TWO days stand out clearly in the mind of 97-year-old Lake City resident Helena Powers: Shaking hands with President John F. Kennedy the night before his inauguration and his untimely demise in the streets of Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963. Her son, former Coast Guard reservist Frank Powers, described the six-mile march he and thousands of others made escorting the president’s casket to its final resting place in Arlington National Cemetery as “sacred.”

“When they came around 100 feet below zero before the inauguration,” she said, “we pointed to herself and her late husband, Ralph Powers, a former member of the Florida Road Board and a major player in Florida politics at the time: “The night before we went to a goverment reception. We walked up here and comes Jack Kennedy. He came over to where I was standing and shook my hand.”

Later that night, then-U.S. Senator George Smathers threw an after-party at his home full of dancing and celebration that lasted well into the wee hours of the morning, she said. “We and I did along side Jack and Jackie,” she said. “He was a very quiet guy.”

Then came Nov. 22, 1963.

Frank Powers, 21 at the time, was preparing to graduate boot camp in Cape May, N.J. when his commanding officers ordered the recruits to head to their barracks and pack their bags. “We didn’t know what was going to happen,” he said. “We thought we were going to war,” he said. A short time later, he and his company were sent to Maryland to prepare for the solemn long funeral procession.

“We were all shocked. The whole country was shocked,” she said. “Nobody really knew what we were going to do,” he said. A short time later, he and his company were sent to Maryland to prepare for the solemn long funeral procession.

“Chairman John F. Kennedy she received when she and her late husband Ralph Powers attended his 1961 inauguration.”

Powers marched just yards in front of the president’s casket, (the cart carrying the casket—the same one used during Abraham Lincoln’s funeral 89 years earlier. “What really stood out in my mind was the quietness,” he said. “There were thousands of people on each side of the street, but you could hear a pin drop. It was extraordinarily quiet.”

Once they crossed the Potomac River and reached Arlington, his group was placed at ease during the funeral ceremony. “It was very powerful to see the guns and aircraft flying over, Air Force One and all the military planes flying in salute,” he said. “The whole thing was almost surreal considering that we were at his inauguration and here I was at his funeral!”

Community residents have long been interested in the state’s reading program. Stevens was tapped as executive director of Just Read, Florida on Tuesday.

“I’m quite an honor,” she said during a telephone interview Friday afternoon.

Stevens began her new job last week, but said she was notified about a month ago that she was moving to the position.

Stevens worked in the Columbia School District for about 25 years, the last seven at Columbia High School.

A former elementary school teacher, she also worked as an instructional coach.
**AROUND FLORIDA**

Body of man who fell from plane likely found

NEW YORK — J.R. Smith might be looking over his shoulder more than usual in the NBA playoffs.

Smith, who is one of the NBA's top scorers and a key member of the Cleveland Cavaliers, was arrested on charges of menacing and harassment.

The charges stem from an incident on Thursday night in which Smith allegedly threatened a man at a bar.

New York police say Smith, 28, was arrested at a bar in south Manhattan after he allegedly threatened to punch a man who spurned his advances.

Smith, who plays for the Cavaliers, was later released on $1,000 bail.

The incident is the latest in a string of controversies involving Smith, who has been involved in several altercations in recent years.

Smith is averaging 23.7 points per game this season and is respected for his shooting ability.

In recent years, Smith has been involved in several controversies.

In 2011, Smith was arrested for assault after he allegedly punched a man in a New York City bar.

In 2013, Smith was suspended by the NBA for one game after he was caught on video threatening a fan in a separate incident.

Smith is a former college basketball player at Kentucky and has been a professional basketball player since 2004.

He signed with the Cavaliers in 2011 and has been with the team ever since.

Smith is a native of Philadelphia and attended the University of Kentucky, where he was a four-time All-American.

He was drafted by the Cavaliers in the first round of the 2004 NBA draft.

Smith has won two Olympic gold medals in basketball.

He is the son of former NBA player Patrick Ewing and the brother of former NBA player Patrick Ewing Jr.

**Celebrity Birthdays**

- **March 19**: Martin Scorsese (Director, Producer, Writer)
- **March 21**: Groucho Marx (Actor, Comedian)
- **March 22**: Arnold Schwarzenegger (Actor, Governor)
- **March 23**: Michael Jordan (Basketball Player)
- **March 24**: Ralph Fiennes (Actor)

** Script of the Day **

"I'm always in trouble with "Twitter," Smith said before the Knicks played Houston. "I don't know what I'm doing. It's like they're talking to me."

His latest issue started Wednesday after Jennings made a critical comment about Smith's little brother, Chris, who also plays for the Knicks.

Jennings noted that Chris Smith is the "dirky" brother of the Knicks and that he's a better player.

Smith, however, said he was disappointed with Chris' comments and that they plan to talk it over.

He did not say anything about the incident, but he did say that he and Jennings have played together in the summer and had a good relationship.

There was a way to threaten someone and that's not the way to do it, said Smith."

Smith said he hopes to keep the situation from escalating.

"We're going to have a meeting and talk it over," he said.

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**Correction**

The Lake City Reporter regrets errors of fact in news items. We also regret any misquotes. Please call the executive editor. Corrections and clarifications will be run in the space. And thanks for reading.
Man was sprayed with bug spray, CCSO says

BY TONY BRITT
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A Lake City woman, who said she was looking for her cat, was arrested Monday night after allegedly spraying bug spray in her man who said she didn’t have a cat to spray.

Melody Faith Luke, 34, 196 SW Kirby Ave., was charged with malicious mischief, aggravated assault and criminal trespassing.

Luke and his wife, the victim, were sitting in the victim’s pickup truck when Luke said he heard a noise on his phone. He then found Luke spraying the victim with bug spray. The victim said he did not need treatment from emergency medical services.

Luke and his wife said the woman also vandalized their truck. “It was apparent it had been sprayed with some sort of bug spray based on the color of residue from the vehicle. The bug spray can was seen as a yellowish white liquid substance on the windows and all around the vehicle.”

Luke said he was sprayed using a spray can that was in his hand and asked if he could go.

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The victim said that the vehicle was a 2013, which was charged with malicious mischief, assault and criminal trespassing.

Every year, the team competes in the FIRST [For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology] Robotics Competition, a national event that promotes young people’s interest in science and technology through competition. They field a team each spring-build season, when they get to be a robot ready for the competition, there isn’t much time to experiment with new techniques.

Every January, we get the game design, and we have six weeks to design, build and test a 120-pound robot,” Crowell said.

She was wanted for her case to put on some paramedics — the study and application of pressure gas to produce mechanical motion — and transmission on their robotic creations. The robot can fire T-shirts approximately 200 feet, into stands or over the stands, if they want.

There are those that held the previous year, she said, that we didn’t take them on,” Crowell said.

According to Dugan Dotson, Robotics Team captain, the T-shirt cannon allowed the students to test learned methods and an experimental mental during the design process. When complet- ing to complete a robot in time and price, the competition’s rules do not have extra time to experiment with new techniques. Magnus PSI said the 120-pound robot.

“We do all our work for other chapters and fund,” Brayden said. “As the bell rings, it’s all robots until the bell rings again.”

In addition to the Robotics Team projects, the Engineering Technology classes also offer a number of opportunities for students to gain hands-on experience in engineering. Students can participate in a variety of hands-on laboratories and equipment, including computer-aided design (CAD) software, 3D printing, virtual reality (VR) technology, and other tools to help students develop technical and soft skills.

They’ve been told since they were young, ’Oh, you like to play football. But during his freshman year, the robot’s team drove onto the field to test it — and he decided to be part of the Engineering Technology program.

“I didn’t really know what I was going into,” Crowell said. “But it turned out to be an awesome experience.”

He plans to major in either mechanical or electrical engineering.

Follow Robotics Team member Brayden Thomas also plans to major in engineering, though he hasn’t settled on a specific field yet. Even before he was a child, he always had loved construction.

“What really sparked my interest was when I got my first LEGO set at age five,” Crowell said. “I always loved taking a bunch of little pieces and turning them into something bigger.”

The LEGO set was more complicated. As Brayden grew, he would build 1,000-piece LEGO sets in a matter of 20 or 30 hours.

“Now I have lots of LEGO sets because of LEGO became uncool, and I find my new love of robotics — so far,” Brayden added.

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Friday night lights return home

Todd Wilson

Columbia's citizens love this season. The Purple Tigers won district championship in the regular season. The Tigers also lost the first round of the Class 3A playoffs and the second round of the Class 3A playoffs.

It doesn't get any better. Speculation was that CHS would have its first two playoff games on the road to possibly have a shot at hosting in the third round, but the other bracket didn't necessarily play out as anticipated.

Bartram Trail gets the break, down to Ed White High, 50-23, on Friday night. Bartram Trail (the Bears) was in the regular season (5-5) and 3-1 in their district. They took the show on the road to Ed White and hammered the Commanders — the team that gave

The Obama administration has had three years to prepare for the introduction of the Affordable Care Act and has so far botched it, badly damaging its credibility. As of Thursday, only 27,794 people had managed to sign up for health care through the federal exchange and 75,391 through the state exchanges, out of a universe of 48 million Americans without health insurance.

In the meantime, millions of consumers had their private plans cancelled or were warned that their fateful and unpredictable. Will the Bears bow out or put up a show on Friday night? Columbia will be ready to play and ready for anything.

This is what makes high school football so striking, so beautiful and fantastic to watch. A group of 15-18 year old kids carry their hopes, dreams of the parents and fans, into the playoffs for the second straight year.

Todd Wilson is publisher of the Lake City Reporter.
Food for Fines

Columbia High School FFA student David Carey gets insulation from FFA student Emaleigh Williams as the two worked on Kohala High School FFA students help with Habitat house construction.

Establishing a Participant Fee

For information and applications for its 2014 Master Gardener Volunteer Program, call 386-755-0500 or email ccsostuff@hotmail.com or visit www.lakecityflorida.org.

Community Calendar

SCORIE holds an online meeting and discussion on Monday, Nov. 11 at 12 p.m. at the downtown County Public Library, 368 NW Columbus Avenue. SCORIE Counselors will answer several business and entrepreneurship questions that community members will receive a complete packet of information and planning for the future.

Food Tasting Workshop

The Columbia County Public Library and Friends of the Library will hold a one-week Food Fines program from Monday, Nov. 11 through Friday, Nov. 15, 24 for every one non-consuming educational item purchase, or non-consumable food item, that is returned to the library. Three CCLC locations, the downtown library, the Broad Street Library and the Groom Road Library, will be able to exchange the item for $1 in small change or fees. One item equals 45, five items equals 55, etc. and collected food items will be delivered to the Christian Service Center in Lake City for local distribution. Food collected at the FFA White Branch Library will be displayed to a local food bank. Food will be accepted only during the seven-day project.

Slate member meeting

The Columbia County residents for the FFA chapter will meet at 7 p.m. at the downtown County Public Library, 368 NW Columbus Avenue. The FFA students will host the event. /n

College of Osteopathic Medicine

The College of Osteopathic Medicine of Florida (COMF) will host a College of Osteopathic Medicine of Florida open house on Friday, Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. in the Alumni Center at 386-755-7060 or by e-mail at alexawson@columbus osteopathic.com.

CSO: Man faces burglar charges

By TONY BRITT

A Lake City man faces burglary and other crimes after a woman said he attacked her at her home Monday.

Joseph B. Newman Jr., 29, of Tallahassee, was charged with burglary and possession of drug paraphernalia in connection with the case.

Jenifer Rodriguez, 26, of Lake City was arrested on Nov. 8 in the parking lot of Walmart in Lake City on charges of grand theft. Rodriguez and a male accomplice were attempting to shoplift.

The suspect allegedly ran.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Lizzie J. Lee and Mr. Hugh Cameron of Jack Island, Lee, her parents and 8 of her step children: Curtis (Pamela) Jones, Gene (Maxie) Foster, J., Willie (Gene) Rodriguez, Sr., 4 children: Yolanda Rollins, Wayne (Karen Cruciata) (Jimmy), Sarah (Vining) Rodriguez, Three (Rodriguez & Michael Webster) in Lake City.

Thomas Vining Nathan 77, of Lake City, Florida, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, November 14 from a long battle with Alzheimer’s. He was born on November 30, 1936, in Lake City, Florida the son of Thomas Vining Nathan and Adeline (Ladd) Thomas. Vining had attended Regulatory Baby in death by his mother Nola Lindfors as guest speaker.

Sarah (Vining) Rodriguez, Two (Rodriguez & Michael Webster) in Lake City.

Lindfors as guest speaker.

The Columbia County Library will host a SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2013

Community Calendar

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your Community Calendar events, email them to lakecityreporter.com or by e-mail at alexawson@columbusosteopathic.com.

OCTOBER 2013

December we meet on Thursday, December 12 to have a “Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays” session at the Fort White Branch of the FSA office.

People interested in these training are encouraged to attend one of these meetings to learn more about the program, meet other UF Master Gardener, and pick up an application.

■ Thanksgiving, Nov. 24, 50K at the Wilson S. Lee Center at 10 a.m. The Western North Carolina Blue Ridge Mountain Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 6 p.m, dinner at 7 p.m.

■ Thursday, November 21st, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the Life Church on Tuesday Nov. 19th at 7 p.m. The “Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays” session at the Fort White Branch of the FSA office.

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Giving children a better Christmas

By TONY BRITT

Although he’s only 15 years old, Storm Ford has a heart for giving away a variety of organizing toy collection drives to benefit needy children his age. Since he was seven, he’s collected toys for mostly children. Although for the last three years Ford has collected toys for the Florida Children’s Home Society, Ford’s tradition will continue this year when he places his inaugural Skating for Santa Toy Collection Drive. The toy collection drive will take place from 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 30 from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, Hall of Fame Drive. Toy collection boxes will be placed throughout the community and will benefit local youth at the Florida Children’s Home Society.

The toys are for children's special.
Huesman: Agriculture is more than just tractors

Agriculture is about more than growing food; it’s about giving today’s students the opportunity to be successful tomorrow. Huesman considered pursuing a career in agriculture or horticulture, so she could work for the county Extension Service, which conducts educational training in agriculture, horticulture, family and consumer sciences, and 4-H youth development. She took a job teaching agricultural education at North Florida School instead and has been in the classroom ever since. She never regretted that decision, she says, with the kids and watching them grow, but knew extending training to others was important.

Huesman’s passion extends to the Florida FFA Organization (formerly the Future Farmers of America) at Ft. White High School since 1832. Although the organization was called “The Princess Party” in 1982, when she first joined, and had just gone through the Princess Party, Beamsley said. Agriculture has been a part of people’s lives ever since. “We’re all just as likely to be sitting at a computer desk as on a piece of farm equipment.”

In the classroom
After graduating from the University of Florida in 1981 with a bachelor of science degree in agronomy, Huesman considered pursuing a master’s degree in agriculture, such as how to work for the county Extension Service, which conducts educational training in agriculture, horticulture, family and consumer sciences, and 4-H youth development. She took a job teaching agricultural education at North Florida School instead and has been in the classroom ever since. She never regretted that decision, she says, with the kids and watching them grow, but knew extending training to others was important.

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In addition, Fort White put together a dairy show team for the first time this year and came away with the grand champion dairy heifer (Allison Deloach) and reserve champion dairy heifer (Allison Deloach). The 2014 Florida State Fair will be one of the two for Fort White’s FFA to shine, with the first time this year and came away with the grand champion dairy heifer (Allison Deloach) and reserve champion dairy heifer (Allison Deloach).

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Kennedy’s death left an indelible mark on the minds of millions of Americans. People alive during the beginning of one of the United States’ most tumultuous decades remember where they were when they heard the news.

Recollections

“I was in the fourth grade, Mrs. Johnson’s class at Central Elementary,” Columbus County Tan Collector Ronnie Brannon said. “I had been sent into the hall for talking in class... my brother’s brother came by and said school was out because the president had been shot.”

“My mom, already upset with Brannon, didn’t believe him at first. She got very mad and told me to go back into the hall and stop talking,” he said. “Before I could leave, a teacher came in and told him I had been assigned to a free-speech discussion.”

“Still, Circuit Judge Paul Bryan’s third-grade teacher, who was the chairman of the class which student lived closest to the school after the tragedy, called police and told them, ‘I heard two blocks away I lost my mind. She told me to go home and pick up a radio.’ Bryan said. ‘I ran as fast as I could. I cut through neighborhoods, ran in the door and told my mother. She did not know and got very emotional.’

He and his three older brothers frantically grabbed Bryan’s radio as Well for school. He listened to the news—President Kennedy down on the front page, squeezed into a sentence dedicated to the assassination on the front page, released a week later containing no information about the assassination.”

“Boyette was assigned to a predominantly Catholic faith.”

The Nov. 29 edition of the Lake City Reporter included a headline: “President John F. Kennedy ‘assassinated’.”

“Kennedy’s assassination created a solemnity that was felt very strongly that day. I hope it comes to light.”

Frank Powers said. “He had connections there,” Powers said. “I can’t recall his name, but he was a CIA operative in Cuba and had connections there.”

Frank Powders and his mother Helena Powders peruse their collection of family photos and JFK memorabilia. Helena met President Kennedy during successful campaign celebrations and attended his inauguration. Frank, a former Coast Guard reserve, marched just yards away from Kennedy’s casket during his funeral procession.

Oswald acted alone is not out of the question for some, either. “I think it was probably a one-man deal,” Montgomery said. “It’s absurd that one person can do such damage to the country, but all other assassinations—Lennon, Garfield—were one person—something big in life and that’s what he decided to do. I think he was just a misfit, a loner, individual, had a hard life growing up.”

The Warren Commission hoped to put it to rest by concluding Oswald was the sole killer responsible, but many weren’t convinced.

“When the Warren Commission gave their report, many people looked it at very literally and said there were things flawed with it,” Bryan said. “We’ll never completely resolve it. There’s enough of an unknown that we can never be proven one way or another.”

“JFK: Stories of shock, sadness and surprise

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Moore told authorities that as she approached the intersection, a person was hit by a car and had to be taken to an area hospital. "They have a great team," she said of the hospital staff. "I think the experience helps me because I was able to work through the practical aspect of it," she said. "I have something real, the experience helps me because I can represent Columbia County at the same time."
Jolted by Jaguars

By TIM KIRBY
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FORT WHITE — Fort White High football has worked for years to get a home playoff game, but it turned out to be bitter-sweet.

East Gadsden High (5-6) came to Arrowhead Stadium on Friday and left with a 19-9 win in the Class 4A region semifinal.

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After the free kick the Indians put together one of their patented drives. Ten carries by Tavaris Williams, Kellen Snider and Blair Chapman moved the ball from the Fort White 42 to the Jaguars 13.

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Tigers Jack Jackets

CHS advances, 42-24

By BRANDON FINLEY
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ST. AUGUSTINE — Columbia High's Loni On Lee Underwood scored two touchdowns in 1:14 against St. Augustine High in the FHSAA Class 6A Region 1 quarterfinal on Friday.

Underwood turned in 200 yards and three touchdowns on 27 attempts to lead the Tigers to the second round of the playoffs for the third-consecutive year.

The Tigers were slow to start, net scoring their first touchdown until 1:08 remaining in the first quarter. It's what they've been using all season.

Zyric Woods picked off a Cole Northrop pass on the first possession, Austin Harper and Malachi Jones stopped a drive short on the Jaguars' second possession and Columbia forced a three-and-out on St. Augustine's third possession.

Columbia High's Lonnie Underwood breaks free against St. Augustine High in the FHSAA Class 6A Region 1 quarterfinal on Friday in St. Augustine.

Indians fall 19-9 at home

By TIM KIRBY
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FORT WHITE — Fort White High quarterback Andrew Baker escapes a couple of tackles while running the ball against East Gadsden High in the Class 4A region semifinal Friday.

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SCOREBOARD

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Elliott Fry kicked four field goals and No. 11 South Carolina won its school-record 15th straight at home, sending banged-up Florida to its 12th consecutive loss and a 23-9 Saturday night. The Gamecocks (8-2, 6-2) were led by a 30-point rushing attack and defense for the third straight game, putting a stranglehold on the Florida defense. On offense, South Carolina's offense was led by quarterback Connor Shaw (15-25, 177 yards, 1 TD, 0 INT), who had a season-high 30 rushes for 111 yards, including a touchdown. The Gamecocks' defense held the Gators to 230 total yards, including only 80 yards on the ground. The Gamecocks improved to 7-0 in the SEC and clinched the Eastern Division of the SEC, which guarantees them a spot in the SEC Championship Game.

By TIM KIRBY

Columbia High's 200 Medley Relay team of Courtney Britt (from left), Heather Burns, Camille Britton and Lindsey Lee won the 200 Medley Relay for the third straight year, and the Lady Tigers placed third at state in a time of 1:43.80. Britt placed second in the 100 Backstroke and first in the 200 Individual Medley, while Burns won the 200 Free and the 50 Free. The Lady Tigers also won the 200 Free Relay for the third straight year, and the 400 Free Relay placed third at state.

BURNS 3-PEATS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Burns won the 2014 SEC Conference Championship on Saturday afternoon, defeating No. 2 Florida 49-17. Burns improved to 8-2 overall and 4-2 in the SEC, while Florida dropped to 7-3 overall and 4-2 in the SEC. Burns' win moves them to 2-2 in SEC play and keeps them in the SEC East division. Florida had a chance to win the game late in the fourth quarter, but Burns' defense held them to a field goal, and Burns took the ball down for the final play of the game. Burns, led by quarterback James Franklin (18-26, 275 yards, 2 TD), running back Trent Richardson (20 carries, 109 yards, 2 TD) and wide receiver Marquez North (8 receptions, 129 yards), outscored Florida 29-10 in the second half.

By KIMBERLY FINCH

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**INDIANS: Fall in playoffs**

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Sundown: Chapman ended the Jaguars' opening drive of the game with an intercep-

tion.

Fort White drove into East Gadsden territory on the first drive of the second half, but ended up punting. The teams exchanged two more possessions with the Jaguars starting on 3rd. After two consecutive East Gadsden quarterback Allen Petroncelli totally deadlines. Completed 3 of 5 passes with the last one good for an eight-yard touchdown to Jeremy Frison at 2:10 of the third quarter. La'Javier Chapman in the base conversion to cut Fort White’s lead to 9-7. After a three-and-out for the Indians, Petroncelli connected with Kendre James for 35 yards to Fort White’s 15. The defense held to a field goal try and Brie Piver good for 22 yards. East Gadsden led 11-7 with 11:13 left in the game.

Fort White lost a fumble on its next possession, but Chapman’s Petrus blasted it 52 yards to the Indians 7 with 7:22 left in the game.

Raker connected with Sundae by 23 yards, Bampenius by 7 yards and Chapman for 19 yards on a first down at the Jaguars 49 as a sec-

dond-down touchdown pass and passing attempts on three consecutive downs went west incomplete.

Chapman’s defense stayed strong and forced another fumble this time to the Indians 42. A pass inter-

ceptory penalty against East Gadsden gave the Indians a first down at the Jaguars 35, but a sack on first down and three inclusions ended a 5 yard drive.

With 1:12 minutes to play, Fort White bunched up the box to try and create a turnover. Jeremy Frison took advantage and scored an 8-yard touchdown run and St. Augustine led 9-7. Posters’ pass to Turner produced the final score.

The late run gave East Gadsden 225 total yards, while Fort White totaled 230 in the defensive struggle.

The nine points was a season-low for the Indians who averaged 34 points per game in the regular season.

“We ran up against a team that had us outnumber-

ed on defense,” Fort White head coach Dean Allen said. “They had big guys up front and stopped us in the middle. They ran us down when we went outside and we didn’t seem to not to be able make tackles. Without the hot hand. Both teams played well and we will continue to go with the hot hand the rest of the district championship.”

“Our guys fought and heart,” Chapman said. “I was proud of the effort and proud of our seniors for leading us to this point. I don’t think we could change the way we wanted it to work. We did everything we could since the season. It’s a better taste to swallow, but I can’t wait for us all. Unfortunat

ely, this season ended.”

Fort White (7-2) did finished the season with its first district championship.

“Those guys fought hard,” Chapman said. “We ran up against a defense that wanted to help with a pass-per-interference penalty and recovering a surprise-onside kick. Gadsden 45 yards in only four plays and Thomas Underwood had a 24-yard run from the 6-yard line, Patrick Stewart rushed in a 24-yard run from the 2-yard line and Larry Woodward interconverted a 20-yard pass from the 20-yard line of the night on Columbia’s next possession, but the Tigers would answer with a game-changing intercep-

tion in the third quarter.

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The Tigers ended the top on, however, with an 11-play drive capped off by a five-yard run from Underwood to lead 21-7 at the break.

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After an exchange of possessions, Brendan Baird fumbled a punt and recovered it in the end zone to tie the game. Ball with 5:27 remaining in the first half.

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Indians upset in playoffs

Fort White High's Andrew Baker attempts to wrap himself around East Gadsden High's La’Javier Turner during a play on Friday.

Fort White High's Devaundre Mathews and Andrew Baker corner East Gadsden High's Deickus Kelly.

Fort White High's Tyler Reed (11) and Kellen Snider (7) celebrate with Blair Chapman after making an interception against East Gadsden High on Friday.

East Gadsden High's Mike Gordon hunts down Fort White High's Tavaris Williams during a play on Friday.
Columbia avoids Jackets’ sting

Columbia High running back Lonnie Underwood is tripped up against St. Augustine High in the Tigers’ 42-24 win in the Region 1 6A quarterfinals on Friday.

Columbia High quarterback Jake Thomas looks for an open receiver against St. Augustine High on Friday.

A group of Tigers piles on a loose ball against St. Augustine High on Friday.

Columbia High’s Malechi Jean stops St. Augustine High runner Patrick Stewart down in the backfield on Friday.

Kamario Bell plunges forward against St. Augustine High.
By BRANDON FINLEY
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Some say that the biggest individual stat in football is turnovers and Columbia High forced enough on Friday to pick up a 42-24 win against St. Augustine High in the Region 1-6A quarterfinals of the Class 6A playoffs in St. Augustine.

Columbia's defense book-ended the game with turnovers, beginning with a Zyeric Woods interception on the first drive and ending with a Roger Cray interception on the final drive.

For a head coach that prides himself on defense, Brian Allen was proud of the team's efforts.

"They played extremely well," Allen said. "We talked about it all season, just getting that two-percent better every day. Somewhere around the end of the season you should be executing around 100 percent. Last week, against Suwannee, the defense had a little bit of a coming out party. You look at Roger and he was a freshman last year that played like a senior. Coming into this year as a sophomore, he hasn't slumped and only continues to get better."

Besides Zyeric Woods' interception in the first quarter, the Tigers' defense also issued a sack with Austin Harper and Malechi Jean combining for the effort, and Zedrick Woods recovered a fumble.

Jean, a defensive tackle, whose impact on the game usually doesn't show up on the stat sheet, disrupted the Yellow Jackets all night, and his head coach was singing his praises following the contest.

"That's the thing at nose tackle," Allen said. "You're not going out there and having games that show up stat wise where you have 10-12 tackles or three or four sacks, but he's doing things out there to disrupt. He's beating his double team and killing their traps and iso. We saw him do that a couple of times tonight."

Perhaps the game's biggest defensive stop resulted in the Tigers scoring points from that side.

Cray stepped in front of a Cole Northrup pass with 10:25 remaining in the second quarter and returned the interception 55 yards for a score to give Columbia a 14-7 lead.

"I was just watching his head, and when I caught it, I didn't see anything in front of me," Cray said. "When I saw the field, I was excited. I wanted to go help our team make a play by scoring on the defense."

After falling behind, 24-21, with 8:22 remaining in the third quarter, the Tigers didn't register another defensive sack or turnover until Cray's nail-in-the-coffin interception with 2:42 remaining in the game.

What the Tigers did in that span was equally important, however. Columbia forced three-and-outs on three straight possessions while working up the 42-24 lead that would become the final.

"Until then we were really bending, but not breaking," Cray said. "We changed a couple of things that we were doing defensively and disguised our Cover 2 look to stop them."

While Columbia's defense was dominating, the Tigers were getting a favor from another Jacksonville-area school as Bartram Trail High knocked off Ed White High to give Columbia a home-playoff game at 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

Instead of going on the road, the Tigers defense will be allowed to run wild at home for the first time in a month. The task won't be easy with the Bears coming in after hanging 50 points on Ed White. Still, the Tigers are looking forward to the challenge.

"We're all excited to come back and get a home-playoff game," Cray said.
First Federal: A long history of giving back

Last week First Federal Bank of Florida made a $5,000 contribution to Columbia County’s largest festival and event — The Olustee Battle Re-Enactment Festival.

First Federal Bank of Florida has been a major sponsor of the event for years, but the bank’s roots in the community go much deeper than just contributions to the festival.

During the last two years First Federal has contributed more than $300,000 to community programs and organizations through various programs at the bank. In addition, the bank’s employees have contributed more than 2,000 volunteer hours to local programs and services, proving First Federal values being a good corporate neighbor.

First Federal Bank consistently contributes to local communities through the various markets it serves through a variety of programs, such as contribution requests and the First Federal Way program.

The First Federal Way program enables employees to elect to contribute a portion of their paycheck to a nonprofit agency of their choice.

At the end of the year, First Federal matches the total contribution and awards it to the selected agencies. Last year First Federal Bank donated $14,190 through the program.

Keith Leibfried, First Federal president and CEO, expressed gratitude to the different agencies for all the dedicated services they provide to the community.

“I am also grateful to the First Federal employees who generously shared their hard earned income and to First Federal’s Board of Directors for authorizing a match of our contributions,” Leibfried said.

2012 recipients of First Federal Way. Pictured are agency representatives and First Federal executives. Agencies represented are American Red Cross; Arc of North Florida; Boy Scouts of America; Children’s Home Society; Guardian Angel (Voices for the Children); Columbia and Suwannee Counties; Habitat for Humanity Columbia County; Happy House; Homeless Services Network of Suwannee Valley; Lake City Humane Society; Love Inc.; March of Dimes; Pregnancy Care Centers of Lake City and Live Oak; Suwannee Valley Humane Society; Take Stock in Children/FSU; United Way and Visiting Nurses. Agencies not pictured are American Cancer Society; CARC; Christian Service Center of Columbia County; Columbia County Senior Services; Haven Hospice; Salvation Army; Suwannee County Parks & Recreation and Suwannee Valley HS.

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Is a trust right for you? It may help you postpone tax bills, avoid probate, have more control over property, and protect a child’s inheritance.

GIVING

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By DPA CAPPENFIELD and MARTIN DITTMACK
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Obama administration on Friday proposed to reduce the annual amount of ethanol in the nation’s fuel supply for the first time, acknowledging that the biodiesel industry is facing serious financial problems and that corn-based ethanol is no longer a viable source of energy.

The proposal would allow refiners to significantly lower the amount of ethanol they pump into gasoline, reducing it to 9.75 percent of the fuel mix. By comparison, the 10 percent level has been in place since 2007.

The Environmental Protection Agency is expected to issue a final rule next year at the latest.

employees,” he said. “Most important of all, it’s a way for our customers who place their trust in us to know that we will take care of them as well as we can, and that we enable us to be good corporate citizens.”

Donations consist of donations from the bank as well as from other charitable organizations in the Rewards Program. The City National Rewards Program is a way for First Federal customers to earn rewards by linking their accounts to partner together to support local, national, and international charitable organizations.

Every time a First Federal customer uses a card or account in the program their use debt card to make a purchase or take out a line of credit, First Federal donates money toward the charity or organization.

When a customer joins the Community Rewards Program and other banks across the country, the banks’ donors distribute the donated $500,953 and thus far for making donations to First Federal has donated 90,023.

First Federal has been made to local schools, after school programs, including non-profit and developmentally disabled organizations, sports programs, religious organizations, and other non-profit organizations.

“We hope that our customers and other businesses and individuals also want to follow our example and provide support to our community programs,” said City National President and CEO Willard S. Abraham. “We are grateful to the loyalty of our customers who stand behind us. We want to be able to provide support to our communities, and we take our commitment to First Federal that much more seriously.”

First Federal banks also participate in community outreach programs such as United Way, We Care and other organizations like, but not limited to, Kiwanis, Young Republicans, as well as volunteer at CAIR, and Habitat for Humanity.

First Federal Savings and Trusts are also heavily involved in March of Dimes, the Salvation Army, the Vitas Geriatric Care Center’s Rockstar Readings, the Pregnancy Care Center’s Run/Walk. Habitat for Humanity. also participate in community activities that help those in need of a roof over their heads, food banks like the San Francisco area food banks to do things like improve their web-site, and help promote the community. The Bank is also working with others to promote the community. The Bank is also working with others to promote the community.

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By ANNE D’INNOCENZO

SAN FRANCISCO — Software engineers wearing jeans and flip-flops might be expected to work in a casual position like yours.

Apps. Walks and windows double as desks. The walls are a mix of rough cement and smooth black. A main basketball net is strung from the ceiling.

At first glance, this workplace might not look like many others. It’s CyberOptics, an apparel and electronic manufacturing company.

The idea is a slant for retailers, a step toward the future. The CyberOptics had been slow to adapt to rapidly changing technology but retailers have had no choice, “You’re either in the market or you’re out of business,” said Fred Schiefer, chief executive at ASG Institute, which creates software for retailers.

Today, most businesses have an online presence.

For a small business like CyberOptics, the change has been challenging. The CyberOptics phone apps are being updated so their customers can track their order’s progress. The CyberOptics had to update its app to be on the top 5000 Top California talent to replicate an app created by a $3 million investment to get things online starting.

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EACH year we look forward to Thanksgiving and the start of the holiday season. We look forward to Christmas, because it’s the happy time of year where family and friends gather together to reminisce about the past and savor the sights and sounds of the best meals around. We know many of your favorite dishes, those that have been handed down from your mums, grandmothers and great-grandmothers, and the best ones you try something new each year to mix it up. My family is all about tradition for the most part. We’ve been serving the same menu for years and believe that, the dishes served at our parents’ or grandparents’ houses. Just about everyone serves turkey and all of the sides, but at Mary Kay’s she gave up on cooking a turkey years ago and now lets her dad cook it with the addition of a wonderful grilled standing rib roast. One year, she thought she’d give it a go and used a well-planned and execute recipe from Emeril’s collection of New Orleans cookbooks. How hard can it be to cook a turkey when a firefighter was the one doing it? It was absolutely beautiful. I will love it and keep it, but I do love the views and scenery that really are quite spectacular. We were in the Portland area of Maine, as the Head Light. Along the way we passed by several islands. The oldest lighthouse, Portland Head Light, built in the late 1700s, sits in the Portland area. These islands were named such in honor of the 10th President of the United States. We also passed by the Portland Head Lighthouse, which is believed to be the oldest lighthouse on the east coast.

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Best airport? Indianapolis

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A worldwide airport alliance has named Indianapolis International Airport the best in North America.

Indianapolis airport spokesman Jeri Berlinski tells the Northwest Indiana Times that the airport has fared well for the past few years in passenger traffic rankings as the most passenger-friendly airports throughout the world. Berlinski says the airport has received high customer-satisfaction survey results conducted in five major gate areas.

The 58th annual Best Airport Survey by Airports Council International-North America was released Thursday.

The Indianapolis airport tied for first place with Reagan International airport in Chicago, according to the survey released.
Pet-friendly inns: Tales, horrors

By LINDA LAMBERTI

If you travel with your dog and prefer small and Rottweiler- or Dachshund-choked cat hotels, it can be frustrating to find low-key, low-impact spots. If you like some innkeeper's spirit, though, you may wonder why any character is possible. At Les Artistes Inn in Del Mar, California, for example, a pair of Weimaraners created a shoe-wearout window when they saw another dog. "They thought their owners had said, "Don't worry, they don't have any notions," said owner John Halper. "The fine" pits them against the floor." 

Halper only allows pets in some rooms, but one corner of one of the inn's most basic nooks, ocean-view rooms with no grass on door bottoms to protect your vacation more pleas-

able for you, and pet the innkeeper's spirit. What a merger 

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DEAR ABBY:

Dear Abby, I need your help, but I don’t want you to feel obligated to help me. I have spent a lot of time and money on nursing home workers who have been unhelpful and unprofessional. I have tried to work with them, but they refuse to cooperate or help. I am at the end of my rope and don’t know what to do.

DEAR ABBY:

I am a nurse at a nursing home and I am trying to help a resident who is in pain. She is refusing to take her medication, and I don’t know how to approach her. I don’t want to make her angry, but I also don’t want to neglect her. What should I do?

DEAR ABBY:

I have a friend who is going through a difficult time. She is going through a divorce and is struggling to cope. She is my biggest supporter, but I don’t know what to say or do to help her. How can I support her during this time?

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On to Nashville

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JR used that degree to secure a job in mechanics’ work almost as soon as he arrived in Nashville, something not everyone chases their dream can achieve.

Soon after settling into his new apart- ment, he found Douglas Corner Café, one of Nashville’s “Legendary Venues,” where songwriters and musicians gather in the evening to play for them to get their opinion. “They aren’t all country fans, but they seem to like the songs.”

Meanwhile, he’s got songs to rehearse, and what better a place than with those he works with. “She also doesn’t get anxious, so her pacing, shivering,” Duffy says. “She starts to get anxious if dogs were out in the wild they’d be spending most of their time hunting for food,” says trainer Ivan Mayo of Santa Barbara, Calif.

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FEEDING YOUR POOCH

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So ask many trainers how you should feed your dog, and they’ll say you’re wasting a golden oppor- tunity by feeding out of a bowl.

Mealtimes are important. “They’re often referred to with terms like ‘food balls,’ so some owners worry about weight gain from extra goodies if they use them.

In fact, you can use these toys to feed your dog’s regular diet. If you feed dry kibble, just toss it in and you’ve got to go. Or you can plug the hole of a Kong with canned food and freeze it for an even longer-lasting meal.

Feeding this way can help with a variety of behavior problems.

For dog trainer Melissa Duffy of Carlsbad, Calif., food toys have helped her rat terrier, Barbie, with separation anxiety.

“She starts to get anxious when I am getting ready to go out, whining, pacing, shivering,” Duffy says. Being left with a food-digesting toy calms her, and has longer-lasting effects as well.

“She also doesn’t get into the trash can, which she will do if I leave her without a treat-digesting toy,” says Duffy. “She’s also noticed that she isn’t as frantic when I come home, no matter how long I’ve been gone.”

Getting animals to use their natural behavior to get food in part of what zoos call “enrichment.”