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Brooke Talley (FWC) releases an indigo snake at the entrance to a gopher tortoise burrow at The Nature Conservancy's Apalachicola Bluffs and Ravines Preserve in Liberty County.

TIM DONOVAN PHOTOS

## Eastern indigo snakes released here to begin 2nd recovery year

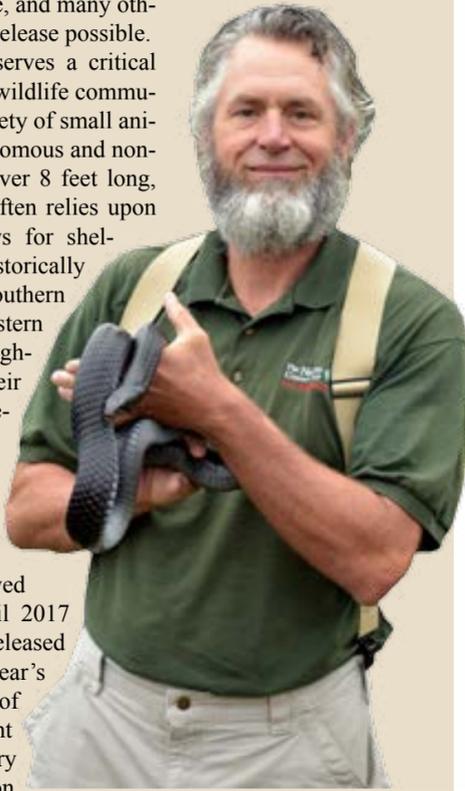
TALLAHASSEE - Twenty federally threatened eastern indigo snakes have just been released in northern Florida at The Nature Conservancy's Apalachicola Bluffs and Ravines Preserve (ABRP) as part of a collaborative endeavor to return the native, nonvenomous apex predator to the region. The release of the snakes marks the second year in a row of the reintroduction effort, and furthers the long-term joint plan of multiple nonprofit, agency, and academia partners to restore this important species to the region.

The Nature Conservancy, Central Florida Zoo's Orianna Center for Indigo Conservation, Auburn University, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, The Orianna Society, Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center, Gulf Power, Southern Company through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and the Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida are dedicated to supporting the recovery of this species. The eastern indigo snake is the longest snake native to North America and an iconic and essential component of the now rare southern longleaf pine forest. The partners have worked together for decades to restore and manage the habi-

tat required by the snake, and many other species, to make the release possible.

The eastern indigo serves a critical function to balance the wildlife community - it consumes a variety of small animals including both venomous and non-venomous snakes. At over 8 feet long, this impressive snake often relies upon gopher tortoise burrows for shelter. The snakes were historically found throughout southern Georgia, Alabama, eastern Mississippi, and throughout Florida, though their range is now far more restricted.

Largely eliminated from northern Florida due to habitat loss and fragmentation, the indigo was last observed at ABRP in 1982, until 2017 when 12 snakes were released to the preserve. This year's annual release is part of a 10-year commitment to the species' recovery and continues a focus on establishment of healthy ecosystems through collaborative land, water and wildlife conservation efforts.



The Nature Conservancy's North Florida Program Manager David Printiss gets ready to release an indigo snake to the Conservancy's Apalachicola Bluffs and Ravines Preserve.

See **INDIGO SNAKES RELEASED** continued on page 14

## Cloud charged with false imprisonment, strangulation & VOP

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A Clarksville man who was arrested for holding a woman against her will for several hours is charged with false imprisonment, felony domestic battery by strangulation, hindering communication with law enforcement and violation of probation.

The victim reported that an argument began when Robert O. Cloud, 43, arrived at their residence the evening of July 18. She said he was upset that the air conditioner was not working and accused her of being on Facebook all day. She told investigators while they were arguing, Cloud admitted that he had been drinking alcohol and using meth before his arrival.



ROBERT O. CLOUD

She said he pushed her into the side of their trailer during the dispute. When they went inside, she said he pushed her down, tore a strap from her clothing, wrapped it around her neck and started choking her. She told investigators he would stop but when the argument resumed he would start choking her again.

She said he took her cell phone and he refused to leave. When she attempted to get out, she said he blocked the doorway.

In an effort to calm things down, she said she returned to the bedroom and laid on the bed. He came in, she stated, and laid down as well but then tied her leg to his, telling her that way he would know if she tried to leave. Once he fell asleep, she was able to free herself and drove to the sheriff's office just before midnight.

Photos were taken of her injuries, which included abrasions to the neck and other marks on her head. She warned investigators that Cloud was in possession of a large knife. Investigators later confirmed that he had "an extensive criminal history which included violent crimes" according to the arrest report. He is currently on state probation for felony battery.

When deputies went to take him into custody the next day, Cloud ignored their knocks on the trailer doors and windows. Cloud did not come out when deputies verbally identified themselves, but he was seen walking toward the front door, which they heard him lock.

Deputies then entered the home and found Cloud on the floor on his stomach, hiding under two clothing racks and a garment bag in a room on the south end of the trailer. He refused an order to put his hands behind his back. Instead, he got to his feet and starting coming toward deputies but was stopped by a taser.

He is being held without bond.

## Blountstown man arrested for making threats against local official and family

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A Blountstown man in a care facility in Bay County has been arrested after threatening to kill an unnamed public official in Calhoun County as well as the official's family members.

A witness contacted the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office on July 12 after hearing Euston Edwin Pitts, 53, of Blountstown, continually talking about killing several people during a four-hour period.

According to the arrest report, Pitts - who is not being held at the facility against his will



EUSTON EDWIN PITTS

and was free to leave at any time - said when he got out, he would go home, get a gun and kill the official and his family members.

Photos and information on Pitts were distributed to local law enforcement officers and the state attorney's office. The sheriff's office did not disclose the official's name.

Pitts was arrested July 17 and charged with two counts of corruption by threat against a public servant by using a firearm.

He is being held in the Calhoun County Jail on \$250,000 bond.

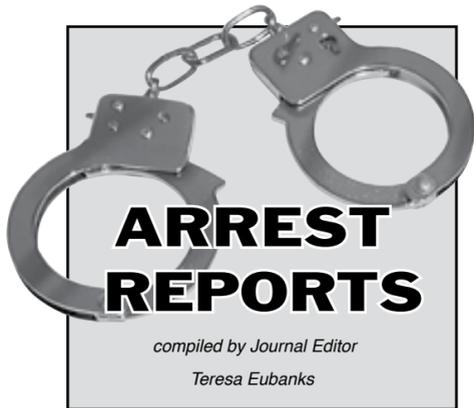
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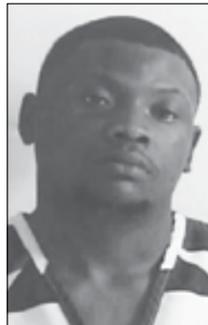




**SHERIFF'S LOG**

**Guns, cannabis found in car parked in road in early morning hrs.**

A report of a suspicious vehicle that had been stopped for about an hour at Solomon Street and Faircloth Road with its headlights on in Bristol at 4:33 a.m. Saturday led to the arrest of a Blountstown man found with two guns - including one with an altered serial number - a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.



JAMARCUS T. WILLIAMS

Liberty County Sheriff's Office Lt. John Summers arrived to find the vehicle partially blocking the eastbound lane of Faircloth Road and the driver apparently asleep at the wheel with his head slumped over with the vehicle running.

Summers pulled up behind the grey four-door Chrysler and left his emergency lights flashing as he approached the driver's window. He tapped the window to rouse the driver and noticed a half-empty bottle of peach brandy in the passenger's seat.

The driver, identified as Jamarcus T. Williams, 21, rolled down his window a few inches and stated, "I'm good...I'm good" before rolling it back up as Summers noted the odor of cannabis coming from inside the car, according to the arrest report. Summers spotted small pieces of green plant material in the driver's lap.

When Williams complied after being told to step out, Summers noticed the handle of a gun wedged between the driver's seat and console. Williams was handcuffed and searched. A small bag with 17.6 grams of marijuana was found in Williams' right pants pocket.

The gun - a 9mm semi-automatic Taurus handgun with 17 rounds of ammunition - was removed from the vehicle. Williams stated that it was not his gun and he did not know who it belonged to.

A backpack in the rear seat was found to hold another gun - this one a Taurus .357 Magnum revolver loaded with six rounds of ammunition. The weapon's serial number had been altered by heavy scratches. As it was removed from the vehicle, Williams stated, "That ain't mine."

A hunting mask that would cover all but the wearer's eyes and mouth was also found in the back seat.

A black canvas bag discovered in the trunk held a digital scale and several small pieces of marijuana, along with an unopened pack of cigars and a pair of scissors.

Williams was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a firearm with an altered serial number. He was also issued a citation for an open container of alcohol.

He is being held on a \$2,500 bond.

**CALHOUN COUNTY JULY 23**

- Edward Swanson, *failure to appear*, CCSO.
- Brandon Lee Stewart, *battery*, CCSO.
- Shontavius Peterson, *aggravated battery, robbery*, BPD.
- Michael Jerome Bailey, *resisting an officer without violence, disturbing the peace*, BPD.

**JULY 21**

- Franklin Kevin Johnson, *non-support of children or spouse*, CCSO.

**JULY 20**

- Christopher Scott Curran, *hit and run, two counts DUI first offense with damaged property*, FHP.

**JULY 19**

- Tammy Marie Johnson, *possession of drug equipment, tampering with evidence, possession of synthetic marijuana*, BPD.

- Robert O'Neal Cloud, *kidnap, VOP, obstructing justice, felony battery resulting in bodily harm*, CCSO.

- Antonia Marie Barcenas, *VOP*, CCSO.
- Tommy Wayne Bailey, *VOP*, CCSO.
- James Michael Trickey, *out of county warrant*, CCSO.

**JULY 18**

- Tillman McCroan, *out of county warrant*, CCSO.

- Travis Dewayne Johnson, *convicted felon registration*, CCSO.

- Justin Garrett Griffin, *convicted felon registration*, CCSO.

- Michael Anthony Barnes, *VOP*, CCSO.

- Matthew O. Aliffi *property damage of \$200 or less, burglary of a dwelling*, CCSO.

**JULY 17**

- Euston Edwin Pitts, *two counts of crimes against person*, CCSO.

**LIBERTY COUNTY**

**JULY 21**

- Jamarcus T. Williams, *weapon offense, possession of drug equipment, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana*, LCSO.

**JULY 20**

- James Michael Trickey, *VOP*, LCSO.

- Amber Dawn Mathis, *servicing weekends*, LCSO.

- Curtis Lee Harris, *servicing weekends*, LCSO.

**JULY 19**

- Thomas Darin Reddick, *driving while license suspended or revoked*, LCSO.

- Tammy Johnson, *holding for Calhoun*, CCSO.

**JULY 17**

- Keith Paul, *second degree petty theft first offense*, LCSO.

- Thomas Galloway, *sale of marijuana*, LCSO.

**JULY 16**

- Carlton Hall, *resisting officer without violence, battery second offense*, LCSO.

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

**Man just out of prison arrested after punching out ex's window**

An Altha man who had been recently released from prison was taken to jail after he reportedly went to his ex-girlfriend's home against her wishes, refused to leave when asked to do so, punched through a window and then began yelling, according to a report from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office.

Matthew O. Aliffi, 40, contacted his ex in Blountstown on June 24, shortly after his release from prison to ask her for money.



MATTHEW O. ALIFFI

When she responded with a text message stating that she did not have any money to give him, he replied that he was on the way to her home.

When she heard someone at the door a short time later, she refused to answer it. Her adult son was in another room and had heard the glass in the front door rattling. When he came out to ask what was going on, she asked him to tell Aliffi that she did not want to talk to him

and he should leave.

Her son did as she asked, locked the door and then pulled a blanket over the window to block the view.

Aliffi repeatedly demanded to speak with his ex but she refused. He punched the glass panel in the door, breaking it and yelling in to his ex.

When the woman still refused to see him, Aliffi yelled that he would never speak to his ex again and got in the passenger's side of a small truck parked outside.

The woman's son told a deputy he feared that Aliffi was going to come in the home and harm him, his mother and his siblings.

Aliffi eluded deputies until he was taken into custody on July 18 on charges of criminal mischief and burglary of an occupied dwelling.

His bond was set at \$10,000.

**Altha man arrested for DUI, leaving scene & damage**

A 34-year-old Altha man who was found walking away from his wrecked vehicle early Friday morning was charged with DUI, leaving the scene of an accident and DUI with property damage, according to a report from the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP).

Christopher Scott Curran was walking northbound on CR 167 sometime after the 1:52 a.m. crash when a trooper found him.

When questioned, Curran admitted rolling his vehicle over in the area of CR 274 and CR 167 and tearing down a fence before coming to rest in a ditch, according to



CHRIS S. CURRAN

the FHP report.

Curran told the trooper he had two cell phones with him when he wrecked but decided to walk to a relative's home instead of reporting the accident.

The trooper noted that Curran showed signs of impairment and appeared to be under the influence of alcohol.

He was charged after refusing to provide a breath test sample.

He was taken to the Calhoun County Jail. He was given a conditional release the next day.

The crash was investigated by FHP Trooper J.A. Moore.



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You can also read more about my stance on issues that affect our schools and students like strategic planning, safety and prevention, whole child education, and economic development at [facebook.com/crystalebsole5](https://facebook.com/crystalebsole5).

*"So that there should be no division in the body, but that its members should have mutual care for one another." -Corinthians 12:25*

Political advertisement paid for and approved by Crystal Ebersole for School Board

# Wildflower alert

Rosemary Frostweed or Sunrose

by Eleanor Dietrich,  
Florida Panhandle  
Wildflower Alliance

Large patches of this low-growing wildflower (*Crocanthemum rosmarinifolium*) may be found on sandy roadsides and in fields. The many flowers are bright yellow and about an inch wide, with a pinwheel of five petals and many stamens. The leaves are narrow and thickish with more leaves and flower stems growing where the large leaf comes out of the main stem (the axils). It blooms throughout the summer.



**Florida Panhandle Wildflower Alliance**

(www.facebook.com/groups/panhandlewildflowers/)

The Florida Wildflower Foundation (www.flwildflowers.org) supports wildflower planting, education & research. Visit its new Panhandle Wildflower website (www.flwildflowertrips.org) to see more of what is in bloom in this area.

## Girl Scouts are extending their registration deadline to July 31

TALLAHASSEE - Girl Scouts is happy to give new girl and adult members an extended registration, which will allow them to purchase a Girl Scout membership at a prorated cost. This new membership option allows new girls and adults to join Girl Scouts in the summer and benefit from paying a reduced rate for the partial year in which they are joining.



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The price for extended year membership includes membership for the remainder of the current

Girl Scout year, as well as the entire upcoming membership year, which means that their membership will be paid for through Sept. 30, 2019 for only \$35. The extended registration is only available until Tuesday, July 31.

If you are interested in joining Girl Scouts for the extended registration period you may on our website at www.gscfp.org, if you have any questions please contact us at (850) 434-1333 ext. 1117, or toll-free at (888) 271-8778 or email info@gscfp.org

About the Girl Scouts: The programs and services of the Girl Scout Council of the Florida Panhandle, Inc., teach girls to discover, connect and take action, while building courage, confidence, and character, to make the world a better place. A United Way agency, the Council currently serves girls across 19 counties of the Florida Panhandle with the assistance of numerous dedicated volunteers. To volunteer or join Girl Scouts, call 1(888) 271-8778 or visit www.gscfp.org.

## Bulldog Club Annual Meet & Greet Friday

The Liberty County Bulldog Club will be holding their Annual Meet and Greet at 6 p.m. ET on Friday, July 27. At 7 p.m. there will be a flag football game.

The players will come off the field and you will be able to meet and talk with them about the up and coming season. It will be held at the field we play in on Friday nights.

There will be no admission, we're just asking everyone to donate some of the following: Lysol spray, Tide, sports liquid, or water. We will also be serving pulled pork sandwiches, chips and drink.

Also, membership and parking dues will be on a first come, first serve due to the building of the new school and having to relocate the fan parking until the school is complete.

Come on out and support the players and coaches

## Blood drive July 25

There will be a blood drive on Wednesday, July 25 from 12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. CT at the Calhoun County Courthouse.

All donors will receive a Oneblood beach towel and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!

You can also make an appointment online at www.oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code #26977 ID required.

For more information, please contact Carla Hand at (850) 674-4545. Walk-ons welcome!

## Writer's Guild will meet this Saturday

The Calhoun-Liberty Writer's Guild meets each fourth Saturday at the Blountstown Library starting at 1 p.m., except for posted holidays. No registration required, just come and talk to other writers.

Are you interested in writing? Have you begun a novel, a short story, an article or a journal, but gotten stumped on creativity and haven't an inkling on how to continue? Maybe you have a few ideas or characters you'd like to work on, but no idea how to get started.

This month's program: Write something about being bored.

For further information call Darlene Earhart at (850) 674-5200 or (850) 762-8280.

## Ice Cream Social at the Settlement Aug. 10

The Panhandle Pioneer Settlement will be hosting their Annual Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social from 6 to 8 p.m. CT on Friday, Aug. 10.

There will be prizes awarded for the three best ice cream flavors. First prize is \$100, second prize, \$50 and third prize, \$25. The cost is \$5 and it's all you can eat.

For more information, call (850) 674-2777 or email info@panhandle-pioneer.us

*Community Calendar*

# JULY

### Wednesday, July 25

- BIRTHDAYS: Dani Strickland, Lisa Ramer, Sue Pitts, Nina Hall, Steve Bailey, Michelle Thrasher & Chris Atkins

**NATIONAL CHILI DOG DAY**  
JULY 25

### Thursday, July 26

- Libraries Rock! children's program, 1 p.m. ET at Bristol Library, located temporarily at Veterans Memorial Civic Center.
- VFW Post 12010, 7:30 p.m. ET at Veterans Memorial Civic Center in Bristol.
- BIRTHDAYS: Dana Burns, Dwight Van Lierop, T.J. Shirah, Jamarial Johnson & Amber Cobia
- ANNIVERSARY: Domenick & Daina Esgro

### Friday, July 27

**National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day**  
July 27

- BIRTHDAYS: Jay Yoder, Cole Dawsey, Chelsea Bateman, Dewey Hood, Vicki Davis & Autumn Grace McLemore

### Saturday, July 28

- Storytime, 10:30 a.m. ET at Hosford Library.
- Writers Guild meeting, 1 p.m. CT at Blountstown Library.
- BIRTHDAYS: Deborah Pope, Doris Traylor, James Ammons, Jason White & Sherrie Haney

**DAY OF THE COWBOY**  
JULY 28

### Sunday, July 29

*Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday*

- BIRTHDAYS: Gay Lewis & Savannah Creamer
- ANNIVERSARY: Donny & Terri Bolding; Philip & Pam Detweiler

### Monday, July 30

- 1956 President Eisenhower signs "In God We Trust" into law
- LC Bulldog Club meeting, 7 p.m. at the field house.
- BIRTHDAYS: Lindell McClain, Annette Phillips, Janet Kyle, Edwin Hobby, Jo Plummer & LaTrenda Larkins

### Tuesday, July 31

- 1875 Former President Andrew Johnson dies
- BIRTHDAYS: Freddie Peterson, Stephanie Hofheinz, Marie Fowler, Angel Tipton, Mary Rubel, Paige Willis & Mechelle Morgan

## BES spruce up day is set for July 28

Come help spruce up Blountstown Elementary School on Saturday, July 28. We will start working beginning at 8 a.m.

We will be decorating bulletin boards, decorating classroom and work areas, painting and doing light landscaping.

If you are a part of a group or community organization, church or just an interested member of the community and would like to participate, call us at (850) 674-8169.

## Westside VFD Open House & Recruitment Cookout set for Aug. 4

Westside VFD will be hosting an open house and recruitment cookout from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT on Saturday, Aug. 4. We are looking for Junior Firefighters ages 15 - 17 and adult firefighters ages 18 and up. Be part of the tradition. Be part of the excitement. Be part of the community.

Come out and meet your firefighters. There will be an apparatus display, free food, learn volunteer applications, spray the fire hose and much more!

For more information, contact Micah Martin at (850) 447-3109 or Doug Harrell at (850) 674-7535. We are located at 18212 SR 20 in Blountstown.



## Nat'l Night Out Aug. 7

Come meet those who serve our community at National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 6-to 8 p.m. CT at Magnolia Square in Blountstown.

Help us bid farewell to crime! This entire event is free!

There will be hotdogs, chips, drinks, cotton candy, popcorn, petting zoo, dunking booth, interactive activities with the members of the Blountstown Police Department and the Blountstown Fire Department, face painting, bouncy houses, games for small children, dance music, free raffle and more.

## New stop sign goes up in Blountstown Aug. 8

The City of Blountstown will be placing a new stop sign on Angle St. near the crosswalk at the intersections of Angle St., Pennington St., Blount St. and Franklin St. on Wednesday, Aug. 8.

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## Liberty County Senior Citizens centers announce upcoming activities Free hearing checks at Bristol Center

The Liberty County Senior Citizens Associations, Inc. announces the following activities for the month of August:

•**Thursday, Aug. 2** – Shopping this week is at our own Bristol Piggly Wiggly. Call Liberty Transit at (850) 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Monday, July 31 to schedule your pick up for shopping.

•**Tuesday, Aug. 7 at 10 a.m.** - at the Bristol Senior Center; We will play Bingo and do senior chair exercises for your pleasure. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 2.

•**Thursday, Aug. 9** – Wal-Mart in Tallahassee is your destination for shopping. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6.

•**Wednesday, Aug. 15 at 10:30 a.m.** – Would you like to have a free hearing check? Staff from Hearing Life of Dothan will be at the Bristol Senior Center to do just that and to inform you of their services. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9. Do not miss this great opportunity. We will also play Bingo.

•**Thursday, Aug. 16** – Shopping this week is at the Bristol Piggly Wiggly. Call (850) 643-2524

by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13.

•**Monday, Aug. 20** – The Liberty County Senior Citizens Board of Directors will meet in the Bristol Senior Center at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend this meeting.

•**Thursday, Aug. 23** – For your shopping pleasure Liberty Transit will take you to the Marianna Wal-Mart. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20.

•**Thursday, Aug. 23** – Bristol Senior Center at 10 a.m. we will have staff from Big Bend Rural Health to do a presentation on Portion Plate Sizes and do some fun activities. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20.

•**Thursday, Aug. 23** – Bristol Senior Center at 11 a.m. we will have a representative of Big Bend Hospice to discuss their services. Information about their services may be very valuable to you or someone that you know. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20.

•**Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 10:30 a.m.** - come to the Bristol Senior for another day of Senior Exercises and a few games of Bingo.

•**Tuesday, Aug. 28 at 10:30**

a.m. - Come to the Bristol Senior for another day of Senior Exercises and a few games of Bingo. For transportation to the Bristol Center, call Liberty Transit at 643-2524 no later than 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23.

•**Thursday, Aug. 30** – Shopping at the Bristol Piggly Wiggly. Call (850) 643-2524 by 3 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27.

The Bristol and Hosford Senior Centers and Liberty County Transit will be closed Monday, Sept. 3 for Labor Day. We wish for you to have a safe and fun Holiday.

*The Bristol Senior Center is open Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.<sup>ET</sup> The Hosford Center is open Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.<sup>ET</sup> Seniors are welcome to come for a hot meal served at 12 p.m.<sup>ET</sup> and to enjoy socialization with others. Call (850) 643-5690 to make a meal reservation the day before you plan to attend. If you need transportation to either center, you will need to call Liberty Transit at (850) 643-2524 three working days before you plan to attend.*

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## Florida Dept. of Agriculture, Federal Trade Commission joins national effort against fraudulent veterans charities

TALLAHASSEE - Commissioner of Agriculture Adam Putnam announced that the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has joined a nationwide partnership, spearheaded by the Federal Trade Commission, to help Americans identify and avoid fraudulent charities that claim to benefit veterans and servicemembers. The department joins the FTC, Attorney General Pam Bondi, and other law enforcement officials and regulators of charitable organizations throughout the country to support the "Operation Donate with Honor" initiative.

"The brave men and women who sacrifice so much to protect

our freedom deserve all the support we can provide. It is deplorable to exploit our nation's heroes by scamming Floridians out of hard-earned money," said Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam.

Before donating to charitable organizations that claim to help veterans and servicemembers, Floridians should follow these simple tips:

- Ask questions, such as: "Who is the fundraiser and who will benefit from the donation?"; "How much of the contribution goes to the charity mentioned in the request?"; and "How much of the donation goes toward administrative and fundraising expenses?";

- Check if the charitable organization is registered with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services by visiting FloridaConsumerHelp.com;

- Research the charitable organization at www.FreshFromFlorida.com to see how much of a donation will go toward the individuals the charity intends to help versus operating expenses;

- Browse Check-A-Charity;
- Report any suspicious charitable solicitations by calling 1-800-HELP-FLA (1-800-435-7352) or, for Spanish speakers, 1-800-FL-AYUDA (352-9832).

For more information visit [www.FreshFromFlorida.com](http://www.FreshFromFlorida.com).

## June 2018 unemployment figures for the Chipola Region

Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 3.8 percent in June 2018, staying constant with the May 2018 rate and down 0.3 percentage point from a year ago. There were 387,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 10,233,000. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.0 percent in June.

Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 8,759,400 in June 2018, an increase of 14,300 jobs over the month. The state gained 170,500 jobs over the year, an

increase of 2.0 percent.

	June-18	May-18	June-17
Liberty.....	4.2	3.5	4.7
Calhoun.....	4.5	3.9	5.4
Holmes.....	4.5	3.7	5.2
Jackson.....	4.5	3.5	4.9
Washington.....	3.9	3.4	4.3
Chipola Region....	4.4	3.6	4.9

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## LIBERTY COUNTY ELECTION NOTICES

### Primary Election: August 28, 2018

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For those individuals who have not yet registered to vote, or need to change his or her party affiliation, the deadline is July 30, 2018. You can register or make party changes by coming by the office in the courthouse, going to our website at <http://www.libertyelections.com/VoterInformation>, then click on "Register to Vote" or pick up a voter registration application at any local post office, library, Thompson's Store or Sumatra Grocery.

**SAMPLE BALLOTS**

Sample ballots will be mailed to every household for the Primary Election which will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. You may view your sample ballot at <http://www.libertyelections.com>.

**VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS**

If you wish to receive a Vote-By-Mail ballot, you can make your request by calling the office at (850) 643-5226 or go to our website at [www.libertyelections.com/VoterInformation](http://www.libertyelections.com/VoterInformation) and click the "Voter Look-Up" button. You may also see your Sample Ballot there. Vote-By-Mail request must be made by August 22, 2018 and will be mailed out no later than August 24, 2018 as required by law.

**LOGIC & ACCURACY TEST**

The public testing of all voting equipment will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. <sup>ET</sup> in the Supervisor of Elections' Early Voting Room, located in the Liberty County Courthouse.

**EARLY VOTING**

Early Voting for the Primary Election will be conducted for 13 days beginning on Monday, August 13, 2018 – Saturday, August 25, 2018 at the Liberty County Courthouse from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Early voting will run through two Saturdays and one Sunday. Remember, there will be no early voting the Sunday and Monday before the election. Please do not forget to bring your photo/signature identification(s) when you come to vote.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office at (850) 643-5226.

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# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

**SUNNY HILL PH CHURCH** - We will be hosting an exciting VBS Wednesday, July 25 thru Friday, July 27 for kids 4-18. It will begin each night at 5:30 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. <sup>CT</sup> Wednesday and Thursday night we will be learning about how Jesus can be our rescuer. On Friday night, we will have a family night where we share what we have learned.

The church is located at 19352 NE County Road 274 in Altha. For more information call Carla at (850) 447-2771.

**SOUTHSIDE ASSEMBLY OF GOD** - We are having a Fifth Sunday sing July 29. All are invited to share in this special service then stay and fellowship with us during a covered dish dinner. Sunday School is at 10 a.m., followed by The Paul Family from Georgia.

The church is located two miles south of Blountstown at 15164 SR 71 South by Eddie Faircloth Septic Company. For more information call (850) 762-1958.

**ST. MARY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH** - We will be celebrating our Pastoral 17th Anniversary. Everyone is welcome to attend.

On Sunday, Aug. 5 at 3 p.m. the colors are white and red. Guest churches will be Pastor Delwynn G. Williams, Pastor/Teacher with St. John M.B. Church of Panama City; Reverend Dion Gilbert, Pastor/Teacher of New Hope M. B. Church of Lynn Haven; and Reverend Terrence Roulach, Pastor/Teacher of Miracle Temple Church of God in Christ of Quincy.

On Friday, Aug. 10 at 6:30 p.m. the colors will be purple and silver. Guest churches will be Bishop Lonnie Mitchell, Pastor/Teacher of New Beginning Assembly OTS Church of Panama City; Reverend James Williams, Pastor/Teacher of Friendship M.B. Church of Apalachicola; and Superintendent Delano Reed, Pastor/Teacher of St. Luke COGIC Church of Bristol.

On Sunday, Aug. 12 at 3 p.m. the colors will be green and pink. Guest churches will be Reverend Stanley Walker, Pastor/Teacher of Tabernacle M.B. Church of Tallahassee; Elder James Russ, Pastor/Teacher of Greater Friendship M.B. Church of Panama City; and Reverend Marshall Gonzales, Pastor/Teacher of First Born Saint of God Church in Blountstown.

The church is located at 16345 SE River Street in Blountstown. For more information call (850) 674-4432.

**HASTY POND BAPTIST CHURCH** - We will be hosting a gospel sing featuring "The Thompsons" on Aug. 12 beginning at 5 p.m.

The church is located at 4895 Hasty Pond Road in Marianna (15 miles south of Marianna, off Hwy. 73, one half mile). Call (850) 482-4685 for more information.



ABOVE: Library Assistant Amy Miller gets a hug. RIGHT: Guest presenter Barbara Clark, M.A., RPA of the Florida Public Archaeology Network guides the children through archaeology activities.



Barbara Clark, Briar Basford (hiding behind his bag), Brody Basford, Chelsey Hostetter, Rylee Johnson, Nellie Eubanks, Ronald Eubanks, Cheyenne Eubanks and Library Assistant Amy Miller took part in the July 19 program. DOMENICK ESGRO PHOTOS

## Archaeology program held in Bristol

Harrell Memorial Public Library, currently operating out of Veterans Memorial Civic Center at 10405 NW Theo Jacobs Way in Bristol, held an 'Introduction to Archaeology' program for kids ages 3-10 years of age on July 19.

Children learned about the science of archaeology, the role of the field of anthropology, where archaeologists work, and how they discover and protect our

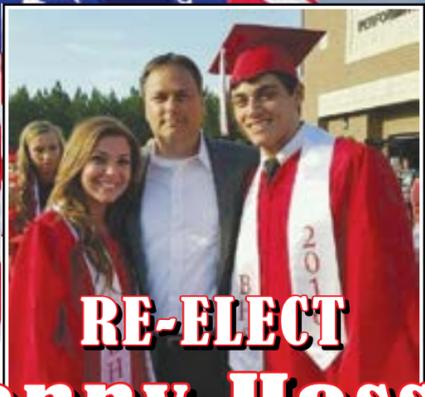
cultural heritage.

This fun and informative event, presented by Barbara Clark, M.A., RPA of the Florida Public Archaeology Network, set the stage for understanding how archaeology preserves our past for the present and future.

To learn about upcoming library events contact Library Assistant Amy Miller at (850) 643-2247.



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## Merkison, Shuler to wed Aug. 4

Crystal Merkison and Andrew Shuler will exchange wedding vows Saturday, Aug. 4 beginning at 5 p.m. <sup>ET</sup> at Torrey State Park with Darrell Johnson officiating.

She is the daughter of Angela and Obie Harper of Bristol and Tim and Bobbie Merkison of Greensboro. Her grandparents are Wesley Silcox and the late Rachel Silcox of Blountstown and Kay Miller and the late Robin Miller of Greensboro. Her great-grandparents are the late Jake and Jewel Harris of Bristol.

He is the son of Sherri and David Shuler of Bristol. His grandparents are Minnie Shuler and the late Parley Shuler of Bristol, the late Charles Howell of Bristol and the late Sue Howell of Bristol.

The groom is a 2008 graduate of Liberty County High School and is cur-

rently employed as a correctional officer with Liberty Correctional Institution.

The bride is a 2013 graduate of Liberty County High School. She graduated from TCC with an Associate in Arts Degree. Currently she is a stay at home mom.

The bride's maid of honor will be her cousin, Dixie Flowers and her bridesmaid will be her sister, Tiffany Merkison, both of Bristol. The flower girl will be their daughter, Arrabella Shuler and ring bearer is their son,

Greyson Shuler. The music will be provided by Chuck Layfield AKA D.J. Shamrock.

The reception will be in the fellowship hall at Fusion Church beside Ace Hardware in Bristol and will begin at 6:30 p.m. <sup>ET</sup>

The couple plan to reside in Bristol after the wedding.



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Late Night Laughs

A RECAP OF RECENT OBSERVATIONS BY LATE NIGHT TV HOSTS.

A couple in Florida are getting married and instead of wedding presents, they've asked for money to buy goats. Even crazier, one couple they invited was like, "Finally, a chance to regift this goat." — JIMMY FALLON

In honor of World Emoji Day, Apple has announced it's adding cupcake, kangaroo, and lettuce symbols. A cupcake, a kangaroo, and lettuce, or as Outback Steakhouse calls it, a salad. — SETH MYERS

They get big ratings every year for Shark Week. Meanwhile, do you know how many people are killed by sharks every year? I looked this up today. Five. There are five shark fatalities per year in the world. We are deathly afraid of an animal that kills fewer people than Tide pods. — JIMMY KIMMEL

Everyone's in a celebratory mood. I'm not surprised. Happy holidays! It's Shark Week! Merry Shark-mas! Or, for my Jewish shark viewers: Mazel-teeth! — STEPHEN COLBERT

According to a new report, young Republican staffers in Washington, D.C., are having trouble meeting people on dating apps because they're being harassed for their political views. According to some Republican staffers, they are getting harassed so much on dating apps they're now starting to feel like every woman on every dating app. — JAMES CORDEN

The big story is that President Trump lashed out at Iran on Twitter, and some people are afraid that he might start World War III. In response, Americans were like, "Come on, man, at least wait until Shark Week is over." — JIMMY FALLON

A California town recently opened a drive-thru marijuana dispensary, or as they're more commonly known, a Taco Bell. — SETH MEYERS

The president was up past his bedtime, lashing out after the president of Iran said, "America should know that peace with Iran is the mother of all peace and war with Iran is the mother of all wars." And to that Trump responded with the mother of all caps. — JIMMY KIMMEL

Trump responded by punching caps lock and flooring it! "To Iranian President Rouhani: NEVER, EVER THREATEN THE UNITED STATES AGAIN OR YOU WILL SUFFER CONSEQUENCES THE LIKES OF WHICH FEW THROUGHOUT HISTORY HAVE EVER SUFFERED BEFORE. WE ARE NO LONGER A COUNTRY THAT WILL STAND FOR YOUR DEMENTED WORDS OF VIOLENCE & DEATH. BE CAUTIOUS!" Yes, be cautious! You cross Donald Trump, and you're gonna get what the other dictators got: a friendly summit, a handshake, and, if you're not careful, an invitation to the White House. — STEPHEN COLBERT

I like that Trump's extra angry that it was "early in the morning." It's like, "Ugh, don't even think about raiding my office until I've had my first cup of coffee." — JAMES CORDEN



Watch what Trump does after firing Mueller & Rosenstein

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

by Douglas Cohn and Eleanor Clift

WASHINGTON — President Trump is not going to change and suddenly become presidential in the way we think of presidents. The question now is whether we can wait him out without doing real damage to our democracy. Do we have any other choice but to let the gears of government and justice work however slowly and imperfectly?

Trump covers up each outrage with another outrage, so nothing sinks in for too long. Who's talking anymore about families separated at the border? It's a challenge for the media to get traction on Trump's pick for the Supreme Court, a seat that will impact American life and culture for generations to come.

Now, all the talk is about the fresh shock waves gripping Washington in the wake of Trump's Helsinki performance and how he threw the U.S. intelligence community under the bus. Over the next 48 hours, Trump first backtracked but then doubled down on his support for Putin, giving allies, critics and the media whiplash while Russia cheered.

But neither shock nor shock waves should be at play. Trump is consistent. He is behaving just as he did in the campaign when he urged the Russians "if you're listening" to hack into Hillary Clinton's emails, and as president when he shared classified intelligence with the Russian ambassador in the Oval Office.

Given this pattern of escalating outrages, each outdoing the one before, the only rational conclusion is to assume things will get worse. At the heart of his mercurial actions is the realization that the Mueller probe is bearing down on the relationship between the Trump campaign and the Russians as well as between Trump's business empire and the Russians.

Firing Special Counsel Robert Mueller and his superior, Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, is something Trump would not only like to do, but something he must do. He's been warned that such firings would make him look guilty and possibly trigger impeachment proceedings.

Standing next to Putin at the press conference

in Helsinki, he called the Mueller probe "ridiculous," a statement that caused some legislators to believe Mueller just got job insurance, at least for now. The reaction to Trump's obsequious attitude toward Putin rattled some of Trump's most stalwart allies.

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich said it was the biggest mistake of his presidency, and that he needed to fix it now. Even some of the Fox News hosts who cheerlead for Trump couldn't stomach the way he cozied up to Putin and called the European Union one of America's "foes" because he doesn't like their tariffs on trade, and because they don't pay enough to NATO for their collective defense.

However, Trump, like a cornered animal, must strike back. And if he follows his own precedents, he will proceed with the firings, take some heat, and then discover or create a replacement headline.

Presidents have the ability to change the script quickly, and that's especially true with military action. President Reagan suffered a humiliating defeat in Lebanon when 241 Marines and sailors sleeping unarmed in their bunks were killed in the early morning of October 23, 1983 by a suicide bomber driving a truck loaded with explosives.

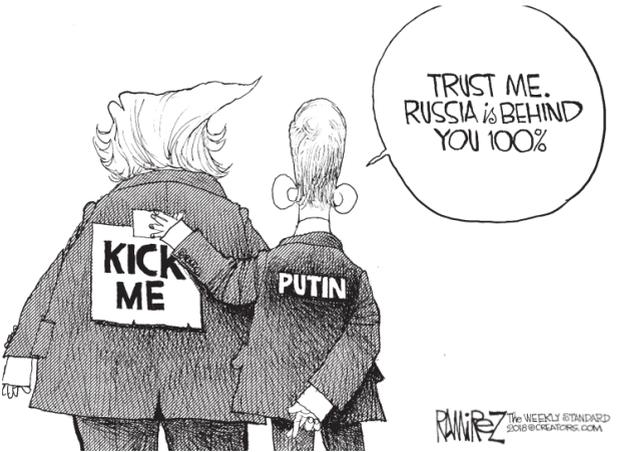
Two days later, Reagan ordered the invasion of the tiny island of Grenada to secure the safety of a thousand medical students the administration claimed were being threatened by the Marxist government there. The clash led to the loss of 20 U.S. troops and a hundred wounded, but the pictures of the rescued students dominated the news, supplanting headlines about the tragedy in Lebanon. Whether the invasion was justified or not, it became the news of the moment, and Lebanon became history.

Any president has extraordinary power, and with Trump, we shouldn't be shocked if he wields it to protect and preserve his own interests, and not necessarily America's. He will fire Mueller and Rosenstein and bury the firings with a new headline. This is what he does, and no one should be shocked.



# COMMENTARY

Ryan Lochte suspended after posting picture of himself on banned IV drip...



# SEAN OF THE SOUTH

GOOD • BY SEAN DIETRICH



A nice car stalls in traffic. Horns honk. People shout. Four Mexican men leap out of a dilapidated minivan. They push the broken down vehicle from a busy intersection.

In the front seat: Jocelyn. A seventy-three-year-old woman.

When she is out of harm's way, one of the men says something in English:

"You need a ride, ma'am? We'll take you wherever you wanna go."

They drive her home, across town. She offers to pay for their gas. They decline. She offers to feed them. They accept.

Years later, Jocelyn dies. At her funeral, Jocelyn's daughter sees a group of unfamiliar Mexican men.

They tell her the story I just told you.

Chase. He is middle-aged and clumsy. He has the idea to repair his own roof. Bad idea. He climbs on the house while his wife is away.

He loses his footing. He trips. The shrubs break his fall - and his leg.

A neighbor's fourteen-year-old son sees the accident. The boy calls 911, then performs first-aid. The kid even rides to the hospital inside the ambulance with him.

When Chase awakens, there is a boy, sitting at his bedside, mumbling a prayer.

"Called your wife," says the kid. "I found her number in your phone."

That boy is an adult now, and he is one of Chase's closest friends.

There's a girl. I'll call her Karen. As a child, she was abused by her father. Karen leaves the details out when she tells me the story. Karen left home when she was old enough to drive. She drove six states away and tried to forget her childhood altogether.

And she did. One divorce and two kids later, things were looking up. She had a job managing a cellphone store, a nice apartment.

Her aunt called one day. Her father was sick. Stomach cancer was eating him from the

inside out.

"Why the hell should I care?" was Karen's first response.

She didn't sleep for a week thereafter.

She packed her children and belongings into a Ford Escort and drove six states toward a hole she used to call home.

Her father was gaunt and poor. He needed in-home care, but couldn't manage to make it happen.

She moved her family into his spare bedroom. For nearly two years she cooked meals, washed clothes, bathed him and helped him use a toilet.

And days before his end, his words were:

"You must be some kinda angel or something. How can you possibly give a \$%\*& about someone like me?"

"I don't know," she says. "Because I love you."

He asks Karen to forgive him.

So the news is blaring on a television in my room. It's been playing the same sort of thing for five days. Men in suits, shouting at one another. Footage of one man punching another. Swearing. Pharmaceutical commercials. Politics. Pop music. The Kardashians.

A news commentator remarks, "Our world is in serious trouble, folks."

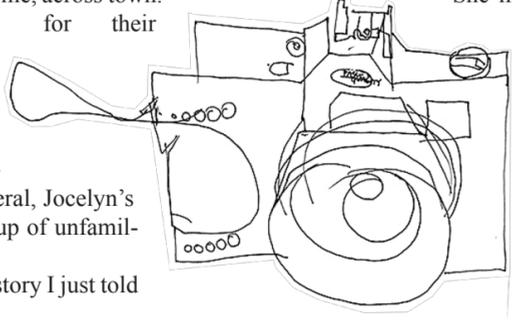
Serious trouble. Well, maybe it is. Lord knows, I don't have the credentials to refute that.

Maybe the end of the world is near. Maybe our civilization will only last a few days before going up in flames. Maybe hatred will finally conquer the world. Maybe the angry mob wins. Maybe there is no hope for this planet we call home. Maybe.

But I don't believe it.

And I won't.

Not after meeting Karen.



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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## Former school employee convicted for possession of pills and petty theft

by Teresa Eubanks, Journal Editor

A Liberty County jury returned a guilty verdict in last week's trial of a former W.R. Tolar School health aide charged with stealing pills from a locked cabinet in the nurse's office.

The six member jury returned after just under three hours' deliberation July 18.

Lindsay Lewis, 34, of Bristol was convicted of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and petty theft.

Lewis did not take the stand. Eight witnesses testified for the prosecution during the two-day trial.



LINDSAY LEWIS

Lewis was arrested Dec. 27, 2017 following an investigation by the Liberty County Sheriff's Office that began last September after the school nurse discovered ten Adderall pills were missing. The pills were intended for use by a student with ADHD; the child's mother had brought in 30 pills the morning of Sept. 16. The school nurse left later that day to attend a meeting. When she returned to work the following Monday, she realized the pills - which she had counted before locking them up the previous Friday - were missing. Sentencing is scheduled for Aug. 27.

## Annual Crab Cake Cook-off July 28

CARRABELLE - The Carrabelle Lighthouse Association will host the third annual Crab Cake Cook-off on Saturday, July 28 in downtown Carrabelle from 6 p.m. ET

Sample crab cake bites from local talented competitors and cast your vote for the greatest crab cake in Carrabelle. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Crooked River Lighthouse and the playground pirate ship "Carrabella."

### NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you for everything, Nanny and Papa.  
 Love, Cayden Esgro



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# BUDGET SUMMARY

## DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF LIBERTY COUNTY

**THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LIBERTY COUNTY ARE 1.0 PERCENT MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES**

**JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019**

**PROPOSED MILLAGE LEVIES SUBJECT TO 10-MILL CAP**

REQUIRED LOCAL EFFORT (Includes PPFAM) .....	3.9560
LOCAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT (CAPITAL OUTLAY) .....	1.5000
DISCRETIONARY OPERATING .....	0.7480

**Total Millage: 6.2040**

ESTIMATED REVENUE	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
FEDERAL	\$540,000.00	\$701,500.00	-	-	\$1,241,500.00
STATE	\$10,844,321.00	\$12,000.00	\$34,908.39	\$6,069,095.00	\$16,960,324.39
LOCAL	\$1,688,137.00	\$50,600.00	-	\$588,344.00	\$2,327,081.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$13,072,458.00</b>	<b>\$764,100.00</b>	<b>\$34,908.39</b>	<b>\$6,657,439.00</b>	<b>\$20,528,905.39</b>
TRANSFERS IN	\$250,000.00	\$135,980.97	-	\$300,884.45	\$686,865.42
FUND BALANCE: 7/1/18	\$587,802.00	\$-152,710.28	\$1,574.34	\$457,947.88	\$894,613.94
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS, AND FUND-NET ASSET BALANCES</b>	<b>\$13,910,260.00</b>	<b>\$747,370.69</b>	<b>\$36,482.73</b>	<b>\$7,416,271.33</b>	<b>\$22,110,384.75</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>	-	-	-	-	-
INSTRUCTION	\$7,363,250.09	\$10,779.66	-	-	\$7,374,029.75
PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES	\$212,502.13	-	-	-	\$212,502.13
INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA	\$74,660.54	-	-	-	\$74,660.54
INSTRU. & CURRICULUM DEV.	\$384,456.26	-	-	-	\$384,456.26
INSTRU. & STAFF TRAINING	\$13,991.52	\$1,540.00	-	-	\$15,531.52
INSTRU. RELATED TECHNOLOGY	\$852,879.83	-	-	-	\$852,879.83
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$310,127.04	-	-	-	\$310,127.04
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$403,608.95	\$381.96	-	-	\$403,990.91
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$663,959.86	-	-	-	\$663,959.86
FACILITIES ACQUISITION CONST.	-	-	-	\$6,556,770.80	\$6,556,770.80
FISCAL SERVICES	\$303,394.05	-	-	-	\$303,394.05
FOOD SERVICES	-	\$582,695.29	-	-	\$582,695.29
CENTRAL SERVICES	\$76,592.94	-	-	-	\$76,592.94
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERV.	\$598,763.79	\$3,108.00	-	-	\$601,871.79
OPERATION OF PLANT	\$1,350,862.00	-	-	-	\$1,350,862.00
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT	\$247,790.52	-	-	-	\$247,790.52
ADMIN. TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$172,868.46	-	-	-	\$172,868.46
COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$80,511.73	\$148,865.78	-	-	\$229,377.51
DEBT SERVICES	\$49,184.81	-	\$34,908.39	-	\$84,093.20
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$13,159,404.52</b>	<b>\$747,370.69</b>	<b>\$34,908.39</b>	<b>\$6,556,770.80</b>	<b>\$20,498,454.40</b>
TRANSFERS OUT	\$135,980.97	-	-	\$550,884.45	\$686,865.42
FUND BALANCE: 6/30/19	\$614,874.51	-	\$1,574.34	\$308,616.08	\$925,064.93
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS AND FUND-NET ASSET BALANCES</b>	<b>\$13,910,260.00</b>	<b>\$747,370.69</b>	<b>\$36,482.73</b>	<b>\$7,416,271.33</b>	<b>\$22,110,384.75</b>

The tentative, adopted, and/or final budgets are on file in the office of the above mentioned taxing authority as a public record.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Liberty County School District will soon consider a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

- A. Initially proposed tax levy .....\$1,598,394
- B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes.....\$ (90,072)
- C. Actual property tax levy .....\$1,688,466

This year's proposed tax levy.....\$1,737,740

A portion of the tax levy is required under state law in order for the school board to receive \$10,844,321 in state education grants.

The required portion has increase by .22 percent, and represents approximately six tenths of the total proposed taxes.

The remainder of the taxes is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board.

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on July 30, 2018 at 5:05 p.m. <sup>ET</sup> at the Administrative Center, 12926 NW CR 12, Bristol, FL 32321.

A DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

## NOTICE OF TAX FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY

The Liberty County School District will soon consider a measure to continue to impose a 1.5 mill property tax for the capital outlay projects listed herein.

This tax is in addition to the school board's proposed tax of 4.704 mills for operating expenses and is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board.

The capital outlay tax will generate approximately \$403,344 to be used for the following projects:

**MAINTENANCE, RENOVATION AND REPAIR**

Reimbursement of the maintenance, renovation, and repairs paid through the General Fund as permitted by Florida Statute

- HVAC Systems
- Lighting
- Paving
- Roof repairs and replacement
- All Schools
- School Bus and Maintenance Shop
- Superintendent & Finance Office

**MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES**

Lease-Purchase of 4 Buses

**NEW AND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT, COMPUTERS AND DEVICE HARDWARE AND OPERATING SYSTEM SOFTWARE NECESSARY FOR GAINING ACCESS TO OR ENHANCING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL INSTRUCTIONAL CONTENT AND RESOURCES, AND ENTERPRISE RESOURCE SOFTWARE.**

- School Furniture and Equipment
- Purchase software application for district-wide administration of personnel
- Enterprise resource software acquired via license/maintenance fees or lease agreements

**PAYMENTS OF COST OF COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL STATUTES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS**

Asbestos Removal

**PAYMENTS OF PREMIUMS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE NECESSARY TO INSURE THE EDUCATIONAL AND ANCILLARY PLANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Insurance Premiums

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing to be held on July 30, 2018 at 5:05 p.m. <sup>ET</sup>, at the Liberty County School Board, 12926 NW CR 12, Bristol, Florida.

A DECISION on the proposed CAPITAL OUTLAY TAXES will be made at this hearing.

# BHS back-to-school news

Blountstown High School is gearing up for another great school year, and before it officially begins, we wanted to get some information out to our parents and students.

•Friday, Aug. 10 is the first day of school for students.

•Beginning Wednesday, Aug. 1, BHS students can come sign up for their parking decals. Decals can be picked up from Mrs. Ashley Vickery; the cost is \$10. Students will need to bring a copy of their driver's license, proof of insurance and license plate number; students will also need to be able to provide make, model, color and year of the vehicle. The money earned from parking decals will go towards student activities.

•Attention Seniors! Off-campus lunch forms will be available beginning Wednesday, Aug. 1. We strongly encourage seniors to bring in their signed lunch forms prior to the first day of school. Please see Mrs. Ashley Vickery in the front office.

•Any junior or senior who would like to come meet with Mrs. Stanley

in regards to their schedule, may come to school starting Wednesday, Aug. 1. We would like to have as many schedules set as possible, on the first day of school.

•The next ACT will be held at Blountstown High School on Saturday, Sept. 8 and the registration deadline is Friday, Aug. 10. Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). The cost of ACT (no writing) is \$46, ACT plus writing is \$62.50. The next available testing date is Sunday, Oct. 28. Please email [rebecca.stanley@calhounflschools.org](mailto:rebecca.stanley@calhounflschools.org) for further information or assistance with registration.

•Blountstown High School Open House will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Students can pick up their class schedules at Open House.

•Join us for the Community Pep rally on Friday, Aug. 10 at 6 p.m. in the BHS Gym to celebrate our fall sports; Cheerleading, Cross Country, Football and Volleyball. And as our theme for the school year says: "It's great to be a Blountstown Tiger!"



The Blountstown Middle school cheerleaders attended camp recently at Jags Gym with Michaeline Sheffield and learned lots of new material to use for their upcoming season. RIGHT FROM BACK LEFT: Susan Golden, Bryslan Jones, Savannah Sheffield, Jacklyn Hathaway, Alondra Romulo, Victoria Barfield and Jalen VanBuren, Rylea Williams and Faith Langley. Not pictured: Coach Ariana Williford.

## Open House dates for Liberty and Calhoun County Schools

The dates and times for Open House for Calhoun County schools are as follows:

- Blountstown Elementary School, Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 4 to 6 p.m. <sup>CT</sup>
- Blountstown Middle School, Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. <sup>CT</sup>
- Altha Public School, Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. <sup>CT</sup>
- Blountstown High School, Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. <sup>CT</sup>

- Carr School, Wednesday, Aug. 8 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. <sup>CT</sup>

The dates and times for Open House for Liberty County schools are as follows:

- Tolar School, Thursday, Aug. 9 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. <sup>ET</sup>
- Hosford School, Thursday, Aug. 9 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. <sup>ET</sup>
- Liberty County High School, Thursday, Aug. 9 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. <sup>ET</sup>

# LIBERTY COUNTY 2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Administration...643-2275  
Liberty Co. High School...643-2241  
W.R. Tolar School...643-2426  
Hosford School...379-8480



# CALHOUN COUNTY 2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

School Administration...674-5927  
Blountstown High School...674-5724  
Blountstown Middle School...674-8234  
Blountstown Elementary...674-8169  
Altha School...762-3121  
Carr School...674-5395  
Adult School...674-6490



### LIBERTY COUNTY SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Professional Development/Pre-planning for Teachers	Aug. 6-10
<b>SCHOOL BEGINS</b>	<b>Monday, Aug. 13</b>
Pre-School Begins	Aug. 13
<b>Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Sept. 3</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Progress Reports Sent Home	Sept. 12
<b>PD/Data Day Teachers (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Sept. 28</b>
FTE Week	Oct. 8-12
End 1 <sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks	Oct. 12
Begin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks	Oct. 15
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Report Cards Sent Home	Oct. 18
<b>Early Release Day/Data Analysis</b>	<b>Oct. 31</b>
<b>Veterans Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Nov. 12</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Progress Reports Sent Home	Nov. 14
<b>Fall Break (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Nov. 19-23</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Nov. 22</b>
<b>1st Semester Ends/Early release</b>	<b>Dec. 21</b>
<b>Winter Break (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Dec. 24-31</b>
<b>Christmas Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Dec. 25</b>
<b>New Year's Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Jan. 1</b>
<b>Winter Break continued (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Jan. 1-8</b>
<b>Pre-Planning for Teacher/Data Analysis</b>	<b>Jan. 7</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester begins/school resumes</b>	<b>Jan. 8</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Cards Sent Home	Jan. 11
<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Jan. 21</b>
FTE Week	Feb. 4-8
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Progress Reports Sent Home	Feb. 6
<b>Early Release Day/Teacher Planning</b>	<b>Feb. 14</b>
<b>PD/Data Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Feb. 15</b>
<b>President's Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Feb. 18</b>
<b>End 3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks/Early Release/Teacher Planning</b>	<b>March 8</b>
Begin 4 <sup>th</sup> Nine Weeks	March 11
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report Cards Sent Home	March 14
<b>Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>March 25-29</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Progress Reports Sent Home	April 17
<b>PD/Data Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>April 26</b>
<b>BACCALAUREATE</b>	<b>May 22</b>
<b>LCHS GRADUATION</b>	<b>May 24</b>
<b>Memorial Day Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>May 27</b>
<b>Early Release/Teacher Planning/LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS</b>	<b>May 30</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Ends/Post-Planning	May 31
<b>SUMMER SCHOOL</b>	<b>June 10-24</b>

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### CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Pre-School Planning	Aug. 1-9
<b>SCHOOL BEGINS</b>	<b>Friday, Aug. 10</b>
<b>Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Sept. 3</b>
<b>Early (1 p.m.) Release/Prof. Development Day</b>	<b>Sept. 26</b>
FTE Week	Oct. 8-12
End of 1 <sup>st</sup> grading period	Oct. 12
<b>Fall Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Oct. 15</b>
Teacher Work Day	Oct. 16
Report Card Day	Oct. 25
<b>Thanksgiving Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Nov. 19-23</b>
<b>Early Release Day (Students dismissed at 1 p.m.)</b>	<b>Dec. 21</b>
End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> grading period	Dec. 21
<b>Christmas Holidays (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Dec. 24 - Jan. 8</b>
Teacher Work Days	Jan. 7-8
<b>School resumes for students</b>	<b>Jan. 9</b>
Report Card Day	Jan. 14
<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>Jan. 21</b>
FTE Week	Feb. 4-8
<b>Winter Holiday for Students &amp; Employees</b>	<b>Feb. 18</b>
<b>Early release day (Students dismissed at 1 p.m.)</b>	<b>March 6</b>
End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> grading period	March 15
<b>Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>March 25-29</b>
Report Card Day	April 8
<b>Spring Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>April 19</b>
BHS Senior Awards Night	May 20
Altha Kindergarten/Senior Awards Night	May 21
<b>Memorial Day Holiday (NO SCHOOL)</b>	<b>May 27</b>
<b>Early Release Day (Students dismissed at 1 p.m.)</b>	<b>May 29</b>
End of 4 <sup>th</sup> grading period/End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	May 29
Post-Planning	May 30-31
<b>2019 GRADUATION DATES:</b>	
<b>BHS GRADUATION</b>	<b>May 23</b>
<b>AHS GRADUATION</b>	<b>May 24</b>
Calhoun County Adult School	May 29

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# OBITUARIES

## THOMAS WILLIAM STRONG

BLOUNTSTOWN - Thomas William Strong, 70, of Blountstown, passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in Panama City. Born in Adrian, MI, April 7, 1948, he was the son of the late Louis and Blanche Strong. He proudly served in the United States Navy from 1967-1988. After his military retirement, he retired as a correctional officer at Liberty Correctional Institution from 1989-2007. He was a member of Christian Home Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Judy Irish; and two brothers, Karl and David Strong.

Survivors include his wife, Dot Strong of Blountstown; sons, Joe Mayes and his wife, Naomi of Dothan, AL, Chuck Strong and Jacob Strong, both of Fitzgerald, GA, Joshua Strong of Panama City, James Strong of Jeffersonville, IN, D.J. Strong and his wife, Deanne of Bainbridge, GA, Chris Strong and his wife, Kimmy of Blountstown; a daughter, Amanda Strong Whitehead and her husband, Michael of Camarillo, CA; grandchildren, Devin Strong, Jacey Strong Varney and her husband, Daniel, Joseph Strong, Robert Strong, Joey Mayes, Zachary Strong, Rachel Elpern, Maddy Elpern, Elijah Whitehead, Ruby Whitehead, Rafe Whitehead, Malia Strong, and Gabriella Strong; two brothers, Louis Strong, Jr. of Texas and John Strong of Hillsdale, MI; sisters, Delores Faircloth, Denise Horne of Clermont and Patty Davis of Blountstown; mother and father-in-law, Donald and Ilene Henderson of Grand Ridge.

A memorial service was held Saturday, July 21 at Christian Home Church at 10:30 a.m. <sup>ET</sup> with Pastor Jim Holmes, Pastor Roger King and Pastor Dewayne Tolbert officiating. Interment followed in Pine Memorial Cemetery.

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

## CAROLYN LEE ANDERSON LEACH MOORE

BLOUNTSTOWN - Carolyn Lee Anderson Leach Moore, 73, of Blountstown, passed away Sunday, July 22, 2018 at the home of her daughter and son-in-law in Williamsburg, KY surrounded by her family. She was born on May 25, 1945 to the late James Anderson and Edna Osborne Anderson Byrd in Whitley County, KY.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Roy (Bull) Curtis Leach; daughters, Vickie Lynn Leach and Teresa Louis Lambdin; sisters, Joyce Gail Anderson, Wilma Huddleston; brothers, James Anderson, Jr., Lon Anderson and Bob Anderson; and son-in-law, Carl Lewis Lambdin.

Survivors include her husband, William E. Moore; children, Roy Curtis Leach, Jr., Scott F. Leach (Angie), Pamela G. Leach (Barry), Tammy L. Cupp (Gary), Jeffrey D. Leach (Connie), Jeremiah L. Moore (Amber), Amanda L. Wilson (Ryan), Kevin L. Lambdin (Holly); stepchildren, Billie Jo Scudder (Derek) and Steven Moore; grandchildren, Susan Davenport, Shawna Smith (Wesley), Mike Carroll (Jennifer), Jeremy Carroll (Jennifer), Joshua Ramalia, Baillie Carroll (Patrick), Britton Leach (Alisha), Tiffany Leach, Toni Nickerson, Jordon Crider, Jacob Cupp, Carmen Leach, Isaiah Moore; great-grandchildren, Sophy Jones, Kaley Wilson, Anton Sims, Aden Hocker, Tasen Hocker, Emmalee Carroll, Charlee Carroll, Zachery Carroll, Paige Carroll, Kamille Guilford, Kennon Guilford, Landon Leach; brothers, Don Anderson (Robin), Eddie Anderson (Jean), Johnny Anderson (Barb), Tim Byrd (Tonya), Tony Byrd (Karen); sisters, Sue Murray (Gary), Vivian Creager (Earl), Jessie Hansford (Gary), Ennie Mahan (Carlton Powers); several nieces and nephews and a host of friends, neighbors and other relatives to mourn her passing.

Family will receive friends Wednesday evening, July 25 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Cox & Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Services will be held Thursday, July 26 at 2 p.m. at the Cox & Son Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Troy Cupp officiating. Musical selections will be presented by the Cupp Family. Interment will follow in the Moses Addition of Pleasant View Cemetery in Whitley County, KY.

The family wishes to say a special thank you to Joann, Billie, Paula, Christine, and all the staff at Hospice of the Bluegrass for the exceptional care provided for Carolyn during her illness.

*Cox & Son Funeral Home of Jellico, TN is in charge of the arrangements.*

## JAMES FRANKLIN MAYO

BLOUNTSTOWN - James Franklin Mayo, 82, of Blountstown, passed away peacefully Saturday, July 21, 2018 in the presence of a loving family.

He was born March 4, 1936 in Youngstown. He moved to Blountstown at a young age where he grew up, built a family and continued the tradition of running the family business, Mayo Logging.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ransom Jackson Mayo; his mother, Dessie Long Mayo; his stepmother Susie Mayo; his sister Marie (Mayo) Dykes and her husband Dick; and his brother-in-law and best friend, Frank Moran.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 59 years, Loretta Moran Mayo of Bristol; three sons, Dewayne "Wayne" Franklin Mayo, James "Ricky" Richard Mayo and Terrell "Terry" Lynn Mayo, all of Bristol; one stepsister, Helen Langston; eight grandchildren, Mary Ann Mayo Craine and her husband Eric, James "Ricky" Richard Mayo, Jr., Heather LeAnn Smith, Richard "Brandon" Mayo, Timothy "Timmy" Dewayne Mayo and his wife Candis, Kennedy "Lynn" Mayo, Terrann Marie Mayo, and Aryana Shane Mayo; 15 great-grandchildren; and loving in-laws, nieces, nephews, and a host of long-time friends.

Services were held Tuesday, July 24 at 2 p.m. <sup>ET</sup> at Lake Mystic Baptist Church in Bristol with Rev. Jerry Chumley officiating. Interment followed in Pine Memorial Cemetery in Blountstown.

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

## RANDY DWAYNE YOUNG

BLOUNTSTOWN - Randy Dwayne Young, 57, of Blountstown, passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2018. He was born on Sept. 10, 1960 in Wewahitchka to the late Dewey Lee and Violet Farmer Young. He was a plumbing instructor at Calhoun Corrections and he was a musician with several local bands. He was of the Pentecostal faith.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Robert "Bobby" Young, Jan Nidel, and Timmy Young; and two sisters, Gloria Guidry and Shirley Gonzalez.

Survivors include his wife, Jenny Hires Young of Blountstown; sons, Ross Young of Blountstown, Toby Fontenot and his wife, Kim of Louisiana, Cody Young of Hosford and Mikell Hires and his wife, Brandy of Jacksonville; three daughters, Ashley Young Harden and her husband, Brandon of Louisiana, Alicia Young of Blountstown and LeAnn Whitehead and her husband, Roland of Clarksville; 18 grandchildren; a brother, Tommy Young of Jacksonville; and a sister, Twila Young Thompson of Oklahoma.

Services were held Friday, July 20 at 11 a.m. at Adams Funeral Home with Rev. Michael Morris officiating. Interment followed in Pine Memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the funeral home to offset funeral expenses.

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

## MELISSA GAIL MARTIN

BLOUNTSTOWN - Melissa Gail Martin, 51, of Blountstown, passed away Saturday, July 21, 2018 in Blountstown. She was born on Oct. 4, 1966 in Panama City, to John Thomas Bamburg and Ella Mae Phillips Bamburg and had lived in Blountstown for the past 12 years, coming from Washington State. She was a retired licensed practical nurse.

She was preceded in death by a son, Charles Nelson Grundy, Jr.

Survivors include three sons, Josh Martin of Grand Ridge, Chris Martin and his wife, Ally of Benton, KY and Dustin Martin and his wife, Amanda of Kuttawa, KY; a daughter, Savannah Mercer and her husband, Sterling of Blountstown; a brother, John Bamburg of Benton, KY; four sisters, Teresa Flowers of Scotts Ferry, Donna Martinez of Leigh Acers, Tiffany Jarvis of Clewiston and Linda Smith of Paragould, AK; and 12 plus grandchildren.

No services are planned at this time. *Peavy Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.*

## CHRISTENE MCCROAN NETTLES

MARIANNA - Christene McCroan Nettles, 73, of Marianna, passed away suddenly on July 19, 2018 at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital.

She was born Dec. 13, 1944 to Robert McCroan and Ozie Burkett McCroan. She was a 1962 graduate of Blountstown High School and lived most of her life in Calhoun County before making Marianna her home. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Graceville.

She worked in the banking industry for many years before working as an auditor with the Florida Department of Revenue. She retired from the State of Florida in 2011.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Ruthie McCroan Taylor; two nephews; and one infant niece.

Survivors include her husband, Jerre Nettles of Marianna; her children and their spouses, Haley Melton Ellerbee (John) of Marianna, Cindy Melton Grantham (Gene) of Altha, Will Melton (Julie) of Marianna, Patte Nettles Hatcher (Chuck) of Marianna and Dr. Tim Nettles (Stephanie) of Columbiana, AL; nine grandchildren, Marsana Brunner and her husband, Charlie of Blountstown, Tyler Ellerbee and his wife, Heather of Grand Ridge, Ethan Ellerbee of Pensacola, Patrick Pitts of Panama City, Payton Melton and Parker Melton of Marianna, Alicia Jones and her husband, Walt of Thibodaux, LA, India Hatcher of Marianna and Ava Grace Nettles of Columbiana, AL; great-grandchildren, Annalyn Meneses of Blountstown, Carson Stafford, Cheston Stafford, and Calen Ellerbee of Grand Ridge, and Harper Jones of Thibodaux, LA; her sisters and their spouses, Marilyn Peddie and her husband, Jack of Bristol, Connie Carpenter and her husband, Cliff of Tallahassee and Oreba DuPont and her husband, George of Crawfordville; along with a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Services were held Sunday, July 22 at 3 p.m. at Macedonia Baptist Church. A private family interment will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Graceville, Appropriations Fund, 1111 8th Ave., Graceville, FL 32440.

*James & Sikes Funeral Home Maddox Chapel in Marianna was in charge of the arrangements.*

## COLTON "COLE" WOODROW THOMAS

HOSFORD - Colton "Cole" Woodrow Thomas, 16, of Hosford, passed away Monday, July 16, 2018. He was born in Tallahassee, Feb. 19, 2002, to Jamie Carl and Mary Nicole Bradley Thomas. He was a student at Liberty County High School and attended Mt. Zion Pentecostal Church.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, James Thomas and his maternal grandfather, Donald Ray "Butch" Tharpe.

Survivors include his parents, Jamie Carl and Mary Nicole Thomas of Hosford; his sister, Cailin Thomas of Telogia; paternal grandmother, Karen Sykes of Telogia and maternal grandmother, Delores Tharpe, also of Telogia.

Services were held Monday, July 23 at 2 p.m. <sup>ET</sup> with Rev. Aaron Elkins officiating. Interment followed at Pullam Cemetery.

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

## ELIZABETH CROFT

SNEADS - Elizabeth Croft, 85, of Sneads, passed away Friday, July 20, 2018. Born in Sneads, Dec. 21, 1932, she was the daughter of Ruel C. and Evie L. Lanier Hill. She earned her bachelor's degree from Florida State University and taught school in Jacksonville until her retirement.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, William E. Croft.

Survivors include two brothers, Houston Hill and Oren Hill, both of Sneads; two sisters, Dorothy Hamilton of Grand Ridge and Christine Herndon of Sneads; a special niece, Genevieve Hall of Sneads; and a host of other nieces, nephews, and other extended family.

Graveside services were held Monday, July 23 at 10 a.m. at Shady Grove Cemetery. Interment will follow.

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



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4 positions - Temporary/seasonal work harvesting and field packing vegetables, from 8/13/2018 to 11/10/2018 at Nature's Circle Farm, New Limerick, ME and multiple worksites within Aroostook county. This job requires a minimum of 3 months of agricultural experience, preferably working on a vegetable farm handling manual tasks associated with commodity production and harvesting activities. Workers must be able to perform manual tasks with accuracy and efficiency. Saturday work required. Must be able to lift/carry 60 lbs. Employer-paid post-hire random, upon suspicion and post-accident drug testing required. \$12.83/hr or current applicable AEW. Raise/bonus at employer discretion. Workers are guaranteed ¾ of work hours of total period. Work tools, supplies, equipment supplied by employer without charge to worker. Housing with kitchen facilities provided at no cost to only those workers who are not reasonably able to return same day to their place of residence at time of recruitment. Transportation and subsistence expenses to work site will be paid to nonresident workers not later than upon completion of 50% of the job contract. Interviews required. Apply for this job at nearest State Workforce Agency in state in which this ad appears, or One-Stop Career Center, 16908 NE Pear St., Ste. 2, Blountstown, FL 32424. Provide copy of this ad. ME Job Order #315622. PO KT1268 7-25-18

## LIBERTY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION

...is now accepting applications for Correctional Officer candidates.

### CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

- Be at least 19 years old
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a high school graduate or its equivalent
- Not convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving perjury or domestic violence
- Military must not have a dishonorable discharge
- Good moral character as determined by background investigation
- Successfully pass a physical examination and drug test
- Be able to complete the basic recruit training course and successfully pass the FDLE Officer Certification Exam

### NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY, WE WILL TRAIN

For more information contact Liberty Correctional Institution

Recruiter Tony Hill at (850) 643-9628

Correctional Officer (TEA 10% below) Annual Base Rate: \$30,150.38 (\$14.50 per hour) Correctional Officer (Certified) Annual Base Rate; \$33,500.22 (\$16.11 per hour)

Preference shall be given to certain veterans and spouses of veterans as provided by the Florida Statutes. Physical and drug test are required. The Florida Department of Corrections is an

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# OPEN POSITIONS

Farm Credit of Northwest Florida with offices in Marianna, Monticello, Tallahassee, Milton and Jay is seeking applicants for the following positions:

### FINANCIAL SERVICES TRAINEE

Do you work best in an environment where you are challenged to grow? Would you enjoy the unique opportunity to gain knowledge about rural and agricultural lending under the direction of experienced personnel? Farm Credit of Northwest Florida is seeking an eager, motivated Financial Services Trainee to join our growing Association in the Marianna office. Comprehensive training will include several departments such as operations, finance, technology, sales, credit and compliance. The ideal candidate will love to learn and be eager to contribute to the team. The position requires a Bachelor's degree in Business or a related field and demonstrated personal leadership.

### ASSISTANT TO EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

Are you a motivated, focused and progressive thinker? Does being a part of a team that aids in helping rural America grow sound appealing? Farm Credit of Northwest Florida with offices in Marianna, Monticello, Tallahassee, Milton and Jay is seeking an Assistant to Executive Management for the Marianna office. The position would work closely with the Chief Operations Officer to help advance efficient and compliant Association operations through a primary focus on areas of regulatory compliance, policy administration and the tracking and implementation of new initiatives. The ideal candidate will have a minimum of an Associate Degree in Business or related field and three to five years of administrative experience in lending or the Farm Credit System. Similar experience in a title company or legal setting would be considered.

### CORPORATE SECRETARY

Are you motivated and a forward thinker? Do you display high levels of diplomacy and safeguard confidential information? Farm Credit of Northwest Florida with offices in Marianna, Monticello, Tallahassee, Milton and Jay is seeking a Corporate Secretary for the Marianna office. The position works closely with the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operations Officer and Board of Directors to coordinate many functions including board meetings, board elections, calendars, expense reports and travel arrangements. Additionally, the position works closely with senior management on special projects including providing support for annual Strategic Business Planning. The ideal candidate will have a minimum of an Associate Degree in Business or related field, 5 years of administrative experience, knowledge of corporate functions, superior written and oral communication skills and demonstrated organization skills through work experience.

Salary commensurate with experience and up to 9% employer contribution to your 401K as part of a full benefits package. Proficient in English and Bilingual in Spanish is a plus.

To apply, please forward resume and cover letter by Tuesday, July 31 to [humanresources@farmcredit-fl.com](mailto:humanresources@farmcredit-fl.com)



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# PUBLIC AND LEGAL NOTICES

#### SEALED BID INVITATION

Liberty County Transit is seeking to receive sealed bids for:

ATEATTO-APEX-12 Atlas Lift (2 post lift)  
CPS-FA1234 A/C Refrigerant System

Place bids in a sealed envelope marked "SEALED BID" and indicate bid item on the outside of envelope. All Sealed Bids must be received either in person or by mail to the Liberty County Clerk of Court's Office P.O. Box 399 Bristol, FL 32321 by July 26, 2018 by 4 p.m. EST.

For more information please call (850) 643-4318. 7-18, 7-25

#### PUBLIC AUCTION BRISTOL 66 TOWING AND RECOVERY

Bristol 66 Towing and Recovery will hold a Public Auction on Monday, Aug. 6, 2018 at 1 p.m. ET for the following vehicle:

2003 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER - SILVER VIN # 1GNES16S436235282

Auction will be held at Bristol 66 Storage at 10508 NW State Road 20, Bristol, FL 32321. Bristol 66 Towing reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. If you need additional information on the above vehicle, please call (850) 228-9555. 7-25-18

#### R&R WAREHOUSES NOTICE OF SALE

On July 27, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. CST, R&R Warehouses will dispose of or sell the contents of 9 (nine) storage units from Blountstown and 3 (three) storage units from Bristol at 19300 SR 20W. (850) 674-4700.

The units are believed to contain household and/or personal property of the following tenants:

Acey Abbott  
Stacy Brown  
Tiffany Chewing  
Keljuan Davis  
Alphonso Haynes  
Stephanie Lilly  
Stephanie Manietta  
Brad Owens  
Kathy Roberts  
Roger Smith  
Donna Whitfield  
Joe Williams

There will be a sale of the contents of these and all delinquent units at a later date. 7-18, 7-25

#### LIBERTY COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

- 1 ea 48 KW LP Gas, 120/240 Volt, Single-Phase Generator
  - 1 ea 200 Amp Automatic Transfer Switch
  - 1 ea Distribution Panel and Wiring to Computer Room for IT Equipment (five circuits) with capacity for separate AC Only System (No Heat) for IT Equipment Room and five circuits ran to the dispatch room
  - 1 ea Utility Power from existing 200 Amp Breaker in Main Panel to Generator Automatic Transfer Switch
  - 1 ea Concrete Slab for Generator
  - 1 ea 500 Gallon LP Gas Tank, installed, filled, connected, & tested
- All parts and labor for a complete installed system

Place bids in a sealed envelope marked "SEALED BID". All Sealed Bids must be received by Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Submit bids to Liberty County 911, P.O.

Box 399, Bristol, FL 32321.

For questions contact Stephen Ford (850) 643-4960, Liberty County 911. 7-25, 8-1

#### LEGAL NOTICE

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS  
USDA - Forest Service - Apalachicola National Forest  
Apalachicola Ranger District  
Liberty County, Florida

Big Gully Analysis Area

The Forest Service has released an Environmental Assessment for the Big Gully Analysis Area for public notice and comment. Proposed activities include thinning of both young and mature longleaf and slash stands, herbicide application for timber stand improvement, longleaf pine seedling planting, landline maintenance, road construction, and road reconstruction and/or maintenance. The EA is available by request to this office, or on the internet at <http://goo.gl/z9xQe0>

Pursuant to 36 CFR 218 subparts A and B the Responsible Official is seeking comments on this proposal. Comments must be postmarked or received within 30 days beginning the day after publication of this notice. Oral or hand-delivered comments must be received within normal business hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday to Thursday and 8:00am to 4:00pm on Fridays, closed on Federal holidays. Comments may be mailed electronically, in common digital format, to [comments-southern-florida-apalachicola@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-southern-florida-apalachicola@fs.fed.us). An opportunity to object to this project will be provided at a later date. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments regarding the proposed project will be eligible to file an objection 218.24(b) (6). Your comments should contain the following: 1.) Name, address, and (if

possible) telephone number; 2.) Title of the proposal on which comment is being submitted; 3.) Specific facts or comments along with supporting reasons that you believe the Responsible Official should consider in reaching the decision. Comments can also be mailed to the District Ranger, Apalachicola National Forest, 57 Taff Drive, Crawfordville, FL 32327. For more information on this proposal contact Brandon Tolver at (850) 926-3561 ext. 6525. 7-25-18

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

- 2-001- SITE WORK
- 2-710- FENCING
- 3-001- CONCRETE
- 4-001- MASONRY
- 5-001- STRUCT/MISC. STEEL
- 5-400- LIGHT GAUGE TRUSSES
- 6-400- ARCHITECTURAL MILLWORK
- 8-001- GENERAL TRADES
- 8-100- DOORS & HARDWARE
- 8-400- WINDOWS/ENTRANCES/STOREFRONTS
- 9-250- DRYWALL SYSTEMS
- 9-500- ACOUSTICAL
- 9-550- ATHLETIC FLOORING
- 9-600- FLOORING & TILE
- 9-900- PAINTING/WATERPROOFING/JOINT SEALANTS
- 9-700- RESINOUS FLOORING
- 10-600- WALKWAY CANOPIES
- 11-400- FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT
- 11-500- ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT
- 12-500- WINDOW TREATMENTS
- 13-600- PRE-ENGINEERED BUILDINGS
- 15-001- MECHANICAL
- 15-300- FIRE PROTECTIONS
- 15-400- PLUMBING

#### 16-001- ELECTRICAL

PLANS & SPECIFICATIONS: The Construction Manager shall provide to all prospective Bidders, the complete bid documents for the project. Contacts: Stacy Nedley ([stacy@culpeppercc.com](mailto:stacy@culpeppercc.com)) or Allan Franklin ([allan@culpeppercc.com](mailto:allan@culpeppercc.com)).

BIDDERS QUESTIONS: All questions or clarifications pertaining to these bids must be addressed in writing to Culpepper Construction Co., Inc. to the attention of Stacy Nedley or Allan Franklin (see email addresses, above).

PUBLIC BID OPENING: The Trade Bid Packages shall be bid at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 7, 2018, at Culpepper's Satellite office located at 4708 Capital Circle NW, Suite 1000, Tallahassee, FL 32303. 7-18, 7-25

#### INVITATION TO BID LIBERTY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Liberty County Fire Services Department will be accepting bids to build a fire station in Estifangula.

Here are the following specs:  
40' x 60' metal or block building with concrete slab; 16' side height; close both sides with vertical panels; close both ends with vertical panels; 3 - garage doors @ 12' wide x 14' tall openings for garage doors; 3 - walk in doors @ 36" x 80", 1 door in the front, 1 door in the back, and 1 door on the side of building;

electric for outlets and lights throughout the building.

The Liberty County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids on the above building. Bids will be received at the Clerk's Office located at 10818 NW SR 20 Courthouse, P.O. Box 399, Bristol, FL 32321 until 4:00 P.M. Eastern Time on August 9, 2018. (BIDS MUST BE MARKED "SEALED BID FOR Estifangula Fire Station" ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE). Bids will be opened at the August 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 P.M. E.S.T.

The Liberty County Board of County Commissioner reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in the best interest of Liberty County.

Please contact Brian Eddins, Fire Services Director at (850) 596-4157 for any information. 7-25, 8-1

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE MALLORY TOWING & RECOVERY, INC.

Mallory Towing & Recovery, Inc. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on Monday, Aug. 6, 2018 at 2 p.m. at 18114 STATE ROAD 20 W BLOUNTSTOWN, FL 32424-4834, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

2003 TOYOTA VIN# 5TBRT34163S366249

2017 NISSAN ROGUE VIN# KNMAT2MT3HP519574

Mallory Towing & Recovery, Inc. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. 7-25-18

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**BRISTOL**

**2 BR 1 BA**  
**Mobile Home**  
 \$500/RENT & H<sub>2</sub>O  
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# CLASSIFIEDS

To place your ad, call (850) 643-3333 by noon ET on Monday. Non-business ads run FREE for 2 weeks.

## STARSCOPE

July 25 - July 31, 2018

**ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20**  
 A motivated mind could be the inspiration you need to progress with your tasks this week, Aries. Take short breaks to maintain your stamina and make it through.

**TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21**  
 Taurus, you may be curious to explore new places this week. New experiences can provide excitement and stimulation. Book your plans now.

**GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21**  
 Gemini, seeking out new ideas and opportunities may boost your self-confidence and contribute to personal growth. Don't shy away from new experiences.

**CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22**  
 Cancer, your confidence may have been waning for some time, but this is the week to once again grab the reins and realize that you are more than capable.

**LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23**  
 Leo, a hectic personal and professional life may be causing feelings of exhaustion. Take some time for yourself to restore your energy and put you in good health.

**VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22**  
 Virgo, others may notice your good mood this week. This may be a result of a deep sense of purpose and satisfaction with where your life is at this point in time.

**LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23**  
 Your emotional responses to relationships this week may make you appear more sensitive, Libra. Don't worry about others' perceptions of you in the days ahead.

**SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22**  
 Scorpio, this week you may be inclined to engage in something that expresses your creative spirit. Immerse yourself in nature and beautiful things for inspiration.

**SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21**  
 Sagittarius, you may be tempted to make hasty decisions as your patience begins to wane. Resist this temptation, as it may only complicate matters.

**CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20**  
 Capricorn, devote some time this week to creating more balance in your life. Balance can contribute to greater quality of life and overall happiness.

**AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18**  
 Aquarius, a desire to be with others this week can lead to new relationships. Embrace any opportunities to connect with someone new, going outside your comfort zone if need be.

**PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20**  
 Deadlines regarding work projects has you feeling apprehensive, Pisces. Do not be held hostage to your worries. Divert your thoughts elsewhere.

## SUDOKU

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**Here's How It Works:**  
 Sudoku puzzles are formulated as a 9x9 grid broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. In each box, the numbers 1 through 9 are used once, and only once. The numbers that appear in your puzzle are given to you, and you must figure out the grid in which the numbers are placed by using the numbers that are already provided in the boxes. The instructions to puzzles are the key to figuring out the puzzle.

**Fun By The Numbers**

4	6	8	3	1	6	2	7	5
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9	7	5	4	3	1	6	2	8
7	6	1	5	8	9	3	4	2
5	4	9	2	7	3	1	8	6
2	8	3	1	6	4	7	5	9

Take puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

### FOR SALE

**Women's dresses,** size 18W; lamps; cheap prices for all. Call (850) 674-5213. 7-18, 7-25

**373 Punch cups,** 236 8" glass plates, 204 16 oz. crystal glasses, \$300 for all. Numerous other silver trays and serving pieces available. Retired from catering and no longer needed. Call (850) 933-0304. 7-18, 7-25

**Vermont Castings Defiant Encore blue wood stove,** used and needs minor TLC, \$1,500. Text "stove" to (850) 443-6438 for pictures. 7-18, 7-25

**Two 12" commercial grade planers.** Call (850) 570-1964. 7-18, 7-25

**Blue Pit PUPPIES**

ONE MALE & ONE FEMALE.

Call **766-5200** or **405-6263**

**FOR RENT**

- Mobile homes
- Mobile home lots
- RVs and RV Lots

**BLOUNTSTOWN AND BRISTOL**

CALL **Art Lewis**  
**(850) 451-0543**

**Three lots** with all utilities at Chipola River in Scotts Ferry and a 5 ft. rotor mower. Call (850) 408-8461. 7-18, 7-25

**The Calhoun-Liberty Ministry Center** in Blountstown is growing. Stop in and see our large selection of men's, women's and children's clothes for \$1 or less. (850) 674-1818. UFN

### FURNITURE

**Large couch** with electric recliners on both sides and love seat with recliners on both sides, matching brown set, in good shape, \$250 or will sell separately. Call (850) 674-1565 or (850) 447-1828. 7-18, 7-25

**Couch and love seat,**

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 447-0871 or 762-8597 UFN

burgundy and gold, mahogany frame, fair condition, \$200 OBO; several end tables and lamps, \$100 for all. Call (850) 718-8016. 7-18, 7-25

**Brand new black leather Lazy Boy rocker recliner** with tags still on it, \$500; Catnapper love seat with brown soft leather, total electric recliner on both ends, center console and USB port, \$800; DR-HO's back decompression belt for size 42-54, \$100. Call (850) 447-5390. 7-18, 7-25

### VEHICLES

**2004 Ford F250,** diesel with lift kit, motor has less than 100,000 miles, transmission has less than 20,000 miles, \$12,000 OBO. Call (850) 451-6242. 7-25, 8-1

**2000 Dodge Durango,** V8, 175,000 miles and 1997 Dodge truck,

**FOR RENT**

**BRISTOL**

- Mobile home lots
- 3BR, 2BA singlewide
- 5BR, 2BA doublewide

**BLOUNTSTOWN**

- 1 room efficiency, utilities included
- Commercial, Old Mexican Restaurant

**643-7740**

full size, king cab, V8, 128,000 miles, \$3,500 for both. Call (850) 718-8016. 7-25, 8-1

### BOAT

**14' Scandy White boat and trailer,** 30 HP Mercury, stick steering, two tanks, oil injection, new tune up and water pump, \$5,000. Call (850) 643-7342. 7-18, 7-25

### PETS

**Lovebird** with cage, \$40. Call (850) 643-5011. 7-25, 8-1

### WANTED

**Healthy adult (3-9 years old) toy chihuahua,** any color that is between 5 and 7 lbs. as a playmate for my other dog. I have a fenced-in yard in the country. Call (850) 228-4558. 7-25, 8-1

**Refrigerator,** runs good, 17 cubic foot or larger. Call (850) 447-5885. 7-18, 7-25

**Used wood/metal fence posts,** T posts, tin and cow/hog panels. Call (850) 209-0910. 7-18, 7-25

**ADOPT A PET**

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## the OTHER COAST

**THE CONFESSIONAL:**

I TRAMPLED MOM'S FLOWER BED, THEN I LAY ON THE COMPOST PILE.

I ROLLED IN A DEER CARCASS, THEN SNUCK INTO THE KITCHEN AND GOBBLED FOOD OFF THE COUNTER.

AND SO YOU NOW WISH TO CONFESS?

WHY? THIS WAS THE BEST DAY OF MY LIFE.

I KNEW TAKING DOG CONFESSIONS WOULD BE POINTLESS.

## OBITUARIES

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### VERA POWELL

**BRISTOL - Vera Powell, 73,** of Bristol, passed away Monday, July 23, 2018, in Colquitt, GA. She was born June 6, 1945 in Tremont, MS to the late Arthur and Katherine Sue Sinclair Wilson. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband of 51 years, Matthew Emmett Powell; sons, Matthew David Powell of Dunbar, PA, Terry Allan Powell and Emmett Lynn Powell and his wife, Deena, all of Bristol; one daughter, April Dawn Landrum and her husband, George of Blountstown; grandchildren, Shaela Powell, Megan Copeland, Ellen, Tyler and Blake Powell, Hope Landrum and Sawyer Landrum; great-grandchildren, Tate Holcomb, Zoey Copeland, and Emma Kate Powell; a brother, Arthur Wilson of St. Louis, MO; and a sister, May Walker of Pensacola.

Family will receive friends Thursday, July 26 at 2 p.m. ET at Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown. Services will follow at 3 p.m. ET at the funeral home. Interment will follow Bristol Cemetery. Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown was in charge of the arrangements.

**GET YOUR SMOKEY ON**

9 out of 10 wildfires are caused by humans. 9 out of 10 wildfires can be prevented.

### EDWARD "YANK" ARTHUR BOTTING

**BRISTOL - Edward "Yank" Arthur Botting, 67,** passed away on July 15, 2018 at home. He was born March 6, 1951 in Charlestown, MA.

He grew up in West Roxbury, MA and graduated from Catholic Memorial High School in Boston, MA.



He was named a 32° Prince of the Royal Secret of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in 1978, and he moved from Boston to Bristol soon thereafter.

He loved to ride and tinker with his motorcycle, was an avid fan of science fiction and fantasy, and enjoyed his dogs, boating, paintball, bowling, poker runs, building computers, discussing politics, and drinking coffee on the front porch with Kattie.

He was a family man and was heavily involved in the Bristol community he so loved, serving for years in Telecommunications, Emergency Medical Services, Law Enforcement, City Council, and even a stint as Mayor of Bristol.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 38 years, Kattie; his parents, Catherine and Arthur; and his sister, Nancy.

Survivors include his daughter, Heather Botting; sons, Christian Botting and Edward Botting; stepsons, Trampus Johnson and Travis Johnson; seven grandchildren; and many other family members and friends.

Donations in Ed's name can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Bevis Funeral Home of Bristol is in charge of the arrangements.

## INDIGO SNAKES RELEASED

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ABRP is the only site in Florida currently designated for indigo reintroduction. The 6,295-acre nature preserve in northern Florida's Liberty County protects a large longleaf pine landscape carved by numerous seepage streams. Located in the Apalachicola Bay region along the Apalachicola River, the preserve lies in the center of one of five biological hotspots in North America. This treasure trove of species diversity is unique to Florida and home to a disproportionate number of imperiled species. The preserve is a living laboratory for the development of novel restoration techniques and land management excellence, dedicated to natural community restoration, preservation of biodiversity, and education and training.

The longleaf pine ecosystem is one of the most diverse ecosystems globally, yet only 5 percent of this precious landscape remains. Over the past 30 years, The Nature Conservancy has employed science and technical expertise to develop the state-of-the-art groundcover restoration process that is now used by state, federal and private partners across the southeast to restore longleaf pine habitat. This restoration, combined with the Conservancy's robust prescribed fire program, has resulted in improved longleaf habitat on over 100,000 public and private north Florida acres in recent years.

Bred and raised by the Orianne Center for Indigo Conservation, the world's foremost comprehensive-based conservation organization dedicated to reptiles and amphibians, the 20 young snakes - 12 males and eight females - have most recently been living in outdoor enclosures that allowed them to be exposed to a more natural environment in preparation for their release. The snakes have been implanted with radio transmitters by the Central Florida Zoo's vet staff to allow for tracking and monitoring. Data is still being transmitted and collected from the snakes that



The Nature Conservancy's David Printiss releases an indigo snake near a gopher tortoise burrow at Apalachicola Bluffs and Ravines Preserve July 2018. PHOTO BY TIM DONOVAN

were released last year to help inform recovery efforts.

"The Central Florida Zoo's Orianne Center for Indigo Conservation is proud to aid in the recovery of the eastern indigo snake in Florida," said Michelle Hoffman, Deputy Director of the Orianne Center for Indigo Conservation. "This second annual release of 20 animals puts us one step closer to achieving our goal of reestablishing this species in the Florida Panhandle."

The Orianne Society was integral in the creation of the indigo snake reintroduction team and continues to play a role in reintroducing eastern indigo snakes into places they no longer occur. The Society works to conserve critical ecosystems for imperiled reptiles and amphibians, using science, applied conservation and education.

Auburn University's Alabama Natural Heritage Program continues to bring knowledge to planning reintroduction efforts and expertise in onsite monitoring of the reintroduced snakes. Using radio telemetry, researchers can track the animals' movements, habitat selection and behavior. One of the eastern indigo snakes that was released in 2017 traveled over a mile from

where it was initially released.

"The release of 20 eastern indigo snakes is another step forward toward our goal of reestablishing this iconic imperiled species back into the habitats of northwest Florida," said Kipp Frohlich, the FWC's Director of Habitat and Species Conservation. "It's a testament to what can be accomplished working together with many committed conservation partners."

"All of the pieces have come together - the protection and management of the landscape, the advancement of the animal husbandry expertise to raise young snakes for release, and the development of the science necessary to make good decisions and monitor project success. This project is an exceptional example of a strong partnership dedicated to success," said David Printiss, North Florida Program Manager of The Nature Conservancy in Florida. "The restoration is complete, the snakes are flourishing, and the monitoring program is well equipped and ready - all systems are go!"

Throughout the state, the Conservancy continues to pursue conservation projects and support policy that protects natural systems for people and wildlife.

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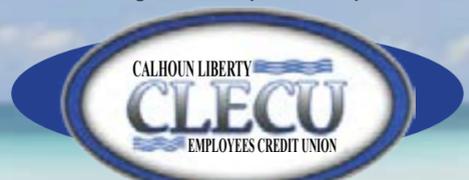
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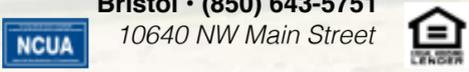
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10640 NW Main Street




### Blountstown Lady Tigers finish 10 out of 44 at UF Team Camp Pre-Season Classic Aug. 14

The Blountstown Lady Tigers Volleyball team spent the weekend attending The University of Florida's Team Camp. They competed against some of the biggest schools in Florida including five 8A teams and a 9A school. They finished the 10th ranked team out of 44. They were the only 1A school in attendance. You can catch the Lady Tigers in action as we host our annual Pre-Season Classic on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Back row: Laney Yoder, Courtney Payne, Sarah Shuler, Emma Richards, Kendall Hatchett and Former Gator Volleyball Player and All-American, Amber McCray. Front row: Jaren Williams, Cydnee Eubanks and Madison Taylor.

### Liberty County Middle School Cheerleaders hone skills at camp

The Liberty County Middle School cheerleaders recently attended camp at Jags. They are coached by Emily Sweir. Back row from left: Brooklyn Daniels, Rose Larkins, Ciara O'Bryan and Kinya Deveaux. Front row from left: Sumner Oswalt, Sara Manspeaker and Paris Carrillo.



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**David Jackson Summers**

★★ For Liberty County Judge ★★



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