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RV Park May Replace Golf Course

By MICHAEL KELLY
Of The Herald-Advocate

A proposed 374-site recreational-vehicle park received approval from the Hardee County Planning & Zoning Board last week and now moves on to the County Commission for final hearings.

William Harvey, who hopes to develop the park, told board members he has a contract to

purchase the 138-acre parcel from Bill and Marie Lambert, who owned and operated Torrey Oaks Golf Course there for nearly three decades until closing it earlier this year.

Harvey said he would like to get started on the first of two phases of Torrey Trails RV Park later this year and have it open for business by the fall of 2019.

Harvey, who has built and operated two similar parks, said he will market the park to retired northerners, and it will be restricted to those 55 and older.

He said during the meeting he does not plan on reopening the golf course and will maintain some of the previous course as open spaces.

The RV sites will be located

on the east, north and south ends of the property along U.S. 17 and Bostick Road.

No mobile homes will be placed near the single-family residences of the private Oaks Bend subdivision, which was built through the course and bordered several holes. Nothing in that deed-restricted community, however, required the surrounding property to be

maintained as a golf course. Several homeowners of Oaks Bend attended the meeting but none expressed opposition to the project.

Paul Samuels, the only resident of Oaks Bend who addressed the board, said his only concerns were the drainage areas being kept up and the natural areas maintained, adding he supports the proposed plan

and appreciates the investment in the community.

The RV sites are proposed to be built on what were holes one and nine and 10 through 18. What used to be holes two through eight will be maintained as open nature space and include walking trails.

The only opposition voiced during the meeting was from See **RV A3**

MOCK MAYHEM



COURTESY PHOTO

The Hardee County Sheriff's Office Special Weapons And Tactics team stands on alert as "students" – bus drivers for the Hardee County School District – exit a bus with their hands in the air on Wednesday of last week. The mock exercise, simulating a law-enforcement response to an active shooter on a school bus, was held

at the bus loop of Hardee Junior High School. "Hands-on training is much more effective than videos or lecturing," said Transportation Director Rob Krahl. "I appreciate the HCSO working with us, and just hope that these skills are never needed." See story and more photos on **A3**.

Wildcat Tailgate Party Friday

By JENNIFER McCONKEY
Herald-Advocate Intern

It's time to show your orange-and-blue pride as the community kicks off another school year with a downtown tailgate party!

Main Street will be closed to traffic between Seventh and Eighth avenues tomorrow (Friday) from 6 to 9 p.m. to make way for the eighth annual Wildcat Tailgate Party at Heritage Park.

The party, hosted by Main Street Wauchula Inc. and presented by Mosaic, will include performances, live music, vendors, games, free health services, and opportunities to meet political candidates.

The Hardee County Youth Football League cheerleaders will be performing at 6:45 p.m., and the high school cheerleaders and marching band will be showcased beginning at 8. The junior high cheerleaders will also be performing sometime during the evening.

The volleyball team will get in on the action, too, with a demonstration.

And performing live is musical duo Cory Greenway and Rodger Brutus, called Prime See **WILDCAT A3**

Teen Father Gets Split Sentence

By CYNTHIA KRAHL
Of The Herald-Advocate

A teenager who impregnated his girlfriend – who was and is underage – has been handed jail time and probation in Hardee Circuit Court.

Ramon Jonathan Herrada, now 21, of 3004 Jack Jones Road, Wauchula, was sentenced to 364 days in the Hardee County Jail and five years of supervised probation for the third-degree felony

crime of child abuse.

A second-degree felony charge of lewd battery was dropped as the result of plea negotiations between the prosecution and defense.

In addition to the split sentence, Circuit Judge Marcus J. Ezelle ordered Herrada to undergo a mental health evaluation and to complete any recommended treatment.

Further, the judge prohibited Herrada from any unsupervised contact with children under 17 years of age. He is permitted contact with his victim's mother regarding his child's medical, educational and day

care.

Ezelle also assessed court fines, fees and costs in an amount totaling \$1,681. To date, Herrada has made his first payment of \$50.

Should Herrada successfully pay the monies due and abide by the terms of his probation, the court may consider an early termination of his probation at the four-year mark, Ezelle added.

According to a report filed by Det. Yolanda Hernandez of the Hardee County Sheriff's Office, Herrada met the victim through mutual friends. The girl was 14 at the time, and he

was 18.

The two began dating, Hernandez said, but the girl kept the relationship a secret, as she knew her parents would not approve of her having a boyfriend at her age.

The girl told the detective Herrada would drive over to her house in the middle of the night, parking in the nearby orange groves. She would sneak out of the house to go meet with him.

On occasion, the girl added, the pair would then go to Herrada's home.

One time, while the girl was See **SENTENCE A2**



Herrada

WEATHER

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
07/31	89	72	0.01
08/01	92	74	0.00
08/02	92	73	0.84
08/03	93	73	0.25
08/04	93	75	0.07
08/05	92	74	0.00
08/06	91	74	0.00

Rainfall to 08/06/2018 - 35.24
Same period last year - 26.68
Ten Year Average - 49.17
Source: Univ. of Fla. Ona Research Center

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Company Seeks More IDA \$\$\$

By MICHAEL KELLY
Of The Herald-Advocate

An attorney representing internet service provider Rapid Systems recently sent a letter to the Hardee County Industrial Development Authority seeking \$720,000 in "outstanding shared costs" incurred after the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance breached its obligations with the company and the IDA.

Rapid Systems received a \$2 million grant from the Economic Development Authority in 2010 after partnering with the IDA to blanket the county with high-speed wireless internet capabilities.

The IDA and Rapid Systems signed a Memorandum of Understanding with FRBA to use the Hardee County system as a matching portion of a federal

stimulus grant in 2009 that would provide other rural communities in the area with a similar wireless system as developed here.

FRBA, a non-profit organization formed in part by the Florida's Heartland Regional Economic Development Initiative, applied for and was awarded \$24 million through the American Recovery & Investment Act of 2009.

The goal was to provide wireless internet to all the rural counties of critical economic concern in the Heartland region of Hardee, DeSoto, Highlands, Okeechobee, Glades and Hendry counties.

IDA Executive Director Bill Lambert served on the FRBA board as Hardee County's representative before being re-

moved and replaced by former county commissioner Grady Johnson.

Terms of the Memorandum of Understanding, which was put together hastily by all three parties to meet the grant deadline, outlined a plan for Rapid Systems to tap into bandwidth from the Level 3 connection running through Ona and send it via microwave signal using the towers located throughout Hardee to Highlands County, where it would then be dispersed to the other counties in the region.

Under the MOU, FRBA agreed to pay for the additional cost of increasing Rapid Systems' bandwidth to provide enough capacity for the other counties.

See **IDA A2**

Free Haz-Waste Disposal Saturday

By JENNIFER McCONKEY
Herald-Advocate Intern

Now is the time of year when people are buying new school supplies, including computers, tablets and other electronics.

But what do you do with your outdated ones?

This Saturday, you can bring those old electronics along with many other hazardous waste items to the Hardee County Sanitary Landfill to get rid of them for free.

This event is for items that are dangerous to dispose of with regular garbage for various reasons, but hoarding them in a shed isn't the best idea either. So start gathering them up, and head on over to the landfill, which is at 685 Airport Road in Wauchula.

The free collection, available to Hardee County resi-

dents, will last from 8 a.m. until noon.

You can bring up to 60 pounds of material per household. Items you can bring in include the following:

Electronics like cell phones, computers, tablets and TVs, although you can't bring more than two TVs per household.

Chemicals like household cleaners, pool and photographic chemicals, old paint, paint removers and wood preservatives, stains, and polyurethanes.

Fuels like old gasoline, petroleum products and used motor oil.

Vehicle supplies like automobile batteries, engine filters, antifreeze, and brake transmission fluids.

And other items like garden pesticides, herbicides and See **DISPOSAL A2**

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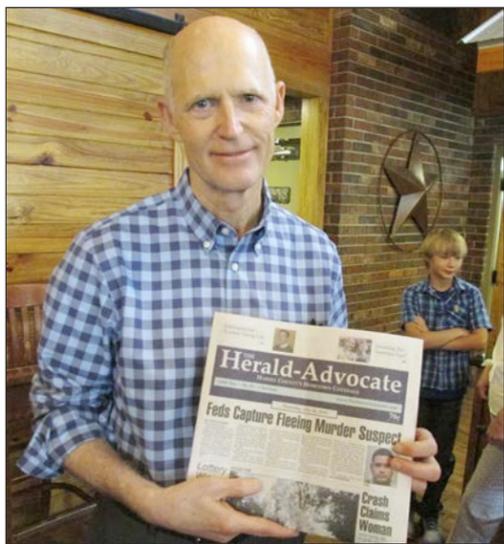
Kelly's Column

By Jim

Not to brag too much but the local newspaper is working hard to provide good quality journalism for Hardee County and not "fake news." The single copy price will increase to one dollar (tax included) next week due to rising expenses and a big jump in printing costs from the Lakeland Ledger, which does an excellent job for us.

The Ledger recently increased its single copy price from a dollar to two dollars weekdays and from two to three dollars on Sunday.

I am proud also of our columnists, including Rilla Cooper, Henrietta Benson, Clay Smith, Jerry (Gray Wolf) Phillips, Jonell Peavy, John Szeligo, David Horton, Roxie Bentley, and Jerry Smith. Annetta Stanton Kraus writes occasional features.



This is a photo of Florida Gov. Rick Scott, Republican candidate for U.S. Senate against incumbent Democrat Bill Nelson, holding a recent copy of the paper (not photo shopped).

It is important for informed citizens to get accurate unbiased information.

At one time Hardee County had four newspapers: Florida Advocate, Hardee County Herald, Bowling Green Exponent, and Zolfo Springs Truth. Now there is one.

There used to be the Fort Meade Leader, Polk County Democrat (Bartow), Frostproof News, Lake Placid Journal, Avon Park Sun, Lake Wales News, and Lake Wales Daily Highlander. Now those cities do not have a newspaper office in town but are served by regional newspapers. Regional newspapers are good, but I believe a city with a locally owned and operated newspaper is better served.

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Beginning with the Aug. 16 issue, The Herald-Advocate will increase its single-copy price from 75 cents to \$1.

That amount will include all applicable sales tax.

The price adjustment, which is the newspaper's first since 2011, is due to a recent 30-percent tariff imposed on Canadian newsprint and a 33-percent price hike in printing and manufacturing costs by The Ledger in Lakeland, which now prints The Herald-Advocate.

Current and new subscribers can lock in existing subscription rates for up to an additional year by calling our office at (863) 773-3255.

The Herald-Advocate values each and every one of our readers. We hope you will continue to support your hometown paper, which is now in its 118th year.

We are committed to continuing to bring you high-quality, award-winning journalism coverage of Hardee County and its people each and every week.

— Michael R. Kelly
Co-Publisher & Editor

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Rapid Systems was also going to be the last-mile provider under the MOU, which served the individual customers, in the other counties as part of the deal.

Even though the MOU was signed by all parties, a formal contract was never executed and FRBA backed out of the deal and left Rapid Systems owing more than \$500,000 for the increased bandwidth from Level 3 that it did not need.

Prior to tapping into the connection in Ona, Rapid Systems was utilizing bandwidth for its Hardee County customers from an internet connection in Riverview east of Tampa.

FRBA also took down Motorola radio equipment Rapid Systems was using on the poles and upgraded it to increase the carrying capacity of the network.

In response to FRBA backing out of the MOU, Rapid Systems ultimately sued the organization and some individual board members and other involved parties for \$25 million.

In 2013, while the lawsuit was ongoing, the IDA began the process of transferring ownership of the poles, which were on county rights of way, over to Rapid Systems since it had fulfilled its obligations under the contract.

FRBA tried to intervene and block the transfer, citing some of the equipment on the towers was theirs.

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insecticides and florescent lightbulbs.

You cannot bring gas cylinders, flares or ammunition, explosives or pyrotechnics, radioactive waste, or biohazards or infectious waste.

If you have any regular recyclable material, including corrugated cardboard, glass bottles, paper, and steel and aluminum cans, you can bring them with you to have them recycled. Recycling these items is free on all business days, too, so you don't need to limit your recycling to Saturday.

Businesses are not included in the free disposal, but can still bring their hazardous waste to the event if they generate under 220 pounds of hazardous waste each month. The cost, which needs to be paid at the event, will be determined based on current contract prices. Company or personal checks might not be accepted, so you will need to pay with Mastercard, Visa, cash, money order or cashier's check.

Businesses that generate between 220 and 2,200 pounds of hazardous waste each month can call EQ Florida at (813) 319-3429 beforehand to arrange to have their waste picked up during at the event for a fee.

If you have any questions about the event or would like more information, you can call 773-5089.

Rapid Systems attorneys asked the IDA to proceed with the transfer, which the board did.

Later in 2013, the IDA board agreed to reimburse Rapid Systems \$127,878 for half of the costs it had incurred to date in its legal dispute with FRBA.

Under terms of the agreement, Rapid Systems would reimburse the IDA if the company prevailed in court.

The IDA also voted to turn over ownership of the poles to the company, which by that point had a \$93,000 UCC-1 lien placed on the equipment and poles by FRBA.

Rapid Systems and FRBA reached a settlement in 2016 and all parties involved in the lawsuit signed a non-disclosure agreement, although the lien issue was not addressed.

Attorney David Whittemore of the Phelps & Dunbar law firm said the additional funding request stems from the company's settlement with FRBA and a recent ruling by Circuit Judge Marcus Ezelle on a tax warrant issue Rapid Systems was involved in with Hardee County Tax Collector Jackie Johnson.

The additional request was never submitted to the IDA and now "our client would like to finally and completely resolve the shared cost issue."

Whittemore's letter is also asking the IDA to "formally discharge and release" Rapid Systems from the promissory note it signed in connection with the original cost-sharing agreement.

Rapid Systems is proposing the IDA give the company \$720,000, which it will use to upgrade its network that will enhance the network's capacity and provide better system performance.

"If the IDA will agree to fund these upgrades at Rapid Systems's cost, it is willing to accept the reimbursement for these improvements and forgo its claims for the remainder of the original cost-sharing monies," the letter states.

"As our client has outlined, those sums were approximately \$500,000 but reimbursement of those amounts alone would not have provided for the improvements,"

Whittemore also said the

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still 14 and Herrada was 19, he "asked her to be his," the detective said. He then took the girl to his bedroom.

The 14-year-old told authorities the two engaged in unprotected sexual relations.

She became pregnant, and nine months later gave birth to a female infant.

A search warrant was obtained and Herrada's DNA was collected, proving him to be the father of the baby.

Herrada was arrested and booked into the Hardee County Jail by Hernandez on March 29 of this year.

Line Break Sends Sewage Into Ditch

A line break last Thursday sent approximately 1,000 gallons of sewage into a ditch near downtown Wauchula.

According to reports by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the spill began around 6:30 a.m. as a broken sewer line near the intersection of North Seventh Avenue and Townsend Street began spewing raw sewage.

Wauchula Assistant City Manager Olivia Minshev estimated the total spill at "less than 1,000 gallons."

The seeping sewage flowed into an adjacent ditch before collecting in a nearby stormwater box culvert.

"The box culvert was pumped out into a sewer manhole, returning the wastewater to the appropriate collection system," Minshev noted.

Wauchula Public Works crews worked through the morning before finishing repairs around 12:30 p.m.

Townsend Street from Seventh Avenue to U.S. 17 was closed to traffic while crews made repairs.

SAVE THE DATE

AUGUST

- 9 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/315 N. 6th Ave., Wauchula/ 10 am
- 10 – Wildcat Tailgate Party/Main Street Wauchula Inc./6 pm
- 10 – Scout Club/Main Street Wauchula Inc./6 pm
- 15 – Adult Coloring Club/ HC Public Library/ 10 am
- 16 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am
- 16 – Hardee County Candidate Forum/Hilltop Elementary Auditorium/2401 US-17, Wauchula/ 6 pm
- 17 – Class for Seniors/"Medicare Basics"/Hardee Help Center/10 am

- 21 – Devotion & Lunch/Hardee Help Center/Noon
- 22 – Adult Coloring Club/ HC Public Library/ 10 am
- 23 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

- 25 – HC Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
- 29 – Adult Coloring Club/ HC Public Library/ 10 am
- 30 – Storytime, HC Public Library/10 am
- 30 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am

SEPTEMBER

- 4 – Money Smart for Families/Hardee Help Center/6 pm
- 5 – Adult Coloring Club/ HC Public Library/ 10 am
- 6 – Storytime, HC Public Library/10 am
- 6 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am
- 11 – Money Smart for Families/Hardee Help Center/6 pm
- 12 – Adult Coloring Club/ HC Public Library/ 10 am
- 13 – Storytime, HC Public Library/10 am
- 13 – "Stitch by Stitch" Crochet and Knitting/HC Public Library/10 am
- 18 – Devotion & Lunch/Hardee Help Center/Noon
- 18 – Money Smart for Families/Hardee Help Center/6 pm
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Save The Date will keep residents informed of upcoming community happenings. To have your non-profit meeting or event posted for free, e-mail features@theheraldadvocate.com as far ahead as possible.

Corrections

At The Herald-Advocate, we want accuracy to be a given, not just our goal. If you believe we have printed an error in fact, please call to report it. We will review the information, and if we find it needs correction or clarification, we will do so here. To make a report, call Managing Editor Cynthia Krahl at 773-3255.

READY & WAITING



COURTESY PHOTO

Eager for the first day of school are (from left) Tanner Tyson, Emma Tyson and Veronica Hernandez, who cannot wait to show their North Wauchula Elementary School pride by wearing their new spirit shirts.

WILDCAT

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Country. Suncoast Credit Union is sponsoring the live music.

But don't get so busy watching performances that you forget about the vendors!

Restaurants and stores in the area are staying open late for the event, and there will be several food and merchandise vendors set up as well.

Of course, there will be plenty of fun for kids as well, including bounce houses and games. Family games like cornhole and checkers will also be available. And every 15 minutes there will be an organized tailgate game, like "blow me down," where kids need to knock over plastic cups with balloons.

For the kids who finished at least half of the Downtown Wauchula Scout Club adventures, a prize awaits at the Main Street Wauchula booth. Just make sure to bring your badges!

There will be two free health services available at the event. The Wauchula Lion's Club and Sevigny & Associates Eye Care will be giving free eye screenings, and Bay Street Medical will be giving free Ankle-Brachial Index (blood flow) testing.

If you want to meet some political candidates before the election, you're in luck. The following candidates plan to attend: Noey A. Flores, running for Hardee County Commission District 2; Steve Pincket, running for 10th Judicial Circuit Judge, Group 11; and Jim Pyle, Ken Evers and David Horton, all running for Hardee County judge.

This year's Wildcat Tailgate Party sponsors are Mosaic, Elect David Horton for Hardee County Judge, Sevigny & Associates Eye Care, Alan Jay Automotive Network and Bay Street Medical.

Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

It was 18th-century French writer Sebastien Nicolas de Chamfort who made the following sage observation: "Conscience is a dog that does not stop us from passing but that we cannot prevent from barking."

You might be surprised to learn that famed British author Aldous Huxley, best-known for his dystopian novel "Brave New World," was a consultant on Disney's 1951 animated film version of "Alice in Wonderland."

If you bring to mind an image of John Lennon, more likely than not you'll see him in your mind's eye wearing a pair of round spectacles. In July 2007, a single pair of those iconic glasses was sold at auction for a whopping \$2 million.

The tongue of the alligator is fastened to the jaw all the way around. That's why you'll never see a gator stick out its tongue.

You might be surprised to learn that the kilt originated not in Scotland, but in France.

You probably know that certain species of snakes can grow to enormous size, with the longest specimens reaching upward of 30 feet in length and the heaviest weighing more than 400 pounds. Kind of makes you wonder what these monstrous serpents eat — and you might be surprised. According to reports, a pet python named Houdini swallowed a queen-size electric blanket. Even more amazingly, after a two-hour operation, the snake lived!

Those who track radio statistics say Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" is the most-requested song in the United States — and this despite the fact that it was never released as a single on this side of the Atlantic.

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Florida has the most nesting bald eagles outside of Alaska.

Training For The Worst

By TOM STAIK

Of The Herald-Advocate

A student on a school bus — with a gun.

This possible doomsday scenario played out on Wednesday of last week at Hardee Junior High School.

"They learned a lot," said Bob Shayman, superintendent. "I certainly did."

The mock-exercise led by the Hardee County Sheriff's Office was part of a week-long training session for the school district's bus drivers and transportation staff.

The afternoon exercise in the bus loop of the junior high allowed participants to experience how law enforcement would respond to an active shooter on a school bus.

"We have got to be prepared for anything," said Sheriff Arnold Lanier.

Leading the exercise were

members of the Sheriff's Office Special Weapons And Tactics team — all in full tactical gear. Lt. Mat Tinsley led the training operation for the SWAT team.

The district's 36 bus drivers and six bus tutors served as "students" in the exercise and — after being briefed by SWAT team members — practiced evacuating the bus, their hands high in the air, as the lawmen secured the scene.

The training — one of several planned exercises for the coming year — was well received.

"We would like to do more of any of the scenarios that we might need to be on top of. The bus was one we thought of last year," Lanier said.

"They were very pleased with it and our SWAT team was, too. I think it was a good experience for all of us."

"We want to stay on top of any potential issues that may confront us," the county's top cop added.

School administration and law enforcement officials are expected to meet today (Thursday) to introduce the team of lawmen assigned to protect students and staff as school resource officers.

"We want everybody to get to know each other and know what to expect," Lanier said.

Hardee County, according to a report Tuesday by the Florida Department of Education, is one of three counties in the state to have all positions — for teachers and drivers — filled before the start of school.

The first school bus will roll out of the bus depot at 5:30 a.m. on Friday.

"We are ready," Shayman said.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Bus drivers pose as "students" as the Hardee County Sheriff's Office SWAT team conducts a mock active-shooter drill on a school bus last week in the bus loop at Hardee Junior High School.



The Hardee County Sheriff's Office SWAT team briefs school transportation staff in the most effective way to respond if shots are fired on a school bus.

Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO. 25-2016-CA-000204

Specialized Loan Servicing LLC Plaintiff,

vs.

Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Creditors and Lienors of Audrey McCall Bollinger a/k/a Audrey M. Bollinger, and All Other Persons Claiming by and Through, Under, Against The Named Defendant (s); Unknown Parties in Possession #1, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 25-2016-CA-000204 of the Circuit Court of the 10th Judicial Circuit in and for Hardee County, Florida, wherein Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, Plaintiff and Unknown Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, Assignees, Creditors and Lienors of Audrey McCall Bollinger a/k/a Audrey M. Bollinger, and All Other Persons Claiming by and Through, Under, Against The Named Defendant (s) are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Victoria L. Rogers, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash HARDEE COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, 417 W. MAIN STREET, 2nd FLOOR HALLWAY OUTSIDE OF ROOM 202, WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, 33873 AT 11:00 A.M. on August 22, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 12 TO 17, INCLUSIVE, BLOCK 10, WAUCHULA HILLS SUB-

DIVISION, HARDEE COUNTY FLORIDA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 1.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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CEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE COURT ADMINISTRATION, (863)-534-4488 WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE. IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL TDD (863) 534-7777 OR FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE 1-800-955-8770.

VICTORIA L. ROGERS, Clerk of the Circuit Court Hardee County, Florida

By: Connie Coker Deputy Clerk

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Bill Ludlam, who manages Torrey Oaks RV & Golf Resort, which borders the property on two sides. He expressed concerns over Bostick Road being able to accommodate the additional traffic associated with building the park.

Todd Miller, planning/development director for the county, said staff received several emails, phone calls and of-

face visits over the project. He said concerns centered on traffic, visual aspects of the park, water runoff and the lack of need for another RV park.

Miller said the proposal was consistent with all county regulations and he recommended the board approve the special exception and site development plan, which it did with a 4-0 vote.

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Crime Blotter

Sheriff's deputies and city police officers investigated the following incidents and made the following arrests during the past week. All suspects or defendants are presumed innocent of the charges against them.

COUNTY

Aug. 5, Shane Thomas Gay, 22, of 821 W. Stuart St., Bartow, was taken into custody on an out-of-county warrant by Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission Ofc. S. Karr.

Aug. 5, a vehicle was reported stolen on the 200 block of River Road.

Aug. 4, Michelle Carman Olivar, 25, of 1284 N. Holland-town Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Cpl. Jeremy Brandeberry and charged with failure to appear.

Aug. 4, Maria Suarez, 48, General Delivery, Zolfo Springs, was arrested by Dep. Johnny Trammell and charged with trespassing.

Aug. 4, a theft was reported on the 2000 block of Alamo Avenue.

Aug. 3, Irvin Martinez, 29, of 284 Griffin Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Bryant Ovalles and charged with trespassing and fraud/false ID.

Aug. 3, Santiago Lopez, 31, General Delivery, was arrested by Dep. Joseph Austin and charged with disorderly intoxication, fraud/false ID, failure to appear, and two out-of-county warrants.

Aug. 3, criminal mischief was reported on the 3900 block of Edison Avenue and the 200 block of Third Street East.

Aug. 3, a theft was reported on the 700 block of Second Street West.

Aug. 2, Josie Medrano, 27, of 306 Peace Dr., Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Brian LaFlam and charged with grand theft.

Aug. 2, Alfredo Perada, 26, of 432 Fifth St. E., Zolfo Springs, was arrested by Dep. Lyle Hart and charged with probation violation.

Aug. 2, Curt Richardson, 32, of 880 Griffin Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. John Layport and charged with probation violation.

Aug. 2, Tony Lynn Elliott, 26, of 134 Southland Ct, Avon Park, was taken into custody on an out-of-county warrant by Dep. Brian LaFlam.

Aug. 2, a theft was reported on the 500 block of Fairfax Drive.

Aug. 2, vehicles were reported stolen on the 100 block of East Broward Street and the 100 block of Bill Woods Road.

Aug. 1, John Kenneth McBride, 38, of 5015 Poplar Ave., Bowling Green, was arrested by Sgt. Danny O'Bryan and charged with probation violation.

Aug. 1, a business was burglarized on the 3500 block of Mancini Place.

Aug. 1, a residence was burglarized on the 500 block of State Road 64 West.

Aug. 1, thefts were reported on the 1100 block of Blue Jay Road and the 1800 block of U.S. 17 North.

July 31, Craig Russell Carpenter, 27, of 1840 McClellan

Road, Frostproof, was arrested by Dep. Kim Pfeiffer and charged with two counts of fraud.

July 31, Quinton Stone, 18, of 764 Polk Road, Wauchula, was arrested by Det. Shane Ward and charged with dealing in stolen property and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

July 31, thefts were reported on the 100 block of East Broward Street and the 500 block of State Road 64 West.

July 30, Billy Joe Wright, 29, of 510 E. Oak St., Wauchula, was arrested by Dep. Cierra Johnson and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of narcotics equipment, trespassing in a structure or conveyance, and four counts of failure to appear.

WAUCHULA

Aug. 5, Rogelio Lopez, 32, of 613 S. Florida Ave., Wauchula, was arrested by Ofc. Christopher Gicker and charged with battery.

Aug. 4, Victoria Palma, 19, of 1161 Downing Circle, Wauchula, was arrested by Ofc. Christopher Gicker and charged with possession of synthetic cannabis and possession of narcotics equipment.

Aug. 3, Le'vonte Cashion Kerr, 21, of 2749 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, was arrested by Ofc. Jason Cohen and charged with possession of marijuana not more than 20 grams and possession of narcotics equipment.

Aug. 3, a business was burglarized on the 1000 block of South Ninth Avenue.

Aug. 2, a theft was reported on the 100 block of Indiana Avenue.

Aug. 1, a residence was burglarized on the 500 block of East Oak Street.

Aug. 1, criminal mischief was reported on the 500 block of East Oak Street.

July 31, Daniel Dewayne Noblett, 53, of 116 Hilton Road, Bowling Green, was arrested by Ofc. Jason Cohen and charged with trespassing in a structure or conveyance.

July 31, thefts were reported on the 100 block of South Seventh Avenue and the 400 block of Walton Avenue.

July 30, a theft was reported on the 1100 block of South Sixth Avenue.

BOWLING GREEN

Aug. 1, Joel Calvillo, 25, of 5121 Martin Luther King Dr., Bowling Green, was arrested by Chief John Scheel and charged with battery and two counts of probation violation.

Aug. 1, a theft was reported on the 4600 block of Church Avenue.

July 30, Samantha D. Minor, 37, of 5017 Willow Ave., Bowling Green, was arrested by Cpl. Sean Guthas and charged with failure to appear.

Courthouse Report

COUNTY COURT

The following marriage license was issued recently in the Clerk of Courts Office:
Robert Bryan Jhett See, 19, of Wauchula, and Andrea Ryan McVay, 18, of Wauchula.

The following civil actions and small-claims cases were disposed of recently by the county judge:

Capital One Bank vs. Jerome R. Bridges, voluntary dismissal.

Discover Bank vs. Joseph A. Vessels, default final judgment for \$6,685.22.

Midland Funding vs. Aurelia Carrizales, final order dismissing case and approving settlement.

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Kaitlynn Benton and John C. Vandiver, final judgment for \$2,537.30.

Asset Acceptance vs. Odellia R. Ybarra, final judgment for garnishment of \$3,064.45.

Bank of America vs. Marilyn L. Pierre-Paul, default final judgment for \$3,732.61.

Asset Acceptance vs. Jeanette M. Sharp, final judgment for garnishment of \$3,850.22.

Sentencing data for criminal traffic, misdemeanor and felony court cases will return to this weekly "Courthouse Report" within the next 1-2 weeks as reporting arrangements are finalized.

CIRCUIT COURT

The following civil actions were filed recently in the office of the Circuit Court:

Federal National Mortgage Association vs. Joe Carlos and Maria Elena Arce, mortgage foreclosure.

David J. Romero and the Florida Department of Revenue vs. Gerardo Abigail Matos, petition for child support.

Victoria Deeson and FDOR vs. David Wayne Murphy, petition for child support.

Federated Capital Corp. vs. Earl Tyson, domestication of foreign judgment.

Tella D. Driskell and Thomas R. Driskell, petition for divorce.

Wauchula State Bank vs. Oaknoil Inc., James A. Melton and Jesse Cole Long, contracts and indebtedness.

The following decisions on civil cases pending in the Circuit Court were handed down recently by the circuit judge:

Janice Asiason Ellison and Ralph Williams III, amended final judgment for divorce.

Karrie Soto vs. Juan Gonzalez, final judgment of injunction for protection.

Ada M. Ayers vs. Lyndel L. Ayers, final judgment of injunction for protection.

Sherry D. Hollimon and Eugene Hollimon Jr., final judgment of divorce.

Anabel Vargas vs. Tomas Hernandez, order for child support modification.

Jessica Lynn Banda and Pedro Banda, final judgment for divorce.

The following deeds for real estate transactions of \$10,000 or more were filed recently in the Clerk of Courts Office:

John P. and Candace W. Bozeman to Eileen M. Blair, for \$160,000.

FBI Homes to J. Dimas Orta-Martinez and Joaquina Gonzalez de Orta, for \$65,000.

David A. Beyer and Misty D. Mitchell to 21st Mortgage Corp., for \$89,500.

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(If office unattended, please leave message.)

Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Bowling Green election qualifying period for Commission Seats 1, 2, & 3 will open August 13, 2018 at 8:00am and will run until August 17, 2018 at 4:00pm for a November 13, 2018 election. Qualifying fee is \$10.00 plus a \$30.00 Election Assessment. Candidates must be 18 years of age or older, registered voters and residents of the City of Bowling Green for the past 6 months. Candidates must qualify at the City of Bowling Green administrative office, 104 E. Main Street, Bowling Green, Florida during the above stated hours. Any questions regarding the election may be directed to the office of the City Clerk at 863-375-2255.

M. Carmen Silva
City Clerk

8:2.9c

Hardee County Education Foundation, Inc. Request for Proposals Endowment Investment Services

Pursuant to the Mosaic Land Development Agreement, \$8 million of economic mitigation payments will be dedicated to a permanent endowment trust to provide educational opportunities to Hardee County residents. The funds to establish and grow the endowment must be held in trust administered by the Hardee County Education Foundation (Foundation), under the direction of a Chartered Financial Analyst. The principal amount for this endowment trust shall be maintained at \$8 million.

Once the endowment trust is fully funded at \$8 million, earnings from the endowment such as interest and dividends can be used to fund a forgivable student loan program. The Foundation desires to earn at least 5% or 6% annually from the endowment.

The Hardee County Education Foundation will receive sealed proposals for endowment investment services. Desired proposal components and additional information are listed at <https://tinyurl.com/y95dunrx>

Seven (7) copies of proposals shall be submitted to the Hardee County Education Foundation at 1009 N. 6th Avenue or P.O. Box 1678, Wauchula, FL 33873. The proposals will be publicly opened at 2:00 PM on September 7, 2018. Proposals shall be sealed and plainly marked as follows:
Proposal- HCEF Endowment Investment Services
2:00 PM September 7, 2018

The Foundation reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received and to waive any minor inconsistencies and to request additional information from proposers. Unsealed proposals such as faxes and emails will not be accepted.

Finalists may be required to make an oral presentation in September 2018 to the Foundation's endowment committee and/or the Foundation Board. While the presentation may permit further clarification of the proposal, the written proposal should stand on its own merit.

The Foundation will post endowment investment advisor selection(s) at 1009 N. 6th Avenue, Wauchula, FL 33873 and at the web site: www.hardee.k12.fl.us. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed by Section 120.53(5), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

Calli Ward
Hardee County Education Foundation President

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CITY OF WAUCHULA NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City Commission of the City of Wauchula will hold the regular scheduled meeting Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:00pm, or as soon thereafter as it reasonably can be held. The agenda can be viewed at 126 South 7th Avenue or www.cityofwauchula.com.

The meeting will be held at the Commission Chambers located at 225 East Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873.

Pursuant to Section 286.0107, Florida Statutes, as amended, the City Commission hereby advises that if any interested person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at the proceedings, he will need a record of the proceeding and that, for such purposes, he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

The City Commission of the City of Wauchula, Florida does not discriminate upon the basis of any individual's disability status. This non-discriminatory policy involves every aspect of the Commission's functions, including ones access to, participation, employment or treatment in its programs or activities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, should contact the City Clerk at (863) 773-3131.

CITY OF WAUCHULA
S/ Richard K. Nadaskay Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST
S/Holly Smith
City Clerk



8:9c

CITY OF WAUCHULA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Board of Directors of the City of Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency (the Board) will hold a public meeting Monday, August 13, 2018 immediately following the City Commission meeting which will convene at 6:00 pm or as soon thereafter as it reasonably can be held. The complete agenda can be viewed at 126 S. 7th Avenue or www.cityofwauchula.com

The meetings will be held at the Commission Chambers located at 225 East Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873.

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CITY OF WAUCHULA
S/Keith Nadaskay
Chairman
Community Redevelopment Agency

ATTEST
S/Holly Smith
City Clerk



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AVID FOR A.V.I.D.



COURTESY PHOTOS

North Wauchula Elementary School recently spent a full day on professional training for A.V.I.D. Elementary Critical Reading Strategies and Costa's Levels of Thinking for Increased Student Inquiry. NWES is the first elementary school in the district to implement the Advancement Via Individual Determination program. The mission of A.V.I.D. is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

REGAL RETURN



COURTESY PHOTOS

A buffet of fruit salad and breakfast tacos greeted faculty and staff members of North Wauchula Elementary as they returned to the school last week. The meal was provided and served by members of Bayside Community Church. School workers also enjoyed meeting new staff members, catching up with their teammates and receiving the new staff shirts which reflect the royal schoolwide theme.



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

WARNING
THERE ARE UNPAID TAXES ON THE PROPERTY WHICH YOU OWN OR IN WHICH YOU MAY HAVE LEGAL INTEREST.

The property will be sold at a public auction on the 29th day of August, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., unless the back taxes are paid. To make payment or for questions concerning real property taxes, contact the Hardee County Tax Collector's Office at (863) 773-9144 (PO Box 445, Wauchula, FL 33873). To receive further information regarding the Tax Deed Sale, contact the Hardee County Clerk of the Courts, immediately, at (863) 773-4174 (P.O. Drawer 1749, Wauchula, Florida, 33873).

The holder of the following tax certificate has filed the certificate for a tax deed to be issued. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 1318
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2012
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: James A. Cunningham, Trustee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 34-34-27-0000-50050-0000

600 AC 1/32 MINERAL RIGHTS
ALL LESS NW1/4 OF NW1/4
PART OF 9185 ACRE TRACT
LESS PHOSPHATE OR 228 P 790

SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

All of the property is in HARDEE County, Florida.

Unless the certificate or certificates are redeemed according to law, the property described in the certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder on August 29, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

Pursuant to F.S. 197.512
Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD008XXXX
Date: 07/23/2018
Ad No.: 1

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Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 252018CA000065

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WAUCHULA, a National Banking Association organized under the laws of the United States of America, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOE A. BROWN; STEPHANIE JOHNSON; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA) NA; AND MIDLAND FUNDING LLC, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CITIBANK USA, N.A.; Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: JOE A. BROWN, AND ALL OTHERS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN OR TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for mortgage foreclosure of the following described real property in Hardee County, Florida, is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Hardee County, Florida:

Lots 19 and 20, Block F, Charlie Creek Mobile Home Estates, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, page 37, public records of Hardee County, Florida.

Together with 2008 WAVERLY CREST double-wide mobile home, I.D. Nos. FLFL770A33706-WC31 and FLFL770B33706-WC31.

Parcel I.D. No.: 31-33-27-0860-0000F-0019

has been filed against you by the Plaintiff, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WAUCHULA, a National Banking Association organized under the laws of the United States of America, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on Kenneth B. Evers, Petitioner's Attorney, whose address is Post Office Drawer 1308, Wauchula, Florida 33873-1308, on or before thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this Notice and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiffs' attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a Default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

DATED on July 31, 2018.

VICTORIA L. ROGERS, As Clerk of the Court

By: Connie Coker Deputy Clerk

8:9,16c

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 18-CA-007069

In re: Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors of

CARESYNC, INC., Assignor,

To:

JOSEPH J. LUZINSKI, Assignee.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

TO: CREDITORS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on July 23, 2018, a petition commencing an assignment for the benefit of creditors pursuant to chapter 727, Florida Statutes, made by CareSync, Inc., assignor, with principal place of business at 14055 Riveredge Drive, #600, Tampa, Florida 33637, to Joseph J. Luzinski, assignee, whose address is 500 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 400, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309, was filed.

YOU ARE HEREBY further notified that in order to receive any dividend in this proceeding you must file a proof of claim with the assignee or the assignee's attorney on or before November 20, 2018.

STEPHANIE C. LIEB RHYS P. LEONARD TRENAM, KEMKER, SCHARF, BARKIN, FRYE, O'NEILL & MULLIS, P.A.

PO Box 1102 Tampa, FL 33601-1102 Tel: (813) 223-7474 Proposed Attorneys for the Assignee, Joseph J. Luzinski

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Want to sell, rent or hire? CLASSIFIEDS DEADLINE IS TUESDAY AT NOON

Obituaries

In Memory



DIANA DAVIS YOUMANS

Diana Davis Youmans, 67, of Wauchula, passed away Aug. 5, 2018, in Tampa. She was born Feb. 27, 1951, in Haines City, where she grew up and attended high school. She met her husband, Jim Youmans, and moved to Wauchula in 1969. Diana first served the community as a teacher but spent most of her professional life working in the Phosphate Industry, often working alongside her former students. Diana spent 25 years with the industry before retiring from Mosaic last year.

Diana was a respected and beloved leader whose commitment to her community created a meaningful and lasting impact. Her welcoming smile and tireless work ethic was often at the center of events for the numerous organizations she championed throughout her life.

She was a cheerleading and majorette coach, a science teacher, served on the board of the Cloverleaf Foundation of Hardee County, Hardee Education Foundation Board, Friends of the Parks, and was a founding member of the library board of Hardee County.

County. Diana made sure there were cookies with Santa at the Library. She never missed a Wildcat Tailgate Party, made sure her fair booth was the best, and remained a staunch supporter of 4-H in Hardee and across the region.

Diana also loved the many dogs who called her mom, the symphony, good wine, travel and adventures with her dear friends and son, Kerry.

Diana was a graduate of Warner Southern College. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim "Jimmy" Youmans; and father, Charles Davis.

Diana is survived by her loving son, Michael "Kerry" Youmans, of New York City; mother, Norma Ruppel, of Wauchula; sister, Cherie Polley, of Indiana; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m. with services following at 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 10, 2018, at First Baptist Church of Wauchula. Burial will be private in Wauchula Cemetery.

The family has asked that memorial remembrances in Diana's name be directed to the Hardee Education Foundation or the Cloverleaf Foundation of Hardee County.

Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com

Ponger-Kays-Grady

Funeral Home & Cremation Services Wauchula



In Memory

PEGGIE BRIGHTWELL

Peggie Brightwell, 82, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 5, 2018, in Lakeland.

Born Dec. 3, 1935, in Tyner, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late George H. and Dorothy Liner.

Mrs. Brightwell was a member of Scott Lake Baptist Church in Lakeland and worked as a loan officer in the banking industry in the Wauchula area for many years.

Along with her parents, Mrs. Brightwell was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Brightwell; and her son, Terry Chaney.

She is survived by her son, Timothy Chaney (Peggy), of Wauchula; her step-sons, Jeffrey Brightwell (Eileen), of Riverview, and Scott Brightwell (Debi), of Lakeland; and her siblings, Susan Hunt (Robert), of Lakeland, Jackie Lindsey (Lee), of Lakeland, Sharon Moore (Bobby), of Frostproof, and George H. Liner Jr. (Sharon), of Lakeland. She also leaves behind her grandchildren, Corey (Cayla), Matthew, Lucas, Kara (Michael), Robbie (Cassandra); and six great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, Aug. 10 at 11 a.m. at Lakeland Memorial Gardens, 2125 U.S. 98 South in Lakeland.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Scott Lake Baptist Church, c/o the Ministry for the Homebound.

Condolences at whidden-mccleanfuneralhome.com

Whidden-McClean Funeral Home Bartow

In Loving Memory

RONNIE LEE REDDING



Ronnie Lee Redding, 71, of Polk City, passed away on Sunday, July 29, 2018. He was born in Wauchula, on Sept. 19, 1946. Ronnie had been a resident of Hardee County for most of his life. He worked for "Duck Smith" as a ranch foreman. He was a member of the Oak Grove Baptist Church. He proudly served in the United States Army.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Elmo Redding; and his sister, Gail Redding Deuberry. He is survived by his lov-

ing wife of 47 years, Karen Dykes; his sons, Michael "Mike" Dykes, of Lakeland, Ronnie Lee Redding Jr., of Wauchula, and Johnny Redding, of Polk City; daughters Sherry Dykes, of Wauchula, and Tonya Owens, of Manchester, Tenn.; brothers, Bobby Joe Redding (wife Irene), of Soperton, Ga., and Robert Wesley Redding III (wife Nancy), of Wauchula; sister Jeanette Redding Gibson (husband Jerry), of Bradenton; as well as nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

A visitation was held at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. Funeral services followed starting at 10:30 a.m. Pastor Jerry Smith officiated services. Interment was at the Oak Grove Cemetery.

Expressions of comfort may be made at robartsfh.com.

Robarts Family

FUNERAL HOME WAUCHULA



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In Loving Memory

MELINDA ANN SPRACKLEN



Melinda Ann Spracklen, of Hardee County, passed away Tuesday, July 31, 2018, at Florida Hospital of Wauchula, at the age of 68.

Melinda was born in Shelbyville, Ill., on Oct. 6, 1949. She had been a Hardee County resident since 1995, coming from Decatur, Ill. Melinda was employed as a Building and Zoning Code Enforcement Officer by Hardee County. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Wauchula.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Erville and Dorothy Padgett; loving husband of 47 years, Paul Spracklen; and a brother,

Kenneth Padgett. Melinda is survived by her son, Michael Spracklen (wife Marsha), of Chipley; daughter, Melany Milby (husband Mike), of Wauchula; sister, Barb Moreau (husband Larry), of Mattoon, Ill.; grandchildren, Ashley Milby-Nava (husband Chris), Christina Milby-Gray (husband Justin), Danielle Milby-Mingrino (husband Pablo), Denise Spracklen, Elizabeth Spracklen-Brown (husband Dustin); and great-grandchildren, Lilly Gray, Levi Gray, Fisher Lee Brown, Aiden Brown.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018, at 11 a.m., at First Christian Church of Wauchula. Reverend Tom Hartman officiated services.

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OBITUARY POLICY

The Herald-Advocate publishes obituaries free of charge as a public service. Forms showing the information which may be included in a free obituary are available at local funeral homes or at our office.

Paid obituaries may include additional information and remembrances.

All obituaries, however, must be submitted by a funeral home. No personal submissions will be accepted.

Funeral homes can submit obituaries to obits@theheraldadvocate.com.

In Loving Memory



TAMIE KAY DEASE

Tamie Kay Dease, 59, of Bowling Green, formerly of Palmetto, died at Manatee Memorial Hospital, on Aug. 1, 2018.

She was born in Polk County, on March 14, 1959, and had lived in Hardee County most of her life. She had worked for the U.S. Government as a secretary.

Survivors include her daughter, Regina Ward, of Bowling Green; and two grandchildren, Destinee Jackson and Myron Refoure III.

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Robarts Family

FUNERAL HOME WAUCHULA



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Bible Trivia

By Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Abram in the Old or New Testament or neither?
 2. According to Acts 25, what title belonged to Agrippa? King, Queen, Saint, Apostle
 3. Who asked God, "Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh"? Moses, Eve, Samuel, Abraham
 4. From Acts 13, who was called, "A man after mine own heart"? Gideon, David, Matthew, James
 5. Who is the only person known to have wrestled with an angel? Ruth, Esther, Jacob, Joshua
 6. From Genesis 1:20, on what day did God create the birds? 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th
- ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) King; 3) Moses; 4) David; 5) Jacob; 6) 5th
- Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," now available in bookstores and online.

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Obituaries

In Memory



**Legacy of
ETHEL M.
EARNEST**

Born to Bruce M. and Sally Connor Morris on March 24, 1937, and went to Heaven on Aug. 1, 2018, after a brief hospital stay. Mrs. Earnest is survived by her husband of 41 years, Donald M. Earnest, of Zolfo

Springs. Mrs. Earnest leaves five loving daughters, Wilma A. Rhodes (John) and Lillian E. Mason (Mike), of Jacksonville, Janie M. Pate (Mark), of Ft. Myers, Gloria L. Lowery (Mark), of Sarasota, and Donna Conover (Joe), of Lehigh Acres. Mrs. Earnest is also survived by her sister, Lillian Alderman; her step-brother, Joe Durrance; her brother-in-law, Walter Earnest; and her sister-in-law, Marcella Earnest. Mrs. Earnest has 13 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews, all whom she loved very dearly. Mrs. Earnest was a seamstress who worked from home for over 35 years and assisted with the decor in the Ringling Mansion in Sara-

sota. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a donation be made to the Gardner Baptist Church, 8638 U. S. Highway 17 S., Zolfo Springs, Florida 33890. Mrs. Earnest's Memorial Service will be held at the Gardner Baptist Church on Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, at 11 a.m. with a meal to follow.

Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com

Ponger-Kays-Grady

**Funeral Home & Cremation Services
Wauchula**



In Memory



**VIRGINIA
'GINGER' LEE
GOUGH**

Virginia Lee passed away Friday, Aug. 3, 2018, at Florida Hospital in Wauchula. She had lived in Wauchula with her husband of 49 years, John Roy Gough.

Moving to Hardee county in 1970 with their first child, Jennifer Lee Gough, she also raised and is survived by twins, Jessica Gough Cool (husband Doug and grandson Cade Cool), of Sebring, and J.R. Gough, (wife Amie and two grandsons, Gage and Cason Gough), who live in Hardee county.

Virginia Lee Crossman, better known as Ginger Lee was born in Miami on March 19, 1942, the only daughter of Earl R. and A. Virginia (McKinstry) Crossman, who both precede her in death.

She also has three brothers, Earl (Migdalia) Crossman, Clifton Crossman, Larry (Sue) Crossman; and a sister-in-law, Karen Gough Drake. Ginger Lee had three nephews, Trey, Chris, and Paladin; and five nieces, Mandy, Bria, Bonnie, Stephanie and Dana, all from Florida.

Ginger Lee was raised in Pahokee until the family relocated to Plantation, where she graduated high school in

1960. She attended Florida State University but left to work as the Ft. Lauderdale exhibit hostess at the World's Fair in New York City in 1964. Ginger Lee continued working in Manhattan, both at Macy's and JC Penny's department stores as a display designer and clothing buyer.

Upon returning home to work in her family's sweet corn business, she met John Roy Gough who was a salesman calling on her father. The couple married on May 30, 1969, first moving to Winter Haven and then settling in Hardee county, where she was a homemaker and involved in several civic organizations such as HARC, Jr. Women's Club Art Show, Hardee County Fair Board, and in schools as a parent and mentor.

Visitation will be held for Ginger Lee Gough at First Baptist Church of Wauchula on Saturday Aug. 11 beginning at 10:00 a.m., with a service to follow and then funeral procession to New Zion Baptist Church in Ona for burial.

The Goughs and the New Zion church family want to invite everyone to stay and enjoy food and fellowship on the grounds after that.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations can be made to Florida Baptist Children's Home in honor of Ginger Lee Gough.

Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com

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In Memory



**TAMMY C. 'T.T.'
EVERY**

Tammy C. "T.T." Every, 52, passed away Saturday, Aug. 4, 2018.

Tammy was born Sept. 9, 1965, in Bartow. She graduated from Fort Meade High School class of 1984. She was a legal secretary for the State Attorney's Office. She was of the Baptist faith.

She is survived by her husband, Mark Every, of Fort Meade; son, Austin Helms; step-son, Michael John Edwards; mother, Norma Jean Heberling; sister, Deborah Barnhill; grandson, Garrett Edwards; and three nieces, Macey Barnhill, Dani-Lynn Barnhill, and Delaney Barnhill.

Family will receive friends Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, from 10-11 a.m., at First Baptist Church of Bowling Green. Memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 11, 2018, at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 4531 US 17 in Bowling Green.

Condolences to family at www.whiddenmccleanfuneralhome.com

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Notices

CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018, 5:30 PM

Please take notice that the City of Wauchula Planning & Zoning Board will hold public hearings on Monday, August 20, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. in the City of Wauchula Commission Chambers at 225 E. Main Street, Suite 105, Wauchula, Florida to hear the following items:

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA; AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE 2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, SAID AMENDMENT BEING KNOWN AS "AMENDMENT 18-1ESR"; SPECIFICALLY, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT TO ADD A NEW FUTURE LAND USE CATEGORY TITLED HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; AND TRANSMITTING SAID AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

AND

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF WAUCHULA, FLORIDA, SPECIFICALLY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (LDR) TO HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (HDR) FOR APPROXIMATELY 7.8 ACRES OWNED BY JOHN CHRISTIAN ROBERSON LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF 8TH AVENUE SOUTH AND MELANDY STREET (PARCEL NUMBER 09-34-25-0000-06380-0000), A PARCEL OF LAND IDENTIFIED IN EXHIBIT "A" HEREOF; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

EXHIBIT A



Copies of the proposed amendments are available for inspection and review with the City Clerk from between 8 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Comments may also be submitted in writing to the City Clerk prior to or during the meeting.

Persons are advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Planning and Zoning Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, at his or her own expense and effort, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based per Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the Clerk's Office at least 48 hours before the hearing by contacting (863) 773-3535.



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In Memory



**MARY JO
CRAWFORD
UNDERWOOD**

Mary Jo Crawford Underwood, 89, passed away Friday, Aug. 3, 2018, at Lakeland Regional Health, in Lakeland.

Mrs. Underwood was born Aug. 26, 1928, in Lakeland, and was a resident of Mulberry for many years. She was retired from the Polk County School Board as a school bus driver for over 30 years, and was a member of the Southside

Baptist Church in Mulberry. Mrs. Underwood was preceded in death by her husband, Ira Crawford; son, Randall Ira Crawford; and her brothers and sisters.

She is survived by her daughter, Retha Crawford Martin (and husband Terry), of Bowling Green; son, Ronald Crawford, of Bowling Green; daughter-in-law, Joy Crawford, of Thomson, Ga.; grandchildren, Michelle Crawford Broxton, Hope Crawford Thigpen, Ric Crawford; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation was held from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2018, at Hancock Funeral Home, 945 E. Broadway, Fort Meade. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m., today (Thursday), Aug. 9, 2018, from the Paynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church with interment following in the Paynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery.

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Funeral homes can submit obituaries to obits@theheraldadvocate.com.

In Loving Memory



**VALERIE ANN
THOMAS**

Valerie Ann Thomas, of Sarasota County, passed away on Friday Aug. 3, 2018, at Sarasota Memorial Hospital, at the age of 35.

Valerie was born in Sayre, Pa. She was a resident of Sarasota County for most of her life. She was a laborer for Damet Home Restoration, of Northport.

Valerie is survived by her father, Scott Thomas, of Attalla, Ala.; mother, Debra Goble (Mark Zielenski), of Owego, N.Y.; brothers, Steven Thomas (Erica), of Wauchula; Greg Goble, of Owego, N.Y.; Joshua Goble, of Owego, N.Y.; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Expressions of comfort may be made at robertsfh.com.

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80TH BIRTHDAY



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On Saturday, July 14, Donald Earl Albritton of Bowling Green celebrated his 80th birthday at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Donald Earl is flanked by his friend Jack Carlton, 93, a retired long distance truck driver who lives in Bowling Green, grandchildren Brooke Johnston, 11, Andrew Johnston, 9, and Wauchula friend Chad Jones, a well-known Hardee Wildcat and Florida Gator sports fan.

Brookside Bluff News

By Jerry Smith
517-930-1524

I think anyone who has had a freezer has found something in it that was totally forgotten! And so to the credit of Paula Nicholson and her crew, they created "Freezer Food Friday." The social event was enjoyed by everyone left in our park who attended.

The picture sent to me by Terri Godin was indeed proof that life goes on in Brookside, even during the summer months. But all events have their side stories. Here is one for this event.

Seems like Gary Godin finally got the good set of knives that he wanted for his work in the kitchen. He felt he just had to have them to get things done in a timely fashion. But getting ready for "Freezer Food Friday," he found out the hard way why it pays to be extra careful with a sharp knife.

He actually had a required trip to the Emergency Room for a nasty cut on his finger. On top of the embarrassment of that, his friends greeted him with a variety of jokes. After all, what are friends for? Yes, he is healing nicely. Thank You!

The following article was submitted by my wife Dee...

A big thank you goes to all of you who contributed to the back pack/school supply project. \$130.00 was collected which was used to purchase school supplies and then donated to the Hardee County Help Center located in

Wauchula. Our sewing group purchased Back Packs which were also donated to the project.

A huge shout out to Jackie Vanderhorst and Charleen Leterman who shopped for the supplies and then delivered them to the Help Center.

This year plans are coming together for a "Mitten Tree" at Christmas time. Hardee Help

Center is most grateful for any and all donations in their quest to serve the residents of Hardee County.

Brookside residents can always be counted on to participate in these types of worthwhile projects. That is one reason why I love to live here. The pictured shows what was purchased and donated to the Help Center.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured from left to right are Sue and Jay Shillito and Kathy and Paul Bennett.



Supplies donated to Hardee Help Center.

Register Now For Hardee, Fort Meade Golf Scramble

The Chamber of Commerce in Hardee County and in Fort Meade have teamed up to host their first Scramble for Commerce Alumni Showdown Golf Tournament.

This event will be held on the Saturday following the Hardee Wildcats vs. the Fort Meade Miners high-school football game. It is hoped to become an annual event.

The winner of this golf match will earn bragging rights and the privilege of housing a trophy in their community for the year.

This will be the biggest tri-

county tournament of 2018.

The tournament includes a catered lunch, beverages and entertainment. There will be door prizes, a 50/50 drawing and a merchandise raffle.

There will be \$1,000 in cash prizes among first, second and third places. And there will be many fun and challenging competitions along the way.

The Scramble for Commerce will be Saturday, Aug. 25, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at River Green Golf Course in Avon Park.

To register, contact Jessica Turner at 773-6967 or director@hardeecc.com.

Celebrating In August:

- Admit You're Happy Month
- Family Fun Month
- National Catfish Month
- National Eye Exam Month
- National Golf Month
- Peach Month
- Romance Awareness Month
- Water Quality Month
- National Picnic Month

Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **MOVIES:** Who directed the movie "La Dolce Vita"?
2. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is the famous Olduvai Gorge located?
3. **MYTHOLOGY:** Tyr was a Norse god of what?
4. **MUSIC:** What pop group sang "Love Shack"?
5. **PRESIDENTS:** How old was Theodore Roosevelt when he was inaugurated?
6. **SCIENCE:** In what century was Isaac Newton born?
7. **HISTORY:** When was the last year the Dodgers played in Brooklyn?
8. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the symbol of the zodiac sign Scorpio?
9. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Greek prefix "speleo" mean?

ANSWERS

1. Fededrico Fellini
2. Tanzania
3. War
4. The B-52s
5. 42
6. 17th century
7. 1957
8. Scorpion
9. Cave

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Fort Green News

By Rilla Cooper
773-6710

Greetings from Fort Green! Dwayne Willis preached at Fort Green last Sunday morning and night. I like his preaching as it reminds me of Scott Roper. He used to live in Hardee County but now lives in North Carolina. One time when we were on vacation, Mary and Earl Barger went with us to hear him preach. He and wife were sure surprised when we came in, but one time before he was holding a revival near a campground we were at and we surprised him again.

He questioned what was wrong with our churches as so many are about empty at night. Elaine Abbott called me the other day and said we should be proud of Fort Green. We still have church on Sunday night and Wednesday night. So many of the big churches no longer have these services. She said the cause was the devil had the schools, as no prayer was allowed now, and was working on the churches.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Ginger Lee Gough. She made her final journey over the weekend after making a great fight with that horrible big "C" word. Please pray for this family.

In last week's paper was the obit for Sue Raley and I did not recognize her photo. We were friends years ago and I did not know she was the roommate of Gertrude Shumard out at Resthaven. The few times I visited with Mrs. Shumard I didn't even recognize Sue. Sympathy is extended to her family.

Resthaven is a great country atmosphere for the elderly to spend some of their final years. I hope the county never decides to close it down and relocate to the old hospital. There it would be a cold atmosphere, and no one could sit on the front porch and rock away their troubles or reminisce about the good old days.

Two important dates for Fort Green Church. On Aug. 18, there will be a wedding shower for Terri Miller at 3 p.m. This is an unusual time for showers at our church but mark your calendars that it is at 3 on the 18th.

Another important date is the benefit for Tracy Powell. I knew the names would be out in no time. It will be Aug. 25 beginning at 4:30 for supper or dinner, whatever you call it, in the fellowship hall. The meal time is until 5:30. so the ladies can get the kitchen cleaned for the Gulf State Quartet beginning at 6. The menu is chicken and dumplings, green beans, roll, drink and peach cobbler. You can dine in or take out. Hope to see you there.

Sherry Smith told us in Sunday School that without the help of the church and friends, they

could not have made it during her husband's three years off work. Most disability plans do not kick in for six months. That is the reason for the benefit for Tracy and wife Elizabeth. There will be some special music from some of the church members also.

We have a new family in the community who has bought the old Scooter and Stephanie Reid place. Their last name is Harvey and we are hoping to meet him and family at church some time when his church does not have services.

Sam Rawls is recovering nicely from his surgery and is still in Lakeland Regional Medical Center. It was reported last Wednesday night that Ken Miller had surgery, Jim Hughes is ill and Patsy Hughes has a benign tumor they are watching. Mary Samuels has a special doctor appointment in Tampa and Lynda Abbott is still recovering at home as is Helen Albritton. Please pray for these.

My grandson, T.K. Hogenauer, thinks his eye has healed but will not return to the specialist until Sept. 10. We are praising the Lord for this healing.

We have beautiful decorations at church, sunflowers in a rustic bucket and sunflowers in croker-sack wreaths. The proper word for croker sacks means burlap but all my childhood they were called croker sacks and we used them for sack races. Alice Faye and her ABC girls do such a good job on decorating. Our church is blessed they began here.

It is great to see the teachers getting ready to return to school. We usually think of students getting "new school clothes" but most of the teachers do also! I can remember those fun days, but my mama made most of my clothes and they were called homemade back then but now they are handmade and very desirable!

Don't forget the Primary voting is Aug. 28.

Most of you, I think, are probably like me and have never heard of ham and dumplings. I had never, but Faye and Chrysta Chancey were talking about how good they were. Her daughter was going to visit a cousin in Atlanta who had a hankering for some of the good old meals that Granny Jeanette Chancey used to cook and they turned out just as good as usual. You boil ham and take off the bone and then proceed like you do with chicken and dumplings. I am going to try some one day!

Angie and Donovan have returned to church after missing for a great vacation. It's always good to see someone when they have missed for a couple of weeks!

Please pray for our nation and each other.

4-City News

By Henrietta Benson
448-6737

Happy birthday to all August birthdays.

The community meeting concerning the Bowling Green Memorial Garden Cemetery's care will be Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. at New Life Power Outreach Fellowship Hall.

Shirley Tucker returned last Saturday after a week's visit with son Jock Brown and family in New York.

Please remember the sick: Nick Jones, Charlie Robinson, Charlie Rivers, Walter Daniels, Dwain Lain, Alene Hagins, Jessie Earl Belcher and Cheryl Davis.

Jace Greene celebrated his second birthday Thursday — to a doctor visit, a visit with his aunt and family, and back in Bowling Green and Wauchula enjoyed ice cream and cake.

Deepest sympathy to the Dease Family in the passing of Tamie Kay Dease of Bowling Green on Aug. 1. She had been a resident in Hardee County most of her life, age 59. Ms. Tamie was born March 14, 1959.

Progressive MB Church's Fifth Sunday Union Meeting convened in Nichols at Amy Chapel MB Church.

Deepest sympathy to the Laster Family in the home-going of their sister, Dixie Laster Laughlin, born Sept. 23, 1938, in Fort Myers to the late Jessie Lee Laster and Lillie Mae Laster.

Dixie was a professional cosmetologist in Miami serving the community around

Liberty City, past Eastern Star and served as worthy matron. She was a foster parent for over 20 years. Passed July 27. Visitation was Friday in Lakeland at Oldham Funeral Home. Service was Saturday. Interment at Magnolia Manor Cemetery in Wauchula. The Rev. Alex Harper delivered the eulogy during the service held at New Mt. Zion AME Church, Wauchula.

Annual Men's Day at St.

John AME Church is Aug. 26 at 4 p.m. All are welcome.

Progressive MB Church of Wauchula, the Rev. Arthur Powell, pastor, will render the 3 p.m. service on Aug. 19 in Arcadia at Friendship MB church, the Rev. Lewis C. Anderson Jr., pastor.

Fling-Fling Tea hosted by Progressive MB Church will convene Saturday, Aug. 25, at 4 p.m. at the Garden Club in Wauchula.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

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Wauchula Methodist Church Hosted Dr. Elver Hodges' 106th Birthday



Doc with his birthday cake on July 29.



PHOTOS BY SANDY SCOTT

Doc Hodges with daughters Kathy, Margaret and Lucy.



Doc and Bill Hodge.



Doc and Charles Cannon.



Jean Burton and Roxie Bentley.



Doc and Dr. Sylvia Collins.



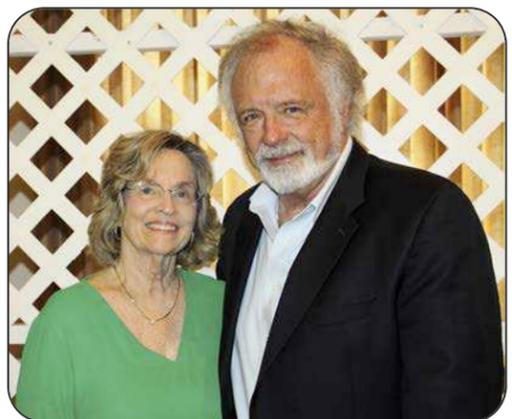
Doc with B.J. Norris.



Doc with Jeraldine Crews.



Doc with members of the Wednesday Musicale.



Bess and James Stallings.



Doc with Florence Heath and Edgar Davis.



Doc with Fay and Bud Evers.



Bill Crews, Edgar Davis and Gayle Palmer.



Edgar Davis, Duck Smith, B.J. Norris and Bill Crews.

LESSON PREP



COURTESY PHOTO

Teachers at Zolfo Springs Elementary School have been working hard getting their classrooms and the campus ready for a new set of students. Final preparations are being taken now, as classes start tomorrow (Friday).

School Taxes Going Down

By TOM STAIK
Of The Herald-Advocate

Schools taxes are going down.

The School Board of Hardee County voted 4-0 last week to decrease its property tax assessment to 6.319 mills.

A property valued at \$100,000 will be assessed roughly \$631.90 for 2018-19. That same property would have been assessed \$660.90 under the current year's 6.609 mill school tax.

The decision to lower the tax was not decided locally.

Instead, the cut was handed down by the Florida Department of Education through what is called a "required local effort" tax rate that is set annually in Tallahassee for school funding and handed down to counties to pass.

The cut in the required local effort represented a 6.6 percent decrease as .29 mills were wiped from schools

taxes.

The cut in taxes is expected to at least be partially offset by a 3.2 percent increase in Hardee County's tangible property values, which rose by \$52,429,047 to \$1,679,162,976 this year.

The school district's .749 mill discretionary operating tax and 1.5 mill capital outlay tax remain unchanged.

The 6.319 millage will help fund a projected \$62,245,218 budget for the Hardee County School District this year.

The budget, also approved Monday by a 4-0 vote, includes \$29,104,076 in direct instructional costs and \$2,038,245 for special building projects.

Construction projects include replacing two original air handlers at Hardee Senior High School, renovating the auditorium at the high school, replacing water mains at Zolfo Springs Elementary, renova-

tions to the commons block at Hardee Junior High, repairs to the office at Wauchula Elementary, and renovations to the media center at North Wauchula Elementary.

Capital purchases will include two school buses, a work van, a sport utility vehicle, and a lift truck.

"It is great to see us moving forward," said Paul Samuels, board chair. "It is great to see these projects moving towards fruition for the benefit of the district."

Monday's public hearings to set the tax and budget lasted six minutes and, like previous budget sessions, drew no comment from the public.

Vice Chairman Garry McWhorter and board members Thomas Trevino and Mildred Smith did not comment outside of making motions supporting the action.

Board member Teresa Crawford was absent.

Permitting Delays Plague Wauchula CRA Projects

By TOM STAIK

Of The Herald-Advocate

City leaders are searching for a solution following a run of permitting delays that have plagued a series of projects backed by the Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency.

"I am concerned with the ongoing theme of what seems an extended length of time to get things approved," said Commissioner Ken Lambert.

The Wauchula City Commission was briefed Monday evening during a workshop on permitting delays that have forced construction delays on two Wauchula CRA-backed projects.

Utilitech and Hardee Development Inc. appeared before the commission to defend requests for contract extensions.

The problem, representatives said, stems from delays in getting permits approved through the Hardee County Building Department.

"Plans are sitting in Building & Zoning," said Kirk Thompson, of Utilitech. "Our contractors are ready to go ... At this point we are just waiting for the county to say here is your permit, and when they do we are moving."

Hardee Development's Juan Curci also cited permitting delays:

"From the time we got CRA approval it took more than a year to get approval to start building," Curci said. "We still don't have the permits completed."

Hardee Development is working to develop a property at 206 Palmetto St., labeled by officials as "Palmetto 8," into a blend of commercial and residential apartment space. The Wauchula CRA is administering the subsidized building project with a \$150,000 investment from the city and a \$200,000 investment by the Hardee County Industrial Development Authority.

The funding agreement was approved in February of 2017. Utilitech is receiving \$66,250 directly from the Wauchula CRA for the renovation of the company's second floor and the painting of the exterior of the building.

The funding agreement was approved in March of 2018. According to Kirkland, the plans have languished in the Building Department for the past "month and a half."

Curci said his Palmetto 8 project has received permits for the apartments, but has yet to receive permits on the 8,000 square feet of commercial space — including a 2,000-square-foot dental office — in the scope of work.

"We have permits for the residential area, but the permits for the commercial area are still in the process. They were misplaced somehow," Curci said.

Commissioners struggled to find clarity in the causes of the delays.

"When there is confusion that occurs, if you submit something, is there a proactivity of the Building Department to let you know if there are

problems?" asked Lambert.

"No," answered Curci. "In my experience they said they would contact by mail or phone call, and they haven't."

Mayor Keith Nadaskay advocated the city take a more proactive role in monitoring progress from the county's permitting department. "We need standing updates on the agenda," Nadaskay said.

Commissioner Gary Smith said it seems the Building Department was to blame for the delays. "The problem seems to be the Building Department and them not able to get permits," Smith said.

"It is a conundrum to say the least," added Lambert.

Lambert added that delays seem to be industry-wide.

"Growth is hard to come by here. Contractors building houses will tell you it takes a long time to get things done," Lambert said. "I think we need to learn more."

Curci estimates construction will be completed in 4-6 months once permits are received.

Thompson said work — once permits are in hand — can be completed in 90 days.

According to CRA Director Jessica Newman, the city will likely see another request for extension in September.

"In preparation, next month you will have Cobb," Newman said. Cobb is building an apartment complex adjoining Heritage Park.

The City Commission will vote on the extension requests this coming Monday at 6 p.m.

On This Day:

- In 1803 1st horses arrive in Hawaii
- In 1848 US Barnburners (anti-slavery) party merges with Free Soil Party nominating Martin Van Buren for president
- In 1930 Betty Boop debuts in Max Fleischer's animated cartoon Dizzy Dishes

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Wildcats Back In The Water

By TOM STAIK
Of The Herald-Advocate

The Wildcats are back in the water.

Several dozen hopefuls looking to join Hardee Senior High School varsity swim and dive team returned to the pool last week for morning conditioning drills.

Coach Tracy Pate, who led the Lady Wildcats to a district championship in 2017, returns to the pool deck to head the squad.

"We're growing and that is very good," said Pate on Monday as she drilled the Wildcats in an early morning workout.

So far, the Wildcats have a net gain in student-athletes on the squad.

"We lost six seniors but so far we have gained 10 swimmers so we are doing well," Pate said.

Swimmers set an impressive conditioning pace through the summer season, with a contingent of athletes traveling to Fort Myers earlier this summer for an intensive training.

Morgan Dickey, Morgan Hellein, Balleigh Terrell, Oren Crawford, Hugh Pate, Jordan Sperry, Lahna Christian, Rachel Shaw, Riley Justiss, and Abby Duke traveled to Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) where they participated in the Eagle Swim Camp under coach Dave Rollins of the FGCU swim and dive team.

The swimmers put some of that training to good use with yoga sessions.

"One of the things they ex-

perienced at the camp was yoga," Pate said. "They were so impressed that elite swimmers were training with yoga that they brought it back here."

The yoga exercises are athlete-led and are being integrated into the cool-down routines following pool time.

"It is really bringing the team together," Pate said.

The Wildcats will also be playing with a notable addition to the squad.

Zach Durastanti, a senior, will be joining the squad.

Durastanti, a standout on both the cross country and track teams, hasn't swam for the Wildcats since his freshman year.

"He will be a great addition to our boys team," said Pate, who has helped Durastanti train for the swimming as a triathlete.

The Wildcats will open their season on the road on Aug. 27 with a four-way meet hosted by Sebring High School. The squad will travel to Winter Haven's Rowdy Gaines pool on Aug. 29 for a four-way meet. Hardee will travel to Lake Wales High School on Sept. 4 for a three-way meet, and again travel to Sebring on Sept. 8 for the Blackman Invitational.

The first home meet of the season will Sept. 11 as the Wildcats host a three-way meet with Bartow and Sebring.

The squad will travel to a meet at Florida Southern on Sept. 15, a two way meet at Lake Placid High School on



PHOTOS BY TOM STAIK

The Wildcats are back in the water this week training for the start of the season later this month.

Sept. 17, and to a four-way meet at Avon Park High School on Sept. 25.

Hardee will host the two-day Hardee Invitation on Sept. 28-29. Diving contests will be Sept. 28 and swimming competition will be Sept. 29.

The Wildcats will again be at home for senior night on Oct. 8 as Hardee hosts Lake Wales and Avon Park.

The squad will travel to Port Charlotte on Oct. 8, and return to the Hardee pool on Oct. 16 to host Lake Placid. The final scheduled meet of the season is at Winter Haven at the Rowdy Gaines pool in a three-way meet with Frostproof Middle/Senior High and Lake Wales.



The Wildcat swim and dive team has added yoga to its practice routine.



Three Lady Wildcats make their way down the lane in an early morning practice.



Swimmers use paddle boards to help train.



Swimmers take a breather after finishing laps.



Swimmers learned yoga techniques during a conditioning camp this summer. The Wildcats were so impressed with the technique students are now taking turns leading the squad through yoga routines following pool time.

TELEVISED BOUT



COURTESY PHOTO

WBO Latin Bantamweight champion Daniel 'Alacran' Lozano defends his title against Ricardo 'Hindu' Espinoza in a bout scheduled for 10 rounds this Friday (Aug. 10) in the ballroom at Brian Glazer JCC. Lozano, of Bowling Green, is currently ranked #4 WBO and will be making his 11th appearance on the Boxeo TELEMUNDO Ford series. In his last fight he defeated Ricardo 'Meserito' Rodriguez to improve his record to 15-4-11 KO's and winning the vacant WBO Latin title in the process. Espinoza of Tijuana, Mexico on the other hand has won 10 fights in a row and boasts a record of 20-2-17 KO's. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. with the first bell at 8 p.m.. Tickets are already on sale by calling (813) 758-4800 and also at the Brian Glazer JCC the night of event. Telemundo Network will televise the main event live at 11:35 p.m.

Proud To Be The Son Of Kong

When I was a young man, I took my girlfriend to the time to the Silver Spurs Rodeo in Kissimmee, Florida. Before Kissimmee became the home of Mickey Mouse's empire, it was a cowtown. The Silver Spurs is the most prestigious rodeo in Florida.

My father, my grandfather, and my Uncle Pete have all been the overall champion of the rodeo.

When I went to the rodeo that day, my father had been

size, but he had a knack for staying on and scoring high.

My father died when I was 18 months old, so I have no memories of him, just stories and pictures. In the stands at the Silver Spurs Rodeo, I admit I felt again the old emptiness, wishing just I had seen him just once throwing a steer or riding a bull.

Bull-riding is usually the last event in a rodeo, because it is the most exciting and most dangerous of rodeo events.

other small piece of my father, another few stories to add to my soul. That Florida cracker cowboy gave me a gift that day: he made me proud to be the son of the man I don't remember.

The Apostle Paul talks about Jesus redeeming us so God the Father can adopt as sons. To be adopted as the son or daughter of God means more than going to heaven; it means we can be proud of our Father in heaven, who gives us grace, who guides our lives, and who helps us live in confidence. It is not our reputation that matters; we hold the reputation of our Father in Heaven.

Are you proud that you are a child of your Father in Heaven? Are you living in the confidence of being his son, his daughter?

I remember walking out of the arena after the rodeo was over that day. I held myself a little taller. There was a touch more confidence in my stride. That day I remembered I was the son of Kong. His reputation rested on me.

Every day, walk a little taller. Every day, put more confidence in your stride. If you follow Jesus, your Heavenly Father's reputation rests on you.

Hardee County native Clay Smith is lead pastor at Alice Drive Baptist Church in Sumter, S.C. He and his brother and sister still own the family ranch in the Lemon Grove community east of Wauchula. You can follow him at unlikelyclay.com.



Directions
By Clay Smith
Hardee County Native

dead for 30 years. A whole new generation of cowboys were roping calves, riding broncos and bulls, and wrestling steers. For me, however, being in the arena brought out a wistful longing: I wish I could have seen my father rodeo.

My father picked up the nick-name "King Kong" in high school. It was about the time when the first "King Kong" movie came out in 1933. Bigger than most of his football teammates, it was a natural nickname. When he started rodeoing, most of his friends simply called him "Kong."

My uncle Pete was probably the best in the family as an all-around cowboy, but from the stories I've heard over the years Daddy was at his best in steer wrestling and bull-riding. Steer wrestling involves jumping from your galloping horse, grabbing a steer by the horns, and wrestling him to the ground.

Daddy set the record time in Florida of throwing a steer in 1.8 seconds. The current world record is 2.4 seconds. Daddy was in a class by himself.

Bull-riding means getting on the back of a bull in a tight chute, getting a firm grip and a far-away look, hollering to open the gate, and then staying on the back of the bull for eight seconds. Judges score you on the difficulty of the ride.

If you think it sounds hard, you should try it (and no, bull-riding machines in country bars are no match for the real thing). Maybe it was Daddy's

That day, three or four riders had come out of the chute and been thrown off in the first three seconds. It looked like no cowboy would make his ride.

Keep in mind I am sitting with my girlfriend in the covered stands with about 10,000 people. An old Florida cracker cowboy was seated next me, his wife on the other side of him. I greeted him when I sat down, but he wasn't much for conversation.

After the fifth rider had been thrown off, this old Florida cracker cowboy turned to his wife and said, "Darlin', a lot of these boys are pretty good, but nobody was ever as good as ol' Kong Smith."

My stomach did a flip. I grabbed the man's arm. He pulled back as he turned to see who had a hold of him. For a moment, I thought he was reaching for his gun (there was no concealed-carry law in those days). We made eye contact, and I blurted out, "Kong Smith was my daddy."

The man went white as a sheet, almost like he had seen a ghost. He gave me the once over, and then drawled, "From the looks of you son, you must be. I'll bet you're the youngest. I forgot your name. You were just a yearling when your Daddy died."

I wish I remembered the man's name. He told me about Daddy, about rodeoing with him, working cows with him, and having some high times together (he obviously didn't want to go into details with his wife listening in).

For that moment, the emptiness was filled. I received an-

Solunar Forecast

8/9/2018	8/11/2018	8/13/2018	8/15/2018
Sun Data Rise: 6:54 AM Set: 8:10 PM	Sun Data Rise: 6:55 AM Set: 8:08 PM	Sun Data Rise: 6:56 AM Set: 8:06 PM	Sun Data Rise: 6:58 AM Set: 8:04 PM
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Moon Data Rise: 4:47 AM Set: 6:50 PM Overhead: 11:50 AM Underfoot: ---	Moon Data Rise: 7:02 AM Set: 8:37 PM Overhead: 1:53 PM Underfoot: 1:23 AM	Moon Data Rise: 9:16 AM Set: 10:06 PM Overhead: 3:45 PM Underfoot: 3:18 AM	Moon Data Rise: 11:20 AM Set: 11:24 PM Overhead: 5:26 PM Underfoot: 5:01 AM
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ABOUT... School News

The Herald-Advocate encourages submissions from Hardee County schools. Photos and write-ups should be of recent events, and must include first and last names for both students and teachers. Identify photos front to back, left to right.

Deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on Thursday. Please include the name and phone number of a contact person. Qualifying items will be published as space allows.



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Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 252017CA000013

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2007-OPT1, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-OPT1, Plaintiff,

vs. JERILYN STAMPS A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS-MARIBONA A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 20, 2018, and entered in 252017CA000013 of the Circuit Court of the TENTH Judicial Circuit in and for Hardee County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2007-OPT1, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-OPT1 is the Plaintiff and JERILYN STAMPS A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS-MARIBONA A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS A/K/A J. E. STAMPS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JERILYN STAMPS A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS-MARIBONA A/K/A JERILYN E. STAMPS are the Defendant(s). Victoria L. Rogers as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the 2nd Floor Hallway, Outside of Room 202 417 W. Main Street, Wauchula, FL 33873, at 11:00 AM, on August 22, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 42 HAMMOCK ESTATES, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 60, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND

COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF THE EAST 1/8 OF THE WEST 1/2 OF SECTION 36 TOWNSHIP 34 SOUTH RANGE 27 EAST; THENCE S 89° 55' 58" E, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 36 FOR A DISTANCE OF 1108.95 FEET; THENCE S 0° 08' 02" W AND PARALLEL WITH EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 1/2 OF SECTION 36 FOR A DISTANCE OF 3620.00 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE S 0° 08' 02" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 362.00 FEET; THENCE S 89° 55' 58" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 553.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF SECTION 36; THENCE N 0° 08' 02" E ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST

1/2 OF SECTION 36 FOR A DISTANCE OF 362.00 FEET; THENCE N 89° 55' 58" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 553.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO THE WEST 25.00 FEET FOR ROAD EASEMENT, HARDEE COUNTY FLORIDA (SOMETIMES REFERRED TO PARCEL 53 OF THE UNRECORDED PLAT OF HAMMOCK ESTATES)

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4085 RACCOON RD, ZOLFO SPRINGS, FL 33890

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

Dated this 1 day of August, 2018.

VICTORIA L. ROGERS, As Clerk of the Court Hardee County, Florida

By: Connie Coker Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs assistance in order to participate in a program or service of the State Courts System, you should contact the Office of the Court Administrator at (863) 534-4686 (voice), (863) 534-7777 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service), as much in advance of your court appearance or visit to the courthouse as possible. Please be prepared to explain your functional limitations and suggest an auxiliary aid or service that you believe will enable you to effectively participate in the court program or service.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND BUDGET HEARING

The Florida Governmental Utility Authority ("FGUA") announces a public meeting and public hearing to which all interested persons are invited. The FGUA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Citrus County, Florida; Hendry County, Florida; Pasco County, Florida; Polk County, Florida, Lee County, Florida and Marion County, Florida.

The meeting and public hearing will be held at 1:00 p.m. on September 20, 2018 at Pasco County Utilities Administration Building located at 19420 Central Blvd, Land O' Lakes, Florida 34637.

The FGUA Board will address general operating issues of the FGUA. The meeting will also include a public hearing to consider adoption of the annual budgets and capital improvement programs for the Unified-Aqua Utility System and the FGUA General Fund annual operating budget. All customers of the FGUA, affected property owners, tenants or occupants, and all other interested persons, shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed annual budget and capital improvement programs and to file written comments with the FGUA. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the FGUA with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk to the FGUA Board at (877) 552-3482, at least two business days prior to the date of the hearing. If you have any questions, please contact the Clerk to the FGUA Board at (877) 552-FGUA.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

WARNING
THERE ARE UNPAID TAXES ON THE PROPERTY WHICH YOU OWN OR IN WHICH YOU MAY HAVE LEGAL INTEREST.

The property will be sold at a public auction on the 12th day of September, 2018, at 11:00 a.m., unless the back taxes are paid. To make payment or for questions concerning real property taxes, contact the Hardee County Tax Collector's Office at (863) 773-9144 (PO Box 445, Wauchula, FL 33873). To receive further information regarding the Tax Deed Sale, contact the Hardee County Clerk of the Courts, immediately, at (863) 773-4174 (P.O. Drawer 1749, Wauchula, Florida, 33873).

The holder of the following tax certificate has filed the certificate for a tax deed to be issued. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 1317
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2012
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: James A. Cunningham, Trustee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 33-34-27-0000-50050-0000

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All of the property is in HARDEE County, Florida.

Unless the certificate or certificates are redeemed according to law, the property described in the certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder on September 12, 2018, at 11:00 a.m.

By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

Pursuant to F.S. 197.512
Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD012XXXX
Date: 08/06/2018
Ad No.: 1

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POUNDED PASTURES



Pounding rains have pelted area pastures, submerging grasses and stranding cattle. Here, pilot Michael Gillispie provides birds-eye views of the State Road 66 and Charlie Creek bridges area, taken this past weekend. The southeast portion of the county has received frequent and steady hard rains, resulting in many flooded pastures.

AERIAL PHOTOS BY MICHAEL GILLISPIE

Stump The Swami

By John Szeligo

I-4 Rivalry To Be Highlight Of AAC Season

Well football fans, the next conference up is the American Athletic Conference. It consists of 12 schools formed from teams that once competed in Conference-USA, Mid-American, Big 12, Big East, and independent Navy.

The Florida connections to this conference are University of Central Florida (UCF) and University of South Florida (USF). The I-4 Rivalry is one of the best in the conference. The 2017 game was epic between the Knights and Bulls. The 2018 seasons begs the question: 'Can either duplicate the great seasons they had in 2017?'

The UCF Knights finished the 2017 season unbeaten with a bowl win over Auburn. The Knights faithful declared themselves "National Champions".

Did they have a case? I believe they did.

Is the system rigged in favor of Power 5 teams? Of course it is.

UCF got a lot of ridicule for their bombastic campaign for the self-declared title. Some applauded their efforts for speaking out though. They are not the first to be snubbed. Marshall finished 13-0 in 1999 ranked 10th. Florida State, who finished 12-0 but played in the National Championship Game, had beaten Clemson by three points at Clemson. So, did Marshall. Only a 16 team playoff will answer the question.

How will 2018 play out for the AAC? Can UCF repeat? Can USF replace their quarterback? Will Memphis be as strong? Can Navy continue to dominate the ground game? Let's take a look at the teams for this season.

AAC East Division 2018



1. UCF — It all starts at quarterback and the Knights have a great one returning in McKenzie Milton. He threw for over 4,000 yards and rushed for 600 more in 2017. He has skilled receivers again to throw to. The offensive line returns former Hardee Wildcat, Luke Palmer, wearing number 70 for the Knights. The schedule has UCF playing at FAU, Memphis and USF. Those appear to be the tough games. The out of conference games with North Carolina, Pitt and South Carolina State are all winnable. Prediction: 11-1



2. USF — The Bulls must replace quarterback Quinton Flowers who accounted for nearly 4000 yards of offense in 2017 along with both of their top rushers. The Bulls do have a transfer quarterback coming in from Arizona State along with two solid quarterbacks who battled in the spring. Overall, the Bulls do have some of the conference's best units at offensive line, defensive backs, defensive line and wide receivers. All are ranked in the Top 4 of the 12 teams. The schedule has UCF at home with out of conference games with Georgia Tech and Illinois. Prediction: 8-4



3. Temple — Remember the days when the Owls gave away free tickets in the Philly Convenience Stores to bolster their 1,000 to 2,000 fan crowds? That led them to being kicked out of the Big East. Since then, they have improved and should finish third this year in the East Division. Prediction : 7-5



4. Cincinnati — Bearcats have dropped off in recent years. The once proud program will struggle again in 2018. A decent defense and quarterback play should provide a few wins though. Prediction: 4-8



5. UConn — Is it time for Girls basketball? Football season in Storrs has seen its better days. There was a brief time in the Big East when the Huskies actually went to bowl games. Four in a row from 2007 to 2010. Their last bowl appearance was in St. Petersburg in 2015, a 16-10 loss to Marshall. This season doesn't look promising. Prediction: 1-11



6. East Carolina — Pirates's program once plundered opponents under Steve Logan but has fallen on hard times of late. Scottie Montgomery is the coach on the hot seat in AAC. Prediction: 2-10

ACC West Division 2018



1. Memphis — Tigers must replace a quarterback and wide receiver that lit it up in 2017. They have the replacements but will depend on a strong run game until it develops. The Tigers do host Houston and UCF. Prediction : 9-3



2. Houston — A team on the upward swing especially on defense where Kendal Briles is now the defensive coordinator. He adds three Power 5 transfer players to the starting lineup in 2018. Prediction : 9-3



3. Navy — Middies welcome Malcolm Perry to the quarterback spot. They will do what they always do. Run the ball and run the ball and amass 500 yards a game. Middies get Memphis at home but must go to UCF. Prediction: 8-4



4. Tulane — Willie Fritz is bringing back the Green Wave. Quarterback Jonathan Banks could emerge as one of the conference best in 2018. He has the skill players to help also. The defense needs to improve. Prediction: 6-6



5. SMU — Sonny Dykes is back at the helm of the Mustangs. He will bring a high-octane offense with a solid defense. Prediction: 6-6



6. Tulsa — Golden Hurricane is looking to improve on their 2-9 campaign in 2017. The defense was porous last year. Their strength will be the offensive line and run game. Prediction : 4-8

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MULTI LOCATION MANAGER for Arcadia, Wauchula, & Sebring \$30,000/year generous 401K, paid vacation after 6 months, company van. One working weekend per month. Forward resume to SuperMatt.Lisa@outlook.com. 8:9tfc

Busy medical office seeking a Medical Assistant or LPN immediately in our Wauchula office. Must be willing to travel to Arcadia when needed. Bilingual preferred. Please email resume to angie.ama@gmail.com 8:9,16c
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Miscellaneous

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Mobile Homes

DOUBLE-WIDE M.H. at Charlie Creek Sub. 5 BR, 3 B on 4 lots, 863-781-6441. Trilla Doble M.H. en Charlie Creek Sub. 5 recamaras 3 Baños en 4 lotes. 7:19-8:16p

Notices

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that personal property belonging to Helen J. Henderson will be sold to the public pursuant to a warehouseman lien. Storage located at 603 N. 9th Avenue, August 18, 2018 at 9:00AM. 8:2,9c

Pets

ATTENTION! State Statutes 828.29 requires that all cats and dogs sold in Florida be at least 8 weeks old, have an official health certificate, have necessary shots and be free of parasites. tfc-dh

Pets

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FIRST-DAY FUN

COURTESY PHOTOS • MONTAGE BY DARLENE WILLIAMS
 It wasn't all training, toil and trouble as Zolfo Springs Elementary teachers and staff returned to the campus last week for a head start on the new academic year. Here, buses are boarded as ZSE'ers head to the historic Wauchula Train Depot for a luncheon event hosted by Mosaic and filled with food, prizes and fun. Many local businesses donated items to ensure a perfect first day for the Hardee County School District's A-rated school.



TEACHER TRAINING



COURTESY PHOTOS
 The school district's Advancement Via Individual Determination program is expanding to include North Wauchula Elementary this year. Teachers and administrators from that elementary school, Hardee Junior High and Hardee Senior High attended an A.V.I.D. Summer Institute in Orlando July 9-11, where they learned about developing goals and monitoring progress. Those attending included, in top photo, (from front left) Brittany Dunlap and Suzanne Stagg; (back) Sara Hall, Kim Schraeder, district A.V.I.D. Director Meredith Durastanti and Jessica Prescott; and in bottom photo (front, from left) Jamie Heine, Jessica Gray, Tamara Taylor and Becky Clark; (back) Durastanti. In the middle photo are (from left) Jessica Gilliard and Durastanti.



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Peavy's Ponderings

By Jonell Peavy

Sugar Possum of the late Truman Thomas

It's been a busy two months for me since school has been out for the summer.

I've enjoyed the great granddaughters spending part of their summer with me.

There was a difference from last summer though. Instead of all three of them staying with me at the same time, they wanted to stay one at a time. It was their decision.

I guess to their way of thinking they would get to do more things and go more places if they came by themselves. Guess what? They were right. I had more time to devote to each of them, and each one got to do the things she liked to do best.

Miriah, the oldest who will be 12 in December, was the first to stay with me. She stayed eight days and said she is ready to come back again.

Brook, the 10-year-old, was next. She stayed 12 days and would have stayed longer but Mom said it was time to come home. She asked Brook, "Have you moved in?" Brook replied, "Yes ma'am." Mom said, "I don't think so."

Kayla, the 5-year-old, just went home Saturday. She only stayed four days, but that was a big thing for her. She usually won't stay anywhere unless one of her sisters stays with her.

They all like to work in the yard, and I'm always giving them what I call life lessons.

When Brook was here she wanted to learn to mow with my push mower. It's hard to crank and you have to take the filter off, spray it with starter fluid, put the filter back on, push the primer button, then pull the rope to crank it.

The only thing I had to do for her was check the oil. She learned to do all that without my help, and she said mowing was fun. I bet she won't say it's fun in a few more years.

Miriah is learning to do embroidery and sewing. Kayla learned to do her straight stitches. It was her first sewing lesson, but she kept at it. By the time she left to go home she was able to do nice, evenly spaced stitches.

School starts in a few days, and I'm already missing their company.

Jonell Peavy lives in Avon Park and can be reached at 863-453-3589.



As Seen From This Side

By Jerry "Gray Wolf" Phillips

Wauchula

Johnny had to make a quick trip to Atlanta from Albany, Ga. He could almost drive it faster, but he had luck. A seat was available just as he got to the airport. Luck again, window seat meant no one would be asking him to let them out.

A quick stop at concessions for a Payday candy bar, his favorite. That would do, skip dinner. He was getting settled as a very large gentleman sat next to him. He had to move his laptop, a few other items and put them in front of him.

A short delay at take-off. He leaned back, closed his eyes and relaxed. Ten minutes later he opened his eyes to see this gentleman eating a Payday candy bar. He looked down at his laptop, no Payday candy bar, and there was one bite left when he snatched it out of the man's hand, quickly popping it into his mouth, very confident this guy had stolen his Payday while he took that nap.

The man gave him a surprised look but said nothing. Twenty minutes later they landed in Atlanta. His traveling companion got up and off while he collected his things from in front of him.

As he lifted his laptop a Payday candy bar slid into the seat. Glancing out the window he saw the man as he looked back shaking his head. Johnny had snatched the man's candy right out of his hand. He hoped he'd never face him again.

To his surprise, as his taxi pulled to a stop behind another at the curb, his traveling companion was getting out, going to the same place.

He took out the Payday, handing it to him while trying desperately to explain his embarrassment. They parted on good terms and a good laugh. He just couldn't believe it. He stole the candy right out of his mouth.

I lived here after I retired 31 years ago, and having lived in the foothills of the Cumberland Mountains I know what hills and valleys are.

In life one has ups and downs or hills and valleys. Seldom do you find yourself comfortable on a plateau.

At my age and health I know that it could be just one more hill until I go home. I know it is just over the hill—I just know which hill. So I travel with my bags packed. I know where home is. I'm just not there yet.

I wrote and published my epitaph some time ago. I am reminded of Barney, just a laid-back long-eared hound who was filled with love for all God created. Faithful always. He didn't tell you each day "I love you." He told you every time he saw you, all day long just as Jesus does.

I'm not comparing Jesus with a dog. I am showing you God in one of his lower creations. He is faithful and trustworthy. He is telling you He loves you even when you don't listen.

You can see it in the new growth of grass or trees, for without these there would be no oxygen for you to breathe. You may not see it or even care. You may be too busy, but He is still telling you "I love you."

In all my 82 years I have seen and heard a lot of controversy. Never would I have thought it would be the National Anthem. What possibly could the National Anthem cause to become an issue?

One good thing is NFL problems and gay marriage have absolutely no effect on my life. I don't have to deal with either. For years I have seen how useless the NFL really is.

There was a time I went to great lengths to see what would not hurt someone else just over that thin line with the law. I was offered a sheet of paper with all the NFL teams' schedules and the score spread of the winning team.

I refused to buy it, but I remembered who was supposed to win of the first four games. Had I took their offer and invested in this sport I could have been rich.

Everyone knows WWE is a great choreographed entertainment show. True, you can get hurt. They don't wear the outlandish costumes like football, but they do pick the most likely ones to make the crowds like or dislike them.

Football has theirs, too, but they pay outlandish wages to use gimmicks, dolls, toys, games, videos, and TV rights to make the owners richer.

Personally I would not go to an NFL game if they paid me. I prefer wrestling or Roller Derby.

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AUGUST 28, 2018

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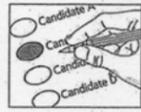
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NOTICE TO THE VOTER

David Joseph Patzer, a write-in candidate in the race for the office of **State Representative, District 56** has withdrawn. Without this candidate, the election for this office has now become a universal primary contest open to all voters, regardless of party affiliation. To ensure that all voters have the opportunity to vote for this office, the election for this office will now appear on the General Election ballot. *Any vote cast for any candidate in this race on the Primary Election ballot will not count.*

AVISO AL VOTANTE

David Joseph Patzer, un candidato por escrito en la contienda para la oficina de **Representante Estatal, Distrito 56** se ha retirado. Sin este candidato, la elección para esta oficina ahora se ha convertido en una candidatura primaria universal abierta para todos los votantes, a pesar de la afiliación partidista. Para garantizar que todos las votantes tengan la oportunidad de votar para esta oficina, las elecciones para esta oficina ahora aparecerán en la papeleta de la Elección General. *Cualquier voto emitido para cualquier candidato en esta contienda en la papeleta Electoral Primaria no contará.*

YOU HAVE 3 WAYS TO VOTE!

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- POLLING PLACE** – To vote on Election Day, you must go to your assigned Polling Place between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm on August 28th. Signature and photo identification are required.

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- VOTE POR CORREO** – Llame al (863) 773-6061 o visite: www.hardeecountyelections.com en o antes del 22 de Agosto para solicitar una papeleta de voto ausente y verificar el estado de su papeleta.
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- CENTRO DE VOTACIÓN** – Para votar el Día de Elección, debe ir a su Centro de Votación asignado de 7 am a 7 pm el 28 de Agosto. Se requiere identificación con firma y foto.

BG Approves Gasoline Tax Agreement

By JIM KELLY

Of The Herald-Advocate

The Bowling Green City Commission on Tuesday, July 10, approved an interlocal agreement with Hardee County, the City of Wauchula and the Town of Zolfo Springs relating to the six cents local optional fuel tax.

Mayor Sam Fite said the tax will yield about \$25,000 a year to Bowling Green, depending on the volume of fuel purchases. On average the tax brings in \$689,909, with the county getting 86 percent; Wauchula, 7.22 percent; Bowling Green 3.52 percent; and Zolfo Springs, 3.26 percent.

The commission agreed to rebid the demolition of the old thrift store building at 4709 Central Ave. No bids came in the last time. An oral bid was given for \$9,250 from Steve Bivens a couple of months ago.

Commissioners approved expediting the Dixiana Ave. paving job and approved continuing contracts with engineering firms Pennoni/Envisors and Kimley-Horn and the architectural firms of Furr and Wegman and KEMH. The city has been satisfied with those companies. Pennoni/Envisors received a city commission rating of 97 and Kimley-Horn 91.75. Furr and Wegman received an average commission score of 83.5 and KCMH 80.5.

The city commission noted

that long-time citizen and neighboring property owner Walter (Smitty) Smith had recently passed away.

Commissioner Shirley Tucker said some cars, especially late at night, seem to be violating the city's noise ordinance.

Jeff Mann, a candidate for state representative for this district, introduced himself and said he has been in the military, the fire department and has owned his own septic tank business for 30 years. He stressed the need for communications, home rule and civility.

The commission honored local young man Jakevius Brown who will be attending Southeastern University in Lakeland.

The commission approved a resolution honoring 50 years of municipal home rule in the Florida Constitution and committing to an educational initiative to help Floridians understand this beneficial right.

Regarding home rule, Florida voters approved this in November 1968. This power has enabled each city, town and village in Florida to consider, adopt, revise or remove its own laws without the need to seek legislative permission from the state and is the foundation upon which every municipality builds its governmental structure. The political climate within the

Florida Legislature has recently included many attacks on these (municipal home rule) powers, the resolution stated.

Henry Kuhlman gave the commission an update on his mining truck lawsuit. He said the City of Bowling Green was not notified when the County Commission passed a resolution earlier this year that would have allowed Mosaic to bring many daily truckloads of phosphate rock from their Fort Green plant through the city to the South Fort Meade plant on east County Line Rd. Mosaic, after hearing complaints, withdrew the proposed truck route through the city.

Kuhlman said the county commission resolution remains passed and that the issue could come up again in the future. "I would drop my lawsuit against the County Commission if they rescinded the resolution. This issue is before the chief judge of the circuit. Proper advance notice was not given by the county. This is a win for everybody."

Kuhlman also presented the City Commission with an anonymous letter he received that alleged wrongdoing by the Bowling Green administration (police department excluded) and commission regarding, among other things, a \$50,000 settlement payment to retiring city clerk Pam Northup in early 2016.

He asked that the city staff leave the meeting so it could be discussed, but Mayor Sam Fite and City Attorney Gerald Buhr said that could not be done because of the Florida Sunshine Law.

Mayor Fite instructed city commissioner Steve Spinks to get with the administration and review minutes relating to the retirement of Northup, a long-time city employee, then to give a report of his findings at

the August 14 regular monthly meeting. Carmen Silva was hired as the new city clerk after Northup retired.

As of June 30 the city's general fund had a balance of \$17,597, and the enterprise fund had a balance of \$126,827. General fund expenditures were \$998,875, and enterprise fund expenditures were \$931,478.

The general fund includes administration, police, physical environment, recreation and cemetery. The enterprise fund includes water, sanitation, and sewer and included a \$60,000 transfer to the general fund. The fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

At the June 12 meeting the commission awarded a bid of \$1.09 million the TLC Diversified for the sewer headworks improvement and valve replacement project, recommended by Pennoni/Envisors.

Tucker Paving was awarded its bid of \$154,945 for the repaving of Dixiana Ave. between Main St. and Doc Coil Rd.

A proposed price of \$9,250 by Steve Bivens to demolish and remove the old thrift store building across from City Hall was refused. Bivens last week tore down the old Mike Ford apartment building/former theater across from City Hall.

Commissioner David Durastanti commended the city staff for the growth happening in the city which includes new homes and apartments.

The Methodist Church Conference recently paid its bill of \$4,000 for maintenance of the church's portion of the cemetery. The local church, established in 1880, closed several months ago and the building and property are for sale. The last reported price was \$350,000, which includes a house and part of the cemetery.

Student-Run Bank Starting At NWE

By JENNIFER MCCONKEY

Herald-Advocate Intern

Suncoast Federal Credit Union is partnering with North Wauchula Elementary to set up a student-run branch at the school.

Students will be able to set up real savings accounts with their parents' help and permission, then they will be able to access their accounts at school through the student-run branch.

The idea is to help teach them how to handle their money well, which Suncoast says is a priority.

"When students master even a basic understanding of money and how it works, they gain an advantage in life," the credit union says.

While NWE is the first Hardee County elementary school to get a student-run branch, they will be the 31st school in the state to partner with Suncoast in this way.

Suncoast plans to partner with other Hardee County district schools to provide more student-run branches someday.

The exact date the student-

run branch will open hasn't been decided yet, but Suncoast is hoping it will be during early fall. Suncoast will make an announcement once the grand opening date has been decided.

The branch will be open one day a week from 7 to 7:30 a.m.

There will always be a Suncoast employee at the student-run branch. And fifth-grade math teacher Becky Clark will be the school's faculty liaison, who helps communicate between Suncoast and NWE.

Clark will recruit student staff volunteers, who will receive training from Clark, Suncoast Youth Outreach and Suncoast Student-Run Branch coaches. The lead coach will be Nancy Rodriguez.

Student staff volunteers will help other students with deposit slips and new member applications.

"We are proud to bring this opportunity to students in Hardee County," Suncoast says, "so they can begin to see the value and importance of saving, building the foundation of future financial stability."

Roundup

County Offers Credit Help

Hardee County's Community Development Office, 412 W. Orange St. in Wauchula, is offering free credit counseling.

Call 773-6349 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to schedule an appointment.

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The Heartland Coalition

for the Homeless is accepting proposals for projects that could use funding from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Applications are through the Heartland Homeless Continuum of Care, which includes Hardee, DeSoto, Glades, Highlands and Okeechobee counties.

Apply for funding at heartlandch.com. Contact the Heartland Coalition for the Homeless at (863) 453-8901 with any questions.

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On This Day:

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- In 1483 Opening of the Sistine Chapel in the Vatican
- In 1859 Otis Tuft patents the first passenger elevator in the US
- In 1904 Libanus McLouth Todd of Rochester, New York patents his check-writing machine, the Protectograph designed to protect against check forgers

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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The holder of the following tax certificate has filed the certificate for a tax deed to be issued. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are:

CERTIFICATE NO.: 1316
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2012
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: James A. Cunningham, Trustee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 28-34-27-0000-50050-0000

640 AC 1/32 MINERAL RIGHTS
ALL OF SECTION PART OF 9185
ACRE TRACT LESS PHOSPHATE

SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

All of the property is in HARDEE County, Florida.

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By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

Pursuant to F.S. 197.512
Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD011XXXX
Date: 08/06/2018
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CERTIFICATE NO.: 1315
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2012
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: James A. Cunningham, Trustee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 27-34-27-0000-52500-0000

409 AC 1/32 MINERAL RIGHTS
ALL W OF RD LESS SE1/4 -
PART OF 9185 ACRE TRACT
LESS PHOSPHATE OR228P790 27
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By: Norma M. Juarez, Deputy Clerk

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Victoria L. Rogers
Hardee County, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Tax Deed File: 252018TD010XXXX
Date: 07/23/2018
Ad No.: 1

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CERTIFICATE NO.: 1313
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2012
NAME(S) IN WHICH ASSESSED: James A. Cunningham, Trustee

Description of Property:
Parcel ID Number: 21-34-27-9000-50050-0000

500 AC 1/32 MINERAL RIGHTS
ALL N OF SR636 - PART OF
9185 ACRE TRACT LESS
PHOSPHATE OR228P790 21 34S
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HSA Closes Summer Swim Season

By TOM STAIK
Of The Herald-Advocate

The Hardee Swim Association traveled to the Space Coast late last month for the 2018 Titusville Invitational.

The statewide event – held July 28-29 – marked the end of this summer’s travel swim season.

Khale Dickey claimed the squad’s sole first place finish in the 9-10 50 yard breaststroke after finishing with a time of 34.65.

The squad claimed 23 finishes in the top 10.

Individual Results:

Girls 50Y Free: 12th, Morgan Hellein, 28.58; 14th, Renell Herrera, 28.62; and 25th, Abby Duke, 31.80.

Boys 50Y Free: 11th, Oren Crawford, 26.98; 12th, Cole Wilson, 27.07; and 13th, Hugh Pate, 27.43.

Girls 11-12 50Y Back: 18th, Alexandra Herrera, 46.35.

Boys 11-12 50Y Back: 11th, Braddock Dickey, 44.01.

Girls 11-12 50Y Breast: 13th, Alexandra Herrera,

51.61.
Girls 200Y Breast: 7th, Riley Justiss, 3:23.51.

Boys 11-12 200Y Free: 7th, Braddock Dickey, 2:55.88.

Girls 13-14 100Y Free: 7th, Morgan Dickey, 1:05.96.

Girls 100Y Free: 13th, Renell Herrera, 1:05.01; 19th, Morgan Hellein, 1:07.79; and 20th, Abby Duke, 1:08.41.

Boys 100Y Free: 9th, Hugh Pate, 57.97; 10th, Oren Crawford, 58.00; and 13th, Cole Wilson, 1:00.35.

Girls 200Y Free Relay: 5th, HSA (Renell Herrera, Abby Duke, Morgan Dickey, and Morgan Hellein), 1:58.66.

Boys 200Y Free Relay: 4th, HSA (Andrew Reschke, Cole Wilson, Hugh Pate, and Oren Crawford), 1:46.99.

Girls 9-10 50Y Fly: 3rd, Khale Dickey, 42.67.

Girls 9-10 50Y Breast: 11th, Saydee Herrera, 1:06.41.

Girls 9-10 100Y Free: 4th, Khale Dickey, 1:20.60; and 8th, Saydee Herrera, 1:33.53.

Girls 200Y IM: 14th, Abby Duke, 3:02.97.

Girls 11-12 100Y Free:

13th, Alexandra Herrera, 1:21.93.

Boys 11-12 100Y Free: 9th, Braddock Dickey, 1:22.71.

Girls 13-14 200Y Free: 5th, Morgan Dickey, 2:25.50.

Girls 200Y Free: 19th, Renell Herrera, 2:31.95; 21st, Abby Duke, 2:36.97; 24th, Morgan Hellein, 2:43.97; and 25th, Riley Justiss, 2:53.74.

Boys 200Y Free: 5th, Oren Crawford, 2:10.06; and 7th, Cole Wilson, 2:17.46.

Girls 100Y Back: 10th, Renell Herrera, 1:20.09; and 12th, Abby Duke, 1:20.81.

Boys 100Y Back: 4th, Hugh Pate, 1:11.44.

Girls 200Y Medley Relay: 5th, HSA (Renell Herrera, Abby Duke, Morgan Dickey, and Morgan Hellein), 2:20.88.

Girls 500Y Free: 6th, Morgan Hellein, 7:08.80; and 7th, Renell Herrera, 7:09.61.

Girls 9-10 100Y IM: 2nd, Khale Dickey, 1:27.48.

Girls 9-10 50Y Back: 2nd, Khale Dickey, 42.40.

Girls 9-10 50Y Free: 1st, Khale Dickey, 34.65; and 4th, Saydee Herrera, 40.33.



Members of the Hardee Swim Association pose for a picture at the 2018 Titusville Invitational held late last month.

NURSING NEED



COURTESY PHOTO

Florida Hospital Heartland Medical Center has donated \$75,000 to South Florida State College to fund an additional nursing faculty position and to expand the program to meet a critical need for nurses in the region. With the demand for nurses expected to rise by 20 percent over the next 10 years, those who obtain nursing degrees from SFSC have a 100-percent job placement rate. Many students obtain jobs before graduation day. "We are extremely proud of the quality education delivered by our nursing faculty," said Dr. Thomas C. Leitzel, president of SFSC. Shown with the donation are (from left) Randy Surber, CEO and president of Florida Hospital Heartland; Cathy Jaco, chief nursing officer and vice president of Patient Care Services for Florida Hospital Heartland; Mary von Merveldt, SFSC director of nursing education; and Leitzel.

On This Day:

- In 1831 1st US steam engine train run (Albany to Schenectady, NY)
- In 1910 Alva Fisher patents electric washing machine
- In 1944 Smokey Bear debuts as spokesman for fire prevention
- In 1945 US drops 2nd atomic bomb "Fat Man" on Japan destroys part of Nagasaki
- In 1969 Manson family commits Tate-LaBianca murders
- In 1974 Richard Nixon resigns as US President and VP Gerald Ford swears the oath of office to take his place as the 38th US President

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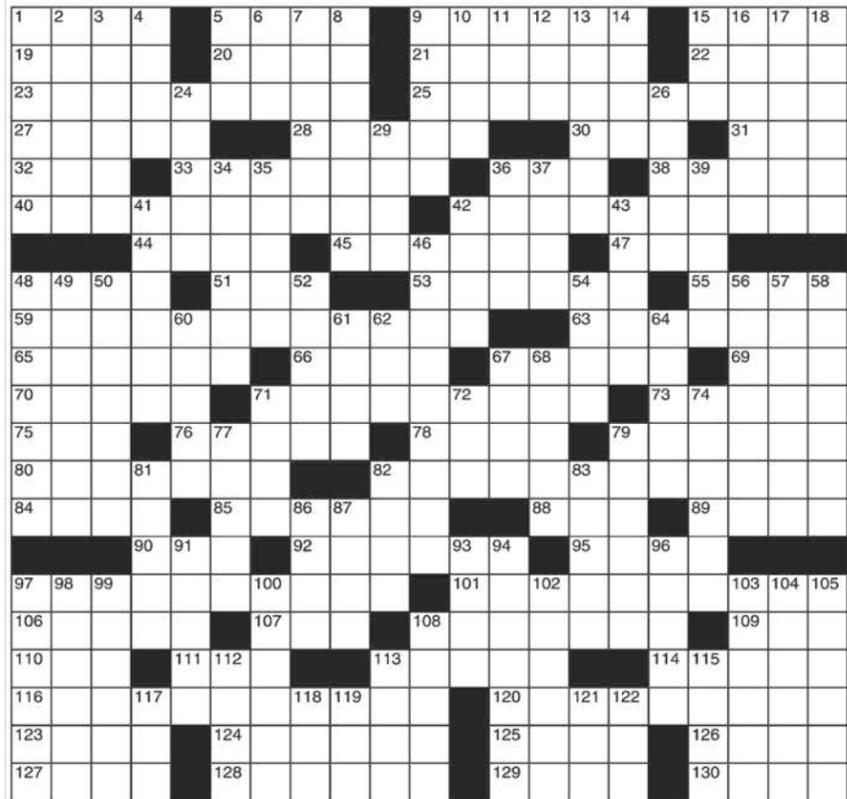
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Really hurt
 - 5 Sauce brand
 - 9 A Nixon daughter
 - 15 Hacking it
 - 19 Alan of film
 - 20 "... hear — drop"
 - 21 Showing on television
 - 22 Move heavily
 - 23 Krispy Kreme treats
 - 25 Campbell's product
 - 27 — vincit amor"
 - 28 Left dreamland
 - 30 Ireland's — Lingus
 - 31 China's Mao — — tung
 - 32 Aficionado
 - 33 Sorrow
 - 36 Longtime "Family Circus" cartoonist
 - 38 Entertainer Merman
 - 40 Kellogg's cereal
 - 42 "Pep O Mint" brand
 - 44 Whoop
 - 45 Tall buildings
 - 47 Bowl stats
 - 48 Times to remember
 - 51 HP or Acer products
 - 53 With 72-Down, purring pet that doesn't go outside
 - 55 River of Aragon
 - 59 Stadium snacks
 - 63 Attach, as a sequin
 - 65 Bull battler
 - 66 Objectivist
 - 67 Back of a 45
 - 69 Course: Abbr.
 - 70 "Ran" director
 - 71 It's baked in a tube pan
 - 73 Marine milieu
 - 75 Advent mo.
 - 76 Hoity- —
 - 78 Mata — (Garbo role)
 - 79 Run, as an art exhibit
 - 80 New Jersey borough east of Paramus
 - 82 They're often stuffed
 - 84 End of a 1/1 song
 - 85 Strip, in a way, as shrimp
 - 88 Some drops on crops
 - 89 Untidy state
 - 90 Extra charge
 - 92 Generational disparity
 - 95 Church part
 - 97 Deep-fried side
 - 101 Trattoria entree
 - 106 "You got it!"
 - 107 Orthodox beginning?
 - 108 19-season Yankee
 - 109 Succor
 - 110 TGIF's "I"
 - 111 Fond du —, Wisconsin
 - 113 Big name in drug indexes
 - 114 Chose (to)
 - 116 Ingredient in a Cuban sandwich
 - 120 Supermarket chain only selling items like the 10 featured in this puzzle?
 - 123 Leaning Tower locale
 - 124 Banish
 - 125 Liveliness
 - 126 Ballet wear
 - 127 Director Preminger
 - 128 Potato chips, in London
 - 129 Cuts, as logs
 - 130 "Hold it!"
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Fraud figure
 - 2 Slugger
 - 3 "Search me" for short
 - 4 Wise trio
 - 5 Oversaw
 - 6 Kwik-E-Mart operator
 - 7 1980s brand of jeans
 - 8 Like dirty floors
 - 9 To-do list
 - 10 Fully mature
 - 11 Writer Levin
 - 12 Camel, e.g., for short
 - 13 Gulp down quickly
 - 14 "Permit Me Voyage" author
 - 15 Relevant
 - 16 Joyous
 - 17 Less binding
 - 18 Ford flops
 - 24 Hurry
 - 26 Walk along
 - 29 — buco (Italian dish)
 - 34 NFL luminary
 - 35 "La — Vita"
 - 36 Emu or owl
 - 37 In the event that it's true
 - 39 RCA product
 - 41 Pearl producer
 - 42 SLR's "L"
 - 43 Treasured violin, in brief
 - 46 #1 hit for the Troggs
 - 48 Spanish political units
 - 49 Breeding colony of penguins
 - 50 Eritrean, e.g.
 - 52 Proud walk
 - 54 Sheriff Taylor's son
 - 56 Rob (of)
 - 57 Spins
 - 58 Fusing result
 - 60 Ramble on
 - 61 Madcap
 - 62 Get finished
 - 64 Capital of South Korea
 - 67 NFL's Starr
 - 68 Did slaloms, say
 - 71 Digestion aid
 - 72 See
 - 53-Across
 - 74 Yalta's peninsula
 - 77 Less young
 - 79 It may hold Holsteins
 - 81 Clear up, as a mirror
 - 82 Slapstick fight missiles
 - 83 "Strawberry Wine" singer
 - 86 Windmill part
 - 87 Kellogg's cereal
 - 91 Hydroxyl compounds
 - 93 On — with
 - 94 Settles (on)
 - 96 Parody
 - 97 San Luis —
 - 98 Dodo
 - 99 Demand
 - 100 Six- (sub shop sandwich)
 - 102 Inventor Tesla
 - 103 Didn't play in the game
 - 104 Linked with
 - 105 Tallies
 - 108 Bumps into
 - 112 "T.N.T." rock band
 - 113 No. on a new car's sticker
 - 115 Paunches
 - 117 — Tomé and Principe
 - 118 Commercial start for Pen
 - 119 Series of Canon cameras
 - 121 Trial concern
 - 122 Jr. officer



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) There might still be some uncertainty about the decision you made. But a quick check of the facts should reassure you that you're doing the right thing.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The tidy Taurus needs to be a little more flexible about accepting some changes to those carefully made plans. You might be pleasantly surprised by what follows.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Consider stepping away from your concentrated focus on your new project for a bit so you can get some perspective on what you've done and where you plan to take it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The understandably angry Crab might not want to accept the reason why someone might have tried to hurt you. But at least you'll have an insight into why it happened.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) There might be some facts you still need to know before leaping onto center stage. Best to move carefully at this time so that you can observe what's happening around you.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to expand your outlook by getting out and around, whether you do some long-range traveling or just explore the great things to see closer to home.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your wise counsel continues to be needed as that family situation works itself out. Meanwhile, the decisions you made on your job begin to pay off quite nicely.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your job situation brightens thanks to all your hard work. Now, spend some time repairing a personal relationship you might have neglected for too long.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Aspects favor action in the workplace. Line up your facts and show your superiors why you're the one they're looking for.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your hard work pays off on the job. Personal relationships also can benefit from more of your time and attention. Spend the weekend with loved ones.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Early feedback on your project might be disappointing. But don't be discouraged. Use it to make needed adjustments, then submit it to your superiors again.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Flattery could lure the otherwise sensible Fish into making an unwise decision. Be careful. All that praise might be an attempt to reel you in before you can learn the facts.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful sense of who you are. You are a shining example to others, helping them believe in themselves and what they can do.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Foot is turned. 2. Building is wider. 3. Cart is larger. 4. Sign is missing. 5. Trunk is different.

GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

	+		x		21
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	x		-		25
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DIFFICULTY: **
* Moderate ** Difficult
*** GO FIGURE!

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Airplane
- Baseball
- Bottles
- Bowling ball
- Coins
- Football
- Lariat
- Plates
- Records
- Silk
- Stories
- Tops
- Webs
- Yarns
- Yo-yo

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Answers

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: Q equals F

CWLNR W PBG UPR QIZ KPWR W

KBC EL JA IBCU QIWYPU, AEZ

JWYPU CBA UPBU W EQURL

NEZYPRG BIEQU.

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

ARCDMW MJZ'K R CYJK RBK

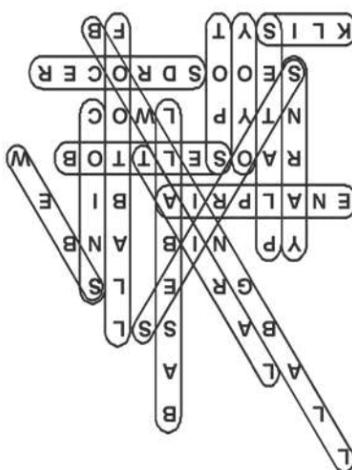
— YZS QIJK, MZ JYQS ARV,

WSK KY KES WRBRWS.

— SPRZ SJRB

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THINGS WE SPIN

Answers

	29	13		15		
32	8	x	5	-	6	
		+			-	
25		-	8	x	4	
		x		x	x	
	3	21	x	1	+	6

Answers

Go Figure!

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

Answers

Weekly SUDOKU

Since I had the flu while I was on my last flight, you might say that I often coughed a lot.

answer

CryptoQuip

— Evan Esar

get to the garage.

— one must, in some way,

Walking isn't a lost art

answer

CryptoQuote

Super Crossword

Celebrity Extra

By Cindy Elavsky

Q: One of my favorite shows was "Deadwood" on HBO. Watching that and "The Sopranos" was a ritual for me. Over the years I've heard rumors that it's coming back, but nothing seems to come of it. Any news?

—David F., via email
 A: It's finally happening! After years of speculation and false starts, at the Television Critics Association press conference in July, HBO programming president Casey Bloys announced that a "Deadwood" movie has been greenlighted. It is scheduled to begin shooting in October, with a tentative spring 2019 release. A big factor for the delay was rounding up the cast at the same time to film the series. As Bloys explained: "All of these people worked hard to get this together. It's been a logistics nightmare getting all of the cast members' schedules together, but we are there."

Q: Has there been any word on what is planned for "Star Wars: Episode IX" since the death of Carrie Fisher? I can't see how they can work around her death, and they definitely can't recast such an iconic role.

—Kellie D., The Villages, Florida
 A: Carrie passed away from cardiac arrest in December 2016 at age 60, just after she had wrapped on "The Last Jedi." However, there has been word of a workaround from director J.J. Abrams, and he's going back two movies in the canon to make it happen. He too knows that

there is no "Star Wars" without General Organa, aka Princess Leia. Abrams revealed in a statement: "We desperately loved Carrie Fisher. Finding a truly satisfying conclusion to the Skywalker saga without her eluded us. We have found a way to honor Carrie's legacy and role as Leia in 'Episode IX' by using unseen footage we shot together in 'Episode VII' ('The Force Awakens')."

What that footage is and how it will play into the mythology is a tightly guarded secret, of course, but J.J. did let us know a few details about "Episode IX," which is scheduled for release in December 2019. Billy Dee Williams returns to the fold in his role of Lando Calrissian; and, of course, Mark Hamill, Anthony Daniels, Daisy Ridley, John

Boyega, Lupita Nyong'o and Domhnall Gleeson all are returning, with Richard E. Grant and Naomi Ackie joining the cast.

Q: Do you have any "Ozark" news?

—Nancy P., via email
 A: At long last, the slow-burn, engrossing Netflix drama will return Aug. 31 for its 10-episode second season. And from the official logline of season two, you know this season is going to be filled with just as much nail-biting drama as the first: "The stakes are even higher than before, and the Byrdes soon realize they have to go all in before they can get out." I'm all tingly just thinking about what's in store for Jason Bateman, Laura Linney and company, aren't you?
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Couch Theater DVD Previews

By Sam Struckhoff

DVDs reviewed here are available in stores the week of Feb. 5.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Rider" (R) — Chinese-American director Chloe Zhao helms this sweetly heartbreaking story of a young rodeo up-and-comer who struggles to find meaning after an injury leaves him unable to participate



in the sport that had come to define his confidence. Brady (Brady Jandreau) is left with seizures after being thrown from a bull, and is informed that with repeated riding, they will only get worse. What is more meaningful: a longer life drained of purpose, or a short but full existence doing what you love? Interestingly, the story is inspired by the lead actor's real life, although fictionalized, and the film is populated with people, not actors: Jandreau's father plays his father, and sister plays his sister. Set in the hauntingly beautiful and bereft Badlands of South Dakota, it works, as do its players.

"Breaking In" (PG-13) — Shaun (Gabrielle Union) is on a weekend trip to her recently deceased father's remote estate to close up shop and list it for sale. She is accompanied by

her teen daughter and school-age son. Dad's place is seriously swanky with serious security. As it turns out, a gaggle of burglar bad guys (headed by Billy Bragg) are on the premises to find a hidden boatload of cash. When they kidnap the kids but don't manage to snag Shaun, she must fight for her family using brains, brawn and her maternal instincts. I have been a huge fan of Gabrielle Union ever since "Bring It On" and she definitely has the chops for both action and to carry a movie. But not this one. Let's just say it's not her best showcase and leave it at that.

"Life of the Party" (PG-13) — In an attempt to prove that it's never too late to get that college degree — and a truckload of revenge — Melissa McCarthy stars as Deanna, a 40-something mom who gets blindsided by her jerk husband after they deliver their daughter (Mollie Gordon) to Decatur University: He's divorcing her, and he's got all the money since she quit college to take care of the kids. But the joke's on him, because she signs up to finish her final year alongside her daughter — and gets busy living that co-ed life. Another McCarthy/Ben Falcone production, it's funny, but not over-the-top funny. Maya Rudolph stars as Deanna's loud and lovely best friend Christine, and Debby Reynolds has a cute drop-in as the resident

"On Chesil Beach" (R) — Saoirse Ronan and Billy Howle play Florence and Edward, a pair of newlywed virgins who approach their awkward first night as man and wife from vastly different positions, each colored by personal experiences and the communication constraints of traditionalist, upper-crust 1962 England. The story is told interspersed with flashbacks of their sublime courtship and other pertinent memories. It is based on the Booker Prize-winning novella by Ian McEwan, who also adapted the story.

NEW TV RELEASES

- "Get Shorty" Season 1
- "The Good Doctor"
- "Riverdale" Season 2
- "Six" Season 2

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• The Florida panther is Florida's most endangered species and one of the world's rarest.

Inside Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

At last it's been confirmed, and we can tell you what Quentin Tarantino has planned for Oscar-winner Leonardo DiCaprio and three-time Oscar-nominee Brad Pitt in his film "Once Upon a Time in Hollywood." The story is about former Western series cowboy Rick Dalton (DiCaprio) and his best friend and longtime stunt double Cliff Booth (Pitt), set in 1969, with the Manson family murders as the backdrop for the story.

As a reporter covering the Hollywood scene when the Manson clan murdered actress Sharon Tate and her friends on Cielo Drive, I remember discos, clubs and restaurants shuttered because celebrities were crippled with fear. In fact, none of them left their homes for weeks until they found out who was behind it all. I chatted with Sharon Tate and Jay Sebring at The Factory the night before the murders and was visited the next week by the FBI, who wanted to know what we talked about.

Tarantino is pulling out all the stops to make this a big film about Hollywood. He's

also cast Margot Robbie, Timothy Olyphant, Luke Perry, Dakota Fanning, Al Pacino, Emile Hirsch, Tim Roth and Nicholas Hammond, (original TV series "Spider-Man"). "Once Upon a Time in Hollywood" opens Aug. 19, 2019.

Hollywood is so fickle. Dwayne Johnson rode "Jumanji, Welcome to the Jungle" to just short of \$1 billion at the box office and "Rampage" to \$426 million, but because his latest release, "Skyscraper," came in third its first week, behind the animated "Hotel Transylvania 3" and "Ant-Man and the Wasp," with a mere \$71.6 million (more than half its cost), they think he's off his game. When the kids are done watching their cartoons and superheroes, the rest of us will be thrilled by "The Rock" climbing his skyscraper. He's not worried though; he's already moved on to filming "Jungle Cruise" with Emily

Blunt, Paul Giamatti and Jack Whitehall for an October 2019 release.

Harrison Ford must have been disappointed when "Indiana Jones 5" was put off for two years, but he got over it quick by signing to drive a dog sled in the remake of Jack London's "The Call of the Wild," which was most memorably made with Oscar-winner Clark Gable (1935) and Charlton Heston (1972). Maybe playing a wilderness prospector in the Yukon will finally earn Harrison Ford an Oscar, as it did for Leonardo DiCaprio in "The Revenant" (2015).



Even though Clint Eastwood didn't get to direct Bradley Cooper in "A Star Is Born" (which Cooper directed and starred in himself), he'll direct Cooper in the crime drama "The Mule," with Laurence Fishburne and Dianne Wiest. Hopefully Bradley isn't playing the title role!
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 252018CA000119

SOUTH FT. MEADE LAND MANAGEMENT, INC., a Florida corporation Plaintiff,

vs.

IDOB, INC., a dissolved Florida corporation, and its officers, directors, stockholders, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against it, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: IDOB, INC., a dissolved Florida corporation, and its officers, directors, stockholders, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against it.

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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you to quiet title on the following described property in Hardee County, Florida:

Parcel ID No. 15-34-24-0000-00160-0000
 Tract B-12, IDOB, INC., CITRUS GROVES, more particularly described as: Begin at the NW corner of said Section 15, Township 34 South, Range 24 East, Hardee County, Florida, and run thence S. 89°42'41" E. and along the North line of said Section 15, 73.91 feet; thence S. 0°43'30"W, 1679.95 feet to the P.O.B.; thence continue same line, 385.0 feet; thence S. 89°38'32" E, 86.00 feet; thence S. 0°43'30" W, 55.00 feet; thence S. 89°38'32" E, 744.0 feet; thence N 0°43'30" E, 385.0 feet; thence N 89°38'32" W, 682.0 feet; thence N 0°43'30" E, 55.0 feet; thence N 89°38'32"W, 148.0 feet P.O.B. Subject to a 10 ft. road and maintenance easement along East side.

AND Commence at NW corner of Section 15, Township 34 South, Range 24 East, Hardee County, Florida, and run thence S. 89°42'41" E. and along the North line of said Section 15 a distance of 73.91 feet; thence S. 0°43'30" W, 2064.95 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue S 0°43'30" W, 55.00 feet; thence S 89°38'32" E, 86.00 feet; thence N 0°43'30" E, 55.00 feet; thence N. 89°38'32" W, 86.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to JOHN W. H. BURTON of John W. H. Burton, P.A., Post Office Drawer 1729, Wauchula, FL 33873-1729, on or before the 31st day of August, 2018, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court either before service on Plaintiffs' attorney or immediately thereafter, or a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on this 26th day of July, 2018.

VICTORIA L. ROGERS,
 Clerk of Courts

By: J Wingo
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