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## Belc indicted on two counts in wife's death

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor



DAN BELC

A grand jury meeting in the Calhoun County Courtroom returned a true bill on two counts against Dan Ioan Belc, 49, Monday afternoon after hearing testimony about the events leading up to the shooting death of his wife shortly before midnight on March 22.

Belc was indicted for first degree murder and aggravated assault with a firearm.

In Count 1, the jury found that sometime between March 22, 2018 and March 23, 2018 Belc "did unlawfully from a premedi-

tated design to effect the death of a human being, to-wit: Judy Yoder Belc, did kill and murder Judy Yoder Belc by shooting her with a firearm."

In Count 2, the jury determined that during the same time frame, Belc "did unlawfully and intentionally threaten by word or act to do violence to Robert Yoder, by pointing a deadly weapon, a firearm, toward him in a threatening manner, and Dan Ioan Belc appeared to have the ability to carry out that threat, and the act created a well-founded fear in the mind of Robert Yoder the violence

was about to take place, and furthermore, in the course of committing this crime, Dan Ioan Belc did actually possess a firearm."

The findings were issued late Monday afternoon. Assistant State Attorney William Wright said an arraignment date has still to be set for Belc.

Grand juries do not determine guilt or innocence but serve to determine if there is enough evidence to charge someone. Twenty-two jurors were originally selected with "at least 15" empaneled to hear testimony in Blountstown Monday.

According to the Florida Grand Jury Handbook, "A grand jury is an investigating, reporting, and accusing agency of the circuit court. It consists of citizens of a specified number who have been summoned and empaneled by a judge of the circuit court (or by a judge appointed by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of the statewide grand jury). The grand jury is an agency and an arm of the court and is uniquely independent."

The family had a home in Germany, where Dan worked, but also kept a residence in Tallahassee, where their two oldest children lived while attending college. Judy, who was from Blountstown, returned to her parents' home there with her younger three children after fleeing

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## Liberty County School Board votes against arming school employees

from the Liberty County School Superintendent's Office

The Liberty County School Board voted April 10 on a resolution against arming any school employees and only allowing sworn law enforcement officers to carry a gun on campuses. The move comes in response to a school safety package signed into law earlier this month that would permit some school employees to carry firearms.

The resolution is in response to the pressure of gun reform in the wake of February's Parkland school shooting that killed 17.

Florida's new school guardian program permits a sheriff to allow a school employee, after training and mental health screenings, to carry a firearm on campus. Districts can choose to participate in the program.

"The School Board declares the Liberty County Schools will only allow certified law enforcement officers to be armed in our schools," the LCSB Resolution reads. The Liberty County Sheriff's Office stands behind the school board in making this resolution

"The resolution sends a clear message to the community affirming the district's position. The focus of our teachers and staff is to provide students with an education and are not expected to carry firearms on campus," according to Superintendent David Summers.

"The board's view on this subject was unanimously agreed upon. Our teachers and administrative staff already have enough responsibilities in ensuring our children are taken care of in various ways. I believe this was a great step in ensuring our entire county that we stand firm with putting our children and all school employees' safety first," he said.



**DULCIMER DAY ON THE PORCH** - Judy Shelton (far left) brings her dulcimer and joins other volunteers to play music for guests visiting the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement during Folk Life Days on Saturday, April 14. See more inside on page 5. DOMENICK ESGRO PHOTO

But before they can get their \$950,000 check, they need to send a few money orders...

## Scammers tell Calhoun couple they won Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

He suspected it was a scam from the beginning but was willing to spend \$100 to find out if he had won nearly a million dollars from Publishers Clearing House.

Dr. Jim Oenbrink, 81, was busy last Friday, doing chores around Thistle Dew Farm in Clarksville when he got a phone call shortly before 8 a.m.

"This is Publishers Clearing House," the man on the line told him. "You've been chosen as the Number 1 winner."

He was told he had won \$950,000.

Oenbrink asked him to call back in 15 minutes so he could return to the house where he would have better phone reception. Just as he was stepping back inside his home, the phone rang. It was the same caller, who identified himself as "Mike."

"He said he was in Panama City and wanted to know how to get to my house," Oenbrink said. After he gave him directions, Mike added something. He said he needed a money order for \$100 to cover the cost of getting the paperwork done. It had to be sent before they arrived.

"It sounded kind of strange," Oenbrink admitted. He and his wife, Judy,

were skeptical but, "I thought I'd risk \$100 to see what it was all about."

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The Oenbrinks drove to the Dollar General in Blountstown to send the money order. They were told to address it to a woman in Panama City. While still in the parking lot, they had another phone conversation, this time with Mike's boss, who called himself "Benard."

He urged them to hurry because they had to get the check to them today.

After sending the money order, the couple returned home around 9 a.m. Then there was another call. This time, Benard told him the marked Publishers Clearing House van was on the way; in fact, they were on Hwy. 231 at that very moment but there was a problem. "He said they had been stopped on the road by the IRS," according to Oenbrink.

Benard assured him they would be there in about 30 minutes but first, the IRS "said they have to have another receipt." He told Oenbrink to quickly send another money order to the same address, this time for \$300.

"That didn't sound right to me," Oenbrink told him. Benard replied, "The IRS needs this to be done before

I come out there." He also commented that the IRS would also be taking one percent of his winnings.

When Oenbrink expressed his doubt about the need for a second money order, Benard got angry. "Are you calling me a liar?" he asked Oenbrink. "I've got a check for you for \$950,000!"

Benard asked, "Why would I do this to you?" He said he certainly didn't need the money; in fact, "I own two motels in Alabama. I make \$6,000 an hour. I'm just doing this to help you."

"Let me talk to my attorney first," Oenbrink replied. Benard said, "You can talk to anyone you need to."

That's when Oenbrink contacted the sheriff's office.

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Calhoun County Sheriff's Office Investigator John Scheetz arrived at the Oenbrink home shortly after noon and learned that although he had no intention of doing so, Oenbrink told the caller he was going to send the \$300 money order.

When the next call came, Scheetz answered it and spoke as if he was Oenbrink.

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The winning team of Jared Melvin, Ronnie Allen and Cameron Allen are shown with Sheriff Kimbrel.

## CCSO Golf Tournament raises over \$3,800 to provide Christmas gifts for local children

The Second Annual Calhoun County Sheriff's Office Golf Tournament was held on Friday, April 13 at the Marianna Caverns Golf Course.

Forty-four players came out to participate. The winning team was made up of Jared Melvin, Ronnie Allen and Cameron Allen. Longest Drive winner was Jared Melvin and Closest to the Pin was Justin Terry.

A total of \$3,834.06 was raised to benefit the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office Christmas Project. Last year 506 children were assisted.

Calhoun County Sheriff's Office would like to thank all of the players and the following monetary sponsors:

Wal-Mart, Pro-Team Realty, Calhoun Liberty Employees Credit Union, Dewberry, Redwood Bay Lumber, Blountstown Drugs, Chariot Construction, LLC, PeoplesSouth Bank, Gene Bailey, Gulf Coast Home Solutions, Affordable Towing, Clarksville Gen-

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Door prizes were donated by Keefe Commissary, Subway, Elaine Nations, Sunny Hills Golf Club, Calhoun-Liberty Health Department, Tatum's Hardware, AutoZone, McMillan's Nursery, Pretty Girlz, City Tire, Merle Norman, Citgo Tiger Mart, Diamond Corner, and Sand Bar and Grille.

All of these contributions helped to make the event a success.

## SHERIFF'S LOG

### CALHOUN COUNTY

APRIL 16

- Shiketa Hogans, VOP, CCSO.
- Tracey Denise Brown, VOP, CCSO.
- Bridgett Grace Stewart, burglary, theft of less than \$5,000, disorderly intoxication, CCSO.
- Heather Lynn Pierce, burglary, theft of less than \$5,000, possession of drug equipment, CCSO.
- Steven Eugene Keith, burglary, theft of less than \$5,000, possession of drug equipment, CCSO.

APRIL 15

- Antonio Jerger, possession of cocaine with intent to sell, BPD.

APRIL 13

- Angela Kay Tindall, possession of drug equipment, possession of methamphetamine, possession of listed chemical for manufacturing a controlled substance, VOP, BPD.

APRIL 12

- Kimberly Kelly Wood, VOP, CCSO.
- Gary Bernard Watson, convicted felon registration, CCSO.
- Keon Alexander Pettus, public order crimes, CCSO.
- Heidi Rae Stout, violation of conditional release, CCSO.

APRIL 11

- Kimberly May Todd, child neglect without great harm (x2), CCSO.
- Hali Danielle Smith, out of county warrant (x2), CCSO.

APRIL 10

- Marysa Kaylean Lee, VOP, CCSO.

### LIBERTY COUNTY

APRIL 16

- Hali Danielle Smith, failure to appear, LCSO.
- Jamie L. Bruner, VOP, LCSO.
- Latasha Broxton, failure to appear, LCSO.

APRIL 14

- Mack Shaydis, out of county warrant, LCSO.

APRIL 13

- Edward Piercy, serving weekends, LCSO.
- Gregory Mathon Payne, loitering or prowling, trespassing, LCSO.
- Joshua Frank Long, possession of over 20 grams of marijuana, operating motor vehicle without valid license, LCSO.
- Cierra Detrice Lane, holding for Gulf, GCSO.
- Taji Yasir Kelly, VOP, LCSO.
- Joy Gherch, holding for Gulf, GCSO.

APRIL 12

- Alex Jordan Kinsey, conditional release violation, LCSO.
- Angela Nicole Cooper, holding for Franklin, FCSO.

APRIL 11

- Robert Caine Maples, VOP, LCSO.
- Kayla L. Hester, holding for Gulf, GCSO.

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.



## ARREST REPORT

compiled by Journal Editor, Teresa Eubanks

## Three arrested for break-in and theft

Three people were arrested for illegally entering an unoccupied home and taking a long list of items belonging to the owner, who had not been there in three months.

Heather Lynn Pierce, Steven Eugene Keith and Bridgett Grace

Stewart were arrested April 15 after deputies were called out to the scene of the break-in. All were charged with burglary, theft of less than \$5,000 and violation of probation. Pierce and Keith were also charged with possession of drug equipment when a pipe and a digital scale was discovered in their bedroom. Stewart was additionally charged with disorderly intoxication.



BRIDGETT G. STEWART



STEVEN EUGENE KEITH



HEATHER LYNN PIERCE

derly intoxication.

According to a report from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office, although Pierce and Keith had a residence nearby, they - along with Stewart - had apparently also been staying at the Altha home that had been unoccupied since

December 2017.

The stolen property - including an outboard motor, a grill, a microwave, a window air conditioner, a portable heater, clothing, dishes and furniture - was found at Pierce and Keith's home.

Following a search of their residence, Pierce, Keith and Stewart were taken into custody.

their residence in Oberau, Germany earlier last month.

Family members said she had decided to end their 25-year marriage because her husband was demanding, had an explosive temper and had subjected her to years of verbal abuse.

After the altercation at her parents' home on March 22, Judy's brother heard gunshots and when

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he went to see what had happened, he was met at gunpoint by Dan, who told him to run "if you know what's good for you."

Dan left and drove around for hours before speaking on the phone with his oldest son, who talked him into turning himself in. Early the next morning, he

pulled into the parking lot of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office, stepped out of the car and put down his gun.

When a deputy asked if he needed medical attention due to the large amount of blood on his face, hands and shirt, he stated that he was not hurt.

He said the blood was from his wife, whose body was in the trunk of the car.

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# 'My Fair Lady' at the Quincy Music Theatre April 20 - 29



Freddie Eynsford-Hill (Everett Reed) courts the reluctant Eliza Doolittle (Lizzy McCawley) in QMT's spring production of "My Fair Lady."

When Lerner and Loewe's My Fair Lady opened on Broadway, it collected six Tony Awards, including Best Musical, while the film version took home eight Oscars, including Best Picture. Based on George Bernard Shaw's play Pygmalion, My Fair Lady is that rare musical by which all others are measured. The tale of a cockney flower girl transformed into an elegant lady features one of musical theatre's greatest scores, including: "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?," "With a Little Bit of Luck," "The Rain in Spain," "I Could Have Danced All Night," "On the Street Where You Live," "Get Me to the Church on Time" and "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face."

With direction by Naomi Rose-Mock, music direction by Dr. Judy Arthur and choreography by Taylor Whittle, the Quincy Music Theatre production of My Fair Lady tell the story of Eliza Doolittle, a young flower seller who possesses an unmistakable Cockney accent which keeps her in the lower rungs of

Edwardian society. When Professor Henry Higgins tries to teach her how to speak like a proper lady, an unlikely friendship begins to flourish.

Performances are as follows: Friday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. ET Saturday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. ET Sunday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. ET Friday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. ET Saturday, April 28 at 2:30 and at 7:30 p.m. ET and Sunday, April 29 at 2:30 p.m. ET

Tickets are \$15 for Students with an ID; \$15 for Seniors (55 and older with an ID) and \$18 for Adults. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.qmt.org](http://www.qmt.org) or by calling the Box Office at (850) 875-9444, Tuesday through Friday between 12 noon and 6 p.m. ET

Located in the heart of downtown Quincy, Quincy Music Theatre is committed to community cultural and economic growth, pride and inclusion. Its mission is to provide quality experiences in musical theatre that are shared by all artistic, volunteer, audience and donor participants in Gadsden County and the Big Bend Area of Florida.

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**ST. MARY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH** - The church will be celebrating Pastor and Teacher Dr. C.L. Wilson's and Lady Betty Wilson's pre-pastoral anniversary celebration on Friday, April 20 at 6:30 p.m. CT

Our guests will be Rev. Rosetta Baker of God of Prophecy of Bristol, Rev. Leon Jones of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Wewahitchka and Rev. James Yumas of New St. Mary MBC of Havana.

On Sunday, April 22 at 3 p.m. CT our guests are Bishop Alls of New Birth Christian Center of Quincy, The Alls Singers of Quincy, Rev. Randy McMillian of Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church of Grand Ridge and Elder Matthew Mitchell of Fresh Start Ministries of Blountstown.

The church is located at 16345 SE River Street in Blountstown. For more information call Evangelist Hammond/President (850) 674-2453 or Deacon Gary Boyd/Vice-

President (850) 643-8405.

**SOUTHSIDE ASSEMBLY OF GOD** - We will be having a gospel sing on Sunday, April 29 featuring The Sheila Smith Trio.

Sunday School is 10 a.m. CT and service is 11 a.m. CT

All are welcome to come share fellowship and dinner with us.

The church is located at 15164 SR 71 S in Blountstown. For more information call (850) 762-1958.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH SPANISH FOOD FESTIVAL** - Saturday, April 21 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. CT we will have a Spanish Food Festival on the church grounds.

Come enjoy the fresh, home cooked, delicious food at this popular event. All items will be reasonably priced. Don't cook; bring the family and friends. Eat in or take out is available.

There is no admission charge. The church is located at 16498 SW Gasikin Street in Blountstown. For more information call (850) 674-4482.

**CHIPOLA COMMUNITY CHURCH** - Reverend Johnnie Godwin and congregation will be having our 31st Homecoming on April 22 from 10 a.m. to noon. CT Everyone is invited to come out to help celebrate the blessings of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

There will be special singing and God's word will be brought to us by Johnny Godwin Jr.

A lunch will follow the morning worship service. Please bring a covered dish.

The church is located at 16555 NE Jim Godwin Road in Altha. For more information call (850) 674-1230.

## Bristol residents can sign-up for free smoke alarm

Did you know that if a fire starts in your home, you may only have two minutes to escape?

The Bristol Fire Department and the Liberty County Red Cross Volunteer want to help you, your family and our community to stay safe by offering to install FREE smoke alarms to families who need them.

Come by on Saturday, April 21 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. ET at the Bristol Fire Station to sign up to have our trained volunteers install your free-of-charge smoke alarms which are now equipped with a 10 year battery.

# April

## Community Calendar

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### Wednesday, April 18

**Corrections Job Fair**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT at  
Chipola College Public  
Service Building in Marianna

**CERT Meeting**  
6 p.m. to 10 p.m. CT at  
Calhoun County EOC  
in courthouse basement

*Jackson Hospital Lunch & Learn*  
from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at the Agricultural Center,  
2741 Pennsylvania Ave. in Marianna

BIRTHDAYS - Jamee L. Sweet-Willis, John Mallory, Joi Coburn, Renee Silcox & Greg Pitts

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### Thursday, April 19

**Open House**  
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
at Rex Lumber  
5381 Cliff St., Graceville

**Veterans Appreciation Lunch**  
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT  
Panhandle Pioneer Settlement

BIRTHDAYS  
Jared Holcomb, Ralph Yoder, Carylee Sewell, Kaitlin Lynn & Colton Anders, Sr.

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### Friday, April 20

**Liberty County Republican Party**  
**Lincoln Dinner**  
6:30 p.m. ET at Veterans Civic Center

BIRTHDAYS  
Mallory McClain, Koree Guthrie,  
Steve Cherry & Susan Warren

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### Saturday, April 21

**Bench Dedication Ceremony**  
IN MEMORY OF  
**Kelli Peacock Dunn**  
10 a.m. CT at  
Magnolia Park in Blountstown

ANNIVERSARIES  
Gabriel & Amy Yoder,  
Rick & Terry Lou Lewis

**Sign up for FREE SMOKE ALARMS**  
9 a.m. - noon at the Bristol Fire Dept.

BIRTHDAYS  
Chris McClain, Brady Enfinger, Don McCutcheon,  
Grant Solomon & Danny E. Earnest

**Library Game Day**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT  
at Blountstown  
Public Library  
in the  
Heritage  
Room

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### Sunday, April 22

**Earth Day**

BIRTHDAYS  
Tallon Johnson,  
Taydon Johnson,  
Emilee Kailyn Potter,  
Vanessa Ford &  
Daniel Williams

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### Monday, April 23

BIRTHDAYS  
Diamond Jackson, Bobby Reddick, Jerry Register, Jennifer Leigh Smith, Lynn Peddie, Aidan Hamilton & Maddie Grace Richter

**CERT Meeting**  
6 p.m. to 10 p.m. CT at  
Calhoun County EOC  
in courthouse basement

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### Tuesday, April 24

BIRTHDAYS  
Richard Fowler,  
Darren Fant,  
Jay Brown &  
Deborah Hall

**Spring Tree I.D. Workshop**  
9 a.m. at Bear Creek  
Educational Forest, Quincy

## Wildflower alert

Candyroot

by Eleanor Dietrich,  
Florida Panhandle Wildflower Alliance

This small yellow wildflower (*Polygala nana*) can grow in many different kinds of habitats but is found most frequently in damp areas throughout most of Florida and blooms from spring through fall. It is in the Milkwort family, where the typical flower structure has two spreading "wings" (which are the sepals) and three petals in the center that are united into a small tube with a fringed tip. In this plant, the flowers are tightly packed into a cone-like structure with the flowers opening at the top. It gets its common name from its roots that reportedly smell like wintergreen, but I never want to pull up this plant to test that assertion.



**FLORIDA PANHANDLE WILDFLOWER ALLIANCE**  
([www.facebook.com/groups/panhandlewildflowers/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/panhandlewildflowers/))

The Florida Wildflower Foundation ([www.flawildflowers.org](http://www.flawildflowers.org)) supports wildflower planting, education & research. Visit its new Panhandle Wildflower website ([www.flawildflowertrips.org](http://www.flawildflowertrips.org)) to see more of what is in bloom in this area.

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## Knife Show & Sale

The 10th Annual Custom Knife Show and Sale will be Saturday April 28 from 8 a.m. until noon. CT at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. Admission will be a \$5 donation per person.

This event will showcase many vendors' craftsmanship in the art of knife-making. Southern knife makers will be at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement to show and sell one of a kind knives. If you enjoy handmade knives, this is the place to be. If you do not see a knife that you want, talk with the knife makers and order your own custom item.

For more information, call (850) 674-2777 or email of-  
ficemanager@panhandlepioneer.us.

## Blacksmith class April 28

A Beginner Blacksmith class will be held on April 28 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. CT with one hour lunch at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown.

The cost is \$25 to reserve a spot and \$50 for the class. There are only eight spots available.

For more information, call (850) 674-2777 or email of-  
ficemanager@panhandlepioneer.us.

# CHIPOLA COLLEGE

## Scholarships in the Arts deadline will be June 1

MARIANNA - The deadline to apply for a music or theatre audition or an art interview for a 2018-19 Chipola College Fine Arts scholarship is June 1. Students should submit the online application as soon as possible to schedule an interview or audition.

The scholarships are available to high school graduates with acceptable academic records and aptitude in music, theatre, and art. Applicants who plan to pursue studies as music, theatre or art majors are eligible to apply for scholarships.

Scholarships in various amounts, up to full tuition and fees, are awarded on the basis of talent and academic record. Scholarship monies are limited. Early application is encouraged. Students may seek additional financial assistance through the college's Office of Financial Aid and the Chipola Foundation.

Also available for students majoring in music, art or theatre is the Chipola Regional Arts Association Scholarship. This tuition scholarship is awarded on a rotating basis within the five-county Chipola District. This year Calhoun County students are asked to submit applications. A maximum of \$1,500 (\$750 per semester) will be awarded per academic year for this scholarship. Application deadline for the CRAA Scholarship is April 30.

Online scholarship applications and information concerning the audition process and requirements are available on the college's website at www.chipola.edu. Select Fine Arts and then Scholarships.

For more information, contact the Fine and Performing Arts Department at (850) 718-2257.

# CANDIDATE UPDATE

## One new candidate joins Calhoun County race

One new candidate has been added to the Calhoun County ballot for the upcoming Primary Election.

Republican Eddie McCalvin, 53, of Altha filed his intent to run for County Commission in District 2 on April 12. He joins candidate James Earl Hunt, 69, of Altha and incumbent Darrell McDougald, 63, of Blountstown, both filing with no party affiliation.

The Primary Election will be held Tuesday, Aug. 28. The current candidate list includes:

### LIBERTY COUNTY

#### JUDGE

•David Jackson Summers, 36, of Bristol. Filed 1/5/18.  
•Incumbent Kenneth Hosford, 60, of Hosford. Filed 9/10/17.

#### COUNTY COMMISSION, DIST. 2

•Garland "Gar" Revell, 62, of Bristol. Filed 1/26/18, DEM.  
•Incumbent Dexter Barber, 71, of Bristol. Filed 4/2/18, DEM.

#### COUNTY COMMISSION, DIST. 4

•Doyle Brown, 54, of Hosford. Filed 3/2/18, DEM.  
•Incumbent James "Bo" Sanders, 58, of Hosford. Filed 3/5/18, DEM.  
•Bennett "J.B." Alford, 72, of Hosford. Filed 3/15/18, DEM.

#### SCHOOL BOARD, DIST. 3

•Cathia Schmarje, 57, of Bristol. Filed 1/11/18.  
•Incumbent Darrel "Doobie" Hayes, 56, of Bristol. Filed 3/27/18.

#### SCHOOL BOARD, DIST. 4

•Incumbent Kyle Peddie, 48, of Hosford. Filed 1/25/18.

#### SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 5

•Clint Pullam, 42, of Hosford. Filed 2/8/18.  
•Charles "Boo" Morris, 42, of Telogia. Filed 1/9/18.  
•James S. "Jamie" Chester, 43, of Hosford. Filed 3/16/18.

### CALHOUN COUNTY

#### JUDGE

•Incumbent Judge James Kevin Grover, 46, of Blountstown. Filed 1/29/18.

#### COUNTY COMMISSION, DIST. 2

•Eddie McCalvin, 53, of Altha. Filed April 12, REP.  
•James Earl Hunt, 69, of Altha. Filed 3/12/18, NPA.  
•Incumbent Darrell McDougald, 63, Blountstown. Filed 4/5/18, NPA.

#### COUNTY COMMISSION, DIST. 4

•Michael J. Davis, 54, of Blountstown. Filed 2/6/18, REP.  
•Scott Dewayne Monlyn, 46, of Blountstown. Filed 1/29/18, DEM.  
•Truman Grant, 68, of Blountstown. Filed 4/2/18, NPA.  
•Carrie Baker, 59, of Blountstown. Filed 4/10/18, NPA.

#### SCHOOL BOARD, DIST. 2

•Incumbent Ray Howell, 49, of Blountstown. Filed 4/5/18.

#### SCHOOL BOARD, DIST. 3

•Ivey McClain, 49, of Altha. Filed 3/6/18.  
•Incumbent Clifford Newsome, 67, of Clarksville. Filed 2/27/18.  
•Robert Elbert Pickron, 52, of Clarksville. Filed 3/21/18.

#### SCHOOL BOARD, DIST. 5

•Incumbent Danny Hassig, 56, of Blountstown. Filed 1/18/18.

## Cast announced for 'The Cat In The Hat Live'

MARIANNA - Chipola College Theater Director Charles Sirmon recently selected the cast for the children's musical, "The Cat in the Hat Live," which will be presented to hundreds of elementary school children in May. A public performance is May 10 at 7 p.m.

The cast includes: Ashleigh Braswell as Voiceover, Brock Harris as Boy, Bailey Foxworth as Sally, Mary Keyton as Cat, Destin Dawson as Fish Puppet, Anthony Severson as Fish Voice, Landry Tharp as Thing 1, Grace Wester as Thing 2, Sydney Cobb as Mother, Sarah Liffick and Jayriah McGriff as the Cat in the Hat assistants.



Everyone's favorite cat comes to life in this theatrical adaptation of the Dr. Seuss classic. From the moment his tall, red-and-white-striped hat appears around the door, Sally and her brother know that The Cat in the Hat is the funniest, most mischievous cat they have ever met. With the trickiest of tricks and the craziest of ideas, he is certainly loads of fun. He turns a rainy afternoon into an amazing adventure...but what will Mum find when she gets home?

Tickets go on sale two weeks prior to the performance. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for 18 and under and are available online at www.chipola.edu and at the Center for the Arts Box Office.

## Chipola College Fine & Performing Arts events scheduled

MARIANNA - The Chipola College Fine and Performing Arts Department has several upcoming events scheduled.

•Everyone's favorite cat comes to life Thursday, May 10 in this theatrical adaptation of the Dr. Seuss classic. Like Chipola Theatre on Facebook, or contact Director Charles Sirmon at (850) 718-2227 or sirmonc@chipola.edu

•Chipola College and Florida State University's The Institute on World War II and the Human Ex-

perience are hosting a collaborative exhibit, "Artistic Expression through Conflict: The Use of Art in World War II." The exhibit will be open weekdays through Wednesday, April 18. Hours are Monday thru Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT and Friday, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. CT

•The Chipola Sophomore Cabaret featuring music majors is Friday, April 20 at 6 p.m. CT in the Experimental Theatre. Tickets are \$5 and include a sweet dessert and the sounds of selected Chipola voice,

piano and instrumental majors as they perform their sophomore recitals.

•Chipola's Spring Ensemble Concert is set for Tuesday, April 24 at 7 p.m. CT in the Center for the Arts Main Theatre. Featuring the College Chorus, President's Ensemble, Community Chorus, Rock and Jazz Band and the new Wind Ensemble, the free event is open to the public.

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# Folk Life Days at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement



The living museum was bustling with visitors as the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement held their annual Folk Life Days on Saturday. Children and adults alike had the opportunity to learn how others lived years ago. TOP: Lawana McDonald teaches youngsters about hoe cake. ABOVE FROM LEFT: Kids piled on as volunteers took them around the settlement grounds on a hay ride. Alma Nissley of Blountstown helps sew a quilt to be donated to Red Oak Mennonite Church, which will in turn be given to someone in need. LEFT: Hog skin being cooked into cracklin's. RIGHT: An old fashioned butter churn. BELOW FROM LEFT: Judy Shelton plucks her dulcimer. Hand crafted materials such as soap and long leaf pine needle baskets were available for purchase. BOTTOM: West Side VFD gave future firefighters a chance to get their feet wet.

DOMENICK ESGRO PHOTOS





Late Night Laughs

A RECAP OF RECENT OBSERVATIONS BY LATE NIGHT TV HOSTS.

Samsung has just launched a new phone marketed to students to avoid distraction and focus on studying. The phone deliberately has no ability to connect to the internet. Yeah, they've developed this. This is something they've "developed." So, a flip phone. It's a flip phone that can't even flip. —JAMES CORDEN

Scientists are predicting that in a few years we'll be able to smell the TV shows we watch. This is good news for every single show except "Dog the Bounty Hunter." —CONAN O'BRIEN

A woman was recently arrested at New York's Kennedy Airport for attempting to smuggle \$110,000-worth of cocaine, hidden inside bottles of Bailey's Irish Cream. Even worse – Bailey's Irish Cream. —SETH MEYERS

Flu season is behind us, allergy season is here. It's nice to see people in L.A. allergic to something other than gluten for a change. —JIMMY KIMMEL

James Comey says he believes that the Russians may have damaging information on President Trump. For example, the Russians claim to have video footage of everything Trump has ever said on television. —CONAN O'BRIEN

Congratulations to John Stamos and his wife, who had a baby boy this weekend! And somehow the baby has already aged more than John Stamos. —JIMMY FALLON

President Trump was supposed to go to South America today, but he canceled, and Mike Pence went instead. For South America, it was like ordering a Jägerbomb, then getting a Shirley temple. —JIMMY FALLON

A new report did not name New York City as one of the 25 best places to live in the country. "I'm shocked!" said an adult New Yorker with six roommates. —SETH MEYERS

Details from a forthcoming book written by former FBI Director Jim Comey came out recently, and Comey said, among other things, Trump is "untethered from the truth." He says chief of staff John Kelly offered to quit when Trump fired Comey, he was so disgusted. He said he believes the president wears tanning goggles. That I would like to see, Trump on the roof of the White House, a little mask over his eyes like a raccoon, nibbling on chicken nuggets in a Speedo. —JIMMY KIMMEL

Comey is promoting his new book "A Higher Loyalty." Trump is furious about it because it insults his leadership, and because it forced him to read a book. —JIMMY FALLON

Meghan Markle's nephew is creating a strain of marijuana called the "Markle Sparkle." The marijuana is so strong it renders you as useless as a member of the royal family. —CONAN O'BRIEN

Former FBI Director James Comey was interviewed on ABC and he said that Trump often changes his story and contradicts himself. In response, Trump said, "Yes, I don't." —JIMMY FALLON



Show them the money

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

by Douglas Cohn and Eleanor Clift

WASHINGTON - Congress is infamous for its allocation of self-serving perks. Show them the money, and see how they run. They have, among others, postal franking benefits, superior health benefits, retirement pensions after serving a mere five years, and an often overlooked "benny", the campaign war chests they are allowed to take with them when they retire.

The outgoing class of the 2018 cycle is leaving with \$60 million of unspent campaign funds, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wisc., who just announced his retirement has \$9.4 million dollars of that money in his personal campaign war chest, money that he is legally entitled to take with him when he leaves Congress next January. Ryan has been a prolific fundraiser for himself and for his GOP colleagues. Donors love him; they saw him as the party's future.

Also on the list are three retiring Republican senators, Bob Corker of Tennessee with \$4.2 million, Orrin Hatch of Utah with almost \$5 million, and Jeff Flake of Arizona with \$1.4 million. According to OpenSecrets.org, only Flake has chosen to return more than \$1.5 million in contributions, pledging to use the rest of war chest to close down what's left of his campaign, and his offices in Arizona and Washington.

There is almost no oversight of what former members do with their leftover campaign funds, and there have been clear abuses. It's not partisan. Members of both parties get this perk. Former Hawaii Dem-

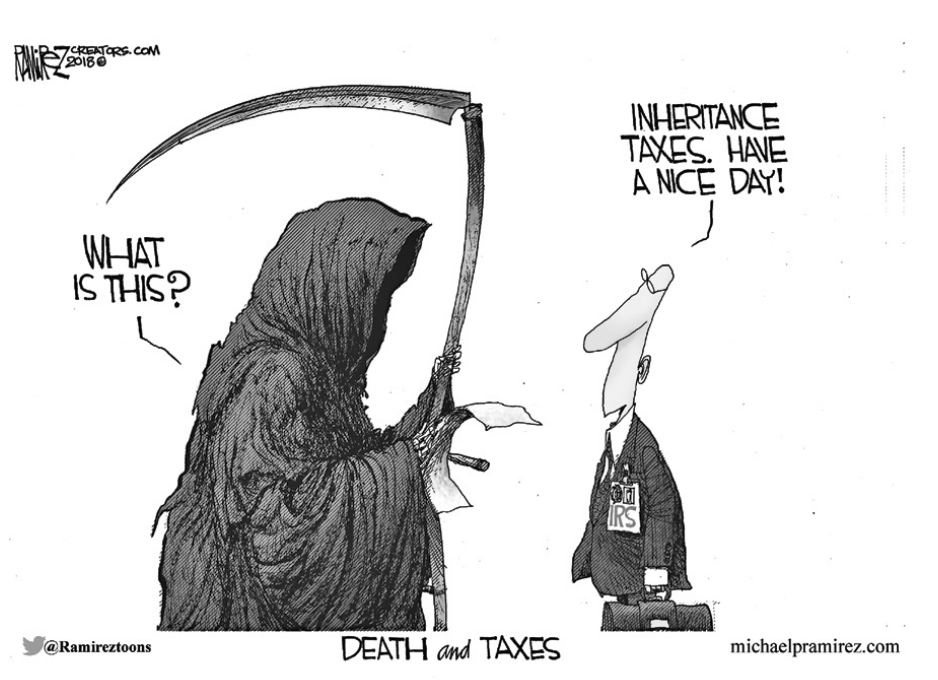
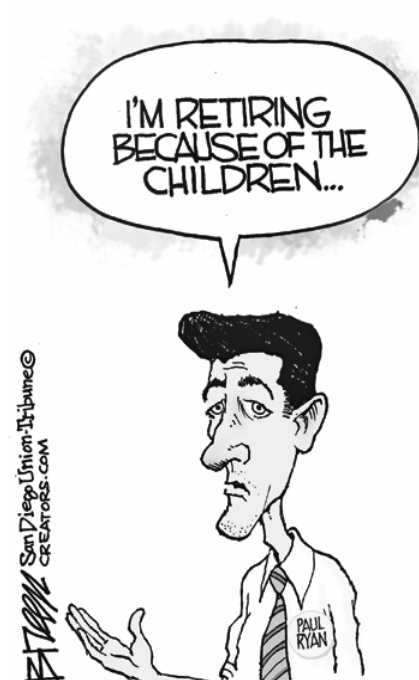
ocrat Mark Takai's campaign committee remained active for more than a year after his death, paying the salary of a former staffer.

Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., retired in 2013, and his campaign account was still active four years later when the Campaign Legal Center (CLC) filed a complaint with the FEC (Federal Elections Commission) alleging the account was paying for his monthly cellphone bill, payments to his wife, membership dues at private clubs in Washington, D.C., and expenses related to his private sector lobbying career.

The FEC has not acted in either of these cases, prompting the CLC to file a petition with the FEC asking that a time limit be placed on how long these campaign funds can be kept in place.

Speaker Ryan raised \$54 million in the last two years to protect the GOP majority in the upcoming 2018 midterms. But it's the \$9.4 million he personally controls that will give us a roadmap to his thinking, and how much he still cares about having a political future.

He will likely spend down some of that to gird his colleagues for the blue wave that's coming. Some 49 Republicans have announced their retirements, and while some of them were term-limited committee chairmen, the bulk of them are rank and file members who looked at the political environment and decided this was not a good year for Republicans to run for office, but perhaps not a bad year to run for the door (along with a lesser number of Democrats), money in hand.





# COMMENTARY

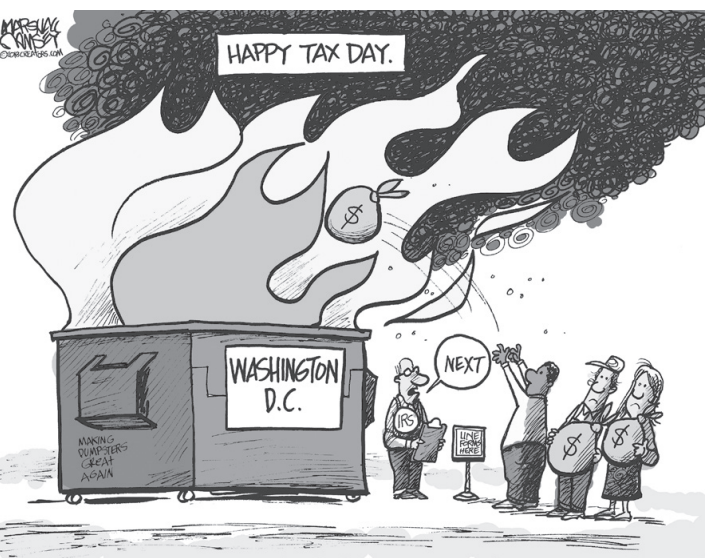
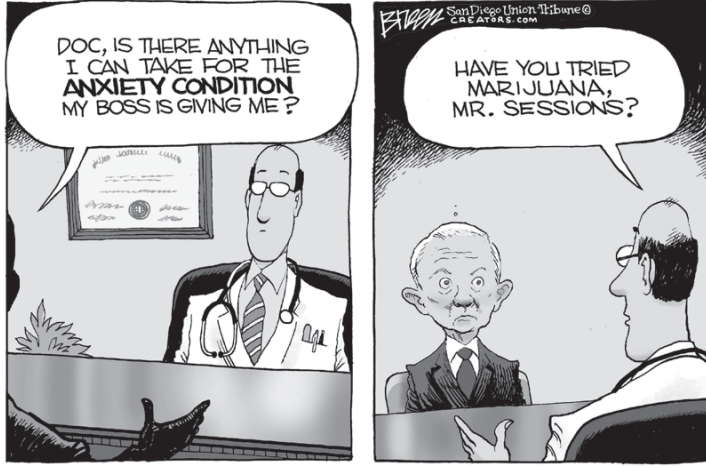
# SEAN OF THE SOUTH

PRETTY IS • BY SEAN DIETRICH



## NEVER FORGET

Study shows Holocaust receding from Americans' memories.



"People are flowers," an elderly church lady named Miss Rebecca once told me.

She was a white-haired sweetheart who made poundcake that was good enough to make strict Baptists take the name of Andy Griffith in vain.

Anyway, there are a lot of ideas on life. Some folks think life is a journey. Like hiking a mountain with the Boy Scouts - who usually smell like the backend of a filthy goat.

Everyone has their own ideas, but if you ask me, we're flowers, like Miss Rebecca said.

Bear with me here.

Flowers are pretty. And that's what you are. Pretty. You make life pretty, just by being alive. You might not feel pretty right now, but maybe that's because it's not your season.

We can't all bloom in April. Some of us have to wait until July. But you will bloom. Soon. I promise.

Maybe you'll turn into a purple violet. Maybe you'll be a red tulip, or a rose. Maybe you're a magnolia. Or maybe you're like me.

I am a common dandelion.

I know being a dandelion doesn't sound like much to get excited about. And believe me, it took me a LONG TIME to be happy about being one. But this is only because most folks call dandelions "weeds."

For many years, that's how I thought of myself. And that's why I'm writing this to you.

Dandelions aren't weeds. They might be overlooked, unwanted, uncared for, and sprayed with pesticides, but they are flowers.

Yes sir. Dandelions are strong, and bright, and yellow. We open every morning to the sun. We close at night. We have the longest flowering season of ANY dadgum plant out there.

Roses might be breathtaking, but we are long lasting. And if we're lucky, after we die, some grade-school kid will blow our

fuzz into the wind.

Our seeds can travel miles and miles. And we can cover entire hillsides.

Show me a rose that can do that.

We dandelions grow in all sorts of ordinary places. That's just how we are. We take spots no other flowers want and make them colorful. Front lawns, ditches, the cracks of sidewalks, the dumpsters behind the Circle K. That's what we're good at.

Take me, for instance. I grew in the median along an interstate. And I was like lots of dandelions - I didn't think anybody knew I existed. Or cared.

Across the highway, I could see prize-winning flowers. Big manicured blooms in flower beds. A landscaping crew took care of them and fed them every morning.

They were bright. You should've seen them. The purples, reds, whites, oranges, pinks, and blues. I wanted to be them. I wanted to be a real flower.

But life doesn't work that way. You don't always get what you want.

Even so, I'll never forget the day an old man made a bouquet out of me. He picked me - along with a lot of other wildflowers. He put me into a vase, and kept us on his table.

For the first time, I mattered. And even though I can't be certain, I think my yellow color made him smile.

Of course, the life of a dandelion is short. We won't live forever. But maybe, just maybe someone will put me to the wind one day. Maybe my short life will have meant something to this world.

Maybe my seeds will travel in the breeze and grow along the interstate. Or in a trailer park. Or in the Walmart parking lot.

Maybe some kid who's having a bad day will find me and remark: "Look, Mom! A flower!"

Maybe.

Anyway, I got a little carried away. I'm sorry about that. What I really meant to say is:

You are important.

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 chronicles his interaction with friends, family and strangers he meets along the way while sharing glimpses of daily life in our little corner of America. He has written several books which can be found on Amazon.com.

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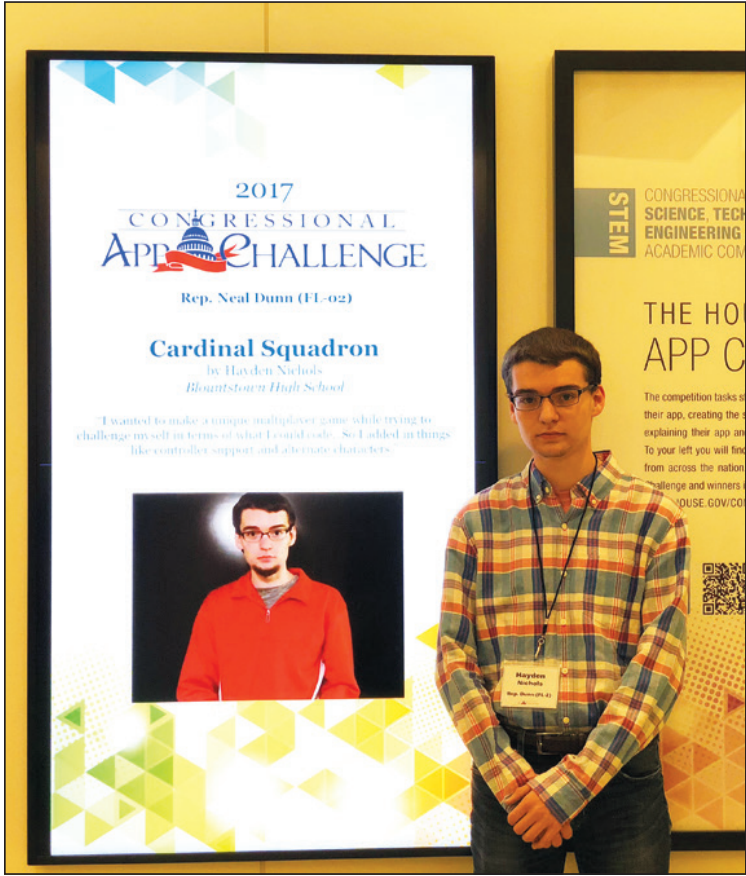
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# Blountstown student Hayden Nichols wins Congressional App Challenge



Blountstown High School junior Hayden Nichols was invited to attend the House of Code event in Washington, DC where he was recognized for winning the Congressional App Challenge for District 2 in Florida. After demonstrating his game to various members of Congress, Hayden was treated to a tour of the Capitol Building, and met with Congressman Neal Dunn. Hayden's game, Cardinal Squadron, is featured in a display inside the Capitol Building.

Hayden has set the bar high for students who wish to begin exploring options in game development. Using Game Maker Studio II as his platform, Hayden developed Cardinal Squadron - a four player, cooperative, side scrolling shooter game. Hayden took the initiative to enter the competition, and developed the game with no assistance (other than resources) from his teachers.

He showed great dedication and perseverance as he navigated the complex coding requirements. Blountstown High School is very proud of Hayden and the initiative he shows inside and outside of the classroom.

## Spring Tree I.D. Workshop in Quincy Tuesday

The Florida Forest Service & UF/IFAS Extension Service will offer a free Spring Tree I.D. Workshop for Adults at Bear Creek Educational Forest (BCEF) at 54 McCall Bridge Rd in Quincy on Tuesday, April 24.

This 4-hour workshop will appeal to folks at multiple levels of education and experience.

For those new to the area, we'll provide the fundamental tools for identifying many of the common trees found in this part of the state. For the more "seasoned" tree enthusiasts, we'll offer tips on those unique native tree species, as well as some of the exotic plants found in north Florida.

Other attendees may want to learn the identity of many flowering plants and native groundcover species in the area.

The workshop consists of both indoor and outdoor sessions, including trail hikes along Bear Creek's various forest communities. The indoor session, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.<sup>CT</sup> will be open to the first 60 people to register. However, in the interest of safety, site impact, and providing a meaningful learning experience, the guided hikes will be limited to the first 36 registrants.

We are honored to be joined once again by our old friend, Stan Rosenthal, UF/IFAS Extension Forester Emeritus.



Additionally, we are especially pleased to have Dr. Loran C. Anderson, Professor Emeritus from FSU's Biological Sciences Department, helping us in this workshop as well.

As with our Fall workshop, normal day-use fees to the Bear Creek Hiking Trails will be waived for all workshop attendees. Consequently, those that don't register in time to go on the guided hikes can still, at their leisure, hike other parts of the forest after the classroom session.

Mark Tancig, Horticulturalist with the UF/Leon County Extension Service, has assigned two MG CEUs per session attended by Master Gardeners during the workshop.

Pre-register by contacting Bear Creek Educational Forest only, either by calling (850) 681-5892 leave your name, e-mail address and phone number on the machine if no one answers - or by e-mail to

tom.gilpin@freshfrom-florida.com. Registration deadline for the workshop will be 5 p.m.<sup>CT</sup> Friday, April 20, or until the maximum number

is reached. Please check the Florida Forest Service and UF/IFAS Extension Service web sites for additional or updated information.

## Harrell Memorial Public Library relocation hours

BRISTOL - The Harrell Memorial Public Library in Bristol is in the process of relocating the library building.

The reopening date has not been set at this time. Until then, the library will have a temporary location inside of the Veterans Memorial Civic Center at 10405 NW Theo Jacobs Way in Bristol.

Library patrons can place library materials on hold from other branches, pick up and return borrowed materials to the temporary location during select hours. Public computers, internet, printing, scanning, copying and faxing services are also available.

Library Hours are Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.<sup>ET</sup>

The book drop is available when Civic Center staff is present during Monday through Friday from 9a.m. to 5 p.m.<sup>ET</sup> for returning items. If the building is closed, the book drop cannot be accessed.

If you would like to place an item on hold from home, you can log into your library account online. Visit [www.nwrls.com](http://www.nwrls.com) and select 'My Account' on the top left banner. All you will need is your library card number and 4-digit pin. Select Bristol for pick up.

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## How to protect yourself from Medicare fraud

Every year, Medicare fraud affects consumers and companies across the nation. Estimates say that last year alone, there was over \$1 billion in fraudulent Medicare billings. Not only does Medicare fraud inflate the cost of medical care for everyone, it can also compromise your private medical information, including past Medicare statements, claims and even confidential items like your social security number. That's why it's important to take steps to defend yourself from a potential identity thief, especially when it comes to your medical records.

First and foremost, protect your confidential information. When discussing your Medicare information - such as a Medicare ID number and Health Plan details - always take precautions to ensure that your personal information is protected. If an identity thief gains access to your Health Plan ID, they can access your physicians, order prescriptions and even file a health

insurance claim.

Starting in April, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services will issue new Medicare ID cards with a unique alphanumeric ID number rather than your social security number, but it's still important to "guard your card" and keep it safe like you would a credit card or your social security card.

It's also important to always keep a close eye on your account's activity to spot anything unusual or incorrect. In addition to reviewing receipts, dates and billing statements, make sure the details of your Medicare claims correctly match up with the services you received. You can check at [www.My-Medicare.gov](http://www.My-Medicare.gov) or by calling 1(800) MEDICARE.

And don't overlook the Explanation of Benefits form sent from your insurance company. The form details how much you have been billed for a specific claim, what your insurance covers and the deductible amount you're ultimately

responsible for. Compare the explanation of benefits to your medical provider's receipt to detect any discrepancies that could hint toward a potential identity theft.

Some Medicare fraud has been linked to companies or individuals offering "free services or products" in exchange for your confidential information, including your Health Plan ID number. Be wary of phone calls or emails that ask for sensitive Medicare information, such as your Medicare ID, as they could be an attempt to steal your identity. Identity thieves may also call or email pretending to be a medical insurance professional in order to obtain your confidential information. If this happens, hang up or don't reply, then immediately report it to your health insurance provider.

Report suspected Medicare fraud to your health insurance company, to the toll-free number at 1(800)MEDICARE, or online to the Office of the Inspector General on the official Medicare website.

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**TUESDAY, APRIL 24**  
**BREAKFAST:** Egg and cheese biscuit, tator tots, fruit  
**LUNCH:** Stuffed pasta, chicken quesadilla or chicken caesar salad  
**SIDES:** Caesar salad, carrot sticks with ranch, whole grain roll, fruit

### LIBERTY

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18**  
**BREAKFAST:** Chicken biscuit, hash browns, choice of cereal, fresh fruit  
**LUNCH:** Macho nachos and tortilla chips or peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
**SIDES:** Line salad, corn, fruit cup

**THURSDAY, APRIL 19**  
**BREAKFAST:** Silver dollar pancakes, sausage links, choice of cereal, fresh fruit  
**LUNCH:** Chicken sandwich, taco salad or peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
**SIDES:** Sweet potato fries, line salad, fruit cup

**FRIDAY, APRIL 20**  
**BREAKFAST:** Fun-E waffles, choice of breakfast pastry, choice of cereal, fresh fruit  
**LUNCH:** Pizza, bbq pork slider or peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
**SIDES:** Corn, line salad, fruit cup

**MONDAY, APRIL 23**  
**BREAKFAST:** Sausage biscuit, hash browns, choice of cereal, fresh fruit  
**LUNCH:** Spaghetti, mozzarella breadstick or peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
**SIDES:** Green beans, line salad, garlic bread, fruit cup

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24**  
**BREAKFAST:** French toast sticks, maple syrup, sausage links, choice of cereal, fresh fruit  
**LUNCH:** Popcorn chicken, chef salad or peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
**SIDES:** Mashed potatoes with gravy, broccoli, line salad, roll, fruit cup

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# Minutes from the Feb. 13 Liberty Co. School Board meeting

Official minutes from the Feb. 13, 2018  
regular meeting of the Liberty Co. School Board

Chairwoman Tina Tharpe called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Members present were Chairwoman Tharpe, Doobie Hayes, Roger Reddick, Kyle Peddie and James Flowers. Superintendent David Summers and Attorney David House were also present.

## MEETING OPENING

Chairwoman Tina Tharpe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Chairwoman Tharpe, Doobie Hayes, Roger Reddick, Kyle Peddie, James Flowers and Attorney David House.

## PRAYER /PLEDGE

The prayer was offered by Hayes and the pledge was led by Reddick.

## RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATION

A. Danielle Summers was recognized as the District the Teacher of the Year and Stephanie Williams, Transportation and Maintenance, was recognized as District Employee of the Year

B. Greg Kelly, CRA, and Brooks Hayes, Culpepper Construction gave an update on the progress of the new high school.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Gracie Jacobs, President of the W.R. Tolar K-8, PTO gave an update on the progress of the new playground plans.

B. Shelly Burns, Peoples South Bank gave the board an overview of a "financial Literacy" program that the bank offers to high school seniors that is free.

## APPROVE MINUTES

A. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the Jan. 9, 2018, Regular Board Meeting.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

Geiger gave the Superintendent's Report. He reported that today we received our first encumbrance of new high school money.

## ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to make the following changes to the agenda:

A. Change Wording on 9A, delete "until the end of the 2017-2018 SY;"

B. Change the wording on 9B to add an ending date of Oct. 31, 2019;

C. Remove 9J;

D. Change the wording on I to Approve the Title IV and V Personnel Consent Table;

E. Delete Bus Driver from Personnel Consent Table; and

F. Add Emergency Items A and B.

## APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda with the above noted changes.

## ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the following:  
Principals' Reports for Jan 2018;

Financial Statements for Jan 2018;  
Budget Amendments for Jan 2018; and  
Bills and Payroll for Jan 2018.

B. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the In-Service Program for adding an Endorsement in Athletic Coaching/Sports Medicine to a Florida Educator's Certificate.

C. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the Focus Contract for PAEC Participating District effective through Oct. 31, 2020.

D. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the In-service Program for adding an Endorsement in Driver Education/Traffic Safety to a Florida Educator's Certificate.

E. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the revised contract between the Liberty County School District and Tessa Byler d/b/a Premier Therapy and Rehab, PLLC.

F. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the 2017-2018 RFA for the Best and Brightest Scholarships.

G. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the contract between Liberty County School Board and Caroline Guthrie to administer the ACCESS for English Language Learners (ELL) tests. Testing services will be provided beginning February 7, through March 23, 2018, and will be paid at a rate of \$20 per hour for up to 40 hours of training/testing.

H. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the contract between Liberty County School Board and Tyrone Davis for CDL Training effective Feb. 14, 2018.

## CONSENT ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the recommendation from the Expulsion Hearing that the student be expelled for 180 days; therefore, the student will be expelled until the end of the 2017-2018 SY. He may enroll in the Liberty County School District effective Feb. 14, 2019.

B. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the recommendation to change one 12-month, TSA/Transportation, 7-hour position to 12-month, TSA/Transportation, 8-hour position effective Feb. 1, 2018, and ending Oct. 31, 2019.

C. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the recommendation to transfer Kevin Williams from 12-month, TSA Maintenance/Transportation, 7 hours to 12-month, TSA Maintenance/Transportation, 8-hour position effective Feb. 1, 2018.

D. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Mary Eubanks to enter the DROP Program effective Feb. 1, 2018, and hereby establish her final retirement termination date to be effective no later than Jan. 31, 2023.

E. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Peddie, to approve the request from Mary Flowers to enter the DROP Program effective March 1, 2018, and hereby establish her final retirement termination date to be effective no later than Feb. 28, 2023. Flowers abstained from the vote. Item passed 4-0.

F. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Robyn Carpenter to

enter the DROP Program effective March 1, 2018, and hereby establish her final retirement termination date to be effective no later than Feb. 28, 2023.

G. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve 2015-2016 Audit Report No. 2018-057.

H. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve 2016-2017 Audit Report #2018-103

I. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the Personnel Consent Table for the Title IV Grant for the 2017-2018 SY.

J. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the attached table recommending the hiring of 21st CCLC employees for the 2017-18 SY.

K. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the Personnel Items on the attached table.

L. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the Revised Salary Schedule effective Feb. 14, 2018.

M. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the recommendation for Kevin Williams to be paid 50% from General Fund (110) and 50% from PECO Construction (340) for the duration of construction of the new high school, effective Feb. 1, 2018.

N. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the Out of Field teaching assignments at W.R. Tolar for SY 17/18.

## BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Flowers asked about the responsibility of the school zone signs and traffic lights. Kevin Williams responded that the state has allowed the counties to opt out of maintaining the sign age and lights in the school zones. He stated that the county is responsible for the sign age and lights on county roads and the state is responsible for the state roads.

Peddie discussed his attendance at a PTO Playground Project meeting and his site visit to Tolar playground. He discussed some ways that should be considered to help defray the cost of the new playground.

Reddick stated that since he was elected to the school board in 2002 he has been trying to get lights for the Hosford ball field. He expressed that he hoped as new things are put in place maybe lights from the high school might be able to be moved to Hosford school. He said Hosford and Tolar need lights on their ball fields.

## EMERGENCY ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Johnette Wahlquist for resignation/retirement effective Feb. 28, 2018.

B. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Brenda Green to resign from Century 21st Teacher effective Feb. 12, 2018.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Approved March 13, 2018

David H. Summers, Superintendent  
Tina Tharpe, School Board Chairwoman

# Liberty Co. School Board March 13 regular meeting

Official minutes from the March 13, 2018  
regular meeting of the Liberty Co. School Board

Chairwoman Tina Tharpe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Chairwoman Tharpe, Doobie Hayes, Roger Reddick, Kyle Peddie and James Flowers. Superintendent David Summers and Attorney David House were also present.

## PRAYER/PLEDGE

The prayer was offered by Hayes and the pledge was led by Flowers.

## PRESENTATIONS

- A. Patrick Bell  
Legislative Update
- B. Greg Kelly, Brooks Hayes  
Update on new high school.
- C. Liberty Early Learning

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

School Safety

Radio Spots on WYBT

Thanked Benny Jacobs for signs donated through FOOT for each school to designate that a law officer is on duty.

Ongoing investigation into possible violation of the Family Educational Right Privacy act.

## ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Flowers to approve the following changes to the agenda.

A. Delete 8 J

B. Add Emergency Items A - C

Peddie made a motion to add Emergency Item D to read "terminate the contract with Patrick Bell, Capital Solutions, and earmark that \$3,000 per month to W. R. Tolar playground," there was no second. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

## APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Reddick to approve the agenda with changes noted above. Peddie opposed the motion, all others voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried 4-1.

## APPROVE THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the Feb. 13, 2018, Regular Board Meeting.

## CONSENT ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the following: Principals' Re-

ports for Feb. 2018; Financial Statements for Feb 2018; and Bills and Payroll for Feb. 2018.

B. Motion was made by Reddick to approve the school year calendar, 11-month, and 12-month calendars for the 2018-2019 SY.

C. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Flowers to approve the Out of Field teaching assignments at W.R. Tolar K-8 School and Liberty County High School for the 2017/2018 SY.

D. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve changing a 12-month Vocational Rehabilitation Employment Specialist position at Liberty County High School to a 10-month Vocational Rehabilitation Employment Specialist position at Liberty County High School. (Liberty County School Board pays 21.30% and 78.70% of this position is paid from through the Third Party Cooperative Agreement Contract.)

E. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the updated Title IV personnel list for the 2017-2018 SY.

F. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the Controlled Open Enrollment Plan for the 2018-2019 SY.

G. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the official letter from Fran Cutshaw of her intent to enter the DROP Program effective April 1, 2018, and establish her final retirement termination date to be effective no later than March 31, 2023.

H. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the request from Jason Castle for a military leave of absence from Feb. 23, 2018, through Feb. 28, 2019, per military orders he will be deployed during this time.

I. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the 21st Century Personnel Table for 2017-2018

K. Motion was made by Flowers, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the Personnel Consent Table for March 13, 2018.

## ACTION ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the closure of Childcare. Effective July 1, 2018, the Liberty Early learning Center will only serve children 3-5 years old that qualify for the Pre-K Disabilities program or Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten programs as required by the Department of Education. This will discontinue the Childcare program (ages 0-2) at Liberty Early Learning Center.

## BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Peddie reiterated that he believes that the playground at Tolar is a greater need than the luxury of paying a lobbyist. Tharpe agreed that the playground is important Reddick stated that he would like to see a way to find money for the Tolar playground.

## EMERGENCY ITEMS

A. Motion was made by Peddie, seconded by Reddick, and carried unanimously to approve accepting the resignation from Amanda Eikeland as the 21st CCLC Family Service Coordinator at W.R. Tolar K-8 School effective March 15, 2018.

B. Motion was made by Hayes, seconded by Peddie, and carried unanimously to approve the attached Property Disposition list.

C. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Flowers, and carried unanimously to approve the Liberty County / Harrell Memorial Library Guaranteed Maximum Price relocation package to be fulfilled by Culpepper Construction.

## ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion was made by Reddick, seconded by Hayes, and carried unanimously to approve the motion to adjourn at 6:58 pm.

Approved April 10, 2018

David H. Summers, Superintendent  
Tina Tharpe, School Board Chairwoman

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This discount offer does not apply to payments previously posted to accounts. The administrative staff at Calhoun-Liberty Hospital reserves the right to revoke adjustments made on accounts at their discretion.



## Ann Marie Brown recognized at Chipola College press conference

MARIANNA - Chipola College officials recognized the accomplishments of two students - Ann Marie Brown and Katie Everett - at a press conference at the college Wednesday.

Both are members of the All-Florida Academic Team for their outstanding academic achievement, leadership and service to their communities. The All-Florida team is sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and USA Today. Brown also was named a 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Silver Scholar and will receive a \$1,250 scholarship. For winning a national award, Brown's portrait will hang on Chipola's Academic Wall of Honor. Coca-Cola Academic Team members will be recognized internationally during Phi Theta Kappa's annual convention, PTK Catalyst, April 19-21 in Kansas City, MO.

Ann Marie Brown is a member of the Chipola Honors program and serves as a tutor in Chipola's ACE Lab. She is president of three campus organizations: Phi Theta Kappa, Student Ambassadors and Pre-Med Society. She is a vice-president in SGA and a member of Science Club, Mu Alpha Theta and Chipola Governance Council. She competed with the Brain Bowl team her freshman year. As a freshman, she also won both the 2017 Calculus I Award and the Biology for Science Majors Award.

Brown plans to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Physiology at FSU, and to on to FSU's College of Medicine, and becoming a pediatrician.

Brown was the leader of two major PTK projects at Chipola. She led students in a drive to collect items for babies served by the Children's Home



FROM LEFT: Chipola President Dr. Sarah Clemmons, Ann Marie Brown, Katie Everett, Dr. Pam Rentz and Charity Sikora.

Society in Panama City. She collected \$500 worth of baby items for a community baby shower and delivered the items to the Children's Home Society.

She also helped spearhead a Carnival for residents of the Chipola Retirement Center in Marianna. Eight PTK members manned booths and interacted with the residents with games, snacks and a real clown. Brown said, "This was an amazingly rewarding experience. I think it did my heart more good than it did for the residents. Seeing them laugh and play, being able to talk with them, and sharing in their special day was truly wonderful."

Brown is the daughter of Doyle and Beth Brown of Hosford. She has four siblings - two older brothers, two younger sisters. She was the 2016 valedictorian of Liberty County High School where she was class president, homecoming queen, cheer captain and

a member of the track team.

Katie Everett is a three-year member of the 2018 State Champion Chipola Brain Bowl team. She was fifth overall individual in scoring in the state championship. She is a member of the Honors program and a tutor in the ACE lab. She is a member of the All-Florida Academic Team. She is a member of Mu Alpha Theta and Phi Theta Kappa. In PTK, she participated in the Chipola Retirement Center Carnival. She also participated in a series of video programs on character which were shared with middle school students in the five-county area.

She plans to earn a degree in Wildlife Ecology and Conservation at the University of Florida. She would like to work

in wildlife education, perhaps in a zoo, aquarium or animal park. She has served as a volunteer at the Florida Caverns where she presented wildlife demonstrations.

Everett is a 2016 graduate of Marianna High School where she was an Honor graduate. Katie says, working in the ACE Lab is, "the best job I've ever had." Katie says she loves "anything science-related, Jesus and shiny objects." Everett is the daughter of Dennis and JoAnn Everett of Marianna.

Chipola president Dr. Sarah Clemmons, says, "We congratulate Ann Marie and Katie for their outstanding academic records and for their leadership in community service. We are so pleased they chose to attend Chipola, and we know they will continue to make us proud to call them alumni."

Both students are active in the college chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the largest honor society in American higher education with 1,275 chapters on two-year and community college campuses in all 50 states and around the world. Dr. Pam Rentz, Vice President of Instructional Affairs, and Charity Sikora, ACE Lab Coordinator, are co-advisers to PTK.

## Liberty County school choice forms due May 1

The Liberty County School District is currently holding Open Enrollment/School Choice for the 2018-2019 school year.

Forms are available at each school and can also be found on [www.lcsb.org](http://www.lcsb.org) website.

Please complete the necessary forms and return to your child's school of choice by May 1.

## W.R. TOLAR SCHOOL



PANHANDLE CONFERENCE CHAMPS

W.R. Tolar's Softball Team was recognized by the School Board for winning the Panhandle Conference Championship. The Lady Bulldogs earned bragging rights by defeating the Franklin Seahawks 6 - 2, and the Hosford Panthers 12 - 2.

## MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH AT W.R. TOLAR SCHOOL - Gabe Jones-Pitts, Malaki Cadenaz, Bianca Zamorano, Harper Holt, Cora Cole, Indiyah Grant, Mr. Jason White, Jayla Fielder, Breanna Copeland, Maria Ortuno, Madivel Zuniga, Kimberly Ballarta, Jackson Harsey, Heidi Morales, Jayland Flowers, Aleigh Strickland, Jayla Strength, Maribel Puente, Crystal Harvell, Jacey



Brunson, Mr. Steve Benton, James Davis, Jaden White, Cesar Lopez, Caleb McMillan, Hayven Bunkley, Freddy Francisco, Joe Brinson, Anthony Aldridge and Jamie Chavez. Not pictured: Rosita Escandon.

## ALTHA SCHOOL



Altha School recognized the 2018 softball seniors at senior night on April 13. Seniors Amberly Moseley, Lauren Martin, Sheryl Smith, Josie Hall and Megan Mantecon were recognized for their hard work and dedication to the softball program through the years.



## Altha School's March Kids of Character

Principal Sue Price proudly announces Altha School's Kids of Character for the month of March demonstrating the character trait of Sincerity:

FIRST ROW, from left Kaydence Causey, Luke Bishop, Remie Hilton, Arianna Hansford, Chloe Miller, Jephtha Daniels and Skyler Ihrke. SECOND ROW: are Levi Waldron, Amar'e Colon, Samuel Morris, Cooper Carr and Jamison Alday. THIRD ROW: Melissa Kuzmanko, Saxon Smith, Morgan Foster and Lannah Keller.



# OBITUARIES

## MARGARET VIRGINIA DAVIS

CLARKSVILLE - Margaret Virginia Davis, 86, of Clarksville, passed away Saturday, April 14, 2018. She was born in Marianna Oct. 24, 1931 to the late James Thad and Annie Hill Mayo. She lived most of her life in Clarksville, was a homemaker, teacher's aide and secretary in the Calhoun County School System. She was a member of Clarksville Baptist Church and Eastern Star.



She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Broward Davis; her daughter, Maryilyn Smith; and four brothers, R. L. "Bob" Mayo, Herbert Mayo, Clifford Mayo and Franklin Mayo.

Survivors include two sons, Eddie Davis and his wife, Vicki of Blountstown and Tony Davis and his wife, Lisa of Clarksville; her daughter, Annette Allen and her husband, Wally of Crawfordville; 11 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren; three brothers, Johnnie Mayo and Wayne Mayo, both of Clarksville and Gene Mayo of Louisiana; and four sisters, Avis Dykes and Ellen Dawsey, both of Clarksville, Elaine Jerome of Wisconsin and Helen Harvard of Lynn Haven.

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

Services will be held Wednesday, April 18 at 3 p.m. <sup>CT</sup> with Rev. Treadwell Sims and Helen Harvard officiating. Interment will follow in Clarksville Cemetery.

*Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements.*

## GEORGIA EVELYN NEEL SPIRES

ALTHA - Georgia Evelyn Neel Spires, 72, of Altha, passed away surrounded by her beloved family on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at Bay Medical Center in Panama City.

She was born March 25, 1946 in Altha. She was a spirited, proud and loving woman who made things happen through grit and gumption and never let anyone get in her way, all values she instilled in her children and grandchildren. She spent most of her later years enjoying cooking, taking pictures of her fur-baby Lola, sitting on the porch drinking coffee and chain smoking.



She lived life on her terms and is cherished by many as Aunt Evelyn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Mildred Neel.

Survivors include her son, Tommy Fowler and his loving wife, Amanda, who is regarded as a daughter and a devoted friend; her daughter, Sonya Fowler, who is very proud to be very much like her Mama; her grandchildren, Savannah Fowler (Tommy) and Weslyn Newburn (Sonya); beloved sister/daughter, Debby Wood who loved her as a mother; Debby's children, Lance Herndon, Jade Wood and Brettlyn Lipford, who loved her as their Nannie and she loved them and regarded them as her grandbabies; her brothers, Carl Neel and Clarence Neel, and her very beloved, loyal companion, Lola.

Details of an intimate memorial service are forthcoming for family and close friends. In memoriams may be sent to Family Funeral Home, 84 Ochlockonee St., Crawfordville, FL. 32327.

*Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services in Crawfordville is in charge of the arrangements.*

## PATRICIA A. HUNT

ALTHA - Patricia A. Hunt, 70, of Altha, passed away Tuesday, April 10, 2018 in Panama City. She was born on May 5, 1947 in Cleveland, OH to Herbert and Marian Yager Fleming and had lived in Altha for the past 44 years, coming from Ohio. She was a homemaker and a member of the Christian faith.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Jesse and Jimmy Fleming; and her husband of 25 years, Buddy Hunt.

Survivors include two sons, Fred Honrine and Alonzo Hall and his wife, Jennifer, all of Altha; four daughters, Laura Bailey and her husband, Howard, Angela Bailey and her husband, Danny, Amanda Willette and her husband, Pete and Crystal Hunt, all of Altha; two brothers, Marty Fleming and Herb Fleming, both of Ohio; three sisters, Cathy McCain, Bev Klonaris and Joanie Whitney, all of Ohio; 15 grandchildren, Kristina, Kristofer, Kristian, Jesse, Heidi, Brooklynn, Elizabeth, Blake, Rocky, Cazz, Beau, Harmony, Bella, Amber and A. J.; and five great-grandchildren, Cayson, Hadleigh, Maggie, Hudson and Adalyn.

Services were held Saturday, April 14 at Peavy Funeral Home with Rev. David Eldridge officiating. Interment followed in Chipola Cemetery in Altha.

*Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements.*

## ONICE RAMSEY JONES

BRISTOL - Onice Ramsey Jones, 87, of Bristol, entered into her eternal rest Thursday, April 12, 2018 at her home in Bristol. Born Dec. 30, 1931 to Lewis J. Ramsey and Bertha Lee Strickland, she worked in the banking profession and married Edward A. Jones on Feb. 19, 1954. She will always be remembered as a loving mother and wife.

Survivors include her husband, Edward A. Jones of Bristol; as well as four of her six children, Onaleah McClellan and her husband, Bill, Selene Payne and her husband, Rob, Daron Jones and his wife, Daniela and Theron Jones; and five grandchildren, Jeff, Kaeley, Shayna, Jacen and Meagan.

Services were held Sunday, April 15 at Bristol Pentecostal Holiness Church with Rev. Coy Collins officiating. Interment followed in Lake Mystic Cemetery.

*Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements.*

## JOHN WAYNE COUCH

BLOUNTSTOWN - John Wayne Couch, 68, of Blountstown, passed away Tuesday, April 10, 2018 in Columbus, GA. He was born on Aug. 30, 1949 and had lived in Blountstown most of his life.

Graveside services will be held Saturday, April 21 at 10 a.m. <sup>CT</sup> at Magnolia Cemetery in Altha with Tim Faircloth officiating. Interment will follow.

*Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown is in charge of the arrangements.*

## W. HOWARD JOHNSON

BLOUNTSTOWN - W. Howard Johnson, "Papa," 91, of Blountstown, passed away peacefully at Calhoun Liberty Hospital in Blountstown on Thursday, April 12, 2018.

He was born in Red Oak on Oct. 30, 1926, the youngest of the eight children of Dollie Linton Johnson and Monroe Johnson.

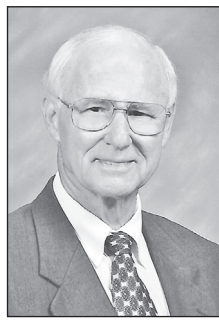
He served in the United States Merchant Marines during World War II, providing fuel in both the Pacific and European Theaters, and later served in occupation forces in the United States Army on the Pacific Island of Saipan. In 2014 he returned to the island to speak at the 70th Commemoration of The Battle of Saipan along with other U. S. veterans and Japanese veterans.

After leaving the military, he attended barber school in Jacksonville and worked as a barber in the following years to put himself and his wife, Jeanette through college. He later established the first barber shop in Clarksville, which is now one of the historical buildings displayed at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. He continued to cut hair on a part time basis for many years for customers and for home bound, hospital, and nursing home patients into the last months of his life.

He attended Chipola Jr. College and Florida State University, earning his bachelor's degree in education. He and Jeanette later attended George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, TN and graduated with master's degrees.

He taught in the Calhoun County School System for thirty-six and one half years, serving as a classroom teacher, Principal of Carr School, Supervisor of Elementary Education and General Supervisor. He was elected as Superintendent of Public Instruction for Calhoun County Schools and served in that capacity for 20 years. He was known statewide for his leadership in providing a high level education to students with the most efficient cost basis. Under his guidance, new buildings for Blountstown Elementary School and Blountstown High School and additional classrooms for Altha School were constructed and paid for in full. Additionally, he led in the renovation of the old high school gymnasium at the Blountstown High School into a state of the art auditorium and was instrumental in securing funding from the Neal Trust for the construction of the high school's music building. He served a key role in establishing the Panhandle Area Education Consortium, which provides numerous services to small and rural school districts. When he retired in 1988, he left the Calhoun County Schools with over five million dollars in cash reserve to be invested for future needs.

He lived a life of service to his family and community, always giving of himself to others above his own needs. In all of his dealings with people, he went above what was required to ensure fairness to all those involved. He was a member of the Poplar Head Baptist Church and later the First Baptist Church of Blountstown where he faithfully served as a deacon, Sunday school teacher and choir member. He was involved in all aspects of ministry and rarely missed a service, many times driving back on Sunday morning from out of town to attend. He taught a Bible study for residents at the Blountstown Health and Rehabilitation Center for a year and a half in his late eighties. He cared for numerous family members in illness, including his wife. He had a God-given gift for ministering to the sick and bereaved. He also served as mentor to many individuals and couples in financial planning.



He was a member of the Blountstown Lions Club, the Masons and the Shriners, where he worked diligently to raise funds for the care of children with burn injuries and disabilities. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and served as president of the state jurisdiction for one year, always promoting love of God and obedience to His Word and love of country in his state and community. He was instrumental in establishing a statewide scholarship program for children of Woodmen members.

He served a term as president of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. Further, he organized and attained tax exempt status for The Pippin Family Cemetery Corporation, which is an endowed family cemetery and led the Board of Directors in its management and maintenance.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jeanette Johnson; his son-in-law, Joe Van Lierop; his brothers, Mallie Johnson and his wife, Melba, Bonnie Johnson and his wife, Myrtice and Bobbie Johnson; his sisters, Verlie Suggs and her husband, Emmanuel, Versie Attaway and her husband, Ralph, Hazel Owens and her husband, Chris and Bertie Johnson; his father and mother-in-law, Walter and Chrystelle Nichols; and brothers-in-law Henry Nichols and his wife, Linda and Ellis Nichols.

Survivors include his daughter, Deborah Van Lierop of Blountstown; his son, Howard Johnson, Jr. also of Blountstown; three grandchildren and their spouses, Johann and Kiersten Van Lierop of Jacksonville, Jon and Johanna Plummer of Blountstown and Josh and Lauren Pasqualone of Tallahassee; five grandchildren, Ellisa and Jace Van Lierop, Gus and Pearl Plummer and Penelope Pasqualone; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, C. W. and Joyce Mauldin of Panama City; sister-in-law, Betty Nichols of the Carr Community; a host of loving nieces and nephews, including Jimmy Suggs, who is like a brother to him; and other extended family and friends.

Services were held Sunday, April 15 at First Baptist Church in Blountstown. Interment followed at Poplar Head Cemetery in Clarksville.

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Alvaro Carreon Jr., is looking for 58 people to Plant, harvest, pick, gather, count, package, A Variety of Squash, a variety of peppers, cucumber, eggplant and field maintenance in Brooks County, GA. Job starts 04/22/2018 – 07/10/2018 (temporary position) rate pay is \$10.95/HR or by piece rate depending on the crop you harvest. Two months verifiable experience is required as well as being able to lift up to 52 lbs. Housing and transportation provided including for U.S. workers who cannot reasonably return to their permanent residence at the end of each working day. If interested, please call me Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at (229) 305-0295. I will provide tools, supplies and equipment needed for the job at no cost to workers. Transportation and subsistence expenses to the worksite will be provided by the employer or paid by the employer upon completion of 50% of the work contract, or earlier, if appropriate; guarantee ¼ of the job order apply in your local Dept. of Labor office at the following address: 221 South Ashley Street, Valdosta, GA 31601-5611. REF: 2050815034. 4-18-18

16 positions - Temporary/seasonal work in an orchard performing manual tasks associated with apple and grape harvest activities, from 5/19/2018 to 10/26/2018 at Silver Creek Orchards, Inc., Tyro, VA in Nelson county. This job requires a minimum of three months of prior experience working in tree fruit. Saturday work required. Employer-paid post-hire drug testing required upon suspicion of use. Must 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 ¼ 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 #1304480. PO K5336 4-18-18

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# ★ STARSCOPE ★

April 18 - April 24

## ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you may have to admit that the master plan you have set up has a few flaws. You don't have to abandon it, just modify. These modifications may be relatively simple.

## TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Pisces, you may think that you have missed an important opportunity, but don't get too worried just yet. With a few new strategies, you can regain your momentum.

## GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, you may be easily swayed this week by someone who is smooth-talking. Figure out if this person can be believed or not, but give them a chance.

## CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

You may find yourself in a position where you can take on a leadership role, Cancer. Do not hesitate to jump onboard because this can be just what's needed for your career.

## LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Responsibilities will soon be easier to handle, Leo. Not because the tasks are less difficult, but because you have more people on your side helping you out.

## VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Planning a vacation can be almost as fun as traveling, Virgo. When someone asks for your help drawing up a travel itinerary, put all of your effort into the task.

## LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Some sort of breakthrough in your life is soon to become a reality, Libra. It may be a financial windfall or a new job opportunity. Keep your eyes open to any and all possibilities.

## SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

You can achieve great things this week, Scorpio. Ultimately, your accomplishments depend on how much you can focus on the tasks at hand. The ball is in your court.

## SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you are on the move this week, but it is best to have a plan and not leave things to chance. Look ahead to all the possible scenarios that have the potential to trip you up.

## CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, it is easy to get carried away with an idea. Just do not mistake obsession for focus. You need to pace yourself if you are going to be effective.

## AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

You may need to postpone something you had hoped to finish this week, Aquarius. As long as it does not get pushed too far onto the back burner you should be fine.

## PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, a setback of some kind may occur this week. Don't get too worried just yet. Adversity can be a learning experience.

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CASE NO.: 17000124CA

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS BENEFICIARIES DEVISEES GRANTEEES CREDITORS AND OTHER PERSONS OR UNKNOWN SPOUSES CLAIMING BY THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILLIE R.D. SEWELL, LINDA LANDRUM, ROBERT DOWDY, GREGORY LEE SEWELL, MICHAEL DAVID SEWELL, MARIE SEWELL, Defendant.

## AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS BENEFICIARIES DEVISEES GRANTEEES CREDITORS AND OTHER PERSONS OR UNKNOWN SPOUSES CLAIMING BY THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WILLIE R.D. SEWELL  
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 (last known residence)

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MARIE SEWELL  
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Kathleen E. Brown  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Tera McDowell  
 Deputy Clerk

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5	6	8	9	1	4	2	7	8
4	8	1	3	7	2	9	5	6
9	2	4	5	8	3	7	6	1
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He described the caller as “a man with a thick Middle Eastern accent” who “quickly asked if I had gone to Western Union.”

The investigator told him he had. When asked for the control number on the receipt, Scheetz made one up. The caller put him on hold so he could check. When he got back on the line, the caller told him, “The IRS say number no good.”

Scheetz then asked him how the IRS would even know if the number was good.

The caller then got angry and replied, “You try to scam us sir. You just \*\*\*\*\* yourself” and hung up.

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“When I think about it now, there were all kind of red flags,” said Oenbrink. “They said it was urgent; they had to get me qualified before they could turn the check over to me.”

Around the second or third call, he noticed his phone ID indicated the call was coming from Kingston, Jamaica, although they told him they were in

## SWEEPSTAKES SCAM

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Panama City.

After requesting a second money order, Oenbrink realized the caller was laying the groundwork to ask for another even larger amount by saying the IRS would also claim one percent to the total.

The men they spoke with were “very well-spoken, although one had a slight English accent,” according to Judy Oenbrink, who got on the phone to clarify their instructions because her husband has a little trouble with his hearing.

“It was quite an experience,” she said, but when it came down to sending more money, “That’s when we drew the line.”

Although he suspected it was a hoax, “it sounded

pretty nice,” Oenbrink said. “They obviously had this down and had done it before somewhere else.”

He doesn’t believe it’s the first scam call he’s gotten, although it’s the first one that got his attention.

“This past month, I bet we’ve had two or three different calls from people claiming to be from the IRS investigating our tax returns,” Oenbrink said. He noted that those callers had pronounced accents and were somewhat difficult to understand “I hung up on them,” he said, but he does wonder if the calls are somehow connected to what happened Friday.

The couple, who moved to Calhoun County from South Florida in 1987, get numerous solicitations in the mail almost daily for what appear to be charities. They have made donations over the years to what they believed were legitimate charities but believe they could be on a list of people targeted by scammers.

## FL SCAMS ONE SENTENCED, ANOTHER CHARGED

### South Florida Man sentenced to 38.9 years in precious metals scam of more than \$1.2 million

*from the Florida Attorney General's Office*

TALLAHASSEE - Attorney General Pam Bondi announced on Monday the sentencing of Allen Franks, of Palm Beach County, in connection with charges relating to racketeering, grand theft, fraudulent transactions, money laundering and unlicensed telemarketing.

Franks is sentenced to 38.9 years in Florida State prison for his involvement in the organization.

Early this year, Franks pleaded guilty to 55 felony charges relating to an enterprise that scammed victims all over the country using various shell companies to broker transactions involving precious metals. Franks and the codefendants solicited victims through telephone and the internet, touting the investment opportunities in precious metals.

The scammers instructed victims to wire funds directly to the shell companies bank accounts. Over the course of

the criminal enterprise, the defendants defrauded numerous victims, mostly elderly, out of more than \$1.2 million. The investigation revealed that the defendants used most of the money for personal use as well as to fund the continuation of the fraud. The money remained concealed through corporate bank accounts operated by Franks and others charged.

The Honorable Judge Ilona Holmes sentenced Franks to 38.9 years in Florida State prison. Financial Investigator Dan Sotler of the Florida Office of Financial Regulation initiated this case and Special Agents Lawrence Masterson and Christopher Vastine, of FDLE, investigated the case.

Attorney General Bondi’s Office of Statewide Prosecution Assistant Statewide Prosecutors Jessica Nordlund and Cynthia Honick prosecuted the case. Recently retired Assistant Statewide Prosecutor Margery Lexa, filed the charges.

### FDLE arrests Tallahassee man for intellectual property, computer crimes

TALLAHASSEE - The Florida Department of Law Enforcement, with assistance of the Leon County Sheriff’s Office arrested Andru Rae’sion Reed, 21, on offenses against intellectual property and offenses against users of computer systems, both third degree felonies, after the Florida Department of Revenue reported external hard drives had been stolen.

FDLE began its in-

vestigation in late March at the request of the Department of Revenue.

On March 30, agents spoke with Reed at his home, 1834 Jackson Bluff Road, Tallahassee and located four external hard drives.

The four hard drives contained confidential taxpayer information. Reed indicated that he had connected the hard drives to his Xbox to download video games without knowing what

was on the hard drives.

At this time in the investigation, it appears that the information on the hard drives was not used or further shared, but computer forensic examinations continue.

Reed was arrested April 17 at his home without incident and booked into the Leon County Jail.

The State Attorney’s Office, 2nd judicial circuit, will prosecute this case.

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