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Bradford Fest crowns four
In eight years since the first contestants took the stage, Bradford Fest Pageant organizers tally the proceeds raised for college scholarships at close to \$20,000. This was the best year yet. With 23 contestants across the age divisions, four rose to the top. Beginning in front, Shelby Starling was crowned Little Miss Bradford Fest. Next to her, Kierston Clemons is the new Junior Miss Bradford Fest. Behind them are the new Teen Miss and Miss Bradford Fest, Emily O'Neal and Grace Johns. Emily was also recently crowned Miss Union County High, while Grace won the Miss Bradford High Pageant. For more from Bradford Fest, see inside. Photo by Traci Waters.

RV park opponents file appeal

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Managing Editor

A neighbor to a proposed RV park near the Bradford-Clay County Line, as well as an environmental group, is challenging a ruling by a circuit judge which stopped an appeal to the Bradford County Commission, seeking to overturn a decision by the zoning board.

Last year, Bradford commissioners, acting as their own zoning board, approved an exception allowing Tom's High on the Hog Barbecue

to build an RV park next to the restaurant.

Resident Don Morgan and the Santa Fe Lake Dwellers appealed the decision to the county commission. However, in court papers, lawyers for Tom's claimed the appeal was filed too late.

Circuit Judge Stanley Griffis agreed with Tom's and prohibited the appeal from going forward.

Now, Morgan and the lake dwellers have filed an appeal of Griffis' ruling to the First District Court of Appeals in

Tallahassee.

John Middleton, attorney for Morgan and the lake dwellers said the appeal is based on the legal doctrine of equitable tolling, which says the statute of limitations will not bar a plaintiff from making a claim if the plaintiff could not discover the injury until after a deadline.

Morgan and the lake dwellers based part of their appeal to the county commission on their claim that they were not given documents by Tom's lawyers in a timely fashion.

Former EM director honored

Recently retired Bradford County Emergency Management Director Brian Johns was honored with the Distinguished Service Award on Feb. 8, during the Florida Emergency Preparedness Association's annual meeting and work session in St. Augustine.

Association President Mary Blakeney said the award was for Johns' outstanding leadership and dedication to the statewide group and to the Florida Emergency Management Community.

"Brian Johns served the



Brian Johns with the Distinguished Service Award.

See **JOHNS, 6A**

BLACK HISTORY EXTRAVAGANZA!



Jo-Jo Lombel prepares to cook fries at the Total Blessing BBQ Catering tent.



Alica McMillian slices up cake, which was sold at the Concerned Citizens of Bradford County tent.



Jimmy Hankerson Jr. performs a dance as "SoldChyld."



Visiting their grandparents, Jimmie and Olivia Scott of Lawtey, and enjoying the Black History Extravaganza are sisters (l-r) Jocelyn Sapp, Ericka Sapp and Olivia Sapp.



Frying up fish at the event were Jimmy Hankerson Sr. (foreground) and Leroy Hankerson.



Little Marley Harris gets an assist from Jimmy "SoldChyld" Hankerson on the jungle gym.



Victoria Hill (left) and Tosha Johnson enjoy themselves on what turned out to be a sunny, blue-sky day.





Tractor Supply stores hosting FFA fundraiser

Donations during National FFA Week support student-led agricultural projects

This month, Tractor Supply Company stores in Florida will collect donations during National FFA Week to support grants for FFA chapters in their community. Coinciding with National FFA Week (Feb. 17-24), Tractor Supply customers can donate \$1 or more at checkout Feb. 16-25 while shopping in store, online at www.tractorsupply.com or by calling Customer Solutions at 877-718-6750.

Donations will fund the national Grants for Growing program, supporting FFA chapters in Florida that are making a difference in their communities through unique and sustainable agricultural projects. The program is coordinated through a partnership with the National FFA Foundation and Tractor Supply, the country's largest rural lifestyle retailer.

"Through the generosity and assistance of our customers and team members, we are honored to support local FFA chapters across the country through our Grants for Growing program," said Christi Korzekwa, senior vice president of marketing at Tractor Supply Company. "This initiative not only allows us to invest in the next generation of agricultural leaders, but also the future of agricultural education."

Since its start in 2016, Grants for Growing has raised more than \$1.4 million for the National



Agriculture teacher Kaitlin VanHeusen was named Bradford County School District's Teacher of the Year. She was also recently named Florida Agriculture in the Classroom High School Teacher of the Year for the State of Florida. She is pictured with Bradford-Union Technical Center Directory Lynn Nobles.

FFA Organization. The initiative has funded a total of 692 grants supporting projects involving more than 69,000 students.

Notable 2017 grant recipients include the Hart County FFA growing and tending to a hydroponic vegetable garden and the creation of an "Agriculture Day" by the King City FFA. During this day, sixth-graders were given the opportunity to learn more about technology in agriculture, inspiring the next

generation of our country's leaders to pursue their interests in all things agriculture.

Earlier this year, FFA chapters submitted applications detailing how they will start or expand on a project that will benefit their communities as well as both current and future FFA students. Funds have been requested to purchase vegetation, trees, seed, chickens, feed, mulch and tools for projects ranging from greenhouses to aquaculture labs.

Grants, awarded to winning FFA chapter initiatives in the spring, have a minimum value of \$500 and a maximum value of \$5,000. All donations remain within the state in which they were raised.

For more details about the program, visit www.ffa.org/grantsforgrowing.



Bradford FFA members meet Sen. Rob Bradley during a recent visit to the state capitol. Pictured (l-r): Sakiya Davis, Bradley, Christen Bryant, Blake McKenzie and Andrew Lingold.



Bradford FFA members visited the state capitol, lobbying for agriculture education, learning how the legislative process works and meeting with Rep. Bobby Payne and Sen. Rob Bradley. Pictured (l-r) are: Sakiya Davis, Blake McKenzie, Payne, Andrew Lingold, Christen Bryant and Ag teacher Kaitlin Van Heusen.



Bradford Senior FFA received a lesson in personal finance from Patricia Evans of Capital City Bank.

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FFA members are making a difference, every day. During National FFA Week, join, support or volunteer with us by visiting FFA.org.

Happy National FFA Week!



FFA Sweetheart Blake McKenzie and Andrew Lingold.



FFA member McKayla Davis at the homecoming parade.

Five Bradford students attended the 360 FFA conference in Haines City, where they were taught advance leadership skills to help them serve as officers in FFA. Pictured (l-r) are: Sakiya Davis, Xander Van Zant, Bailey Bishop, Thelma Tenly and Emily Acevedo.



Bradford Senior FFA competed at sub-districts in Lake Butler. Easton Evans placed first in tractor driving, Emily Hilliard placed second in extemporaneous public speaking, Sakiya Davis placed third in prepared public speaking and ran for sub-district co-chair, Xander Van Zant participated in creed speaking, and Emily Acevedo ran for sub-district chair.

About National FFA Organization

The National FFA Organization is a national youth organization of 653,359 student members as part of 8,568 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The organization is supported by 344,239 alumni members in 2,051 local FFA Alumni chapters throughout the U.S.

The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. The National FFA Organization operates under a federal charter granted by the 81st United States Congress and it is an integral part of public instruction in agriculture. The U.S. Department of Education provides leadership and helps set direction for FFA as a service to state and local agricultural education programs.

For more, visit the National FFA Organization online at FFA.org and on Facebook, Twitter and the official National FFA Organization blog.



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Hampton clerk earns certification

Hampton City Clerk Mary Lou Hildreth has earned the designation of Certified Municipal Clerk, which is awarded by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks Inc. IIMC grants the CMC designation only to those municipal clerks who complete demanding education requirements and who have a record of significant contributions to their local government, their community and state. Hildreth (center) is pictured with (l-r) Julie Clevenger, the city clerk of Green Cove Springs and the northeast Florida district director of the Florida Association of City Clerks, and Donna Hardin, the town clerk from Branford. IIMC supports the continuing education of its members, including Hildreth, who intends to pursue her master certification.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That MTAG SVCS AS CUST FOR TAX EASE FUNDING 2016-1 LLC The holder of the following certificate(s) has filed said certificate(s) for the tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number(s) and year of issuance, the description of property, and name(s) in which it is assessed are as follows: File Number: 2017-0021 Certificate Number: 1179 Parcel Number: 05047-0-00100 Year of Issuance: 2015 Description of Property: Legal Description: 05047-0-00100

A parcel of land lying in the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 29, Township 7 South, Range 22 East, Bradford County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 29 and run thence South 00°39'17" East along the Westerly boundary thereof, 1508.80 feet to an iron pipe at the point of beginning. From said point of beginning run South 74°25'41" East, 624.89 feet to an iron rod; thence run North 88°26'02" East, 68.85 feet to an iron rod; thence run South 02°43'47" East, 295.26 feet to an iron rod; thence run South 89°57'19" West, 679.57 feet to an iron rod on the Westerly boundary of said Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4; thence run North 00°39'17" West along said Westerly boundary, 461.36 feet to the point of beginning.

SUBJECT TO an easement for ingress and egress along the Southerly 30 feet thereof.

Assessed to: RYAN HARVEY

All of the above property is located in Bradford County, in the State of Florida. Unless such certificate(s) shall be redeemed according to Law, the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the Highest Bidder at the BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, STARKE, FL, on the 4th day of April, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

RAY NORMAN
BRADFORD COUNTY CLERK OF COURT
BY LISA BRANNON,
DEPUTY CLERK

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, Alachua County Family and Civil Justice Center, 201 East University Avenue, Room 410, Gainesville, FL 32601 at (352) 337-6237 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO.: 04-2017-CP-000128

In re: THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY WHEELER CANADY, also known as SHIRLEY W. CANADY and SHIRLEY CANADY, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Shirley Wheeler Canady, also known as Shirley W. Canady and Shirley Canady, deceased, whose date of death was March 16, 2017, and whose Social Security Number is "****-1554, is pending in the Circuit Court for Bradford County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Bradford County Courthouse, 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida 32091. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN

SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is February 15, 2018.

Personal Representative: James J. Taylor Jr.
420 S. Lawrence Boulevard
Keystone Heights, Florida 32656
Attorney for Personal Representative: TAYLOR LAW FIRM P. A.
By /s/Jennifer T. Arrubia
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NOTICE

T&M Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell this vehicle on March 5, 2018 at 9:00 am at T&M Towing storage yard located at 1451 Hayes St. Starke, FL 32091. T&M reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

2017 Nissan
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 8TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 16000614CAAXMX

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

vs.
ASHLEIGH L. ELAM; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ASHLEIGH L. ELAM; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated Feb. 15, 2018, and entered in Case No. 16000614CAAXMX, of the Circuit Court of the 8th Judicial Circuit in and for BRADFORD County, Florida, wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is Plaintiff and ASHLEIGH L. ELAM; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ASHLEIGH L. ELAM; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; are defendants. RAY NORMAN, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN THE LOBBY OF THE COURTHOUSE, at 945 NORTH TEMPLE AVENUE, STARKE IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA 32091, at 11:00 A.M., on the 10 day of May, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST, BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE SE 1/4 AND RUN N 0 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY, 938.44 FEET; RUN THENCE S 83 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 50 SECONDS W, 200.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE S 83 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 50 SECONDS W, 100 FEET; RUN THENCE N 6 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 07 SECONDS W, 215.03 FEET, TO THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF SR 16; RUN THENCE N 83 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 53 SECONDS E, ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY 2.51 FEET TO A D.O.T. RIGHT OF WAY MARKER AT THE BEGINNING OF A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTH AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 17,133.91 FEET; CONTINUE IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION, ALONG THE SAID RIGHT OF WAY AND ALONG THE CURVE, A DISTANCE OF 97.49 FEET, MEASURED ALONG A CHORD HAVING A BEARING OF N 83 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 40 SECONDS E; RUN THENCE S 6 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 07 SECONDS E, 214.85 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

A 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 20 day of Feb., 2018.

RAY NORMAN
As Clerk of the Court
By L Brannon
As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 945 North Temple Avenue, Rm. 137, Starke, FL 32091. Phone No. (904)966-6280 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AIR PERMIT

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Northeast District Office
Draft/Proposed Permit No. 0070012-019-AV

Florida Gas Transmission Company, Compressor Station No. 16
Bradford County, Florida
Applicant: The applicant for this project is Florida Gas Transmission Company. The applicant's responsible official and mailing address are: Mr. David W. Shellhouse, Vice President, Southeast Operations, Florida Gas Transmission Company, Compressor Station No. 16, 2405 Lucient Way, Suite 200, Maitland, Florida 32751-7047.

Facility Location: The applicant operates the existing Compressor Station No. 16, which is located in Bradford County at 14369 SW State Road 231 in Brooker, Florida.

Project: The applicant applied on February 1, 2018 to the Department for a Title V air operation permit renewal. This is a renewal of Title V Air Operation Permit No. 0070012-015-AV. The Title V facility consists of seven regulated and one unregulated air emitting units that are all NG combustion units. These units PTE emissions when summed result in oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions of more than 1,000 tpy and formaldehyde (HCHO) emissions of more than 25 tpy making the facility a Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) major source and a major source of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs).

The seven regulated units consist of six non-emergency Spark Ignition (SI) Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE) (five 2,000 bhp and one 4,000 bhp) and one NG fired turbine. The one unregulated unit is an emergency SI RICE with generator. None of the units operates with an add-on control device. Permitting Authority: Applications for Title V air operation permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210, and 62-213 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and a Title V air operation permit is required to operate the facility. The Northeast District Office is the Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project. The Permitting Authority's physical address is: 8800 Baymeadows Way W., Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The Permitting Authority's mailing address is: 8800 Baymeadows Way W., Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida 32256. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is (904) 256-1700. Project File: A complete project file is available for public inspection during the normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), at the address indicated above for the Permitting Authority. The complete project file includes the draft permit, the Statement of Basis, the application, and the information submitted by the applicant, exclusive of confidential records under Section 403.111, F.S. Interested persons may view the draft/proposed permit by visiting the following website: <https://fddep.dep.state.fl.us/air/emission/apds/default.asp> and entering the permit number shown above.

Interested persons may contact the Permitting Authority's project review engineer for additional information at the address or phone number listed above.

Notice of Intent to Issue Permit: The Permitting Authority gives notice of its intent to issue a renewed Title V air operation permit to the applicant for the project described above. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that continued operation of the existing equipment will not adversely impact air quality and that the project will comply with all applicable provisions of Chapters

Show off your plants and more at the fair

Do you have houseplants or outdoor potted plants that you are proud of? Perhaps you grow some agricultural plants such as greens, onions, lettuce or strawberries. Maybe you make your own honey or cane syrup, or have chicken, quail or duck eggs you would like to show off. If you have any of these, you should enter them into the agriculture or horticulture divisions of the Bradford County Fair. There are cash prizes for plant, honey, syrup and egg entries and it is fun to see what everyone else is growing.

You can participate as a homeowner or as a professional. Those two broad categories are subdivided into adult amateur, adult professional and youth groupings. Plant entries will compete within like categories. This contest gives

homeowners, youth and schools a chance to show off their green thumbs and professionals such as landscapers, nursery owners and farmers the opportunity to get name recognition for their business.

Entries will be accepted on Monday, March 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entries include (but are not limited to) cactus, flowering and non-flowering houseplants, begonias, herbs, roses, ferns, hanging plants, succulents, bulbs, eggs, and all agricultural plants. Call the Bradford County Extension Office at 904-966-6299 for more information.

Some tips for winning a blue ribbon at the fair: Plants must be pest and disease free, and in a clean, decorative pot. They should be clean and groomed. Remove debris and prune off dead leaves to assure an award-winning appearance. Eggs should be attractively displayed and limited to 1/2 a dozen of each type.

See you at the fair!
UF/IFAS Bradford County Extension is an equal opportunity

institution.

Bees by the Bay returns March 3

Bees by the Bay is a practical view of the honey bee through creativity, knowledge and the many ways they enhance our lives. The fifth annual event on March 3 in Melrose will feature beekeeping experts providing information and guidance, honey made mead and baked goods, honey, jewelry, plants, and bee-related arts and crafts. This all takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A Bee Bop will follow at 8 p.m. at Mossman Hall, featuring Crooked Counsel. There is a \$10 cover charge. "Bee" there or "bee" square!

For more information, please contact Karen Boger via email at trib@windstream.net.

obtained from the Bradford County website: www.bradfordcountyfl.gov.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

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You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Starke, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
SPRATLIN TOWING & RECOVERY, INC. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/19/2018, 9:00 am at 10875 US Hwy 301 HAMPTON, FL 32044, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. SPRATLIN TOWING & RECOVERY, INC. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. 2G4WS52J0Y1315917
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME
Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Kapildev Corporation, 1757 N. Temple Ave., Starke, FL 32091, sole owner, doing business under the firm name of: Bradford Inn & Campground, 1757 N. Temple Ave., Starke, FL 32091, intends to register said fictitious name under the aforesaid statute. Dated this 15 day of Feb., 2018, in Bradford County.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners will hold a workshop on March 15, 2018 at 5:30 PM at the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, FL, inside the county commission meeting room for the purpose of discussing aerial spraying for mosquito control. Please direct all questions to Extension Agent II Jim DeValerio at (904) 966-6224.

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NOTICE

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Bradford County Board of County Commissioners will have a board meeting on March 5, 2018 at 9:30 AM, inside the county commission meeting room, located in the north wing section of the Bradford County Courthouse, 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, FL. A copy of the meeting agenda may be

Garden

Bradford County gardening: A beginner's guide

You have moved to Bradford County and you want to have a garden. This sounds like me 40 years ago, I came from Miami where we had a garden from October to April growing mostly winter vegetables. After April, it was too hot, so we raised cover crops such as black-eyed peas. This maintained the garden area and helped control weeds.

Then I moved to north Florida where it gets cold and I had to learn how to garden all over again. I don't remember who told me to call the extension office, but I did, and the rest is history.

They told me to decide where I wanted my garden, remembering to think about sun, shade and drainage. At the time, I did not know how wet we could get. After considering those factors, they told me to come to the office and get a soil testing kit. This test tells you what you need for your soil to produce healthy plants. I had good soil and did not need to add anything. I got what information I could from the extension center and was also advised to talk to the local farmers since I was new to the area.

There was a gold mine of information out there and the digging was good. The following vegetables were recommended for this area. Greens, carrots, lettuce, cabbage, radishes, onions, strawberries and broccoli. These could be planted from early September to mid-October. If the weather is mild you can continue planting into November. I have done this several times. Just pay attention to the weather. Most of these plants are cold tolerant, however, at any temperature under 28°F plants still need protection. Use blankets, old sheets, pine straw and even newspapers to cover the plants during the night. Blankets

and sheets can be bought cheap at most thrift stores. Many winter gardens can carry over to early spring so make sure you judge your space accordingly.

Now that you know what to put in your winter garden, let's move to the spring garden. English peas and potatoes can be planted by Feb. 15. Last year we had a late freeze; the peas were fine but the potatoes froze back. Ten days later the potatoes came back. They tend to do that. By March you can plant squash (from seed), tomato plants, onion sets and radishes also from seeds. Later in the month you can plant beans, black-eyed peas and corn if you have room.

Your next step is to pick out the location of the garden. Remember sun, shade and drainage. Visit your local extension office and get your soil tested. Start collecting tools you will need such as a rake, hoe, shovel, spade, wagon, stakes, string and anything else you think you may need or want. A small tractor is nice with its toys or a friendly neighbor with a tractor. You can always rent one as well. I've done that in the past.

The most important part of gardening is knowing how much time you have to spend in your garden. Too big and it can be overwhelming. Make sure you properly gauge what you and your family can handle. I have a few tricks for weed control that save time. I have a rotor tiller on my tractor and I space my rows so that I can till between them thus saving weeding. Next, I mow my yard in a circle, this throws the grass in the same direction and makes it easy to rake and put the grass in a wagon to take out to the



garden. You're now ready to start your garden. I begin by making a grid on paper, making sure to remember sun, shade, drainage and size. Some plants can handle wetter soil. Most plants can be bought at local stores or you can start your own. For squash, radish, greens and cucumbers, I'd use seed to start with in the garden. If you want to buy plants early you can protect them from the heat or cold and repot them in larger containers. Any containers can be used from one-gallon to five-gallon buckets. I don't buy pots if I can find cat litter or soap buckets in five-gallon sizes. Any size will work, just remember right size, right place and right plant.

When you go to the store look for healthy, well-watered plants, ones that are under cover and not in direct sunlight all day. Call your local plant distributor to find out what plants and when they will be delivered, then plan accordingly. Buy your plants within a day or two of when you plan to put them in the ground, keep them watered and out of direct sunlight.

The last thing you need to know about is fertilizer. If your soil test recommended you need phosphorus, 10-10-10 and liquid fertilizer work for me. Follow all directions carefully. I put the 10-10-10 in the ground first, tilling it in and then use the liquid fertilizer as the plants need it. I start the liquid about three weeks after the plants are in the ground.

You now have a garden and you can do what I do. I have a lawn chair in the shade and I sit out there and watch it grow. I take my cell phone with me so if I think of any questions I can call my local extension office at 904-966-6299.

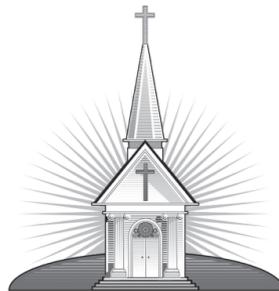
Happy gardening!
Beckie Burkett,
Master Gardener

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Church

Northside Baptist Church, 7415 NW C.R. 225 near Starke, welcomes award-winning gospel singer Ivan Parker on Friday, March 9, at 7 p.m. Parker performed at the Gaither Homecoming concerts. A love offering will be received.

Believers Worship Center will hold an Easter Eggcitement event Saturday, March 31, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with an egg hunt, free food, music, bounce houses and more. Bring your



lawn chair and enjoy. For more information, please call Ronda

at 386-614-6430.

Starke Church of God by Faith has a food pantry open every first and third Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to noon with a variety of food items available to give away.

Email the details of your congregation's upcoming special events to editor@bctelegraph.com. DEADLINE IS MONDAY AT 5 P.M.

Library

The Bradford County Public Library is located at 456 W. Pratt St. in Starke. For a full schedule of events, pick up a calendar from the front desk. You can also get the latest news on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bradfordlibrary. For more information on these programs or other services, please call 904-368-3911 or visit www.bcplibrary.com.



Bots n' Blocks — March 6

The Bradford County Public Library Children's Department is taking building with Lego blocks to a new level. Bots n' Blocks, which is scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, is a program that will introduce children between the ages of 5 to 12 to a creative and exciting way to play building blocks. The fun starts at 4 p.m. and continues until 6 p.m. Contact Curtis at 904-368-3918 for details.

Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash — March 1

Celebrate the birthday of a cultural icon who entertained generations of readers with funny illustrations and a unique writing style. Bradford County Public Library is hosting a Birthday Bash for Dr. Seuss from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 1. Join us for food and fun!

Books and Brunch — March 15

Enthralling is the word that has been used repeatedly to describe the debut novel by Jane Harper, "The Dry." Find out if you agree and discuss it with us during a delicious lunch at a local restaurant on Call Street at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 15. Bring lunch money. Contact Kathy at 904-368-3921 for details.

Sports camp

For children and teens between the ages of 7 and 17, the library has a fun after-school program that encourages an active lifestyle. Every Wednesday, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., youths can participate in a sports camp, which is a high-energy activity that teaches character building techniques and promotes the importance of teamwork. The experienced trainers, Stefan Nichols and Christopher Latain, jam pack the hour with fun and instruction. This event is for ages 7 to 17. Attendance is free! Parents will need to sign a medical release form for each child who participates.

Stress-Free Painting — Feb. 27

Listen to the soothing sounds of musical legends while your brushstrokes bring comfort to your soul. We call it art therapy. During Stress-Free Painting, which begins at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27, you can find inspiration in the artwork of others. Paper and paints are supplied at no cost. Canvas prices begin at \$1. Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. Children will not be admitted.

Yoga and tai chi

Need to improve your balance? Maybe you're having issues with range of motion in a shoulder knee or hip. The senior center offers classes to help with these issues. Join the Chair Yoga and Tai Chi Hour Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. One hour twice a week will improve range of motion and balance and refresh the mind. For a more advanced yoga class, join us for one hour every Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m.

Medicare or prescription plans? SHINE — Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders — is available at the senior center every Wednesday from 1-3 p.m. Stop in and speak with a SHINE representative and get those questions answered. SHINE representatives can also review your current plan to ensure you have the best plan for your needs.

Mobility for Life Safe Driving Class

On Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 10:30 a.m., the Safe Mobility for Life Coalition will present an informational workshop on aging and mobility. Come learn how you can remain safe, independent and active in your community. The workshop will give seniors the resources to stay safe and mobile for life. To sign up, please call the senior center at 904-368-3955.

Cooking Smart rescheduled

Learn easy, healthy and nutritious recipes, watch food demonstrations, and enjoy samples from the recipe of the day. This is not just a cooking class but one that will educate you how to stretch your grocery dollars, eat well and exercise, plus provide information and giveaways to help you be a healthy senior. Eat Smart, Cook Smart is a class sponsored by UF/IFAS and the Bradford County Extension Office. The next class will be Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 3 p.m.

Senior Center

The Bradford County Senior Center is located at 1805 N. Temple Ave in Starke. If you have any questions or would like further information on any activities or events, please call 904-368-3955. A calendar of events can be found at www.bradfordcountyfl.gov.

Bradford Senior Center's Wood Carving Group is up to. The class meets every Wednesday morning from 9 a.m. to noon. Not a wood carver? No problem, we have a great instructor, and in no time you will be whittling away the hours.

Senator Rubio's office hours

Sen. Marco Rubio's office will be holding mobile office hours at the senior center Thursday, Feb. 22, from 10 a.m. to noon. If you have any issues with Social Security, Medicare, Veterans Affairs benefits, USCIS, the IRS or any federal agency, a representative from the senator's office will be available to meet with you to see how they may be of assistance. Please plan to attend to meet your local staff and find out the services Sen. Rubio's office offers his constituents.

Wood carving

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Johns crowned Miss Bradford Fest

BY DAN HILDEBRAN
Managing Editor

Judges awarded Grace Johns her second pageant title in two months, crowning her Miss Bradford Fest Saturday night. In January, Johns placed first among four contestants for Miss Bradford High School.

Miss Bradford Fest, has raised close to \$20,000 in scholarship funding for the Santa Fe College Foundation and earned Johns a \$4,000 scholarship.

Johns is the daughter of Kevin and Amie Johns. She is 18 years old and attends Bradford High School.

In addition to taking the overall title, Johns also placed first in the Western wear competition.

Macey Hardee was the runner up in the senior division. She is the daughter of Steven and Heather Hardee. She is 17 and attends Union County High School. Hardee also won the evening wear competition and was recognized for advertising sales.

Other senior division participants were Bethany Bryan, who won the People's Choice Award, Jayla Eiland, who won Most Photogenic and Andria Frampton, winner of the Congeniality Award. Eiland and Frampton were also recognized for event ticket sales.

Taking the Teen Miss Bradford Fest title was Emily O'Neal. She

is the daughter of Darrell and Susan O'Neal. The 16-year-old attends Union County High School and like Johns, O'Neal is a repeat winner, winning the Miss Union County High School crown on Feb. 2.

O'Neal also won the Miss Bradford Fest Onstage Question Award, Interview Award, the Teen Miss Western Wear Award and the Teen Miss Evening Wear Award.

Caitlain Morgan was the first runner up in the Teen Division. Morgan also won the Director's Award for the teen and senior divisions.

Molly Kent was the second runner up in the Teen Division.

Also participating were Kylee Davis, Josie Cannon and Most Photogenic Tara Holtzendorf.

Kierston Clemons is the Junior Miss Bradford Fest. She is the daughter of Wayne and Ashley Clemons. The 10-year-old Lake Butler Elementary student was also a Most Photogenic, Western Wear and People's Choice winner.

First runner-up was Annabeth Oody, who won the Junior Miss evening wear competition.

Second runner-up was Addyson Hinds, who was recognized for selling the most advertisements in the Miss Bradford Fest program.

Also participating were Lily Barksdale, Kellsie Cochran and Georgia Rizer.

Shelby Starling won the Little Miss Bradford Fest title. She is the daughter of Amanda and Tommy Starling and attends Lake Butler Elementary. Starling also won the Little Miss Western wear competition.

First runner-up was Maddison Lee, who won the Little Miss evening wear competition.

Shalin Hannah was the second runner-up. She was also the Little Miss Most Photogenic and won Miss Congeniality for the Little and Junior Miss divisions.

Also participating were Bailee Grace Meier, Regan Adams, who won a Director's Award and was recognized for Miss Bradford Fest ticket sales, and Gabriella Hinds, recognized for advertising sales.

Emcees were Ashley Harris and Kelsey Harrison.

Lisa Tatum and Laine Rodgers directed the event.

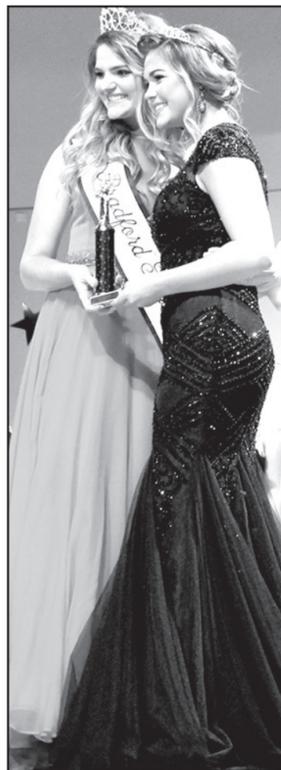
Ginger Sumner was choreographer.

Judges were Rachel Smith, Kathryn Thomas, Katie Jones and Courtney Sexton, Miss Florida, 2016.

The 2017 winners assisted handing out this year's awards. They were Miss Bradford Fest Miriah Maxwell, Teen Miss Bradford Fest Brooklyn Cunningham, Junior Miss Bradford Fest Hailey Osteen and Little Miss Bradford Fest Raegan Godwin.



(L-R) Brooklyn Cunningham and Miriah Maxwell crown Grace Johns Miss Bradford Fest 2018.



Macey Hardee (right) accepting the first runner-up Miss Bradford Fest trophy from Miriah Maxwell.



Jayla Eiland in Western wear.



Emily O'Neal after being announced as the new Miss Teen Bradford Fest.



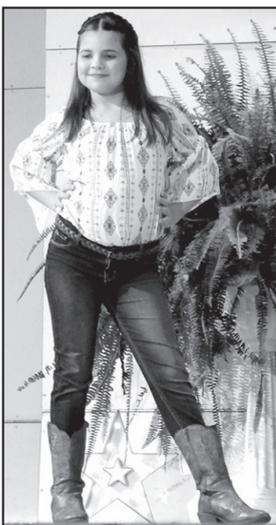
Caitlain Morgan (right) accepting the Teen Miss first runner-up trophy from Brooklyn Cunningham.



Molly Kent (right) accepts the Teen Miss second runner-up trophy from Brooklyn Cunningham.



Kylee Davis in evening wear.



Kelsie Cochran during the Western wear competition.



Lily Barksdale during the Western wear competition.



Gabriella Hinds during the Western wear competition.

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residents of Bradford County for 12 years and always demonstrated a willingness to help neighboring counties," Blakeney said. "While Brian worked in the region, he responded to Hurricanes Irma, Hermine, and Matthew, Tropical Storm Fay, and numerous wildfires."

Blakeney added that Johns worked in flood mitigation while at Bradford, and at various times during his tenure assumed the duties of fire coordinator, safety manager and acting county manager.

Prior to joining Bradford

County, Johns worked for 30 years at the City of Gainesville's Fire Rescue Department, where he retired as a lieutenant.

County Manager Brad Carter said Johns is a true people person that sincerely cares about everyone.

"I have never encountered a more dedicated public servant," said Carter. "Brian is truly a distinguished Florida public safety professional and small county advocate and is deserving of being recognized with a FEPA Distinguished Service Award."

Shoot with the Sheriff

Come Shoot with the Sheriff at Bradford Sportsmen's Farm on Friday, March 16, and raise money for local charities.

Registration will begin at noon along with lunch and a safety speech, and the shooting begins at 1 p.m. Register for \$100 per shooter with a minimum of three shooters per squad. You can rent golf carts and purchase ammunition on site.

For more information, to preregister or reserve a cart, please call 904-966-6320.



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(L-R) Raegan Godwin, Brooklyn Cunningham and Miriah Maxwell crown Shelby Starling as Little Miss Bradford Fest.



Kierston Clemons after winning the Junior Miss Bradford Fest title.



Annabeth Oody with the Junior Miss first runner-up trophy.



Addyson Hinds (right) accepting the Junior Miss second runner-up trophy from Hailey Osteen.



Maddison Lee (right) accepts the Little Miss first runner-up trophy from Raegan Godwin.



Shalin Hannah (right) accepting the second runner-up trophy for Little Miss Bradford Fest from Raegan Godwin.



Bethany Bryan (right) accepting the People's Choice Award from Brooklyn Cunningham.



Regan Adams (right), accepting the Director's Award from Miriah Maxwell.



Josie Cannon during the evening wear competition.



Andria Frampton (right) accepting the Congeniality Award from Miriah Maxwell.



Bailee Grace Meier during the Western wear competition.



Georgia Rizer during the Western wear competition.



Tara Holtzendorf (right) accepting the Teen Miss Most Photogenic Award from Brooklyn Cunningham.

Pageant apps for Lawtey festival available now

This year, March 17 marks the 10th year of the Little Miss and Little Mr. Trail Ridge Festival Pageant.

Although, the Lawtey Trail Ridge Festival began in 2004, it was not until 2007 that the first Little Miss and Little Mr. pageant was held. In 2017, the name of the festival was changed to the Lawtey Spring Festival. Since its beginning, the following young girls and boys have been crowned pageant winners: Briel Waldrop and Kristopher James; Annslic Kaydin Nipper and Brent Waldrop; Harli Mosley and Harley Troyer; Aliyah Lamoree and Jalen Williams; Destiny Brevaldo and Jordan Givens;

Leighla Williams and Daelyn Cornwall; Aliyah Lamoree and Dalton Cox; Chelsey Bradley and Harley Troyer; and Alexis Berry and Tyler Berry.

Applications for the 2018 Festival are available at the Lawtey City Hall, Lawtey Elementary School and with members of the Trail Ridge Festival Organization.

Remember the festival motto, "It's all about fun with family and friends." Come out for a wonderful day of family fun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with games and rides for the kids, a car show, entertainment, lots of good food, the very popular Sweets Auction and much more.

Melrose Art Walk

Mossman Hall will present lifelong artist Kay Deuben in a show that features Cracker cattle, horses, dogs, birds and Florida locals. A reception will be held during the next Art Walk.

On the first Friday of every month, from 6 to 9 p.m., the Melrose Art Walk encourages patrons to visit exhibits at each of the town's six galleries. The Art Walk is sponsored by the Melrose All Arts Council.

Revisit the Reconstruction

Step back in time to the Reconstruction Era at Dudley Farm State Park as living historians bring to life 1868, a difficult time in Florida following the Civil War. Come out Feb. 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$5 per car with up to eight occupants. The park is located at 18730 W. Newberry Road in Newberry.

Attract bluebirds to your yard

You're invited to an upcoming workshop on attracting bluebirds. You'll build your own bluebird box to take home. Sponsored by Bradford County Master Gardeners, the workshop will take place at 2 p.m. March 20, at the Bradford County Extension Office.

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Meet your 2018 Bradford-Union Miss Strawberry Pageant contestants

The Bradford-Union Miss Strawberry Pageant will take place on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. at the Bradford High School auditorium.

Tickets for the pageant are on sale now. Contestants are selling tickets for \$5 each in advance, and tickets will be available at the door for \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 3-12 years. Under 3 years are free.

Contestants will compete for the titles of Miss Strawberry Princess and Miss Strawberry Queen in categories including talent, interview, casual wear evening gown and onstage question. The theme is "Girls Just Want to Have Fun."



Logan Andrews is a 15-year-old student at Bradford High School. Her platform is Building Youth Confidence.



McKenzie Clemons is a 14-year-old student at Lake Butler Middle School and Florida Virtual School. Her platform is BOLD: Beautifully Overcoming Life's Disabilities.



Brooklyn Cunningham is a 16-year-old student at Union County High School and Florida Gateway Community College. Her platform is Animal Community Care.



Reagan Robinson is a 13-year-old student at Lake Butler Middle School. Her platform is Ronald McDonald House Charities: Keeping Families Together.



Bobbie Grace Barber is an 18-year old student at Union County High School and Florida Gateway College. Her platform is Healthy Heart Awareness.



Erin Stidham is a 17-year old student at Union County High School & Florida Gateway College. Her platform is All Kids Count.



Andria Frampton is an 18-year-old student at Santa Fe High College and graduate of Keystone Heights High School. Her platform is Parkinson's Disease Awareness and Education.



Sabrina Owen is an 18-year-old student at Union County High School. Her platform is Let's Do It Right and Think White (Blood Cells)!

| BHS | Updated 1/19/18 | | CB Last Day to Test |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Feb 26 - March 2 | Writing Retakes | 120 minutes | |
| Thursday, March 1 | 9 - 10 FSA Writing | 120 minutes | 3/2 |
| Friday, March 2 | 9-10 FSA Writing Makeups | 120 minutes | 3/2 |
| March 20 - 22 | FCAT Reading and Math Retake | Up to 1/2 a school day | 4/6 |
| March 22-23 | FSA Alg. I Retake | 160 minutes | 4/6 |
| March 22-23 | FSA Alg I Retake (Seniors) | 180 minutes | 4/6 |
| March 27-28 | FSA Reading Retake | 180 minutes | 4/6 |
| March 26-April 6 | FSA retake make up | | 4/6 |
| APRIL 2 - 6 FSA Writing Makeup Week (4-10 initial reporting) / Retakes (results in late reporting) | | | |
| WEEK ONE April 16 - 20 | | | |
| Tuesday, April 17 | | | |
| Grade 9 and 10 | Reading - Session 1 | 90 minutes | |
| Wednesday, April 18 | | | |
| Grade 9 and 10 | Reading - Session 2 | 90 minutes | 5/18 |
| WEEK TWO April 23-26 | | | |
| Tuesday, April 24 | | | |
| | Biology 1 EOC | 160 minutes | 5/18 |
| Wednesday, April 25 | | | |
| | US History | 160 minutes | 5/18 |
| WEEK THREE April 30 - May 4 | | | |
| May 2 | | | |
| | EOC Geometry- session 1 | 90 minutes | 5/18 |
| | EOC Algebra 1- Session 1 | 90 min | 5/18 |
| May 3 | | | |
| | EOC Geometry- session 2 | 90 minutes | 5/18 |
| | EOC Algebra 1- Session 2 | 90 minutes | 5/18 |
| WEEK FOUR May 7-11 | | | |
| May 7 | AP Psychology (12:00 pm) | | |
| May 8 | AP Physics (12:00 pm) | | |
| May 11 | AP US History (8:00 am) | | |
| May 16 | AP Lang (8:00 am) | | |
| May 17 | AP World History (8:00 am) | | 5/18 |

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| Thursday, March 1 | | | | |
| Grade 8 | Writing - CBT | 120 minutes | | |
| Friday, March 2 | 8th Grade Writing Makeups | 120 minutes | | |
| SPRING BREAK | | | | |
| Tuesday, March 13 | | | | |
| Wednesday, March 14 | | | | |
| Grade 6, 7 | Writing - P/P | 120 minutes | | |
| Thursday, March 15 | 6, 7 Writing Makeups | 120 minutes | | 3/16 |
| April 2 - 6 Writing Makeup Week 1 (Grade 6 - 8) | | | | |
| WEEK ONE April 16-20 | | | | |
| Monday, April 16 | | | | |
| Tuesday, April 17 | | | | |
| grade 6 and 8 | ELA session 1 | 85 minutes | 5/18 | |
| Wednesday, April 18 | | | | |
| grade 6 and 8 | ELA session 2 | | | |
| Thursday, April 19 | | 85 minutes | | |
| grade 7 | ELA session 1 | | | |
| Friday, April 20 | | 85 minutes | 5/18 | |
| grade 7 | ELA session 2 | | | |
| WEEK TWO April 23 - 27 | | | | |
| Monday, April 23 | | | | |
| grade 6-8 | make ups | 85 minutes | | |
| Tuesday, April 24 | | | | |
| grade 6-8 | makeups | 85 minutes | 5/18 | |
| grade 7 and 8 | Math Session 1 | 60 minutes | | |
| Wednesday, April 25 | | | | |
| grade 7 and 8 | Math Session 2 & 3 | 120 minutes | | |
| Thursday, April 26 | | | | |
| grade 7 and 8 | Math -make up | 120 minutes | 5/18 | |
| PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY 4/27 | | | | |
| WEEK THREE April 30 - May 4 | | | | |
| Monday, April 30 | | | | |
| grade 7 and 8 | Math - make up | | | |
| Tuesday, May 1 | | | | |
| grade 6 | Math session 1 | 60 minutes | 5/18 | |
| Grade 8 | Science - Session 1/2 | 80 minutes | | |
| Wednesday, May 2 | | | | |
| Grade 6 | Math - Session 12 & 3 | 120 minutes | | |
| Grade 8 | Science - makeups | 80 minutes | | |
| Thursday, May 3 | | | | |
| Grade 6 | Math - make ups | 120 minutes | 5/18 | |
| Grade 8 | Algebra 1 session 1 | 90 minutes | | |
| Grade 8 | Geometry- session 1 | 90 minutes | | |
| Friday, May 4 | Make-ups | | | |
| Grade 8 | Algebra 1- session 2 | 90 minutes | 5/18 | |
| Grade 8 | Geometry- session 2 | 90 minutes | 5/18 | |
| WEEK FOUR May 7 - 11 | | | | |
| Monday, May 7 | | | | |
| | Algebra 1 and Geometry make ups | | | |
| Tuesday, May 8 | | | | |
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Local music, improvements highlight this year's fair

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
 Telegraph Staff Writer

Cool, but crowded barns, dry ground and a variety of local musical talent will be part of the 68th annual Bradford County Fair, which opens Tuesday, March 6, and runs through Sunday, March 11.

"Let Freedom Ring" is this year's theme. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$4 for students (first-12th grade) through Saturday, March 10. Sunday, March 11, which is Family Day, admission is free with the purchase of a \$15 ride armband. Non-riders pay \$5.

Children who are kindergarten age and under are admitted free.

Admission is free for all the first hour of operation on March 6 and Wednesday, March 7, with the donation of three in-date, non-perishable food items, which will then in turn be donated to the Bradford Food Pantry.

Veterans, with military ID, are admitted free on opening night, which is also described as "American Pride Night," so wear your red, white and blue.

The fair opens at 5 p.m. during the week. On March 10, the openings are an hour later than they've been in the past, with exhibits opening at 1 p.m. and the midway opening at 2 p.m.

The midway only is open on March 11, beginning at 1 p.m.

See related story for information on scheduled events and ride armbands.

Dale Woodruff is in his second year as manager. He received positive feedback last year after people viewed the renovated entrance area, which was repainted and had new, larger ticket windows, carpet and LED lighting installed.

Improvements are an ongoing effort. This year, people who visit the barns will notice that it's a little cooler,

thanks to the installation of two new fans. Woodruff said some who attended January's 4-H/FFA Beef Bash actually said it was getting too cool with the fans running at only 50 percent.

"That's going to make a major difference in the barns," Woodruff said.

The barns will have more occupants this year with approximately 100 steers and breed animals along with the usual 90-plus swine.

"We were down at one time to 40-something cows total when the economy was down," fair staff member Darlene Lee said.

Prayers at fair time are always focused on the weather. If it does rain, however, visitors won't have to worry about sloshing through water. The midway area, thanks to The Chemours Company, has been leveled, so there are no more swells and recesses to trap water.

Live musical entertainment will be featured nightly through March 10. National musicians Larry Ford and the Ball Brothers were part of last year's schedule, but Woodruff described the attendance for those acts as "OK." This year will feature local acts only.

Woodruff said the fair really needs to grow to justify spending money for name acts, but he's excited about this year's schedule, which opens with The Backwood Boys



ABOVE: The Ben Carter Band performs on Thursday, March 8, at 7 p.m. Pictured (l-r): Preston Nazworth (lead guitar), Ben Carter (lead vocals, guitar), David Church (drums) and Dustin Boone (bass).



LEFT: The Dragon Coaster is a new ride Deggeller Attractions will be bringing to this year's fair.



Right: The Sondra Hunt Band will perform Saturday, March 10, at 7 p.m. Pictured (l-r) are T.J. Bones (lead guitar), Bradley Norcross (drums), Sondra Hunt (lead singer) and Richard Ritari (bass).

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Let Freedom Ring: the 68th annual Bradford County Fair

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

The 68th annual Bradford County Fair returns Tuesday, March 6, through Sunday, March 11, under the theme of, "Let Freedom Ring."

A big attraction for many will be the rides on the midway, which will be provided courtesy of Deggeller Attractions.

Admission does not cover the cost of rides. Ride tickets are available for purchase on the midway for \$1 each, with rides requiring 2-6 tickets. Unlimited-ride armbands can be purchased on the midway for \$12 on opening night and for \$18 Wednesday through Thursday, March 7-8. On March 8, which is Buddy Night, you can purchase two armbands for \$25.

Friday, March 9, is Midnight Madness. Ride armbands are \$15 beginning at 9 p.m., whereas the cost is \$18 prior to 9 p.m.

Armbands are \$15 from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday,

March 10, and \$20 after 6 p.m. On March 11, armbands are \$15, which also covers the admission price.

Armband coupons may be purchased in advance for \$15 each. They may be used any night with the exception of Buddy Night. Only one coupon can be redeemed per night.

Advance armband coupons may be purchased at Starke city hall, North Florida Regional Chamber of Commerce, Community State Bank in Starke and Lake Butler, Lawley City Hall and Lake Butler Hospital.

The events schedule actually begins prior to the fair opening. The 4-H table-setting and strawberry-pie contests will take place at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., respectively, on Friday, March 2, in Building 3. The 4-H Youth Goat Show and Little Kids Exhibition is Saturday, March 3, at 2 p.m.

The 4-H and FFA swine show is set for Tuesday, March 6, at

6:30 p.m., while the 4-H and FFA steer show and showmanship contest is Wednesday, March 7, at 6 p.m.

The Bradford-Union Cattlemen Association's 4-H and FFA beef breed show will take place Thursday, March 8, at 6 p.m. The breed and steer awards will be presented on Saturday, March 10, at 5 p.m., with the auction to follow.

The Bradford-Union Cattlemen Association buyers' dinner is that same day at 3 p.m., while the strawberry auction will be held following the breed and steer auction.

On Friday, March 9, the 4-H and FFA livestock judging contest takes place at 8:30 a.m., while the Bradford-Union Swine Association buyers' dinner is at 5 p.m. The swine awards show is 6 p.m., with the auction to follow.

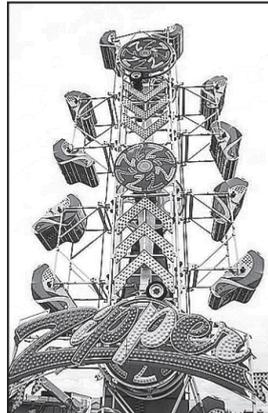
For more information, please visit bradfordcountyfair.com.



Helping open the fair are The Backwood Boys, who will perform Tuesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. The Starke group has traveled together for more than 20 years, performing in Florida and south Georgia. Pictured (l-r) are Alex Coleman, Benjy Bass and John Frampton.



Dale Woodruff



Left: One of the thrill rides at this year's fair will be The Zipper, one of several new rides Deggeller Attractions is providing.

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performing at 6:30 p.m. on opening night. The Torrie Clark Band, with guests Charnell Whittemore and Laurne Davis, will perform at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7, while The Ben Carter Band will perform at 7 p.m. on March 8. Friday, March 9, features Ted McMullen's Music Legends at 7 p.m., with the Sondra Hunt Band playing at 7 p.m. on March 10.

"We've got a really good mix this year," Woodruff said. "It'll cover pretty much all the genres. It'll hopefully get people excited."

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demonstrations by Call Street Café return nightly at 6 p.m. through March 10 in Building 2, while the Capital City Bank kids' corner also returns, giving parents a fun place on the midway to take those children too young for any of the rides.

As always, a free lunch for senior citizens, sponsored by Community State Bank, Shadd Trucking and the Tourist Development Council, will be provided Wednesday, March 7, at noon. Matt Wilsey will provide musical entertainment.

Whether it's for the music, the rides or any of the other scheduled events, the fair really has something for everybody.

"It's a great family event," Woodruff said.

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Bradford captures 3rd straight district title with 69-63 win



Bradford High School won its third straight district title in boys' basketball. Pictured are: (front, l-r) head coach Adrian Chandler, Tavi'en Young, Jordan Lee, Jalen Williams, Cambren Douglas, (middle, l-r) team assistant Starr Pittman, Tally Chandler, Tarrin Jackson, D.J. Mackey, assistant coach James McBride, (back, l-r) Jaleen Lane, J'cobi Harris, Matthew Crawford, Taz Curry, Chris Cummings, Dontae Balfour and Dequan Hankerson. Not pictured: Jordan Hill.

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Chris Cummings had two baskets and an assist during a late 11-2 run that helped the Bradford High School boys' basketball team pull ahead of Newberry and win 69-63 to claim the District 4-5A championship on Feb. 16 in Starke.

It was the third straight district title — a program first — for the Tornados (19-8), who now host District 3 runner-up Bolles (21-7) in a Region 1 quarterfinal game on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. If Bradford wins, it will either travel to District 3 champion Raines (19-7) or host Newberry (11-11) in a semifinal game on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m.

"It's a great feeling," said D.J. Mackey, who posted a double-double with 13 points and 13 rebounds. "It's something you dream of. We did it. Now we've got to go deeper in the playoffs. The biggest goal is to get a state

championship."

Adrian Chandler, who's been the head coach during this district-title run, said, "God is good. God is amazing. This group of guys is a special group of guys. They work exceptionally well together. I think they really show that they love each other on and off the court. It's just a beautiful thing."

It wasn't easy as Newberry seemed to have an answer for every Bradford run. Mackey said the keys were for the team to stay focused and continue to give great effort.

Cummings, who led the team with 18 points, summed it up thusly: "Keep working, have confidence and just push through."

Bradford used an 8-0 to take an 11-4 lead early in the first quarter. Cummings had a layup off a Taz Curry assist, followed by Jordan Lee receiving Cummings' downcourt pass and

dunking in transition. Cummings and Tavi'en Young then each scored on a drive to the basket.

The Panthers, after calling a time out, scored six straight, with Bradford turning the ball over on three straight possessions during that span.

A 7-2 run in the second quarter put the Tornados ahead 27-21. Cummings scored on a rebound tip-in and, after a Mackey free throw, scored again on a drive to the basket. Tally Chandler then had a layup on a runout to put Bradford up by five.

It was a four-point Bradford lead at the start of the third quarter. Newberry's Pernel Sylvester sank a jumper for the first basket of the half, but the Tornados responded with an 11-2 run. Mackey had a basket and a free throw, followed by two free throws by Cummings. After the Panthers' Amonte Young scored, Mackey drove the baseline for a basket. Lee scored off an inbounds

play, while Young capped the run, receiving a downcourt pass from Mackey for a layup that put Bradford ahead 44-33.

A Jalen Williams three-pointer later put the Tornados ahead by 12, but three technical fouls on Bradford helped Newberry cut the lead to five as the Panthers made 5-of-6 free throws. Young, however, made a three-pointer with two seconds on the clock to send Bradford into the fourth quarter leading 53-45.

The Panthers opened the fourth quarter by outscoring Bradford 6-1. Then, after Curry scored in transition, Newberry's Andrew Scott knocked down a three-pointer to make the score 56-54. Following a turnover, the Panthers David Robinson was fouled. He missed both free throws, but G'ontei Evans rebounded the second miss, leading to a basket by Chase Moore that evened the score at 56-56.

During the Panthers' run, the Tornados picked up their fourth technical foul. Chandler credited his players for not getting frustrated and letting the game slip away from them.

"These guys are pretty resilient," Chandler said. "They kind of take that stuff as a challenge."

Cummings believed his teammates would do what needed to be done, saying, "I just had trust in them, and we got the job done."

It was 58-58 when Mackey, after Bradford missed three shots around the rim, had a steal and a layup. After Moore missed two free throws for Newberry, Chandler scored on a Cummings

assist. Cummings then had two straight baskets to push the lead to eight with 1:10 to play.

"I felt I had to do what I needed to do get the team a win," Cummings said.

Chandler made a free throw following a Newberry field goal with 40 seconds left. Young then found himself all alone under the basket following a Dontae Balfour defensive rebound. A downcourt pass from a teammate set Young up for a layup, resulting in a 69-60 lead with 20 seconds to play.

The Panthers made a three-pointer for the final score.

Young finished with 11 points for Bradford, while Chandler

had 10. Lee and Williams had seven and six, respectively, while Curry and Cambren Douglas each added two.

Cummings and Lee had six and five assists, respectively.

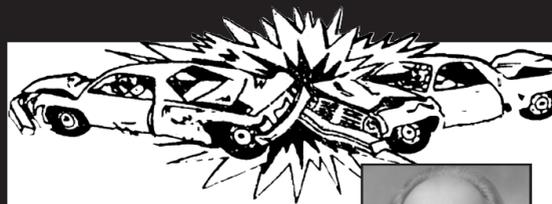
Coupled with a 65-62 win over Fort White in the District 4 semifinals, the Tornados enter the regional playoffs off two hard-fought wins. Chandler said those games can help his team moving forward.

"It tests your guys to see how they will respond," Chandler said. "When they're down, or when the game is close, are they going to execute? Are they going to keep doing that they need to?"

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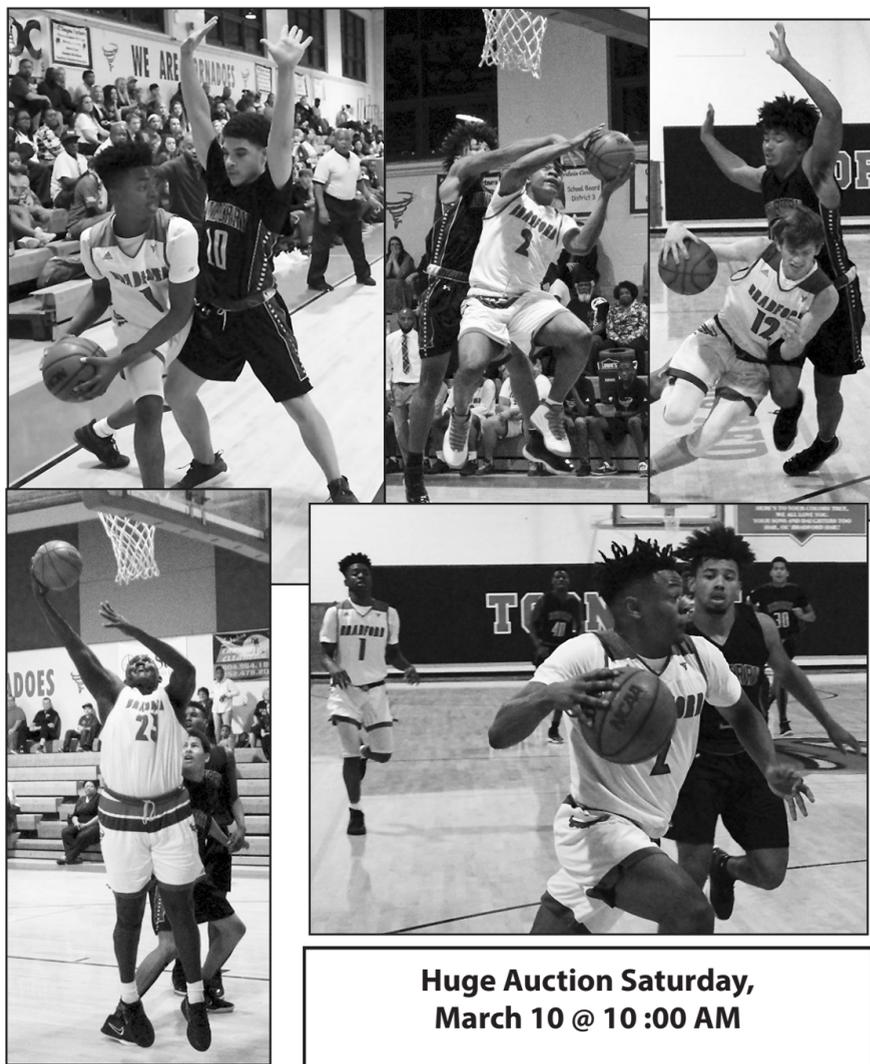
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Clockwise from top, left: Jordan Lee (left) is closely guarded by Newberry's Andrew Scott.

Chris Cummings (right) gets fouled going up for a shot.

Bradford's Matthew Crawford gets fouled while dribbling.

Bradford's Chris Cummings drives to the basket.

The Tornados get a basket down low from D.J. Mackey.

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Recent arrests in Bradford, Clay or Union

The following individuals were arrested recently by local law enforcement officers in Bradford, Union or Clay (Keystone Heights area) counties.

BRADFORD COUNTY –

Lorene Aguilar, 40 of Starke was arrested Feb. 13 by Bradford deputies for driving with a suspended or revoked license and a probation violation.

Elizabeth Anne Bannister, 32, of Starke was arrested Feb. 17 by Starke police for possession of drugs and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Matthew Howard Benson, 28, of Starke was arrested Feb. 16 by Starke police for a probation violation.

Student goes home sick, finds burglar

On Feb. 13, Starke Police arrested Wayne Shontel Bright, a homeless person, and charged him with giving stolen items and false ownership information to a pawn broker, a third-degree felony, with grant theft less than \$5,000, and probable cause of disposing of stolen property, a second-degree felony.

The incident began when a Starke juvenile got sick at school and went home early, only to find a strange man on a bicycle leaving the backyard shed at his house. The stranger was also carrying a bag of tools belonging to the juvenile's uncle. The stranger rode away on his bike, bag, tools and all.

The juvenile told his grandmother about the incident, and she called police. The shed was hers, she told an officer, but the bag of tools had been her son's. She didn't know what had been taken. From her grandson's description of the man and his bicycle, the grandmother told the officer she believed the man lived about a block away.

The officer spoke with a family member, who stated that the suspect, Wayne Bright, had been at their home a few nights earlier looking for work. Bright wasn't given permission to go into their shed or to take the bag of tools. A list of tools in the bag was provided, valued at approximately \$400.

While interviewed at school, the juvenile told the officer he

recognized Bright as the same person who had come to the house a few nights prior looking for work but did not know his name. He told the officer the man was a black male, wearing a long-sleeve plaid shirt and carrying a yellow and black tool bag with a sander sticking out of it.

The officer checked with a local pawn shop, asking if anyone had tried to pawn the list of tools. The clerk said a black man had been in just that morning with items on the list, carried in a black and yellow tool bag. Some items she refused to take because they had no charging cables. She would have taken one or two items, but the man declined her offer as too low.

The clerk did not get the man's name, but Bright was observed on the shop's security video. The officer went to Bright's address (the house the victim had described), but a resident on the front porch said Bright had been asked to leave a few days earlier for causing trouble with the neighbors.

While heading to Bright's sister's home, the officer spotted a man on a bicycle who fit the suspect's description.

The officer made contact and confronted Bright with evidence he had gathered. After some hesitation, Bright confessed that he had stolen the tools and had tried to pawn them. Bright said he stashed the tools in an abandoned residence behind Winn-Dixie, but when he went back to get them, they were gone. He speculated that someone had probably seen what he did and stole them.

Bright was arrested for burglary of an unoccupied structure, grand theft and fraud (false verification of ownership to a pawn broker. He and his bicycle were taken to the Starke Police Department for safekeeping, without incident.

Elisha Chambers, 31, of Jacksonville was arrested Feb. 15 by Bradford deputies for a probation violation.

James A. Conn, 71, of Ballston Spa, New York was arrested Feb. 19 by Bradford deputies for DUI and hit and run.

April Ellis, 34, of Davenport was arrested Feb. 15 by Starke police for being an out-of-state fugitive.

Justin Garrison, 18, of Starke was arrested for battery and obstruction of justice.

Charles Austin Johnson, 29, of Jacksonville was arrested Feb. 14 by Starke police for driving with a suspended or revoked license.

John Patrick Kent, 33, of Jacksonville was arrested Feb. 13 by Bradford deputies for an out-of-county warrant.

Shawn Parham, 27, of Astatula was arrested Feb. 15 by Lawtey police for possession of 20 grams of marijuana and possession of drug equipment.

Shawn Paul Pearson, 21, of Lake City was arrested Feb. 16 by Bradford deputies for failure to appear.

Lawrence Louis Puca, 30, of Cape Coral was arrested Feb. 14 by Starke police for possession of cocaine, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and possession of drug equipment. The following day he was arrested by Bradford deputies for grand theft of a firearm.

Everett Michael Rossi, 28, of Live Oak was arrested Feb. 16 by Bradford deputies for a probation violation.

Anthony Sheppard, 19, was arrested Feb. 15 by Bradford deputies for two probation violations.

Shiann Sylvester, 22, of Lawtey was arrested Feb. 14 by Bradford deputies for a probation violation.

Krista Dawn Thompson, 32, of Starke was arrested Feb. 18 by Starke police for larceny.

Legra Fometa Wilfredo, 48, of Jacksonville was arrested Feb. 16 by Bradford deputies for DUI.

UNION COUNTY –

David Joseph Bridgeman, 40, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 17 by Union deputies for an out-of-county warrant.

Robin Michelle Dampier, 27, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 18 by Union deputies for an out-of-county warrant.

Deputies: woman hid drugs in Valentine's Day gift

On Feb. 15, the Union County Sheriff's Office arrested Lawtey resident Susan Herndon. She was charged with smuggling contraband into a detention facility, a third-degree felony.

According to an arrest report, Herndon delivered valentines to inmate Roger Moore along with a clear storage bag of powder she had told officers was coffee creamer. She gave the bag to control-room staff to be processed. Later that afternoon, an officer went through the items, including the creamer, to ensure there was no contraband inside. While handling the creamer, the officer felt a small pebble, not consistent with creamer. An investigator believed it to be "Flaka," and it tested positive.

Further investigation of telephone records and conversations revealed the caper had been planned days in advance. The couple called the drug "Gatorade," an item not accepted at the jail. After delivery was made, the defendant's telephone conversations confirmed delivery of the items to the jail.

Officers were not convinced the conversation had really been about coffee creamer and valentines.

Robert Jackson, 34, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 13 by Union deputies for battery.

Man caught on video breaking into home

The Union County Sheriff's Office arrested Craigory James Jones, 27, of Raiford, on Feb.



Jones, C.

12 and charged him with theft of a controlled substance.

On Feb. 7, a Raiford couple discovered someone had entered their home and stolen an opioid medication from a pill bottle on a table in their front room. The couple consequently set up a camera, believing the culprit might return. They also substituted blood-pressure medications and other pills for the opioids in the bottle.

On Feb. 12, one of the victims checked her cell phone around noon and found that she had received a security alert that morning at 8:57 a.m. The alert signaled that the video camera had recorded an intruder in the home. Furthermore, she was certain she could identify the thief. She notified the UCSO and her husband; they returned to meet a deputy at their home.

Both the husband and wife were sure the suspect on the video was Craigory James Jones. The wife had taught Jones in school years before; they had rented a property to him for almost two years. Jones had worked for them and was familiar with their home.

The deputy studied the figure on the video, noting his cap, shirt and jacket. The victims and the deputy believed he had entered and left their home through an opened door at the back of the house. A second deputy visited Jones' home, where a female said he was at work in Gainesville. In Gainesville, the deputy spoke to Jones and saw he was wearing clothing identical to those seen in the victims' security video.

The suspect also told the deputy that he had made only one stop that morning, at a gas station, about 9 a.m. When the deputy visited the gas station and checked the businesses security camera as well, he determined from the clothing that the images and especially the clothing of the figure on both tapes were one and the same, and that was Jones.

Jones was visited the following day and asked if it was his photo from the gas station security camera. He said that it was. He was wearing a red shirt similar to the one in the victims' security video and was asked if he had been wearing it the day before. He said that he had.

Jones was arrested, cuffed, transferred and charged with burglary, a second-degree felony; larceny, theft of a controlled substance, a third-degree felony; and possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, a third-degree felony.

Sandy Denise Kimble, 53, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 13 by Union deputies for failure to appear.

Robert Darrian Kirkland, 39, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 18 by Union deputies for Assault.

Kelly M. Larson, 41, of Lake Butler was arrested Feb. 12 by Union deputies for assault, disorderly conduct and interference with a school function.

CLAY COUNTY (KEYSTONE HEIGHTS AND MELROSE)–

Joseph Kenneth Muschamp, 42, of Keystone Heights was arrested Feb. 17 by Clay deputies for trespassing.

Starke's Goldwire appointed as Santa Fe trustee

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Mike Goldwire of Starke has been appointed by Gov. Rick Scott to the Santa Fe College District Board of Trustees, replacing the retired Arley McRae, also of Starke.

"Gov. Scott has a record of appointing distinguished men and women to the Board of Trustees of Santa Fe College," Jackson Sasser, the school's president, said. "Mr. Michael M. Goldwire's recent selection, representing Bradford County, follows in this tradition. He is a learned, inventive and principled professional."

Goldwire, who is a Bradford High School and University of Florida graduate, said he is looking forward to serving in much the same way his wife, the former Mary Agnes Ferguson, did.

"She's devoted her life to service in Bradford County," Goldwire said. "She served almost four decades in the school system. Some of it rubbed off on me, I think. My concern at this point is how can I best serve Bradford County and the people of Bradford County? I think this will give me an opportunity."

Interviews and road trips to remember

He had been asked by McRae if he would be interested in being a Santa Fe College trustee. Goldwire replied that he was, so McRae encouraged him to begin the application process. McRae eventually told Goldwire he was going to retire from the board, so Goldwire finished and submitted his application.

A couple of months ago, Goldwire interviewed with Sasser, which solidified in his mind that he did indeed want to be a trustee.

"He's a super guy," Goldwire said of Sasser. "I've seen him in various meetings here, but never really talked to him. The guy is seriously impressive."

Later came a call from the governor's office to set up another interview. Goldwire said Scott hoped to be able to make it to Gainesville or Jacksonville for the interview, but he couldn't make it happen with his schedule. Goldwire said he'd drive to Tallahassee.

The drive on Jan. 3 was memorable.

"As with my normal luck, it was the coldest day in Florida," Goldwire said. "It snowed in Tallahassee that day."

A portion of I-10 was closed due to icy conditions, which had Goldwire relying upon his phone's GPS to find another route.

"I'm not sure where all I went," Goldwire said, "but I went all over south of I-10, moving slowly toward Tallahassee."

He was 30 minutes late, but he did make it (and he did call Scott's office to let them know he'd be late). Despite the weather and its effects, everything went well. Scott announced Goldwire's appointment on Jan. 19.

His first meeting as a trustee was this past Tuesday, though he had been to a meeting before. McRae's wife, Gladys, was unable to take him to the board's December meeting. Goldwire drove McRae, who is confined to a wheelchair due to the effects of a stroke.

"It gave me a chance to see a board meeting and how it works," Goldwire said. "I saw Lisa (Prevatt), who is the chairman of the board now. We talked. I've known Lisa for years. She worked for Mary Agnes back when Mary Agnes was principal at Southside (Elementary School) and Lisa was assistant principal."

Goldwire and Prevatt are two of three trustees who are from Bradford County. Jeff Oody is the other.

Working to help students succeed

Becoming a part of the culture at Santa Fe College is an exciting prospect for Goldwire. He described it as open and transparent. More importantly, a culture has been created by Sasser to meet students' needs in the best ways possible.

"Everything is designed to support the student, helping the student be successful and a contributing member to society," Goldwire said.

It impressed Goldwire to learn how students at Santa Fe are given numbers. Each student goes to a school website and enters his or her number, bringing up a personalized page that outlines what courses that student



Goldwire

needs to take in regard to his or her area of study. Each student is also assigned a mentor.

It was a far cry from when Goldwire went to UF. He remembers being a new student and being in the midst of what seemed like millions of other new students. It wasn't quite that many, of course, but a large group nonetheless was told that over the course of the next year or two, two of three students present would no longer be at UF, "which doesn't do a lot to build confidence in a student," Goldwire said.

It's a different era, and Santa Fe is doing all it can to build students' confidence and help them be successful.

"It's not just something they write on a brochure," Goldwire said. "It's really real."

Goldwire, who also attended Emory and Nova Southeastern universities for postgraduate studies, is a veteran, having served in Vietnam as an Army intelligence officer. He is the president of the management consultant firm Goldwire Associates Inc. and co-founded, with his wife, MamaDearCares.com, an online private community for professional women with children from birth to 4 years of age.

Farquharson to compete in NAM Florida Teen pageant



Ayana Farquharson, 16, of Keystone Heights qualified as a finalist for the National American Miss Florida Pageant, which will be held June 9-11 at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront.

The pageant for girls ages 4-18 in five age divisions. Farquharson will compete for the crown of Miss Florida Teen, with the winner receiving a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of roses and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California.

Contestants will compete in four overall categories including Formal Wear Modeling, Personal Introduction, Interview and Community Service Project.

National American Miss is dedicated to celebrating America's greatness and encouraging its future leaders. Each year, the pageant awards thousands in scholarships and prizes to recognize and assist in the development of young ladies nationwide. The focus of this organization is to create future leaders, equip them with real-life skills and make their dreams a reality.

The program is based on inner beauty as well as poise and presentation. Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence and learning new skills, such as good attitudes about competition as well as setting and achieving personal goals.

Families interested in learning more about this unique and outstanding youth program may visit namiss.com.

The Weekly Paw Print:

Well the pollen is here already and with it comes allergy season. So today we are gonna focus on allergic skin disease in pets. It is a broad subject so we will barely "scratch" the surface (sorry for that). Basic things to know about Allergic skin disease: Only 10% of all itchy pets have a food allergy. The take home message here is do not change food unless instructed to do so as part of a food trial. Strict flea control is critical to the success of ALL allergy cases. Studies have shown that any flea burden will exacerbate existing allergic responses to other allergens (things that make dogs itch). Control of fleas makes it easier to control allergies even if the pet is not allergic to fleas. Allergies develop over time. Usually a pet is 2-4 years of age before they show signs of allergic skin disease. And yes, nothing has changed except how the pet's immune systems responds to everyday allergens. Chronic ear infections almost always mean underlying allergies. Ears are lined with skin and often are early warning indicators of allergic skin disease. In fact, some dogs only exhibit chronic ear infections when they have allergies. You don't have use steroids to treat allergies. Usually antihistamines don't work so steroids are commonly given to bring relief. This is not necessary in the majority of cases. Today, we have many excellent options for successfully managing allergies that work as fast and better than steroids. Cytopoint, Apoquel, and Atopica all are potent tools against allergies and do not have the bothersome and often serious side effects of steroids. The basic starting point for allergic skin disease is a thorough history and examination for allergic symptoms. Be patient, allergies are never handled in just one visit. The average allergic patient takes no less than 3-4 visits before they are stable. The results are well worth it, a happy pet without stinky itchy skin.

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Obituaries



Linda Mundorff

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Linda Diane Turner Mundorff, age 71, of Keystone Heights passed away at her home Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018. She was born Jan. 6, 1947 in Alma, Georgia to the late Jack and Helen (Whitley) Turner. Diane worked as a waitress serving the Starke and Keystone Heights area for 36 years and retired from the Keystone Inn following 25 years of dedicated service. She was a member of Eliam Baptist Church where she would often volunteer and help out when needed. In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, taking care of her cats and she loved to garden. Diane was also known for spoiling her customers. In addition to her parents, her brother, Larry had preceded her in death.

Diane is survived by: her husband of 37 years, Wayne Mundorff of Keystone Heights; her children, Richard (Susan) Stitt of Murphy, North Carolina, Thomas Stitt of Lake Butler, Lisa Vickery of Starke, Elizabeth (Johnny) Smith of Florahome, Terry (Beth) Mundorff of Melrose, Pat (Brenda) Mundorff of Raiford, and Luana Mundorff of Hawthorne; three brothers, Jerry (Sandra) Turner of Baxley, Georgia, Terry (Pat) Turner of Hartford, Alabama and Ronnie Turner of Keystone Heights. Also left behind is her stepfather, Norman Burnett of Keystone Heights; stepmother, Phyllis Turner of Dothan, Alabama along with twenty three grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, extended family and her best friend, Jo Reed.

A memorial service for Diane will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 23 in Eliam Baptist Church with Pastor Arthur Johnson officiating. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Keystone Heights. www.jonesgallagherfh.com 352-473-3176.

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Patricia Pardee



PALM COAST— Patricia Ann "Pat" Raley Pardee, 68, of Palm Coast, formerly of Keystone Heights and Graham died Friday, Feb. 16, 2018 at Florida Hospital in Palm Coast. She was born July 27, 1949 in Palatka to the late Daniel Levi and Zonia Bell (Cason) Raley, was a 1967 graduate of Bradford High School and was also a graduate of Jones Business School. She was a longtime member of Hope Baptist Church. Three of her siblings, Audrey Broadway, Luther "Doug" Raley and Clement Raley, preceded her in death.

Survivors include: her husband of 49 years, Marshall Pardee; sons, Marshall "Gregory" (Diane) Pardee of Starke and Charles "Jason" Pardee of Palm Coast; sister, Iris Muriel Raley (Ed) Bennett of Keystone Heights; two grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and many other family members.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in the Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home Chapel, with funeral services starting at 2 p.m., with Dr. Tom Farmer officiating. Interment will follow at Eliam Cemetery in Melrose. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Keystone Heights.

Louise Rosier

LAWTEY— Louise Catherine (Ross) Rosier, 92, of Lawtey died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018 at Windsor Health and Rehabilitation Center following an extended illness. She was born on Oct. 10, 1925 in Dunnellon to the late James Leroy and Janie (Driggers) Ross and was a longtime resident of Lawtey. She was a homemaker and a member of Evergreen Baptist Church. Preceding her in death was: her husband, Marvin E. Rosier; daughter, Bonnie Johns; and grandson, Bryan Rosier.

She is survived by: son, Steven Rosier; eight grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends in the DeWitt C. Jones Chapel of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home on Friday, Feb. 23, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., with funeral services beginning at 12 p.m. Entombment will follow in Crosby Lake Cemetery, with Pastor Ron Kimbrell officiating. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke.



Letha Rucker

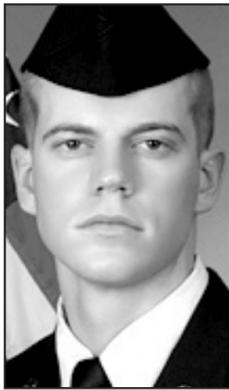
LAKE BUTLER— Letha Edenfield Rucker died Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2018 at North Florida Regional Medical Center after a two-month illness. Mrs. Rucker was born in Shaw's Still Feb. 15, 1930 to Johnnie J. Edenfield and Vila Walker Edenfield. When Mrs. Rucker first started working, she was a telephone operator. She was a secretary for the Florida Road Department, the First Baptist Church of Lake Butler and the Bradford Union Guidance Clinic. She also spent many years as a homemaker. Her quiet intellect infused everything she did, eclipsed only by her kindness. The world is full of impatient and entitled people; she provided a counterpoint by simply being herself. She treasured her family, loving them selflessly. She was predeceased by: an infant son, Paul Kevin Rucker, and sister, Ida Lee Tyson.

She is survived by: her husband of 58 years, Seabie P. Rucker; one child, Paula Elaine (Wayne) Kiger of Tallahassee; and two grandchildren, Tenley Kiger and Wayne Kevin Kiger. She is also survived by a sister, Faye Drew of Lakeland.

A funeral service was held at First Baptist Church of Lake Butler on Feb. 17. Burial followed at Dekle Cemetery. Friends and relatives who prefer an alternative to flowers are encouraged to donate to Florida Baptist Children's Homes (www.fbhomes.org) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (<https://www.stjude.org>).

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Socials



David Best

Best graduates basic military training

U.S. Air Force National Guard Airman 1st Class David R. Best graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Best earned distinction as an honor graduate. He is the son of David and Margaret Best, grandson of Margaret Nowlin, and son-in-law of Michael Tew, all of Starke. The airman is also the brother of Holly Tew and Rachel Best. Best graduated in 2013 from Bradford High School and earned an associate degree in 2016 from Santa Fe College, Starke.



Harold Tisdale Sr.

STARKE— Harold Richard "Ricky" Tisdale Sr., 71, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018, with his family by his side in Gainesville. Born and raised in Gulfport, Mississippi, the son of Daniel Garvis and Thelma (Luzenberg) Tisdale, he was a longtime resident of Florida for over 20 years, and most recently of Starke. A carpenter by trade, Ricky was a "jack of all trades" who loved working hard and working with his hands. Whether remodeling houses or installing cabinetry, he ensured that each job was of his absolute best work. He was self-employed and owner of R & J Construction, but his love for his work, however, had no match for his love for fishing. No matter what the schedule held, there was always time to be out in the boat and on the water- especially with his boys. Ricky's greatest blessing was watching his children grow and start their own families to give him his greatest joys - his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved each one of them so uniquely. Whether through funny nicknames, inside jokes or a trip on the boat, he made sure to connect with each one. Ricky is preceded in death by: his parents, Daniel Garvis and Thelma Tisdale; his brother, Jessie (Sharon) Tisdale; and his son, Ricky (Connie) Tisdale Jr.

Ricky is survived by: his loving wife of over 20 years, Jackie (Davis) Tisdale; his brothers, Dan (Anna) Tisdale Jr. and Bob (Maxine) Tisdale; his sons, Greg (Michelle) Tisdale Sr. and Chris (Tiffany) Tisdale; Jackie's children, James (Cheri) Davis, Phyllis Carmichael, Lynn (Danny) Halsey, Connie (Sid) Mohart and Randy Davis; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Feb. 19 at Hope Baptist Church Cemetery, with Mr. Greg Tisdale Jr. officiating. Arrangements were under the care and direction of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services and Archie Tanner Memorial Chapel, Starke. Visit www.ferreirafuneralservices.com to sign the family's guest book. 904-964-5757.

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Androlevich throws no-hitter, UCHS wins district opener 18-0

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Teala Howard drove in four runs, while Lexi Androlevich pitched a no-hitter in the Union County High School softball team's 18-0, five-inning win over host Crescent City in the District 6-1A opener for both teams on Feb. 16.

Crescent City's only two base runners reached on errors as Androlevich gave up no walks and struck out six.

Howard went 3-for-3 with two doubles, while Tiffany Clark and Reah Jones went 2-for-2 and 2-for-3, respectively. Clark had two RBI, as did Angela Stone and Brooke Waters. Waters hit a double.

The Tigers (2-0) got one RBI each from Kensley Hamilton, Madelyn Kish, Charli Morrow, Shelby Spratlin and Katie Tomlinson.

Union played Gainesville this past Tuesday and will host district opponent Hilliard on Monday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. The Tigers then host Clay on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 6 p.m.

BHS softball team evens record with 14-0 win

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Emily McCoy, who hit a triple, and Brooklyn Wiggins each drove in four runs for the Bradford High School softball team, which defeated host Bishop Snyder 14-0 in five innings on Feb. 16.

Gracie Blankenship went 3-for-3 with a double and an RBI, while Harli Phillips went 2-for-3 to help lead the Tornados (1-1) to the win. Savana Shealey had two RBI, while Savannah Seeley had one. Shiane Cassels hit a double.

Starting pitcher Maggie Olive gave up no hits and two walks, striking out three, in two innings. Shealey gave up three hits and one walk, striking out four, in three innings.

Bradford entered the game off a 9-5 loss to visiting Fort White in its District 5-5A opener on Feb. 15.

Cassels and Krista Hildebran each drove in a run in the bottom of the seventh to force extra innings, but Fort White scored four runs in the top of the eighth to win.

Shealey went 2-for-4 with two home runs and three RBI. Cassels hit a double.

The Tornados played district opponent Palatka this past Tuesday and Gainesville on Wednesday, Feb. 21. On Thursday, Feb. 22, Bradford hosts district opponent P.K. Yonge at 6 p.m. The Tornados then travel to play Gainesville on Monday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. before traveling to play district opponent Santa Fe on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m.

Jennings drives in only runs in 2-0 KHHS win over Clay

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Ashleigh Jennings hit a two-run single in the top of the seventh to give the Keystone Heights High School softball team a 2-0 win over host Clay on Feb. 16.

Megan Moncrief (2-0) pitched a seven-hit shutout, giving up just one walk, as the Indians improved to 2-1.

Jennings and Lexi Northway each went 2-for-3.

Keystone entered the game off a 16-1, three-inning win over visiting P.K. Yonge in its first District 5-5A game on Feb. 15.

Jennings, Skylar Rollins and Bailey Story each went 3-for-3, with Rollins hitting a double and Story hitting a triple. Jennings and Rollins each had one RBI, while Story had three.

Northway and Molly Crawford each went 2-for-2 with a double and an RBI. Savannah Channell, who hit a double, and Cami Worley each had two RBI, while Ashton Ludwig and Makayla Smith each had one.

Moncrief gave up two hits and no walks, striking out two.

The Indians played district opponent Newberry this past Tuesday and will host district opponent Palatka on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. Keystone then travels for two district games: at P.K. Yonge on Friday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m. and at Newberry on Monday, Feb. 26, at 6 p.m.

Col. Samuel Elbert DAR meeting set for March 5

The Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will hold its regular monthly meeting beginning at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 5, at IHOP in Starke.

Leslie Harper will be the hostess. The program will be presented by Julia Saldivar, member of the Florida State Society Speakers' Bureau and chair/co-chair of several state committees. In addition, the chapter, led by Honorary Chapter Regent Konnie Beauregard, will be presenting Women in American History awards to Janet Zengel Messer and Mary

Jane Gallop Katter. Do you have a Revolutionary War-era Patriot in your family tree? If you would like to find out, we can help with DAR's amazing genealogical resources.

Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background, who can prove direct descent from a person who aided in achieving American independence between April 19, 1775, and Nov. 26, 1783, is eligible for membership in DAR. Please contact Leslie Harper (352-475-5090) or June Keefe (386-431-1830) for more information.

Carolyn Davis

GRANDIN—Carolyn H. Davis, age 74, of Grandin passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2018 at North Florida Regional Medical Center in Gainesville. Ms. Carolyn was born on Feb. 11, 1944 in Hampton to Carl and Bertha (Wilson) Rhoden. She had been a resident of Grandin since 1983 and attended Hampton Baptist Church. Affectionately known as Mutt to her family and friends, as well as Granny to her grandchildren, Carolyn was a homemaker and loved taking care of her family. Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents and numerous siblings.

She is survived by: her devoted and loving companion of 38 years, Herman Mayes of Grandin; her children, John "Clint" (Christy) Davis of Grandin, Cal (Hillary) Davis of Grandin, Clay (Teresa) Davis of Palatka, Priscilla "Dee" (Albert Jr.) Ransom of Hampton, and Dawn (Chris) Mayes of Grandin; and brother, Robert (Norma) Rhoden of Starke. Also left behind are numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, other family members and friends.

Funeral services were held on Feb. 20 at Orange Heights Baptist Church, Hawthorne, with Pastor Aaron Morgan officiating. Burial followed at Hope Baptist Church Cemetery in Hampton. Arrangements were by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home, Starke. www.jonesgallagherfh.com.

PAID OBITUARY

Brandi Hall

MIDDLEBURG— Brandi Lynn Hall, 26, of Middleburg died on Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018. She was born on Jan. 3, 1992 to Steven and Paula Hall. She grew up and graduated high school in Bradford County. She is preceded in death by her grandparents, John McKinney, Narcie Thornton and Warren and Carol Hall; and sister-in-law, Katie Griffiths.

She is survived by: her parents, Steven Hall and Paula Hall; brothers, James Griffiths, Drew Griffiths, and twin brother, Brandon Hall; sister, Jennifer Hall; and fiancé, Eddie Davis.

Funeral services were held Feb. 16 at Archer Funeral Home. Burial followed at Macedonia Cemetery. Arrangements were under the care of Archer Funeral Home, Lake Butler.



Enoch Jones

OCALA— Enoch Travis "Sonny" Jones, 83, of Ocala went to be with the Lord on Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018. Sonny was born on March 4, 1935 in Troy, Alabama to Robert and Lottie Mae Jones. He was the 16th of 21 children: Ethel, Robert Andrew, Ralph Victor, Thurman Paul, James Gordon, Malcom Ray "Mack", Harold Lloyd "Cecil", Phillip Bernard "Bill", Lemuel Thomas "Tom", Viola, Leola, Mary, Ruth, Ruby, Enoch Travis "Sonny", Gerald Lee, Lowry Matthews, Sandra, Betty, Hazel and Ronnie Lee. There are six surviving brothers and sisters. Sonny retired from Florida Rock Industries. He was a dedicated father and papa. He enjoyed fishing, working in the yard and tinkering with things.

He is survived by: his wife, Bobby Jean Wilkinson Jones; sons, Richard Anthony "Tony" (Nancy) Jones of Brookier and Robert Jessie "Robbie" (Donna) Jones of New River; his daughter, Kathy (Michelle) Rene of Ocala; five grandchildren, Jennifer Mackenzie, Beth Jones O'Steen, Sierra, Lackey, and Lori; and two great-grandkids, Charlett and Colton.

A celebration of life will be held at Tony's home, 17374 Melvin Street in Brookier on March 3rd at 1 p.m. As a tribute to Sonny, it will be a casual potluck gathering of friends and family. We will be remembering and honoring a loving husband and father who will be dearly missed.

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Grandsons now run business

Durrance Pump and Well-Drilling has been helping people get water for 53 years and is still out daily doing just that. The company was started in 1964 by R.V. Durrance and today is owned and operated by his grandson, Kamryn Underhill, who took over the business in 2013 (although granddad is still on hand most days to help out). Another grandson, Brett Blanton, is second in command at the company. Both grandsons were born and raised in Starke and are graduates of Bradford High School.

"We both just wanted to work in the family business," Underhill said.

Durrance drills water wells in Bradford, Baker, Clay and Union counties, as well as in other surrounding counties if possible. The company is the only well driller in Bradford County. Most of the wells they dig are in the 80-400-foot range and they can dig a well per day with their single

drilling rig. They also have two -service trucks, from which they offer 24-hour pump service, irrigation and water treatment.

Irrigation has become a big part of the business over the past few years, Durrance will install and maintain commercial and residential systems for greenhouses, gardens, lawns and cropland. Given the high temperatures over the past couple of years, Underhill said the company has been very busy with irrigation projects.

Iron and sulfur

Wells in this area have a tendency toward having iron in the water, and in deeper wells sulfur can also be a concern. To make the water better for drinking and other household uses, Durrance sells a number of options in water treatment systems. Water softeners can deal with iron in the water while air injection can remedy both iron and sulfur. Chlorinators can neutralize bacteria, while reverse osmosis systems can provide multiple filtration applications.

Wells come in two basic sizes in the applications Durrance most commonly deals with two-inch and four-inch. Two-inch wells require jet pumps, while the more desirable four-inch wells will use submersible pumps. Durrance carries a number of pump types and brands so as to be sure to have the right type on hand for every

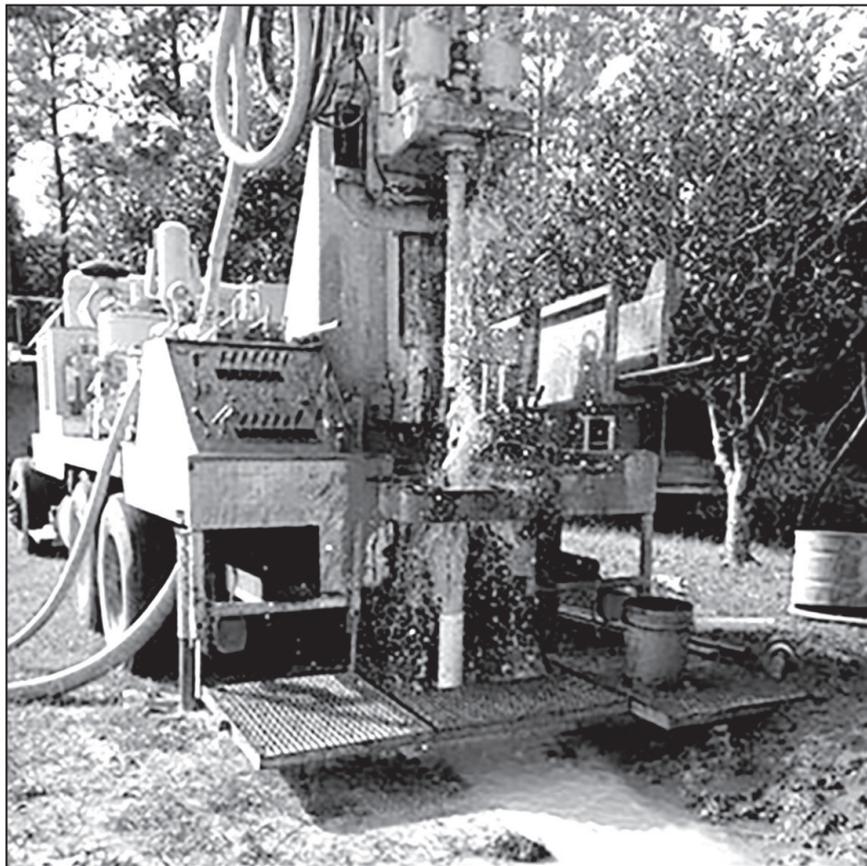
application. Brands they carry include Schafer Series submersible pumps, Star Rite and Gould's pumps.

When they install a well on a property, Durrance is ready to go the extra mile for the customer. After all, what good is a well if you can't make it operate or get water to your home? In this light, Durrance offers trenching services for water lines and well-related electrical lines.

Durrance will answer calls about bad wells and non-working pumps, offering repairs on the pumps. The unfortunate truth about a well that has gone bad or dry, or has a broken casing, is that the only remedy is to drill a new well. Underhill said patching almost never works on casings and there are no other alternatives besides a new well. This is not a quick fix either. It cannot be done in a day. Drilling a well requires a permit either from one of the water management districts or a county health department. As licensed water and well contractors, Durrance can fill out the necessary applications and get these permits, but it is not a process that can be done in a day.

Preventive maintenance pays

Underhill said he recommends yearly preventative maintenance on wells to keep them in good shape and operating smoothly. He said the company also



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Underhill and Blanton both said they were very close and were together most of the time - both at work and recreationally.

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UCHS RB Strong signs with Texas A&M

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Texas A&M's 2018 recruiting class is strong with a capital S. Union County High School senior running back Charles Strong made it be known on National Signing Day (Feb. 7) he was becoming an Aggie, picking the school from among three finalists, which also included Florida and Ole Miss.

"It's just amazing," Strong said after signing his letter of intent. "It's breath taking. When I was little, I didn't really see myself coming this far."

Strong had been committed to FSU since February 2016, but decided to look at other schools when head coach Jimbo Fisher resigned in December 2017 to take the Texas A&M job.

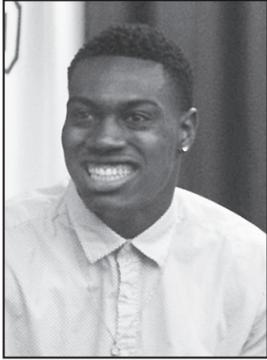
Now, Strong will still play for Fisher, though that wasn't always a given. He came close to signing elsewhere during the early signing period.

"I was going to sign with Ole Miss in December," Strong said, "but something told me, 'Wait. God's got something planned for you. Just wait.' So I waited."

Then the call from Fisher came. The former FSU coach still wanted Strong.

Still, Strong didn't make up his mind immediately to join Fisher. He said he had to give thought to what decision would end up being the best for him. He even turned his phone off the night of Feb. 6 so he could give the matter his full attention. Strong said Ole Miss coaches were constantly calling him.

In deciding Texas A&M was best for him, Strong said, "Something told me, 'You're going to be playing here, and you're going to start here.'"



Charles Strong



Ronny Pruitt



Kepa Sarduy

Family, faith and dedication to work

Strong credited his parents, Torri and Charles Strong Sr., for helping him get through a stressful process.

"Without them, it never would've happened," he said.

First and foremost, Strong thanked God. Torri Strong said her son's decision came about through prayer.

"I'm glad you were submissive to God and let God lead you into the direction He saw fit for you to go," she told her son during the signing ceremony before he announced his decision. "I want you to keep God first in your next chapter."

Charles Strong Sr. also spoke during the ceremony, often fighting back tears as described those long hours he and his son put in together to get to this point. He said he pushed his son to a limit that might've forced other kids to quit.

"I'd like to say congratulations, son," Strong Sr. said. "Hard work. That's all it took. You did it."

Strong Jr. said that hard work has prepared him to make the transition to and succeed in Division I college football.

"I've been training, training, training non-stop," he said. "That's basically what I've been doing. I've been getting ready for whatever school I was going to."

UCHS head coach Ronny Pruitt said Strong possesses a work ethic that's not often seen today, especially with a young athlete who is as talented as Strong is.

"He's one of those kids who comes around once in a lifetime," said Pruitt, who described it as a privilege to be able to coach Strong.

Defensive coordinator Kepa Sarduy talked about Strong's work ethic, saying, "We ask kids to run 10-yard sprints,

and they give you some lip. This man runs 100-yard sprints every play in practice. He gets the ball, he breaks through the line and finishes in the end zone."

Sarduy then looked at Strong and said, "That's why you're doing this today. I'm proud of you, man."

The 'perfect player'

The 6-1, 220-pound back rushed for 1,388 yards and 15 touchdowns this past season and rushed for approximately 4,000 yards and 48 touchdowns



Charles Strong (center) makes his selection, donning a Texas A&M cap at his Feb. 7 signing ceremony. He sits between his parents, Charles Strong Sr. and Torri Strong.

in his four years of high school (two years at P.K. Yonge and two at UCHS).

Pruitt said what stands out about Strong is his combination of speed and size.

"He's got the loosest hips of any running back I've ever seen," Pruitt said. "He takes on contact, but gets off of contact."

Sarduy, who began coaching at UCHS during the 2016-17 year, shared a funny story about the first time he saw Strong's size in person.

"I walked in the weight room, and I saw this beautiful

UCHS boys' season ends with 92-30 loss to Hornets

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Top seed Hawthorne scored the first 10 points and didn't look back in defeating the Union County High School

boys' basketball team 92-30 in the semifinals of the District 6-1A tournament on Feb. 14 in Hawthorne.

The fifth seed Tigers (7-23) got eight points from Keyshawn Young and seven points from

Jaquez Hendrieth. Caden Cox and Anthony Hendrieth each had six points, while Corey Hill added three.

Union advanced to the semifinals by beating fourth seed Crescent City 77-66 on

Feb. 13. Hill led the Tigers with 28 points, while Young and Jaquez Hendrieth each had 14. Cox had 12 points, while Anthony Hendrieth added nine.



Union County's Caden Cox (right) pulls up for a shot in the lane.



Corey Hill (center) puts up a shot in traffic.



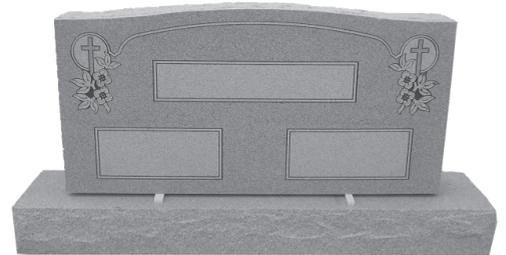
Anthony Hendrieth (right) shoots a three-pointer for the Tigers.



The Tigers' Hunter Dang (far left) and Caden Cox (second from right) battle for a rebound.

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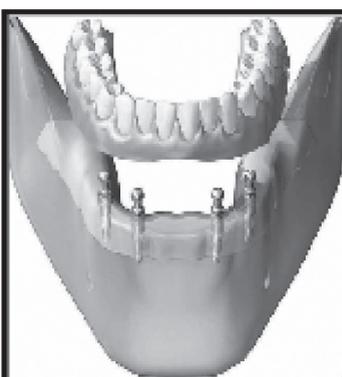
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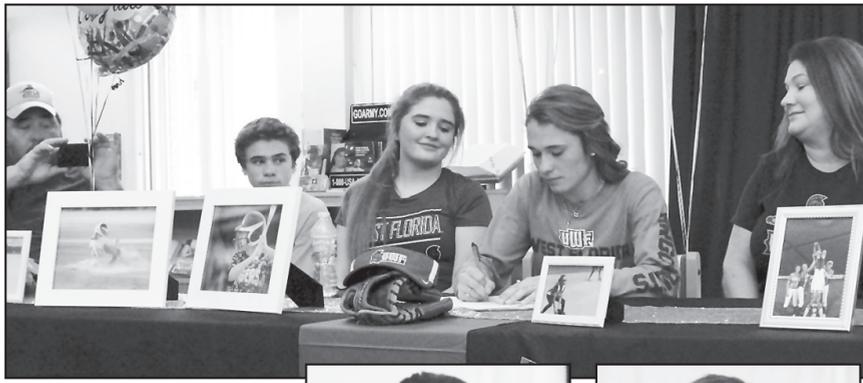
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Union County High School softball duo receives Division I scholarships



Lexi Androlevich (second from left) signs her letter of intent to play softball at Jacksonville State University. She sits between her parents, Richard and Kay. Her sister, Kaylee, is seated at the far right



Teala Howard (second from right) signs her letter of intent to play softball at the University of West Florida. Her parents, Shands and Danielle, are pictured at the far left and right. Also pictured are her brother, Shands, and sister, Sabrena.

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

known your whole life, it's special."

Perhaps Union County High School seniors Lexi Androlevich and Teala Howard will help the softball team win a second straight state championship, but whether they do or not, they have special opportunities ahead of them after they graduate as each has received a scholarship to continue playing at Division I schools.

Each signed her letter of intent during a Feb. 15 ceremony in the UCHS media center. Androlevich, a pitcher, is going to Jacksonville (Alabama) State University, while Howard, a third baseman, is going to the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

"I'm very blessed and so excited to get this opportunity to continue playing softball at the Division I level," Androlevich said.

Howard said, "I'm really excited. I'm so glad I've been given this opportunity to take this next chapter in my life."

Union head coach Jim Godwin said he's known the two their whole lives and is best friends with Howard's father, Shands. Therefore, it was quite a moment for him to watch the two sign.

"There are not two harder working young ladies around than those two," Godwin said, adding, "Not only are they good athletes, but they're good students. They're good kids. To see that happen to people you've

Feeling at home

Androlevich said she was looking at a couple of other schools, such as North Alabama and South Alabama, but it was the Alabama school in Jacksonville where she felt she belonged.

"As soon as I stepped on campus, it felt like home," Androlevich said.

She credited the coaches for creating an appealing family atmosphere and for making her feel like she was a part of that family.

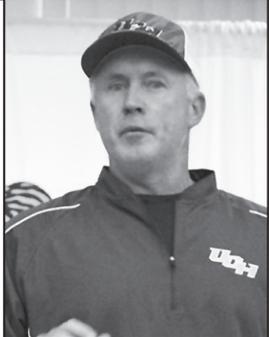
"I really like that," Androlevich said. "Everyone's very supportive."

Howard said West Florida coaches began contacting her during her sophomore year. She liked the school from the research she did. Visiting the school sealed the deal.

"I just fell in love," Howard said. "The atmosphere there is just so amazing. I love the coaches."

Like Androlevich did at Jacksonville State, Howard discovered a family atmosphere she wanted to be a part of.

"They just acted like it was already my home," Howard said of the West Florida coaches. "They treated me like I was already one of their players."



Jim Godwin



Mike Ripplinger

Making their marks

Howard is coming off a season in which she batted .523 with 22 RBI as the Tigers' leadoff hitter. Godwin said Howard has a great bat and a great eye, but what really sets her apart is her speed, which she utilized to steal 34 bases and score 46 runs in 2017.

"I think in the three years I've been here, she's been thrown out once," Godwin said. "It was on a pitch-out, and it was very, very close. She's just super fast. She's

Division-I fast. I tell people all the time, the SEC missed out on a great opportunity in her."

Defensively, Howard finished last season with a .947 fielding percentage.

"She defends the bunt as good as anybody in this area, as good as anybody I've seen," Godwin said. "A very strong arm. It takes



Lexi Androlevich



Teala Howard

a very special person to play third base. She's a special person."

Androlevich started the majority of the Tigers' 26 games

last season, going 19-1 with an ERA of 1.82. She had 97 strikeouts.

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4th quarter dooms KHHS boys in 60-48 loss

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Keystone Heights High School was outscored 25-7 in the fourth quarter as its season came to an end with a 60-48 loss to fourth seed Fort White in the Feb. 12 quarterfinal game of the District 4-5A boys' basketball tournament in Starke.

The fifth-seeded Indians, who never trailed until the 2:51 mark of the fourth quarter, were

led by Ray Kirtley's 18 points. Eddie Thomas had 12, while Sawyer Maxwell had eight. Garrett Stanley and Marco Flores added six and four points, respectively.

Keystone (12-12) entered the tournament on a four-game winning streak, which included a 48-36 win at Middleburg on Feb. 6 and a 58-33 win over Oak Hall on Feb. 9 in Keystone.

Thomas had 13 points and 13 rebounds in the win over

Middleburg, while Kirtley had 11 points and nine boards. Flores had six assists.

In the win over Oak Hall, four players scored in double digits: Maxwell with (14), Thomas (12), Kirtley (11) and Bryson Davison (10). Thomas and Ben Miller had 14 and 11 rebounds, respectively, while Flores had six assists and four steals.



The Indians' Marco Flores (center) shoots a floater in the lane.



Eddie Thomas (right) fights for a rebound.



The Indians' Sawyer Maxwell goes up for two.



Keystone's Ray Kirtley (right) drives for a first-half basket.

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"She dominates," Godwin said. "Nothing rattles her. She's cool in the circle. If she gets down, you never see it. She comes right back with her best stuff. She battles. "She'll probably do the same

thing at the next level."

Godwin said the players will leave UCHS with some notable accomplishments. He expects Howard, who already holds the school's single-season record for stolen bases, to set the record for stolen bases in a career, while he believes Androlevich will set the record for career wins by a pitcher.

"They're going to leave a legacy here that not many are going to be able to duplicate," Godwin said.

Duo's unselfish play leads to success

Androlevich and Howard are both coachable, Godwin said.

That's a credit to their parents, whom he thanked during a brief speech during the signing ceremony.

Also, the two are great teammates, Godwin said, which is what put them in the position to receive scholarships and to succeed in life.

"If you're not a good teammate, you're never going to

make it in athletics or business or anything that you do," Godwin said. "You've got to be a part of something. It can't be all about you."

Each player was glad they signing ceremony wasn't solely about her. They enjoyed sharing the spotlight.

"It's amazing," Androlevich said. "I'm so happy I got to share

it with Teala."

Howard said, "It's so special to me. I'm so glad I get to sign with Lexi."

They still have a season of high school ball left to play, but they are eagerly looking forward to their first experiences playing college ball.

"I'm excited," Howard said.

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Starke's Carter to play football at Idaho



Aundre Carter is joined at his signing ceremony by former Bradford High School teammates as well as Clay High teammate Josh Griffis, who also once went to BHS. Pictured (l-r): Tarrin Jackson, Chris Cummings, Carter, D.J. Mackey, Taro Ward, Shawn Aaron and Griffis. Photo by Shelley Rodgers.



Aundre Carter
Photo by Shelley Rodgers

Carter said the Moscow, Idaho school got the edge because of its overall academic program. "Also, they made me feel like I was at home — the coaching staff, the players, the community," Carter said. "It's

not too big of a city. It felt like Bradford."

During his junior year at Bradford High School, Carter rushed for 1,281 yards and 26 touchdowns. Corey Green, who was the head coach, resigned after the season. Carter and his family eventually decided on the transfer to Clay.

Carter said he was concerned whether or not he was making the right decision, but things turned out pretty good. He rushed for 2,348 yards and 24 touchdowns last season and now gets the chance to play Division I ball.

"That was a big question," Carter said. "Is it the right decision? It ended up paying off."

Idaho loses leading rusher Aaron Duckworth to

graduation. Second-leading Isaiah Saunders, who will be a senior, returns after gaining 531 yards last season.

Carter will be one of nine running backs on the roster, including two other incoming freshmen.

He plans to work hard to make an impact. That's nothing new. His life has been one of long summers and early mornings, "putting in the grind" to be the best player he could be in high school.

"That's what it takes to make it to the next level," he said.

Now that he's reached the next level, what will it feel like stepping onto the field for the first time as a college player?

"It's going to be mind-blowing, being able to say you're playing D-I," Carter said.

BHS sending 4 to wrestling regionals



Bradford High School has four wrestlers who will compete in the Region 1-1A finals after their performances at the District 4 finals. Pictured (l-r): coach Devin Paulk, Michael Porchiazzo, James Smith, Logan Montemurro and Jesse Burch.

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Telegraph Staff Writer

Bradford High School's Jesse Burch repeated as champion and will be joined by three of his teammates in regional competition after their performances at the District 4-1A wrestling finals on Feb. 17 at The Bolles School in Jacksonville.

Burch and Logan Montemurro won their weight classes, while James Smith and Michael Porchiazzo placed second and fourth, respectively. The top four finishers in each class earned the right to advance to the Region 1 finals, which will be held Friday and Saturday, Feb. 23-24, at

Bolles.

Burch, competing in the 170-pound class, advanced to the semifinals off a first-round bye. He pinned Bishop Kenny's Jimmy Citrano in 59 seconds. He then pinned Bolles' C.J. Grimes in 3:45 to win his second straight district title.

Montemurro won the 160 class. Like Burch, he advanced to the semifinals off a first-round bye. He pinned Menendez's David Soule in 4:27 in the semifinals, then pinned Bishop Kenny's Ryan Bell in 2:58 in the finals.

Smith, in the 126 class, recorded a 20-1 technical fall over Florida School for the

Deaf and Blind's Ty Snow in the first round. In the semifinals, he pinned Episcopal's Will Thompson in 2:53, but then was pinned in 35 seconds by Bishop Kenny's Jack Doughit in the finals.

In the 285 class, Porchiazzo earned a first-round bye before being pinned in 20 seconds by Wolfson's Keethan Seay in the semifinals and pinned in 16 seconds by Menendez's Mike Soloman in the third-place match.

Region 1 action begins at noon on Feb. 23. The semifinals will start at 10 a.m. on Feb. 24, followed by the finals at 6 p.m.

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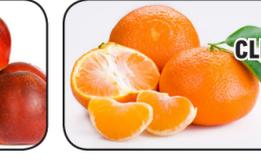
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