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History is at hand

By **STEVEN RICHMOND**

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The Blue and Grey will clash once again at Olustee Battlefield as thousands of re-enactors and visitors gather today to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee and its 38th Annual Re-enactment.

YOU MAY WANT TO BRING ...

A light coat, as winds will reach about 8 miles per hour and many parts of the park are shaded.

Unless you arrive early you may also wish to bring folding chairs, as bleacher seating is limited.

bleacher seating is not available. Instead, those wishing to view the re-enactment at 1:30 p.m. should arrive with plenty of time to spare, taking into account a hike that could span well over a mile from car to battlefield.

Parking on the grounds is restricted to members of the media, organizers, re-enactors and individuals with special pre-approved access.

Visitors typically park along U.S. 90, leaving their cars on the side of the road and hoofing it to the park. Again, the line of cars is likely to extend a mile or more from the park's entrance in either direction as more guests arrive for the battle.

However, the Blue-Grey Army's "park n' ride" shuttle service is available for visitors looking to avoid the hassle near the park's entrance.

The shuttles leave from Lake

Event organizers expect a packed house, meaning visitors arriving just in time for the show may face standing-room-only options. However, guests are free to use their own fold-out chairs if



TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

An unidentified Confederate re-enactor salutes the viewing stand during Saturday's Olustee Battle Festival Parade.

SCHEDULE

TODAY

- 8:30 a.m. Presentation of colors.
- 9 a.m. Shuttles begin to leave from Lake City Airport and Baker County Prison.
- 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Park opens to the public. Admission at gate: \$10 adults, \$5 children and preschool children free.
- 1:30 p.m. 38th Annual Olustee Battle Re-enactment.

Viewer's guide to the battle

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The grand finale to the 150th Anniversary Battle of Olustee weekend will give visitors an opportunity to witness the tactics Confederate and Union soldiers used during Florida's largest battle of the Civil War.

Around 2,000 re-enactors will gather at 1:30 p.m. today about half a mile north of the Olustee Battlefield Historic State Park entrance—the same land upon which over 10,000 Union and Confederate soldiers fought over 150 years ago.

While event organizers announcers will help guide visitors through each of the battle's phases, the sound and

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How are they different?

Differences between the re-enactment and the actual battle

- The re-enactment will feature 1,800-2,000 soldiers; The actual battle had upwards of 10,500. Of the Union, 203 soldiers were killed, 1,152 wounded and 506 missing. Of the Confederacy, 93 were killed, 847 wounded and six missing;
- During the original battle, CSA and Union lines were a mile or so long, north to south;
- Each side will have 11 cannons during the re-enactment; The Union had 16 pieces of artillery and the CSA 12 during the historic battle;
- In the actual engagement, Confederate troops received support from a large piece of artillery mounted on a train car positioned on the railroad line to the south;
- The 54th Massachusetts—the first all-black regiment of the U.S. Army—loaded wounded soldiers into a nearby railcar, attached ropes and pulled the entire mass by hand to the safety of Union enclaves several miles east of the battlefield.
- Bleachers were not present during the actual battle.

City Airport and the Baker County Prison Center beginning at 9:00 this morning. Three buses serve each location, so wait time should be minimal.

Entrance to the park itself is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. The shuttle service costs \$2 per adult and \$1 for students. Preschool children are admitted free to the

shuttle service and park.

Sutler's row, a collection of period merchants selling their merchandise, will be open to the public throughout the day as well. Outside food or drink, including alcohol, are prohibited. A variety of food and non-alcoholic beverage vendors will be present on site.

The National Weather Service of Jacksonville forecasts a mostly sunny forecast for today with a temperature of 43 degrees at 9:00 a.m. and 67 degrees at 3:00 p.m. With winds upward of eight m.p.h. and an abundance of shaded areas in the park, cool to cold weather attire is recommended.

While ear plugs will be available free of charge near the park's entrance, be advised that elements of the battle re-enactment are extremely loud.

Pets are not allowed at the battlefield or park.

For more information, call 877-635-3655.



AMANDA WILLIAMSON/Lake City Reporter

Nearly 48 years spent re-enacting has taught Commanding General Tom Jessee what a battalion of men marching sounds like, what food cooked on a smoky campfire tastes like and what it feels like to curl up with a blanket outdoors. His love of history attracted him to the hobby, and he's learned more participating on the field than he could from a textbook.

Re-enactor's been around since beginning

Says he's more like a director than a general.

By **AMANDA WILLIAMSON**
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Tom Jessee hasn't missed an Olustee re-enactment since they started 38 years ago.

Now, the Lakeland resident serves as Commanding General of the Confederate troops for the Olustee battle — an honor that carries an immense amount of work. Jessee traveled to the battlefield site approximately 12 times over the past year to ensure Sunday's re-enactment would run as smoothly as possible.

"It's not really like a general in a war, but more like I'm directing a

production," he said.

The Commanding General is responsible for directing troops, laying out the campsite and guiding staff officers to their positions. Jessee started re-enacting as a private 48 years ago, and has worked his way up in ranks over the years.

"I've always been interested in the history of the war," he said. "When I was 18, I met some people who were doing re-enacting. I've been doing it ever since."

On a personal level, Jessee loves the people he meets through the annual events. But he also enjoys the fact that he is able to celebrate America's history alongside his fellow re-enactors and history buffs.

"If we weren't doing a re-enactment here at the battlefield, hardly anyone would know it was even

here," Jessee said. "This is something that's hard to explain, but it connects me to my ancestors. I'm doing the same thing they did."

The Olustee Battle Re-enactment tries to stay as close to reality as possible. Participants must remove their 21st century devices from sight, including their cars, their cell phones and other modern day luxuries. Each re-enactor tries to stay in character for the duration of the three-day event.

But sometimes, Jessee said, it can be hard.

Depending on the questions asked by visitors, re-enactors must leave character to answer appropriately. If, for example, Jessee were asked what happened at the Olustee

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LOCAL NEWS

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COURTESY

Campus Credit Union supports United Way

Campus Credit Union Branch Manager Diana Parker presented a check for \$1,000 to Eddy Hillhouse, Plant Manager, Purina Animal Nutrition and General Campaign Chair, United Way of Suwannee Valley, and Rita Dopp, Executive Director, United Way of Suwannee Valley, in the lobby of the new Campus Credit Union branch on US 90 in Lake City. The check represents the local employees' contributions and corporate donation in support of United Way of Suwannee Valley.

QUICK HITS

Scripture of the Day

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." — 1 John 4:7-11

Thought for Today

"Labor is prior to, and independent of, capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration." — Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865)

Winning Lottery Numbers

Cash 3: (Saturday) 2-1-4

Play 4: (Saturday) 3-1-1-1

Fantasy 5: (Friday) 10-20-29-33-34

Florida Lotto: (Wednesday) 5-8-19-34-41-49-x4

PowerBall: (Wednesday) 36-44-49-52-57-1-x2

AROUND FLORIDA

Loud music shooting declared mistrial

JACKSONVILLE

A Florida man has been convicted of three counts of attempted second-degree murder after an argument over loud music outside of a convenience store.

A mistrial was declared Saturday on a first-degree murder charge after the jury couldn't agree on it.

The 12 jurors also found 47-year-old Michael Dunn guilty of shooting into an occupied car. Dunn was charged with fatally shooting 17-year-old Jordan Davis of Marietta, Ga., in 2012 after they got into an argument over the music that was coming from Davis' parked vehicle.

Dunn fired 10 shots, hitting the vehicle nine times. Also in the vehicle were three friends of Davis. Dunn claimed he acted in self-defense, testifying that he thought he saw a gun pointed at him from Davis' vehicle.

Wrong-way SUV owner threatened

TAMPA — The owner of a

sport utility vehicle driven the wrong way down a Florida interstate says there was nothing he could have done to stop a fiery crash that killed five people.

Scott Enfinger of Tampa told reporters Friday that he has received threats on social media since the crash early Sunday that killed Enfinger's friend Daniel Lee Morris and four University of South Florida fraternity brothers.

Authorities say Morris was observed just after 2 a.m. Sunday speeding the wrong way down Interstate 275. A few minutes later, Morris crashed head-on into a car carrying the four fraternity brothers.

The fire was so intense that it took Florida Highway Patrol days to identify Morris' body.

Hours earlier, Morris had been at a barbecue at Enfinger's home. Enfinger said that as the party continued into early Sunday, Morris went inside the home and then drove out of the driveway in Enfinger's Ford Expedition, which he took without asking.

Enfinger said he ran barefoot

after Morris when he saw his SUV speeding away, then turned around and urged the other partygoers to call the police.

Morris had had a few mixed drinks but he had not been acting strangely until he suddenly left, Enfinger said.

"There is nothing I could do to stop this," Enfinger said. "If I could, I would have moved heaven and earth. Unfortunately, I had no way of seeing this one."

Enfinger said the threats he's received on social media prompted him to leave his home with his fiancée and their children for several days.

Man found guilty in wife's 2011 killing

NAPLES — A southwest Florida jury has found a man guilty of second-degree murder in the 2011 shooting death of his estranged wife at a hospital.

Jeffrey Moretz was convicted Friday in Collier County. His wife died at the scene at a Naples hospital where she

was visiting a co-worker in July 2011. Court records showed the couple were divorcing and in foreclosure. Moretz turned the gun on himself after shooting his wife, but he survived.

Sentencing is set for March 21.

Hospice worker fired after getting cancer

WEST PALM BEACH — Hospice of Palm Beach County raised its CEO's pay 30 percent to \$710,537 the same year a mother of three said the organization fired her because she could work only 30 hours a week while fighting breast cancer — a situation the hospice's founder called "outrageous."

The pay was revealed in financial records for 2011 requested by The Palm Beach Post last year but not released until 2014 by the nonprofit hospice. Its founding mission: to provide palliative care for people with terminal illnesses including cancer.

Mitsy Tucker said she was a secretary coordinating care for

patients at home when she was stunned to receive a termination letter saying her last day would be Dec. 19, 2011. In her own letter, Tucker pleaded with CEO Dave Fielding to help her understand why she was fired six days before Christmas.

"The termination happened during one of the most difficult times of my life, a very challenging time frame where I was being treated for breast cancer," Tucker wrote.

She said she could work only 30 hours a week after a leave for a double mastectomy because she needed continuing treatment, including chemotherapy. A termination letter reminded her, "Failure to return to full duty after completion of Family Medical Leave may result in termination of the employee's employment."

Hospice officials declined to confirm or dispute Tucker's account, but the founder of the organization found it troubling.

■ Associated Press



COURTESY

County winners in Americanism Essay contest

Pictured are ninth and tenth grade winners: John Elliot, first place (front row, from left); Eva Kirby, second place; Kaleb Thomas, third place. Eleventh and twelfth grade winners: Rachael Johnson, first place; Shelbi Fennel, second place; Priyanca Pattel, third place. Third and fourth grade winners: Seth Grubb, first place (back row, from left); Jamari Jones, second place; Bailey Dicks, third place. Fifth and sixth grade winners: Colby Strickland, first place; Madison Lipscomb, second place; Logan Dicks, third place. Seventh and eighth grade winners: Jessica Harris, first place; Heidi LaPlant, second place; Kyler Larsen, third place. The contest was sponsored by the Elks Club.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Malcolm X family upset with Nicki Minaj for photo

NEW YORK — Malcolm X's family and estate said Nicki Minaj's use of a famous photo of the black nationalist with a rifle in his hands and juxtaposing it with a racial slur for her new song's artwork is disrespectful and offensive.

In an exclusive statement to The Associated Press on Friday, Malcolm X's daughter, Ilyasah Shabazz, said Minaj's use of the picture "in no way is endorsed by our family."

"Ms. Minaj's artwork for her single does not depict the truth of Malcolm X's legacy," Shabazz's statement said.

Minaj apologized Thursday. She pulled the artwork after she was criticized on social media platforms for using the photo for the cover of her new male-bashing song, "Lookin' (Expletive) (Expletive)." The title uses the N-word.

Minaj said the single cover was "never the official artwork."

Rodman out of rehab: 'I'm not an alcoholic'

MIAMI — Dennis Rodman checked into an alcohol-rehabilitation center to reevaluate his life, not give up drinking.

"I needed to decompress from all the things I was going through," Rodman said Friday by phone from Miami. "I was trying to get this game going and get everything going in North Korea. It was a lot."

Rodman recently spent three weeks in a New Jersey-based facility when he returned from his latest trip to North Korea. He organized a group of retired NBA players to travel to North Korea for that exhibition game. He suffered an angry meltdown during a CNN interview and also sang "Happy Birthday" to North Korean leader Kim Jong Un at the start of the friendly game.

Rodman said he will return to the rehab center every six months "to see where I'm at."

The 52-year-old Rodman, who won five championships with the Detroit Pistons and Chicago Bulls and was one of the

NBA's fiercest rebounders and most colorful personalities, denied he was an alcoholic.

"I'm not an alcoholic," he said. "An alcoholic drinks seven days a week. I don't drink seven days a week."

Rodman said he planned to return to North Korea and defended his friendship with Kim Jong Un.

"The people over there are not bad people," he said.

Rodman and Kim struck up a friendship when the basketball-player-turned-celebrity first traveled to the secretive state last year.

NBC producer's job is to create moments

STAMFORD, Conn. — At 3:30 a.m. the morning before the Olympics started, Brian Gilmore was glancing at the giant television screen that dominates a workroom at NBC Sports Group's headquarters when something caught his eye.

A huge competitor from India, Shiva Keshavan, had fallen off his sled during a training run and, somewhat miraculously, had hoisted himself back on while speeding down the course. Gilmore shouted across the room for someone to capture the video and asked colleagues whether they had ever seen anything like it.

No one had. Gilmore posted the video on NBC's Olympics' website and within a few days, more than 1.5 million people watched it.

Gilmore, a senior director at NBC Sports, is assigned to create viral videos for the Olympics. His job is to find moments — wacky, heartbreaking or heartwarming — to break out and post in the hope of generating the most online traffic possible.

"Our job is to find things that can resonate," said Gilmore, who works with some four dozen people responsible for monitoring streams of every competition in Sochi and breaking out clips for high-light packages.

Somewhat improbably, Keshavan's clip was the NBC Olympics site's most popular clip for several days.

■ Associated Press

OUR OPINION

History unfolds at 1:30

The sesquicentennial march has been gathering steam for going on three years now, as towns across America mark the milestones of our darkest moment.

Now it is our turn to observe the 150th anniversary of the day the Civil War came to our front door. Confederate and Union re-enactors will recreate that moment 15 miles east of town this very afternoon.

Olustee may not have been a decisive stop in the war, but it was surely a pivot point for Lake City. The experience has permeated our culture every day since, for a century and a half.

Today we pay homage, not to suffering and death, but to our own past.

These annual re-enactments tell the story, in some measure, of who we are – both as a small town in North Florida and as a nation.

It's a tale we never get tired of hearing. Our appointment with history is at 1:30 p.m.

Better not be late, as seating is limited.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1804, Lt. Stephen Decatur led a successful raid into Tripoli Harbor to burn the U.S. Navy frigate Philadelphia, which had fallen into the hands of pirates.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Fort Donelson in Tennessee ended as some 12,000 Confederate soldiers surrendered; Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's victory earned him the nickname "Unconditional Surrender Grant."

In 1868, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was organized in New York City.

In 1918, Lithuania proclaimed its independence from the Russian Empire. (Lithuania, which was occupied by the Soviet Union, then Nazi Germany, then the Soviet Union again during World War II, renewed its independence in 1990).

In 1923, the burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently unearthed tomb was unsealed in Egypt by English archaeologist Howard Carter.

In 1937, Dr. Wallace H. Carothers, a research chemist for Du Pont who'd invented nylon, received a patent for the synthetic fiber.

In 1945, American troops landed on the island of Corregidor in the Philippines during World War II.

In 1959, Fidel Castro became premier of Cuba a month and a-half after the overthrow of Fulgencio Batista.

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Olustee weekend: A scrapbook moment

Olustee weekend has been absolutely spectacular. The downtown portion of the festival was excellent on Friday and Saturday.

The craft and food vendors delivered, the live musical entertainment was excellent, the parade was outstanding, and the overall appreciation for this historic occasion seems to have been embraced by all who attended.

The 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee weekend so far has been a great success.

Today, a record number of re-enactors will commemorate the Battle of Olustee near the spot where on Feb. 20, 1864, Confederate soldiers defending Lake City stopped advancing Union troops near Ocean Pond. On that day, a total of 2,807 men from both sides were killed or wounded.

This afternoon, hundreds of re-



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enactors will take to the battlefield and commemorate that pivotal day in American history. These living historians give all of us a bonus as we get an accurate glimpse into what a soldier's life was like in the 1860s.

From the re-enactors to the festival organizers, this entire weekend of remembrance and commemoration would not be possible without the work of several hundred volunteers. Sponsors finance the event, but the work gets finished because

our community is blessed with people who have a passion for giving back. They work to make sure this historical event is preserved and is woven into the fabric of Columbia County culture.

The Olustee Festival and its battle re-enactment have become an integral part of our county's sense of place. None of us here today created this history, but we remember it for its historical significance in our region.

Thanks to all the sponsors and volunteers who make it happen. And thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy the sesquicentennial edition of the Olustee Battle Festival and Re-enactment.

This weekend has been a community scrapbook moment.

■ Todd Wilson is publisher of the *Lake City Reporter*.

Comcast-Time Warner deal makes sense

Say this about the deal announced Thursday for Comcast to buy Time Warner Cable: It's big. Big price tag of \$45 billion. Big combined subscriber base of 30 million households. And, big risk of a veto from government antitrust regulators, whose approval is needed for the deal to proceed.

Remember when AT&T wanted to acquire T-Mobile in a similarly big acquisition? President Barack Obama's administration blocked that merger in 2011. In our view, that transaction should have won approval. Combining the wireless carriers made business sense and would have helped consumers receive improved services.

For the same reasons, we're inclined to favor a tie-up between the No. 1 and No. 2 cable operators. There's another reason why such a combo play doesn't bother us, even though it looks like a classic case of a big new company with more pricing power and market dominance:

American consumers have never had so many options for digital video news and entertainment, and those options are growing. Americans raised in an era of only three network TV channels now have computer, smart phone and TV access – a wealth not only of content, but of platforms to deliver that content. As this diversity of service options rapidly expands, the reflexive distrust of big-company mergers loses its oomph. In this realm consumers rule: They increasingly have the freedom to abandon any provider that tries to gouge them.

In sum, the initial worries about a Comcast-Time Warner deal seem overblown. We doubt that consumers would be stuck paying more for cable and broadband service, as some critics fear. We also doubt that content providers such as ESPN

or The Weather Channel (now in a standoff with satellite provider DirecTV) would lose bargaining power in their future negotiations with a combined cable behemoth.

How so? For starters, Comcast and Time Warner operate cable systems with little overlap. In most of their markets, the two giants don't compete. Time Warner is big in New York City, for instance, and Comcast in New Jersey and Connecticut. Anticipating an objection from federal antitrust lawyers, Comcast said Thursday it would divest about 3 million subscribers in competitive markets if the deal wins approval. The government might reasonably require more divestitures – but probably not many more.

Another factor that would keep the merged company honest is the competition among delivery platforms. For years now, cable operators have lost customers not so much to each other as to the likes of AT&T, Verizon and DirecTV. Those competitors are expected to continue gaining market share against cable, whether or not this merger wins approval. Content providers routinely pit cable, telco and satellite operators against each other in negotiating deals. If Comcast dropped a popular channel that its archrivals in the same market still offered, its customers would bolt – a mutiny not possible in earlier decades when only cable or clunky antennas could provide content.

Today, though, Internet TV services such as Netflix and Hulu hold the potential to compete against or even cripple cable. It hasn't happened yet: Most users of those Web services also subscribe to pay TV. But as streaming improves and Internet companies perfect their business models, we expect to see an online challenge to cable that would provide ever more checks and balances in the marketplace.

Don't be startled if, someday, technology improvements by its rivals render the cable industry extinct.

Comcast has volunteered to make additional concessions in the interest of online competition. It would, for instance, extend conditions imposed on its acquisition of NBC to a Time Warner deal. That would include supplying its programming to Netflix and other providers, and giving competitors equal speed and access on its broadband network.

The sluggish economy works in favor of a merger. Since the Great Recession, fewer new households have formed, which cuts into the number of newly occupied homes for cable to colonize. The weak recovery has left a larger share of households unable to afford pay TV no matter how much they want it. The cable audience isn't growing and won't any time soon.

These weak growth prospects and competitive challenges put a premium on efficiency. Comcast says the merger would result in significant cost savings, which ultimately would give it more latitude to offer its customers better deals.

Consumers also stand to benefit from investments Comcast has made in its systems, such as high-tech Xfinity branded products. In announcing the deal, the company pledged to deliver superior video, higher broadband speeds and the fastest in-home Wi-Fi to more households.

We know: promises, promises. Cable operators have a spotty history of delivering on bold claims. But cable companies have no choice but to keep modernizing, or their customers will desert them for non-cable alternatives.

Our bottom line: If Comcast and Time-Warner are allowed to merge, bigger will lead to better.

■ Chicago Tribune

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your Community Calendar item, contact Emily Lawson at 754-0424 or by email at elawson@lakecityreporter.com.

Black History

(Events are scheduled throughout the community by various agencies and organizations. For more information about local efforts, visit www.itsaboutmyefforts.org.)

Feb. 17

Teen Summit (includes prizes, a mock trial, teen talk, games and college information) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community Revival Center. Admission is free. Contact Dre Cray at 386-292-2725 for more.

Feb. 22

CDC Black Tie Fundraiser Banquet at 6 p.m. at the County Fairgrounds. Admission is \$30. Contact Ann McKellum at 904-635-2021 for more.

Feb. 26

Festival and Talent Show at 11:30 a.m. at the Florida Gateway College Pines

Square. Admission is free. Contact Amy Dekle at 386-754-4317 for more.

Feb. 28

Closing Ceremony and Elders Banquet at 6 p.m. at the Richardson Community Center. Admission is free. Contact M. McAllister at 386-867-1601 for more.

Feb. 16

Joyce Igo in concert
Joyce Igo, a soloist from West Virginia, will be in concert at Glad Tidings Assembly of God, 1571 E Ducal Street, on Sunday, Feb. 16 at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Feb. 17

SCORE Workshop
There will be a SCORE Entrepreneur's Workshop on Feb. 17 from 6-8 p.m.

at the Columbia County Public Library. The workshop is free to attend but reservation is required. Call 386-752-2000 or email scorelakecity@gmail.com.

SAR meeting

The Lake City Chapter of The Sons of The American Revolution will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 17, at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at Guang Dong Restaurant, in the Lake City Mall. There will be an awards ceremony for members. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, call Ralph Wright at 386-961-9112.

Feb. 18

Hazardous waste
The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Northeast District will hold a

workshop regarding the handling of commercial hazardous waste and the storage of used oil. The workshop will be held Tuesday, Feb. 18 at the Florida Gateway College, Wilson S. Rivers Library. To register for this workshop or for additional information, please contact Dwayne Mundy at Mundy@ncfrpc.org or (352) 955-2200.

Art League

The Art League of North Florida invites the community to its monthly meeting on Feb. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. There will be dinner, a short business meeting and a presentation from representatives of Michaels.

Feb. 19

Career Day
Epiphany Catholic

Schools is hosting a Career Day on Wednesday, Feb. 19 from 8:30-11 a.m. in the church social hall.

Class of '46

The CHS class of 1946 will have their quarterly luncheon at Phish Heads on Wednesday, Feb. 19 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call Lenvil Dicks at 961-1104 for more.

John Lanier in revival

Gospel singer John Lanier will be participating in a revival at New Beginning Church on Sunday, Feb. 16 through Wednesday, Feb. 19. Sunday times are 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weekday times are 7 p.m. Call 755-5197 or 755-6422 for more information.

Feb. 20

Camera Club

The Branford Camera Club will meet on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. at Cuzin's Restaurant. The program will discuss an introduction to PhotoShop Elements — a quick fix to any picture that didn't quite meet your expectation. Mark your calendars for other upcoming events: Field Trip to the Battle of Olustee, Sunday, February 16. Regular monthly meeting, Thursday, March 20. Contact Carolyn Hogue, Program Chair, 386-935-2044 for more.

Retired Educators

The Columbia County Retired Educators will meet Thursday, Feb. 20 at the School Board Adult Center (room 120) at 1 p.m. Please bring your volunteer hours. Any retired person interested in education is invited to attend. Call Mr. Brown at 752-2431 for more.

James Warren "Jim" Arnold

Mr. James Warren "Jim" Arnold also known as "Chief," "Mr. Seminole" and "Papa Jim", 83 of Lake City, passed away peacefully in his sleep Thursday morning February 13, 2014. Jim was born in Bainbridge, Georgia on September 27, 1930 to the late Jessie Frank Arnold and Kitty Williams Arnold. Jim was many things to many people; but he was well known and well-remembered for his love of Florida State. In 1950, he joined their budding FSU football program as a defensive end. He spent two years at FSU; then served four years in the Navy in Jacksonville and Norfolk, VA and enjoyed four years of football with them. He then later returned to FSU for another 2 years of football. Since then, his passion for the game and gold has never waned. Jim taught industrial arts for a number of years at Lake City Junior High before joining the state DMV. In 1976; he co-founded the Lake City Seminoles Boosters Club. He was an avid hunter and fisherman who also had a "green thumb" growing large peanuts and crafting his own jelly from mayhaws that were handpicked. Jim was also a member of the Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his two brothers: Dan Willis Arnold and Jesse Frank Arnold; and two sisters: Mary Cambrom and Myra Thomas.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 56 years: Patricia Weeks "Pat" Arnold of Lake City; daughter: Denise Arnold Kirby (Tim) of Lake City; son: James Emmet "Packy" Arnold (Holly) of Tallahassee; sisters: Kitty Henderson of Louisiana and Betty DeWitt of Jacksonville. Three grandchildren: Miles Kirby, Eva Kirby and Emily Arnold also survive.

Funeral Services for Mr. Arnold will be conducted on Monday, February 17, 2014 at 11 A.M. in the Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church with Rev. Louie Mabry officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends Sunday afternoon February 16, 2014 from 2-5 P.M. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donation be made to the Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, 1272 SW McFarlane Ave, Lake City, (386) 752-3513. Arrangements are under the care of the DEES-PARRISH FAMILY FUNERAL HOME, 458 S. Marion Ave., Lake City, FL, 32025. Please sign the online guestbook at www.parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Billie M. Bielling

On February 13, 2014 Mrs. Billie M. Bielling passed away at North Florida Regional Medical Center after an arduous illness.

Known to many as "Ms. B" or "Nanny", Billie was born to John Dawkins and Bessie Queen McCarley on March 24, 1930. She grew up on her Grandfather Fate Harden's timber land in Union and Columbia Counties. She attended elementary school in Mason City and Middle School in Providence and then graduated from Union County High in Lake Butler, all in the State of Florida. During these times she received voice and piano lessons from local instructors and was an accomplished Soprano. Many throughout her life enjoyed and marveled over her beautiful voice in church, weddings and funerals. (She could break the crystal!)

After marrying her husband of 50 years, Jesse R. "Jack" Bielling, Jr., they began a career in agriculture producing acres and acres of vegetables in the Providence area. The last few years of her life she enjoyed vegetable gardening

again. Upon a career change for Mr. Bielling, "Ms. B" worked with a local Credit Bureau in Lake City, FL. Moving to Tallahassee, FL with Mr. Bielling's work, "Ms. B" continued her work with a Credit Bureau in Tallahassee during the Mid 60's. After returning to Lake City, FL in the late 60's for Mr. Bielling to continue his career with the Florida Department of Transportation, "Ms. B" began a career in the Banking Industry with local Savings and Loans. New Accounts and Customer Relations became her forte, because of her people skills and glowing personality. She completed her career as personal assistant to the editor/publisher of The Lake City Reporter. (Work she thoroughly enjoyed.) During this time, she was a dedicated wife, mother and grandmother, often times feeding the multitudes and maintaining their home.

After retirement "Ms. B" and Mr. Bielling spent most of their time at their beloved home in Suwannee, FL; fishing and preparing southern style meals for neighbors and friends, was a routine activity. Soon after Mr. Bielling passed away in 1999, "Ms. B" made Suwannee her permanent residence. She resided there until her death. Nothing pleased "Nanny" more than talking about her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was a faithful member of the Suwannee Baptist Church where she was an active member of the church choir. "Ms. B" was preceded in death by her parents John and Bessie McCarley, her infant daughter, Susan Marie and her husband Jesse R. (Jack) Bielling, Jr.

She is survived by sons David Reginald "Reggie" Bielling (Patti) Lake City, Jesse R. (Lynsi) Bielling, III (Kathy) Providence, Grandchildren Jordan Catherine Bielling Horne (Justin), Jesse R. Bielling, IV (Lynsi), Betty Rees Bielling and Mari Hines McKanna (Betty's Sister), Great-Grandchildren Justiss Cait Horne, Jacklynn Marie Horne and Jesse R. "Jax" Bielling, V. She is also survived by her sisters Betty Jo (Glenn) Howard, Dukes, FL, Bobbie Sue Vincent, Green Cove Springs, FL, Gertrude (Jack) Huber, Orlando, FL, many adored nieces and nephews and a host of supportive and caring friends.

Funeral services for "Ms. B" will be conducted at Noon on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 in the Providence Village Baptist Church with Rev. Fred Edwards

and Rev. Dax Summerall officiating. Interment will follow in the Old Providence Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends for ONE HOUR prior to the service at the church. The family requests in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Suwannee Baptist Church, P.O. Box 147, Suwannee, Florida 32692 in memory of Billie M. Bielling. Arrangements are under the care of the DEES-PARRISH FAMILY FUNERAL HOME, 458 S. Marion Ave., Lake City, FL, 32025. Please sign the online guestbook at www.parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Loree Sally Jackson

Mrs. Loree Sally Jackson went home to the Lord on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at the age of 97. She was surrounded by her family and loving caretakers from Haven Hospice and Stillwater Assisted Living Center. Mrs. Jackson was born in Mayo, Florida on August 7, 1916. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Lula Hurst, her husband Mr. B.L. "Jack" Jackson, sons, Wayne and Stacey Jackson, brothers, Roscoe and Rudolph Hurst, sisters Juanita Hurst, Eloise Calhoun, Irene Brown and Geraldine Futch, son-in-law Bob Harris, and grandsons Brent Johnson and Michael Kelly. Mrs. Jackson was a founding member of the Southside Baptist Church. She loved her family dearly and enjoyed cooking, reading, working crossword puzzles and sewing in her spare time.

Mrs. Jackson is survived by her son, Randall (Vicky) Jackson, daughters Joann Harris and Lynn (Walt) Davis, sister Tommie Lou (Bernard) Jackson, grandchildren Travis Sandlin, Todd (Sarah) Sandlin, Ashley (Heath) Phillips, Denise Stewart, Wayne (Kathy) Stewart, Brent (Becky) Kelly, Scott Stewart, Brian (Laura) Stewart, Jeff (Kimber) Jackson, Wayne (Kelly) Jackson, and Toria (Rick) Andrews and Debbie Johnson. She is the great-grandmother of Jimmy and Steven Kelly, Holly Hale, Stephen Stewart, Rachel Christie, Gracelynn, Sydnie Loree, Alex, Adam, and Avery Sandlin, Jeffery, Logan, Colton and Ryder Jackson, Katelyn Johnson and Simon Andrews, Michael, Trace and Trent Stewart. She is also survived by two great-great grandchildren, Liam Hale and

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Cameron Christie. Her loving caretakers Joyce Anderson and Becky Capasso also survive.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jackson will be conducted at 3:00 P.M. on Monday February 17, 2014 in the Chapel of the Dees-Parrish Family Funeral Home with Dr. Ralph Rodriguez officiating. The family will receive friends for ONE hour prior to service time on Monday. Interment will follow in Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Haven Hospice of the Suwannee Valley, 6037 US Highway 90 West, Lake City, FL 32055 or to Stillwater Assisted Living Facility, 507 NW Hall of Fame Dr., Lake City, FL 32055. Arrangements are under the direction of the DEES-PARRISH FAMILY FUNERAL HOME, 458 S. Marion Ave., Lake City, FL 32025 (386)752-1234 please sign our online family guestbook at parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com

Ezra P. Yocum, Jr.

Mr. Ezra P. Yocum, Jr., age 85, passed away Thursday, February 13, 2014 in North Florida

Regional Medical Center. He was born October 26, 1928

on a turpentine still near Lochloosa, Florida to Ezra P. Sr. and Cornelia May Matthews Yocum. Mr. Yocum was educated in Duval County Schools and graduated from Landon High School in 1947 and went on to graduate from The University of Florida in 1952. He joined the US Army after high school graduation, serving two years and then served again after graduating from UF as 1st Lieutenant in Korea. He, along with his father, son and grandson was an Eagle Scout and he was a scoutmaster for 10 years in Marianna and High Springs, FL. Mr. Yocum retired from the US Postal Service in 1993 after 32 years as a Fort White rural letter carrier. He enjoyed playing bridge, golfing, reading, gardening, square dancing, traveling, and was an avid Gator fan. But, most of all, he enjoyed the bi-weekly lunches with his high school buddies — Ed, George, David and Jim. Mr. Yocum was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Lake City.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Yocum; children, Karen Perry (Mike), David Yocum (Holly), all of Gainesville, FL and Susan Rauch (Lauren) of Castaic, CA; grandchildren, Ada Rauch of Princeton, NJ, Maya Rauch, Castaic, CA and Trevor Yocum (Stephanie) of Gainesville, FL; sisters, Bess Wikles (Gilbert) of Carthage, MO, Bridget Keinenberger (Carmen) of Glencoe, MN and Mary McNeely (Joe) of Lebanon, IN and sister-in-law, Janet Yocum of Gainesville, FL. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Horace "Matt" Yocum in 1996 and John C. Yocum in 2012.

A Memorial Service will be held Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., in The First Presbyterian Church of Lake City with The Rev. Don Mossa officiating. There will be a private family burial in Hawthorne Cemetery. Please visit his memorial page at www.williamstomasfuneralhome.com. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION WILLIAMS-THOMAS HAWTHORNE (352)481-4599

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Thank you again with much love,

Dave and Allison Simons and family.



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Riding through the parade

Columbia County Commissioner Scarlet Frisina waves to the crowd during Saturday's Olustee Battle Festival Parade.

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fury of warfare can overwhelm their commentary.

Here's what the audience can expect to see during this year's re-enactment:

The first phase of the battle will feature a light skirmish between individual infantry on the battlefield re-enactment area as advance troops from each side make first contact with their opponents—CSA from the west (left side), USA from the east (right side).

A vanguard of Union cavalry will arrive to support the skirmishers, forcing the Confederates to retreat west toward the bulk of their army lying in wait.

To guard against the cavalry, the Confederates will form an infantry square—a formation made popular during the Napoleonic wars in Europe—where troops will gather in a square shape with soldiers facing in all four directions, similar to the testudo formation used by ancient Roman soldiers.

"When they do that, they'll become an easy target for the first advancing Union artillery," said Captain Frank Ofeldt, Commander of the Union Artillery. "That Union artillery will see this opportunity to really inflict a great deal of casualties. They'll swing into action and basically two guns will come online and fire on that square, forcing it to break up."

Their retreat into the wooded area will give the Confederates time to reorganize and return to the field of battle in force with additional cavalry and artillery support.

"At this time, other Union artillery units are arriving and the first really big opening of the battle is the Federal and Confederate artillery duking it out with each other," Capt. Ofeldt said. "They'll keep firing back and forth with each other and the Union infantry will arrive on scene. They'll take the field and the Confederate infantry will come up even more in force and start

firing away at each other."

The lines of soldiers will continue to advance to the point that 11 cannons on each side are firing at one another, aiming over the heads of their own infantry in front of them, trading volleys while infantry and cavalry engage one another.

"The battle will start to see-saw back and forth a little," Capt. Ofeldt said. "The Confederate firing will start to slacken, they're running out of ammunition. So they start to withdraw and it becomes kind of quiet on the battlefield. The Union army is just sitting there because they think they've won the day."

However, unbeknownst to the federal forces, the brief reprieve from battle will give CSA troops ample time to gather more ammunition.

They'll return in force once again, overwhelming the complacent Union troops.

"At this time, the commanding general of the Union troops realizes the battle is pretty much lost, there's no way to hold," he said. "The bulk of the Union troops have been used up, the ammo has already been depleted, they'll start retreating back."

The audience will then get a glimpse of the vital role black troops played during the war.

"[The Union] has one more element to throw in the fight and that's Colonel Montgomery's brigade, the black troops, the 54th Massachusetts and first North Carolina," Ofeldt said. "They'll come on and hold the field long enough for the rest of the Union army to retreat to safety."

However, the Confederates do not pursue the retreating troops in blue, but instead requisition the spoils of war—rifles, cannons, horses, clothing and other supplies left in the wake of the Union's retreat, including prisoners of war.

The 38th Annual Re-enactment of the Battle of Olustee will conclude around 2:45 p.m., putting a close to one of the largest spectacles in Columbia County's history.

OPENING CEREMONIES



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

President Abraham Lincoln officially kicks off the Olustee Battle Festival at Olustee Park in downtown Lake City. Pictured are James Adams (from left), playing Gen. Robert E. Lee; Tony Buzzella; Tad Allen, portraying Lincoln and J.W. Binion as Jefferson Davis.

Coleman kicks off ceremonies

By STEVEN RICHMOND
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Amid clear skies, sunshine and some of the best weather Columbia County has seen this year, President Abraham Lincoln (played by Tad Allen) officially declared open the 150th Anniversary Battle of Olustee Festival at noon on Friday.

A slew of local officials were flanked by the opening ceremony emcee and

'You are all friends for now, but as soon as this is open, we're back to war.'

— Tom Coleman, Blue-Grey Commanding General

Blue-Grey Commanding General Tom Coleman on stage at Olustee Park downtown, who introduced the group one-by-one to several hundred visitors.

A few historical dignitaries made appearances as well, including CSA President Jefferson Davis (the Rev. J.W. Binion) and CSA General Robert E. Lee (James Mack Adams).

The warring presidents set aside their differences for a brief moment to officially opened the three-day festival, honoring the soldiers who fought and died just 16 miles east of the city and their relatives who held down the fort on the civilian front of America's bloodiest war.

"You all are friends for now," Gen. Coleman said to the presidents. "But as soon as this is open, we're back to war."



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Up close and personal

Cade Clayton, 8, looks at miniature figurines at the Olustee Battle Festival on Friday.

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Battle 150 years ago, he couldn't answer the question with historically correct information if he remained in his role. A soldier living in 1864 wouldn't know what was going to happen on February 20, he said.

As many Civil War battles commemorate their 150th anniversary this year, Jessee and his wife, Gail Jessee, have plans to visit the historical sites. Over the summer, they attended Gettysburg. May will find them at the Battle of Resaca, part of the Civil War's Atlanta Campaign that started after Union Gen. William Sherman invaded Georgia. From there, the Jessees will follow the path of history to the Battle of Atlanta, which set the stage for Sherman's march to the sea.

For Jessee, re-enacting teaches him how people lived, how the troops fought, and how soldiers braved the elements to defend their land.

"You'll learn more about history than you would by reading it," he said. "What does artillery sound like? What do men sound like as they march down the road? What's it like to sleep outside curled up in a blanket?"

As a Commanding General, he even has to take into consideration factors that would not be an issue in modern society. Time plays a major role in many of the battles, and it can be Jessee's enemy. If he needs to alert a man a couple miles away, how long would it take to get him the message?

Without cell phones, it could take a while.

How long does it take to march a brigade of men one mile? Jessee must know in order for the Olustee event to run smoothly.

"I wanted to learn, and this is just one way to do it," he said. "I guess people are kind of born that way."

The 38th Annual Olustee Battle Re-enactment commences at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Pinemount chorus performs

The Pinemount Elementary School Chorus performs in downtown Lake City during the Olustee Battle Festival.

Currents complicate — but do not dampen — Lake DeSoto skirmish

By STEVEN RICHMOND
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With a cry of “go home, Yankees, go home,” Confederate re-enactors opened fire against a small battalion of Union soldiers during a skirmish at Lake DeSoto Friday evening, giving visitors their first taste of warfare during this year’s Battle of Olustee Festival.

Visitors also had an opportunity to see half of a re-enactment of the battle of the iron-clads between the Merrimack and Monitor—the latter of which was absent due to strong winds.

Roughly 50 re-enactors traded volleys on a small clearing near the lake, falling one by one, succumbing to the rigors of war in mock mortality.

An 1841 model bronze

six-pounder cannon fired from the Confederate ranks as well, blighting Union soldiers, delighting visitors and frightening ducks.

The USS Merrimack drifted nearby, albeit under the historically accurate title CSS Virginia, so named after the Confederacy reclaimed the ship following a botched Union attempt to destroy it.

However, the Merrimack’s arch-nemesis, the USS Monitor, did not make an appearance during the battle due to complications with the weather.

“It was too windy and they couldn’t get across the lake,”

said Blue-Grey Second Lieutenant Ken Hohmann, who constructed the miniatures from small boats adorned with painted plywood 18 years ago. “The

‘We like to have the skirmish because it encourages the re-enactors to come to town... It also creates enthusiasm for the big re-enactment on Sunday.’

— Tom Coleman, Blue-Grey Commanding General



Confederate artillerymen fire a shell at Union soldiers during a skirmish around Lake DeSoto on Friday. **BELOW:** The CSS Virginia patrols the waters of Lake DeSoto.



Photos by JASON MATTHEW WALKER Lake City Reporter

trolling motor wasn’t strong enough. I’m very disappointed, but we’ll rectify it for next year.”

Blue-Grey Executive Director Faye Bowling Warren reflected on the Monitor’s demise on Lake DeSoto.

“I guess there was a malfunction,” she said. “That’s

war for you.”

All things considered, the skirmish on the lake tied up the first day of one of Lake City’s biggest events of the year.

“It’s been a great success so far,” Mayor Stephen Witt said. “And it looks like it’s going to be a great weekend.”

He encouraged citizens to attend not just the big battle re-enactment on Sunday, but all the other festival-specific events surrounding the battle, as well.

“It’s incredible to go out to the battlefield, not just during the battle, and see the re-enactors camping and hear their music and learn about their medical treatment,” he said.

At the end of the skirmish, Warren and Blue-Grey Commanding General Tom Coleman distributed certificates of participation and yellow ribbons to all the re-enactors who fought on the banks of Lake DeSoto.

“We like to have the skirmish because it encourages the re-enactors to come to town,” Coleman said. “It also creates enthusiasm for the big re-enactment on Sunday.”

Crowd packs bleachers at Olustee ‘mini-battle’

By TONY BRITT
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Thousands of people flocked to Florida’s first state park Saturday and watched as re-enactors staged a “mini-battle” to illustrate the various skirmishes in the days leading up to the Battle of Olustee.

Vehicles were parked a mile away in each direction from the entry gates at the Battle of Olustee Historic State Park where more than 2,000 re-enactors have converged to re-enact the only major battle fought on Florida soil during the Civil War — the Battle of Ocean Pond — which later became known as the Battle of Olustee.

The bleachers at the battlefield site were filled and a standing-room-only crowd patiently watched the action unfold.

Audience members used cell phones, digital cameras and more to mark the event. Small children sat on the shoulders of many adults who were standing, so they could see above the battlefield’s reeds or watch troop activity in the pine forest adjacent to the battlefield.



Union artillerymen cover their ears as they fire at Confederate soldiers on Saturday.

Michael Bair, scoutmaster with Troop 622 of Belle Glade, brought four scouts to the mini battle.

“The kids are always thrilled to watch the action going on,” he said. “They ask a lot of questions and learn a lot of the historical event. They show a lot of interest in it, that’s one of the reasons we keep coming to such things.”

Gen. Thomas Jessee, commander of the

Confederate troops at the Battle of Olustee re-enactment, said Saturday’s mini battle went well with no injuries or other problems.

“It was entertaining to the crowd,” he said. “The purpose was to show the skirmishing leading up to the Battle of Olustee.”

Jessee said re-enactors from several states participate in the mini battle and it’s the first time they’re all

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— Michael Bair, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 622

together during Olustee weekend. He said the mini battle serves as an oppor-

tunity to get them on the field, see how they act under the different com-

manders, and prepares them so they can get ready for today’s re-enactment.

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Fallen soldiers remembered in Oaklawn service

By TONY BRITT
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Unknown soldiers who fought and died at the Battle of Olustee were solemnly remembered Friday morning during a memorial ceremony at Oaklawn Cemetery. More than 50 people attended the 30-minute event that kicked off the weekend of the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee.

The Oaklawn Cemetery Memorial Ceremony, sponsored by the Blue-Grey Army, was held in tribute to soldiers who fought at the Battle of Olustee and died on the battlefield or from wounds they received in battle. There are more than 100 unknown soldiers buried at a gravesite in the cemetery.

Keith W. Kohl, re-enactor and living historian from the Ocala area, served as the event's keynote speaker. Kohl's address chronicled the Battle of Olustee and actions leading to the largest Civil War Battle fought



Linda Williams (from left) president of the Olustee Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, past presidents Ann Brown and Annette Lindsey-Hutson pose for a photograph after placing a memorial wreath near a monument at the Oaklawn Cemetery memorial service program on Friday.

on Florida soil.

He said the words like, "honor," "devotion," "duty" and "sacrifice" are the right terms by which to remember the fallen soldiers, but their memories should not become obscured because the terms are sometimes overused.

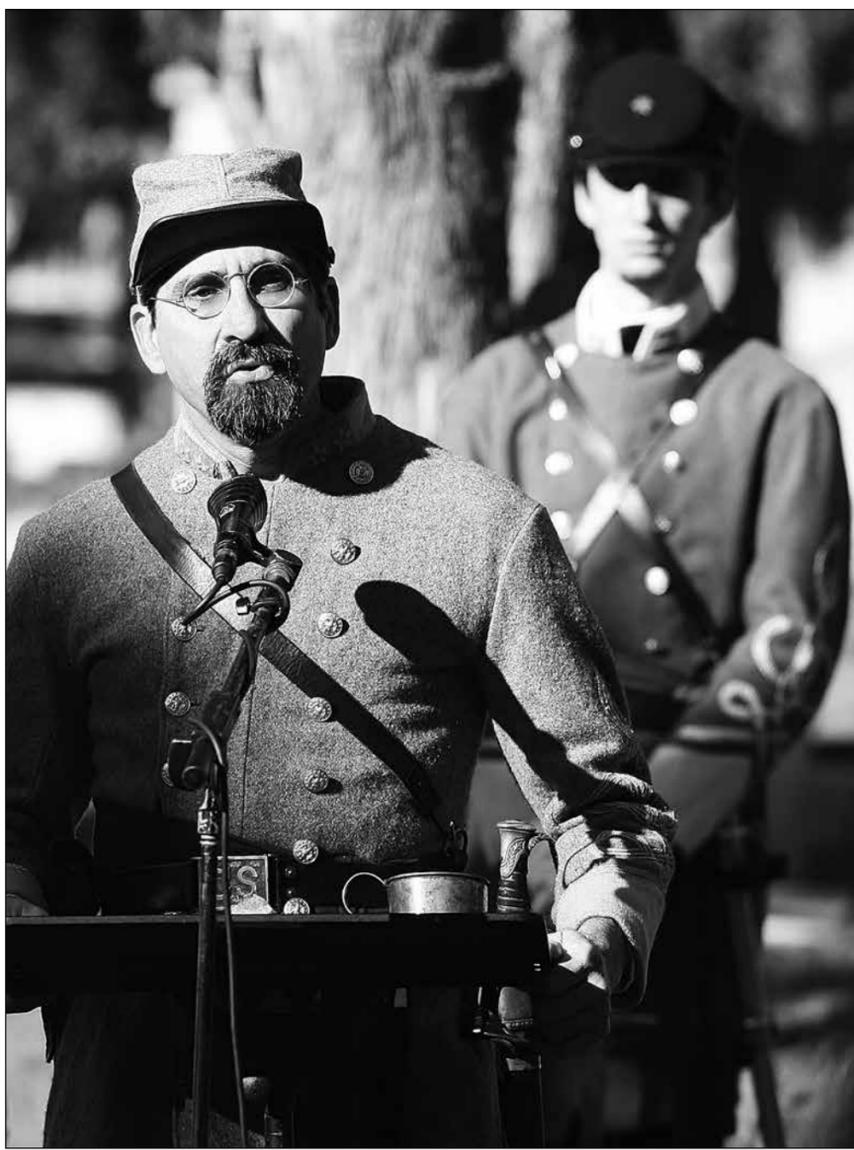
"It's up to us, the people who are here, to carry on their memory that we do not allow the words to become commonplace,"

he said. "Those words do apply to these people."

Following the ceremony Kohl said it was an honor to address the audience at the memorial service.

"As a re-enactor, historian, and presenter, I've been asked to present in many places," he said. "Anytime anyone has enough faith in my humble ability to do a speech or presentation it's honorable and it honors me. But to do it here on a place where Civil War soldiers are laid to rest or any hallowed grounds where Americans are laid to rest, that is even more of an honor to me."

Following Kohl's address, members of the Olustee Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy laid a wreath at the base of the monument in honor of the soldiers buried at the



Photos by JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Keith Kohl delivers a speech while speaking at the Oaklawn Cemetery Memorial Service Program on Friday.

Honor. Devotion. Duty. Sacrifice.

It's up to us to carry on their memory that we do not allow the words to become commonplace.

— Keith W. Kohl, re-enactor and living historian

gravesite.

"We laid the wreath in memory of all the soldiers that were killed in the war, as well as in memory of all the soldiers that have given their lives for our freedom," said Ann Brown, past president of the Olustee Chapter of the UDC as well as past president of the Florida Division of the

United Daughter of the Confederacy.

Brown also spoke the significance of laying the wreath on the gravesite during the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee.

"It's a very special feeling," she said. "It's an honor for me to lay the wreath for all of our men who have stood up for our

country," she said.

Faye Bowling Warren, Blue-Grey Army executive director, said the Oaklawn Ceremony has been a part of the Olustee Battle Festival for more than 20 years and noted the event was started by the late Dr. Alfonzo Levy.

"He pushed this event because it was a healing process," she said.

New sesquicentennial marker unveiled

By TONY BRITT
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Nearly 150 years ago on Feb. 20, 1864, approximately 155 unidentified Confederate troops laid down their lives at the Battle of Olustee protecting a cause they were willing to die for.

The sacrifice, devotion and heroism of those 155 men was honored at a ceremony Friday morning. In addition, the names of local soldiers who died at the Battle of Olustee were read aloud as a reminder of who they were.

A gravestone sits at the entrance way to a portion of Oaklawn Cemetery that reads: In This Area Are Buried 155 Unknown Confederate Soldiers Killed in Battle of Olustee or died in Confederate Hospital 1864-1865.

Friday morning Sons of Confederate Veterans members from the region gathered to honor their fallen forebears.

"We gather here each year to honor, remember and celebrate the lives of the 155 Southern soldiers who died as a result of the battle as well as those Southern soldiers who did not perish then, but have since crossed over to the other side," said SCV past commander Earl Stanley, the event's keynote speaker. "These men fought gallantly for their families, their neighbors, their states and their nation. They also fought and died for ideals that were very much a real part of life then — states' rights and honor."

"We also gather here each year to make sure that their history, the history of their South and our South is accurately and properly preserved and that the good names of these and other soldiers who fought here and in every other battle engaged in by the South during that war are never dishonored," he continued.



Photos by JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Mike Null (right) and his grandson, Tyler Sandlin, 13, pay their respects to the soldiers who gave their lives during the Battle of Olustee in front of a sesquicentennial marker that was unveiled during the Confederate Memorial Service at Oaklawn Cemetery on Friday.



Joe Kurtright (from left), Dee Wolford and Craig Wolford sing 'Amazing Grace' during the Confederate Memorial Service Friday morning.

"We are here to preserve the legacy of these soldiers of the Confederacy, so that future generations may understand the motives that galvanized not only these

men, but also the entire South, to defend what they believed in..."

Following Stanley's address a Sesquicentennial marker was unveiled at the

gravesite containing six Confederate troops.

The marker's inscription reads: Battle of Olustee Sesquicentennial: In Memory of the 155

Confederates and veterans interned in Oaklawn. Dedicated 14, Feb., 2014. Battle of Olustee Camp 1463 Sons of Confederate Veterans, Lake City.

The marker was donated by OT Davis Monuments of Gainesville.

Capt. David Eversole, an SCV member, was a member of the color guard that fired a volley in salute of the fallen Confederate troops and other veterans.

He said he was proud to participate in the program on the 150th Anniversary of the Battle

of Olustee.

"It was very special to me because one of my ancestors is buried here," he said. "He was killed at the Battle of Olustee at 16 years old. This is an honor to the soldiers and the brave honor the brave. White, black, blue or gray, it doesn't matter a soldier is a soldier and the brave honor the brave. We're here to honor these brave men."

Robert Tucker, Sons of Confederate Veterans Battle of Olustee Camp 1463 commander, said the marker is to honor the fallen.

"The marker pays respect to all the guys who perished at the Battle of Olustee," he said. "It befall our SCV Camp 1463 to commemorate the (150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee) with a marker forever for people visiting the cemetery or their descendants to always remember the sacrifice they made."

In addition to the names of local troops who died at the Battle of Olustee, Tucker also called out the names of an additional 41 known

Confederate veterans, one a woman who worked in the medical department of the Confederate States of America.

"It's important to call their names each year to remember them too," Tucker said. "They are just as great of a hero as those troops that died. We need to remember them too, because they had their own sacrifices."

Though they lived and became veterans, we honor them, too."

In Memory of the 155 Confederates and veterans interned in Oaklawn. Dedicated 14, Feb. 2014. Battle of Olustee Camp 1463 Sons of Confederate Veterans, Lake City.

From re-enactments to wedding vows, couple marries on Olustee Battlefield

By AMANDA WILLIAMSON
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As Pamela Officer walked down the aisle toward her future husband, camp fires smoldered in the distance. The plain white tents of the Confederate troops became the backdrop to her wedding as she exchanged her vows with Timothy Oliver during Olustee weekend at the historic battlefield.

Friends and family attended the Saturday evening ceremonies dressed in Civil War fashions. Officer and Oliver exchanged vows, promising until death do they part, in front of an altar decorated with local flora and fauna.

An enlisted man's wedding, the services were simple and beautiful. Georgia Volunteer Battalion Chaplain Joey Young married the couple in a Baptist-style ceremony. A reception featuring beef stew, corn, ham and bread rolls followed the ceremonies. Traditional 1860s decor dotted the table.

"It was like coming



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Tim Oliver and Pamela Officer, both of Valdosta, were married at the Confederate camp site following the Civil War 'mini-battle' on Saturday.

home, walking down the aisle and knowing who

you're going to be with for the rest of your life,"

Officer said. "I knew from the time we survived our

first re-enactment."

Oliver, a four-and-a-half year re-enactor and First Sergeant with Company C of the 61st Georgia Volunteers, said the couple decided to get married during a re-enactment event ever since his wife participated in the Battle of Chickamauga in September.

"It's a common interest of ours," Oliver said, "and a good opportunity to something fun. ... It's like a destination wedding. Some people get married on surfboards, some get married while skydiving. This is just one way to do it, and it's something we both like to do."

The two selected Olustee because the battle is celebrating its 150th anniversary, but the location also happened to be closer to Officer's family.

Oliver's son, Colin, served as the best man. He was dressed, along with his fellow groomsmen, in full Confederate regalia.

"I'm glad to see that he's found someone," Colin Oliver said. "It was great to be a part of it and an honor to be there for him."

Prior to the wedding,

Officer and her two bridesmaids spent several hours Saturday morning preparing. All three women wore elaborate dresses for the ceremony.

"All I can say is these women were made of strong stuff," bridesmaid Mimi Gonzales said. "I couldn't believe how much work went into dressing us."

Both women were surprised when their friend told them she planned to do a period wedding, but knew that the event would be just like Pam. Gonzales said she was excited to participate because she had never done anything like it before.

According to bridesmaid Amy Barrett, Officer purchased the attire for both of her bridesmaids. However, the dresses would probably end up in Officer's collection on Civil War-era fashion to be worn at future re-enactment events.

"I would have shown up like Scarlett O'Hara," Gonzales said, adding she had no idea what the style was in the 1860s. "We wish her all the best. This was an amazing experience for me."



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Joy Gatewood (right), of the Columbia County Health Department, gives Bobbi Wilson, of Branford, a free flu shot Saturday at the downtown Olustee Battle Festival. "It didn't hurt," Wilson said.

Festival-goers look back at America's history in Olustee

By STEVEN RICHMOND
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Thousands of people from far and wide flocked to downtown Olustee Park to celebrate the opening day of the 150th Anniversary Battle of Olustee Festival, reflecting on the region's history while enjoy fun, food and festivities.

Visitors got a taste of local history and cuisine, shuffling between groups of period re-enactors and vendors hawking funnel cakes and tasty treats.

"I like looking back on [the Civil War], looking back on how the South and the North interacted with Native Americans," said Fort White High senior and thespian Katherine Crosby, who claims Chickasaw ancestry.

Crosby and fellow Fort White High acting colleague Brandi Smith were part of what they called a "Medicine Man Show" just minutes earlier and were enjoying a reprieve from their bulky costumes in the shade.

"I like to look back to see what the women did without men," Smith said, referring to a period of female self-sustainability during the Civil War that would make Rosie the Riveter proud. "The women had to take over."

Alex Roberts, a bass guitarist in the Columbia High School Jazz Band, said he looked forward to participating in the parade, which took place Saturday.

"[The Battle of Olustee] is certainly something we look back at," Roberts said. "It was a huge event in America's past. The festival helps us look back at it...It's a fun

'[The Battle of Olustee] is certainly something we look back at... it was a huge event in America's past. The festival helps us look back at it... It's a fun community event that brings out a lot of people.'

— Alex Roberts, bass guitarist in the Columbia High School Jazz Band

community event that brings out a lot of people."

However, performing Friday afternoon worked up an appetite in the young



PATRICK SCOTT/Special to the Reporter

Rhonda Anderson (center), of Lake City, picks out a sample of pepper jelly with family and friends as Tom Brown looks on Saturday afternoon at the downtown Olustee Battle Festival. "We love it here," Anderson said.



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Paulette Jones (left) shows Charlene Couchon, of Lake City, how she looks in a cap while visiting the Olustee Battle Festival on Friday.

bassist.

"I'm excited about the food," Roberts said. "I'm all about the elephant ears."

James Adams, who returned for his seventh year as Olustee's General Lee re-enactor, said he enjoys coming to Columbia County every year.

"I always look forward to it," Adams said. "They way I'm treated by the community and the event organizers, we've all become really good friends."

He also said he was proud to represent such an important figure in what he called one of the most defining periods in American history.

"It determined the future of our country, whether we were going to be one country or two," he said. "We've only had one [Civil War], thank goodness."

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Parade marshals presented with plaques

Tom Coleman, Blue-Gray Army Commanding General, stands with Gen. Thomas Jessee, commander of Confederate troops; Gail Jessee; Susan Graffweg; Gen. James Permane, commander of Union troops and Faye Bowling Warren, Blue-Gray Army executive director. Coleman and Warren presented Thomas Jessee and James Permane with plaques for serving as parade grand marshals during the 36th Annual Olustee Battle Festival parade on Saturday.

CIVIL WAR MEDICAL PROCEDURES

'You just couldn't imagine the horror of it all'

By AMANDA WILLIAMSON
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"Are there any more wounded?" yelled the assistant surgeon, holding a cigar between his blood-soaked fingers. "Are there any more wounded?"

A red-stained sheet covered the work table behind him, surrounded by a medical team of nurses, surgeons and doctors. On the ground, severed limbs collected in a pile. Beyond the medical tent, a row of wounded Civil War soldiers

ARE THERE ANY MORE WOUNDED?

recovered from their battle wounds and the subsequent medical treatment that followed.

The doctors treated gunshot wounds to the gut, pulled shrapnel from a leg, and amputated an arm. During the Civil War, though, the treatment happened fast, without sanitation and with nothing to dull the pain.

The quicker the doctors moved, the more men they treated, the more lives they could save, said Olustee Battle re-enactor Brad Cox. The fast-paced performance by re-enactors at Olustee Battlefield Historic State Park demonstrated how brutal treatment tended to be.

Approximately 100 people gathered around the medical tent Saturday for a demonstration on Civil War-era field-dressing techniques. The demonstration was supposed to start at 1 p.m., but began early for unexplained reasons.

"It seemed very authentic based on things I've read," said Jessica Cox, whose husband portrayed a steward in the demonstration. "The cauterizing, that was life-like. You could smell it and see it burning."

According to Adrian Cox McCabe, coordinator of the medical demonstration and superintendent of nursing, the performance was intended to show visitors how barbaric treatment tended to be in the 1860s. The bloodiness, the lack



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Medical staff hold down a patient as a surgeon cauterizes a gunshot wound during a medical demonstration on Saturday.

of pain medication and the disregard to sanitation meant Civil War soldiers faced terrible odds even after receiving aid for their wounds.

Because there was no time to stitch wounds, doctors cauterized bullet holes. Due to the nature of Civil War weaponry, a bullet wound to an arm or leg often meant amputation. McCabe said she included wounds in the demonstration that would have been common during the Civil War.

"Not everybody would have died from the wounds, but instead from the infection," she said, adding that infection set in as a result

of poor hospital conditions. "[The demonstration] was very small compared to how it really was. They would have been treating hundreds of people."

'It would have been much more intense in real life... The screaming would have been ear-piercing. The smell... More men died from infections than wounds.'

— Brandon Hiott, field surgeon

Similar to history, the doctors didn't take the time to clean their supplies between wounded. As a result, blood splatters stained the sheets, their clothes, the medical instruments and more.

Field Surgeon Brandon Hiott's arms were covered in the fake blood by the end of the performance, smears of it streaking his face.

"It would have been much more intense in real life," he said.

"The screaming would have been ear-piercing. The smell... More men died from infections than wounds."

Sanitation wasn't a concern during the war, he added, since the doctors were not aware of bloodborne pathogens.

"They were just trying to stop the bleeding," said Hiott, who works as a paramedic in Bradenton. Frequently, the doctors would move from one man — still covered with his blood — to working on another wounded patient.

Jan Bowyer traveled from Newnan, Ga., to the annual Olustee Battle re-enactment to watch the medical demonstration. The Newnan-Coweta Historical Society plans to include its own medical demonstration this year at the Battle of Brown's Mill re-enactment.

After watching the medical personnel at the Olustee re-en-

actment, she said she thought the details were very authentic to the horrors of the Civil War. Medical treatments were in their early stages, and the Olustee demonstrations were able to portray that primitiveness, she added.

"You just couldn't imagine the horror of it all," Bowyer said.

As the audience dispersed after the demonstration, one girl in a white hoodie walked away covered in blood. Throughout the demonstration, blood squirted from the soldier's wounds.

"We warn the audience if you are sitting close, you may get blood on you," McCabe said.

In the past, guests have passed out from the gruesomeness of the re-enactment. However, this year, the audience seemed less squeamish. Occasionally people turned away or gasped, but everybody stayed on their feet.



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Band members perform a concert before the 'mini-battle' on Saturday.

'Music is a part of history' — and helps tell Olustee's story

By TONY BRITT
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Civil War period tunes are commonly played by musical groups during the annual Battle of Olustee weekend.

Musicians with brass and flutes groups, drums instruments or stringed instruments add flavor to the event by evoking emotion through music.

Members of the 11th North Carolina Regimental Band take pride in the music they play during Olustee

weekend and received huge ovations after each of their performances on Saturday at the battlefield.

The ensemble, from Fayetteville, North Carolina, has been participating in Olustee weekend for more than 12 years.

"It's very exciting to perform at the battlefield on the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Olustee," said Lee Roach, chief musician of the band. "That was a long time ago

in the Civil War, a bad time, but also a time that can't be forgotten. It's very exciting to be able to be here on the 150th Anniversary even though historically we weren't here."

There are 14 musicians in the unit, which is composed of E-flat and B-flat brass instruments and two percussionists, playing bass drum and snare drum.

Roach said the unit has performed at other re-enactments such as Gettysburg,

Pa., Manassas, Va., Vicksburg, Miss., and Fredericksburg, Va.

Throughout the days of the Battle of Olustee re-enactment the unit moves to different areas of the park and performs period music.

"As everybody is getting ready for the battle, we provide music of the period," Roach said. "Everything we played was written before 1865. Music is a part of history and it provides emotion and we help tell the story through music."

THE WEATHER

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Sunday's highs / Sunday night's low

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Daytona Beach	71/52/pc	77/57/pc
Fort Myers	80/58/s	83/62/pc
Ft. Lauderdale	78/64/pc	80/68/pc
Gainesville	73/47/pc	78/52/pc
Jacksonville	72/48/pc	77/53/pc
Key West	78/68/pc	79/70/pc
Lake City	73/47/pc	78/52/pc
Miami	79/64/pc	81/68/pc
Naples	77/61/pc	79/63/pc
Ocala	75/48/pc	79/53/pc
Orlando	74/55/pc	80/60/pc
Panama City	68/56/pc	68/58/pc
Pensacola	67/60/pc	68/59/pc
Tallahassee	74/48/pc	75/52/pc
Tampa	75/57/s	77/61/pc
Valdosta	73/47/pc	75/51/pc
W. Palm Beach	78/62/pc	79/67/pc

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Low Saturday	48 Sunset today 6:19 p.m.
Normal high	70 Sunrise tom. 7:08 a.m.
Normal low	45 Sunset tom. 6:20 p.m.
Record high	85 in 1932
Record low	16 in 1899

PRECIPITATION	MOON
Saturday	0.09" Moonrise today 8:03 p.m.
Month total	0.42" Moonset today 7:48 a.m.
Year total	0.75" Moonrise tom. 8:58 p.m.
Normal month-to-date	1.66" Moonset tom. 8:22 a.m.
Normal year-to-date	4.97"

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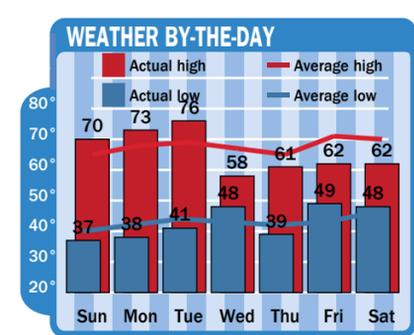
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Anchorage	23/9/.00	23/11/fl	El Paso	77/50/.00	82/55/pc	Orlando	71/46/.00	70/47/s
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WEATHER HISTORY

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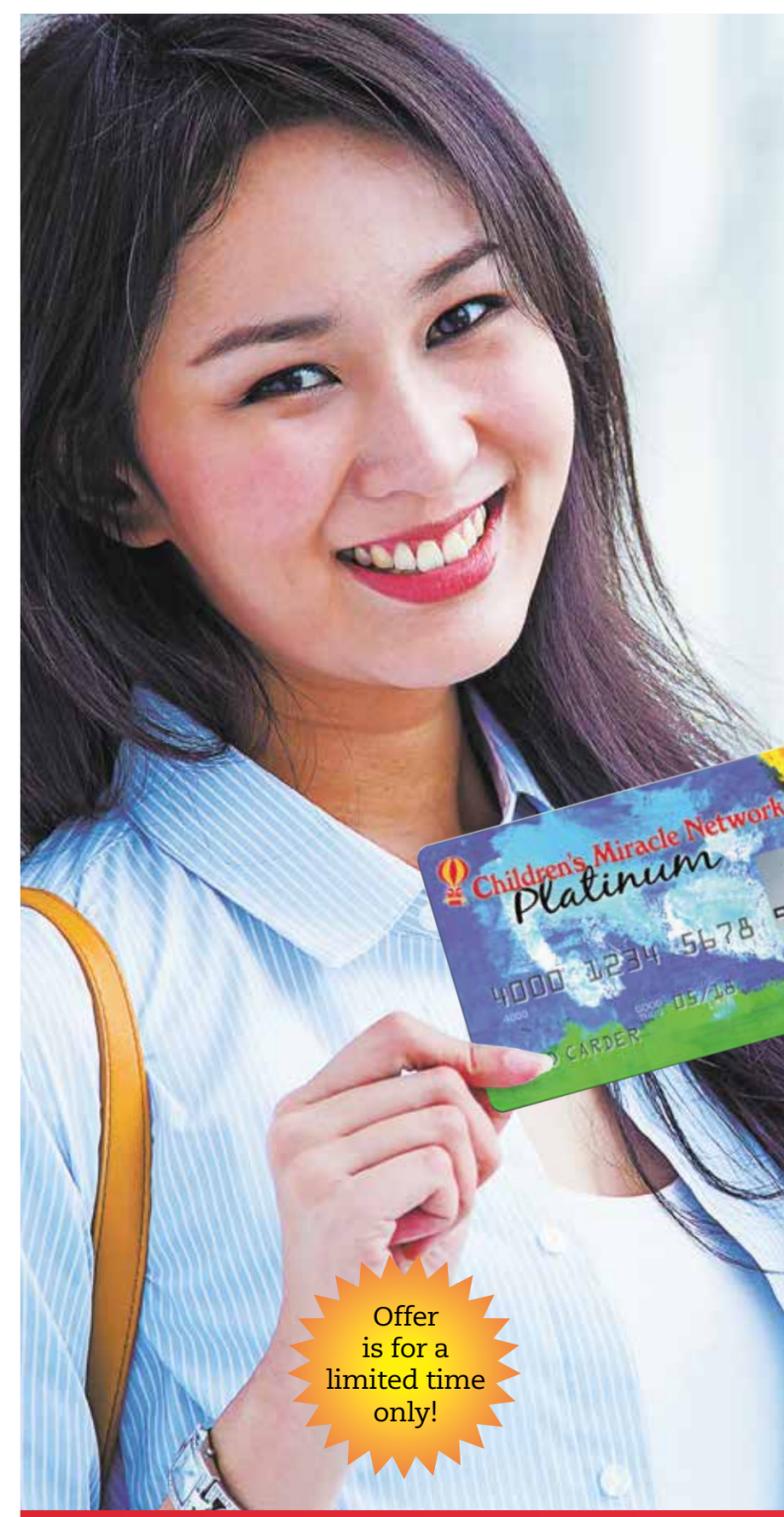
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Auckland	73/57/.00	73/59/pc	Madrid	50/44/.00	53/35/r	Santiago	87/68/.00	87/68/pc
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Helsinki	32/30/.00	32/32/fg	Oslo	44/37/.00	46/44/r	Toronto	26/19/.00	28/8/pc
Hong Kong	59/48/.00	57/55/pc	Panama	89/77/.00	89/77/ts	Vienna	50/35/.00	51/33/pc
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Wrestling tradition

Kaleb Warner gets his moxie on the mat from family.

By **BRANDON FINLEY**
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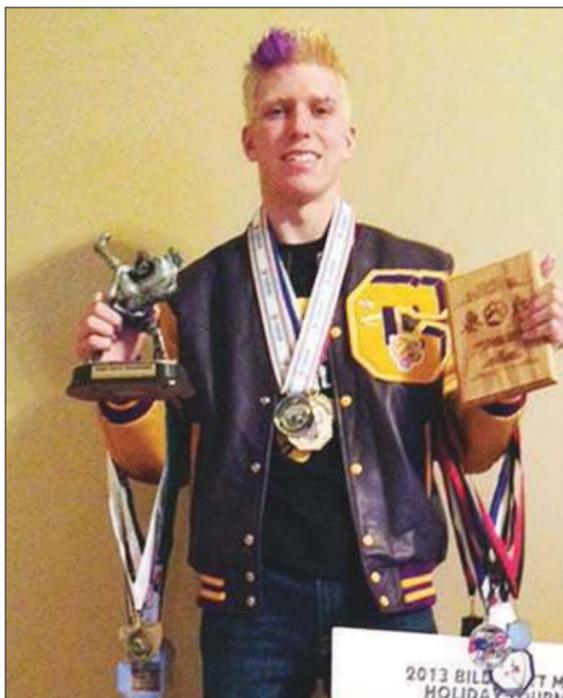
Columbia High's Kaleb Warner has wrestling in his blood. It's his passion. It's a family tradition and it's something that has brought him to the top of the sport in the state of Florida.

Warner made his second trip to the FHSAA State Wrestling Finals this weekend with the Class 2A competition in Lakeland.

He felt he had as good of a chance as winning as any wrestler there going into the competition.

"I feel I have a legitimate shot," Warner said. "I have the No. 11 kid in the nation in my bracket, but if I get past him it's right there."

WARNER continued on 3B



COURTESY

Columbia High wrestler Kaleb Warner shows off trophies, awards and medals from his years of competition.



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Olustee Blue Grey 5K

Individual winners at the Olustee Blue Grey 5K on Saturday are (front row, from left) Dalton Howes, Sara Guthrie, Michael O'Rourke, Sandi Raulerson, Ed Morse, Shayne Barber, Emma Tucker and Chet Croft. Back row (from left) are Chase Martin, Jimmy Salazar, Linda LaMott, Christine Moor, Bridget Morse and Cassie Pierron. Story and complete list of winners is on page 3B.

Quail Heights offered for sale under foreclosure proceedings

From staff reports

Golfers who dream of owning a course will soon get that chance.

The Quail Heights Country Club property will be offered to the highest cash bidder in foreclosure proceedings at the Columbia County Courthouse at 11 a.m. Feb. 26.

The offering stems from Circuit Civil Division Case No. 09-254. The Patriot Group, LLC out of Delaware is the plaintiff

vs. defendant Green Oaks Estates, LLC of Florida. A final judgment of foreclosure on the suit was entered on Jan. 29.

Quail Heights general manager Chet Carter said part of the settlement required the property to be offered for sale under foreclosure.

"It is just a legal thing," Carter said. "The Patriot Group owns it and is bidding with its own money and I would say there is a 95 percent chance they will get the property. Once

The Patriot Group controls the property, then they can market it."

The legal description of the Quail Heights property took six columns in the Lake City Reporter's classified section on Tuesday.

Carter said the last appraisal he saw on the property was \$1.85 million, which will scare off buyers, and keep the course intact for the future.

"There is nothing in this that says the course is going to close," Carter said.

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Today
AUTO RACING
1 p.m.
 FOX — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Daytona 500
GOLF
1 p.m.
 TGC — PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, final round
3 p.m.
 CBS — PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, final round
 TGC — Champions Tour, ACE Group Classic, final round, at Naples
5 p.m.
 TGC — LPGA, Women's Australian Open, final round (same-day tape)
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
1 p.m.
 CBS — Wisconsin at Michigan
3 p.m.
 FSI — Oregon St. at Oregon
5 p.m.
 FSI — Villanova at Creighton
6 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Rutgers at Louisville
 ESPN — Notre Dame at Boston College
7 p.m.
 FSI — Georgetown at St. John's
8 p.m.
 ESPN — Colorado at Southern Cal
MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE
7 p.m.
 NBCSN — Moe's Southwest Grill Classic, at Jacksonville
NBA BASKETBALL
8 p.m.
 TNT — All-Star Game
SOCCER
8:30 a.m.
 FSI — FA CUP, round five, Swansea City at Everton
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
1 p.m.
 ESPN — Kentucky at Tennessee
 ESPN2 — Teams TBA
 FSI — Baylor at Texas
3:30 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Teams TBA
WINTER OLYMPICS
 (All events taped unless noted as live)
NBC
3 p.m.
 Men's Cross-Country — 4x10km Relay Gold Medal Final; Women's Snowboarding — Snowboard Cross Competition
7 p.m.
 Figure Skating — Ice Dancing Short Dance; Men's Alpine Skiing — Super-G Gold Medal Final; Women's Snowboarding — Snowboard Cross Gold Medal Final; Women's Speedskating — 1500 Gold Medal Final; Two-Man Bobsled — Competition
11:35 p.m.

Men's Biathlon — 15km Mass Start Gold Medal Final
NBCSN
7:15 a.m.
 Men's Hockey — Slovenia vs. United States (LIVE)
10 a.m.
 Figure Skating — Ice Dancing Short Dance (LIVE)
2 p.m.
 Men's Biathlon — 15km Mass Start Gold Medal Final
5 p.m.
 Game of the Day: Hockey
3 a.m.
 Women's Curling — United States vs. South Korea
CNBC
4 p.m.
 Men's Curling — United States vs. Sweden
USA
7:30 a.m.
 Men's Hockey — Russia vs. Slovakia (LIVE)
Noon
 Men's Hockey — Finland vs. Canada (LIVE)
5 a.m.
 Men's Curling — United States vs. Switzerland (LIVE)
Monday BOXING
10 p.m.
 FSI — Champion Paul Mendez (14-2-2) vs. Raul Casarez (20-4-0), for IBA Continental middleweight title; featherweights, Manuel Avila (13-0-0) vs. Enrique Quevedo (15-6-1), at Salinas, Calif.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
7 p.m.
 ESPN — North Carolina at Florida State
 NBCSN — Delaware at Towson
9 p.m.
 ESPN — Oklahoma St. at Baylor
 ESPN — MVSU at Southern
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
7 p.m.
 ESPN2 — Maryland at Duke
WINTER OLYMPICS
 (All events taped unless noted as live)
NBC
3 p.m.
 Women's Biathlon — 12.5km Mass Start Gold Medal Final; Men's Snowboarding — Cross Competition; Men's Freestyle Skiing — Aerials Competition
8 p.m.
 Figure Skating — Ice Dancing Gold Medal Final; Men's Snowboarding — Cross Gold Medal Final; Men's Freestyle Skiing — Aerials Gold Medal Final; Men's Ski Jumping — Team K-125 Large Hill Gold Medal Final
1:01 a.m.
 Two-Man Bobsled — Gold Medal Final Runs
NBCSN

7 a.m.
 Women's Hockey — Semifinal, United States vs. Finland-Sweden winner (LIVE)
10 a.m.
 Figure Skating — Ice Dancing Gold Medal Final (LIVE)
1:30 p.m.
 Men's Ski Jumping — Team K-125 Large Hill Gold Medal Final (LIVE); Women's Biathlon — 12.5km Mass Start Gold Medal Final
5 p.m.
 Game of the Day: Hockey
3 a.m.
 Men's Hockey — Elimination Round (LIVE)
5:30 a.m.
 Men's Nordic Combined — Individual K-125 Large Hill, Ski Jumping
MSNBC
Noon
 Women's Hockey — Semifinal, Canada vs. Switzerland-Russia winner (LIVE)
CNBC
5 p.m.
 Women's Curling — Denmark vs. Britain

BASKETBALL

All-Star rosters

(Today at New Orleans)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Starters
 Player Pos Ht Wt
 Carmelo Anthony, NY F 6-8 235
 Paul George, Ind F 6-8 221
 LeBron James, Mia F 6-8 250
 Kyrie Irving, Cle G 6-3 191
 Dwyane Wade, Mia G 6-4 210
Reserves
 Chris Bosh, Mia F-C 6-11 235
 DeMar DeRozan, Tor G 6-7 216
 Roy Hibbert, Ind C 7-2 290
 Joe Johnson, Bklyn G 6-7 240
 Paul Millsap, Atl F 6-8 253
 John Wall, Was G 6-4 210
 Joakim Noah, Chi C 6-11 232
 Head Coach: Frank Vogel, Indiana
 Trainer: Wally Blase, Atlanta
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Starters
 Player P Ht Wt
 i-Kobe Bryant, LAL G 6-6 205
 Kevin Love, Min F 6-10 243
 Kevin Durant, Okl F 6-9 230
 Blake Griffin, LAC F 6-10 251
 Stephen Curry, GS G 6-3 185
Reserves
 LaMarcus Aldridge, Por F 6-11 240
 Dwight Howard, Hou C 6-11 265
 James Harden, Hou G 6-5 220
 Damian Lillard, Por G 6-3 195
 Dirk Nowitzki, Dal F 7-0 245
 Tony Parker, SA G 6-2 185
 Chris Paul, LAC G 6-0 175
 r-Anthony Davis, NO F-C 6-10 220
 Head Coach: Scott Brooks, Oklahoma City
 Trainer: Jon Bishop, New Orleans
 (i-injured, will not play; r-replacement)

Tigers beat Hornets

By **TIM KIRBY**
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Columbia High's baseball team got its second strong pitching performance, this time in a 3-1 home win over Lafayette High on Friday.
 Caleb Vaughn took the mound for the Tigers and retired the first 18 batters he faced. Only one reached base and that was on a passed ball following a strikeout. Vaughn totaled nine strikeouts including four in a row at one point.
 "Caleb threw a great game," Columbia High head coach Heath Phillips said. "He worked ahead all night and that is what we are trying to instill. Pound the zone and let the defense

work for you. We can't ask any more from him."
 Lead-off hitter Dalton Mauldin got the Tigers on the board in the first inning. He hit a long fly ball to right that twisted the fielder around and went off his glove for a triple. Tyler Myrick followed with a sacrifice fly.
 Levi Hollingsworth was hit by a pitch to start a two-run fourth inning. With one out Alex Milton doubled down the left-field line. Hollingsworth later scored and Milton moved to third on a wild pitch. Kaleb Thomas scored Milton with a sacrifice fly.
 Myrick had a two-out single in the third inning and Mauldin singled with one out in the fifth inning.

Hollingsworth legged out a lead-off double in the sixth inning, but stayed at second.
 "We have got to be better on our approach in that situation moving runners," Phillips said.
 Lafayette's run in the sixth inning was unearned. Logan Hewitt broke up the no-hitter with a slow dribbler that got past the pitcher. After an error Mark Hoehn hit a RBI-single to the opposite field.
 Myrick came out from behind the plate to finish the game for CHS with a 1-2-3 seventh inning.
 CHS won the JV game, 5-0.
 Columbia (2-0) travels to Hamilton County High for a 7 p.m. game on Tuesday.

Barnburner wins for Indians

By **TIM KIRBY**
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FORT WHITE — Fort White High's baseball team had back-to-back barnburner wins at home. The Indians beat Buchholz High 11-10 on Saturday afternoon, one day after a 10-9 district win over Bradford High.
 In both games, Fort White gave up the lead late and rallied to a victory. The most dramatic win came Friday on a walk-off home run by Corey Pentolino in the seventh inning. On Saturday, the Indians scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning without getting a hit.
 Austin Dupree got the win against Buchholz in relief of Brent Beach. Beach pitched into the fifth inning. Dupree relieved and worked out of a jam. However, he gave up four runs in the sixth inning as the Bobcats took a 9-8 lead.



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 Fort White High pitcher Brent Beach fires to the plate.

Willie Carter had two home runs for three RBIs against Buchholz. He also went 2-for-3 with two RBIs and a home run against Bradford.
 Pentolino was 3-for-4 against Bradford with three RBIs and two runs scored. He had what proved to be the deciding RBI against Buchholz with a sacrifice

fly.
 Trace Wilkinson was 2-for-3 against Bradford with a double and had an RBI-double against Buchholz. Both Jayson Brock (RBI, three runs scored) and Rhett Willis (two RBIs, run scored) were 2-for-3 against Buchholz. Kodey Owens (run scored), Steve Gardina (RBI) and Beach had singles.
 Fort White trailed Bradford 8-2. Tyler Parker relieved Owens in the sec-

ond inning and held the fort until the seventh. Carter relieved and got the win.
 "Tyler carried the load," Fort White head coach Rick Julius said. "The biggest thing is the kids are starting to believe in themselves. Each day somebody else is stepping up to the plate. We are not relying on one guy to carry the load."
 Fort White (2-1) hosts Newberry High at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

League reports

Lake City Bowl league results:
HIT & MISS
 Team standings: 1. Spare Us (13.5-2.5); 2. Legal Ladies (9-7); 3. Ten In The Pit (9-7).
 High team handicap game: 1. Ten In The Pit 778; 2. High Five 755; 3. Legal Ladies 716.
 High team handicap series: 1. Silver Ladies 2,233; 2. Spare Us 2,191; 3. Git Up & Bowl 2,142.
 High handicap game: 1. Linda Herndon 230; 2. Cythe Shiver 222; 3. Cathy Pelley 212.
 High handicap series: 1. Sharon Tuning 619; 2. Susan Mears 605; 3. Harriet Woods 603.
 (Results from Jan. 28)
GOLDEN ROLLERS
 Team standings: 1. Lucky Strikers; 2. Gamblers'; 3. Power E.N.D.S.
 High team scratch game: 1. Power E.N.D.S. 765; 2. Jo's Crew 666; 3. Quirky Quad 638.
 High team scratch series: 1. You'r Up 1,970; 2. Gamblers' 1,962; 3. Ups and Downs 1,838.
 High team handicap game: 1. Power E.N.D.S. 922; 2. Jo's Crew 842; 3. 2 Girls & 2 Guys 840.
 High team handicap series: 1. You'r Up 2,459; 2. Ups and Downs 2,414; 3. Gamblers' 2,397.
 High handicap game: 1. Judy Johnson 191; 2. Elaine Nemeth 185; 3. Vy Ritter 182. 1. Wayne Johns 235; 2. Lee McKinney 209; 3. Earl Hayward 204.
 High scratch series: 1. Susan Mears 517; 2. Debbie Walters 489; 3. Shirley Highsmith 463. 1. Mike Murrey 612; 2. David Duncan 574; 3. Lee Evert 553.
 High handicap game: 1. Vy Ritter 242; 2. Elaine Nemeth 237; 3. Judy Johnson 225. 1. Wayne Johns 259; 2. David Duncan 247; 3. Earl Hayward 231.
 High handicap series: 1. Susan Mears 688; 2. Debbie Walters 639; 3. Betty Brown 623. 1. Jim Burnett 649; 2. Lee Evert 646; 3. Mike Murrey 645.
 (Results from Jan. 23)
SEXY SENIORS
 Team standings: 1. Awesome Four (109-67); 2. Jo's Crew (103-73); 3. Spoilers (102-74).
 High team handicap game: 1. Awesome Four 891; 2. Pin Droppers 839; 3. Jo's Crew 827.
 High team handicap series: 1. Perky Pals 2,412; 2. Double Up 2,396; 3. Outcasts 2,349.
 High handicap game: 1. Betty Carmichael 227; 2. Vy Ritter 222; 3. Janie Posey 220. 1. Ross Meyers 239; 2. Dan Ritter 235; 3. David Duncan 227.
 High handicap series: 1. Ann Soliz 637; 2. Yvonne McRae 636; 3. Peggy Duncan 616. 1. Ric Yates 642; 2. Vernon Black 636; 3. Jim Grimsley 620.
 (Results from Jan. 28)
MONDAY NIGHT MAVERICKS
 Team standings: 1. Roger's Automotive (110-70, 79,063 handicap

BOWLING

pins); 2. Joker's Wild (110-70, 77,656 handicap pins); 3. Bias Well Drilling (104.5-75.5).
 High scratch game: 1. Roger Webb 276; 2. Shane Hill 268; 3. (tie) Ted Wooley, Teo Parra 256.
 High scratch series: 1. Shane Hill 763; 2. Josh Bisque 686; 3. (tie) Dale Coleman, Roger Webb 660.
 High handicap game: 1. Shane Hill 304; 2. Roger Webb 300; 3. (tie) Ted Wooley, Teo Parra 277.
 High handicap series: 1. Shane Hill 871; 2. Bryan King 753; 3. Josh Bisque 734.
 High average: 1. Zech Strohl 223.08; 2. Dale Coleman 216.28; 3. Robert Stone 216.01.
 (Results from Feb. 3)
TGIF
 Team standings: 1. The Incredi-Bowls (14-6); 2. M & M's w/ Nuts (13-7, 12,575 handicap pins); 3. Alvin & The Chickmonks (13-7, 12,497 handicap pins).
 High team handicap game: 1. The Incredi-Bowls 931; 2. Bowling 101 898; 3. Gutter Dusters 886.
 High team handicap series: 1. Fun Tyme Travel 2,592; 2. M & M's w/Nuts 2,580; 3. Bowling 101 2,565.
 High scratch game: 1. Bonnie Hood 209; 2. Ida Hollingsworth 208; 3. Carol Younger 205. 1. Cody Howard 244; 2. Bill Duncan 237; 3. (tie) Bill Coleman, David Adel 236.
 High scratch series: 1. Ida Hollingsworth 556; 2. Karen Coleman 531; 3. Bonnie Hood 506. 1. Bill Duncan 662; 2. David Adel 649; 3. Bill Coleman 626.
 High handicap game: 1. Carol Younger 264; 2. Bonnie Hood 260; 3. Melissa Underwood 251. 1. Bill Coleman 272; 2. Brett Reddick 255; 3. Cody Howard 251.

High handicap series: 1. Carol Younger 680; 2. Bonnie Hood 659; 3. Cindy Moravec 658. 1. Bill Coleman 734; 2. Dann Shepard 695; 3. Bill Duncan 692.
 (Results from Jan. 31)

Youth leagues

MAJORS SCRATCH
 Team standings: 1. Hammer Time (167-121); 2. King Pins (155.5-132.5); 3. The Prodigies (142.5-145.5).
 High scratch game: 1. Linden Barney 215; 2. (tie) Sara Johns, Sara Sykes 176. 1. Chris Byrd 240; 2. Brandon Shrum 204; 3. Jimmy Milewski 201.
 High scratch series: 1. Linden Barney 554; 2. Lauren Snipes 499; 3. Sara Johns 486. 1. Chris Byrd 620; 2. Jimmy Milewski 540; 3. Brandon Shrum 523.
MAJORS
 Team standings: 1. Pin Breakers (40-32); 2. The Chase Is On! (38.5-33.5); 3. The Strike Dragons (36.5-35.5).
 High scratch game: 1. Callie Pierce 156; 2. Amanda Schmitt 146; 3. Tiffany Ritch 143. 1. Christian Shepard 201; 2. Cory Lyons 187; 3. Christian Shepard 176.
 High scratch series: 1. Callie Pierce 435; 2. Amanda Schmitt 422; 3. Tiffany Ritch 405. 1. Christian Shepard 521; 2. Cory Lyons 448; 3. Carson Lyons 402.
BANTAMS
 High handicap game: 1. Aliyah Rouse 172. 1. Lucky Nixon 202; 2. Darin Handy 155.
 High handicap series: 1. Aliyah Rouse 496. 1. Lucky Nixon 534; 2. Darin Handy 429.
 (results from Feb. 1)

ACROSS

- 1 Ponytail site
- 5 Like some goals
- 10 Free from tension
- 12 Cry of warning
- 13 Zodiac sign
- 14 Door topper
- 15 Consumer gds.
- 16 Durocher or Tolstoy
- 18 Moray
- 19 Gathered
- 23 Bad-mouth
- 26 Donne's "done"
- 27 Singer Seeger
- 30 Moral codes
- 32 Enlarge, as a pupil
- 34 Cauliflower bud
- 35 Storm warnings
- 36 Bend forward

DOWN

- 37 Comic — Phillips
- 38 Lobbying group
- 39 Fabric edge
- 42 Drill attachment
- 45 Secure a tent
- 46 Drains, as energy
- 50 Closed
- 53 Main course
- 55 Plays the guitar
- 56 Addison's partner
- 57 Ear dangles
- 58 Solar radiation
- 1 "All You — Is Love"
- 2 Charity
- 3 Operated a ferry
- 4 Many millennia
- 5 Luau welcome

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 23 Rock's — Leppard
- 24 "— never fly!"
- 25 Wing tip
- 28 Field protector
- 29 Jazzy — James
- 31 Subj. of rollovers
- 32 Harms
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- 37 Festive night
- 40 RN assistants
- 41 Helena rival
- 42 Shrub
- 43 Crazy about
- 44 Pamplona runner
- 47 Square footage
- 48 Rain hard
- 49 Meet, in poker
- 51 Kennel youngster
- 52 911 responder
- 54 — degree

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Print your answer here: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers Monday)
 Yesterday's Jumbles: VISOR TRULY HYMNAL ENOUGH
 Answer: The couple's Valentine's Day was — LOVELY

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GAMES

Monday

■ Columbia High JV baseball at Baker County High, 4 p.m.

Tuesday

■ Fort White High softball at P.K. Yonge School (postponed)

■ Fort White High baseball vs. Newberry High, 4:30 p.m.

■ Columbia High baseball at Hamilton County High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)

■ Fort White High boys basketball vs. Santa Fe High in region semifinal, 7 p.m.

Wednesday

■ Fort White High boys weightlifting vs. Union County High, Bradford High, 4 p.m.

■ Columbia High softball vs. Atlantic Coast High, 7 p.m. (JV-5)

■ Columbia High baseball vs. Gainesville High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)

Thursday

■ Fort White High softball vs. Suwannee High, 6 p.m.

■ Columbia High softball vs. Lafayette High, 7 p.m. (JV-5)

■ Fort White High baseball at Union County High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)

Friday

■ Columbia High tennis vs. Oak Hall School, 3:30 p.m.

■ Fort White High softball at Keystone Heights High, 6 p.m.

■ Fort White High baseball at Santa Fe High, 7 p.m. (JV-4)

■ Columbia High softball vs. Suwannee High, 7 p.m. (JV-5)

■ Columbia High baseball at Wakulla High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)

Morses win at Olustee Blue Grey 5K

By **TIM KIRBY**

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The annual Olustee Blue Grey 5K was Saturday morning in Lake City.

The race began on the south side of Lake DeSoto and, after one lap around the lake, wound around to U.S. Highway 90 east and to the finish and timing ramp on the east side of Lake DeSoto.

There was a good crowd to take advantage of the cool, windy conditions.

"I think we had about 150 runners for the 150th anniversary of Olustee," race director Michelle Richards said. "That was our goal. They have been doing this for over 30 years, I think. We at Step Fitness have done it six years."

Richards said proceeds from the race go to the Eye of the Tiger and Tiger Tales running clubs.

Sunbelt and Central State were the major sponsors. Other sponsors were Car X Performance, Fierce Environmental, Fit 2 Run,



Race director Michelle Richards signs up runners for the Olustee Blue Grey 5K on Saturday.

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Step Fitness, Flourish Massage, Firehouse Subs, Attorney Sandra K. Haas, Vinyl Decor and D & S Lighting.

Richards presented her Director's Award to Shayne Morgan for being the first

to register for the race, and said sign-up for 2015 will begin in August. She gave special recognition to Tina Williams of First Federal for "bringing in more than 30 runners." Brian Duck was recognized for his

wheelchair participation.

In team competition, First Federal won Overall Walking and First Federal 2 won the Corporate Award. The Overall School Award went to Lake City Middle School and Step Fitness 2

won top Running Group.

The Open Women winner was Bridget Morse, 13, of Lake City in 19:18. Open Men winner was Michael O'Rourke, 30, of Largo in 18:45.

Masters Women winner was Linda LaMott, 41, of Lebanon, Tenn., in 21:48. Masters Men winner was Ed Morse, 48, of Lake City in 19:30.

Age group winners were:

■ 65 & up — Sara Guthrie;

■ 55-64 — Mary Toigo and Jim Moses;

■ 45-54 — Meagan Phelps and Jimmy Salazar;

■ 35-44 — Sandi Raulerson and David Robison;

■ 25-34 — Christine Moor and Chet Croft;

■ 19-24 — Lindsay McCardle and Shayne Barber;

■ 15-18 — Emma Tucker and Dalton Howes;

■ 11-14 — Carrie Pierron and Chase Martin;

■ 3-10 — Teagan McCoy and Adam Goelz.



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Fun Run through

There was huge participation for the 34th Annual Blue-Grey Running 'Reb' 1 Mile Fun Run on Saturday. The event is sponsored by Lake City Parks & Recreation Department.

The top three girls and boys runners receive awards in six age groups from 4 & under to 13-14. Overall winners also are crowned. The run is around Lake DeSoto in downtown Lake City.

BRIEFS

FORT WHITE FOOTBALL

Q-back Club election Monday

The Fort White Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the faculty lounge at the high school. Election of officers is planned.

For details, call Margie Kluess at 365-9302.

T-BALL

Recreation Dept. sign-up in March

Registration for Lake City Recreation Department T-ball is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 8 for all returning players and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 15 for new players. Age divisions offered are 4-5 and 6-7. Fee is \$50 and proof of age is required. Parents may select teams, but rosters are limited to 15 players per team.

For details, call Heyward Christie at 754-3607.

YOUTH BASEBALL

River Rats seeks 12U players

The North Florida River Rats 12U travel team is seeking 3-4 players to complete its spring roster.

For details, call Kim Albritton at 365-0950.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

Johnson hoops academy offered

Richardson Community Center/Annie Mattox North is sponsoring the Tony Johnson Basketball Academy from 8:30-10 a.m. Saturdays beginning March 1 at the Richardson Community Center gym. Cost for the four-week academy is \$30. The first 15 boys ages 8-15 to register will be accepted. A signed permission form is required.

For details, call Mario Coppock at 754-7095.

■ From staff reports

WARNER: Dad coaches

Continued From Page 1B

Warner had 99 take-downs this season, which makes him one of the better wrestlers in the state on his feet.

But when the match goes to the ground, Warner isn't bad either.

"I'm good on top and not many people can hold me down," Warner said.

He has aspirations to take his love of wrestling to the next level and has a few places in mind, although he's only a junior.

"Old Dominion has been in contact as well as Northern Illinois," Warner said. "I have a bunch of Division II and Division III schools as well. The good thing is that I have a 4.0 GPA and I'm in dual enrollment, so that helps with college."

Warner's relationship with his sport is a little different from most athletes as well, because he can't leave wrestling at school when he comes home. His dad, Kevin, is also his head coach.

"It's constant," Warner said. "I come to practice and train hard, then we go home and we talk. We also get all kinds of extra work over the summer, which helps."

Warner said although his dad gets on to him like any

coach, he doesn't get his feelings hurt.

"I take it as constructive," Warner said. "He gets on to me and it goes a little deeper than it would with another coach, but we learn how to fix it."

If anything, Warner has said that his relationship with his father has only grown stronger because of wrestling.

"It definitely has, because this is what we do 24/7," Warner said. "It's a lifestyle. My dad wrestled in high school and when I was in sixth grade, I figured I'd give it a try. He volunteered to be the coach and they couldn't find anyone else, so he ended up being the head coach."

After college, Warner has a few options and he could use his wrestling skills in the future, but he also has his head in the books.

"I've thought about MMA (Mixed Martial Arts), but my goal is to get into a good school and get a good degree," Warner said. "MMA is an option that I can try out, but my primary goal is education and getting on a good career path. I have to manage all the academics and the wrestling will follow. I could always coach."

Like father, like son.

Warner places fifth at state

From staff reports

Columbia High's Kaleb Warner placed fifth in the 132-pound division at the FHSAA Wrestling Finals in Lakeland.

Warner pinned Jonathan Crunkton in 4:00 and defeated Andy Hernandez 8-4 on Friday. On Saturday, he lost 18-2 to Dylan Lucas and 4-2 to Anthony Hauser before regrouping to defeat Kolin Stapp 5-3.

At 145 pounds, Jake Maguire lost to C.J. Trammell, 6-3, pinned Dylan Perrow in 1:47, and was pinned by Joey Nadotti in 2:49.

At 138 pounds, Dustin Regar was pinned by Bryce Belsinger in 3:20 and lost 15-0 to Corey Tisdell.

Fort White softball

Fort White High's softball team beat Bronson

High, 10-7, at home on Thursday.

Ashley Chesney had two doubles, two singles and scored three runs.

Emily Roach had a double and scored a run. Chelsea Nieland and Kylee Crews both singled and scored.

Morgan Cushman struck out 14.

Fort White's game at P.K. Yonge School has been moved to Feb. 24.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SEGUT

LETSY

TURAGI

TOMINO

Print answer here:

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

I bought some swamp-land. I'm going to build on it.

I've been investing my 401k into high tech. It's really taken off.

BIG BIRD WASN'T WORRIED ABOUT RETIREMENT BECAUSE HE HAD A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: SPURN SKIMP PUBLIC HYPHEN
 Answer: When she realized how long it would take to remove all the corn husks, she said — SHUCKS

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