team. When Man U took the field in the opening game of the English League last week it was with a gold Chevy badge across the front of their jerseys. Millions of fans in Europe, Africa and Asia will soon be wearing Chevy and the company is convinced it will help sales of their cars worldwide.

Interesting how that works. From cave drawings to hieroglyphics to coat of arms to brand logos to emogis, a picture is still worth a thousand words 40,000 years later.

Or \$560 million, if you believe Chevrolet.

MY SIDE OF THE MATTER

ROBERT GERARD



Know responsibilities of county government

It doesn't take a seasoned pollster to conclude that Baker County residents are in no mood for property tax increases. still don't grasp what county governments have to deal with, and whose is in charge of what. For instance, a frequent criticism revolves around dirt roads.

IMPRESSIONS

Jim McGauley

They see county government (as opposed to boards that oversee schools, Macclenny and Glen St. Mary) coping with having at least a million dollars more in spending than revenue, and they want the county commission to correct that discrepancy without the option of adding millage to the taxing rates.

The next few days will tell the tale; commissioners by now should have a good idea where the problem areas lie, and will have tough decisions to make taking either the road to further cuts or the road to higher taxes.

What strikes this observer, however, perusing Facebook posts on the budget crises and listening to comments from citizens, is how some people

A resident of Cuyler might ask why the city can't do anything about paving her "washboard" road. Actually, if the road ever was surfaced, it would be the county's project. Macclenny doesn't maintain roads outside the city limits.

Other examples: why can't the county bring Shoals Park up to the level of a major tourist attraction, or why can't it bring in industries like a bowling alley, a theater or steak house?

The answer lies somewhere between not having the funds and it not being the responsibility of county government.

A better understanding of those responsibilities would better clarify the budget crisis we currently face.

building ... and yet I haven't seen anyone mention that. I'm not saying this in favor of the school, I do agree it's a tough "hood" as most people put it.

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THE DISCUSSION

Readers react to shooting near Keller

Our readers reacted to the report of a shooting involving two men the afternoon of August 20 near Keller Intermediate in west Macclenny.

Marc Lyon: They need to move the drug dealers off those corners down there by the school!

Kimberly Wood Thank God it wasn't during school hours! They need to move that school!

Ashli Hunter-Barton: While everyone is concerned about their own children at that school, shouldn't we as a community

be worried about the children growing up in the middle of all the violence?

Terra Powless Stewart: Exactly why they need to move this school. And this isn't nothing new in that area.

Ashley Dancy-Cruce: This is ridiculous. I agree with the parents who say the school should've been relocated before now. Too many children caught in the middle of a dangerous area.

Adrian Williams: When you read *The Baker County Press* you don't always read about MLK. All the crime either in Glen St. Mary or Taylor, but as soon as something happens there now it's time to move the school. When they say something about a meth lab near Keller nobody cares. I've been in this "ghetto" all my life; it's not the people that stays in my neighborhood that's committing these crimes; it's people coming from somewhere else. The next time you see somebody selling drugs, video it on your phone.

Nancy Griffith: This is ridiculous. Parents of all the students at Keller should have been notified about this.

Elizabeth Campbell: I agree. I asked and all they would tell me was "there was an incident. we are here to ease some minds."

Kristal Mari Miller: They might not all live in that neighborhood but black, white or whatever, there's a reason they are coming in. And that's a problem. That area has been a known problem for many years and with good reason. Yes, there

are problems in other areas but not within seconds of a schoolhouse. People have the right to demand something be done before it's too late and something tragic happens. Our children are irreplaceable.

Calvin Stevens: It's funny how the people who always be blaming the "popo" for not having a cop on every corner are da same ones who be talkin' bout making cuts and lower taxes. Can't have ya cake and eat it too. Jus' cause they are black people on da corner people assume they are drug dealers.

Shannon Loyd: A meth lab can kill a child if it blows up. These people don't understand about mixing chemicals.

Cindy Clark Rhoden: Please do not bring your thug selves to our county. We do not need or want you here.

Christy Manucy: I don't even like sending my daughters to that school. It really needs to be moved.

Glenda Crawley: Moving the school is not the answer. Clean up the neighborhood and get the drug dealers off the street. It's really a small area; can't he police focus on that one area and clean it up?

Joisanna Langner Kirby: This is BULLCRAP! This is a major problem area with children at risk. We need cops to be on school property when kids are there, including extended day. This is a horrible location for any children to travel through to attend school. It needs to be moved for safety reasons

Anna Denise Lewis: That neighborhood was horrible when I went to that school and that's been 19-20 years ago. So if they haven't been able to clean it up in that time period then I don't think they're going to. Something has got to be done with the situation and quickly.

Amber Brianna: My daughter is still young but will not be attending, even if I have to move again. I agree that there is a lot we don't know 'til its posted on Facebook. School should be moved and serious concern for the children being brought up in that area. I grew up in Baker county and I don't remember it being this bad.

Joshua Roberts: We have to get the kids away from that area. My son just started there and I'm not happy.

Michael Davis: I will be looking into relocating my child next year when she will be going to that school.

Mum N Nana: All parents should have been notified. It's time parents got together and did something about this. As one person you can't always do much, but as a group we can do anything!

Callie Aaron Crosby: Regardless of where the school is located, nothing will be done until an innocent child has been killed, whether by bullet or drugs.

Ashli Hunter-Barton: Most kids that go to Keller don't see or know about what goes on outside the gates because the play area only has a small view of the streets. It's next to the Head Start

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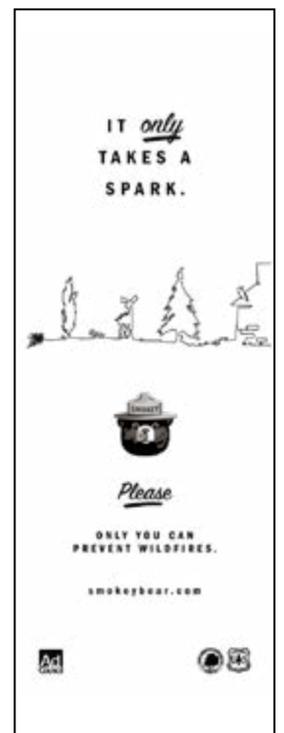
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Choked wife with kids present

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A Glen St. Mary man was arrested the night of August 24 for domestic violence after he allegedly choked his wife and slammed her to the ground during an argument with children present.

Lieutenant David Bryant received a call from neighbors who lived in the area where a disturbance was taking place on Orby Rhoden Road, and they said they could hear children running out of the residence screaming and a woman yelling she had been choked. Lt. Bryant, Deputy Johnny Hodges and Corporal Tony Norman responded to the residence, but suspect Brian Hance, 30, had fled the scene prior to their arrival.

Dep. Hodges met with victim Mendy Hance, 29, in the front yard, who said she was in her bed with their 4-year-old child trying to get him to sleep when Mr. Hance came into the room and told her to leave. He began cursing at her when she refused to do so and she left the room with the child. She went into the living room where her 6- and 9-year-old children were located, and her husband followed her and began arguing with her once again.

The suspect grabbed her and slammed her during the argument in the living room, she said. Mrs. Hance told Dep. Hodges they tussled on the floor for a while before she was able to break free and tell her 9-year-old daughter to run to neighbors and call police. Mr. Hance then allegedly threw a vacuum at her, which she deflected with her hands.

Mr. Hance then chased after the 9-year-old girl as she ran out the front door to prevent her from calling police. Mrs. Hance said she pursued them and saw her husband put the child in a "bear hug" and place his hands over her mouth because she was screaming for help. The girl was able to free herself and then ran back to her mother.

Mrs. Hance's daughter and mother backed up her story.

After collecting statements, Lt. Bryant and Cpl. Norman remained in the area in

case the suspect returned. Mr. Hance arrived back at the residence about 15 minutes later and walked inside. The two officers followed him and Cpl. Norman gave the suspect multiple commands to get on the ground, which he ignored.

Lt. Bryant then deployed his Taser, striking Mr. Hance in the upper torso. The suspect ignored more commands to get on the ground, and the officers physically forced him down and handcuffed him.

In addition to the domestic battery charge, Mr. Hance was also charged with two other counts of battery and resisting arrest without violence.

In a similar incident, a Macclenny man was arrested the afternoon of August 19 for domestic violence after he allegedly pressed his sister against a sliding glass door by her throat following an argument about comments he accused her of making about his girlfriend.

Deputy Robert Simpkins responded to the residence on Islamorada Drive where he met with victim Maggie Washburn, 34, who was crying and had red marks around her neck. She told the officer that her brother Brock Brooks, 30, attacked her inside her parents' residence and fled the scene.

Mrs. Washburn said her brother "snapped," which is when he pressed her against the glass door. She was able to pull free from Mr. Brooks' grasp and flee into a bedroom her mother was in. He followed her and pushed the bedroom door open as she tried to lock him out.

She told Dep. Simpkins she tried to call the police, but Mr. Brooks snatched the phone from her hand, ripping it from the wall. Mrs. Washburn escaped the suspect once again, as she locked herself into her vehicle and called the police. Mr. Brooks then left the residence in his Chevrolet Tahoe.

Their parents backed up Mrs. Washburn's story.

Corporal Koty Crews located Mr. Brooks in the back parking lot of Calendar's a short time later and Dep. Simpkins responded to the restaurant to speak with the suspect. Mr. Brooks said he and his sister were argu-

ing when she began to slap him. He said he grabbed her wrists, but denied grabbing her around the neck.

While handcuffing the suspect, Dep. Simpkins noticed scratches on Mr. Brooks' wrists that appeared to be consistent with Mrs. Washburn trying to pull away from him.

In another incident, a Glen St. Mary man was arrested the evening of August 22 for domestic violence and violating an injunction for domestic violence after he allegedly grabbed his mother by the throat and struck her in the face.

Cpl. Norman responded to the residence on Water Oak Lane and spoke with a slightly intoxicated Stephanie Sowards. She said that her son Jeffrey Doss, 26, took his 6- and 3-year-old children for a ride on their go-kart. They returned about 15 minutes later after they got in a wreck, which resulted in some scrapes on the children. She said her son and his girlfriend Heather Crews took the children into the bathroom to check on the injuries.

While in the bathroom, an argument broke out between Ms. Sowards and Mr. Doss and they began yelling at each other, at which time she said he hit her in the eye. She told the officer she immediately left to call 911.

She said Mr. Doss and Ms. Crews left the house with the children while she was on the phone. Ms. Sowards said they possibly went to a location off Dog Fennel Lane and that Ms. Crews has an active injunction on Mr. Doss.

Cpl. Norman located Mr. Doss, Ms. Crews and the children and spoke with the suspect. Mr. Doss said his mother was very intoxicated and was yelling at everyone because of the go-kart injuries. He said when he went to exit the bathroom, Ms. Sowards slipped due to her drunken state and he accidentally struck her in the face when trying to prevent her from falling.

The corporal then informed Mr. Doss of the injunction order Ms. Crews had taken out in 2010, and he said he didn't know it was still active.

Alumni reunion

The reunion of alumni of the former Taylor School and their friends will be held on Saturday, September 6 starting at 5 pm at the Ag Center on US 90 in west Macclenny.

Meat, bread and beverages will be provided, so please bring a vegetable, salad or dessert. Cakes are needed for the cakewalk, and donations will be accepted to cover expenses.

Please RSVP to Benny Fish at 742-1516 or Tara Yarbrough Holman at 449-6566.

Entries sought for vet parade

The Baker County veterans Appreciation Committee is looking for parade participants for November 15.

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On hold: discount for local inmates

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So how much could the county have saved had the new deal been in place previously? Well, here's a break down for the last six-month period for which figures are available.

The average of the monthly average daily counts of county inmates for the six months ending June 30 was 134.4. Had the new agreement been in place, the county's half-year bill for locals would have been \$1,964,931.

Under the contract in place now, the bill for the same period would have been \$2,036,452, which includes a 2 percent prepayment discount of \$83,120. So, the savings under the amended agreement, as compared to the current agreement, would've been \$71,520 for the six month period, or projected over a year, some \$143,000.

That figure is far less than the \$300,000 to \$400,000 in potential annual savings commissioners were talking about last month.

The 125 beds in the deal are "guaranteed," however, and the

new proposal comes at a time when an increase in federal detainees has pushed the 500-bed jail managed by the sheriff's office and owned by the nonprofit BCDC to capacity.

Still, it's doubtful that local inmates would be sent to other facilities so space would be available for more federal inmates who fetch the higher \$84.72 daily rate. It's a rate that could rise in the future, too, Mr. Bishop has said, since BCDC is currently negotiating a new contract with ICE officials.

Sheriff Joey Dobson also said last week, when commissioners questioned what it would cost to house Baker County's detainees elsewhere, that there's little excess space at jails in neighboring counties, making such transfers even less likely.

Another caveat to the new deal relates to medical costs born by BCDC for the treatment of local prisoners. Under the new agreement, the county is responsible for reimbursing BCDC for any medical expenses above \$150,000 annually. Last year, the additional costs topped \$120,000.

The agreement also stipulates BCDC must provide actual

cost information to the county for future evaluation and adjustment of the county's daily rate.

"Overall it's a good thing," said Commissioner Adam Giddens a few days after the August 19 board meeting in which commissioners tabled the deal. "It gives us a set amount to budget with."

Facing a budget deficit topping \$1.1 million for the coming fiscal year starting October 1, commissioners decided that evening to attempt to cut 10 percent from its current budget, or at least the portion of it that's controlled by the board of county commissioners.

The panel also directed the county manager to request 10 percent reductions in the constitutional officers' current budgets totaling about \$4.9 million. The lion's share of that spending — \$3.5 million — is attributed to the sheriff's office.

When it came time to approve the new inmate housing agreement with BCDC, Mr. Giddens requested the board's support in tabling the measure. He said after the meeting he wanted to "do the math and review it" before voting on it. He anticipated getting daily coun-

ty inmate counts from Sharon Padgett, a frequent county commission attendee and budget hawk. She said she made a public records request for the figures going back a few years.

But Mr. Giddens wasn't the only commissioner looking for more information. Board chairman Jimmy Anderson, a roofing contractor, has requested the lease price per square foot for the county jail, which also includes administrative office, training and motor pool space for the sheriff's office.

Commissioners agreed there was plenty of time before the October 1 start date of the new agreement to reconsider it at a later date.

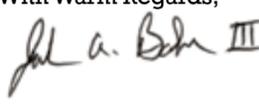
Still, the decision came after a hour-plus-long budget workshop in which residents pleaded for commissioners to cut more spending in order to avoid dipping into some \$6-plus-million in reserves.

Clerk of Courts Al Fraser has for years warned the county needs \$4-5 million in reserves to cover three months of expenses at the beginning of the fiscal year before tax and other revenues begin arriving in county coffers.

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Thank you to all of the candidates in all of the political races. It was a pleasure talking, joking and laughing with all of you. It makes me very proud, no matter what the outcome, knowing that there are so many people who share the same love for Baker County that I do.
I would like to thank all my friends and family for all of your support throughout this campaign. Your hard work and dedication did not go unnoticed and it was greatly appreciated.
With Warm Regards,

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Candidate for Baker County Clerk of Courts

BCHS student arrested for threat and repeat disruption

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A 17-year-old BCHS student was arrested the morning of August 20 for assault and disturbing the peace after she allegedly threatened to attack a teacher while disrupting class for the third straight day.

Deputy Earl Lord spoke with the teen, teacher Kimberly Farley and a teacher's assistant about the incident. The student was yelling and uncooperative while the officer tried speaking with her. Mrs. Farley and school mental health counselor Brandi Rhoden told the officer the suspect threatened to beat up the teacher while standing in front of her.

The suspect continued to yell and disobey Mrs. Farley before she was arrested.

In another incident, a St. Augustine man was named in a criminal complaint August 23 for aggravated battery after he allegedly pushed a woman out of a vehicle and drove off.

Deputy Christopher Clutter met with Jessica Dupuy, 21, of Dixon, TN at Fraser Hospital, where she was treated for her injuries. She told the officer she was at a party at a friend's house "somewhere on Lowder Street near Macedonia Store." She said her friend Logan Morrison, 20, was heavily intoxicated and was attempting to drive his Ford Taurus.

Ms. Dupuy said she reached through the driver door in an attempt to get the keys when Mr. Morrison rapidly accelerated with her halfway out of the vehicle. She fell to the ground and told

the officer she was knocked unconscious from the fall. Two friends drove her to the hospital and gave Dep. Clutter similar stories.

Dep. Clutter spoke with Ms. Dupuy by phone later in the day and she said she was diagnosed with a possible degenerative disc disorder and she requested to press charges. She also told the officer Mr. Morrison looked her in the eyes and pushed her out the window onto the ground.

Several attempts were made to locate Mr. Morrison to no avail.

In another incident, a Macclenny man was named in a criminal complaint August 20 for battery after he attacked a woman as she slept.

Deputy Johnny Hodges met with Amy Burks at a residence on Railroad Avenue where she said David Johnson, 50, attacked Christie Raulerson, 40, and left the scene before the officer could arrive.

Dep. Hodges noticed Ms. Raulerson's hand was bleeding and she had swelling to her temple as she spoke about the incident. She told him she was sleeping in her bed when she awoke to Mr. Johnson repeatedly striking her in the head and face. She said he grabbed her by the throat at one point, but she was able to fight away. Ms. Raulerson said she didn't know what provoked the suspect to attack her.

Ms. Raulerson said Mr. Johnson had stayed the night at the residence several times but does not reside there. She told Dep. Hodges she thinks he entered through the front door that was possibly unsecured.

Ex-con arrested outside BCI for attacking officers, burglary

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A Jacksonville man who was released from prison in January was arrested again August 23 on multiple charges, including armed burglary and two counts of aggravated assault after he attempted to stab correctional officers who caught him burglarizing the Baker Correctional weight room and then fled from police.

Deputy Jeremiah Combs responded to BCI August 22 and met with correctional officers Travis Williams and Treyce Sanders. They told the deputy they were conducting a building check of the Dowling Center and the weight room across the street. They heard noise coming from the weight room and saw the front door was unsecured.

They told the officer they opened the door and reached in



Alvin Finley Jr.

to turn on the light and saw a man, later identified as Alvin Finley Jr., 46, in a black hoodie standing close to them. Mr. Williams said the suspect then produced a large kitchen knife and charged at them, but they were able to clear the doorway before he could reach them. Mr. Williams said he saw Mr. Finley flee before losing sight of him.

A K-9 unit tracked a scent north of the complex to nearby railroad tracks. It followed the scent for another couple hundred yards until it reached a grassy spot that appeared to have been driven over. The K-9 lost track of the scent, but picked up another one on the way back to the complex, leading police to a crowbar, empty whiskey bottle and paper cup that contained ice and smelled of whiskey.

The next day, Deputy Robert Simpkins received a call from a CSX conductor operating a train on the tracks that run behind the Dowling Center about a vehicle that appeared to be stuck in the woods beside the track. Deputies Simpkins and Combs responded to the scene but couldn't locate the vehicle or anyone in the area.

A short time later, Dep. Simpkins saw a male subject walking beside the railroad track toward his location. The

male walked into the woods when he saw the officer and then ignored verbal commands to stop. As Dep. Simpkins approached the area, he found the vehicle belonging to Mr. Finley.

A check revealed the suspect had an "extensive history of burglary," according to the officer's report. Dep. Combs located a black hoodie and knife in the vehicle, along with a shot glass and empty liquor bottles.

A scent track was easily re-established and police had the suspect in custody within minutes. Officer Sanders positively identified Mr. Finley as the man inside the weight room.

Mr. Finley was also charged with fleeing an officer and felony criminal mischief.

In another incident, a state hospital patient was named in a criminal complaint August 20 for felony battery after he allegedly struck a doctor and employee after he was caught smoking on hospital grounds.

Corporal Christopher Walker responded to the hospital and met with Eugene Stofer who said he and Dr. Richard Hamilton were jumped by patient Pedro Rodriguez, 33, on August 19.

The doctor reportedly told Mr. Rodriguez his restrictions were being continued after he caught the patient smoking. The suspect then jumped up from the table and allegedly struck Dr. Hamilton, causing him to fall from his seat.

Mr. Stofer attempted to cover up the victim as the attack continued, until other staff

members were able to pull the suspect away.

In a similar incident, an employee of the state hospital was named in a criminal complaint August 24 for battery after he allegedly slapped a female co-worker across the face several times earlier in the week.

Dep. Combs met with victim Melanie Grant, 24, of Jacksonville at the hospital the night of August 24. She told the officer on the afternoon of August 21 that Robert Phillips, 50, of Macclenny walked up behind her and said he was sorry for touching her before slapping her four times on the cheeks with both hands simultaneously.

Ms. Grant said she waited to call the police because a supervisor said he would handle the situation. She told the officer she didn't think Mr. Phillips was playing around during the incident.

Dep. Combs then spoke with Mr. Phillips at his residence on Barber Road. He told the officer he hugs the female staff and shakes the male staffs' hands every day when his shift begins. He admitted he tapped Ms. Grants face but denied that it was in a hurtful manner. He denied any intent of causing harm and apologized for the confusion.

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Fraudulent charges on card

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A Macclenny woman met with Deputy Michael Antonini August 18 in reference to a credit card fraud complaint after two charges totaling \$67 were made using her card at the Kangaroo on East Macclenny Avenue during the previous week.

She told the officer she discovered the fraudulent charges when she awoke that morning. The first charge occurred August 11 for \$32 and the second took place August 14 for \$35.

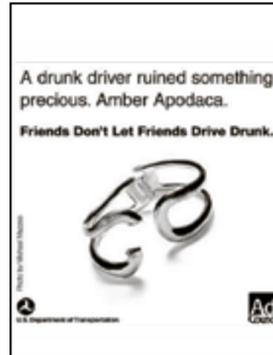
She said she suspected her boyfriend took the debit card without her permission while she was asleep, but he denied any allegations when she questioned him.

Dep. Antonini and the woman viewed the surveillance footage from the store, but it didn't depict any fraudulent activity inside the store or at the pumps.

In a similar incident, a Macclenny woman was the victim of fraud after her information

was used to file for a lost or stolen cell phone on two occasions.

The woman met with Dep. Antonini August 18 and told him she received a notification from her cell phone insurance carrier, Azurion, that she had been denied a claim August 5 for a lost or stolen iPhone 5. Azurion informed her that it was the second time someone used her information and that the request was approved the first time it was made.



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Again, **Thank You** to everyone who has continued to provide support and encouragement throughout this campaign season! **Thank You** for dedicating your time in holding signs, making phone calls, cooking, decorating, serving meals, etc. And most of all, **Thank You** for allowing me the opportunity to meet with so many of you and to listen to your concerns.

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Reckless driver is found to be drunk

A Jacksonville man was arrested the morning of August 21 for driving under the influence after he failed a field sobriety test when he was pulled over for reckless driving.

Deputy Daryl Mobley received the complaint and located the Ford truck driven by Christopher Hostler, 37, driving west on U.S. 90. Mr. Hostler crossed the solid line on the right side of the road as he turned onto SR 121. The truck then drifted into the turning lane for about 100 feet before going back out along the edge of the curb. It quickly moved back into the turning lane, at which time Dep. Mobley stopped the driver.

Deputy Hauber was riding along with Dep. Mobley and he asked for Mr. Hostler's license, registration and proof of insurance. The suspect instead handed the officer his concealed weapon permit before giving the deputy the license after a second request.

The officers asked Mr. Hostler to step out of the vehicle after he told them he had weapons inside. After exiting the truck, the suspect stumbled into the roadway and then to the rear of his vehicle. The suspect appeared drunk with bloodshot eyes and slurred speech, and he admitted to drinking earlier in the morning.

Mr. Hostler failed the field sobriety test and was taken to county jail, where he blew a .186 on the breath test.

Florida Highway Patrol troopers arrested two other motorists for DUI in successive days recently, one of them after he was observed driving in reverse on SR 121 just south of Interstate 10 early on August 17.

Trooper Kari Hilliard said she was re-fueling at the nearby Exxon station just after midnight when she saw the 2002 Ford driven by Joseph P. Williams, 41, of Macclenny backing up in front of the Country Club Lounge. Occupants of the vehicle were yelling at lounge patrons, and a passing semi-truck sounded

its horn in alarm.

The trooper then got behind the Ford after it turned east on Estate St. and Mr. Williams did not stop until he drove onto his property in Macclenny II. He failed field sobriety tests at the scene and his blood alcohol level measured .120 at county jail.

Danny Raulerson, 51, of Sanderson was arrested the evening of August 16 after Trooper Joseph Farley pulled over his swerving westbound 2003 Jeep on U.S. 90 near Interstate 10.

Mr. Raulerson failed field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol level later tested at .262, more than three times the legal limit in Florida.

In another incident, a Macclenny man was arrested the night of August 18 for driving with an expired tag of more than six months after he was pulled over for the infraction and the officer learned it was the third time the suspect had been stopped for the same reason.

Deputy Christopher Clutter was traveling behind a Ford truck when he noticed the truck's registration sticker expired in July 2013. The truck, driven by 25-year-old Matthew Baughman, then turned onto CR 139B without signaling, at which time Dep. Clutter pulled it over.

The officer asked Mr. Baughman why the registration was expired and the suspect told him he had just got the vehicle and didn't have the chance to get it registered yet. A check showed Mr. Baughman was cited June 23 by Deputy Trey McCullough for operating the same truck with an expired tag of more than six months. The suspect was issued a verbal warning four days later by Deputy Michael Antonini while driving the same truck.

Dep. Antonini also cited the suspect for a cracked windshield, which still hadn't been fixed.

Mr. Baughman admitted to lying to Dep. Clutter due to his history of being pulled over.

Couple had stolen car, drugs at motel

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Two Middleburg residents were arrested the night of August 23 for possession of a controlled substance after police found drugs in the motel room the suspects were staying in while responding to a stolen vehicle call from Duval County.

Deputy Jeremiah Combs learned that the stolen Toyota Camry was possibly at the Econo Lodge in Macclenny and could be occupied by Misty Smith, 31. The vehicle was empty but the front desk clerk said the two people who arrived in the vehicle were in room 105.

Officers approached the room and made contact with Kerry Thomas, 50. Dep. Combs saw Ms. Smith in a bed in the room while the door was open and asked her to step outside. She told the deputy she was in possession of the Toyota and was then placed under arrest.

She asked to retrieve her shoes, and inside the room, Sgt. Ben Anderson saw in plain sight a box of steel wool pads commonly used as a filter for smoking crack. The top mattress on one of the beds was not aligned with the box spring and an unlabeled pill bottle could clearly be seen wedged between the two mattresses, the sergeant's report shows.

Sgt. Anderson pulled the mattress up and found two unlabeled pill bottles. One of the bottles contained 12 Hydrocodone pills and the other had 16 Xanax pills.

A search under the other

bed revealed the outer metal tube of a tire gauge with a small amount of steel wool pushed into it.

In another incident, a Glen St. Mary woman was arrested the night of August 22 for disorderly conduct after she drunkenly screamed and cursed at police who responded to her 911 call about damaged property.

Deputy Johnny Hodges responded to the Boyce Road residence and spoke with Joevita Staley, 40. The officer could smell a strong odor of alcohol coming from her, and she was belligerent as he tried to determine why she called 911.

Ms. Staley began ranting about someone who resides in the area who drove an ATV through her front yard. Dep. Hodges asked her to calm herself down several times, but she went inside and began slamming items around in the living room.

She then went back outside on the front porch and made verbal threats about hurting someone once Dep. Hodges left. She was placed under arrest.

In yet another incident, a Macclenny man was named in a criminal complaint August 18 after he fled from police when an officer approached him about an active local warrant.

Dep. Combs saw Antonio Lee, 28, standing outside 435 S. West Blvd. and knew he was wanted for felony battery. When the officer told the suspect about the warrant, he

fled and ignored multiple commands to stop running.

The deputy lost sight of Mr. Lee before finding him on Martin Luther King Drive. Dep. Combs chased the suspect through the yards of several residences on the street while

threatening to use his Taser if he didn't stop. The officer was unable to strike Mr. Lee with it, however.

He lost sight of the suspect once again in the area of Joan Street and couldn't locate Mr. Lee.



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Glen juvenile wanted for a weapon violation

County deputies arrested five persons the past week on outstanding criminal warrants, one of them a juvenile passenger in a vehicle stopped east of Sanderson following an alleged disturbance.

The 16-year-old male with a Glen St. Mary address was wanted in Duval County for exhibiting a firearm or weapon on school property.

Deputy Jeremiah Johnson said he was on patrol on US 90 in Sanderson the evening of August 19 when he saw occupants of a vehicle leaning out shouting to others near the intersection with CR 127. He stopped the car near Arnold Rhoden Road, and a routine identity check produced the warrant information.

In other arrests, Deputy Robert Simpkins said he arrested Rebecca Mann, 27, at her residence off Cow Pen Road the morning of August 24 on a Charlton County, GA warrant for violating probation on an original charge of littering and trespass.

The officer said he later learned Ms. Mann was wanted on another warrant in Duval County for driving on a suspended license.

Deputy Trey McCullough arrested Steven Craycraft, 23, at his residence on U.S. 90 in

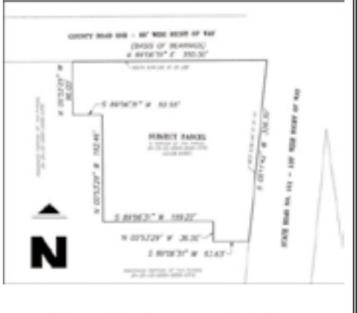
Olstee the morning of August 18 on a Columbia County warrant for violating probation for grand theft.

Christopher Booth, 33, of Glen St. Mary turned himself in at the county courthouse the morning of August 19. He was wanted in Duval County for violating probation on a resisting arrest charge.

Lonnie Combs, 44, of Sanderson was in county jail on August 21 when served with a Columbia County warrant for violating probation.

CITY OF MACCLENNY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF MACCLENNY 2025 FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND ZONING MAP

The City Commission of the City of Macclenny, Florida shall consider final action of **Ordinance No. 14-08**, "A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AMENDING THE 2025 FUTURE LAND USE MAP WHICH SHALL CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR APPROXIMATELY 2.04



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SYNOPSIS: The Subject Property for **Ordinance No. 14-08** consists of approximately 2.04 acre located on the south side of County Road 23B, west of State Road 121 (see map). **Ordinance No. 14-08** will cause the Subject Property to be classified Commercial Medium Intensity on the City's 2025 Future Land Use Map ("FLUM") and Commercial, General on the City's Zoning Map. The applications are being sought in order to construct community-scale retail to residents living within the north area of Macclenny.

A public hearing on the first reading of the proposed Ordinance was held on August 12, 2014. A public hearing requiring City Commission action on the proposed Ordinance will be held on **Tuesday, September 9, 2014** in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall, 118 East Macclenny Avenue, Macclenny, Florida. The City Commission meeting will begin at **6:00 p.m.** and the public hearing will be held shortly after the meeting is called to order. Interested persons may appear at the hearing and be heard regarding the adoption of the proposed annexation.

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BAKER COUNTY COMMISSION

Budget talks focus on sheriff's office Crews balks at assuming city coverage expense

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Front and center during much of the discussion at the Baker County Commission's budget workshop on August 19 was the sheriff's office proposed budget for the new year, which is up 6.76 percent from the current year to \$3.7 million.

It includes continued funding for eight deputies to patrol Macclenny 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with two deputies on duty at all times. Like the county commission's most recently proposed budget, it has 3 percent raises for all employees, in addition to increased retirement contributions required by the state.

Commissioner Gordon Crews, however, took issue with the county being asked to cover the costs for round-the-clock policing in the city.

The city leadership has flatly rejected raising its current budget, county officials said, leaving the county on the hook for any additional costs. The city has also put the county and sheriff on notice that due to the need to fund infrastructure projects, the city plans to cut its law enforcement budget by a few hundred thousand dollars in the future.

"I really didn't want to pick up anything the city's been paying for that they're now not [paying for]," said Commissioner Crews, adding that he realizes most of the calls for police come from the more densely populated area of Macclenny and retirement costs are not under the sheriff's control.

"But I feel like we can't pay for it, either," he said.

At the start of the meeting, the commission was told by county manager C.J. Thompson the current budget deficit

stood at \$1.1 million for the coming fiscal year.

Beyond law enforcement, the commission also appeared concerned with higher personnel costs under its \$7.5 million portion of the proposed budget, which relies on a 14 percent jump in the property tax rate.

Board secretary Sara Little was in line for a \$5,100 pay hike, which Mr. Thompson explained as additional compensation for her position being consolidated with another administrative job eliminated last year and the need to retain "good talent."

"The people with the most options are the best employees," he said.

The raise was brought to the board's attention by former board secretary Ann Yarborough, whose job was consolidated, and Mr. Giddens asked why he'd never heard about the raise previously. Commissioner James Croft added that such spending should be discussed before its inclusion in the proposed budget.

"I think the board still has a hiring freeze in place but we're talking about new positions," said Mr. Croft, referencing a proposal to make the county's veterans affairs position full-time rather than part-time and adding a part-time position to be shared by the planning and zoning office and code enforcement.

Planning director Ed Preston said both departments, which he oversees, are understaffed.

Mr. Preston defended the budget request, saying that two administrators, one in the planning and zoning department and one in building and code enforcement, have left the county, leaving only Mr. Preston heading up both departments with the help of one remaining administrative staffer.

He said the number of code enforcement complaints has been rising in recent months, making matters worse.

"I have to work twice as hard to say 'no' to a zoning applicant and four times as hard in a code enforcement case," he explained. "We just don't have the staff to do [code enforcement]."

That prompted a question from commission chair Jimmy Anderson to the county attorney Rich Kommando about whether state law requires the county have a code enforcement department. Mr. Kommando said it does not.

In other business during its regular meeting following the budget workshop, the commission:

- Heard a proposal from Larry Williams of the Florida PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) on a new program that loans cash to homeowners and businesses without a credit check for energy efficiency upgrades like solar panels. Mr. Williams said the loans' interest rates run between 6 and 7 percent, which is slightly higher than traditional home mortgages but less than commercial loans, both of which require a credit check.

- The commission tabled joining the program so board members could review a sample contract between Florida PACE and other participating counties.

- Learned a late surge in applicants for the newly-established county Recreation Advisory Board pushed the total to 17 potential volunteers. Commissioners are reviewing the applications now to fill 11 positions on the recreation panel.

- Approved two grants from the state. One will fund a staff position and computer classes at Emily Taber library and the another will repave CR 23B.

- Approved the construction of a 250-foot tall communications tower on the east side of SR 121 just south of Steel Bridge Road. Verizon Wireless is leasing a 100-foot by 100-foot piece of a 26 acre property owned by Patrick Mobley for the tower. The tower will be surrounded by trees and a privacy fence, a representative of Verizon said.

COUNTY COURT

Cases heard in August 13 hearings

The following dispositions were ordered in county court during regular session on August 13:

- Kayla Allen, petty theft; failed to appear, warrant issued.

- Betty Canaday, resisting arrest and driving on a suspended license; two days in jail, six-month probation, apology letter and anger management class.

- Michael Delp, battery; six-month probation, batterer intervention class, GBB (Give Back to Baker community service (if unemployed).

- Kristopher Jones, domestic battery (2 counts) and violation of pre-trial release; 180 days in jail, 12-month probation, batterer intervention class, no contact with victim, addiction support groups.

- Casey Laumore, contempt of court; 29 days in jail.
- Micah Morrison, assault and disorderly conduct; mental health evaluation, anger management class, GBB and 50 hours community service.

- Brad Stewart, battery; 90 days in jail, 12-month probation, obtain GED, anger management class, GBB, no alcohol or association with known criminals, no contact with parents, write a one-page life plan.



Celebrating 90th!

The children of Mozell Todd Jefferson invite family members and friends to help them celebrate her 90th birthday on Saturday, October 4.

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Shoplifter attacks employee; he and accomplice flee store in SUV

JON SHUMAKE
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More than \$300 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered from Walmart the afternoon of August 19 after store security was involved in a physical altercation with the man trying to take the items.

The suspect fled the scene in a vehicle after breaking free.

Deputy Michael Antonini learned that an unknown white male was fleeing the parking lot traveling south on SR 228 in a Ford Explorer with a Georgia tag. He canvassed the area but was unable to locate the vehicle.

Back at the store, a security employee told the officer he saw two white males remove tools from their packaging in the hardware department around 3:40, so he began following them. One of the men was wearing a green shirt, blue shorts and a ball cap, while the other was dressed in a white tank top, tan shorts and black shoes. Security personnel told Dep. Antonini the man in the green shirt took items throughout his time in the store while the man in the white tank top followed the suspect around.

He stopped the suspect at the front door, but the man refused to go to the security employee's office. Security tried to physically detain the suspect by grabbing his arm. The suspect then dropped the items and the two became involved in a physical altercation. Moments later, the suspect struck the employee in the jaw, causing a laceration under his chin.

The man in the tank top stood by as the altercation took place without intervening.

The suspect fled on foot toward his vehicle, but the employee followed him and saw

him get into the vehicle with the Georgia tag number. A search of the tag didn't provide any records. As the vehicle drove off toward SR 228, the man in the white tank top ran to catch up and got in.

In a similar incident, police are searching for four black females who entered Walmart with a young juvenile the night of August 21 and stole about \$500 worth of merchandise.

The security employee told Deputy Trey McCullough the four women entered the store with the juvenile around 9:30 and left about a half-hour later with a children's stroller with a car seat valued at \$250, a set of pots and pans valued at \$80, two bags of diapers worth \$50 and a set of towels and rags worth \$40. The other items weren't identified at the time.

Video surveillance confirmed the security employ-

ee's statement and shows the women and juvenile exiting the parking lot in a white car, according to the police report.

In another shoplifting case, a Glen St. Mary man was arrested the night of August 22 after he was caught stealing cigarettes from Winn Dixie on three separate occasions while he worked at the store as a floor cleaner during closing hours at night.

Deputy Christopher Clutter met with store security and was told video footage showed Adam Hunter, 25, taking the packs of cigarettes on July 26, August 2 and August 17 while the store was closed. The total value of the cigarettes was listed as almost \$18.

Mr. Hunter admitted to taking the cigarettes when questioned and said he did it because he was having money problems.



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Smokehouse Meat Market located at 386 N Lowder St is requesting a Special Exception to sell beer and wine. This property is zoned Commercial Neighborhood (CN). The current zoning with approval allows the sale of beverages less than 14% alcohol for off premises consumption. There will be a Zoning Adjustment Board meeting held on Monday September 8, 2014 at 5:00 pm at City Hall. Any support or objections may be heard at this time.

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Ethel Canterbury, retired seamstress

Ethel Mae Canterbury, 78, of Jacksonville and formerly of Baker County, died on Wednesday, August 20, 2014. A retired seamstress, Ms. Canterbury enjoyed sewing, arts and crafts and bingo, and was a volunteer at the Baker County Council on Aging. She loved baseball, football and fishing. She especially loved spending time with her family and friends.



Ethel Canterbury

She is survived by her daughters: Cynthia Thomas of Jacksonville and Debbie (Craig) Kopcho of Orange Park; brother Gary (Roberta) Kirkland of Elkin, FL; sister Sherry Kirkland of Jacksonville; grandchildren Kimberly Carter, Shelly Paige and James Tabbot; four great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband Harold Canterbury.

A funeral service was held at 2 pm on Saturday, August 23 in the chapel at Forbes Funeral Home in Macclenny with Reverend Johnny Anderson officiating. Interment followed at Oak Grove Cemetery in Macclenny.

Elmer Fouraker, 83, of Bryceville dies

Elmer Ray Fouraker, 83, of Bryceville died on August 22, 2014 in Jacksonville following a brief illness. He was born on September 26, 1930 in Jacksonville to the late Clyde Elias and Doltha (Higginbotham) Fouraker.

In addition to his wife of 56 years, Mary Fouraker, survivors include daughter Ann (Randy) Smith; son Jim Fouraker; grandchildren Randy Smith, Travis Smith and Brian Smith; brother Charles (Ruth) Fouraker; extended family and friends.

The funeral service was held at 11 a.m. on August 27 at Brandy Branch Baptist Church with Pastor Rusty Bryan and Bro. Travis Smith officiating. Interment was in Brandy Branch Cemetery. Prestwood Funeral Home of Baldwin was in charge of arrangements.

Funeral Mass held for Joel Salter, 54

Joel Gregory Salter, 54, of Glen St. Mary died August 20, 2014, surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Salter was the scrap purchasing manager at Gerdau-Ameristeel, where he had been employed for the past 24 years. He was an avid Jacksonville Jaguar football fan and a Tampa Bay Rays baseball fan. He was also a classic car enthusiast who dearly loved spending time with his family and friends.



Joel Salter

He is survived by his wife Patricia Salter; daughters Jessica (Chris) Epps of Navarre, FL, Ann (Stephen) Hellwege of Winter Park, FL, Joell Rodriguez of Macclenny, Ashley (Matt) Smith of Navarre, FL, and Kristen Greer and Bethany Greer, both of Glen St. Mary; brothers Larry (Cathy) Salter of Woodstock, GA and Jeff Salter of Taylorsville, GA; sister Karen (James) Moore of Summerville, SC; four grandchildren and numerous other family members. He was preceded in death by his parents Joel M. and Joanne Gregor Salter and son-in-law Angel Rodriguez.

A funeral Mass was held at 11 a.m. August 23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Monsignor Keith Brennan officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or Northeast Florida Community Hospice. Forbes Funeral Home of Macclenny was in charge of arrangements.

Thanks so much

The family of Randy Rhoden expresses its heartfelt appreciation to the many people who comforted us during this difficult time. We were truly humbled by the outpouring of sympathy and by the generosity of our family and friends.

It moved us deeply to see how much Randy was loved, and how many lives he touched. Whether it was through bringing food, calling, sending a card or visiting to offer us your condolences, your support has brought great comfort to our family.

We would also like to thank Jimmy Barton for the beautiful music and the staff of Stone Transport, Ed Fraser Memorial Hospital, the Baker County Sheriff's Office and the Glen Baptist Church for all of their help.

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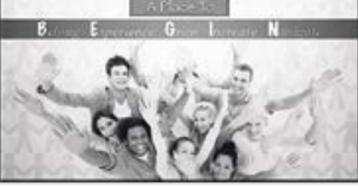
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NEW RIVER LIBRARY CO-OP

Director Ginny Bird will be retiring

Headed coalition for 17 years

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

Ginny Bird has been the driving force behind the New River Public Library Cooperative since the regional agency was created in 1997 to increase state funding for libraries in Baker, Bradford and Union counties.

But everyone knew that one day a successor would have to be found to take her place when she retires. That day has come.

The cooperative's board of trustees is scheduled to interview applicants for the position next month, none of whom work or reside in the tri-county area, and select one of them to work with Mrs. Bird during a transition period in October.

"We have four good candidates," Mrs. Bird said Monday. "We had five but one of them dropped out and took another job."

At a meeting on the afternoon of August 14, the library cooperative board of trustees voted to schedule telephone interviews with the applicants and make a selection at the next board meeting on Septem-

ber 11. Mary Brown, Union County's library director, said she cannot fathom the thought of no longer working with Mrs. Bird.

"She created this position," Ms. Brown said. "We're all devastated at the thought of Ginny retiring. She's been my personal mentor."

Before the cooperative was formed 17 years ago, Union County received a little state funding because it had the only library director in the region with a master's degree — Mrs. Bird. Baker and Bradford were funded solely by their county commissions.

Since then, all three counties have been on the receiving end of state funding, which has grown significantly over the years and enabled the libraries to enter the computer age and purchase a regional bookmobile that travels throughout the three counties, including their most remote communities.

State library grants are expected to reach nearly \$600,000 for the three counties in fiscal year 2014-15, which begins October 1.

At the August 14 meeting, held at the New River Solid Waste Association headquarters, a report was presented listing state grants totaling \$596,545 next year. The same members represent the regional landfill and the library cooperative.

The lion's share — \$413,605

— is going to Bradford County, while Union is in line for \$118,334 and Baker in third place with \$64,606. A separate grant in the amount of \$324,645 is earmarked for the library cooperative, based in Lake Butler, to fund its numerous services to the individual county libraries.

Grant awards are determined by a number of factors, including the amount of local funding each library receives, population, property values and tax rates in each county.

Bradford County is receiving a much larger grant, Mrs. Bird said, because its tax millage rate is higher than the other two counties, property values are low and Bradford's library "gets the largest appropriation from its county government."

Local funding for libraries is "a political decision" of each county commission, she said, noting that Bradford commissioners contributed \$489,895 to their library system in 2013-14, whereas those in Baker allocated \$152,749 and Union officials appropriated \$109,533.

"The idea is the carrot and stick approach," Mrs. Bird said, adding that the more money local governments contribute to their libraries, the more state funding they are likely to receive.

Cooperative board members asked the library directors from each of the three counties to participate in the interview process and rank the applicants

in terms of their experience and educational level. The two main requirements are library experience and a master's degree.

The winning candidate will receive a salary of \$44,000 to \$46,000 a year and will be on probation for six months.

Also during the August 14 meeting the library board approved Mrs. Bird's final annual plan of service for 2015, which includes four "areas to work on" in the coming year:

- Stimulate imagination by increasing circulation of fiction materials in all formats by 1 percent over the previous year and promote fiction materials by means of at least two book displays in each library.

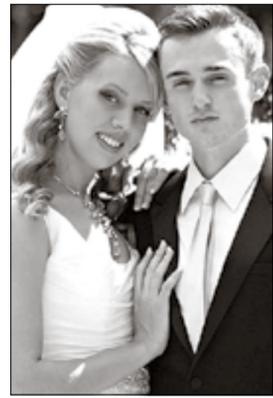
- Satisfy curiosity by increasing circulation of non-fiction materials in all formats by 1 percent over last year and promote non-fiction materials with at least two book displays in each library.

- Create young readers by increasing circulation of preschool materials in all formats by 1 percent over the previous year and present at least six programs for preschoolers and their caregivers in each library.

- Connect to the online world via public access to the Internet and provide at least four basic computer classes in each library.

Now, after decades in the library business, Mrs. Bird said she looks forward to spending more time with her family and doing a bit of traveling before embarking on the next chapter in her life helping others.

"I'm sure there is some agency out there that needs a volunteer," she said. "Literacy interests me. I'd like to teach children and adults how to read."



Mr. and Mrs. Ward

Wed August 2

Gary and Michelle Yates of Lake Asbury and Steven M. Higgs of Macclenny are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Katie Suzanne to James Evan Ward, the son of Paul and Cheryl Ward of Macclenny.

The wedding was held in Gainesville at the Historic Thomas Center on August 2. Katie and Evan are both graduates of Baker County High School. Evan has a bachelor's degree in telecommunications from UF and is employed with WTVY in Dothan, AL as technical media director.

After a honeymoon in West Palm Beach, the couple is living in Bonifay, Florida.

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Craig reunion

The annual Craig family reunion will be held on Saturday, August 30 in Moniac, GA starting with lunch at 1 pm.

All participants are asked to bring a covered dish and dessert. Games and a water slide will be available for the kids and horseshoes for the guys.

Crawford reunion

The reunion of descendants of Bart and Emma Crawford will be held on Labor Day, September 1 at the home of Auzzie and Bertha Crawford in Taylor. It begins at 1 pm with lunch.

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Prison for probation offenses

Two convicted felons were sentenced to prison terms after admitting in circuit court on August 19 that they violated terms of probation, one of them on house arrest who logged seven separate violations.

Court records indicate that Chauntell Paulk, Jr. of Jacksonville was placed on community control (house arrest) for six months to be followed by 18 months on regular probation for aggravated assault and grand theft in 2012.



Chauntell Paulk

Judge Mark Moseley ordered the 23-year-old defendant to prison for 18 months after probation officials documented that he failed to pay supervision costs, restitution and court costs, for drug testing and failed to report to his probation officer.

Mr. Paulk had already logged 148 days in jail before the recent court appearance and gets credit for the time off

his sentence.

In the second case, Judge Moseley ordered a 16-month term for Keon Wright, 22, of Baldwin for violating probation when he was arrested in March for fleeing in his speeding vehicle from a highway patrolman and driving on a suspended license.



Keon Wright

Mr. Wright was placed on probation late last year for possession of cocaine with intent to sell and fleeing police. He had served most of the sentence, 307 days, before his sentencing date.

The state dropped the fleeing and license offense counts from earlier this year.

In other sentencings that day:

- Caleb Southard pleaded no contest to sale of controlled drugs and possession with intent to sell them and will serve a year in county jail followed by a year on probation. The court ordered him also to pay

a \$400 investigative cost.

- The judge gave Breon Walker consecutive two-year probation terms after he serves six months in jail for felony fleeing police, possession of cocaine and paraphernalia.

- Daniel Nobles admitted to violating terms of his probation for multiple burglaries, grand theft, criminal mischief and prowling in 2013 and will serve 364 days in jail, a third of which he has already completed.

- The judge ordered a similar sentence for James Laughlin, who pleaded no contest to grand theft and forgery. He was also ordered to pay \$2000 restitution.

- The previous probation term for Tabetha Clendening was extended two years after she admitted to violating its terms. She was also ordered to complete community service hours.

- Richard Mills pleaded no contest to two hunting violations, trespass by projectile and illegal taking of deer, and will be on probation one year. He is also banned from hunting for that period.

Board approves fence variance

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The City of Macclenny's Zoning Adjustment Board approved a variance the evening of August 26 for Karen Rambo's fence, which is too close to the property line.

Mrs. Rambo explained to the four-member panel her fence was needed because her son, 20, is autistic.

"He does things most 20-year-old men don't do," she said, adding that he's a "runner" and has left her property on the northeast corner of Christie Court and Suzanne Drive before.

The white panel fence stands 6-feet high and provides the

back yard with privacy. But at that height, explained assistant city manager Roger Yarbrough, city codes require a 15-foot setback from the property line on corner lots.

The regulation is meant to keep fences from obstructing the line of sight for drivers at intersections.

Mrs. Rambo's fence doesn't block the intersection, however.

The fence extends from the rear of the house to the western property line before running north and wrapping around to connect with a chain link fence in the back yard. The intersection, meanwhile, is at the southwest corner of the lot adjacent to the front yard.

Mr. Yarbrough admitted the

circumstance exposed a quirk in the code, but it nonetheless meant Mrs. Rambo needed a zoning variance to avoid violating city ordinances. He said the variance application fee cost Mrs. Rambo \$400.

The variance, approved 4-0, reduces the required setback from 15 feet to zero since the fence was installed on the property line.

"I think it's great, understanding what having a challenging person in your home means," said board member Pam Lyons.

The Zoning Adjustment Board will have its next meeting on September 8 at 5 p.m. at city hall.

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Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
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Raiford Road's Legacy Academy turns sights to music

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What started as a dream more than a decade ago is soon to become a reality for Macclenny's Raiford Road Church. Beginning September 2, the church will host music lessons for children and adults for the first time with the Legacy Academy.

The initial set of classes are scheduled to run through November 21 with a recital set to be held December 6. The church decided to host the music lessons after seeing a need for them with the arts being neglected in schools.

The Legacy Academy is also a part of a bigger vision for the church to reach out into the community while offering a service that will benefit people, Pastor John Raulerson said.

"The Bible is full of mandates to sing and praise and play skillfully with a loud noise," said Tonda Griffis, who formerly headed the church's music department with husband and associate pastor Eddie Griffis. "When I was in school, there was a big emphasis on chorus, ensembles and competitions. It's not there because of budget cuts and the music and the arts have taken the biggest hits. We want to bridge that gap in training up the next generation."

The academy was just one of many ideas the church came up with during the "night of dreams" in 2002, but it was the final one to come to fruition. Raiford Road Church has created several ministries based on ideas from that night, including International Mission Builders in Central America, which has built more than 100 churches and two children's homes.

Locally, the church provides free toiletry items and clothing through the Care Center and helped start the First Coast Women's Services, which provides support to expectant mothers.

But the timing was never right to form the Legacy Academy, Mr. Raulerson said, as the church "waited patiently" for the right people to come along and help them create it.

Raiford Road Church finally found the people it was looking for in John and Jeannie Baskin, who were instrumental in starting a similar program at Jacksonville's Evangel Temple.

"My husband and I are getting near our retirement age and someone was sent to us that has new energy and new insight," Mrs. Griffis said. "The timing was right to pass the baton to the new generation to carry that on and see the vision come to pass with new blood and energy."

Getting the Legacy Academy up and running was simple because the community is "hungry" for a program like it, Mrs. Baskin said. She added she garnered interest by floating the idea around and has five instructors, including herself, who are excited to teach the music lessons.

Mrs. Baskin will teach beginning vocals to begin with, and another teacher may join later to teach a more advanced class. Middle school band director Heather Davidson will teach flute and woodwinds, while brass will be taught by trumpet player Ron Smith, who is also a former high school band director. Professional guitarist Bill Ricci will be the guitar and piano instructor. R.J. Jenks will be the academy's percussion instructor.

Class times are based around the instructor's availability and will cost \$22 per half-hour session with a \$15 registration fee due at the beginning of each year of study. So far, 15 people have signed up to attend the lessons.

Students will initially be trained classically in their instrument of choice but the Legacy Academy is open to any genre, Mrs. Baskin said.

Although the lessons will be held at the church, the classes are not going to be a "straight religious type of setting," Mr. Raulerson said.

"That's why even as we set this up it will probably not be tagged a ministry of Raiford Road Church but located at Raiford Road Church because we don't want people under the assumption," he said. "The music teaching itself will strictly be music teaching."

Mrs. Baskin said she hopes the Legacy Academy will help build on the musical talent the county already possesses.

"Honestly, I think Baker County is real rich with musical ability," she said. "You see a lot of churches on the westside of Jacksonville pulling people in and using them quite a bit. We have rich vocalists here. We have rich instrumentalists. There's a legacy of music that's been here."



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Associate pastor Eddie Griffis, John Raulerson (back), Tonda Griffis (front) and Jeannie Baskin.

Tuesday's election: Barton, Bennett in; run-offs in November

From page 1

race for the District 3 school board seat, which was vacated last summer. Her vote tally was 3,757 compared to 1,958 for DeAnna Rewis-McDuffie, a mother and general manager for the zip line park under development in Sanderson.

James G. Bennett, a former manager with the Florida Department of Transportation and an opponent of sand mining, defeated incumbent first-term District 4 county commissioner Adam Giddens.

Mr. Giddens supported Old-Castle Southern Group's sand mining proposal last summer, largely because of the utility infrastructure the company agreed to install and its plans to use treated wastewater from the City of Macclenny that is now discharged into Turkey Creek.

Mr. Bennett won the race by 22 percentage points and more than 1000 votes. He and his supporters began celebrating the victory after the outcome was clear, hugging and posing for photos.

In the crowded field of Democrats vying for their party's nomination in the Clerk of Courts race, deputy clerk Stacie Harvey came out on top with 1,113 votes, or 37 percent.

Fencing company owner and former sheriff's deputy Kenneth Roberts was the second-place finisher in the race with 27 percent.

Democrats in Baker County were nearly evenly split between the party's primary



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Incumbent school board candidate Artie Burnett (center) listens to final vote tallies being announced Tuesday evening.

candidates for governor. Nan Rich, a former state legislator, attracted 47 percent of the vote here compared to former governor Charlie Crist's 53 percent.

The Republican battle in the clerk's race was tight, too.

Loan officer Jack "Jackie" Baker III lost to former sheriff's investigator Chuck Brannan 46 percent to 54 percent. Mr. Brannan's margin of victory was 201 votes.

Mrs. Harvey has spent more than 19 years in the clerk's office and Mr. Brannan now works for the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a program coordinator.

The District 4 school board



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Candidates and their supporters were out in force for election day.

race will also be on the November ballot since none of the three candidates in the non-partisan race secured a majority of the vote, defined as 50 percent plus one vote.

Leading the way, however, was Charlie "Artie" Burnett, a first-term incumbent and officer with the Florida Department of Corrections. He got 42 percent of the vote and will meet the second-highest vote getter in political newcomer John "Jody" Anderson, a roofing contractor, in the general election.

Mr. Anderson received 35 percent while third place finisher Paul Scammacca, a teacher in Duval County, drew 23 percent.

In other results from Tuesday's primary in Baker County:

- Congressman Ander Crenshaw (R-Jacksonville) outshined his Tea Party-supported opponent Ryman Shoaf 77 percent to 23 percent here.

- Governor Rick Scott took 88 percent in the GOP primary here.

- George Sheldon, former head of the Florida Depart-

ment of Children and Families, saw 68 percent support from local Democrats in his bid to be Florida's next attorney general, while former state legislator Perry E. Thurston garnered 32 percent here.

Turnout in Baker County was 42.4 percent for the primary, which was among the top in the state.

Supervisor of Elections Nita Crawford said the county was the first in Florida to report its results to the state division of elections Tuesday night.



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County commission candidate James Bennett hugs his wife following his primary win.

Warning lights at 90-I-10 'Calming signals' near area schools

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The Florida Department of Transportation has installed flashing lights at the deadly Interstate 10 interchange on U.S. 90 in an effort to reduce crashes at the location.

In July, 2013 Richard O. Ratliff, 60, and Anne R. Ratliff, 58, both of Lake City, were killed when the rear of their westbound Ford Taurus was clipped by a UPS truck crossing the highway from the gas station on the north side of U.S. 90. Their infant son survived with minor injuries.

The fatal wreck was the 21st one at the interchange, and the ninth accident to occur in the same spot, since 2010.

The new lights warn westbound drivers on U.S. 90 that vehicles are entering the roadway.

"We have completed a project which will activate flashing lights for westbound U.S. 90 drivers to be alerted when traffic enters the eastbound exit ramp from I-10," said FDOT District 2 spokeswoman Gina Busscher. "This is in response to the crashes that were occurring there, including the Ratliffs."

The state also announced last week that new signage and lighting is being installed near three area schools to better protect pedestrians.

Eight of the "vehicle activated traffic calming signals," or VATCS, will go on south 5th and 6th streets near the middle school and pre-k-kindergarten center campuses as well as CR 23B near Maccenny Elementary.

"The VATCS are solar powered, digital signs designed to advise drivers to slow down if they are traveling above the posted speed limit," reads a press release from FDOT consultant Rebecca White of Atkins Global. "Since drivers have limited time to read and react to warning messages, the vehicle speed is not displayed but instead warning lights flash to alert drivers to reduce their speed and be aware of pedestrians and school traf-

fic. The signs are programmed to operate in conjunction with the school calendar and active school zone hours.

The project also includes upgrading existing school zone signals and painting crosswalks and pavement markings.

Ms. White said the VATCS will store vehicle speed, date and time data but they're not equipped with cameras. The signs were first used in Lake County in 2012 but Macclenny is the first location to have them in North Florida, she said.

The state hired American Lighting and Signalization, Inc., a North Carolina-based firm with a branch in Jacksonville, for \$402,306 to make the improvements.



New signs at the dangerous I-10 interchange at U.S. 90 are set to flash when vehicles are crossing the highway.



A crew works on new 5th Street signage to slow city drivers.

NEW RIVER LANDFILL

Methane plant on-line in '16

MIKE ANDERSON
PRESS STAFF

By February 2016 a generating plant is expected to begin converting gas from rotting garbage to electricity and producing income for New River regional landfill, which means more money for Baker, Bradford and Union counties.

That's the scenario in a schedule presented to the New River Solid Waste Association's governing board by Florida Energy Partners of Tampa, the company selected to head up its new Landfill Gas-to-Energy, or LGTE, project.

"Everybody wants to get this project up and making money," Alan Beer, FEP vice president and project director, told the board at a meeting on August 14.

Mr. Beer said a power purchase agreement has been finalized with New River's first customer, Duke Energy, which claims to be the largest electric power holding company in the United States with over 7 million customers.

However, a final contract won't be ready until terms and conditions have been negotiated, which Mr. Beer predicted would be completed and presented to the New River board for its approval at the next meeting, which could come as early as September 11.

One of the next steps in the process will be approval of the Florida Public Service Commission, which regulates investor-owned electric, natural gas, water and wastewater utilities throughout Florida.

Mr. Beer said that should be easily obtained since the state agency very much "wants renewable energy projects."

According to the project schedule, engineering, construction costs and Florida Department of Environmental Protection permitting should be completed by February 2015, at which time construction materials and equipment will be ordered.

One year later the facility should be fully operational, including equipment to collect and transfer landfill gas to the plant where it will be converted into fuel for electric generators.

"It should be running by mid-February 2016," Mr. Beer told five eager board members.

"We're ready!" said the board's vice chair Karen Cossey, echoing the sentiments of the four other board members present on August 14.

A LGTE plant has been a goal of the New River governing board for several years, during which previous plans with other companies have failed to materialize. Officials have expressed confidence in the ability of Florida Energy Partners to succeed and enable the landfill to begin profiting from methane gas that, until now, has been incinerated and gone up in smoke.

But it won't be cheap. The New River Solid Waste Association has committed to spending nearly \$10 million in capital outlay to finance the venture over 15 years, during which the generating plant is expected to return millions in profits from the sale of power.

According to FEP projections, at the end of 15 years New River would have a 100 percent fully-funded plant, at a total cost of \$9,331,967, and a \$7 million profit.

Projections show anticipated income starting

Everybody wants to get this project up and making money. It should be running by mid-February 2016.

-Alan Beer

FEP vice president and project director

at \$406,254 in 2015 and gradually increasing to \$1,583,638 in 2029. During the same time period New River's annual debt payment would be \$310,628 for four years, followed by payments of \$735,405 each year until the end of the 15-year term.

Ultimately, revenue from the sale of electricity will enable New River to stop relying on tipping fees to help fund costly long-term care expenses, Executive Director Darrell O'Neal told the board.

Florida Energy Partners' involvement will be to manage the generating plant and secure additional power purchase agreements in the future.

Also during the August 14 meeting the New River board:

- Tabled a decision regarding a proposed investment policy intended to increase earnings on investments, which presently are in low interest-bearing instruments such as money market funds and certificates of deposit.

A key question to be answered is whether the board is willing to assume some risk by investing in the stock market, which could provide much greater earnings than current investments.

Matt Bryant, a personal financial adviser with Ameriprise Financial in Starke, has been helping the board shape its investment policy since April. He told board members on August 14 that the decision was theirs to make, but he hinted that putting some money in equities could be a wise move.

"We're in a very slow growth economy right now," Mr. Bryant said. "But 6 percent (earning in the stock market) beats half a percent (earnings in CDs and money market accounts)."

Put another way, he said in a long economic recovery cycle "slow growth is stable growth."

Before an investment policy is finalized, Mr. Bryant told the board, they must reach a decision on what type of investments they want to pursue.

"The first step is whether you want to include equities in the portfolio at all," he said. The board's attorney, Russell Wade, agreed.

Board Chairman Mark Hartley said he wanted to get some input from the association's auditors before reaching a decision.

Others suggested waiting until after the Landfill Gas to Energy Project is implemented because then they would have a much better understanding of their potential costs and revenues ahead.

- Discussed a proposal to allow Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises (PRIDE), Inc., to use landfill property for pastureland for cows. Pending legal review of the proposal, a decision was postponed until the next board meeting.

"PRIDE's been a good neighbor. They keep it mowed and keep the fence up," said Perry Kent, New River's executive director.

PRIDE, a non-profit corporation authorized by the Florida Legislature in 1981 to operate state prison industries, states on its website that it annually "contributes millions of dollars to the state of Florida in the form of inmate compensation, victim restitution and investment in assets for the state."

Elin Lechner is new Baby Forestry Queen

Elin Faith Lechner, 2, has become the reigning Baby Miss Florida Forestry Queen.

She is the daughter of Noel and Brian Lechner and the granddaughter of Janie and Dennis Mitchell, all of Macclenny, and Kathy and Charlie Lechner of Jacksonville. Elin's mother said, "We are so proud of Elin's accomplishments! Her father and Elin were featured on a Father's Day commercial for the Baby First Network and now she is shining on stage."



Elin Lechner

At 20 months old she was crowned Baker County Baby Miss Forestry at Orange Park High School. The last month she competed against babies from all over Florida at Baker County High School and won the title Baby Miss Florida Forestry Queen.

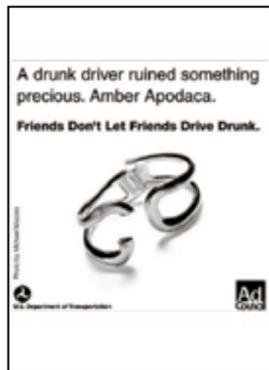
Elin recently attended Kids

Fest at the Lake City Mall where she and several other queens honored Smokey the Bear on his 70th birthday.

She will be competing for the US National Forestry title in Tifton, GA this weekend on August 30. She has supporting family and friends traveling from all over Florida, Alabama, South Carolina and North Carolina to attend the event, he mother said.

"Elin is looking forward to a great year of promoting the forestry industry, participating in events and all of the local parades especially the UF Homecoming Parade in October and the Annual Christmas Lights Parade held in Macclenny in December," said Noel Lechner.

Elin enjoys learning to swim, traveling and spending time with all of her family.



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LEGAL NOTICES

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

Case #: 2013-CA-000013

Green Tree Servicing LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

Ron Farron Worley a/k/a Ron Worley; Carol Ann Worley a/k/a Carol Worley; Central Pacific Mortgage Company d/b/a Central Pacific Mortgage Companies; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescinding foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 2013-CA-000013 of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, wherein Green Tree Servicing LLC, Plaintiff and Ron Farron Worley a/k/a Ron Worley are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Al Fraser, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE EAST DOOR OF THE BAKER COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 339 EAST MACCLENNY AVENUE, MACCLENNY, BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on December 4, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 17, ALLEN LANS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 58 AND 59A, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MANUFACTURED HOME, YEAR: 2000, MAKE: FLEETWOOD, VIN: GAFLY54A85487ET21 AND VIN: GAFLY54B85487ET21, WHICH IS AFFIXED THERETO.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, Florida 32601 (352) 491-4490 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Al Fraser
Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: Tabitha Addison
Deputy Clerk Of Court

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8/21-28c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: 13CA000031CAAXMX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HAROLD KEINATH A/K/A HAROLD J. KEINATH; et al,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 31, 2014 entered in Civil Case No.: 13000031CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for Baker County, Florida, Al Fraser Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the courthouse located at the East Door of the Courthouse at 339 East Macclennay Avenue, 1st Floor, Macclennay, FL 32063 at 11:00 am on the 4th day of December, 2014 the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 1 AND 4, (LESS THE WEST 50 FEET) BLOCK 9, TOWN OF MACCLENNY, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN DEED BOOK D, PAGE 800, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BAKER COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2014.

Al Fraser
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Tabitha Addison
Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The quarterly meeting of the Baker County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board will take place at 10 a.m., Thursday, September 11, 2014, at the Baker County Commission Building, 55 North 3rd Street, Macclennay, Florida, 32063. All interested persons are invited to attend. The Northeast Florida Regional Council adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this meeting upon request. Requests should be received at least 72-hours in advance of the meeting in order to allow time to provide the requested service. For more information, contact the Northeast Florida Regional Council at (904) 279-0880 between the hours of 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

Case No.: 2013-CA-211

DARRYL REGISTER and DANETTE REGISTER,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

JOHNNY M. WILLIAMS and MELISSA D. WILLIAMS, UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION, SECOND UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION, and MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 4, 2014 in the above styled cause, I, Al Fraser, Clerk of the Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse, at 11:00 a.m. on September 18, 2014, the following described property set forth in the Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

Part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 19, Township 2 South, Range 21 East, Baker County Florida and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the NE corner of said SW ¼ of the NW ¼; thence N 88 deg. 28'53" W, on the North line thereof a distance of 123.03 feet; thence S 24 deg. 35'17" W, a distance of 293.31 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue S 24 deg. 35'17" W, a distance of 555.61 feet; thence N 65 deg. 24'43" W, a distance of 392.00 feet; thence N 24 deg. 35'17" E a distance of 555.61 feet; thence S 65 deg. 24'43" E a distance of 392.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 5.00 acres more or less.

Together with a 30 foot easement for ingress and egress being more particularly described as follows: Part of the SW ¼ to the NW ¼ of Section 19, Township 2 South, Range 21 East, Baker County, Florida, and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the NE corner of said SW ¼ to the NW ¼; thence N 88 deg. 28'53" W, on the North line thereof a distance of 123.03 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence S 24 deg. 35'17" W, a distance of 293.31 feet; thence N 65 deg. 24'43" W, a distance of 392.00 feet; thence N 24 deg. 35'17" E, a distance of 545.4 feet; thence N 37 deg. 22'30" W a distance of 154.0 feet to the Southerly right of way line of Turner Cemetery Road (a county maintained graded road); thence S 69 deg. 53' E on said Southerly right of way line of 55.8 feet; thence S 37 deg. 22'30" E a distance of 124.8 feet; thence S 24 deg. 35'17" W a distance of 269.91 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Court on 12th of August, 2014

Al Fraser

Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: Tabitha Addison

As Deputy Clerk

Andrew J. Decker, IV, Esquire
320 White Avenue
Live Oak, Florida 32064

8/21-28c

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

Case No: 02-2014-CA-0076

PATRICIA L. FISH, as Trustee of the BENJAMIN F. FISH REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST, AND PATRICIA L. FISH, as Trustee of the PATRICIA L. FISH REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

MARY C. GERMAIN, Deceased, And TIMOTHY M. JORDAN, not known to be dead or alive, And MELISSA ORALLS, And all unknown grantees,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Baker County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Baker County, Florida, described as follows:

Parcel ID# 07-1S-21-0000-0000-0045

Part of the Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 7, Township 1 South, Range 21 East, Baker County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: For a Point of Reference commence at the Northeast corner of said Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼. Thence run South 89°06'03" West along the North line of said Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼, a distance of 253.59 feet; thence run South 00°20'54" West, a distance of 199.78 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 00°20'54" West, a distance of 199.78 feet; thence run South 89°06'03" West, a distance of 564.23 feet to the East right-of-way line of Raulerson Road; thence run North 03°51'06" West along said East right-of-way line, a distance of 200.00 feet; thence run North 89°06'03" East, a distance of 578.88 feet to the Point of Beginning.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Baker County Courthouse, Macclennay, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 25, 2014.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 21st day of August, 2014.

T.A. "AL" FRASER
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Tabitha Addison
Deputy Clerk

Frank E. Maloney, Jr., P.A.
Attorney for Plaintiff
445 East Macclennay Avenue
Macclennay, FL 32063

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Higginbotham's Towing & Recovery Inc. 7611 West Mt. Vernon St. Glen St. Mary, FL 32040

The following vehicle will be sold at public auction on September 12, 2014 at 10 am at Higginbotham's Towing & Recovery, 7611 West Mt. Vernon St., Glen St. Mary, FL 32040:

1985 Chevrolet Celebrity
Vin# 1G1AW19X9F6184152

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Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. 10510 Duval Lane Macclennay, FL 32063

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on September 12, 2014, 12:00 pm at 10510 Duval Lane, Macclennay, FL 32063, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

2001 General Motors Corp.
Vin # 1GTEK19T1K1E235254

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NOTICE OF ACTION

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MESSAGE IN RE: The license to practice Massage

Carlos I. Victoria, LMT
14435 North State Road 121
Macclennay, Florida 32063
and
113 N. Churchill Drive
St Augustine, Florida 32086

Case No.: 2013-16131
License No.: MA40568

The Department of Health has filed an Administrative Complaint against you, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting, Cecile Dale Sykes, Assistant General Counsel, Prosecution Services Unit, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C65, Tallahassee Florida 32399-3265, (850) 245-4444.

If no contact has been made by you concerning the above by September 17, 2014, the matter of the Administrative Complaint will be presented at an ensuing meeting of the Board of Massage in an informal proceeding.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending this notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on the notice. Telephone: (850) 245-4444, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

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Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. 10510 Duval Lane Macclennay, FL 32063

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on September 19, 2014, 12:00 pm at 10510 Duval Lane, Macclennay, FL 32063, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. Miracle Automotive & Truck Service Center Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

2001 Chevrolet
Vin # 1GNCT18W51K110199

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

Case No.: 022012CA000254CAXXXX

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTOPHER ERIC EDDINS, et al

Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

RE-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale filed August 4, 2014 and entered in Case No. 022012CA000254CAXXXX of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH Judicial Circuit in and for BAKER COUNTY, Florida, wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff, and CHRISTOPHER ERIC EDDINS, et al are Defendants, the clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 AM at BAKER COUNTY Courthouse, Front Door Entrance, 339 E. Macclennay Avenue, Macclennay, FL 32063, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 6th day of November, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Lis Pendens, to wit:

COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4, SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, AND RUN THENCE N 0 DEG. 46 MINUTES 03 SECONDS W, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4, 355.00 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ADAMS ROAD AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND RUN THENCE N 87 DEG. 54 MINUTES W, ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 125.00 FEET, THENCE N 0 DEG. 46 MINUTES 03 SECONDS W, 304.90 FEET, THENCE S 87 DEG. 36 MINUTES 03 SECONDS E, 125.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4, THENCE S 0 DEG. 46 MINUTES 03 SECONDS E, 305.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Macclennay, BAKER COUNTY, Florida, this 25th day of August, 2014.

Al Fraser
Clerk of said Circuit Court

By: Tabitha Addison
As Deputy Clerk

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
c/o Phelan Hallinan, PLC
2727 West Cypress Creek Road
Fl. Lauderdale, FL 33309
954-462-7000

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ms. Jan Phillips, ADA Coordinator, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. If you are deaf or hard of hearing and require an ASL interpreter or an assisted listening device to participate in a proceeding, please contact the Court Interpreter Program at interpreter@circuit8.org

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO BE VOTED ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014

NOTICE OF ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that an election will be held in each county in Florida, on November 4, 2014, for the ratification or rejection of a proposed revision to the constitution of the State of Florida.

No. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE X, SECTION 28 (Initiative)

Ballot Title:

Water and Land Conservation - Dedicates funds to acquire and restore Florida conservation and recreation lands

Ballot Summary:

Funds the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to acquire, restore, improve, and manage conservation lands including wetlands and forests; fish and wildlife habitat; lands protecting water resources and drinking water sources, including the Everglades, and the water quality of rivers, lakes, and streams; beaches and shores; outdoor recreational lands; working farms and ranches; and historic or geologic sites, by dedicating 33 percent of net revenues from the existing excise tax on documents for 20 years.

Financial Impact Statement:

This amendment does not increase or decrease state revenues. The state revenue restricted to the purposes specified in the amendment is estimated to be \$648 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and grows to \$1,268 billion by the twentieth year. Whether this results in any additional state expenditures depends upon future legislative actions and cannot be determined. Similarly, the impact on local government revenues, if any, cannot be determined. No additional local government costs are expected.

Full Text:

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS SECTION 28. Land Acquisition Trust Fund.—

(a) Effective on July 1 of the year following passage

of this amendment by the voters, and for a period of 20 years after that effective date, the Land Acquisition Trust Fund shall receive no less than 33 percent of net revenues derived from the existing excise tax on documents, as defined in the statutes in effect on January 1, 2012, as amended from time to time, or any successor or replacement tax, after the Department of Revenue first deducts a service charge to pay the costs of the collection and enforcement of the excise tax on documents.

(b) Funds in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund shall be expended only for the following purposes:

1) As provided by law, to finance or refinance: the acquisition and improvement of land, water areas, and related property interests, including conservation easements, and resources for conservation lands including wetlands, forests, and fish and wildlife habitat; wildlife management areas; lands that protect water resources and drinking water sources, including lands protecting the water quality and quantity of rivers, lakes, streams, springsheds, and lands providing recharge for groundwater and aquifer systems; lands in the Everglades, Agricultural Area and the Everglades Protection Area, as defined in Article II, Section 7(b); beaches and shores; outdoor recreation lands, including recreational trails, parks, and urban open space; rural landscapes; working farms and ranches; historic or geologic sites; together with management, restoration of natural systems, and the enhancement of public access or recreational enjoyment of conservation lands.

2) To pay the debt service on bonds issued pursuant to Article VII, Section 11(e).

(c) The moneys deposited into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund, as defined by the statutes in effect on January 1, 2012, shall not be or become commingled with the General Revenue Fund of the state.

No. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE X, SECTION 29 (Initiative)

Ballot Title:

Use of Marijuana for Certain Medical Conditions

Ballot Summary:

Allows the medical use of marijuana for individuals with debilitating diseases as determined by a licensed Florida physician. Allows caregivers to assist patients' medical use of marijuana. The Department of Health shall register and regulate centers that produce and distribute marijuana for medical purposes and shall issue identification cards to patients and caregivers. Applies only to Florida law. Does not authorize violations of federal law or any non-medical use, possession or production of marijuana.

Financial Impact Statement:

Increased costs from this amendment to state and local governments cannot be determined. There will be additional regulatory and enforcement activities associated with the production and sale of medical marijuana. Fees will offset at least a portion of the regulatory costs. While sales tax may apply to purchases, changes in revenue cannot reasonably be determined since the extent to which medical marijuana will be exempt from taxation is unclear without legislative or state administrative action.

Full Text:

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS SECTION 29. Medical marijuana production, possession and use.—

(a) PUBLIC POLICY.

(1) The medical use of marijuana by a qualifying patient or personal caregiver is not subject to criminal or civil liability or sanctions under Florida law except as provided in this section.

(2) A physician licensed in Florida shall not be subject to criminal or civil liability or sanctions under Florida law for issuing a physician certification to a person diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition in a manner consistent with this section.

(3) Actions and conduct by a medical marijuana treatment center registered with the Department, or its employees, as permitted by this section and in compliance with Department regulations, shall not be subject to criminal or civil liability or sanctions under Florida law except as provided in this section.

(b) DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this section, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Debilitating Medical Condition" means cancer, glaucoma, positive status for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), hepatitis C, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Crohn's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis or other conditions for which a physician believes that the medical use of marijuana would likely outweigh the potential health risks for a patient.

(2) "Department" means the Department of Health or its successor agency.

(3) "Identification card" means a document issued by the Department that identifies a person who has a physician certification or a personal caregiver who is at least twenty-one (21) years old and has agreed to assist with a qualifying patient's medical use of marijuana.

(4) "Marijuana" has the meaning given cannabis in Section 893.02(3), Florida Statutes (2013).

(5) "Medical Marijuana Treatment Center" means an entity that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to qualifying patients or their personal caregivers and is registered by the Department.

(6) "Medical use" means the acquisition, possession, use, delivery, transfer, or administration of marijuana or related supplies by a qualifying patient or personal caregiver for use by a qualifying patient for the treatment of a debilitating medical condition.

(7) "Personal caregiver" means a person who is at least twenty-one (21) years old who has agreed to assist with a qualifying patient's medical use of marijuana and has

c. After the year 2000, a county may initiate the local option for merit selection and retention or the election of county court judges, whichever is applicable, by filing with the supervisor of elections a petition signed by the number of electors equal to at least ten percent of the votes cast in the county in the last preceding election in which presidential electors were chosen. The terms of circuit judges and judges of county courts shall be for six years.

SECTION 11. Vacancies.—

(a)(1) Whenever a vacancy occurs in a judicial office to which election for retention applies, the governor shall fill the vacancy by appointing for a term ending on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of the year following the next general election occurring at least one year after the date of appointment, one of not fewer than three persons nor more than six persons nominated by the appropriate judicial nominating commission.

(2) Whenever a prospective vacancy occurs in a judicial office for which election for retention applies, the governor shall fill the prospective vacancy by appointing a justice or judge from among at least three persons but not more than six persons nominated by the appropriate judicial nominating commission. The term of the appointment commences upon the expiration of the term of the office being vacated and ends on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of the year following the next general election.

(b) The governor shall fill each vacancy on a circuit court or on a county court, wherein the judges are elected by a majority vote of the electors, by appointing for a term ending on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January of the year following the next primary and general election occurring at least one year after the date of appointment, one of not fewer than three persons nor more than six persons nominated by the appropriate judicial nominating commission. An election shall be held to fill that judicial office for the term of the office beginning at the end of the appointed term.

(c) The nominations shall be made within thirty days from the occurrence of a vacancy or prospective vacancy unless the period is extended by the governor for a time not to exceed thirty days. The governor shall make the appointment within sixty days after the nominations have been certified to the governor.

(d) There shall be a separate judicial nominating commission as provided by general law for the supreme court, each district court of appeal, and each judicial circuit for all trial courts within the circuit. Uniform rules of procedure shall be established by the judicial nominating commissions at each level of the court system. Such rules, or any part thereof, may be repealed by general law enacted by a majority vote of the membership of each house of the legislature, or by the supreme court, five justices concurring. Except for deliberations of the judicial nominating commissions, the proceedings of the commissions and their records shall be open to the public.

ENMIENDAS CONSTITUCIONALES PROPUESTAS SOBRE LAS QUE SE VOTARÁ EL 4 DE NOVIEMBRE DEL 2014 AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado del Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que se llevarán a cabo elecciones en cada condado de la Florida, el 4 de noviembre del 2014, para la aprobación o el rechazo de una propuesta de modificación de la constitución del Estado de la Florida.

No. 1 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTICULO X, SECCION 28 (Iniciativa)

Título de la boleta:
Conservación de aguas y tierras; dedicar fondos para adquirir y restaurar tierras objeto de conservación y recreación en el Estado de Florida

Resumen de la boleta:
Provee fondos para el Fondo Fiduciario de Adquisición de Tierras con el fin de adquirir, restaurar, mejorar y administrar tierras objeto de conservación, entre ellas pantanos y bosques; el hábitat de peces y vida silvestre; tierras que protegen los recursos hídricos y las fuentes de agua potable, incluidos los Everglades, y la calidad del agua en ríos, lagos y arroyos; playas y costas; tierras de recreación al aire libre; establecimientos agrícolas y ganaderos en actividad, y emplazamientos históricos o geológicos. Para ello se dedicará el 33% de los ingresos netos obtenidos del impuesto especial existente sobre documentos durante 20 años.

Declaración sobre impacto financiero:
Esta enmienda no incrementa ni reduce los ingresos estatales. El ingreso estatal limitado para los propósitos específicos en la enmienda se estima en \$648 millones para el año fiscal 2015-16 y aumenta a \$1,268 mil millones hacia el vigésimo año. Si eso traerá como consecuencia gastos estatales adicionales depende de futuras acciones legislativas y no puede determinarse. De la misma manera, tampoco puede determinarse el impacto sobre los ingresos de gobiernos locales, si los hubiera. No se prevén costos de gobiernos locales.

Texto completo:
ARTÍCULO X VARIOS

SECCIÓN 28. Fondo Fiduciario de Adquisición de Tierras.—

a) Con vigencia el 1° de julio del año posterior a la aprobación de esta enmienda por parte de los votantes y durante un período de 20 años a partir de esa fecha de entrada en vigor, el Fondo Fiduciario de Adquisición de Tierras recibirá no menos del 33% de los ingresos netos derivados del impuesto especial existente sobre documentos, tal como se define en los estatutos vigentes al 1° de enero de 2012, enmendados de tanto en tanto, o de cualquier impuesto sucesor o de reemplazo, después de que el Departamento de Hacienda deduzca primero un cargo de servicio con el fin de pagar los costos de recopilación y aplicación del impuesto especial sobre documentos.

b) El dinero del Fondo Fiduciario de Adquisición de Tierras se empleará únicamente con los siguientes propósitos:

- 1) Como lo establece la ley, para financiar o refinanciar: la adquisición o mejora de tierras, áreas de agua y derechos inmobiliarios relacionados, entre ellos las servidumbres de conservación y los recursos para tierras objeto de conservación, como, por ejemplo, pantanos, bosques y hábitat de peces y vida silvestre; áreas de administración de vida silvestre; tierras que protegen los recursos hídricos y las fuentes de agua potable, entre ellos las tierras que protegen la calidad y cantidad del agua en ríos, lagos, arroyos, manantiales, y tierras que brindan recarga de agua subterránea y sistemas acuíferos; tierras en el Área agrícola de los Everglades y el Área de protección de los Everglades, como están definidas en el Artículo II, Sección 7(b); playas y costas; tierras de recreación al aire libre, incluidos senderos recreativos, parques y espacios abiertos urbanos; paisajes rurales; establecimientos agrícolas y ganaderos en actividad; emplazamientos históricos o geológicos; junto con la administración, restauración de sistemas naturales y mejoramiento del acceso público o disfrute recreativo de las tierras objeto de conservación.

2) Para el pago del servicio de la deuda sobre los bonos emitidos conforme al Artículo VII, Sección 11(e).

c) El dinero depositado en el Fondo Fiduciario de Adquisición de Tierras, tal como se define en los estatutos vigentes al 1° de enero de 2012, no estará mezclado ni se mezclará con el Fondo de Ingresos Generales del Estado.

No. 2 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTICULO X, SECCION 29 (Iniciativa)

Título de la boleta:
Uso de marihuana para algunas enfermedades

Resumen de la boleta:

Permite el uso médico de la marihuana a las personas con enfermedades debilitantes, según lo determine un médico autorizado por el Estado de Florida. Permite a los cuidadores asistir a los pacientes en el uso médico de marihuana. El Departamento de Salud deberá inscribir y regular los centros que producen y distribuyen marihuana con fines médicos y deberán extender tarjetas de identificación a pacientes y cuidadores. Se aplica únicamente a las leyes del Estado de Florida. No autoriza infracciones de la ley federal ni ningún uso, posesión o producción de marihuana con fines que no sean médicos.

Declaración sobre impacto financiero:

El aumento de costos generado por esta enmienda para el gobierno estatal y los gobiernos locales no puede determinarse. Habrá actividades adicionales de regulación y aplicación asociadas a la producción y venta de marihuana con fines médicos. Las tarifas compensarán al menos en parte los costos de regulación. Si bien el impuesto sobre la venta se aplica a las compras, los cambios fiscales no pueden determinarse de manera razonable, dado que, si no existe una acción legislativa o administrativa estatal, no está claro en qué medida la marihuana con fines médicos estará exenta de impuestos.

Texto completo:
ARTÍCULO X VARIOS

SECCIÓN 29. Producción, posesión y uso de marihuana con fines médicos.—

(a) **POLÍTICA PÚBLICA.**
(1) El uso médico de marihuana por parte de un paciente calificado o un cuidador personal no está sujeto a responsabilidad ni a sanciones penales o civiles conforme a las leyes del Estado de Florida, excepto según se indica en esta sección.

(2) Un médico autorizado por el Estado de Florida no estará sujeto a responsabilidad penal o civil ni a sanciones, conforme a las leyes del Estado de Florida, por extender un certificado médico a una persona diagnosticada con una enfermedad debilitante de conformidad con esta sección.

(3) Las acciones y el comportamiento de un centro de tratamiento de marihuana con fines médicos inscrito ante el Departamento, o sus empleados, según se contempla en esta sección y en cumplimiento de las reglamentaciones del Departamento, no estarán sujetos a responsabilidad ni a sanciones penales o civiles conforme a las leyes del Estado de Florida, excepto según se indica en esta sección.

(b) **DEFINICIONES.** A los fines de esta sección, las siguientes palabras y términos tendrán los siguientes significados:

(1) «Enfermedad debilitante» significa cáncer, glaucoma, estado positivo del virus de inmunodeficiencia humana (VIH), síndrome de inmunodeficiencia adquirida (SIDA), hepatitis C, esclerosis lateral amiotrófica (ELA), enfermedad de Crohn, enfermedad de Parkinson, esclerosis múltiple u otras enfermedades con las cuales, a criterio del médico, los beneficios del uso médico de la marihuana probablemente serían superiores a los riesgos potenciales para la salud de un paciente.

(2) «Departamento» significa el Departamento de Salud o su agencia sucesora.

(3) «Tarjeta de identificación» significa un documento emitido por el Departamento que identifica a una persona que tiene un certificado médico o a un cuidador personal de por lo menos veintidós (21) años de edad que ha aceptado asistir a un paciente calificado en el uso médico de marihuana.

(4) «Marihuana» tiene el significado otorgado al cannabis en la Sección 893.02(3) de los Estatutos de Florida (2013).

(5) «Centro de tratamiento de marihuana con fines médicos» significa una entidad que adquiere, cultiva, posee, procesa (incluido el desarrollo de productos relacionados tales como alimentos, tinturas, aerosoles, aceites o ungüentos), transfiere, transporta, vende, distribuye, despacha o administra marihuana, productos que contienen marihuana, suministros relacionados o material educativo a pacientes calificados o a sus cuidadores personales y que está inscrito ante el Departamento.

(6) «Uso médico» significa la adquisición, posesión, uso, entrega, transferencia o administración de marihuana o suministros relacionados por parte de un paciente calificado o un cuidador personal para ser usados por un paciente calificado para el tratamiento de una enfermedad debilitante.

(7) «Cuidador personal» significa una persona de por lo menos veintidós (21) años de edad que ha aceptado asistir a un paciente calificado en el uso médico de marihuana y tiene una tarjeta de identificación de cuidador emitida por el Departamento. Un cuidador personal no puede asistir a más de cinco (5) pacientes por vez. Un empleado de un proveedor de cuidados paliativos o de un centro médico o de un hogar de ancianos puede actuar como cuidador personal para más de cinco (5) pacientes calificados, según lo permite el Departamento. Está prohibido para los cuidadores personales consumir marihuana obtenida para el uso personal y médico del paciente calificado.

(8) «Médico» significa un médico autorizado por el Estado de Florida.

(9) «Certificado médico» significa un documento por escrito firmado por un médico en el que se indica que, en la opinión profesional del médico, el paciente sufre de una enfermedad debilitante, que los beneficios potenciales del uso médico de la marihuana probablemente sean superiores a los riesgos para la salud del paciente, y se indica durante cuánto tiempo el médico recomienda el uso médico de marihuana para el paciente. Un certificado médico sólo puede extenderse después de que el médico haya realizado un examen físico del paciente y una evaluación completa del historial médico del paciente.

(10) «Paciente calificado» significa una persona a la que se le ha diagnosticado una enfermedad debilitante, que tiene un certificado médico y una tarjeta de identificación válida de paciente calificado. Si el Departamento no comienza a emitir tarjetas de identificación dentro de los nueve (9) meses posteriores a la fecha de entrada en vigor de esta sección, un certificado médico válido servirá como tarjeta de identificación de paciente para permitir que una persona se convierta en «paciente calificado» hasta tanto el Departamento comience a emitir tarjetas de identificación.

(c) **LIMITACIONES.**

(1) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección afectará a las leyes referidas al uso no médico, posesión, producción o venta de marihuana.

(2) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección autoriza el uso de marihuana con fines médicos a cualquier persona que no sea un paciente calificado.

(3) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección permite la operación de un vehículo de motor, embarcación o aeronave mientras se está bajo la influencia de la marihuana.

(4) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección requiere que se infrinjan las leyes federales o pretenda otorgar inmunidad conforme a las leyes federales.

(5) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección requerirá adaptación alguna para el uso médico de marihuana en ningún lugar de educación o trabajo, ni para fumar marihuana con fines médicos en ningún sitio público.

(6) Nada de lo contenido en esta sección requerirá que ningún proveedor de seguros de salud u organismo o autoridad del gobierno reembolse a ninguna persona por los gastos relacionados con el uso médico de marihuana.

(d) **OBLIGACIONES DEL DEPARTAMENTO.** El Departamento deberá emitir reglamentaciones razonables y necesarias para la implementación y aplicación de esta sección. El propósito de las reglamentaciones es garantizar la disponibilidad y el uso seguro de marihuana con fines médicos por parte de los pacientes calificados. Es obligación del Departamento promulgar reglamentaciones de manera oportuna.

objeto de otorgarle al Departamento tiempo suficiente después de la aprobación de esta sección, las siguientes reglamentaciones deberán promulgarse a más tardar seis (6) meses después de la fecha de entrada en vigor de esta sección:

a. **Procedimientos para la emisión de tarjetas de identificación de paciente calificado a las personas portadoras de certificados médicos, y estándares para la renovación de dichas tarjetas de identificación.**

b. **Procedimientos para la emisión de tarjetas de identificación de cuidador personal a personas calificadas para asistir a un paciente calificado en el uso médico de marihuana, y estándares para la renovación de dichas tarjetas de identificación.**

c. **Procedimientos para la inscripción de Centros de Tratamiento de Marihuana Con Fines Médicos, que incluyan procedimientos para la emisión, renovación, suspensión y revocación de inscripciones, y estándares para garantizar la seguridad informática, el mantenimiento de registros, análisis, etiquetado, inspección y seguridad.**

d. **Una reglamentación que defina la cantidad de marihuana que podría considerarse un suministro adecuado y razonable para el uso médico de los pacientes calificados, sobre la base de las mejores pruebas disponibles. Esta presunción referida a la cantidad puede contrarrestarse con pruebas del uso médico apropiado por parte de un paciente calificado en particular.**

(2) **Emisión de tarjetas de identificación e inscripciones.** El Departamento comenzará a emitir tarjetas de identificación de paciente calificado y cuidador personal, y también iniciará la inscripción de Centros de Tratamiento de Marihuana Con Fines Médicos a más tardar nueve (9) meses después de la fecha de entrada en vigor de esta sección.

(3) Si el Departamento no emite las reglamentaciones, o si el Departamento no comienza a emitir tarjetas de identificación y a inscribir a Centros de Tratamiento de Marihuana Con Fines Médicos dentro de los plazos establecidos en esta sección, cualquier ciudadano del Estado de Florida tendrá derecho a valerse de recursos judiciales para obligar al cumplimiento de las obligaciones constitucionales del Departamento.

(4) El Departamento deberá proteger la confidencialidad de todos los pacientes calificados. Todos los registros que contengan la identidad de los pacientes calificados deberán ser confidenciales y estar exentos de divulgación pública excepto con fines médicos o referidos al cumplimiento de la ley válidos.

(e) **LEGISLACIÓN.** Nada de lo contenido en esta sección limitará a la legislación para promulgar leyes coherentes con esta disposición.

(f) **DIVISIBILIDAD.** Las disposiciones contenidas en esta sección son divisibles, y si cualquier tribunal competente declara la invalidez de cualquier cláusula, oración, párrafo o sección de esta medida, o su aplicación, las demás disposiciones continuarán vigentes en la mayor medida posible.

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ARTÍCULO V PODER JUDICIAL

SECCIÓN 10. Retención; elección y mandatos.—

(a) Cualquier juez o magistrado puede calificar para la retención, la cual se produce mediante el voto de los electores en la próxima elección general que sea anterior a la conclusión del mandato del juez o magistrado por las causas establecidas por ley. Cuando si un juez o magistrado no esté habilitado para ser retenido o no cumple con los requisitos para la retención, se producirá una vacante eventual al finalizar el período de calificación de retención, a fin de nombrar un juez o magistrado sucesor, y se producirá una vacante en ese cargo judicial a la finalización del mandato cumplido por el juez o magistrado. Cuando un juez o magistrado califique como tal para la retención, en la boleta se deberá leer claramente lo siguiente: «Deberá el Magistrado (o Juez)... (nombre del juez o magistrado)... de la... (nombre de la corte)... ser retenido en el cargo judicial?» Si la mayoría de los electores calificados que votan dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte eligen retenerlo, entonces, el juez o magistrado continuará ejerciendo sus funciones durante un período de seis años. Este mandato del juez o magistrado que ha sido retenido comenzará el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero siguiente a la elección general. Si la mayoría de los electores calificados que votan dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte eligen no retenerlo, una vacante eventual se producirá inmediatamente luego de la elección general con la finalidad de nombrar a un juez o magistrado sucesor, y se producirá una vacante en ese cargo judicial a la finalización del mandato cumplido por el juez o magistrado.

(b) Si se deberá mantener el método de elección de jueces de circuito sin perjuicio de las disposiciones de la sub-sección (a), excepto que la mayoría de los votantes en la jurisdicción de dicho circuito aprueben la opción local de elegir a los jueces de circuito mediante el sistema de selección por mérito y elecciones de retención en lugar de mediante una elección. La elección de los jueces de circuito deberá realizarse mediante el voto de electores calificados dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte.

(2) Se deberá mantener el método de elección de los jueces de la corte del condado, sin perjuicio de las disposiciones de la sub-sección (a), excepto que la mayoría de los votantes en la jurisdicción de dicho condado aprueben la opción local de elegir a los jueces del condado mediante el sistema de selección por mérito y elecciones de retención en lugar de mediante una elección. La elección de los jueces del condado deberá realizarse mediante el voto de electores calificados dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte.

(3a). En la elección general del año 2000 se deberá votar en cada jurisdicción territorial de circuito y de condado para decidir si el modo de elegir a los jueces de circuito y a los jueces del condado será mediante el sistema de selección por mérito y elecciones de retención en lugar de mediante una elección. Si los electores votan por no ejercer esta opción local, esta opción no podrá someterse a votación de los electores en esa jurisdicción hasta que hayan transcurrido al menos dos años.

b. A partir del año 2000, cada circuito puede presentar la opción local de elección por mérito y elecciones de retención o de la elección de jueces de circuito, según corresponda, al presentar una solicitud ante el supervisor de los registros estatales. Dicha solicitud deberá estar firmada por un número de electores igual a por lo menos el diez por ciento de los votos emitidos en la jurisdicción de ese circuito en la última elección presidencial efectuada.

c. A partir del año 2000, cada condado puede presentar la opción local de elección por mérito y elecciones de retención o la elección de los jueces del condado, según corresponda, al presentar una solicitud ante el supervisor de las elecciones. Dicha solicitud deberá estar firmada por un número de electores igual a por lo menos el diez por ciento de los votos emitidos en el condado en la última elección presidencial efectuada. Los mandatos de los jueces de circuito y los jueces de condado serán de seis años.

(b) (1) Siempre que se produzca una vacante en un cargo judicial sujeto a la elección de retención, el gobernador deberá cubrir la vacante mediante el nombramiento de una persona entre al menos tres y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente, por un período que finalizará el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año siguiente a las próximas elecciones generales que se efectúen al menos un año después de la fecha del nombramiento.

(2) Siempre que se produzca una vacante eventual en un cargo judicial sujeto a la elección de retención, el gobernador deberá cubrir esa vacante eventual mediante el nombramiento de un juez o magistrado de entre al menos tres personas y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente. El plazo del nombramiento comienza cuando finaliza el plazo del cargo que quedó vacante y concluye el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año siguiente a la próxima elección general.

(b) El gobernador deberá cubrir cada vacante de una corte de circuito o de una corte de condado, en donde los jueces sean elegidos por mayoría de votos de los electores, al nombrar a una persona entre no menos de tres y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente, por un período que concluye el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año que sigue a elección primaria y general que se efectúe por lo menos un año después de la fecha del nombramiento. Se deberá realizar una elección para cubrir ese cargo judicial por el período del cargo que comienza al finalizar el período del cargo por nombramiento.

(c) Los nombramientos se deberán realizar dentro de los treinta días desde que se ha producido la vacante o vacante eventual, excepto que el gobernador extienda el período por un lapso que no podrá exceder los treinta días. El gobernador deberá realizar el nombramiento dentro de los sesenta días desde que los nombramientos hayan sido certificados ante el gobernador.

(d) Tal como lo establece la legislación general, deberán existir diferentes comisiones judiciales de nombramientos para el Tribunal Supremo, para cada tribunal de apelación de distrito, y para cada circuito judicial en todos los juzgados de primera instancia del circuito. Las comisiones judiciales de nombramientos deberán establecer reglamentos de procedimiento uniformes en cada nivel del sistema judicial. Tales reglamentos, o cualquier parte de ellos, podrán ser derogados por las leyes generales promulgadas con la mayoría de votos de cada cámara de la Asamblea Legislativa, o por el Tribunal Supremo de Justicia con el voto concorrente de cinco magistrados. A excepción de las deliberaciones realizadas por las comisiones judiciales de nombramientos, los procedimientos de las comisiones y sus registros deberán estar abiertos al público.

(f) **DIVISIBILIDAD.** Las disposiciones contenidas en esta sección son divisibles, y si cualquier tribunal competente declara la invalidez de cualquier cláusula, oración, párrafo o sección de esta medida, o su aplicación, las demás disposiciones continuarán vigentes en la mayor medida posible.

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(2) Siempre que se produzca una vacante eventual en un cargo judicial sujeto a la elección de retención, el gobernador deberá cubrir esa vacante eventual mediante el nombramiento de un juez o magistrado de entre al menos tres personas y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente. El plazo del nombramiento comienza cuando finaliza el plazo del cargo que quedó vacante y concluye el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año siguiente a la próxima elección general.

(b) El gobernador deberá cubrir cada vacante de una corte de circuito o de una corte de condado, en donde los jueces sean elegidos por mayoría de votos de los electores, al nombrar a una persona entre no menos de tres y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente, por un período que concluye el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año que sigue a elección primaria y general que se efectúe por lo menos un año después de la fecha del nombramiento. Se deberá realizar una elección para cubrir ese cargo judicial por el período del cargo que comienza al finalizar el período del cargo por nombramiento.

(c) Los nombramientos se deberán realizar dentro de los treinta días desde que se ha producido la vacante o vacante eventual, excepto que el gobernador extienda el período por un lapso que no podrá exceder los treinta días. El gobernador deberá realizar el nombramiento dentro de los sesenta días desde que los nombramientos hayan sido certificados ante el gobernador.

(d) Tal como lo establece la legislación general, deberán existir diferentes comisiones judiciales de nombramientos para el Tribunal Supremo, para cada tribunal de apelación de distrito, y para cada circuito judicial en todos los juzgados de primera instancia del circuito. Las comisiones judiciales de nombramientos deberán establecer reglamentos de procedimiento uniformes en cada nivel del sistema judicial. Tales reglamentos, o cualquier parte de ellos, podrán ser derogados por las leyes generales promulgadas con la mayoría de votos de cada cámara de la Asamblea Legislativa, o por el Tribunal Supremo de Justicia con el voto concorrente de cinco magistrados. A excepción de las deliberaciones realizadas por las comisiones judiciales de nombramientos, los procedimientos de las comisiones y sus registros deberán estar abiertos al público.

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ARTÍCULO V PODER JUDICIAL

SECCIÓN 10. Retención; elección y mandatos.—

(a) Cualquier juez o magistrado puede calificar para la retención, la cual se produce mediante el voto de los electores en la próxima elección general que sea anterior a la conclusión del mandato del juez o magistrado por las causas establecidas por ley. Cuando si un juez o magistrado no esté habilitado para ser retenido o no cumple con los requisitos para la retención, se producirá una vacante eventual al finalizar el período de calificación de retención, a fin de nombrar un juez o magistrado sucesor, y se producirá una vacante en ese cargo judicial a la finalización del mandato cumplido por el juez o magistrado. Cuando un juez o magistrado califique como tal para la retención, en la boleta se deberá leer claramente lo siguiente: «Deberá el Magistrado (o Juez)... (nombre del juez o magistrado)... de la... (nombre de la corte)... ser retenido en el cargo judicial?» Si la mayoría de los electores calificados que votan dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte eligen retenerlo, entonces, el juez o magistrado continuará ejerciendo sus funciones durante un período de seis años. Este mandato del juez o magistrado que ha sido retenido comenzará el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero siguiente a la elección general. Si la mayoría de los electores calificados que votan dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte eligen no retenerlo, una vacante eventual se producirá inmediatamente luego de la elección general con la finalidad de nombrar a un juez o magistrado sucesor, y se producirá una vacante en ese cargo judicial a la finalización del mandato cumplido por el juez o magistrado.

(b) Si se deberá mantener el método de elección de jueces de circuito sin perjuicio de las disposiciones de la sub-sección (a), excepto que la mayoría de los votantes en la jurisdicción de dicho circuito aprueben la opción local de elegir a los jueces de circuito mediante el sistema de selección por mérito y elecciones de retención en lugar de mediante una elección. La elección de los jueces de circuito deberá realizarse mediante el voto de electores calificados dentro de la jurisdicción territorial de la corte.

(2) Se deberá mantener el método de elección de los jueces de la corte del condado, sin perjuicio de las disposiciones de la sub-sección (a), excepto que la mayoría de los votantes en la jurisdicción de dicho condado aprueben la opción local de elegir a los jueces del condado mediante el sistema de selección por mérito y elecciones de retención en lugar de mediante una elección. Si los electores votan por no ejercer esta opción local, esta opción no podrá someterse a votación de los electores en esa jurisdicción hasta que hayan transcurrido al menos dos años.

b. A partir del año 2000, cada circuito puede presentar la opción local de elección por mérito y elecciones de retención o de la elección de jueces de circuito, según corresponda, al presentar una solicitud ante el supervisor de los registros estatales. Dicha solicitud deberá estar firmada por un número de electores igual a por lo menos el diez por ciento de los votos emitidos en la jurisdicción de ese circuito en la última elección presidencial efectuada.

c. A partir del año 2000, cada condado puede presentar la opción local de elección por mérito y elecciones de retención o la elección de los jueces del condado, según corresponda, al presentar una solicitud ante el supervisor de las elecciones. Dicha solicitud deberá estar firmada por un número de electores igual a por lo menos el diez por ciento de los votos emitidos en el condado en la última elección presidencial efectuada. Los mandatos de los jueces de circuito y los jueces de condado serán de seis años.

(b) (1) Siempre que se produzca una vacante en un cargo judicial sujeto a la elección de retención, el gobernador deberá cubrir la vacante mediante el nombramiento de una persona entre al menos tres y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente, por un período que finalizará el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año siguiente a las próximas elecciones generales que se efectúen al menos un año después de la fecha del nombramiento.

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(b) El gobernador deberá cubrir cada vacante de una corte de circuito o de una corte de condado, en donde los jueces sean elegidos por mayoría de votos de los electores, al nombrar a una persona entre no menos de tres y no más de seis personas nominadas por la comisión judicial de nombramientos correspondiente, por un período que concluye el primer martes luego del primer lunes de enero del año que sigue a elección primaria y general que se efectúe por lo menos un año después de la fecha del nombramiento. Se deberá realizar una elección para cubrir ese cargo judicial por el período del cargo que comienza al finalizar el período del cargo por nombramiento.

(c) Los nombramientos se deberán realizar dentro de los treinta días desde que se ha producido la vacante o vacante eventual, excepto que el gobernador extienda el período por un lapso que no podrá exceder los treinta días. El gobernador deberá realizar el nombramiento dentro de los sesenta días desde que los nombramientos hayan sido certificados ante el gobernador.

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Doublewide mobile home and 1 acre land. 6141 C.W. Webb Road, Macclenny. \$84,900. 904-910-3890 or 904-239-1057. 8/28-9/18p

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Lots for sale, Copper Creek, \$25,000 and Glenfield Oaks subdivisions. \$32,000 each. Call 904-813-1580. 2/7tfc

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2 BR, 2 BA singlewide in Glen. Service animals only. \$600/month plus \$600 deposit. 386-697-7140. 8/21-28p

1 BR, 1 BA small apartment in Macclenny; water and electricity included. \$550/month plus \$550 deposit. 904-408-9269. 8/28p

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2 BR, 2 BA mobile home on 3 acres; close to Macclenny. \$600/month, 1st, last and \$300 deposit. 904-710-5246. 8/21-28p

3 BR, 1 BA brick home with garage; CH/A. \$850/month plus deposit. 259-6849. 8/28-9/4p

14x65 2 BR, 2 BA mobile home. Water and sewage included; CH/A. \$550/month plus \$250 deposit. Call Joe 904-275-2712. 8/28p

Room for rent. Nice brick home, city of Macclenny, 1 mile from Wal-mart; walking distance to everything. Free access to washer, dryer, kitchen, etc. Perfect for senior citizen. Free unlimited internet. \$450/month plus \$150 deposit. 904-235-3054. 8/28p

3 BR, 2 BA home in Taylor. With office, den, outside storage; on 1.6 acres with nice front porch, \$850/month. Please call 304-318-4824. 8/28-9/4p

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3 BR, 2 BA doublewide mobile home in Sanderson. 904-275-2136. 8/28p

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Friday, 8:30 a.m. - ?, 3784 Richard Griffis Lane, 228 State Road, past Wal-mart; 2nd driveway. All size girl clothes, phone/ipod cases, wallets, shoes all sizes, household items and miscellaneous.

Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., 571 E. McIver Avenue, Macclenny. No early birds. Multi-family; little boy's clothes, baby toys, books, women's clothing and more.

Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., 8278 Woodlawn Park Place, Macclenny. DVDs, knick-knacks, china hutch, women's clothes, 3 burner crockpot and lots more.

Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - ?, off George Hodges Road, to Boxwood Lane; follow signs. 3 families; furniture, comforters, curtains, household and more.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., 6748 Southern States Nursery Road, Macclenny. No early birds! Two desks, clothes and household items.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - ?, 726 Milondale Road. Multi-family; indoor moving sale. Girls, ladies clothes, toys, lots of household items—so, rain or shine—Come shop in air conditioned comfort!

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Room for rent in Georgia Bend area; all utilities included. \$100/week. 904-772-4424. 7/24tfc

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Griffith, Louise Carolyn to Wells
Fargo Bank Na in LT 2 32-25-22E,
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Mierzwinski, Kevin J to Smith,
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Anderson, Oliver in 31-25-22E,
\$48,000

Stearns, Thomas G to Stearns,
Thomas G in LT 8 DAWKINS ADD
MACCLENNY, \$53,000

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Cohenour, Frank E in 13-32-21E,
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A host of JV players run down the Ed White quarterback during Friday's kickoff classic.

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Hosting Jackets in opener

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With the spring game and Kickoff Classic in the rear view mirror, the BCHS Wildcat regular football season kicks off August 29 when the team hosts the St. Augustine Yellow Jackets in a tough early-season test.

Coach Tom MacPherson said Monday's practice in preparation for the home debut was one of the best the team has had. He allowed the seniors to talk to the team without the coaching staff, and that talk seemed to refocus the players on their goals for the season.

The Cats will need the energy to continue through Friday night as it goes up against a program that hasn't missed the playoffs since 1998. The Yellow Jackets play sound defense and will make it hard for the Cats to run the ball, coach MacPherson said, so the squad will have to rely on quickly getting the ball to its receivers on the perimeter.

St. Augustine's offense is run-heavy and is led by running back Patrick Stewart, who rushed for more than 1,000 last season. The Cats' defense will have to remain disciplined and maintain its assignments to slow down the Yellow Jackets, he said.

Coach MacPherson never beat St. Augustine during his tenure at Ridgeview, and he thinks Baker County has the talent for him to notch his first win against the program. A week one win will give the team something to build upon for the rest of the year, but playing a close game against St. Augustine could have the same effect, he said.

"It's very important to get off on the right start and win the game," coach MacPherson said. "Winning the game is obviously the number one priority. If we win, we can get momentum and get the ball rolling and get fans excited, but if we play good football and we're in the game, I think that's going to be good enough to spark this team and let us know we can play football against good teams."

The head coach is hoping the players will come out as energized as he will be for the season opener. He is looking forward to being on the sidelines under Friday night lights at Memorial Stadium for the first time.

"I heard a lot of great things about home games," he said. "I've heard how crazy games are and what the town is like. I'm really amped up and I'm looking forward to the environment on Friday night. I'm hoping the players respond the same way the coaches are going to respond because I know I'm going to be excited."

Check www.bakercountypress.com Friday night for a brief recap of the matchup against St. Augustine and see next week's edition for a full review of the action. Coach MacPherson will also share his reaction to the game Monday at 7 pm on 92.1 FM during a show with Mike Crews and David Crummey held at Woody's Bar-B-Q.

Wildcats fall 46-26 to White in classic

Sluggish start leads to 21-0 first quarter score

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After showing improvement the week prior at the officials' clinic, the BCHS Wildcats struggled August 22 as they fell 46-26 at Ed White in the Kick-off Classic in Jacksonville.

The Cats started the game out flat and quickly fell behind 21-0 in the first quarter. The starting defense couldn't slow down the Commanders' rushing attack and allowed two scores on the ground in the first quarter. Offensively, the first-team had a tough time moving the ball early and committed three turnovers in the first half. The first of Jacob Carter's two interceptions was returned 25-yards for a touchdown on an attempted wide receiver screen.

Head coach Tom MacPherson wasn't happy with how his team started the game.

"We regressed back to the team that showed up against First Coast," coach MacPherson said. "We didn't come out of the box ready to play. Sooner or later we've got to be able to get off the bus and play."

The Cats finally responded when running back Vic Givens outran the defense on a 40-yard catch-and-run from Carter to put the Cats on the



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Vic Givens heads to the end zone.

board and make the score 21-6 after a missed extra point. Momentum seemed to be shifting in Baker County's favor when the defense forced a three-and-out and the offense got the ball deep in Ed White territory after a bad punt.

Baker County was threatening to score and had the ball inside the 5-yard line in the opening minutes of the second quarter. The Cats went for it on fourth down from the 2-yard line, but were unable to push the ball past the line of scrimmage and turned the ball over on downs. Coach MacPherson said they would normally go for the field goal in that situation, but Carter was having issues with his hamstring.

"I called a play the kids wanted to run and I was happy that they did," he said. "We just didn't execute."

The turnover on downs was a turning point as the Commanders orchestrated a 12-play 98-yard touchdown drive following it to extend their lead. Almost 70 of the yards came on the ground, including the 6-yard scoring run.

Coach MacPherson blamed the rush defense woes in part on the loss of free safety Mason Batten, who will miss at least two weeks after suffering a low-grade concussion early in the game. The free safety is responsible for setting the coverages, the head coach said, and backup Reggie Givens didn't have experience doing that.

Ed White took advantage of two more Wildcat turnovers with a pair of touchdowns as it continued to pound the ball on the ground.

The Cats scored late in the half as Carter ran it in from three yards out to make the score 34-12 when most of the starters were pulled at the break. The touchdown drive was highlighted by Seth Paige's long run where he cut across the field after having no room initially.

The backup players and ju-



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Seth Paige runs the ball down field.

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No. 4 leaps for a catch.

nior varsity squad got to play in the second half and Eugene Farmer led the defense with two interceptions, and Jamon Jones added another one.

On offense, Zach Rafuse scored on a 12-yard run and Curtis Harmon added another touchdown run in the fourth quarter to finish off the scoring.

Coach MacPherson liked what he saw out of the JV players.

"That group's going to be really good," he said. "Those young kids are pretty darn good now."



Brody Crews, Valdez Jackson and Thomas Rollins converge on the quarterback for the sack.

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Overall, the head coach wasn't happy with the players' attitudes against White and said it's going to have to change if they want to be a winning team.

"We're not in panic mode yet," coach MacPherson said. "Are we frustrated? Yes. I'm more frustrated with the culture and the attitude than I

am the losing because none of these games counted yet.

"I expect fans to be upset and I expect people to be disappointed, and I don't blame them," he added. "It's got to get better."

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Will Livingston attempts to tackle a runner.

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Curtis Harmon disrupts a pass.

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Narrow loss for JV Cats Tuesday

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A tight defensive battle gave way to a wild fourth quarter August 26 when the JV Wildcat football team dropped its home opener 24-19 to Columbia County.

The Cats took over the ball at their own 33-yard line with a minute remaining in the game following a strong fourth-down stand by the defense. Two Columbia penalties helped the team quickly move the ball to the Tigers' 35-yard line with less than 40 seconds left in the game. Quarterback Cam Mobley threw a perfect pass that would have been the go-ahead score to Curtis Harmon, but the ball bounced incomplete off the receiver's hands.

Despite the missed opportunity, Baker County stayed alive as Rod Haygood gained 10-yards on a screen pass and an incompleton stopped the clock with one second left in the game. Mobley's last-second heave to the end zone was intercepted to seal Columbia County's close win.

The season opener was a low scoring game for the first three quarters as the Cats trailed 12-7 entering the fourth frame. The team opened the game with a quick 60-yard touchdown run from Harmon after he faked an option pitch to break free. The offense couldn't keep the momentum rolling and struggled to move the ball until late in the contest. The defense held strong, however, and kept the Cats in the game, but the unit allowed two second-quarter touchdown runs of 3- and 20-yards.

Baker County regained the lead to start the high-scoring fourth quarter as Mobley capped off a 12-play drive with a 1-yard touchdown run to give the boys a 13-12 lead with less than five minutes on the clock. The scoring run was set up by a



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No. 5 Curtis Harmon recovers an on side kick that it didn't go the required 10 yards.

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43-yard pass to Christian Watkins, who was brought down at the 1-yard line.

The Tigers wasted no time responding, though, as they returned the ensuing kickoff 70-yards for a touchdown to retake the an 18-13 lead. Columbia added another score by returning an interception for a touchdown off a tipped pass to go up by 11 less than a minute later.

Harmon quickly put the Cats right back in scoring position as he returned a kickoff 80-yards before he was tackled inside the 1-yard line. Savoy Jefferson punched it in two plays later to pull within one score at 24-19.

The Cats almost got the ball right back by recovering an on side kick, but the ball didn't travel 10-yards before it was picked up. Two minutes ran off the clock before the defense made the tough fourth-down stand to put the offense in position to drive for the win.

The JV Cats will try to recover from the thrilling loss and even up their record September 4 when they travel to Clay.



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Josh Haygood is pulled to the turf.

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Ladies win 3-0

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The BCHS Lady Cat volleyball team got off to a hot start under first-year coach Ashley Holton, winning their season opener August 25 in straight sets over hosting Christ's Church Academy after going undefeated in two preseason games.

The girls put away the Lady Eagles 3-0 (25-19, 25-20, 25-19) to start the season on a positive note. Hayleigh Mulkey led the team with eight aces and Callie Miller had a team-high eight kills. Coach Holton said winning the first game is important to having a successful year.

"I feel like it's going to kick start our season," she said about the win. "The energy was up. I plan on having a real good season."

Coach Holton credited seniors Callie Wheeler and Rebekah Long with keeping the team together when they're on the court and helping create chemistry among the Lady Cats.

The season-opening win came a few days after the girls won both preseason games August 22 against Raines and Trinity at Stanton.

The girls looked shaky in the first game, coach Holton said, but she attributed it to nerves. The Lady Cats looked much better when they played Trinity in the second game, she said.

Coach Holton said Mulkey helped the team beat Trinity with numerous aces while serving. They helped put much-needed points on the board for the squad, she said.

The team will try to keep the momentum building as the first week rolls along August 28 when they travel to Suwannee. The Lady Cats will make their home debut September 2 when they host Union County.

New cross country coach Robinson has mix of new, old talent

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Fourteen runners will make up this year's BCHS cross country team under new coach Pamela Robinson when the season begins September 6 at Ridgeview.

The team has high hopes for its runners as team captains Shea Robinson and Ty Hartley spent several months training with the #Runnovation program at 1st Place Sports in Jacksonville. The two athletes worked on their endurance and leadership skills during the program.

Coach Robinson is also expecting great times from Brandi Callaway, who will try to build upon her regionals' appearance from last year, and Matthew Butcher.

The majority of the varsity squads consist of returning runners from 2013. Hartley and Butcher will be joined by returners Sheldon Griffis, Robbie Martin and Chris Buhler on the boys' varsity team. Incoming freshmen Cameron Hauge and Jordan Johnson will also run on varsity.

The girls' team is made up of returners Robinson, Callaway, Jordan Laumore, Rachel Harrison, Shelbie Martin and Emily Harris. Sophomore Mia Fish will be a newcomer for the varsity girls this year.

Coach Robinson is excited to get the 10-meet season underway after the team worked out all summer.

"We are a small team but hope individuals will surpass many personal best times from previous years," coach Robinson wrote in an email. "I am proud of their hard work and dedication running through these hot summer months."

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