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New ANF District Ranger wants to increase timber harvesting

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*
 Members gathered for Monday night's annual Liberty County Chamber of Commerce meeting got some good news for a county filled with timber cutters, sawmill workers and truck drivers: The new Apalachicola National Forest (ANF) District Ranger wants to increase timber harvesting.

Ranger Clint Davis, who works out of the district office in Crawfordville, let the gathering know that he grew up in the timber industry in his home state of Arkansas.

"I'm from a logging family," he said, and told the group, "My

grandfather is one of the best cross-cut saw workers in the area where I grew up."

He shared his experiences of when he first started with the forest service on Aug. 12, 1991, which began with taking tests on firefighting his first day on the job. "On the third day, I was on the side of a mountain in California fighting a fire." He described his first few days as a little frightening as well as fun, adding, "That was my welcome to the forest service and it's been a great career."

Now, his focus is on the four counties that make up the national

forest. Forty-seven percent of the land in Liberty County is national forest. The forest covers 44 percent of Wakulla County land. In Leon County, the percentage of forest land is 23, with just 12 percent in Franklin County.

In 2010, the forest service took over a 1,000 acre site in Calhoun County which was being managed as an experimental forest through the Southern Forest Experiment Station.

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ABOVE: New ANF District Ranger outlined his thoughts on harvesting more timber from the national forest. **BELOW:** Approximately 85 people attended Monday's Annual Chamber Meeting, which was catered by T.J.'s Country Store.

JOHNNY EUBANKS PHOTOS



Driver charged with DUI in Thursday crash

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*
 A 49-year-old Blountstown man who escaped injury after losing control of his truck - which then overturned and burned - was arrested for driving under the influence with property damage and careless driving last Thursday evening.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) report, Joel Alan Kirkbride was traveling south on SR 71 around 8 p.m. on Jan. 11 when his 2001 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup went off the road south of Altha, near NW Magnolia Church Road.

The truck was entering a curve when it crossed the centerline into the oncoming lane. The driver overcorrected, causing the truck to rotate in a clockwise



JOEL ALAN KIRKBRIDE

direction and go off the pavement, according to

the initial report by FHP Trooper William O'Pry.

The truck struck a utility pole and came to rest on the westbound shoulder near the woodline. FHP Trooper J. Gentry arrived on scene to find the vehicle still burning. The driver, who was wearing his seatbelt, was not injured.

A witness reported that the driver had attempted to leave the scene.

As he spoke with Kirkbride, Trooper Gentry noted that the driver's eyes were bloodshot and watery and he smelled strongly of alcohol.

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Calhoun Firefighters Association meeting

Two-year-old Jantson Shuler accompanied his parents, Blountstown Fire Dept. Lt. Jamey Shuler and Tessa Shuler to the monthly Calhoun County Firefighters Association meeting Monday. While Jantson was enjoying trying on a firefighter's helmet, the rest of the group was busy discussing about ways to resolve the problem of poor address labeling in the county. They also learned about a free life insurance policy available for first responders. See more on **PAGE 8**.

Nilsa Prowant completes 1st season on MTV reality show in Panama City



Nilsa Prowant, shown in front in a black dress, shares her experiences as part of the cast of the new show, *Floribama Shore*.

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*
 Nilsa's going back to the beach house.

After a quick eight-episode run, former Clarksville resident Nilsa Prowant will reunite with her seven cast mates on MTV's new reality show, *Floribama Shore*. Regular watchers of MTV have avidly followed the first short season of the series, which brings together twenty-somethings from varied backgrounds who are looking for fun on Panama City Beach while struggling with the challenges of love, lust and emotional confusion between drunken brawls and personal revelations.

Between the tears, the arguments and the emotional breakdowns, the series showcases Panama City Beach. Cast members show up in local restaurants like Firefly and storm into bars where they quickly whip up some drama.

Once in a while, they even make it to the beach.

FROM BHS TO MTV

The former Blountstown High School cheerleader who went on to cheer at Chipola College while earning her cosmetology degree has no qualms about being on camera.

Since childhood, she's been involved in beauty pageants and won several titles. She's become a fixture on the beach, where she's worked at several restaurants and bars, often as a server and other times taking part in special promotions for alcohol as well as clothing. Her Instagram showcases a revolving display of modeling photos, family pictures and partying snapshots. She's quick to ask her followers for opinions on her makeup and hair photos.

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Vehicles collide after one runs stop sign

A driver was charged with failure to obey a stop sign, driving a vehicle in unsafe conditions and no proof of insurance after a collision with another car at 11th Street and SR 20 in Blountstown just after noon on Monday.

William Edward Baggett,

45, of Blountstown was cited for the accident caused when he ran a stop sign and drove into the path of an a 2011 Dodge Ram 1500 traveling east on SR 20. The driver, Nancy May Miles, 37, of Kinard, suffered minor injuries and was taken to Calhoun

Liberty Hospital.

Her two passengers, one 17 and the other 10 years old, also had minor injuries.

Traveling in the 1995 GME Sierra with Baggett was Jerri Danielle Weeks, 38, of Blountstown and a four-year-old child, who were not hurt.



ARREST REPORTS

compiled by Journal Editor, Teresa Eubanks

Man arrested for aggravated battery with deadly weapon for hitting victim with level

An Altha man was arrested on a charge of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon following a Jan. 1 altercation at a residence on Chipola Street, according to a report from Altha Police Chief Jimmy Baggett.

The police chief responded to a 911 call of a physical altercation and heard a man and a woman arguing loudly as he arrived at the home around 8:30 a.m.

When he announced himself and went inside, a couple came out of a bedroom. The man had a laceration on the top left side of his forehead and blood running down the side of his face. He told the chief he was all right and declined medical assistance.

The injured man explained he had stopped to check on the woman living there and the two sitting on her



AMOS L. ANDERSON

bed talking when her boyfriend, Amos L. Anderson, walked in.

Anderson hit the other man in the head with a two-foot-long aluminum level. The victim said he grabbed an electric heater and hit Anderson in an effort to get away from him.

Anderson then threw the woman up against the wall as the other man ran into another room to call for help.

The woman, who had a contusion on her forehead and scratches on her neck, refused to give a statement, saying only that she had tried to break up the fight between

the two men.

The injured man later received 12 stitches for his head wound.

Anderson was released on \$5,000 bond.

Daniels charged with battery & child neglect after fight

A man who reportedly attacked another man who was holding a baby was arrested after the Jan. 11 altercation. Scott Daniels, 48, of Blountstown, was charged with battery and child neglect.



SCOTT A. DANIELS

He went into a bedroom, where he began arguing with a family member before he struck him on the right side of his head.

The victim, who was cradling his

grandson in his arms, fell onto a couch. After he tried to push Daniels away, the victim placed the baby on the couch and then turned to defend

himself against Daniels.

The men were in the doorway of the bedroom when Daniels grabbed the other man by the throat and pushed him backwards, where they landed on a bed.

The caregiver rushed in to remove the child after hearing the baby crying and the noise from the fight.

A threat to call the sheriff's office broke up the fight and Daniels left. A deputy caught up with him traveling southbound on SR 69 a short

time later and he was taken into custody.

The infant was not injured.

Both Daniels and the other man had numerous abrasions and bruises.

Daniels is being held without bond.

DUI

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Kirkbride stated that he crashed after dodging a deer in the road. The trooper's report noted that Kirkbride admitted that he was guilty of drinking and driving.

After refusing to take a roadside sobriety test, Kirkbride was taken to the Calhoun County Jail. Two breath samples showed his blood alcohol content to be .179 and .169, twice the legal limit.

The truck was totaled, with the fire burning the blue paint off the front of the vehicle. Damages to the utility pole, which is owned by Florida Public Utilities, was estimated to be \$3,500.

He was later released on \$5,000 bond.

Man jailed for aggravated assault on person over 65 years of age

A 20-year-old Blountstown man was arrested after losing control when his grandparents refused to let him use their vehicle to go to Panama City.

According to the arrest report, Robert Dravin Hodge spent the night with his grandparents on Dec. 21 of last year and became upset the next morning when they turned down his request to take their car.

The victims said Hodge punched his

grandmother in the left shoulder three times with a closed fist. He pulled a knife on his grandfather and threatened him several times and then told the couple he was going to burn down their home and their vehicles.

After they gave him a small amount of cash, he left. A warrant was issued for his arrest and he was taken into custody Jan. 9.

He was charged with aggravated assault on a



ROBERT D. HODGE

person 65 years or older and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. He is being held on \$10,000 bond.

SHERIFF'S LOG

CALHOUN COUNTY

JAN. 14

- Aaron Dupree Burkes, VOP, BPD.
- Robert Anthony Gurluccio, possession of methamphetamine (over 10 grams), possession of drug equipment, VOP, BPD.

JAN. 13

- Christan William Dean, disorderly intoxication, CCSO.

JAN. 12

- Phillip Marion Mayo, larceny (\$300-\$1000), dealing in stolen property, CCSO.

JAN. 11

- Scott Anthony Daniels, battery, child neglect, CCSO.
- Joel Alan Kirkbride, DUI, FHP.
- Jeffery Charles Tipton, convicted felon registration, CCSO.

JAN. 10

- Eric Tracy Mayo, convicted felon registration, CCSO.
- Elijah Ryan Riley, battery, CCSO.
- Christopher Lee Rowe, failure to appear, CCSO.

JAN. 9

- Jennifer Michelle Allen, convicted felon registration, CCSO.
- Amos Lewis Anderson, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, APD.
- Christina Clark, convicted felon registration, CCSO.
- Edward Clark, convicted felon registration, CCSO.
- Robert Dravin Hodge, aggravated assault on person 65 years of age or older, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, CCSO.
- Bobby Ray Sanders, larceny \$100-\$300, BPD.

LIBERTY COUNTY

JAN. 15

- Andree R. Gibbs, driving while license suspended or revoked (3rd offense), LCSO.

JAN. 14

- April Johnson, holding for Gulf County, GCSO.

JAN. 12

- Jacklon C. Ahbol, petty theft, LCSO.
- Camilo Curz Castillo, serving weekends, LCSO.
- Gregory Donaldson, driving while license suspended or revoked, LCSO.

JAN. 10

- Richard Troy Durden, VOP, larceny \$100-\$300, LCSO.
- Robert Dloyd Kyle, tampering with evidence, possession of drug equipment, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, LCSO.
- Ashley Nicole Scruggs, holding for Gulf County, GCSO.

JAN. 9

- Christopher Rosier, failure to appear, LCSO.

Listings include name followed by charge and identification of arresting agency. The names above represent those charged. We remind our readers that all are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

FWC LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEKLY REPORT 12/29/17 -1/5/18 CALHOUN COUNTY

Officer Hayes received a call from a landowner who heard a rifle shot from the roadway near his residence. The landowner also heard a vehicle speed away from the location. Officer Hayes responded and searched the area for any shell casings or evidence that a deer had been shot. Unable to locate any evidence, Officer Hayes concealed his patrol vehicle and conducted surveillance over two nearby farm fields. Approximately three hours later, a truck drove by slowly shining the fields with a spotlight. Officer Hayes conducted a traffic stop and found the driver to be in possession of a loaded 12-gauge shotgun. The suspect was charged with night hunting. The firearm and light were seized as evidence.

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Celebrate the Florida Torreya Tree of Life at Torreya State Park in March

The Florida *torreya* (*Torreya taxifolia*) is a critically endangered conifer endemic to the Apalachicola River drainage of the Florida panhandle and adjacent southern Georgia. The species was once a prominent member of its forest community but today less than one percent of the historic population survives, by cyclically dying back at the sapling stage, such that seeds are rarely, if ever, produced. The main cause of the decline has been attributed to a fungal disease (i.e. *Fusarium torreyae*) and to date there is no control strategy available. Although the species has been subject to extensive conservation interventions, its extinction in the wild is imminent.

An event to celebrate the Torreya

tree will be held at Torreya State Park located at 2576 NW Torreya Park Road, Bristol on Thursday, March 1 through Friday, March 2 with guest speaker E.O. Wilson.

This event aims to:

- Reflect on Florida *torreya* and the meaning of its extinction,
- Examine and discuss the opportunities for linkages between existing resources and experts to develop a plan of action,
- Establish collaborations that will lead to documentation of the biodiversity associated with Florida *torreya* in its habitat – assembling a “Florida Torreya Tree of Life”.

Schedule:

March 1 we will reflect on Torreya and the meaning of its extinction:

- Lectures
- Hike led by Dr. Edward O. Wilson
- Torreya planting
- Conservation discussion
- “Tree Tender” animated film (by Florida Museum of Natural History & University of Florida Digital Worlds Institute).

March 2 - Assembling the Torreya Tree of Life - sampling and field work:

- Experts from around the world will document the biodiversity associated with Florida *torreya* in its habitat and establish linkages to predict how the ecosystem will change upon its extinction.

For more information email Dr. Paloma Carton de Grammont at palomacgl@ufl.edu.



'The Voice of Hope' to be performed at in Blountstown Feb. 3

On behalf of the cast and myself, Sally Gadson, we are inviting you to come out and meet some of the historical figures that contributed to Black History.

You will have the opportunity to meet Associate Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, W.E.B. Du Bois, President Harry S. Truman, A. Philip Randolph, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and others through our performance.

The play will be held on Saturday, Feb. 3 at the Blountstown Public Library at 6 p.m. CT promptly. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. This event is free to the public.

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

CORINTH BAPTIST CHURCH - Dove Award winner Brian Free & Assurance will be in concert Thursday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. ET at Corinth Baptist Church in Hosford. There will be a free chicken pilau served at 6 p.m. ET prior to the concert.

Brian was the tenor singer for many years with Gold City. He sang on the legendary recording of the song "Midnight Cry" in the early 1990's. He left Gold City in 1993, and Brian Free and Assurance was formed in 1994. They have sang at the National Quartet Convention and have performed at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville. T. V. appearances include 27 of the Bill Gaither Videos and the NBC Today Show. Brian Free & Assurance won a Dove Award for "Song of the Year" in 2006 with "Long as I got King Jesus". Brian Free & Assurance are one of the premier gospel groups in America today and will be bringing their ministry in song to Liberty County.

The concert is free and a love offering will be taken. Don't miss the opportunity to hear this wonderful music ministry!

The church is located at 15816 NE Moore Street in Hosford. For more information, please call Pastor Kyle Peddie at (850) 379-8522.

GLORY HILL HOLINESS CHURCH - Evangelist Jeff Southard will be at Glory Hill Holiness Church Sunday, Jan. 21 for morning and evening services. Morning service will begin at 11 a.m. and the evening service will start at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to come.

The church is located five miles north of Clarksville on Hwy 73. For more information call (850) 762-8301.

CARR CHAPEL - The church will host a gospel sing featuring the Chuck Wagon Gang Quartet on Friday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. CT. Please plan to join us.

The church is located at 20509 NW SR 73, two miles north of Hwy. 20 in Clarksville.

Community Calendar

JANUARY

Wednesday, Jan. 17

BIRTHDAYS
Stacie Fant, Matt Schmarje, Wendy Guilford, Dayna Ramsey, Sandra Coxwell, Stephen Ragston, John El Tipton & Paula Goodman

Nat'l
Bootleggers Day

ALL CHIPOLA COLLEGE CLASSES, OFFICES & ACTIVITIES CANCELED TODAY DUE TO SEVERE WEATHER.

Thursday, Jan. 18

Lunch in the BHS dining room from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS
Donny Bolding, Sr., Peggy Shiver, Philip Detweiler, James E. Lane, Rhonda Strickland, Rita Montgomery, Alice Edwards & Jane Lane

Friday, Jan. 19

NATIONAL POPCORN DAY

BIRTHDAYS
Rob Wheelley, Lamaris Jones, Celeste Shuler and Richard Hall

Saturday, Jan. 20

BIRTHDAYS
Niki McClendon, Sissy Whitfield Doll, Kayla Prowant, Charles Grantbam, Jr. & Regina Nobles

TODAY IN HISTORY
 1981 - At 69 years, 349 days old, Ronald Reagan becomes the oldest person to become U.S. president.

Sunday, Jan. 21

BIRTHDAYS
S Sharon Yoder, Greg Johnson, Scott Ammons, Valerie Downum, Molly Hobbs & Miranda Smith

Monday, Jan. 22

BIRTHDAYS
Lavada Adkins, Pam Ayers, Troy Bishop, Sandra Jacobs & Miguelina Solano-Barber

Computer Basics Class
 Blountstown Library from 5:30-7:30 p.m. CT

Tuesday, Jan. 23

National Hand Writing Day

BIRTHDAYS
Kaleb Jordan, Shirley Williams, LeeAnne Rogers & Shirley Jones

'American Pickers' looking for unique antique treasures

Hit History Channel series “American Pickers” will soon head south in search of good picks and southern hospitality! The Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce hopes stars Mike Wolfe and Frank Fritz will stop in Calhoun County as they look for treasures, characters, and the stories that go with them.

“If you know someone with an old shed or barn full of ‘junk,’ let us know,” said Kristy Terry, executive director of the Chamber. “They are looking for places where the guys can spend the better part of a day picking.” She noted that they would not be visiting retailers or locations with a single item.

The Midwestern pickers travel across America in search of rare artifacts and national treasures they can buy from the collectors they visit. They sell items in their antiques shops or, in some cases, put in their personal collections. They are willing to travel two-trail roads, respectfully dig through boxes, and climb up and over whatever it takes to get to the good stuff. While they are looking for items of value, they are also looking for items that reflect our history and tell a story.

If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques you'd like to share with Mike and Frank, send your name, phone number, location, and description and photos of the collection directly to americanpickers@cinetflix.com, call 855-OLD-RUST, or visit them on facebook at www.facebook.com/got-pick.

If you need assistance with your submission, contact Kristy Terry with the Chamber of Commerce at (850) 674-4519 or kristy@calhounco.org.

Chipola to host Small Business Workshop

Chipola College and the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce invite students, staff, faculty and community members interested in learning more about small business resources to attend a lunch and learn meeting Thursday, Jan. 25, at 11:30 a.m., in Building Z, Room 116 (Jackson Hall), on the Chipola campus.

The Small Business Workshop is free of charge. Guests are invited to bring their own lunch. The presenter will provide an overview of small business resources.

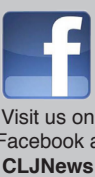
A different business theme will be showcased each month, including: how to start a business, managing a budget, growing a business, establishing credit, seeking a loan and tax incentives, and other topics. Those attending will have an opportunity to ask questions and to apply the concepts presented. Potential collaborations with Chipola College academic programs also will be presented.

For information, contact Dr. David Bouvin at (850) 718-2380.

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The Endangered Apalachicola – A National River Conference

“The Endangered Apalachicola – A National River Conference” will be held March 14-16 in Tallahassee at Florida State University.

This conference will bring renewed attention to the ecological, cultural and economic importance of the Apalachicola River, Floodplain and Bay and strengthen efforts to ensure the sustainability of this resource for current and future generations.

Car Show Fundraiser at Dayspring Christian Academy set March 3

Dayspring Christian Academy will host its Sixth Annual Car Show Fundraiser on Saturday, March 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT.

Free to the public, this event will host vendor booths, concessions, a 50/50 drawing, a silent auction and bake sale as well as music and performances for you to enjoy.

Vehicle entry fee is a donation of \$15. Trophies will be awarded to sponsors, Best of Show and People's Choice. Free meal tickets will be given to registrants (2 per entry).

Dayspring Christian Academy is located at 4685 Meadowview Road in Marianna.

For more information email carshow@dayspring-ca.com, call (850) 526-4919 or visit www.dayspring-ca.com.

21st CCLC to host health and fitness event Jan. 25

Come join the 21st CCLC for a Health and Fitness event in the gym of Hosford Elementary & Junior High School on Thursday, Jan. 25 from 5-6 p.m. ET.

We will be sharing and preparing families with some fun and easy ways to be active and stay healthy for the family in the new year.

Come enjoy our family friendly relays, activities and games to get you moving. Health and fitness information and resources will be available.

NOTES OF THANKS

We would like to thank everyone who expressed condolences during Sue Boggs Howell's recent passing. The phone calls, food, flowers, cards, hugs and especially the prayers were all greatly appreciated. Our thanks to Calhoun Liberty Hospital and Covenant Care Hospice for their care of Mama during her final days. She was a wonderful lady and will be greatly missed. We are grateful for memories to help us move forward.

Sincerely, The Family of Sue Boggs Howell

The family of Anita Coxwell Deering would like to thank everyone for all of the compassion given during our time of grief. We would also like to thank our friends, family and church family for the kind words, food, and flowers. We realize how truly blessed we are to have such wonderful friends and family during times like these. Your outpouring of love will not be forgotten. The time you spent with us when we needed someone to listen, or to just be there to hold us, will be cherished.

Thank you for lending us strength when ours was gone. There are hardly any words to express our heartfelt thanks for the compassion shown us during this difficult time. We are deeply grateful to everyone.

The families of Tammy McCalvin & Sherrie Haney

The family of Jeremiah "Jerry" Anders would like to express our thanks for your kindness during our time of sorrow.

Thank you for all the food, flowers, cards, prayers, hugs, money, phone calls, visits and/or anything you did for our family.

We are so blessed to live in a community full of loving and caring friends and family.

With much love, Elaine Anders and family

The political, regulatory, and physical contexts for managing long standing issues of flow are changing within the Tri-State region of the Apalachicola Chattahoochee Flint (ACF) Basin. Of particular importance are the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Water Control Manual recently proposed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the anticipated decision by the U.S. Supreme Court in Florida v Georgia. Drought management is taking on increased importance, while long standing questions of science and management remain important both in Florida and within the larger ACF Basin.

The conference will offer opportunities to learn about the challenges and opportunities ahead from knowledgeable scientists, elected leaders and local, state and federal water managers in the Tri-State region, as well as from other stakeholders.

The conference will include:

- Recap the history that helped shape the challenges in the ACF Basin today and focus on the condition of the resource now.

- Highlight how current and anticipated state and federal policies and programs create a framework for protecting and managing the resource and discuss where additional tools are needed.

- Share ideas for ways to better manage the river and basin in the years ahead, and discuss opportunities for regional cooperation in that context.

Thursday's dinner will host keynote speaker former U.S. Senator Bob Graham.

Conference hosts include the Florida Conservation Coalition (FCC), Riparian County Stakeholder Coalition (RCSC), Apalachicola Conservation Coalition (ACC), Tall Timbers, Sierra Club, Apalachee Audubon, Florida Wildlife Federation, Apalachicola Riverkeeper, and Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC).

To register for the conference visit <https://www.cvent.com/events/the-endangered-apalachicola-a-national-river-conference/registration-b408cf0d88cf4b-c0b6bb84514dbb20ec.aspx?fqp=true>.

Calhoun & Liberty County residents urged to take care in winter weather

The Florida Department of Health in Calhoun and Liberty Counties urge Florida residents to take precautions to stay healthy and safe during extreme cold weather.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS:

- Stay indoors as much as possible to keep healthy, safe and warm. Make sure to check on friends and family members and neighbors who are especially at risk from cold weather hazards: young children, older adults, and the chronically ill.

- For outside activities, dress in multiple layers of loose-fitting clothing. Don't forget to wear a hat, scarf and mittens, or other winter gear.

- Heat your home safely. If you plan to use a wood stove, fireplace, or space heater, be extremely careful. Make sure each appliance is properly adjusted and you have followed the manufacturer's instructions and local building codes for use.

- Prevent carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning by never using generators, charcoal grills or gas grills indoors and by installing a CO detector to alert you of the presence of the deadly, odorless, colorless gas.

- As temperatures dip below freezing, leave your home's water taps slightly open

so they drip continuously.

- Eat well-balanced meals to stay warmer. Avoid drinking alcoholic beverages—they cause your body to lose heat more rapidly. Instead, drink warm beverages such as hot chocolate or hot tea to help maintain your body temperature. If you have any dietary restrictions, consult your doctor.

- Bring pets out of the cold weather and provide them warm shelter.

- Cold weather can displace wild animals. Stay clear of wild or feral animals including cats, bats or raccoons especially if they look sick or appear injured. They could have rabies and hurt animals can also injure you.

For more information on winter weather safety, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Winter Weather Preparedness page.

The department, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board, works to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.

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FHP warns that hazardous weather expected in the panhandle this week

The Florida Highway Patrol would like to remind motorists that possible freezing rain and sleet or snow will be in our area for the next thirty-six hours. The FHP will have extra troopers on duty to monitor roadways and bridges.

Due to the possibility of sleet or ice please follow these safety tips.

- Drive at or below the speed limit.

- Increase following distance.

- Know if your vehicle has antilock brakes.

- If your vehicle does not have antilock brakes you may need to pump your brakes to keep them from locking up.

- Stay put, avoid driving if at all possible or delay until the roadways improve.

- Bridges and overpasses are more prone to freezing

in these types of conditions and will ice over first. Have an alternate route planned in case roadways and bridges are closed.

- Be patient and courteous. Driving in adverse weather conditions can be stressful.

If motorists observe any roadway problems please report them by dialing (*FHP)*347.



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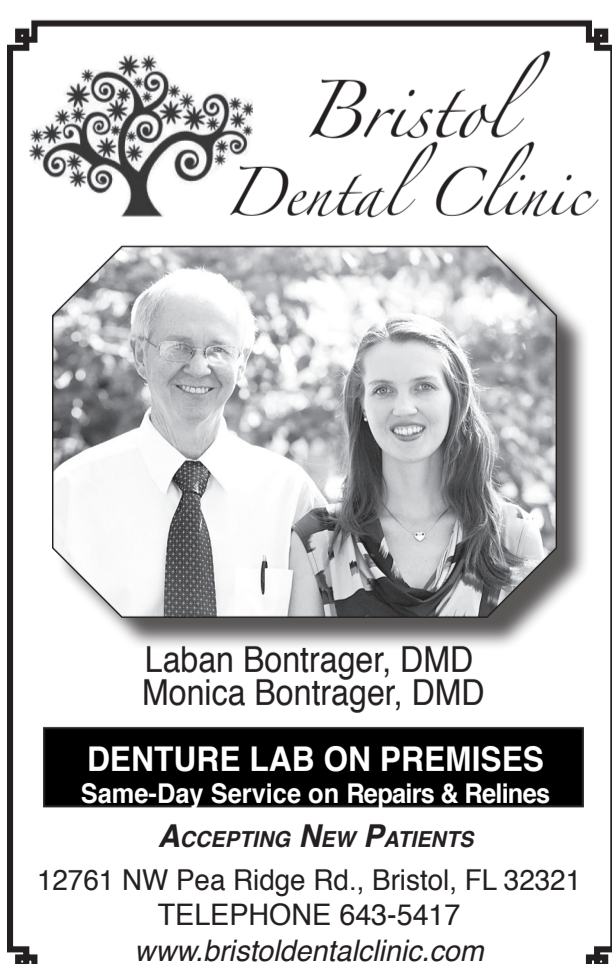
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Nilsa, above, and with the cast at right.



A make-up free Nilsa with two castmates.

FLORIBAMA SHORE

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Despite having just turned 24, she's got a lot of life experience to share on the show and doesn't flinch when asked about her miscarriage, her divorce or her numerous surgical enhancements.

She says she got breast implants in 2015 to feel better about herself after a miscarriage and the failure of her three year marriage to a Marine who she said cheated on her. Twice.

Every six months or so she has injections to make her lips fuller.

She also advocates the use of Botox, which she says give her well-manicured eyebrows an arch.

"It's not a big deal," she said about fine-tuning her appearance surgically. "If you don't like something about yourself, it's OK to get it fixed. Why do people go to the gym? To improve something. It's the same thing."

With her dark hair and Panamanian heritage (her dad, Todd Prowant, met her mom, Yadira, while he was stationed with the Air Force in the Central American city of Panama) along with her trademark black eyeliner, she could be mistaken for one of the Kardashians. But at just 5 foot and one inch tall, she's often compared to the reality star Snookie of *Jersey Shore* fame.

In fact, *Floribama Shore* is being produced by SallyAnn Salsano, who brought MTV the hit *Jersey Shore*, along with several other reality shows, including the recent pairing of Martha Stewart and Snoop Dog's VH1 show, *Martha & Snoop's Potluck Dinner*.

The beach format is working for MTV. The network has several local versions of the original *Jersey Show* including *Siesta Key*, set on a barrier island off Sarasota County, Florida. Similar shows around the world include *Geordie Shore* in the UK, *Gandia Shore* in Spain, *Warsaw Shore* in Poland, along with both *Super Shore* and *Acapulco Shore* in Mexico.

MAKING THE CUT

So how did Nilsa get hired for *Floribama Shore*?

"I had no idea they were filming a show in Panama City until one of my friends started a jet ski rental company. He had just opened it and me and my best friend, Shayla, from Blountstown, went to check it out," Nilsa explained.

The girls decided to go for a swim while their friend stepped away to talk with a couple of men he said were MTV producers who wanted to interview him for a new show.

When they came out of the water and sat down on the beach, the producers approached Nilsa and Shayla and asked if they'd like to interview for a part on a new show.

Nilsa quickly replied "sure" but was quick to tell them, "...but I'm not going to fill out a million pieces of paper. You can ask me all the questions you want but I don't do paperwork."

They interviewed her with their iPhones. She was skeptical. "I didn't think it was legit...but whatever," but she responded to their questions. She was asked to do another interview the next day. "I started getting phone calls from this production company who was hired by MTV to produce this show. Then I had to do all these background checks and medical checks... then a bunch of Skype interviews. I had to send them a bunch of videos from my Snapchat about me and my life," she said.

Producers had been in Panama City for two months before that meeting on the beach. At that point, they had interviewed hundreds of twenty-somethings for the show. They had already cast a group of eight but decided it wasn't working and had to start over, recasting four of them. When 14 people were gathered

in a hotel for three days for a final series of interviews, Nilsa made the cut.

"A couple of weeks later, I was moved into the house," she said.

MOM'S ADVICE

Reality shows revolve around arguments, hook-ups and heartbreaks. Nilsa - who has been an avid watcher of reality programs through the years - had an intimate moment of her own documented when she brought home a man she had just met. One of the many Go-Pro cameras - which include night vision capabilities - are strategically located throughout the house, including her bedroom.

"A lot of people can relate to that - meeting a guy, sleeping with him on the first night and then regretting it," she said. She discussed having second thoughts afterwards with her roommate, Aimee.

But what did Nilsa's mom think about it?

"She said that if we have a Season Two, not to do that," Nilsa replied.

She's equally open with her personal history, talking on the phone with her ex-husband, and is quick to tell someone off when angered. She's also been seen diving in to separate two house mates on the verge of fighting while moments later, she's escorting one to another room to talk it out.

NO SCRIPTS, NO PROMPTS

How does it all work? Is there an outline or script as to what should happen between the housemates?

Not according to Nilsa. "They don't tell us to do anything." While they often move in to film a conversation or a tense moment, "they don't make us reenact anything." She said the 495 Production Company filming this "is probably the only t.v. production company that does not, and will not, make you redo something."

She said 495 CEO SallyAnn Salsano told the housemates, "I'm not here to tell you what to do. You're adults. Play this out. We're all in this together. We're just going to follow you around with cameras...do what you would do in your normal life."

Nilsa said she wouldn't even be able to read and follow a script because she's dyslexic. "I never had good reading skills growing up," she said, and added that her high school grades reflected that. "I just had a rough time in high school academically. I've read probably five books in my life...I'm not a reader," she said.

But how much of what we see is true to life and isn't there the temptation to hype it up a bit for the camera?

"You're only seeing eight hours of my whole summer. Everyone has acted like a drunk, sloppy mess at some time or another and of course, they're going to put that on t.v. 'cos that's funny." She admits that when she was chasing after one of the male housemates, she was only interested in him a short time but most of the footage of that time was used and made it look like something more serious.

Not only do they not have a script, the show didn't even have a name when they started filming, she said. "We didn't even know it was going to be called *Floribama Shore* until our last day in the house."

The Aimee Day episode was her idea, she said, and

explained that her roommate had always defended her and she felt bad she had not always been there for her as well.

In addition to Nilsa, the cast members include:

- Jeremiah Buoni, 22, from Amelia Island, FL;
- Codi Butts, 25, from Westminster, SC;
- Kortni Gilson, 21, from Panama City Beach, FL;
- Aimee Hall, 24, from Perdido, AL;
- Kirk Medas, a 25-year-old from Atlanta, GA;
- Candace Rice, 24, from Memphis, TN;
- Gus Smyrnios, 22, from Tallahassee, FL.

A LITTLE PUBLICITY

The cast appeared on MTV's *Total Request Live* (TRL) before their Nov. 27, 2017 premier and played a round of "Secret Questions" about their show. Nilsa and her castmate, Gus, were asked, "Over the course of the summer, how many people did Gus make out with?" Gus answered two. Nilsa may not have been sure of the exact number but her response was typically blunt and summed up his season's activities: "Everyone!" she said.

On the Dec. 3, 2017 episode of *Saturday Night Live*, the show was lampooned with a skit about the group filming in the midst of Hurricane Irma. It was not flattering...but it was funny and it showed that *Floribama Shore* has made its mark.

LIFE IN THE MTV HOUSE

She said it doesn't take long to get used to living in a house filled with cameras. "It's kind of like once you're in that environment, you get into a routine and you just forget the cameras are there," she said. "They're not in your way, they're not in your face...they're just there filming you." It's also less noticeable because the other housemates are wandering around, too. While the camera crew keeps their distance from the house mates, they can often be seen in the background.

Once in the house, they weren't allowed to have cell phones, t.v. or even a radio. There was a land line where they could stay in touch with family and friends but their social media activity was cut off. "We had one clock on the stove and half the time it wasn't right," she said. Those rules kept them focused on each other, their interaction and reliance on one another by limiting distractions. "We always joked that the world could be ending and we wouldn't know," she said.

She admits that leaving her cell phone behind was a bit of a break for someone like herself who is so active on social media. In fact, "it was kind of like a cleanse," she said. "I wasn't obsessed with social media...I was just figuring myself out, really."

They could have visitors but anyone coming in had to sign a release allowing them to be included on the show if producers thought it added something to the program.

The group of mostly dominate personalities made getting along a challenge. "I think all of us in the house - except perhaps for Cody - are Alphas. We thought that house was going to burn down by the end," she said. "There's a lot more you guys don't see 'cos your only getting to see eight hours of our summer."

There were plenty of stupid arguments that didn't make it into the show. "We fought over grilled chicken...that's how Alpha we are, OK?"

But it was fun. She summarized the experience as "summer camp with a bunch of drunk adults and no counselors."

And she can't wait to do it again.

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Late Night Laughs

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Congress is questioning Twitter about allowing extremists on their site. In response, Twitter said, "We have to, he's the president."
— CONAN O'BRIEN

Congratulations to the Alabama Crimson Tide, who beat the Georgia Bulldogs to win the college football championship. It's the best thing to happen to Alabama since not electing Roy Moore. Good for you! That's two in a row!
— STEPHEN COLBERT

I assume you know that an emergency alert went out on Saturday morning. This text is something received by everyone with a cellphone at 8:07 a.m. on Saturday: "Ballistic missile threat inbound to Hawaii. Seek immediate shelter. This is not a drill." And then they didn't get a correction until 38 minutes later. So for 38 minutes people were seeking immediate shelter — which in Hawaii, what does that even mean? Everybody get under a Mai Tai umbrella?
— JIMMY KIMMEL

Congressman Brendan Boyle has proposed a bill that would require all presidential candidates to take a mental examination test. And he's calling it the "Stable Genius Act." Do we really need a mental examination to determine Trump isn't a genius? We can just use spell check.
— JAMES CORDEN

Sen. Jeff Flake said that President Trump's proposed border wall doesn't need to be a wall, but more of a fence. They'll even settle for a net or a sternly worded sign, parking cones, and if they still can't afford it, just get some old guy who yells, "Get! Get outta here!"
— SETH MYERS

I saw that Princess Charlotte went to her first day of nursery school. It was a little intimidating for the other kids — like for "Show and Tell," she brought Scotland.
— JIMMY FALLON

North Korea and South Korea are considering having a joint women's ice hockey team for the Olympics. Of course, when a North Korean player enters the penalty box, they're never seen again.
— CONAN O'BRIEN

President Trump held a bipartisan meeting on immigration reform, focused mainly on reforming our policy of having immigrants. The stakes are high. If the two sides can't find a compromise the federal government is going to shut down on January 20, or as historians call it: one year too late.
— STEPHEN COLBERT

Anybody watch the college football championship game? What a game. It was such a good game, I did the unthinkable. I turned off "The Bachelor" to watch it.
— JIMMY KIMMEL

In August, Bannon was forced to step down from his job at the White House and has now also been forced out as the head of Breitbart News. The craziest part of this story is, Steve Bannon is a powerful old white guy who has lost not one but two jobs in the last six months, and neither of them was for sexual harassment.
— JAMES CORDEN

Former White House press secretary Sean Spicer said that Oprah Winfrey does not have enough political experience to run for president. I don't know what he said next, but it had to be "Why is everybody laughing?"
— SETH MYERS

Trump invited the press to an immigration meeting at the White House. He let them stick around for about an hour. They said, "This is the longest we've ever stayed here!" And Trump said, "Me, too!"
— JIMMY FALLON



BUNKER MENTALITY

Trump would reinstate John Adams' Sedition Act

WASHINGTON — When on the receiving end, freedom of speech is the most difficult of all freedoms to accept. So, it is for President Donald Trump, who is looking to tighten the libel laws, and so it was for thin-skinned John Adams when the presidential races of 1796 and 1800 featured brutally personal exchanges between his surrogates and those of Thomas Jefferson. They had been friends and brothers-in-arms writing the Declaration of Independence in 1776, but had drifted apart, joining different political parties.

The worst charges came from the media — newspaper editors and publishers — not so different from today. In response, Adams signed the short-lived 1798 Sedition Act when the vitriol of his opponents exceeded the limits of his toleration during the undeclared naval Quasi War with France.

Aimed at French émigrés and their Jeffersonian allies, the act sought to quell free speech by making it a federal crime to "write, print, utter or publish . . . any false, scandalous and malicious writing or writings against the government of the United States . . . the Congress . . . or the president . . . with intent to defame."

As a result, 14 people, mostly newspapermen and pamphleteers, were prosecuted, fined, and jailed for such statements as declaiming Adams' "continued grasp for power," calling him "a repulsive pedant, a gross hypocrite and unprincipled oppressor," characterizing him as "a continual tempest of malignant passions," and calling for "downfall to the tyrants of America."

There is no question that Adams faced vicious attacks from the pro-French Jeffersonians and that his Federalist allies responded in kind. Such unrestrained emanations from the First Amendment's free speech clause were common during the nation's first 70 years, leading to violent altercations, fights, duels, and lawsuits; even the halls

of Congress were not exempt. The First Amendment spawned what could be called America's Anti-Decorum Age and the Sedition Act attempted to quell it.

However, Jefferson, who succeeded Adams in 1801, allowed the act to expire, and he pardoned those people convicted under it.

Between the Adams presidency and the Civil War, presidents generally practiced restraint on the issue. But with states seceding following his election, President Abraham Lincoln suspended habeas corpus and imprisoned several thousand people who were "guilty of any disloyal practice," a phrase that led to the arrest of newspaper editors critical of his war policies.

Similarly, in the midst of World War I, President Woodrow Wilson signed the Sedition Act of 1918, the name given for a series of amendments to the Espionage Act. It was revoked in 1920.

The issue finally came to a head with the 1964 New York Times v. Sullivan case, the Supreme Court writing "the First Amendment protects the publication of all statements, even false ones, about the conduct of public officials except when statements are made with actual malice (with knowledge that they are false or in reckless disregard of their truth or falsity)."

Ignoring this history, it is clear that Trump would like to follow in Adams' footsteps and re-instate the Sedition Act to restrain what he regards to be an untruthful media. It is tempting to dismiss his threats as nothing more than rhetorical bullying. But history has proven this can be done. Adams was able to push through the Sedition Act because his Federalist Party controlled Congress.

Will a compliant Republican majority in Congress be willing to do likewise? A simple majority in the Senate can eliminate the 60-vote requirement to break a filibuster and pave the way to once again undermine the First Amendment.

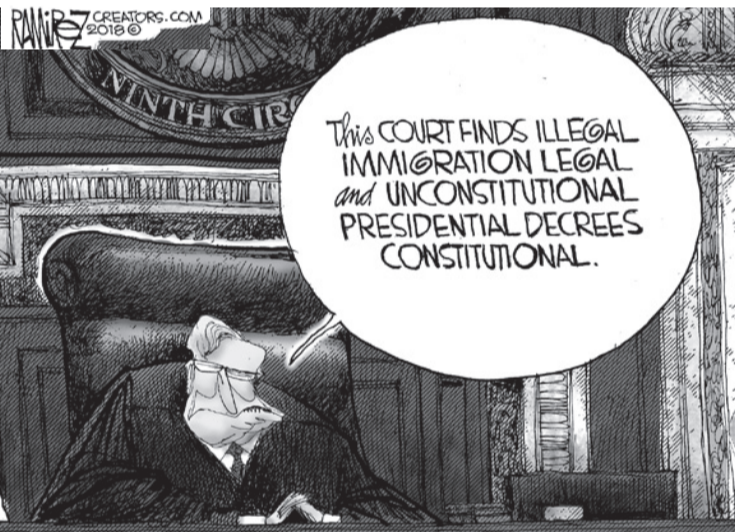
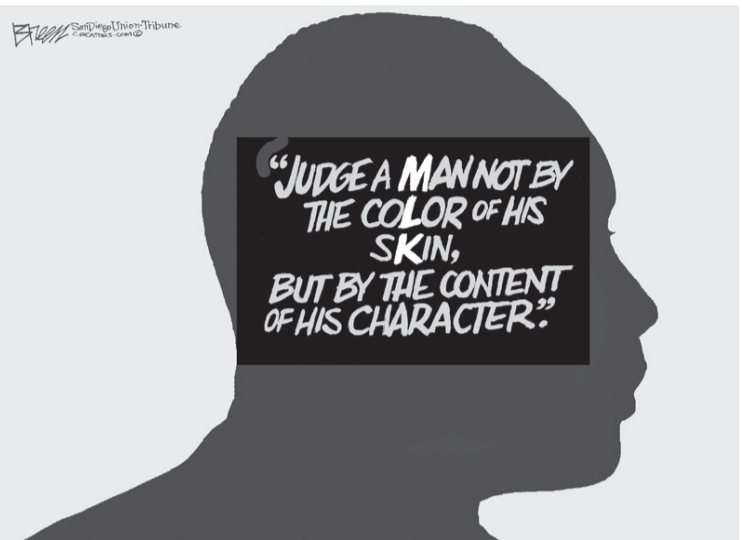
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COMMENTARY



SEAN OF THE SOUTH

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A gas station. The middle of the night. Tony stopped by this store every evening. He came for the food, and the company.

The night-shift cashier gave him hotdogs and egg rolls—lukewarm from the warming rack.

She did this instead of throwing them away. She did this because she liked Tony.

Tony. A nice homeless man with yellowed beard, gentle spirit, and dusty skin. A man who occasionally smelled like whiskey.

The two would sit on the sidewalk during the wee hours. They'd swap cigarettes, stories, laughter.

He was a spiritual man.

He told her about himself. In another life, he'd been a fella who was working his way through seminary. A thirty-something man, trying to do something worthwhile.

Then, his pregnant wife died in an interstate accident. He lost two people in one day. And he lost himself.

Anyway, Tony listened to her, too. She told him about boyfriend problems, her runaway father, and her unstable mother. She looked forward to his visits, they helped each other with late-night boredom. They helped each other period.

He gave her advice. She brought him clothes. He gave her presents on her birthday.

One particular week, Tony never showed. She sat on the sidewalk, waiting. No signs. She felt like something wasn't right.

She called the hospital. The voice on the phone said, "Yeah, we got a homeless guy here... Been here a few days. He belong to you?"

Tony had checked himself in. He'd told doctors he couldn't breathe. His chest infection had become pneumonia. He was dehydrated.

She visited when she got off work. She

lied to the nurses and said she was family. They knew better, but looked the other way.

She found him in a bed with tubes connected to him. She sat in the chair beside him. When his eyes opened, she handed him a greasy paper bag.

"I made these fresh," she said.

Hotdogs and egg rolls, straight from the gas-station warming rack. He grinned at her and coughed. It was his way of saying, "thank you."

He ate, but he was too sick to do much more.

He tapped two fingers against his mouth every few minutes. He wanted a smoke. So, she placed an unlit cigarette between his lips to pacify him.

Before she left, he asked her to pray for him.

"Me?" she said.

He folded his hands. She did the best she could, but she was rusty. When she finished, he touched her hand and said, "I love you."

"I love you, too," she said.

Tony didn't make it.

But there's a picture on her refrigerator. It's an old photo. She's got her arm around a bearded man. She's wearing a cashier uniform, cigarette between her fingers. He's eating an egg roll.

The photo is ancient history now. She's not a young girl anymore. Today, she works for a local hardware store. It's a good job, but she's only doing it to help raise her kids and pay for her own schooling.

She takes weekend classes, some online courses. I ask what she's studying. She tells me she's in seminary.

"It's weird," she says. "Three little words from someone is all it took to change the direction of my life."

I've spent the past fifteen minutes trying to come up with a better line than hers.

I can't.

Sean Dietrich writes about life in the American South. His columns have appeared in South Magazine, the Bitter Southerner, Thom Magazine and the Tallahassee Democrat. He shares his observations and chron-

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MARCHING IN HIS MEMORY



ABOVE: Residents of Calhoun and Liberty County, as well as some folks who drove a little further, gathered in Blountstown to march in unity on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday. LEFT: Guest speaker Donte Shepard gave a charged speech about being patient and always during the program held after the march at St. MBC. RIGHT: Pastor Geraldine Sheard of PCMOG addressed the crowd, urging the younger generation to continue to follow Dr. King's dream. BELOW FROM LEFT: Sister Amanda Dawson delighted the crowd with a song. A sign is held by Greg Solomon of Bristol who marches with a gentleman from Connecticut carrying an American flag. BOTTOM: Seniors from Calhoun and Liberty County High School in attendance each were eligible for the MLK scholarship which was granted to Destiny Williams of Blountstown (4th from the left.)



HELP EMERGENCY SERVICES FIND YOU!

Firefighters & first responders struggle with lack of 911 address signs



At the last Blountstown City Council meeting, Blountstown Fire Chief Ben Hall was tasked with finding a way to encourage citizens in the City to post their 911 address.

Yes, after nearly 20 years, there are still some places that do not have a visible 911 address out front!

"After talking with some other departments, we realized this isn't just a 'City' problem," Hall said. "Firefighters, EMS and other emergency responders are having trouble finding which house to go to."

Calhoun County ordinance 1999-1 requires numbers of at least four inches in height on contrasting background, preferably reflective, be placed in front of each occupancy.

The City of Blountstown is working on a similar ordinance and it will be enforced by the Code Enforcement Division.

The fix is really simple, said Hall. Post your numbers. Post them on a sign in the yard, on the front of the house or even on your mailbox (as long as your mailbox is in close proximity to the home).

Why is this so important? "If we can't find you, then we can't help you," the Blountstown Fire Chief explained. "In any emergency - fire, medical or law enforcement - seconds count. Please help us find you!"



LEFT: Bridgett West, with the First Responder Association, spoke at Monday's Calhoun County Firefighters Association meeting. Her organization supports military and first responders with insurance policies and issues. They offer a free \$5,000 life insurance policy for all first responders as well as affordable insurance policies with no exemptions.

RIGHT: Firefighters and other volunteers fill up on pulled pork at Monday's meeting, held at the Blountstown Fire Station. Before the meeting, they heard from speaker Bridgett West (at left) and discussed the problems with the poor labeling of 911 addresses throughout the county as well as dispatch issues.

DOMENICK ESGRO PHOTOS

Black History Month contest winners can get scholarships

TALLAHASSEE – Gov/ Rick Scott and First Lady Ann Scott invited Florida K-12 students to participate in the 2018 Black History Month art and essay contests based on this year's theme, "A Celebration of Innovative African-American Leaders." Students, parents, teachers and principals are also invited to nominate full-time educators in elementary, middle and high schools for the Black History Month Excellence in Education Award.

Governor Scott said, "Ann and I are proud to join Florida families in celebrating Black History Month this February and encourage every Florida student to participate in the 2018 Black History Month contests and nominate one of our state's great educators for the Excellence in Education Award."

First Lady Ann Scott said, "Governor Scott and I are so honored to announce this year's Black History Month contests in celebration of Florida's many innovative leaders. I hope every student takes advantage of this opportunity to learn about our state's history and potentially earn a four-year Florida College Plan scholarship. We are also honored to recognize this year's featured artist, Thomas H. Lewis, whose beautiful one-of-a-kind stained glass art is displayed around the country."

About the Student Contests

Art Contest for Grades K-3: The Black History Month art contest is open to all Florida students in grades K-3. Two winners will be selected.

Essay Contest for Grades 4-12: The Black History Month essay contest is open to all Florida students in grades 4 through 12. Three winners will be selected: one elementary student (grades 4-5), one middle-school student (grades 6-8), and one high school student (grades 9-12). Winners will receive a four-year Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

The Excellence in Education Award

Governor Scott's annual Black History Month Excellence in Education Award Contest is open to all full-time educators in an elementary, middle or high school in Florida. Three winners will be selected: one elementary teacher (grades K-5), one middle school teacher (grades 6-8) and one high school teacher (grades 9-12).

Contest Entries and Nomination Forms and Guidelines

Student contest forms and educator nomination forms must be mailed to Volunteer Florida or submitted online at www.FloridaBlackHistory.com.

Volunteer Florida

Black History Month Committee
3800 Esplanade Way, Suite 180
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All entries must be received by 5 p.m. ET on Friday, March 2.

More information about the contests and Florida's Black History Month is available at www.FloridaBlackHistory.com.

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4 positions - Temporary/seasonal work performing manual and machine tasks associated with planting, cultivating, and harvesting grain/oilseed crops, from 2/15/2018 to 11/15/2018 at Downtown JB, Inc., Sunflower, MS in Sunflower county. This job requires a minimum of twelve months of prior experience working on a grain/oilseed farm handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing upon suspicion of use. \$10.73/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. MS Job Order #MS 241856. PO AF923 1-17-18

5 positions - Temporary/Seasonal work in a seasonal holding house/nursery planting, cultivating, harvesting and preparing plants for sale, from 2/12/2018 to 10/15/2018 at Snells Greenhouses, Inc., Mt. Airy, MD in Carroll county. This job requires three months of prior experience working in a seasonal holding house/nursery handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 75 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing is required at random and upon reasonable suspicion of use. \$12.05/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. MD Job Order #769058. PO KS176 1-17-18

6 positions - Temporary/seasonal work. Stable Attendants needed to handle horses. Work includes feeding, watering, turning out horses, and general farm work, from 2/17/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Hunterton Farm, Inc., Paris, KY and multiple worksites within Bourbon and Fayette counties. Safe handling concerns require that, to be qualified for this position, workers must have no less than three months of prior verifiable experience as stable assistant in a horse operation. In lieu of work experience, employer will also accept documentation evidencing completion of an equine course issued by an accredited school, college, or university. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. \$11.19/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. KY Job Order #800956351. PO AF932 1-17-18

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23 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating and harvesting nursery stock, ornamental shrubs, trees, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Rutgers Nursery, Inc., Ringoes, NJ and multiple worksites within Hunterdon county. This job requires a minimum of three months of verifiable prior experience working in a nursery handling both manual and machine tasks associated with nursery production. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Insurable driver's license required for workers who drive company vehicles. \$12.05/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. NJ Job Order #NJ1336215. PO KT1098 1-17-18

4 positions - Temporary/seasonal work on a shellfish (oysters/clams) farming operation, overseeing crews, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Ward Oyster Co., Gloucester, VA in Gloucester county. This job requires a minimum of ten months of verifiable prior experience working on a shellfish (oysters/clams) farming operation, overseeing crews handling both manual and machine tasks. First-Line Supervisors are responsible for overseeing that aquacultural workers perform manual as well as mechanized activities with accuracy and efficiency. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 65 lbs. Post-hire employer-paid background check required. Employer-paid post-hire drug and alcohol testing required upon reasonable suspicion of use. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. VA Job Order #1238066. PO AF915 1-17-18


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12 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating, and harvesting nursery stock, from 2/12/2018 to 12/12/2018 at TDH Nurseries, LLC, Phoenix, MD in Baltimore county. This job requires three months of prior verifiable experience working on a nursery handling both manual and machine tasks associated with nursery production. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing is required at random, upon reasonable suspicion of use and after a worker has an accident at work. \$12.19/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed 3/4 of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. MD Job Order #767816. PO KS172 1-17-18

10 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating, and harvesting nursery stock, field grown trees, shrubs and ornamental plants, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Watkins Nurseries, Inc., Midlothian, VA in Amelia county. This job requires a minimum of three months of verifiable prior experience working in a tree and shrub nursery with extensive ball and burlap (B&B) field harvesting, and/or container nursery experience. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing is required after a worker has an accident at work. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. VA Job Order #1243065. PO AF935 1-17-18

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Altha Lady Lifters are District Champs



The Altha Girls Weightlifting team won the District 3 Championship on Wednesday, Jan. 10. Altha defeated Chipley, Godby, Maclay, Madison County, Marianna, Rickards, Sneads, Wakulla and Wewa on their way to victory. Individual weight class champions were Josie Hall, Marijane Davis and Makenzy Perkins. Thirteen lifters advanced to regionals held Monday at Wewa.

Altha School now host to new after school site for Boys & Girls Club of Tabula Rasa

The Boys & Girls Club of Tabula Rasa is excited to announce that they are expanding their services to Calhoun County by opening an after school site at Altha School. This will be a huge asset to the Altha Community as students will be exposed to:

- *Character & Leadership Development
- *Health & Life Skills
- *The Arts
- *Sports, Recreation, & Fitness
- *Education & Career Development (Tutoring)
- *Technology

Hours of operation will be from after school until 5:45 p.m. CT, Monday-Friday. The cost is \$30 per child per week, and \$25 for each additional

child. Students will also be provided with an after school snack. Programming will begin Tuesday, Jan. 16. The site will focus on students grades K-8.

To register, please contact Site Director, Dorothy Chaney at dchaney@bgctr.org or (850) 443-5819.

For additional information or to donate to a child, you may contact Director of Resource Development, Sky Scott (850) 643-7247 or Area Director, Nicole Gonzalez (850) 209-1913.

The Boys & Girls Club of Tabula Rasa would like to thank the riders of Danny Ryals Christmas Bus for their generous donations to help ensure the success of this wonderful program.

Altha Wildcats improve their record to 6-9

from Altha School

The Altha Wildcats basketball team improved their record to 6-9 over the week with a win over Wakulla Christian and losing to Aucilla Christian on the road. The Cats played host to Freeport Tuesday night, results will be posted next week. The Cats travel to Port St. Joe Friday night and return home Tuesday, Jan. 23 vs. Franklin County.

Altha 66, Wakulla Christian 39

Altha jumped out to a 23-0 lead and then coasted to an easy win over the Saints. The win improved the Cats' record to 6-8 on the season.

Rhett Bodiford led the winning effort with 16 points, 7 rebounds and 6 assists. Mason Smith added 15 points, 6 rebounds and 5 assists. Spencer Sneads scored 9 points and 4 rebounds in the win.

Aucilla Christian 58, Altha 48

In an in-school game, the Cats fell behind 14 points at the half; but fought back to cut the lead to 4 (50-46) with 2:45 seconds left. The Cats got the ball, but a failed possession along two turnovers sealed the deal for Altha as Aucilla converted two free throws and two layups down the stretch.

Rhett Bidiford led the Cats and the charge back with 20 points and 8 rebounds. Mason Smith added 16 points. Spencer Sneads and Trace Newman each tallied 6 points in the loss.

In the junior varsity game, a nip and tuck affair ended with Aucilla holding on to win 43-42 despite a great effort by the younger Cats'. Wyatt Burch scored 13 points. Trace Mears added 11 points. Cole Fielder scored 8 points. Jaron Austin added 6 points in the losing effort.

"We have still got a lot of room to improve, but I love my young kids. We have gotten better but still have a lot of little areas to improve in to compete by next season and we will get there," Coach Jimmy Rogers said. "We have to do the little things like play hard every play, every trip and every game to succeed. Our focus the rest of the year, will be just that."

BHS upcoming events

- The girl's basketball team will play Cottontdale at home at 5:30 today, 1/16. On Thursday, 1/18 the girl's basketball team will play Graceville at 4:00 P.M. On Friday, 1/19 the girl's basketball team will travel to Vernon to play at 4:00. On Saturday the JV girl's basketball team will participate in a tournament at Bozeman.

- The boy's basketball team will travel to Cottontdale to play. JV will play at 5:30 and the Varsity will play at 7:00 P. M. On Thursday, 1/18 the JV will play Graceville at 5:30 and the Varsity will play at 7:00 P. M. On Friday, 1/19 the boy's basketball team will travel to Vernon to play. The JV will play at 5:30 and the Varsity will play at 7:00 P. M.

- Tiger's Table is on Thursday, 1/18.
- FBLA members will be competing at Chipola on Friday 1/19.
- FFA members will compete in district competition on Friday, 1/19.

- Freshmen Parent Night on Monday, February 12 at 6 p.m. in the BHS auditorium. This event usually lasts about an hour and covers important topics such as graduation requirements, NCAA eligibility, dual enrollment, Bright Future's Scholarship program, etc. We will have our Chipola representative on campus to discuss the dual enrollment program. This is a great opportunity to stay informed on what freshmen students and their parents need to be aware of as the students progress through high school.

SCHOOL MENUS

Jan. 17 - Jan. 23

CALHOUN

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17
BREAKFAST: Mini pancakes, turkey sausage or sliced ham, fruit
LUNCH: Chili and grilled cheese sandwich, pizza, chef salad
SIDES: Sweet potato nuggets, carrot sticks with ranch, fruit

THURSDAY, JAN. 18
BREAKFAST: Grilled cheese sandwich, GoGurt, fruit
LUNCH: Diced chicken and gravy with roll, chicken sandwich, chicken salad with fruit
SIDES: Brown rice, black eyed peas, sweet potato, fruit

FRIDAY, JAN. 19
BREAKFAST: Scrambled eggs and grits, biscuit, turkey sausage or sliced ham, fruit
LUNCH: Pizza, hamburger, cheeseburger, chef salad
SIDES: Baked potato wedges, lettuce tomato salad, fruit

MONDAY, JAN. 22
BREAKFAST: Grits with ham, sweet potato squares or sweet potato muffin, fruit
LUNCH: Chicken sandwich, buffalo chicken wrap, chef salad
SIDES: Baked potato wedges, caesar salad with ranch

TUESDAY, JAN. 23
BREAKFAST: Chicken biscuit, GoGurt, fruit
LUNCH: Hotdog with whole grain roll, BBQ chicken quesadilla, chicken caesar salad
SIDES: Corn on the cob, carrot sticks with ranch, fruit

*LIBERTY COUNTY MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. *Breakfast includes a choice of cereal, toast & juice or milk.

LIBERTY

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17
BREAKFAST: Pancake pup, maple syrup, choice of cereal, fresh fruit
LUNCH: Macho nachos and tortilla chips, PB&J
SIDES: Corn, line salad, fruit cup

THURSDAY, JAN. 18
BREAKFAST: Chicken biscuit, choice of cereal, fresh fruit
LUNCH: Hot dog, taco salad, PB&J
SIDES: Tator tots, line salad, fruit cup

FRIDAY, JAN. 19
BREAKFAST: Choice of cereal, toast, fruit
LUNCH: Hamburger, chicken nuggets, PB&J
SIDES: French fries, line salad, fruit cup

MONDAY, JAN. 22
BREAKFAST: Mini-waffles, maple syrup, sausage patty, choice of cereal, toast, fresh fruit
LUNCH: Corn dogs, mozzarella breadstick, PB&J
SIDES: Mac and cheese, green beans, line salad, fruit cup

TUESDAY, JAN. 23
BREAKFAST: French toast, sticks, maple syrup, sausage link, choice of cereal, fresh fruit
LUNCH: Fried chicken, chef salad, PB&J
SIDES: Mashed potatoes with gravy, broccoli, line salad, roll, fruit cup

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OBITUARIES

SUZANNE "SUZY" GREEN STOUTAMIRE

BLUE CREEK - Suzanne "Suzy" Green Stoutamire, 56, of Blue Creek, left the confines of her earthly body and claimed the victory promised by her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018. She was a loving wife and mother, devoted grandmother, caring sister and a dedicated friend to all who knew her.

She has been reunited with her father, Emory Green, mother, Tommie Mae Green, brother-in-law, Butch Strubble and nephew, Matthew Strubble, all who left before her to prepare the garden where she will now resides in Glory.

Survivors include her husband, Scott Stoutamire; two sons, Chris Parker and Zachary Stoutamire; and two grandchildren, Cole and Alexis Parker, all of Blue Creek; two sisters, Kathy Strubble of Tallahassee and Christie Holland (Wally) of Sopchoppy; a special, "Aunt," Doris Smith of Blountstown; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins; and her beloved dog, Ozzy.

Family received friends one hour prior to service time at the church.

Services were held Monday, Jan. 15 at Corinth Baptist Church in Hosford.

Bevis Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. Submit condolences online at bevisfh.com.

WENDY LEAH WILLIAMS

ALTHA - Wendy Leah Williams, 56, of Altha, passed away Friday, Jan. 12, 2018 in Panama City.

Born in Marshfield, WI, March 20, 1961, she was the daughter of Jake and Lagada Dirk Weigel.

She proudly served in the United States Air Force until her retirement as a paralegal for 12 years and a computer communications systems craftsman for 11 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church Blountstown.

Survivors include her husband, Stephen Wayne Williams of Altha; her son, Jake Williams and his wife, Katherine of Las Vegas; daughters, Emily Williams of Altha, Ellen Watson of Bristol and Selena Capps and her husband, Corey, also of Bristol; seven grandchildren, Isabella, Logan, Cole, Peyton, Gracee, Harlee and Kylynn; her parents, Jake and Lagada Weigel; and three brothers, Mike, Todd and Joel Weigel, all of Wisconsin; and three sisters, Debbie Kroening and Robin Weigel of Wisconsin, and Jane Noffsinger of Tuscaloosa, AL.

Memorial services were held Monday, Jan. 15 at Blountstown First Baptist Church with Rev. Dustin Malphurs officiating.

Adams Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



DORIS VIOLA EBY

BLOUNTSTOWN - Doris Viola Eby, 91, of Blountstown, went home to be with the Lord, Monday, Jan. 8, 2018 in Blountstown. She was born on Dec. 4, 1926 in Detroit Lakes, MN to Joseph Stoll and Annie Yoder Stoll and had lived in Calhoun County since 1979, coming from Wisconsin. She was a homemaker and a member of Rivertown Community Church in Blountstown. She loved singing and watching Gaither Gospel Videos and sewing. She loved cooking and spending time with her precious family. She always had a special spot in her heart for little children.

Survivors include her husband, Melvin Eby; four sons, Glen David Eby and his wife, Irene Schrock Eby, Orville Wayne Eby and his wife, Ruth Weldy Eby; Carl Edward Eby and his wife, Rose Yutzy Eby and Willis Eugene Eby and his wife, Tammy Knight Eby; six daughters, Miriam Joyce Eby Taylor and her husband, Mike Taylor, Edith Arlene Eby Bates and her husband, Glenn Bates, Alice Marie Eby Hamlin and her husband, Ricky Hamlin, Ellen Elizabeth Eby, Janice Louise Eby Brown and her husband, Duane Brown and Donita Kay Eby Yoder and her husband, Kevin Yoder; five brothers, Lloyd Stoll, Warren Stoll, Raymond Stoll, Roger Stoll and Roy Stoll; a sister, Carol Hensley; 27 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, Jan. 13 at 10:30 a.m. at Rivertown Community Church in Blountstown with Pastor Doug Gingerich, Pastor Dan Yoder and Pastor Paul Smith officiating. Interment followed in Red Oak Cemetery near Altha.

Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.

CHARLES "CHUCK" CHESTER

TALLAHASSEE - Charles "Chuck" Chester, 78, of Tallahassee, and a native of Bristol, passed away Friday, Jan. 12, 2018.

He was an avid Florida State fan, and long-time season ticket holder. He retired from the State of Florida after 43 years of service for the Division of Workers' Compensation.

Survivors include his wife, Elaine "Mimi" Davis Chester; his children, Carol Hicks, Tonya Nicolson, Keith Davis, Keri Buzek, Brent Davis and Melissa Garcia; his grandchildren, Leslie and Christine Hicks, Kimberly Royal, Kyle Buzek, Brooke Bell, Morgan Davis, Dalton Seay, Tyler and Brandi Mendoza; and great-grandchildren, Marleigh Royal and Bradley and Kevin Buzek.

Family will receive friends one hour prior to service time at the church.

Services will be held Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 3 p.m. ET at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 12605 NW Myers Ann St., Bristol, FL 32321. Interment will follow at Rock Bluff Cemetery.

Bevis Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Submit condolences online at bevisfh.com.



REV. CHARLES COLEMAN

CHATTAHOOCHEE - Rev. Charles Coleman, 85, of Chattahoochee, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017.

He was born on Feb. 11, 1932 to the late Lela and Thomas White. He attended the public schools of Gadsden County. He was full of life and had a big heart. He loved everyone, especially his family.

He moved to New York in the late 1960s. He was a man with many trades. He was a Deacon of Burke Avenue Baptist Church in Bronx, NY. He discovered ministry by becoming the pastor of Little Flower Baptist Church in Harlem, NY for several years. Later, he relocated back to Chattahoochee, and became the pastor of Humility Baptist Church in Bristol. After his tenure at Humility Baptist Church, he joined New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Chattahoochee, under the leadership of Rev. Willie Long. He loved the church and served faithfully.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Isabella Coleman; two sons, Eric Coleman and Thomas Coleman; a grandson, Thurston Sanders; and a brother-in-law, Bishop Frank Stallworth.

Survivors left to cherish his memory include his sons, Lesley C. Coleman, Andre L. Coleman, Mike Coleman (Susan), Eric L. Hollis (Melvina) and Deric D. Coleman; daughters, Stacy Coleman Sanders and Zolita White (David); sister, Levertria Ann Stallworth; goddaughters, Loraine Davis (Horace), Mariann Cotton, Diane White and Voncille Williams (Jerry); godson, Shemhad Emanuel; and a host of nieces, nephew other relatives and friends.

Services were held Saturday, Dec. 30, 2017 at Greater Missionary Baptist Church in Chattahoochee. Interment followed at White Cemetery in Dell, GA.

Crawford & Moultry Funeral Home of Chattahoochee was in charge of arrangements.

GARNET ESTEP MEARS

BRISTOL - Garnet Estep Mears, 99, of Bristol, passed away Friday, Jan. 12, 2018 in Blountstown. She was born on May 1, 1918 in Flatwood, KY to Stanford and Otie Gwinn and had lived in Bristol for over 30 years. She truly loved sewing and crocheting and enjoyed spending time with her friends. She will always be remembered for her kindness and generosity. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bristol.

Survivors include her sons, Rodney Estep and Gary Estep; three grandchildren, several great and great-great-grandchildren and numerous friends.

Family received friends one hour prior to service time at the funeral home.

Services were held Tuesday, Jan. 16 at Peavy Funeral Home Chapel with Judge Ken Hosford and Rev. Matt Basford officiating. Interment will follow in Lake Mystic Cemetery in Bristol.

Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.

PUBLIC AND LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
MALLORY TOWING & RECOVERY, INC.

Mallory Towing & Recovery, Inc. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on Tuesday, Jan. 30 2018 at 2 p.m. at 18114 STATE ROAD 20 W BLOUNTSTOWN, FL 32424-4834, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

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OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF IRENE J. MYERS, DECEASED; TYLER SCOTT MYERS; ALLISON FAITH MYERS are the Defendant(s). Kathleen E. Brown as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Door 10818 NW State Road 20, Bristol, FL 32321, at 11:00 AM, on February 6, 2018 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT NO. 13, BLOCK "D", NEAL SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 10190 NW 4TH ST BRISTOL, FL 32321

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

Dates this 8th day of January, 2018.

Kathleen E. Brown
As Clerk of the Court

By: Terra McDowell
As Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LIBERTY COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 16000138CAMXAX

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING LLC,
Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF IRENE J. MYERS, DECEASED; TYLER SCOTT MYERS; ALLISON FAITH MYERS, et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated, January 4, 2018 and entered in 16000138CAMXAX of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for Liberty County, Florida, wherein LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING LLC is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL

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2 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating and hand-harvesting raspberries, blackberries, blueberries and elderberries, from 2/15/2018 to 10/15/2018 at River Ridge Land and Cattle Company, LLC, Independence, VA in Grayson county. This job requires a minimum of three months of prior experience working on a fruit or vegetable farm, handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. VA Job Order #1238747. PO AF918 1-17-18

16 positions - Temporary/Seasonal work planting, cultivating and harvesting nursery stock, field grown trees and shrubs, from 2/13/2018 to 12/13/2018 at Waverly Farm, LLC, Adamstown, MD in Frederick county. This job requires three months of verifiable prior experience working in nursery and tree production handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. \$12.19/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. MD Job Order #771725. PO KS187 1-17-18

25 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating and harvesting nursery stock, field grown trees and shrubs, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Barton Nursery Enterprises, Inc. dba Barton Nursery, Edison, NJ and multiple worksites within Mercer and Middlesex counties. This job requires a minimum of three months of prior experience working in a field-grown tree and shrub nursery, preferably including ball and burlap (B&B) field harvesting. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 75 lbs. \$12.05/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. NJ Job Order #NJ1335895. PO KT1094 1-17-18

12 positions - Temporary/Seasonal work planting, cultivating, harvesting and preparing plants for sale, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at D. R. Snell Nursery, Inc., Union Bridge, MD in Frederick and Howard counties. This job requires a minimum of three months of verifiable prior experience working in nursery and tree production handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. \$12.05/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies,

3 positions - Temporary/seasonal work planting, cultivating, harvesting/cutting, and baling evergreen Christmas trees and making wreaths and roping on a tree farm, from 2/15/2018 to 12/15/2018 at Cartner Brothers LLC, Newland, NC in Avery county. This job requires a minimum of one month of employment experience in out-of-doors manual labor jobs, preferably on a tree farm. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 25-100 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing is required upon reasonable suspicion of use. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. NC Job Order #10785231. PO AF905 1-17-18

equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. MD Job Order #767659. PO KS180 1-17-18

12 positions - Temporary/seasonal work in an orchard performing manual tasks associated with apple production and harvest activities, from 2/16/2018 to 12/14/2018 at Fitzgerald's Orchards, Tyro, VA in Amherst and Nelson counties. This job requires a minimum of three months of prior experience working in an orchard. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 65 lbs. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW or applicable piece rate depending on crop activity. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. VA Job Order #1246970. PO AF926 1-17-18

5 positions - Temporary/seasonal work; planting, cultivating, & harvesting grapes, from 2/15/2018 to 11/15/2018 at Grace Estate Winery, LLC, Crozet, VA in Albemarle county. This job requires a minimum of three months of verifiable prior experience working in a vineyard handling both manual and machine tasks associated with commodity production and harvest activities. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. \$11.46/hr or current applicable AEW or applicable piece rate depending on crop activity. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. VA Job Order #1238894. PO AF929 1-17-18

Liberty County Commission Dec. 7 regular meeting

Official minutes from the Dec. 7, 2017 regular meeting of the Liberty Commission as recorded by the board secretary

Vice Chairman Sanders called the meeting to order. Present at the meeting were Commissioners James Sanders, Commissioner Scott Phillips, Commissioner Dewayne Branch, Commissioner Jim Johnson, Clerk Kathleen Brown, Deputy Clerk Joyce Barker and Attorney Robin Myers.

Chuck Roberts led prayer
Phillips led pledge
Audience Concerns: None
Motion to approve minutes was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Donnie Read with Veterans Memorial Railroad advised the Board that the Optimist Club of Marianna would like to donate a steam engine and track along with a 16'x 65' shed to the County, however there are some trees that would need to be cut down in order to lay the track. Johnson made the motion to accept the donation for the train and for the Board to look at the trees before making a decision, seconded by Branch and carried.

Johnson made the motion allowing him to donate \$1,000.00 of material and labor at the train depot, seconded by Branch and carried.

Motion to approve minutes from Nov. 28, 2017 was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

John Pat Thomas with Pat Thomas & Associates Insurance, Inc presented the Board with a return of premium check for \$8,579.00. County Attorney Myers discussed the agreements for coverage on Uninsured Motorists / Underinsured Motorist Selection and Personal Injury Protection coverage with Thomas. Thomas and Attorney Myers recommended that the Board sign the forms as marked; they are not giving up coverage. Motion to sign forms as marked was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Chuck Roberts, Contract Manager for Construction of the new school presented a possible property location for the library relocation at no cost to the County. There is a piece of property on Highway 12 South and Michaux Road that can be donated to the County. The Library would be out of service for about 90-120 days. Roberts would oversee the relocation and coordinate with the library to reopen. Motion to accept the property and move forward was made by Phillips, seconded by Branch (after discussion with Pam McDaniel from the Library) and carried.

Brian Eddins with the Liberty County Fire Department asked for approval to give the 1974 fire engine back to the City of Bristol that is currently stored at the County yard. Motion to give the 1974 fire engine back to the City of Bristol was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried. Eddins advised the Board that the fire zone maps would be ready to present at the next Board meeting in January 2018. He will get with Ford, the 911 Director before the next meeting. The City of Bristol is involved with this as well. Eddins advised the Board that the Sumatra and Estiffanulga Communities need fire stations. Eddins requested the Board authorize him to

get quotes for Estiffanulga Fire Station and get inmates to help with the project. This project is already in the budget. Motion to approve Eddins to get quotes for Estiffanulga Fire Station was made by Branch, seconded by Johnson and carried. Eddins informed the Commissioners that the grant for Jaws of Life has been approved. Johnson discussed the procedure for calling the City of Bristol Fire Department when the other Departments are called out.

Danny Earnest, Landfill Director, discussed scheduling a workshop on the Landfill. He would like to have Todd Mitchell with Waste Pro attend the workshop to discuss with the Board. Earnest will coordinate a workshop and report to the Board.

Charlene Wimberly with FairPoint Communication discussed a new FairPoint phone system proposal. The Commissioners asked for a breakdown of the cost per month. Zach Dunlap with Inspired Technologies discussed his proposal. Branch requested that both Companies schedule a meeting with the Clerk, compare systems, and report to the Board. The Board will also discuss the School's new system with the School Board.

Justin Ford with Dewberry gave the Board an update on the Hosford Water System Well #3 Project. They have re-bid the project out which bids are due Jan. 4, 2018. The County water department will run the lines to the well. Page Wahlquist, Water Director, requested the Board authorize him to borrow an employee from the Road and Bridge Department to help run the 2000 feet of pipe. The Board advised him to coordinate with the Road Superintendent. Ford requested the water department not run the lines until the bids are in.

Justin Ford with Dewberry advised the Board that he has a meeting scheduled in Sumatra with citizens from that area to discuss the Sumatra Park Project.

Katie Phillips, SHIP Director, and Dick Stanley, Building Inspector, discussed the SHIP program. Phillips withdrew her letter of resignation and requested permission to submit timesheets in lieu of time cards since she is classified as a Department Head. Motion to accept resignation withdrawal letter and allow her to submit timesheets to the payroll Department in lieu of time cards was made by Johnson, seconded by Branch and carried.

Maria Ford Crump with EMS for Melissa Peddie, Ambulance Director, requested Board approval to apply for EMS grant in the amount of \$85,000.00 and Resolution #2017-25. This is a 90/10 or 75/25 matching grant to purchase a Power Stretcher, Power Load system, and a Life Pac. Johnson made motion to submit an application for the Grant and approve Resolution #2017-25, seconded by Phillips and carried.

The Board to award DEO CDBG Grant Administration and Engineering Proposals. Clerk Brown advised the Board that all the score sheets have not been submitted from each Board member to be able to score them. Johnson and Sanders will submit them before the next Board meeting. This will be placed on the January 2018 agenda.

The Board discussed approval of the Prime

Health Services Contract with the County. The County Attorney Myers advised the Board that the County would have to have their own contract to submit medical bills to them. Motion to move forward and sign contract was made by Branch, seconded by Johnson and carried.

The Board discussed Ruben Edenfield's portable restroom proposal. Johnson discussed the portables being placed on the inmate work trailers as previously voted on by the Board. Motion to approve proposal submitted was made by Branch, seconded by Johnson and carried.

Johnson discussed the swings at Veterans Memorial Park that are in need of repair. The Board discussed several options. Johnson made a Motion to Table until next meeting, seconded by Branch; Phillips stated that the wood chips need replacing and the grass and weeds removed. Motion died. Johnson made a Motion to purchase chips and repair all equipment, seconded by Phillips, to be paid out of the Recreation Department Equipment line item, Branch stated that there is only \$11,782.00 to last in that line item the remainder of the year and voted "Yes" on getting several quotes but "No" to original motion due to lack of funding, Sanders voted "No" due to not knowing the costs. Motion died. Motion was made by Johnson to get price to repair all playground equipment and bring it up to code, seconded by Branch, and carried.

Clerk Brown discussed James Reddick's estimate to fix the ditch at Lake Mystic. His quote included labor costs of \$4,500.00 plus materials costs. Johnson made Motion for Barry Fant with Dewberry, J. T. Hathaway, Liberty County Road Superintendent, and James Reddick meet at the location and agree on the procedures needed to complete this project, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Clerk Brown advised the Board that a meeting was held with representatives from the University of Florida, J. T. Hathaway, Road Superintendent, and Renae Grande, Road Department Assistant concerning possible grant funding for signage for road department. There are road signs that need to be brought up to DOT standards. The University of Florida has equipment that they will loan to the County to check the signs. Motion to write a letter to the University of Florida for use of the equipment was made by Phillips, seconded by Johnson and carried.

Clerk Brown discussed posting externally the job for Jerry Proctor's position. Proctor's last day will be Dec. 31, 2017. J. T. with the Liberty County Road Department asked that the position be posted externally if were not filled internally. Motion to advertise externally if not filled internally was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Clerk Brown advised the Board that they received a response from their letter to the City of Bristol on the Commercial Grinder request for the Veterans Memorial Park. The City provided a contact name and number to purchase one if the Board decided to handle it that way. The Board requested Clerk Brown contact them to get a quote.

Clerk Brown discussed a Personnel Policy Amendment. There is nothing in the current policy that addresses a retiree. Attorney Myers

advised the Board that section two and section twenty-five of the personnel policy needs to be amended to reflect what the Florida Statute states. Motion to amend the personnel policy was made by Branch, seconded by Johnson and carried.

Clerk Brown advised the Board of the Florida Association of County Legislative days Feb. 6, 2018. Anyone that is interested in attending will need to register soon.

Clerk Brown discussed the contract with ARC Point for drug free work place certification for \$300 annually and DOT drug screening that is up for renewal for \$150.00 annually. Motion to approve contract was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Clerk Brown also announced the Senior Citizens Christmas party Dec. 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Clerk Brown advised the Board that the \$120,000.00 appropriation funding to bring the wheelchair ramp up to ADA compliance and the Courthouse electrical system up to code needs a work plan approved. Justin Ford with Dewberry will provide the Clerk with a drawing of what needs to be published in the bid advertisement.

Clerk Brown advised the Board of the possible grant to repair FH-13. Justin Ford with Dewberry will help get the grant submitted.

Monica Brinkley with the Liberty County Extension office discussed advertising for a part time 4-H assistant. She had an employee resign her position as office manager. Brinkley plans to move Cathia Schmarje into Revell's position and hire a part time program assistant for the 4-H program. She will stay within her budget.

Attorney Myers discussed a letter from attorney Dean R. LeBoeuf regarding a potential lawsuit. The letter has been sent to the Florida League of Cities for review.

Attorney Myers discussed the mowing on Hwy 65. Motion to send letter to begin mowing Highway 65 was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried. County Attorney will prepare letter and mail copies to Congressman Dunn, Senator Montford, and Representative Beshears.

Brian Eddins with the Liberty County Fire Department requested his position title be changed to Fire Coordinator Director. This will allow him to apply for grants. Motion to change title was made by Johnson, seconded by Phillips and carried.

Motion to pay bills made by Phillips, seconded by Branch and carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Branch, seconded by Johnson and carried.

Warrant List & Numbers
Nov. 10 - Dec. 7, 2017
Payroll 35392 - 35410
General 17770 - 17931
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ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, if a special opportunity or circumstance comes your way, jump at the chance to be a part of it. Such opportunities might not come along too often, so enjoy the ride.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, a newfound devotion to exercise may improve your life in many different ways. If you have been vacillating on whether or not to embrace a new lifestyle, just do it.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21

An unexpected situation has put you out of your element, Gemini. For now you can simply go with the flow and see how things work out. Don't let this get the better of you.

CANCER – June 22/July 22

Cancer, dabbling in a few different projects may give you a unique perspective and the inspiration to take things in a new direction. Keep putting out those feelers.

LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Leo, you have just about sold one of your ideas and now it's just a matter of being patient. Soon the results will support your vision, and you can enjoy the fruits of your labors.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Let other people's perceptions roll off you like water off of a duck's back, Virgo. To get the full picture, you need to immerse yourself and make up your own mind.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, take a few steps back and think about whether or not a new approach is needed regarding a specific situation. Thinking logically instead of emotionally may help.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, take a day to recharge your batteries if you feel your energy stores are running low. You may not need an extended vacation to do so, just a day to relax.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, looking within yourself can help you get a grasp on your situation and your future. Make the most of this introspection and use it as a catalyst for positive change.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Take certain things with a grain of salt, Capricorn. Until you can flush out the facts, there is no point in worrying or passing judgement. Be patient and things will come to light.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Find more time to explore an important relationship, Aquarius. Don't overlook the importance of date night. Make time for this important person even if it requires sacrifices.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, do something unexpected this week and watch as those around you are inspired by your willingness to try new things.

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Cast members announced for Chipola's upcoming production of 'The Little Mermaid'



MARIANNA - Chipola College Theater is in rehearsal for Disney's "The Little Mermaid," which runs March. 1-4, at 7 p.m. nightly with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee.

Chipola Theater Director Charles Sirmon recently cast the following actors: Bailey Foxworth as Ariel, Brock Harris as Prince Eric, Destin Dawson as Grimsby, Chandler King as Flounder, Mary Keyton as Scuttle, Daniel Covington as King Triton, Anthony Severson as Sebastian, Tinsley Hodges as Flotsam, Nina Boyd as Jetsam, Landry Tharp as Ursula, Sarah Liffick as Carlotta and Caroline King as Maid. The MerSisters are: Sydney Cobb, Meghan Basford, Dianna Floyd, Tori Steverson, Karissa Mercer and Grace Wester. The Ensemble includes: Brandon Washington, Kane Keefer,

Willa Wester, Olivia Wester, Irene Muriz and Jessica Kaiser.

Tickets - \$10 for adults and \$6 for ages 18 and under - go on sale to the general public on Feb. 14.

Members of the ACT Fund are invited to a Meet the Mermaids reception, before the Thursday, March 1 show, at 5:30 p.m. Guests are invited to bring a camera and have photos with the mermaids.

A Dinner Theatre for all patrons is Friday, March 2, at 5:30 p.m. Limited seating is available by reservation only. Tickets (including dinner and show) - \$30 - will be available at the Box Office on Feb 7.

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WANTED

WANTED: Looking to speak with someone who is knowledgeable about scrimshaw. Call (850) 447-1523. 1-17, 1-24

City of Bristol regular meeting minutes from Dec. 11

Official minutes from the Dec. 11, 2017 regular meeting of the City of Bristol as recorded by the City Clerk

Chairman Woody Stewart called this meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with Council members John Ritter, Brigham Shuler, and James Kersey, Jr. present. Mayor Steven Cutshaw, Attorney David Jackson Summers, and City Clerk Robin Hatcher were also present. Councilwoman Lewis was not in attendance.

Ritter offered the Opening Prayer. Kersey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kersey moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Ritter, all voted in favor.

Shuler moved to approve the previous month's minutes, seconded by Kersey, carried by all.

Shuler moved to approve the monthly bills for payment, seconded by Kersey, approved by all.

Following a presentation by Glenda Hamby, United Way of the

Big Bend, Shuler moved to donate \$500.00 to United Way of the Big Bend to be distributed locally within our community, seconded by Kersey, unanimously carried.

Shuler moved to approve distribution of December's payroll on the last working day before the Christmas Holiday, Dec. 22, 2017, seconded by Kersey, carried by all.

Clerk Hatcher advised the Council that pursuant to City of Bristol Differential Rate Resolution #2005-10, the City of Bristol will increase the cost of Solid Waste (garbage) collection by 1.05%, in response to an increase in the cost of solid waste collection services by WastePro per their contract with the City of Bristol in an amount equal to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase.

There being no further business, Kersey moved to adjourn, seconded by Ritter, all voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Chairman: Durwood "Woody" Stewart
City Clerk: Robin M. Hatcher

LIBERTY CHAMBER

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It is being used to improve habitat for wildlife (including the gopher tortoise), restore longleaf pine to the predominantly sand and slash pine forest, and to provide a family hunt area, according to a USDA.gov website.

"One of the things I found fascinating is that of the 573,000 acres we've got in the forest, 2,700 acres of that is water - lakes and streams," Davis said, and noted,

"You don't find a lot of forests like that."

Figures compiled by retired forest officer Mac McConnell of Tallahassee show that only 1.1 million cubic feet (five percent) of the forest's growth is harvested each year. According to McConnell, more timber dies naturally (3.8 million cubic square feet) in the forest each year than is harvested. The forest has about 23 million

cubic feet gross annual growth, with the net estimated at 19 million cubic feet.

With the national forest covering nearly half of Liberty County's lands, many have long thought it should be opened up more intensive management to maintain forest health and to benefit the area's economy by providing wood for local mills and jobs for local workers.

Davis said the forest service is looking to do more stewardship work with environmental groups and local logging interests in hopes of bringing in more jobs.

Helping the community will also help the forest, he told chamber members. "If we can possibly bring more jobs in here and help industry, that helps us and we can spend more money on our roads and recreation areas in the forest."

One of the things we need is some stewardship agreements, some contracts, we've met with some of the purchasers and the Nature Conservancy," he said. "We're looking to do more of that - the stewardship part - to get more work done on the ground."

The biggest hurdle, of course, is the legal process and paperwork, he explained. "It takes a lot of surveying, going through the process, letting all of our constituents - you folks on the ground - look at what we're doing."

He added, "One of the things that's really important to me is our timber management on the forest. We can help out all four counties."

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TOP FROM LEFT: Tiger Trent Smith (#10) leaps for a hook shot. Bulldog Brice Dillmore (#10) changes directions as Tiger Tucker Jordan (#32) reaches inside to strip the ball. Tiger K. K. Godwin (#1) eyes the basket as he breaks free for a layup. BELOW FROM LEFT: Bulldog Brady Peddie (#12) takes the jump shot with defenders all around him. Bulldog Declan Hughes (#24) aims to pass while Tiger Joseph Rector (#24) looks to steal.

DANIEL WILLIAMS PHOTOS



Blountstown Varsity/JV Basketball teams win against Liberty County

The Liberty County Bulldogs traveled to Blountstown to play their rivals the Tigers on Friday, Jan. 12. Blountstown's Varsity and JV teams defended their territory well.

Junior Varsity played first and Xander Peacock led the scoring with 22 points. The Tigers finished with 73 points as the Bulldogs trailed with 29.

Varsity teams took the court next. Top scorer was K.K. Godwin with 20 points, leading the Tigers in their 63-24 win over the Bulldogs.

The Blountstown team traveled to Cottontale to play Tuesday. Scores were not available at press time. Their next game will be on Thursday, Jan. 18 at home against Graceville. JV will play at 5:30 and the Varsity will play at 7:00 p.m. CT

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Calhoun County Dixie Youth Baseball & Softball SIGN UPS



✓ Saturdays, Jan. 27 & Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. CT at Sam Atkins Park. Sign ups after Feb. 3-10 will be \$25 extra.

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- *11-12 years - Ponytails
- *13-15 years - Belles

Additional sign ups will be held: Tuesday, Jan. 23 from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26 from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan 30 from 5-7 p.m. and Thursday, Feb 1 from 5-7 p.m. at Sam Atkins concession stand.

For more information please call or text:

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