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## Blountstown man dies after being attacked & bound near his front door

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*

The Calhoun County Sheriff's Office is investigating the murder of a 79-year-old man who was found around midday on Monday, Dec. 31, 2018 following an attack that resulted in his death.

The victim was identified as Charles D. Smith, who lived on Wrennie Road in Blountstown.

According to Calhoun County Sheriff Glenn Kimbrel, a family member arrived at the victim's home and discovered him near the front door. "He had been assaulted and battered," the sheriff said. The assailant "tied him up and left him on the floor."

The family member called the sheriff's office at 12:30 p.m. CT. The injured man was transported to the helicopter pad on SR 71 and flown to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, where he later died.

"We don't think it was a random act," the sheriff said. "We don't feel anyone else in the neighborhood is in danger," he stressed.

The sheriff said a "person of interest" has been interviewed. The investigation is continuing. "Hopefully, things are moving in a direction to charge the person responsible," he said. "At this time, we're not ready to release what we believe might be a possible motive."

Anyone who may have seen anyone or anything unusual in the area of the victim's home is urged to contact the sheriff's office at 674-5049 or call 674-TIPS if you would like to remain anonymous.

## Altha Town Council needs new mayor, clerk and a public works director

by Teresa Eubanks, *Journal Editor*

The town of Altha is looking for a new town clerk, a new mayor and a public works director.

The Town Council dismissed the town clerk after receiving a letter from their accounting firm reporting that they had not received the information needed to do their annual audit for 2017 despite repeated requests. Council members had concerns about the clerk's performance in other areas and after questioning her during a special meeting held Dec. 27, they voted to fire her.

The day before another special meeting last week, Mayor Wes Johnston announced his retirement on his Facebook page, writing, "I thought I could serve two more years, but I am getting old and tired."

During that meeting, they discussed the need to hire a public works director, whose duties have been taken on by Altha Police Chief Jimmy Baggett. An employee who had earlier been handling some of those tasks was injured and out of work for eight weeks; shortly after returning, he quit. That was eight weeks ago. Baggett has been checking water meters, doing garbage pickup and continuing to make repairs for the town. During the hurricane, he also worked on town hall's generator when he wasn't busy running a chain saw to help people trapped on their property.

For now, town hall is being run by volunteers and part-time paid help. Baggett said he didn't expect they would hire a permanent town clerk anytime soon. Altha native Jana Whitehead has pitched in at town hall. "I'm helping with cleanup and trying to get things organized," she said. She is a former council member who is quick to point out, "My heart is definitely in Altha."

Last week, the council voted to hire Louy Harris of Marianna to go over their books and prepare the information needed for the audit. He will be paid \$50 an hour, which is substantially less than other candidates requested. The council also agreed to hire David Bevins to assist with computer issues and retrieving files. A full-time college student, he will be working part-time as his schedule allows.

The council meets again tonight, Jan. 9, at 5 p.m. CT at town hall.



*This storm has brought so much sadness and so much loss. But it has also brought so much love. Some faith has been shaken and some faith has stood fast.*

## GRANDPA'S FARM

### Memories made around pole barn remain intact after its destruction

by Trevor Williams, *contributing writer*

Like most people from Calhoun County, my grandpa Laddie Williams had a farm that took up quite a chunk of my childhood. The farm was about 50 acres, half of which was covered with timber and the rest divided up into ponds for his hybrid bass and catfish operations. Rumor was that during the high point of the hybrid bass business, the Queen of England ate some of his fish, a pretty neat accomplishment for a guy from rural Blountstown. The best part about that farm was that it was right behind our house and just a quick trail ride away.

I spent a significant amount of time there growing up. I can remember shooting my first gun, catching my first fish, watching my dad and grandpa catch and clean catfish and probably my favorite thing: fetching tools for them to fix the tractor. All of which happened in the shadow of a great big pole barn. That pole barn housed tools and random farm equipment and basically anything my grandpa bought. One shelf would house about five hammers and countless old coffee cans full of nails, while the next would have several rusty metal and wooden pipes from our church's retired pipe organ. Papa has also worked at a hardware store his whole life. He has hundreds of tools and equipment from hardware shows he has gone to over the years. I can even remember when Papa installed a new light inside that was about the size of a UFO. When finally turned on, it would light up the whole barn like a football field. I also can't tell you how many times my dad and I, and probably (definitely) Papa, have hit our heads on random boards in that barn that were just in the wrong place at the wrong time.

As of October 11, 2018, that barn is no more. Where it once stood, stands a mountain of tools, pipe organ parts, cans of nails, and other knick-knacks tangled with the frame of wooden poles and sheet metal. Even those five hammers can't be accounted for.

The first trip back to the farm with my dad and grandpa was a surreal experience. Realizing that the home of so many childhood memories – a monument to my dad and grandpa's hard work on the farm – was gone was extremely saddening.

Those feelings were quickly put to bed after seeing my dad and grandpa assess the damage. Both men of little complaint, they drew up a plan of what to do with the barn and all the equipment that had been thrown around. Both my dad and grandpa were extremely fortunate and suffered very little damage to their homes compared with their neighbors throughout Blountstown. Both realized the stuff in the barn could easily be replaced and that the people that mattered, were alive and well and had much to be thankful for.

The memories made in that barn with my dad, grandpa and family will last my whole life. The stuff will be replaced, but those memories will never be replaced, nor extinguished. Hurricane Michael, a Category 5 hurricane, made landfall three months ago on North Florida. (Officially a Cat. 4, but only 2 mph off from a Cat. 5 and dealing damage of a Cat. 5, therefore we are going to say it was a cat. 5. If you disagree, you clearly haven't been here.) This storm hit almost every city that was a part of my childhood: Blountstown, Panama City, Mexico Beach, Apalachicola, St. George Island, and Marianna just to name a few. In those towns are people that are near and dear to my heart. Some of those people have lost a little; some have lost a great deal. And yet, all of those people are thankful. Thankful to be alive. Thankful they are safe and their family is safe. Thankful for the first responders from across the country. Thankful for workers making repairs on their homes. Thankful, dare I say it, for insurance companies and government assistance programs.

Above all, thankful to be safe.

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# Latest FEMA recovery numbers released Tuesday for Calhoun and Liberty counties

As of Jan. 4, unless otherwise noted.

## LIBERTY COUNTY

Since the federal disaster declaration for Hurricane Michael, Liberty County residents have received more than \$6 million in total federal funds:

- More than \$1 million in federal grants have gone to almost 372 homeowners and renters.

- More than \$4.9 million in U.S. Small Business Administration low-interest disaster loans have been approved for 151 homeowners and renters and five businesses.

### Housing Assistance:

- More than \$551,960 has been approved for basic housing repairs for 218 homeowners.

- Nearly 1,081 home inspections have been issued and more than 99.9 percent completed.

- Through Disaster Survivor Assistance teams more than 4,470 survivors were connected with other recovery partners for needs beyond what FEMA can assist with.

- 158 homeowners and renters are approved for rental assistance.

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has installed 56 blue roofs in Liberty County representing 56 families who can live in their homes while they make permanent repairs.

### Debris Removal:

- Approximately 353,300 cubic

yards of debris has been removed in Liberty County as reported to the USACE.

### Outreach to Survivors:

- The disaster recovery center at Veterans Memorial Park in Bristol opened Oct. 24 and closed on Dec. 8 after assisting more than 1,006 visitors.

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## CALHOUN COUNTY

Calhoun County residents have received more than \$30.7 million in total federal funds:

- More than \$8.4 million in federal grants have gone to 1,686 homeowners and renters.

- Two flood insurance claims have been filed. An estimated \$33,852 in claims have been paid. (As of Dec. 14)

- More than \$22.2 million in U.S. Small Business Administration low-interest disaster loans have been approved for 496 homeowners and renters and 23 businesses.

### Housing Assistance:

- More than \$4.6 million in grants have been approved for basic housing repairs for 1,028 homeowners.

- 3,576 home inspections have been issued with more than 99.8 percent completed.

- Approximately 740 survivors have not provided FEMA with the necessary information from their

insurance settlements to complete their disaster assistance registration.

- Through Disaster Survivor Assistance outreach more than 6,100 survivors were connected with disaster resources and recovery partners for needs beyond what FEMA can assist with.

- 978 homeowners and renters approved for rental assistance.

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers installed 481 blue roofs in Calhoun County, representing 481 families who can live in their homes while they make permanent repairs.

- 17 (As of Jan.7) households have been licensed-in in Calhoun County under FEMA's Direct Temporary Housing Assistance program. These households have keys to temporary housing units and the units are ready for occupancy. Working with Florida Division of Emergency Management, Calhoun County and Volunteer Florida, debris is being cleared from private and commercial sites.

### Debris removal:

- Nearly 1.2 million cubic yards of debris has been removed in Calhoun County.

### Outreach to Survivors:

- The disaster recovery center at Blountstown Public Library opened Oct. 26 and has assisted more than 3,100 visitors.

# SHERIFF'S LOG

## CALHOUN COUNTY

JAN. 7

- Mardreon Taforrest Gatlin, *convicted felon registration, CCSO.*

- Jamie Michael Leavins, *convicted felon registration, CCSO.*

- Trumie Lock, *convicted felon registration, CCSO.*

- James Austin Norris, *convicted felon registration, CCSO.*

JAN. 4

- Dillon Chance Carpenter, *contempt of court, CCSO.*

- James Michael Hathaway, *violation of conditional release, cruelty to animals, CCSO.*

JAN. 3

- Adam Gage Richerson, *trespassing, BPD.*

DEC. 31

- Stacey Ann Rudd, *possession of methamphetamine, fleeing & eluding LEO, tamper with evidence, keep public nuisance structure, possession of less than 20 grams marijuana, possession of cocaine, possession of narcotic equipment, CCSO.*

- Johnathan James Sansom, *VOP, CCSO.*

- Bradley Allen Trickey, *possession of methamphetamine, tamper with evidence, possession of less than 20 grams marijuana, possession of narcotic equipment, CCSO.*

DEC. 30

- Randy Dale Kent, *contempt of court, CCSO.*

DEC. 29

- Justin Presbitero, *violation of conditional release, trafficking amphetamine, possession of cocaine, keep public nuisance structure, possession of narcotic equipment, CCSO.*

- Davarrious Winbush, *VOP (2x), possession of narcotic equipment, possession of weapon by convicted felon, possession of methamphetamine, failure to appear, CCSO.*

DEC. 28

- Ashley Luetta Deal, *fraud (3x), larceny, CCSO.*

- Kenneth Tollar, *failure to appear (2x), CCSO.*

## LIBERTY COUNTY

JAN. 7

- Fond Chehardy, *holding for Gulf County, GCSO.*

- Tracey Kim Caudell, *VOP, LCSO.*

- Billy Joe Kaufman, *possession of methamphetamine with intent to sell, sale of drugs within 1,000 ft. of place of worship or business, LCSO.*

JAN. 6

- Demi M. Ammons, *VOP, possession of cocaine, tampering with evidence, LCSO.*

JAN. 5

- Jessica Nicole Brock, *VOP, LCSO.*

JAN. 4

- Amanda L. Shipman, *VOP, LCSO.*

- Nicholas T. Skelly, *VOP, LCSO.*

JAN. 3

- John Elias Grande, Jr., *lewd & lascivious behavior, obscene communication to seduce child, LCSO.*

JAN. 2

- Samantha Williams, *holding for Calhoun County, CCSO.*

- James Cleo Holden, *out of county warrant, LCSO.*

- William Cody Massey, *criminal mischief, LCSO.*

DEC. 30

- Jerrad Copeland, *possession of marijuana, LCSO.*

- Sophia Ortiz, *holding for Gulf County, GCSO.*

DEC. 29

- Jessica Naomi Kirk, *holding for Gulf County, GCSO.*

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

# ARREST REPORTS

## Hosford School custodian arrested on charge of solicitation of a minor after investigation by FDLE



JOHN E. GRANDE, JR.

from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement

LIBERTY CO. - FDLE agents arrested John Elias Grande Jr., 29, of Blountstown, for lewd and lascivious conduct and online solicitation of a minor.

At the request of the Liberty County Sheriff's Office, FDLE agents investigated Grande in reference to a fourteen-year-old victim receiving messages from an adult through a mobile application.

In December 2018, agents assumed an undercover identity for the purpose of communicating with John Grande's account. During that time Grande re-

quested lewd photographs of the victim. Grande is a school custodian at Hosford Middle School.

Grande was arrested Jan. 3 and booked into the Liberty County Jail. Additional charges are dependent upon completion of forensic exams. The case will be prosecuted by the State Attorney's Office, 2nd Judicial Circuit.

Anyone with information that may be helpful to this case is encouraged to contact Special Agent Clint Beam at (850) 410-7475 or the Liberty County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Unit at (850) 643-2235.

## Pair charged after package thrown out during traffic stop on Dec. 31

A Blountstown woman and an Altha man are facing several charges following a traffic stop along Jim Durham Road on Dec. 31 that resulted in the recovery of methamphetamine, marijuana and cocaine, according to a report from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office.

Arrested was Stacey Ann Rudd, 31, and Bradley Allen Trickey, 34. Both were charged with possession of methamphetamine, tampering with evidence, possession of less than 20 grams marijuana and possession of narcotic equipment. Rudd was also charged with possession of cocaine, fleeing and eluding a law enforcement officer and keeping a public nuisance structure.

The pair were traveling west on John G. Bryan Road around 12:30 a.m. when

Deputy Donald Goodman noticed the car's tag lights were not working. After the deputy pulled up behind the 2007 Mazda four-door, the driver turned left onto Jim Durham Road. After the deputy activated his emergency lights to signal for the driver to stop, she sped up and headed west. The deputy turned on his siren and while following the pair, he saw something being thrown out from the passenger's side window.

A K-9 officer was sent to the scene as the deputy continued in pursuit of the vehicle, which finally pulled over along Jim Durham Road. Rudd and Trickey were removed from the car and handcuffed. The deputy's report noted there was a strong odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle.

An empty pill bottle

with a white substance that tested positive for methamphetamine and a baggy of marijuana were found in the passenger door compartment. Another deputy searching the area where something was tossed out found a cigarette box with two baggies of a substance that tested positive for methamphetamine.

The evidence listed included approximately 11 grams of methamphetamine and 6.5 grams of marijuana.

The car, which was registered to Rudd, was towed from the scene and impounded. The pair were booked into the county jail.

Following the arrest, the deputy reviewed video from inside his patrol car which showed Rudd pulling a plastic baggie from her pants and hiding it in the crevice of the seat. It



STACEY ANN RUDD



BRADLEY A. TRICKEY

was found to be approximately .2 grams of cocaine.

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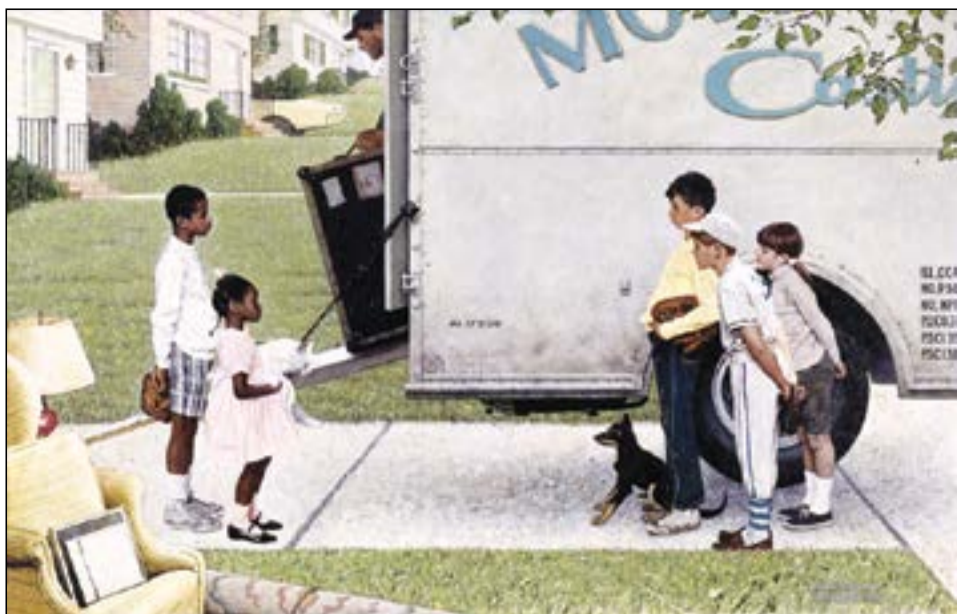
# 'Norman Rockwell in the 1960s' opens Jan. 12 at Gadsden Arts

QUINCY - The Gadsden Arts Center & Museum is pleased to host "Norman Rockwell in the 1960s," an exhibition of prints organized by the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, focusing on illustrations he created for magazines during that turbulent decade. In 1963,

Norman Rockwell ended his almost five-decade-long association with *The Saturday Evening Post* and began to search for new artistic challenges. Rockwell left behind his beloved story-telling scenes popular in the Post and threw himself into the visual documentation of social issues and current events like school integration, the moon landing, and the murder of civil rights workers.

The exhibition opens to the public on Saturday, Jan. 12 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and continues through May 18.

Guided tours for adult and school groups are available by reservation 850-627-5023. Admission is free for Gadsden Arts members and children ages 17 and



New Kids in the Neighborhood, Norman Rockwell Signed Print, story illustration for LOOK, May 16, 1967. Norman Rockwell Museum Collection

under, \$10 per nonmember adult, and \$3 for college students.

Alongside "Norman Rockwell in the 1960s," four

additional exhibitions open January 12.

•Work by New York sculptor Gary Sczerbaniewicz will be featured in the Zoe Golloway Gallery. Sczerbaniewicz creates small sculptural works that showcase hybrid architecture - scale-model replicas of brick building fragments and brick masonry façades - that document his experiences living in a rust-belt city for more than a decade.

•Whimsical work by Leslie Wallace-Coon, owner of the Bowery Art Gallery in Apalachicola, will open in the Munroe Family Community Gallery. Through sculpture and painting, Wallace-Coon tells stories of the humorous contradictions and extremes she witnesses in relationships between people and their pets.

•A private collection of 20th Century Coca-Cola trucks from Havana, FL will be on display in The Sarah K. Newberry Gallery Annex. These collectibles were contemporaneous with advertising illustration created by Norman Rockwell prior to the years represented by the exhibition in the Sara May Love Gallery exhibition.

•And in the Bates Community Room, the Gadsden Arts Artists Guild opens its first of four exhibitions in 2019 featuring work by its fifty-five artist members.

The Gadsden Arts Center & Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. -5 p.m. Exhibition admission is free for museum members, children ages 17 and under, and school groups; \$10 for nonmember adults, \$3 for college students. Ask about admission-free days and Gadsden County Public Library admission passes. The ArtZone is open for drop-in visitors Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. ArtZone admission is always free. For more information, visit [www.gadsdenarts.org](http://www.gadsdenarts.org).

## Public meeting planned Panhandle National Heritage feasibility study set Jan. 23 at Pioneer Settlement

PENSACOLA - The University of West Florida's Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN) and the Reubin O'D. Askew Center for Multidisciplinary Center (AIMS) are co-hosting a public meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 23 at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement from 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. for the seventh planning meeting and feasibility study to create the Florida Panhandle National Heritage Area with stakeholders.

NHAs in the USA are places where historic, cultural, and natural resources combine to form cohesive, nationally important landscapes. Unlike national parks, NHAs are large, lived-in landscapes. A designated NHA receives recurring Federal funding and technical support from the National Park Service. The Panhandle Pioneer Settlement is located at 17869 NW Pioneer Settlement Rd., Blountstown, FL. To RSVP to this meeting submit email to [skhazad@uwf.edu](mailto:skhazad@uwf.edu).

The Florida Panhandle National Heritage Area Feasibility Study, led by Dr. Sorna Khakzad, is a project that aims to designate a National Heritage Area in the Florida Panhandle. We encourage all the stakeholders to join us in this wonderful initiative that can result in sustainable preservation of our resources and branding the Panhandle Area nationally.

Aiming to promote heritage tourism, highlight the unique American history and diversity of heritage, promote historic preservation, and sustainable development, we looked for a way to brand the area with a national title, to develop the economy and to promote communities' sense of belonging and identity. Designation as a National Heritage Area is the key to achieving these goals.

The first step to NHA designation is to conduct a Feasibility Study, which includes steps such as Defining the Study Area, assessing Public Involvement, Compiling an Inventory of assets, and an Assessment and Evaluation of resources in the area. The study is sponsored by AIMS in collaboration with FPAN. We are calling for all stakeholders to support and contribute to this project.

## Sacred Harp Singing Feb. 16 at Settlement

The traditional Sacred Harp Singing will be held Saturday, Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown.

Sacred Harp Singing (also called FaSoLa or shape note singing), dates back to colonial times and has been preserved in the rural south. The singing is not accompanied by a harp or other instrument but is an old style of singing acappella from shape notes. The event is free to the public donations are welcome.

## Community Calendar

# JANUARY

### Wednesday, Jan. 9



**FINANCIAL WELLNESS MONTH**

•BIRTHDAYS: *Kalee Beiler, Kimberly Redmond, Marie Castaneda, Darreyl Duggar and Patricia Suggs*

### Thursday, Jan. 10

•BIRTHDAYS: *Paige White, Jim Deason, Stephen Ford & Shelena Cooper*

•Sean of the South  
Sean Dietrich at Chipola Fine Arts Theatre at 7 p.m.



### Friday, Jan. 11



**FAMILY FIT LIFESTYLE MONTH**

•BIRTHDAYS: *Shirley Davis, Marc Rainwater, Ann Dekle, Rhudeen Chambless and Vanita Anderson*

•ANNIVERSARY: *Joshua & Angela Yoder*

### Saturday, Jan. 12

•Storytime, 10:30 a.m. ET at Hosford Library

•BIRTHDAYS: *Marvin McDowell, Jody Hoagland, Clara Leonard & Tony Golden*



**Gospel Concert**

**Chuck Wagon Gang**  
in concert at Blountstown Middle School from 6 - 7:30 p.m. CT

### Sunday, Jan. 13

•BIRTHDAYS: *Kim Jackson & Allison Throckmorton*



### Monday, Jan. 14

•Genealogy Interest Group  
5:30 to 7:30 p.m. CT at Blountstown Public Library



•BIRTHDAYS: *Shelly Stafford, Betty Pitts, Gracie Coleman and Gena Allen*

### Tuesday, Jan. 15

•AA Meeting, 6-7 p.m. ET, Grace United Methodist Church, Hosford.

•Calhoun Commission, 5 p.m. CT, UF/IFAS Extension Office boardroom in Blountstown.

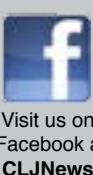
•Dixie 109 Masonic Lodge, Dixie Lodge, Blountstown at 7 p.m. CT

•BIRTHDAYS: *Judy Bailey, Joan "Bugzie" Morgan, Joe Summers, Staci Williams, Jeff Bunkley, Joan Ziggler, Dallas Altizer & Chivas Williams, Jr.*

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## GRANDPA'S FARM

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It's a strange thing to see power trucks, first responders, and the National Guard in your rearview mirror and know that they are headed to where you're headed: Home. It's something I hope you never experience, but if you have experienced it you know exactly what those chill bumps feel like. It's also a strange thing to feel thankful for working traffic lights or for the sound of a Salvation Army food truck driving through your neighborhood handing out meals as you work on repairing house after house.

This storm has brought so much sadness and so much loss. But it has also brought so much love. It's brought neighbors and communities closer together. Some faith has been shaken and some faith has stood fast. I won't talk to you about whether or not God let this happen. Instead, let me show you how I've seen God work in the aftermath of this catastrophe:

- How about our neighbor, an elderly man from Alabama, have someone from his hometown that he has never met show up with a camper loaded up with supplies and tell him it's his until his house is repaired.

- Friends and family, some we haven't talked to in years, call us out of the blue to check on us and offer assistance.

- Linemen from Illinois, California, Ohio, Texas, and many others spending weeks away from their own families so that they can restore power to people who will never get a chance to thank them. While home in Blountstown, I went with my dad to check out our church. In there, he showed me that almost every available room in the church was full of cots for linemen who were staying there and helping restore power. I'll have you know that those linemen restored power a solid month before it was estimated to return (and that was with 98% of Calhoun County residents being without power after the storm).

- The policemen, firefighters, EMTs and other first responders from across the state and South East coming here to keep us safe and bring us supplies.

- We volunteered with our church to deliver meals, only to find neighbors who won't even begin to complain about their collapsed roof and instead point you to a family in more need.

- Seeing a family that lost everything and they immediately ask about you

and how you are.

- Friends and church groups gathering small armies to fix homes and repair lives.

- Volunteers that cook thousands of meals to feed citizens, first responders, linemen, workers, and anyone in need of a hot meal.

- A friend, with a brand new Mustang, that shoved a full-size generator into his passenger seat to deliver to his parents.

- A puppy, that sometimes was an inconvenience, brought so much love and joy in times that were desperately needed.

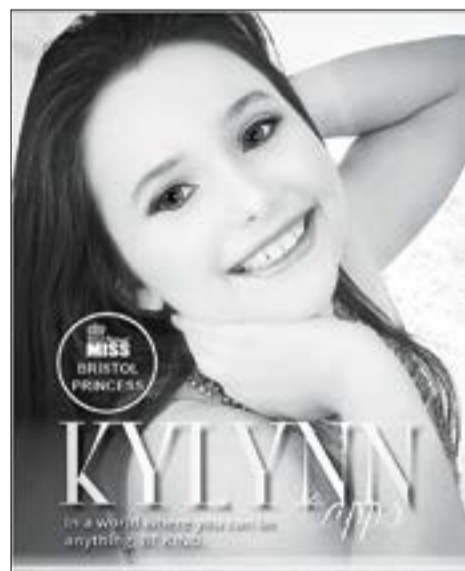
- And lastly, battery-powered AM/FM radios.

While my dad stayed in Blountstown without power for almost three weeks, he never asked for anything. I tried and tried to get him to tell me what

he needed: Gas, food, snacks, water, but he had plenty. After almost two weeks, he finally broke and said, "You know, if you could find a small, battery-powered FM radio, that would be great.



*"That radio made me feel like everything is going to be all right. That the only thing we can focus on after so much devastation is by helping our loved ones and building back our homes."*



### Kylynn Capps will compete in USA Nat. Miss Florida

Kylynn Capps, currently Little Miss Bristol, is competing Jan. 11-13 for the USA National Miss Florida title. She represents Bristol and will be competing with girls from all other areas of Florida.

This is the first time USA National Miss has had anyone represent our area, so she's teaching people all about our small town who have never heard of it.



I'd love to finally be able to listen to something." That night, my wife and I traveled to three stores looking for a small radio but had no luck in finding one. The next morning I left for Blountstown and made one last-ditch effort to find one at the last store I could think of - CVS. I prayed as I walked in that there would be just some sort of battery-powered radio. The good Lord was listening because there was one left. I never thought a small radio would bring me to tears, but never say never, right? My dad was so thankful for that radio. He immediately tuned it to Dr. Shane on 92.5 WPAP so he could listen to updates after the storm.

That radio made me feel like everything is going to be all right. That the only thing we can focus on after so much devastation is by helping our loved ones and building back our homes. Be thankful for your family. Be thankful for your neighbors. Be thankful for what you have. Be thankful for that roof over your head. Be thankful for that family barn. And be thankful for that radio.

There is still much to be done in areas affected by Hurricane Michael. There are still families that are homeless or going from rental to rental while their homes are repaired. There are still houses destroyed and insulation can still be seen on almost every street. But a spirit of fortitude has been revealed in North Floridians over the past few months. And with it, a determination to fix what is broken. Every day, our circumstances get a bit better. I recently saw a Facebook post that said something along the lines of: "When a crisis occurs, you find out who are runners, hiders, or fighters." I'm glad to say that North Florida is filled with fighters who are determined to pick up the pieces.

Lastly, a hashtag. I've always thought hashtags were stupid and cheesy. But of course, this hurricane put things into perspective. A hashtag became a rallying cry that brought people from all walks of life together. It brought people that lost their homes together. It made a community closer. And now it is a hashtag to forever live by.

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## Airman Zachary Kern finishes basic training

U.S. Air Force Airman Zachary D. Kern graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, TX.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline



and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training also earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Kern is the son of Lori R. and Paul J. Kern of Bristol. He graduated from Liberty County High School in 2014.

## CRAA next meeting planned for Jan. 15

The Chipola Regional Arts Association (CRAA), now in its 29th year, will resume meeting Tuesday, Tuesday, Jan. 15 at noon at Jim's Buffet & Grill on Hwy. 90, Marianna, with a presentation by Sharon Hynes on the art of basketry.

Over the years, Hynes has considered basketry to be both an art and a craft. For her, it has been a little of both and it has been her number one hobby for nearly 40 years.

Hynes has woven both Appalachian and Ozark style of white oak, Nantucket cane and reed baskets.

She has been teaching basketry workshops for over 10 years including sites such as the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement, the Washington County Historical Society, and Callaway Gardens.

For the CRAA meeting, Hynes will share her love of basket weaving and will bring samples of various basketry styles. She will also show how a workshop progresses from a bag of reed pieces to a wonderfully handmade heirloom!

All meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to come and enjoy the programs and fellowship over a Dutch-treat luncheon. Please join us! For more information contact Joan Stadskev at (850) 482-7365.

CRAA, a volunteer organization under the umbrella of the Chipola College Foundation, works to enhance the arts in the Chipola College District serving the counties of Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty, and Washington, offers mini-grants to teachers, provides scholarships to Chipola and contributes financially to Chipola's Artist Series financially supports the college's theatre program through the ACT Fund, and provides children's programming in the arts to students in the District.



Sharon Hynes



Members shown at the Blountstown Woman's Club December meeting. From left, front to back: Jane Powell, Frances Price, Sally Blizzard, Linda Smith, Barbara Wilson, Karen MacClendon, Jeanette Yates, Peg Frith, Gidget Thomas, Beverly Clark, B.J. Thorne, Adrienne Wood, Lila Smith, Helen Maloy, Barbara Hosford and Connie Williford.

## Connie Williford named Blountstown Woman's Club Woman of the Year

The Blountstown Woman's Club December meeting is always a festive gathering. Members combine their favorite holiday dishes for a food fare extraordinaire. Christmas carols, played by James Williford, filled the room which was decked with boughs of greenery. The Arts Community Service Project chairman, Adrienne Wood and committee members, Helen Maloy and Beverly Clark, were hostesses. Canned goods for the Calhoun Liberty Ministry Center were the admittance charge.

Business was conducted by Vice President, Sandy Voss. In the spirit of giving, Jane Powell, District 2 Director, presented a \$2,000 check to Blountstown Woman's Club treasurer, Peg Frith.

Powell explained, "A portion of the annual dues you remit to the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs is designated for an emergency fund. This check is presented on behalf of your sisters throughout the state to aid in missed fundraisers and address club needs resulting from Hurricane Michael." The sigh of relief was audible.

One fundraiser came a close with Margie Williams of Scott's Ferry winning a hand crocheted holiday afghan.

The meeting highlight was the announcement of the 2018 Club Woman of the Year. Connie Williford, long time Club Secretary, received the honor. All members look forward to her hand-mailed monthly meeting reminders. Her eloquent thank yous are treasured as, sadly, this formal expression of appreciation is fading from social norms.

Williford is a hard one to catch at her Blountstown home. She selflessly provides transportation to medical appointments for those in need. She also frequents the Senior Center, where she serves on the board.

The meeting concluded with a holiday gift exchange game.

The Blountstown Woman's Club invites you to start your 2019 living the volunteer spirit. Your interests will fit perfectly with the variety of our commu-



From left: Jane Powell, District 2 Director, Florida Federation of Women's Clubs; Sandy Voss, Vice President, Blountstown Woman's Club and Connie Williford, Club Woman of the Year.

RIGHT: Sally Blizzard looks on as Frances Price holds up some beautifully wrapped presents for the gift exchange.



## 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

Agnes Kimbrel Green Waldorff celebrated her 100th birthday Jan. 5 at Blountstown Health and Rehabilitation Center with family and friends. She is pictured at left with her sons, John Harvey Green (right) and William F. Green (left).



## Volunteers share the holiday spirit

The 4-H Liberty Chicks and the Bizzie Beez joined together again this year on Dec. 18 at Varnum's Rest Home in Bristol to spread some Christmas cheer. The groups made and helped serve homemade sweets to all of the residents during the Christmas party put on by the staff at Varnum's. After refreshments were served, everyone joined together to sing Christmas carols, dance a little and play a few games of Bingo. This annual event always provides a lot of smiles for everyone involved.

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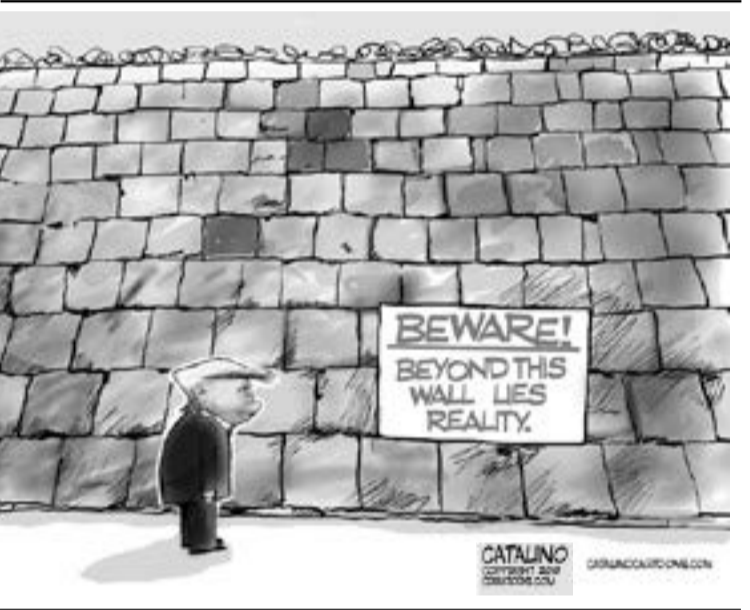
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## RECEPTION

### Smith, Stoltzfus gathering set for Saturday, Jan. 19

Rita Smith and Terrell Stoltzfus were married Dec. 29 in Gatlinburg, TN. A reception in honor of the newlyweds will be held Saturday, Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. CT at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement's Club House. Bring a dish of your favorite finger food and come join the fun! Dress casual and no gifts. Everyone is invited.

# COMMENTARY



# SEAN OF THE SOUTH

WOODS • BY SEAN DIETRICH



I am hiking a trail in the North Florida woods. My dog is beside me. The longleaf pines go on for miles. I am here to walk my dog, take in the fresh air, and, God-willing, pull a hamstring.

The weather is cool and dry. The sky is so clear you can touch it.

A young couple is ahead of me. I have been trailing them for a mile and I have formed some opinions about them.

For one: they are in love, I can tell by the way they hold hands and lean onto each other.

Second: they are in fantastic shape—I have been trying to keep up with them and I am exhausted.

My dog and I pass a swamp. There is a sign beside it that reads: “Beware of alligators.”

I pause to observe. After a few minutes, I see something in the water. It’s a dark shape that sort of looks like a shiny log.

We keep walking. Gators don’t scare me. Once, I lived in an apartment that had a pond behind it—actually, it was more of a drainage ditch. There was a hand-painted warning sign next to it that read: “YALL MEMBER BOUT THE GATORS.”

Rumors claimed that a gator once crawled out of the pond and ate a Yorkshire Terrier named Izzy. Everyone in the apartments retold this horrific story, but nobody knew if it were true.

Until one day, when my uncle came to visit. I came home one evening to find him out back, sitting on an upside-down five-gallon bucket, holding a fishing rod with a raw chicken breast hooked on the end.

“Are you outta your mind?” I said. “Ssshhh,” he said. “I wanna see if there’s really a gator out here.”

There was. After an hour of tempting fate, the thing came crawling out of the water faster than a Chevy Impala.

My uncle dropped his pole and scaled the gutter pipe all the way to the third-floor balcony that belonged to elderly Miss Johansen.

Miss Johansen happened to be standing on her balcony in hair curlers, smoking a Winston.

“Hey, big boy,” she said to my uncle. “Are you just gonna stand there, or are you gonna buy me a drink?”

And they lived happily ever after.

Anyway, my dog and I hike ahead until we see the young couple again, they stand so close together they look like one person with four legs.

When the girl sees my dog she becomes ex-

cited. She turns around and heads straight for us. People cannot resist Thelma Lou. Many have tried; most have failed.

“Oh, look!” says the girl. “A dog!”

Soon, their hands are all over Thelma Lou, who is getting a full-body massage, free of charge.

And I learn a little about them. They are newlyweds. They just met in February, and were married after only six months dating.

I ask why the quick engagement.

They exchange a look.

“Well,” she says, “I have a kinda... A problem...”

“She was sick,” her husband interjects. “We didn’t think she was gonna...”

“We wanted live to the fullest,” she says.

Their words hang in the air.

“You know,” he goes on, “we figured: why wait to get married, right? You never know about tomorrow.”

No, I guess you don’t.

They ask about my dog, and it’s nice to have a change of subject. I tell them a little about what daily life is like with a bloodhound.

It’s not for the faint of heart. Yesterday, my dog destroyed a sofa, stole a rack of ribs from my neighbor’s grill, and peed on a pile of clean laundry I’ve been meaning to fold for a few months.

This makes them laugh. I enjoy seeing them laugh. So, I go for two and tell them the story about my uncle, a gator, and an elderly temptress in hair curlers.

Finally, the girl says to her husband, “I want a bloodhound.” And she sounds resolute when she says it.

“I’ll start looking tomorrow,” her husband says.

These people don’t waste time.

Before they leave, they give Thelma Lou a few more belly rubs. The girl hugs the oversized bloodhound with her eyes closed.

She tells me, “The doctor told me I was in remission this week, and it was like getting a second chance at life. I think I just really needed to pet a dog today.”

They kiss.

I could ask more questions, but it’s none of my business. I shake their hands. They disappear on a long and winding trail.

Life is short. I sincerely hope you enjoy every minute of yours.

Just watch out for gators.

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.

# America’s foes are offering a unifying cause

WASHINGTON – If the newly sworn-in Congress is looking for a bipartisan cause, America’s foes are offering that cause. Instead of obsessing about funding for a wall that Mexico was supposed to pay for, our elected leaders would do well to pay attention to the missile gap that shockingly opened up between America and Russia, and soon between America and China.

The hypersonic missile that Russian President Putin just boasted about in his year-end press conference moves 25 times the speed of sound. If that is true, the Pentagon has nothing in its arsenal to deter it.

Last year, Air Force Gen. John Hyten, head of the U.S. Strategic Command, told the Senate Armed Services committee that the United States was way behind in figuring out how to counter a missile that fast and that agile, and, further, it could be 2024 before we catch up.

Older Americans remember Sputnik, the space rocket the Soviet Union unexpectedly launched in 1957, waking up America to a rivalry that endures today. President Kennedy accepted the challenge and brought the country together around the space race.

The difference, of course, is that Sputnik wasn’t a weapon. Supersonic missiles are offensive weapons. Facing an offensive missile we can’t deter and we can’t shoot down puts America for the first time in its history in a near-defenseless position.

The Russian project bringing this weapon to fruition is tantamount to the Manhattan Project President Roosevelt launched to successfully bring the atomic bomb to term.

The fact that Russia has a weapon that can deliver a nuclear warhead in record time doesn’t mean they will use it. But it gives them power and leverage they can exert in a variety of ways on a U.S. government that is barely functioning and in some critical areas closed for business.

So, while our leaders fight about transitory things to gain political position, the rest of the world is gaining ground in some areas and apparently surpassing us in others. China is close to developing hypersonic

## WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

by Douglas Cohn and Eleanor Clift

missiles as well, and Chinese president Jiang Zemin just announced that if Taiwan moves toward complete independence, China will take military action.

That’s the most explicit he’s gotten, and the United States is under a treaty obligation to defend Taiwan. How that might play out is open to interpretation, but China’s increasingly assertive military posturing – including hypersonic posturing – should not be ignored.

These significant and worrisome developments are going on while our leaders battle over a wall versus steel slats, and shutter the government while they argue.

The leaders of Russia and China must be laughing up their sleeves at the free rein they have thanks to the gridlock in America. Don’t get us wrong, Democrats should not give in to President Trump, who is a bully. But lawmakers should be mindful of the cost of their actions. They behave as though the world is standing still while they have their showdown.

Being straight with the American people about where the real threats are, and what must be done to reinforce national security, can bring all Americans together. Survival of the nation rests more with our ability to deter our foreign adversaries than any wall.



# FEMA awards Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. over \$1.5 million for Hurricane Irma expenses

ORLANDO – FEMA has approved \$1,503,937.09 to Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. for electric power restoration to members in Gadsden, Leon, Liberty and Wakulla counties as a direct result of Hurricane Irma.

Funding for this Public Assistance project is authorized under Sections 403 of the Robert T. Stafford Act for Florida to cover Hurricane Irma-related expenses, reimbursing eligible applicants for the cost of debris removal; life-saving emergency protective measures; and the repair, replacement or restoration of disaster-damaged

facilities like buildings, roads and utilities.

FEMA's Public Assistance grant program is an essential source of funding for communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency. The Florida Division of Emergency Management works with FEMA during all phases of the PA program and conducts final reviews of FEMA-approved projects.

Applicants work directly with FEMA to develop project worksheets and scopes of work. Following approvals by FEMA and the Florida Division of Emergency Management, FEMA ob-

ligates funding for the project.

FEMA's Public Assistance program provides grants to state, tribal, and local governments, and certain types of private non-profit organizations including some houses of worship, so that communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies.

The federal share for Public Assistance projects is not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost. The state determines how the non-federal share of the cost of a project (up to 25 percent) is split with the sub-recipients like local and county governments.



## Hurricane Michael Storm Debris TO ALL LIBERTY COUNTY RESIDENTS:

**Our Debris Hauling Contractor will begin FINAL PASS on Jan. 15, 2019**

All remaining storm debris must be placed at the right-of-way by Jan. 15, 2019. However, if Private Property Debris Removal gets approved than we will adjust our Final pass date accordingly, but please do not wait and expect for private property to be approved.

**ONCE AGAIN, PLEASE HAVE ALL STORM GENERATED DEBRIS PLACED AT THE RIGHT-OF-WAY BY JAN. 15, 2019.**

*Liberty County Board of County Commissioners*

## Calhoun and Liberty counties included on list of 18 for SEP Florida Blue special enrollment period set in counties affected by Hurricane Michael

Individuals who were unable to enroll for health insurance will have a Special Enrollment Period (SEP) through Feb. 16, 2019.

These individuals must attest that they meet the following eligibility requirements:

- They resided in any of the counties either during the FEMA-designated incident period for the major disaster declaration for Hurricane Michael, or at the time of application for enrollment; and
- They were affected by the disaster, and it prevented them from completing enrollment.

Counties eligible for this extended SEP include: Bay, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Leon, Liberty, Taylor, Wakulla, Washington, Okaloosa, Walton, Jefferson, Suwannee, Madison and Hamilton.

Also, the disaster may have triggered other SEPs for consumers, such as moving to a new county or a change in jobs.

For more information or to enroll in a health insurance plan, individuals can call Florida Blue at 1-800-FLA-BLUE (352-2583), log onto [www.floridablue.com](http://www.floridablue.com) to find a local agent, visit the Florida Blue Center in Tallahassee or go to [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

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# Jackson Hospital staff welcomes their first baby of 2019

MARIANNA - This year's first baby born at Jackson Hospital kept all waiting for 12 long hours before he revealed himself. Jackson Hospital presents its 2019 New Year's baby: Remington Purser Oglesby, son of Alyna Donelson and Colin Oglesby.

Dad, Colin, said that it was worth the wait seeing his son's sweet face after delivery.

Board certified OB/GYN Dr. Orlando Muniz, FACOG, delivered 6 lbs., 14 oz. Remington on Jan. 1, 2019 at 7:57 p.m. along with the assistance of Dr. Leisa Bailey. Dr. Muniz, along with Michelle Baber, ARNP, and Jackie Bard, ARNP practice OB/GYN in the Hudnall Medical Building office location, 4230 Hospital Drive, Suite 209, Marianna, FL, and can be reached at (850) 526-6711.

Jackson Hospital and Chipola Healthy Start joined together to present Remington and his parents with a cartload of goodies. Jackson Hospital provided a case of diapers, wipes, and a \$100 Walmart Gift Card. Chipola Healthy Start provided a car seat and carrier.

Melanie Sellers, RN, Jackson Hospital's Director of Maternal/Child Nursing, says, "We are



Remington Purser Oglesby, son of Alyna Donelson and Colin Oglesby of Bonifay, is shown with his mother.

so proud to welcome Little Remington to our community and wish only the best for a bright future for him." OB/GYN physician Dr. Orlando Muniz, along

with Family Medicine Physician Dr. Leisa Bailey of Bonifay deliver about 500 babies a year at Jackson Hospital, the region's only community hospital with Obstetrics services.

The four board-certified Pediatricians on staff at Jackson Hospital are Dr. Doyle Bosse, Dr. Melissa Caraballo, Dr. George Sanchez and Dr. Tom Sherrel.

Jackson Hospital offers full-service OB/GYN care and would be proud to be part of your family. The Hospital provides free Childbirth Education classes taught by its Labor and Delivery nurses – the same ones you'll see when you deliver! The class has a rolling start two Tuesdays a month at 5:30 p.m. CT, Board Room, ground floor of the Hospital, 4250 Hospital Drive, Marianna, FL. Register at (850) 718-2660.

Jackson Hospital is one of only two statutory rural hospitals in Florida continuing to offer obstetric (OB) services. Director of Maternal/Child Services, Melanie Sellers, RN, says "we are so proud to be the friendly, community hospital offering OB; each new baby brings a bright future for the greater Jackson County region."

# Calhoun County School Board OKs district restructuring plan

CALHOUN COUNTY – Calhoun County Superintendent of Schools Ralph Yoder announced that the Calhoun County School Board (CCSB) approved a school district restructuring plan at a special school board meeting on Dec. 19.

The approval came on the heels of a public forum held by the Calhoun County School District on Dec. 18, where Superintendent Ralph Yoder and Assistant Superintendent Vicki Davis sought input from the community and provided information regarding two options for restructuring the school district. Subsequently, a third option was developed by Superintendent Yoder and his leadership team, and then added as an option for recommendation to the school board.

At the request of Superintendent Yoder and the CCSB, Senator Bill Montford, CEO of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) directed Jim Hamilton, a school finance expert and consultant for FADSS to perform a study on the financial standing of the District. The emphasis for a restructuring plan was highlighted in this study. Mr. Hamilton's study and his background can be accessed at <http://calhounflschools.org/fiscal-study>.

After extensive consideration by District and School-based leadership teams and in consultation with each individual school board member, Superin-

*A 3-2 vote approved the option which transitions Blountstown Middle School into Blountstown Elementary School as a Prek-5 campus and moves the middle school students to Blountstown High School, creating a 6-12 campus.*

tendent Yoder developed a recommendation which included three options for restructuring the school district. Following lengthy public comment and discussion among the school board, a 3-2 vote approved the option which transitions Blountstown Middle School into Blountstown Elementary School as a Prek-5 campus and moves the middle school students to Blountstown High School, creating a 6-12 campus.

Following the approval by the CCSB, Superintendent Yoder and School Board Chair Danny Ryals submitted a letter to Governor Rick Scott, Senator Bill Montford and Representative Halsey Beshears, seeking necessary funding to assist in the renovation and construction of the approved option.

Superintendent Yoder stated, "My Leadership Team and I considered multiple options and presented options that were determined to be in the best interest of all Calhoun County students, providing them with the highest quality education, in a fiscally responsible manner. The recommendations ensure that we are appropriately allocating resources with the limited funds that we have available. While there is no perfect solution for restructuring, I am pleased that the board has made a decision that gives our students, staff, parents, and community a direction to go in. We are recovering. We are moving forward. We are #CalhounStrong."

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<p><b>WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Pancakes, chicken sausage, fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Pepperoni pinwheel sandwich, Mexican pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich or chef salad  <b>SIDES:</b> Baked beans, Caesar salad, fruit</p> <p><b>THURSDAY, JAN. 10</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Sausage biscuit, GoGurt, fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken Parmesan with pasta and whole grain roll, crispy chicken sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sandwich or taco salad and tortilla chips  <b>SIDES:</b> Easy baked carrots, steamed broccoli, fruit</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, JAN. 11</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> French toast sticks, chicken sausage, fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Pizza, pepperoni turkey 4x6", hamburger, cheeseburger or chef salad  <b>SIDES:</b> Baked potato wedges, sliced tomatoes/lettuce, fresh garden salad, fruit</p> <p><b>MONDAY, JAN. 14</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Pancake on a stick, GoGurt, fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken tenderloin, ham and cheese sandwich or chef salad  <b>SIDES:</b> Sweet whole kernel corn, fresh crunchy baby carrots with ranch dressing, fruit</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, JAN. 15</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Egg and cheese biscuit, potato nuggets, fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Macho nachos, bbq chicken quesadilla, peanut butter and jelly sandwich or chicken Caesar salad  <b>SIDES:</b> Black beans, diced tomato and lettuce, fruit</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Chicken biscuit, hash browns, choice of cereal, fresh/cupped fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken strip basket or choice of pizza: cheese, 4-meat or Buffalo chicken  <b>DAILY SPECIAL:</b> Nachos with meat  <b>SIDES:</b> Cheese, lettuce, tomato, tortilla chips, salsa, taco sauce, fresh/cupped fruit or fries or tator tots</p> <p><b>THURSDAY, JAN. 10</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Pancakes, sausage links, choice of cereal, fresh/cupped fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken strip basket or choice of pizza: cheese, 4-meat or Buffalo chicken  <b>DAILY SPECIAL:</b> Teriyaki, General Tso or sweet and sour chicken  <b>SIDES:</b> Fried rice, egg roll, broccoli, fresh/cupped fruit or fries or tator tots</p> <p><b>FRIDAY, JAN. 11</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Dutch waffle, choice of muffin, choice of yogurt, choice of cereal, fresh/cupped fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken strip basket or choice of pizza: cheese, 4-meat or Buffalo chicken  <b>DAILY SPECIAL:</b> Burger slider  <b>SIDES:</b> Linesalad, fries, fresh/cupped fruit</p> <p><b>MONDAY, JAN. 14</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> Ham and cheese breakfast taco, hash browns, choice of cereal, fresh cup of fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken strip basket or choice of pizza: cheese, 4-meat or Buffalo chicken  <b>DAILY SPECIAL:</b> Corn dog  <b>SIDES:</b> Mac &amp; cheese, green peas, line salad, fresh/cupped fruit or fries, tator tots</p> <p><b>TUESDAY, JAN. 15</b>  <b>BREAKFAST:</b> French toast sticks, sausage links, choice of cereal, fresh cup of fruit  <b>LUNCH:</b> Chicken strip basket or choice of pizza: cheese, 4-meat or Buffalo chicken  <b>DAILY SPECIAL:</b> Salisbury steak  <b>SIDES:</b> Mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, line salad or fries, tator tots</p>

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# OBITUARIES

## SHELBY G. SHOEMAKE

BRISTOL - Shelby G. Shoemake, 79, of Bristol, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019 in Blountstown. He was born Oct. 12, 1939 in DeQuincy, LA to the late William and Mollie Langley Shoemake. He moved to Liberty County in 1957 where he worked for Reichold Chemical Company and later began his own business, J&S Vault Company.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Billie Shoemake Bryant; and a granddaughter, Cassie O'Bryan Dabney.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Nance Shoemake of Bristol; sons, Tony Shoemake and his wife, Leann and Tommy Shoemake and his wife, Christi, all of Blountstown; six daughters, Tammy Shoemake O'Bryan and her husband, Ricky of Bristol, Debra Barber and her husband, Gerald of Bristol, Karen Tomlinson and her husband, David of Blountstown, Kathy Hayes and her husband, Darrel of Bristol, Nacey Deason and her husband, Rob of Blountstown and Julie Scott and her husband, Marty of Tennessee; two sisters, Geraldine Bodiford of Tallahassee and Hester Barfield and her husband, Clay of Tallahassee; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life was held Monday, Jan. 7 at Lake Mystic Baptist Church with Rev. Jerry Chumley, Rev. Doug Hemanes and Rev. Ryan McDougald officiating. Interment followed in Blue Creek Cemetery.

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

## RAYMOUTH SHIRLEY NIXON

WHITE CITY - Raymouth Shirley Nixon, 81, of White City, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019 in Panama City. She was born on Jan. 27, 1937 in Franklin County to Ernest and Caroline Scott Barfield and had lived in Gulf County for most of her life. She was a homemaker and a member of Highland View Assembly of God Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joseph Nixon; and two daughters, Debra Davis and Sandra Elane Nixon.

Survivors include three sons, Michael Nixon and wife, Liz of White City, Bruce Nixon and his wife, Wanda of White City and Chris Nixon and his wife, Bogey of White City; son-in-law, Glenn Davis of Overstreet; one sister, Nora Everett of Ocala; 10 grandchildren, Leigha Thursby, Heather Harris, Adam Nixon, Melissa Brogdon, Whitney Nixon, Michael Davis, Kristy Davis, Richard Davis, Hope Nixon, Joseph Nixon; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, Jan. 5 at 10 a.m. ET from the graveside at Holly Hill Cemetery in Port St. Joe with Rev. Adam White officiating. Interment followed in Holly Hill Cemetery.

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

## KENNETH WALDEN

CLARKSVILLE - Kenneth Walden, 65, of Clarksville, passed away Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018 at his home. He was born on Jan. 19, 1953 to George and Hazel McCoy Walden and had lived in Calhoun County all of his life. He was a heavy equipment operator, working in the timber harvesting business. He enjoyed fishing and was of the Protestant faith.

He was preceded in death by his father, George Walden and two brothers, Roy "Little Bud" Walden and Michael Walden.

Survivors include his mother, Hazel Walden of Clarksville; his wife, Susan Walden of Clarksville; two sons, Kenneth "Doodle" Walden of Altha and Patrick Roy Walden and Richard Bengtsson of New York City, NY; two daughters, Tina Tharpe and Shane of Bristol and Casey Ivory and Arsenio of Lynn Haven; three brothers, George "Bo Bo" Walden and Debbie of Clarksville, Troy "Bud" Walden and Garnet of Altha and Wayne Walden and Lisa of Blountstown; two sisters, Sharon Edge of Blountstown and Michelle Waldroff and Ken of Altha; and six grandchildren, Ginna, Blaine, Blake, Ryan, Brylie and Avan.

Services were held Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 1 p.m. CT from the graveside at McClellan Cemetery in Frink with Rev. Allen Nichols officiating. Interment followed.

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

## JANEY LOUISE STRICKLAND HILL

BRISTOL - Louise Hill, 90, of Bristol, passed away Friday, Dec. 28, 2018 in Tallahassee. She was born in Waycross, GA to Lewis Clinton Strickland and Minnie Wainwright Strickland on July 31, 1928. She grew up in Columbus, GA.

She married the love of her life, Clinton Hill, on June 26, 1946 in Phoenix City, AL. She and Clinton first lived at Fort Benning, GA while he was in the U.S. Army. In 1951 they moved to Liberty County where together they raised their family.

She was a lifelong homemaker and enjoyed spending time with her family. She was also well known for her amazing skills in the kitchen preparing delicious food and arranging beautiful tables for many events in the church and community. She was an active member in Lake Mystic Baptist Church for many years. She also enjoyed growing flowers, ferns and watching her cats play in the yard. She will be missed by family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clinton Hill; a son, Ross Hill; a brother, Lavelle Strickland; and her sister, Mary S. Middleton

Survivors include her children and their spouses, Robert Hill (Janna), Crista Darby (Charlie) and Rusty Hill (Kris); her grandchildren: Gary Shuler, Jr., Carmen Sussman (Andrew), Ashley Crowley (Matt), Mark Shuler, Clint Hill and Elizabeth Smith (Patrick); and her great-grandchildren, Simon, Liam, Nate, Max, Mason and Jacob.

Services were held Wednesday, Jan. 2 at 11 a.m. ET at Lake Mystic Baptist Church. Interment followed at Lake Mystic Cemetery.

*Charles McClellan Funeral Home in Quincy was in charge of the arrangements.*

## JOHN H. "BUDDY" KENT, JR.

BLOUNTSTOWN - John H. "Buddy" Kent, Jr., 74, of Blountstown, passed away Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019. He was born in Blountstown on Dec. 7, 1944 to the late John H. Kent Sr. and Peggy Duval Kent and had worked for Eubanks Oil Company for many years until his retirement. He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his long-time companion, Alice Howell of Blountstown; his son, John H. Kent III and his companion, Pat, of Blountstown; his daughter, Tara Jackson and her husband, Jay of Tallahassee; his sisters, Betty Barfield and Peggy Tipton, both of Blountstown, and Sheri Gable and her husband, Billy of Altha; his grandchildren, Saige Paquette and husband, Cody, Kymberly Kent, Patrick Jackson and Ashley Jackson; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and other extended family.

Family will receive friends one hour prior to services on Wednesday.

Services will be held Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 11 a.m. CT at Adams Funeral Home in Blountstown with Rev. Ryan McDougald officiating. Interment will follow in Pine Memorial Cemetery near Blountstown.

Special thanks to Covenant Hospice for the care and compassion through the trying days.

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

## DOROTHY LOUISE MATLOCK

WEWAHITCHKA - Dorothy Louise Matlock, 79, of Wewahitchka, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019 in Panama City. She was born in Port St. Joe on Sept. 26, 1939 to Willie and Minnie Damphier Newsome and lived in Wewahitchka for most her life. She was a homemaker, loved reading and cooking and was a member of the White City Assembly of God.

Survivors include one son, Allan Matlock of Port St. Joe; three daughters, Cindy Ake and Tim of Wewahitchka, Julie Miller and Eddie Haddock of Wewahitchka and Edwina Matlock of Port St. Joe; one sister, Kate Anderson of Dalkeith; three grandchildren, Jacob Barlow, Dylan Ake, Carla Mock; and two great-grandchildren, Harleigh Mock, and Colton Johnson

Services were held Sunday, Jan. 6 at 2 p.m. CT at White City Holiness Church in White City with Rev. Charles Jackson officiating. Interment followed at Pleasant Rest Cemetery in Overstreet.

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

## HOUSTON BROWARD FLANDERS

BLOUNTSTOWN - Houston Broward Flanders, Sr., 78, of Blountstown, passed away Monday, Dec. 31, 2018 at his home. He was born in Altha, Sept. 10, 1940 to the late Millard and Ruby Porter Flanders. He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army and was owner and operator of Flanders Sew and Vac. He was a member of the Blountstown Pentecostal Holiness Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Wendell Flanders; and a sister, Rethie Darlene McCroan.

Survivors include his wife, Mattie Louise Tipton Flanders; sons, Houston Flanders, Jr. of Tampa, Timothy Flanders and his wife, Amelda of Blountstown; a daughter, Julie Flanders Dunn and her husband, Michael of Panama City; a stepson, Bobby Harrell Tipton of Clarksville; brothers, Marlin Flanders and his wife, Ruby of Altha and Don Flanders of Bristol; sister, Gloria Wilson and her husband, Daniel of Altha; grandchildren, Kira Seay, Meredith Flanders, Christopher Flanders, Alex Contreras, Jesus Contreras, Maritza Clemons, Ruby Contreras, Holly Abraham, Sarah Kelley, Michael Dunn, Jr., Aimee Hanvey, Christopher Tipton and Jeffery Tipton; and numerous great-grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. CT at Adams Funeral Home with Rev. David Goodman officiating. Interment followed in the Wood Cemetery in Blountstown.

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

## SYBIL PLAZARIN

ALTHA - Sybil Plazarin, 44, of Altha, passed away Monday, Dec. 31, 2018 at her home. She was born in Panama City, Dec. 22, 1974 to the late Winfred and Francis Atwell Gilliland. She had lived in Calhoun County since 1994 and had attended Florida State

University where she earned her Master of Business degree. She was a teacher at Carr School in Clarksville for the past 12 years and worked with and inspired kids at River Town Community Church for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Plazarin of Altha; daughters, Faith Morgan Plazarin of Boston, MA and Hannah Ashley Plazarin of Clarksville; a brother, Henry Gilliland of Youngstown; a sister, Margie Frazier of Lyndell, GA; nephew, Shelton Gilliland and his wife, Mona and their daughter, Makenzie; and a sister-in-law, Kristy Plazarin.

A celebration of life was held Monday, Jan. 7 at 5 p.m. CT at Altha Church of God with Rev. Allen Nichols officiating.

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

## WILLIAM DEWAYNE FINCH

HOSFORD - William Dewayne Finch, 60, of Hosford, passed away Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018 at Big Bend Hospice of Tallahassee. He was born in Quincy on Feb. 5, 1958 to John William and Grace Magdalene Sykes Finch. He was a manager in the automotive industry.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his grandmother, Inez Sykes Burke; his grandfather, Buck Sykes; and two uncles, Floyd "Buster" Sykes and Ronald Sykes.

Survivors include his four children, Cheri, Cory, Chad and Cody Finch; and an aunt, Marie Covington. Memorialization was by cremation.

*Culley's MeadowWood Funeral Home in Tallahassee was in charge of the arrangements.*

## NOTES OF THANKS

We, the family of Houston Flanders, would like to thank all of our friends and family for their kindness, food, prayers and phone calls during his illness and death on Dec. 31, 2018.

I, Louise Tipton, his wife, would like to apologize for the music played at the funeral. There were three gospel songs picked out, but the music was changed by someone else. I would have never picked out music by George Jones or songs I had never heard to be played at my husband's funeral. I was deeply hurt by this and so was his family.

Thank you to Adams Funeral Home and the Army Honor Guard for their service and to all the pallbearers. Thank you to Pastor David Goodman and a special thanks to the Pentecostal Holiness Church on Angle Street for the delicious meal they served to the family after the funeral.

*God bless you all, Louise Tipton and the Houston Flanders Family*

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**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, after some recent turbulence, rest easy knowing that calmer waters are ahead. Some tranquility and stability is just what the doctor ordered.

**GEMINI – May 22/June 21**  
Gemini, expect some big changes in your love life in the weeks to come. Count your blessings because you deserve all the good news that's coming your way.

**CANCER – June 22/July 22**  
Surprises are in store for Cancers who are willing to take some risks. If you resign from your job, you just may find a dream position shortly after — things can be that dramatic.

**LEO – July 23/Aug 23**  
Some cosmic goodness is in store for you, Leo. Be excited about your prospects. This year can start out on the right foot, especially as it pertains to domestic matters.

**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, things in your domestic sector are bound to settle down in a few days. If you planned improvements at home, you'll sail through those in no time with some help from friends.

**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Libra, some pivotal changes may come into your life shortly. You may find out your family is increasing or learn that a career change is in the works. Start counting good fortune.

**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**  
A talent that you used to feel insecure about can be an avenue to earn a significant amount of money, Scorpio. Don't hesitate to monetize and share your gifts.

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While you have been in a stable relationship for some time now, both parties may be looking to shake things up. It can go two ways:  
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**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Venus, the ruler of your career sector, will point your professional efforts in the right direction, Capricorn. Your professional outlook might turn completely around.

**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**  
You may notice people in your social life are more friendly and accommodating lately, Aquarius. In fact, friends have always been there for you because they believe in you.

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

**How It Works:**  
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as 9x9 and broken down into nine 3x3 sub-grids. The numbers 1 through 9 must be used in each row and column. Each number can appear only once in the 3x3 sub-grid and the 9x9 grid. The numbers 1 through 9 must appear in each row, column, and sub-grid. The numbers 1 through 9 must appear in each row, column, and sub-grid.

**Fun By The Numbers**

9	7	2	8	2	1	9	8	6
8	8	1	7	6	9	7	8	9
2	9	6	2	7	8	9	7	1
8	2	9	1	7	8	6	9	2
1	2	7	9	2	6	8	8	9
6	8	9	9	8	2	1	7	7
9	9	8	2	1	8	7	6	7
7	6	2	8	9	7	9	1	8
7	1	8	6	9	7	2	9	8

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## FIELD TEST PARTICIPANT SEARCH

A leading manufacturer of digital hearing technology has chosen Bay Hearing Aid Center to distribute a new hearing instrument to the public.

**Notice: Bay Hearing Aid Center** is currently in search of **17 field test participants**. As a participant, you will be able to use this new hearing innovation in everyday living circumstances, then report back to the licensed hearing staff on the increase felt in your overall well-being. If you have ever wondered if you could benefit from the latest innovations in hearing technology it is strongly encouraged for you to take advantage of this **no-risk, no obligation opportunity** \*\*.

**Features of smart hearing technology:** easy set-up connectivity to your cell phone and TV, comfort fit engineering, rechargeable, nearly invisible, wear-ability, and clear, natural sound.

### FIELD TEST PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS:

If you answer yes to any of these questions, you are encouraged to apply.

1. Have you found difficulties following conversations when background noise is present?  **yes**  **no**
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**PLEASE NOTE:** *Participants who currently wear hearing aids but are curious about the latest technology are also considered qualified participants.*

### HOW TO APPLY:

1. Call Bay Hearing Aid Center at 850-372-4548
2. Schedule an appointment **January 9 & 10, 2019** from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. for your hearing evaluation and video otoscope exam. Note: There is **zero cost** and **no obligation** for this appointment. This is to determine eligibility.
3. You will be fitted with the latest technological development. The staff will ensure you are **100% comfortable** with the device before walking out of the office.



As part of Advanced Hearing Aid Center's continued commitment to hearing health education in our community, they are offering an added incentive. The first **17 individuals** to schedule an appointment for evaluation will receive a **\$10 Gift Card\***. We encourage the public to take advantage of this limited-time, no cost opportunity.

**Please call (850) 372-4548 now.**

*Offer limited to 17 qualified participants*

### FIELD STUDY OFFICE:

## Bay Hearing Aid Center

2944 Penn Ave. Suite E, Marianna, Florida 32448

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\*One gift card per household. Participant is required to bring a third party for familiar voice test. Must complete hearing test and have verified loss. Not valid with prior test/purchase within 6 months. Gift card limited to first 17 appointments. Offer expires: January 10, 2019. \*\* Deposit required for field study to ensure security of the technology.