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## 2nd suspect arrested in electronics fraud probe

More than \$200,000 in stolen iPads involved, say deputies.

By **STEVEN RICHMOND**  
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Columbia County Sheriff's Office deputies Thursday arrested a second suspect connected to a six-figure electronics fraud investigation, CCSO reports.

Steven Lee Hankins, 50, of 305 East Duval Street, was arrested around 3 p.m.



**Hankins**

Thursday after investigators connected him to a seven-month investigation involving the fraud and sale of more than \$200,000 worth of stolen iPads, laptops and other electronics through his local business, Hankins Computers, according to CCSO.

The September 2013 investigation "focused on an employee of Anderson Columbia, Inc. who was suspected of ordering items on corporate accounts and then selling them for personal gain," CCSO said in a Thursday press release. "Detectives learned that many of the items were sold through a local business owned by Hankins by conducting an open source search of eBay and Amazon."

Deputies believe Hankins was obtaining the electronics through Jerami Michael Robinson, a former IT specialist with Anderson Columbia who was arrested Sept. 23 when company representatives noticed discrepancies on the IT department's invoices, according to Robinson's arrest report.

"The investigation has confirmed that over 300 iPads and an undetermined amount of new and used computers were sold from January 2008 to September 2013," CCSO said in January.

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## VOLUNTEERING



COURTESY

Terri Skiles of the Ichetucknee Alliance scoops a plastic bottle out of Cannon Sink Saturday morning. "We're trying to do whatever little bit we can," she said.

## Groups gather to clean up Cannon Sink

From staff reports

A group of volunteers from environmentalist groups Current Problems and the Ichetucknee Alliance gathered at Cannon Sink to pick up trash and rubbish Saturday.

The volunteers used paint buckets, fishing nets, canoes and other supplies to collect a variety of garbage floating around Cannon Sink, one of the main tributaries to the Ichetucknee basin.

"There's a lot more trash than usual," said Fritzi Olson, Executive Director of Current Problems. "All the rainy weather recently

**CANNON** continued on 6A

## 16-WEEK CHALLENGE TO MAKE YOU 'GLOW'

# Lake City Gets Fit



## 'Biggest Losers' win big



**ABOVE:** Vicki Busscher (center) celebrates after winning the female division for the 2013-2014 Altrusa Get Fit Lake City Biggest Loser competition Friday night. Busscher beat out Sharon Pocock and LeAnn Thomas, losing 19.77 percent of her body weight. **RIGHT:** Chad Moore (right) congratulates Charlie Joliffe after Joliffe was named the male 2013-2014 Altrusa Get Fit Lake City Biggest Loser. Joliffe lost 8.09 percent of his body weight, winning several prizes including a check for \$1,320.



## Collect \$1,300 each for their efforts

From staff reports

The Biggest Loser competition of the Get Fit Lake City Initiative encouraged local citizens to make a conscious effort to change their diet and exercise choices.

In order to win, each of the 264 contestants had to weigh-in and weigh-out with trained medical professionals exactly 16 weeks apart. The award for biggest loser was given to the male and female who lost the largest percentage of their body weight over the period.

The female winner was Vicki Busscher, a staff member of the Lake City Reporter who lost 27 pounds, or 19.77 percent of her body weight. She attributed much of her success to regularly walking around Lake DeSoto and making healthier eating habits at home.

"I'm so excited," Busscher said. "It wasn't easy...but I did it for myself and my family."

To help her along, she remembered one of Altrusa's motivational phrases from their weekly addresses: "I didn't lose the weight, I got rid of it."

**WINNERS** continued on 7A

## Hundreds gather at FGC to celebrate Altrusa challenge.

From staff reports

Hundreds of people gathered at Florida Gateway College Friday evening to celebrate the end of the Get Fit Lake City initiative.

Organized by the Lake City chapter of Altrusa International, the initiative was designed to promote well being and fitness in the Columbia County community.

"We decided to start this initiative because a report came out that listed Columbia County as the 58th most unhealthy county in the state of Florida," said Altrusan Dennille Decker. "We wanted better than that for ourselves and for our community. We don't want to be known as one of the least healthiest places to live. We want to be known as one of the healthiest places to live."

The evening consisted of a variety of activities including a one mile "fun run" for children, a 5K around FGC's campus, live entertainment and dance activities, as well as award ceremonies commemorating Columbia County's fittest businesses and "biggest losers."

Temperatures dropped into the 40s throughout the cold night, leaving visitors with two options: 1) Shiver, or 2) Get up and move. All things considered, it was ideal weather for an event promoting activity and exercise.

After their respective runs, local sponsors provided participants with food such as fresh fruit and chicken sandwiches for nourishment.

Lake City Middle School student Chase Martin, 13, completed the 5K in 20 minutes and 35 seconds, crediting his fast time to the direction and guidance from LCMS cross country/track coach April Morris.

"Running has helped me lose weight and be more disciplined," Martin said. "It gets to be like your best friend, you want to do it every day."

Anna Rainbolt, a CrossFit Trainer at Moowatee CrossFit, clocked in at 23 minutes flat and provided comments on the benefits of fitness and exercise.

"You really feel more comfortable and function better," she said. "Everybody should make

**FINALE** continued on 7A

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## Photo of the Day



COURTESY

## Wedding day

A videographer captures pre-wedding celebrations at Olustee Park Saturday, commemorating the wedding of Taylor Crews and Jared Hines.

## Scripture of the Day

“Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ.”

— 1 Corinthians 1:2-5

## Thought for Today

When I look back on all these worries, I remember the story of the old man who said on his deathbed that he had had a lot of trouble in his life, most of which had never happened.

— Winston Churchill, former Prime Minister of the UK (1874-1965)

## Winning Lottery Numbers

**Cash 3:** (Saturday) 4-9-9

**Play 4:** (Saturday) 0-3-0-9

**Fantasy 5:** (Friday) 1-5-7-12-21

**Florida Lotto:** (Wednesday) 1-7-26-40-42-46-x4

**PowerBall:** (Wednesday) 3-7-9-26-54-19-x2

# AROUND FLORIDA

## Mom accused of driving into surf goes before judge

**ORLANDO** — A pregnant South Carolina woman pointed to the ocean, locked the doors and rolled up the windows, telling her three children she was “trying to take them to a better place” as she drove her minivan into the surf, authorities said.

Ebony Wilkerson even tried to call off bystanders hustling to rescue her screaming children from the water, saying “everyone was OK” as she left the van in the ocean, an affidavit said. Wilkerson, 32, is charged with three counts of attempted murder and three counts child abuse causing great bodily harm.

Volusia County Court Judge Shirley Green found probable cause for the charges during Wilkerson’s first appearance in court Saturday and set her bond at \$1.2 million. A date for an arraignment was not released.

The bystanders and beach safety officers, paying no attention to the mother, pulled the two girls and a boy, ages 3, 9 and 10, through the windows to safety Tuesday on Daytona Beach.

Later, Wilkerson denied trying to hurt her children, telling

investigators she was driving too close to the water, “and the waves pulled her in,” according to the charging affidavit.

Her children told investigators another story.

“Mom tried to kill us,” they told detectives, according to the document. “Mom is crazy.”

### Former inmate files federal lawsuit

**FORT MYERS** — A Former DeSoto County inmate has filed a \$3.5 million federal lawsuit against his former jailers, alleging his civil rights were violated by a series of beatings he endured while in their custody last year.

The Sarasota Herald-Tribune reports that Jody Holland filed the suit Friday in U.S. District Court in Fort Myer. It accuses the sheriff and four former jailers of excessive force, deliberate indifference, battery and failure to intervene.

The deputy who originally arrested Holland last year is accused in the lawsuit of false arrest.

Sheriff’s officials initially

denied that any staff member used force on Holland, but the Sheriff’s Office began an investigation after being contacted by the Herald-Tribune.

The FBI and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement also started investigations of the beatings.

### Man sentenced to life for fatal fire

**JACKSONVILLE** — A north-east Florida man has been sentenced to life in prison for setting a fatal Jacksonville house fire.

A Duval County judge sentenced 52-year-old Jimmie Ray Jackson Jr. on Friday. He pleaded guilty last month to murder, arson and burglary.

Authorities say Cecil Ray Hepler, Patrick Bishop and John Kenney were asleep early one morning in September when a fire started. Bishop and Kenney both got out, but Helper died from burns and smoke inhalation.

Police say Jackson had a dispute with Hepler’s family since 2008, but Helper wasn’t specifically targeted.

Area newspapers report that

Jackson had two prior arson convictions, one from Texas and the other from Pinellas County.

### Jury recommends killer of FSU student

**ST. AUGUSTINE** — Northeast Florida jurors have recommended death for an escaped Louisiana inmate convicted of killing a Florida State graduate student.

A St. Johns County jury made the recommendation Friday for 26-year-old Quentin Truehill, who was previously convicted of first-degree murder and kidnapping. A judge will make the final decision.

Authorities say 29-year-old Vincent Binder was found dead in an open field near Interstate 95 in April 2010 several weeks after he went missing. Area newspapers report that deputy marshals caught up with Truehill and two other Louisiana prison escapees in Miami and linked them to Binder. Truehill’s co-defendants — 26-year-old Peter Hughes and 43-year-old Kentrell Johnson — are awaiting trials on first-degree murder and

kidnapping charges.

Before his escape, Truehill was serving time for manslaughter and armed robbery.

### Man gets 13 years for drag-racing death

**TAMPA** — A Tampa Bay area man has been sentenced to 13 years in prison for a drag-racing crash that left a bicyclist dead.

A Hillsborough County judge sentenced 21-year-old Lenoy Rivera on Friday. He was convicted last month of vehicular homicide.

Authorities said Rivera was drag racing against Armando Perez Jr. near the University of South Florida’s Riverfront Park in February 2011 when his Ford Five Hundred reached a top speed of 92 mph in a 50 mph zone. Rivera lost control and struck 52-year-old Robert Niedbalec, who was riding his bicycle. Perez faces a trial at a later date.

Rivera attorney argued for a reduced sentence because he was only 18 at the time of the crash and was extremely remorseful about what happened.

■ Associated Press

## Picture This



COURTESY

## A ski boat for Florida Youth Ranches

Local attorney Dennis Roberts (left) recently donated a twenty foot Checkmate ski boat with a 175 horsepower Mercury motor to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. Accepting on behalf of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches is Columbia County Sheriff Mark Hunter.

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# PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Producer of early Grammy, NFL telecasts dead at 93

**LOS ANGELES** — The producer of early Grammy and National Football League telecasts has died.

Ted Bergmann’s wife, Beverly, says the veteran producer died Sunday following surgery in Santa Monica, Calif. He was 93.

Bergmann started his television career at NBC in 1947. He went on to work in advertising, where he matched companies such as Coca-Cola and Colgate with entertainment properties. The group behind the Grammy Awards sought Bergmann’s help in 1962 to bring the ceremony to TV. He then produced the music awards show for seven years.

Bergmann served as president of the DuMont Television Network and televised early NFL games and live boxing. Other TV credits include “The Arthur Godfrey Show,” “Love Thy Neighbor” and “Three’s Company.”

Besides his wife, Bergmann is survived by six children, two stepsons, 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

## Pistorius trial hears damaging testimony

**PRETORIA, South Africa** — In a day of potentially damaging testimony, a former girlfriend of Oscar Pistorius said at his murder trial Friday that he once shot his gun out of a car sunroof and later cheated on her with the woman he killed last year. And a security guard recalled the athlete telling him everything was “fine” after neighbors reported gunshots coming from Pistorius’ house on the night of her death.

The gripping accounts capped the first week of the televised trial of the double-amputee Olympian, whose chief defense lawyer has tried to sow doubt about the testimony of neighbors who said they heard a woman’s screams before gunshots. Proceedings have also focused on past incidents involving alleged gunplay, part of an apparent prosecution effort to portray Pistorius, 27, as a hothead who sometimes thought he was above authority.

Earlier, ex-girlfriend Samantha Taylor, who cried twice during her time on the stand in the Pretoria court, said Pistorius always carried a firearm when they dated and sometimes shouted angrily at her and her friends. There were murmurs in court when Taylor said their relationship ended because Pistorius cheated on her with Steenkamp.

## Snowden, Assange top bill at Texas tech gathering

**AUSTIN, Texas** — Surveillance. Online privacy. Robots. Food processing. Wearable computers. To get a sense of what’s on the minds of the tech industry’s thinkers, leaders and tinkerers, it’s a good idea to head to Austin, Texas, rather than Silicon Valley this time of the year.

More than 30,000 people descend on this eccentric city for the South By Southwest Interactive Festival each March. This year, NSA leaker Edward Snowden and WikiLeaks founder and secret speller Julian Assange are topping the bill, alongside Google Chairman Eric Schmidt, Twitter co-founder Biz Stone and Anne Wojcicki, CEO of genetics testing company 23andMe.

Snowden and Assange won’t be making the trip to Texas, however. They’ll appear on live video, since both are living as fugitives, in Moscow and the Ecuadorian embassy in London, respectively. Their inclusion illustrates how the festival is trying to balance holding on to its independent roots even as it’s flooded by a barrage of corporate sponsors and threatens to grow too big for its hometown.

“We have always said that South By Southwest is a very big tent and we have all different types of people,” said Hugh Forrest, director of the interactive festival. “This is a feature and not a flaw.”

Still, it’s clear that online privacy and government surveillance is on top of the technology set’s mind this year. Snowden, the former NSA contractor who appears Monday, faces felony charges in the U.S. after revealing the agency’s mass surveillance program.

■ Associated Press

# Cowboy Up! with jeans and boots during Rodeo Week

From staff reports

It's Rodeo Week in Lake City and businesses are urged to promote the event by wearing jeans and boots to work every day this coming week.

The Lake City Reporter and Power Country 102.1 and the Dockins Broadcast Group are partnering to promote March 10-16 as Rodeo Week in Lake City. Reporter Publisher Todd Wilson and Power Country Operations Manager and morning show host Berry Raulerson came up with the plan to increase awareness for the Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo in Lake City. The 20th Annual Rodeo is Friday through Sunday, March 14-16 at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Rodeo Arena.

To help promote Rodeo Week throughout Columbia County, the Reporter and Power Country are urging businesses in the area to allow their employees to wear jeans and boots to work every day to support and promote Rodeo Week.

"All we're asking is for everyone to wear jeans and boots every day and show your support," Wilson said. "The rodeo is a great event in our community and we all need to really step up and get behind it. This is the 20th annual pro rodeo here. If we don't continue to support and promote this rodeo as a community, who will? Let's work together and make it happen."



COURTESY

To support the 20th Annual Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo, the Lake City Reporter and Power Country 102.1 have partnered to declare it Rodeo Week in Lake City. Businesses are urged to relax their dress codes and allow their employees to wear jeans, boots and western attire to work this week to promote the rodeo. Rodeo officials and supporters gathered Friday to kick off the promotion. Top row, from left: Dennis Conway, general manager of Sunbelt Chrysler Jeep Dodge and Ram Rodeo sponsor; Steve Briscoe, Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo Co-Chair. Front row, from left: Bob and Andrea Smith, Smitty's Western Wear and rodeo sponsors; Linda Dowling, Columbia County Resources; Theresa Westberry, Lake City Reporter Advertising Director; Todd Wilson, Lake City Reporter Publisher; Berry Raulerson, Power Country Operations Manager; Fred Dockins Jr., Power Country and Dockins Broadcast Group.

Wilson said a local business in Lake City that has at least several members of its staff decked out in rodeo attire this week can call the Reporter at 752-1293 and make arrangements to have a photo of the group published in the newspaper.

Raulerson said a local business that has a majority of its personnel dress in rodeo attire can call his morning show first thing in the mornings at 755-4102 and he will give that business a mention on his show.

"Partner, I think it's a Jim Dandy idea!" Raulerson said. "I

think the community needs to rally around this rodeo. Rodeo is a family event and it's great entertainment for the entire family."

Raulerson said he was finalizing plans to broadcast his morning radio show on Tuesday on horseback to help promote the rodeo. He said he would be excit-

ed to give a shout-out to businesses who participate by dressing in rodeo attire next week.

Rodeo officials in Lake City were very excited by the combined effort of the newspaper and radio station to rally the community to support the rodeo.

"I think this is the thing to do. It's time for all of us to 'Cowboy Up' and show our support for this rodeo," said Steve Briscoe, Rodeo co-chairman with Columbia County Resources. "This is shaping up to be one of the largest rodeos we've ever had here."

Others were very excited about the concept.

"The rodeo is a tremendous event," said Bob Smith, owner of Smitty's Western Wear and a longtime rodeo supporter. "This is a pro sport coming to Lake City. They train, they work hard and we're fortunate to have this type of family entertainment here in town."

"I love this concept of declaring it Rodeo Week in Lake City next week."

Wilson urged local businesses to get behind the concept and workers, where possible, to dress in western attire, jeans and boots all week.

"I hope businesses will show their support for our Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo and have some fun," Wilson said. "It promotes the rodeo and it might be a little free publicity for your business, too."

## Over 75 local athletes take part in Special Olympics

By TONY BRITT  
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FORT WHITE — On a day when temperatures never rose above 50 degrees, the warmth could be felt at a distance. The participants, some in wheelchairs, some with physical, others with mental, disabilities, were eager to compete, and their hope, pride and sense of purpose showed through.

All were local Special Olympians taking part in the 2014 Special Olympics Columbia County Summer Games Friday at Fort White High School.

An estimated 75-80 participants took part.

"In this weather, under the cloudy skies, I think that's a great turnout," said John Brown, Columbia County Special Olympics coordina-



TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

Russell Resmondo (from left) and Gracie Robinson, Fort White High School Special Olympians, listen to an event official volunteer as they set up for a race during Friday's Special Olympics Summer Games at Fort White High School.

tor. "We had 122 registered, but Niblack Elementary School, Richardson Middle School and Lake City Middle School canceled out because of the weather."

Friday's competitions included track and field

events as well as tennis and volleyball. Special Olympians also competed in the tennis ball and softball toss, as well as shot put. Sonia Ford-Speights,

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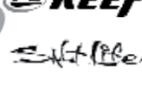
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OUR OPINION

## Two very important decisions

County manager Dale Williams will make two choices in the coming weeks that will shape the county's long-term future. Williams will soon select a new tourist development director, and a new economic development director.

The number of applications for both job postings was remarkably small.

The TDC post drew only 12 applicants. Two of the candidates put in for the economic development job as well, leading one to wonder if they don't see leading our county's important efforts in tourism as something of a consolation prize. The top choice for TDC director must be 100 percent focused on boosting our multi-million dollar tourism industry. It should be a candidate for whom the job is his or her first choice and primary focus.

As for economic development director, only six applications were received, all but one from local residents. Two of those candidates also want to be assistant county manager, which raises concerns as well.

The lack of résumés sends one clear message. The current structure of answering to an economic advisory board, plus the county commission, plus the county manager, may present a tedious path to success for anyone taking this job. Also, word may have spread beyond our borders that Economic Development Advisory Board Chairman Ron Williams, whom Dale Williams has said he'll consult in making his pick, is adamant about having somebody local in that seat.

As for place of birth, we don't see that as an important, even relevant, criterion. Pick the best candidate. Period. The best candidate will be a relationship builder, apolitical, and with a fearless agenda focused on the existing and future needs of our employment market.

Of the six applicants for economic director, the most intriguing candidacy may be that of State Rep. Elizabeth Porter, our voice in the Florida House of Representatives.

Porter is certainly well-positioned to steer business and commerce our way, considering her well-established ties in Tallahassee and beyond. In theory, Columbia County could benefit greatly from her skill and expertise in the political arena as she focuses her efforts directly on helping us grow.

We can't help but wonder, though, if taking this job — should it even be offered — might damage her political standing in other parts of District 10.

There is no legal conflict of interest, according to counsel for the Florida House, which signed off on Porter's application for the post. But voters outside Columbia County, in parts of District 10 now starved for business, may not see it that way. They may come to wonder just who it is she's working for after all.

Porter believes she can balance any potentially competing interests. The question is whether voters outside our borders can be convinced.

Meanwhile, we wish our county manager well in making these two critically important choices. His crucial decisions will surely reverberate through the pages of local history.



## Putin, his soul are growing tiresome

It's hard to believe how much time we have spent in recent weeks musing about Russian President Vladimir Putin. And we still don't have a clue what his end game is.

The first (and only) time I met Putin I tried to look into his eyes to see if I could ascertain anything about his soul. A la George W. Bush who said of Putin, "I looked the man in the eye. I found him to be very straightforward and trustworthy. We had a very good dialogue. I was able to get a sense of his soul, a man deeply committed to his country and the best interests of his country."

I saw nothing but two cold beady orbs. Let's be honest here, the cynical Putin resembles the ultimate James Bond villain more than a modern major potentate.

Putin turned the Olympic Games into a soap opera about him. We fretted about the horrific corruption in Putin's regime. Then we worried about terrorism springing from Russia's war with Chechnya 300 miles from the games. We recoiled from the weirdly colored hotel water.

We feared Putin's response to the losses of his beloved hockey team. We were upset that Russian police arrested two members of Pussy Riot, the not-particularly talented but intensely anti-Putin singers. We were appalled at the anti-gay restrictions of Putin's government and giggled when he inadvertently hugged a lesbian medalist.

And then Ukraine erupted into violence, its pro-Russian puppet president fled and the world held its breath, waiting to see what Putin would do.



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The former KGB colonel held war games, started making threatening noises and ordered troops to surround Ukraine's small military outposts. Then he ordered Russian troops to show force in Crimea, part of Ukraine.

To Secretary of State John Kerry's astonishment, Putin denied there are Russian troops on alert in Crimea. Putin said he has no intent to start a war but warned he just might have to use force to protect Russian interests. He signaled he might support Ukrainian elections. But he insisted he must protect Russia's Black Sea Fleet off the coast of Crimea. He denounced Ukraine's new government, calling it "the people who call themselves the government." He lashed out at the United States, blaming the West for all the trouble.

Putin is an extremely tiresome person.

We are now scrambling to recall how imperialism started the World Wars I and II and what the Crimean War in the 1850s was all about and seeking European understanding on just what Putin's motives are.

(Europeans don't know but suspect he wants to reassemble the Russian empire. They're also worried about irritating him because his country

provides a lot of their natural gas.) Some of the pundits are even suggesting this is a restart of the Cold War.

The United States and Europe are treaty-bound to protect Ukraine from invasion or Russian force. Meanwhile, Ukraine is totally out of money, so one idea to defuse the whole mess is to pour in billions of dollars. (Americans on food stamps may be on precarious territory; unstable but strategic foreign governments are on firmer ground when it comes to federal dollars.) And when in doubt, we usually go with economic sanctions and then we cancel international meetings.

Putin is centuries too late to go down in history as Vlad the Terrible or Vlad the Impaler. But clearly he wants a big chapter. Putin the Impenetrable doesn't really work, but Vlad the Invader is a distinct possibility. Vlad the Diplomat seems unlikely. (Vlad the Stupid is a personal favorite.)

In our age of celebrity worship it always comes as a bit of a shock when somebody famous can wreak havoc on so many people with such insensitivity and such ferocity, getting thousands of minions to do his dirty work. Perhaps Putin didn't think this through. Probably even he doesn't know how it will end.

We are trying to assess which is more tedious — the cold temperatures and snow of this dreadful winter or figuring out the Russian bear. It's a tossup.

■ McClatchey-Tribune columnist Ann Featters has covered the White House and national politics since 1986.

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## Politicking over vets' benefits

True story. A few years ago, a reader called to explain, in all sincerity, how he thought the trillions of dollars in the federal budget should be spent. It was simple:

1. Give the Defense Department all the money it wants.
2. Give military retirees and their families all the money they need.
3. If there's anything left over, we can spend it on roads and schools and stuff.

We remembered that conversation when we read about Senate legislation that would have provided \$21 billion for medical, education and job-training benefits for veterans. Democrats promoted the bill and, although veterans groups supported it, Republicans blocked it.

Critics in the GOP blasted the Democrats' plan to use money "saved" by ending the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to pay for the added benefits. They also

objected to making more veterans without service-connected injuries eligible for treatment at VA facilities. They said that would swamp the system.

What riled them most, however, was that Democrats were using veterans' benefits to lure the GOP into a trap.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, a liberal Independent who chairs the Veterans Affairs Committee, said at one point he couldn't understand "how anyone could vote for tax breaks for billionaires, for millionaires, for large corporations and then say we don't have the resources to protect our veterans."

And after the GOP derailed the bill, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee emailed: "Mitch McConnell Votes Against Kentucky Veterans." McConnell, the Senate's Republican leader, is up for re-election.

The Democrats' strategy had been clear all along. If their \$21

billion benefits package were approved, they would take credit for helping veterans. If it were killed, they would slam those cold-hearted Republicans for shortchanging America's heroes.

Paul Rieckhoff, CEO of Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America — which supported the legislation — told The Associated Press,

"Veterans are tired of being used as political chew toys."

That's certainly how veterans were used this time.

Congress ought to do better by those who've put their lives on the line for this country. Their benefits should be determined by what they deserve and what the nation can afford, not by the amount of political embarrassment that can be inflicted.

■ Panama City News Herald

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

## Announcements

### Pro Rodeo Queens

The 10th annual Miss Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo Queens Competition will be held on March 14 at the 20th annual Florida Gateway Pro Rodeo. Ladies age 4-18 are eligible to participate and win scholarships, tiaras, Montana Silver belt buckles, trophies and more. Applications are available at The Money Man, Smitty's Western Store, school offices and the Fair office. Or, they can be downloaded at [www.columbiacountyfair.org](http://www.columbiacountyfair.org). Call 386-752-8822 for more information.

### CHS Yearbooks

Hunter Printing, 1330 SW Main Blvd., has about 20 like-new 2005 Columbia High School yearbooks for just \$10 each. Proceeds will go to the school museum. They also have available about 20 Pat Summerall memorial football programs from the 2013 football season, also \$10.

## Today

### GriefShare

GriefShare, a grief recovery support group, will meet every Sunday through May from 4-5:30 p.m.. First United Methodist Church, 973 S. Marion Ave. GriefShare is a nondenominational group and features biblical teaching on grief and recovery topics. Real help for deep hurt. Call 752-4488 for more information.

## March 10

### Honey Bees

The UF/IFAS Extension Office is offering a free presenta-



COURTESY

## Green Eggs and Ham at Green Gables

Students from the Green Gables Learning Tree recently celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday by reading his book "Green Eggs and Ham." They then got the opportunity to make green eggs and ham with the help of Thing 1 and Thing 2 from the Early Learning Coalition.

tion on Honey Bees of the World and Beekeeping History at the Columbia County School Board Auditorium on March 10 at 7 p.m.

### SAR meeting

The Lake City Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, March 10 at 6 p.m. at the Grand China Buffett, 345 W

Duval Street. Please note this is a new location. Visitors are always welcomed. Call Ralph Wright at 386-961-9112 for more information.

## March 11

### Medicare Seminar

The LifeStyle Enrichment Center is hosting a free edu-

cational Medicare Seminar for residents 64 1/2 and older on Tuesday, March 11 from 5-6 p.m. Irv Crowetz will cover topics like what you need to know about Medicare, when to enroll and what is covered. RSVP to 386-755-3476 x107.

### Homeless Services

The monthly meeting of the

Homeless Services Network of Suwannee Valley will be Tuesday, March 11 at 4 p.m. at the Columbia County Public Library West Branch. The Homeless Services Network of Suwannee Valley serves the counties of Columbia and surrounding counties. The network includes agencies and individuals interested in the services available to those who are homeless or threatened with homelessness. United Way of Suwannee Valley serves as the lead agency for the homeless coalition. For more information contact Jennifer Lee, Homeless Coordinator, United Way of Suwannee Valley, 386-752-5604 x 107.

### Senator Rubio

The staff of Senator Marco Rubio will be available to discuss any issues with Social Security, Medicare, or Veterans Benefits you may be having. The public forum will be held Tuesday, March 11 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Board of County Commissioners Office, 135 NE Hernando Ave., Suite 203. Call the Jacksonville Regional Office at 904-398-8586 for more information.

### Lenten Lunch

First Presbyterian Church invites the community to a Lenten Soup Lunch for the season of lent, each Tuesday from 12-1 p.m. March 11 through April 8. There is no charge to eat, but donations are accepted for local charities.

### Sparkleberry meeting

The Sparkleberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society will meet Tuesday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Hatch Park in Branford, 403 SE Craven St. Call Betsy Martin at 386-719-0467 for more.

## OBITUARIES

### Harold Dean Lamb

Mr. Harold Dean Lamb, age 74, of Twinsburg, Ohio passed away Thursday, February 20, 2014 at Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield Heights, Ohio.



Dean was born March 26, 1939 in Decatur, TN to Jessie and Velma (Davis) Lamb. He is survived by Josephine (Harvey) Lamb, his wife of 53 years, three sons, Time (Debbi) Lamb, Kevin (Kim) Lamb of Mantua, Ohio and Todd Lamb of Shalersville, Ohio. Six grandchildren: Josh, Alyssa, Ian, Bailey, Dalton and Dillon Lamb. Sisters: Patsy (Mike) Roberts, Darlene (James) Smith, Susan (Jimmy) Sparks, all of Lake City, FL and Chriss (Bob) Demoss of Live Oak, FL. Dean had one brother, Jesse (Donna) Lamb of Lake City, FL. Three of his special and devoted friends were: Doug Lawson, Decatur, TN; Ron Pitts, Solon, Ohio; and John Hinton, Twinsburg, Ohio. One of Dean's special cousins was J.B. Wilson of Decatur, TN. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews and cousins in Ohio, Tennessee and Florida.

Dean was a US Navy veteran, a member of AEO Sailors Association, AMVETS, NRA and Cooper Development Association. He was vice-president of Bunting Bearings Corporation in Toledo, Ohio and a member of Walnut Grove Baptist Church in Decatur, TN. Dean was still and active member of the Columbia High School Class of 1957 (Lake City, FL). Funeral services were held on February 22, 2014 at Shorts

Spicer Crislip Funeral Home Streetsboro Chapel in Streetsboro, Ohio. Additional services were held on February 23, 2014 at Bowers Funeral Home in Decatur, TN with Pastor Mike Rymer officiating. Interment followed at Walnut Grove Baptist Church Cemetery. Condolences and memories can be shared at [www.sscfuneralhomes.com](http://www.sscfuneralhomes.com)

### Betty Sue O'Cain

Mrs. Betty Sue O'Cain, 76, of Lake City, FL died Sunday, February 23, 2014 at home following a short battle with cancer. She was born in Mason City, FL on July 26, 1937. She has resided in the Columbia County area all of her life. She was a graduate of Mason City High School. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, William "Billy" E. O'Cain Jr.; half-brothers James Loyd, Manley Loyd, Clarence Loyd; a half-sister Dolly Catherine Loyd; a sister Shirley Clemons. She is survived by her children: daughter, Patti O'Cain of Ft Myers, FL, daughter, Cindy (Richard) Eakes of Murfreesboro, TN, son, Ricky (Judy) O'Cain of Lake City, FL, and daughter, Angie (Will) Rodgers of Macclenny, FL; Her grandchildren, Tiffany (Rob) Dear, Cliff (Aimee) Greene, Zach Greene, Mary Eakes, Morgan Eakes, Ashley O'Cain, R.J. O'Cain, Hannah Rodgers, Hail-ee Rodgers and Hollan Rodgers; Her great-grandchildren, Madison Dear, Logan Dear, and Bryson Greene; Two sis-

ters, Emma (Edward) Robinson, Johnnie Mae Noegel; One brother, Murray "Roller" Loyd all of Lake City, FL. Graveside funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 P.M. on March 10, 2014, in the Wellborn Cemetery, Wellborn, FL. A private family visitation was held on Monday, Feb. 24 at 3:30pm. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 S. U.S. Hwy 441, Lake City, FL, 32025, (386) 752-1954.

### HORACE E. "Gene" MATTHEWS

Horace Eugene "Gene" Matthews, 75, went to be with his Lord and Savior, Friday, March 7, 2014. He was born in North Carolina, the son of the late Horace and Maude Matthews and had lived here in Lake City for the past 35 years. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend, who enjoyed watching NASCAR racing, fishing, and sharing his time with his family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, his sister Dorothy and his granddaughter, Taylor. Survivors include his devoted wife of 34 years, Barbara Jean Matthews, sons, Richard Nelson of Maui, HI, Michael & David Matthews of Suffolk, VA, and Robert (Teresa) Matthews of Starke, FL; daughters, Sheila (Scott) Gomer of Suffolk, VA, Becky (Gator) Roberts of Stockbridge, GA, and Missy Williams of Lake City, FL; Brother, Charles (Cindy) Matthews of Suffolk, VA; sisters, Joyce Brinkley, and Char-

lotte (Curtis) Mitchem both of Suffolk, VA; 12 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 in the chapel of Gateway-Forest Lawn Funeral Home with Dr. Rodney Baker officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Caramel Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be Monday evening; March 10, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 South US Hwy 441, Lake City, Florida 32025. (386) 752-1954. Please leave words of love and encouragement for the family online at [www.gatewayforestlawn.com](http://www.gatewayforestlawn.com).

### Mary K. Pignatore

Mrs. Mary K. Pignatore, 82, went home to be with the Lord and her husband Andrew, whom she missed dearly on February 14, 2014. Mary was a beautifully blessed daughter of Charles and Lillian Wiles. She was a loving mother of Cathy (Wayne) Pelley. Born in Passaic, NJ July 17, 1931. She married and moved to Miami, FL. Working in the insurance and banking industry. She became a proud Grandma, cherishing her two grandchildren, Chris (Can-



dy) and Megan Pelley. She became lovingly known as "Nana" to her 3 beloved great-grandchildren, Jade, Amber and Colten. 12 years ago she arrived in Lake City and became lovingly known as "Mother Mary." She loved and enjoyed her dear Tuesday morning "girls", and the Bonco ladies. She will be missed dearly. She's leaving behind numerous family members and friends. Services for her "Celebration of Life" will be at the First United Methodist Church, 973 S Marion Ave, Lake City at 11:00 AM Saturday March 15.

### Walter L. Rogers

Mr. Walter L. Rogers, 79, of Lake City, FL, passed away on Friday, March 07, 2014 at the VA Hospital of Lake City, after an extended illness. Born on March 9, 1934 in Columbia County to the late Walter and Myrtice Kennedy Rogers. After graduating from Columbia High School in 1952, he joined the United States Army and served his country in the Korean War. After he retired from the Army, he went into the real estate business in Lake City and retired in 2011. He was the past president of the Lake City Realtor Association, and the past president of the Century 21 Association for North Florida two terms. He was a member of Southside Baptist Church.



Survivors include his loving wife of 59 years Maria K. Rogers, of Lake City, son; Walter Leon Rogers Jr., of Lake City, sister; Mary Bell Houston, of Valdosta, GA., brother; Arnold Rogers (Betty), of Lake City. He also leaves behind seven surviving grandchildren.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at Gateway-Forest Lawn Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Ralph Rodriguez officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Suwannee County. Visitation with the family and friends will be from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm on Monday, March 10, 2014 at the funeral home. In honor of Mr. Rogers you may in lieu of flowers donate to the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN. 38105 or Fisher House Foundation Inc., 111 Rockville Place Suite 420, Rockville, MD. 20850. Arrangements are under the direction of GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME, 3596 S. U.S. Hwy 441, Lake City, FL., 32025, (386) 752-1954. Please leave words of love and comfort for the family at [www.gatewayforestlawn.com](http://www.gatewayforestlawn.com)

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Lunches consist of fellowship, a selection of homemade soups and Lenten Monologue Collection by William Dohle entitled, "Encounters with the Miracle Man."

There is no charge, but donations accepted for local charities.

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## POLICE REPORTS

# Arrested man escapes through cop car window, arrested again

By STEVEN RICHMOND  
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Lake City police had to twice detain an O'Brien burglar after he escaped from the back seat of an officer's patrol vehicle



Florand

Thursday night, LCPD reports. Ronald Eugene Florand, 20, of O'Brien, was arrested around 10:00 p.m. Thursday after a man at a local gas station saw the suspect attempt to burglarize his truck, according to the arrest report.

The man said Florand attempted to steal tools from the back of his company work truck, but dropped the items and fled in a yellow passenger vehicle, the report said.

Officers later located Florand driving the vehicle with a passenger on US 90 and attempted to make a traffic stop, and claim Florand visibly noticed police tailing him with activated lights, the report said.

However, Florand allegedly did not immediately stop for police and continued driving around 35 m.p.h. through at least two intersections before

coming to stop at the same location where the incident was originally reported, police said.

He allegedly told officers he "was attempted to make it to this store and stated he did see [the officer's] lights and heard [his] siren but wanted to stop here."

Florand then made a statement to police (redacted in the report) that prompted officers to detain the suspect in handcuffs and place him in the back of a patrol vehicle, according to the report.

Officers spoke with the passenger and conducted a search of Florand's vehicle, finding three unopened bags of OMG and 24K Monkey Spice, a brand of synthetic marijuana, the report said.

Officers also found \$1,280 worth of goods the passenger said were stolen from two other vehicles burglarized during the incident, the report said.

However, officers believe Florand also stole a \$5,000 ITX combustible gas monitor and accessories that were not recovered, the report said.

Items including two five-gallon gas cans, a heavy duty set of jumper cables, a Dewalt skill saw, a 15 ton lifting hook and more,

according to the report.

However, during the course of their search, a woman approached officers and told them Florand had escaped through the window of the patrol vehicle and was running east on US 90, still in handcuffs, the report said.

According to Public Information Officer Craig Strickland, maintenance personnel recently retrofitted an old investigator's vehicle for use in patrol activities, adding equipment used for detaining and transporting suspects that previously wasn't present.

However, personnel forgot to disable the rear window controls, Strickland said, calling it an "oversight."

Police said the same witness was able to direct officers to a concrete culvert where Florand was hiding, one hand free from the handcuffs, according to the report.

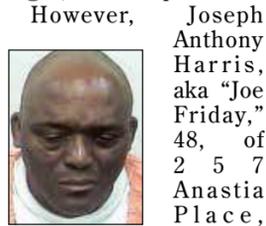
Florand was detained and booked into Columbia County Detention Facility on \$23,000 bond without further incident.

Florand faces charges of operating a vehicle without a license, burglary, larceny, resisting an officer without violence, drug equipment possession and escape.

# Armed-robbery suspect claims he was the victim of bad drug deal

By STEVEN RICHMOND  
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Local police arrested a Lake City man suspected of robbing a woman at gunpoint Wednesday night, LCPD reports.



Harris

the victim of a drug deal gone bad and did not rob the woman, according to the arrest report.

The victim, a middle-aged female, said Harris approached her and asked for a lighter while she was sitting on her porch around 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, the report said.

Harris then allegedly snatched her wallet and began to flee on foot before tripping on the ground, at which point a chrome and black .45 caliber Ruger handgun also fell on the ground, the report said.

The victim said Harris grabbed the gun and pointed it at her, prompting her to spray a "whole can" of mace on him and beat him several times, according to the report.

However, she said Harris was able to get up and flee the scene, at which point she returned home and called police, the report said.

She said she was familiar with "Joe Friday" and suspected he might be staying with his uncle in the Granger Mill area, the report said.

Later that night, a deputy from CCSO said they'd located two individuals giving Harris a ride in a green GMC SUV at the corner of

Washington Street and Granger Mill Road, the report said.

Harris told officers that he was dropped off at the victim's residence and was looking to purchase \$100 worth of crack cocaine from a dealer named "Dough Boy," police said.

He added that "Dough Boy" suspected Harris of stealing crack cocaine from him, struck Harris several times and put him in a choke hold on the ground, the report said.

According to Harris, at this point the victim entered the fray, struck him and pepper sprayed him before he was able to flee the scene, the report said.

Police said Harris had swelling in his right eye and bottom lip, but was not in possession of any firearms or stolen property.

In addition, Harris claimed he did not have a gun, let alone own one, the report said.

When officers made contact with the two individuals giving Harris a ride, they said Harris flagged them down outside Cannon Creek Mobile Home Park and were not aware if he committed any crimes, the report said.

When police made contact with the man who allegedly drove Harris to the alleged victim's residence, he said he dropped Harris off and immediately drove away and did not see anyone standing outside or an altercation occur, the report said.

Harris was arrested and booked into Columbia County Detention Facility on \$100,000 bond. He faces a charge of robbery by sudden snatching with firearm or weapon.

## HANKINS

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The sheriff's office has since actively tried to make contact with any of the victims who purchased the stolen items through Hankin's local electronics store or via his eBay and Amazon accounts.

Deputies said several of the items they found during the October search of Hankins Computers matched serial numbers of items fraudulently ordered on Anderson Columbia's dime, CCSO said.

In addition, they found a little over 20 grams of cannabis in Hankins' business, according to CCSO.

Hankins Computers has since been cleared out. A visit to the store's website, www.hankins.com, contains a single page advertising the location available for rent.

Hankins was arrested and booked into Columbia County Detention Facility on \$270,000 bond.

According to CCSO, he faces a charge of organized fraud, 21 counts of dealing in stolen property and possession of over 20 grams of cannabis.

Citizens who believe they may have been victims of the Robinson-Hankins fraud are encouraged to contact Detective Caleb Douglas at CCSO (386-758-1375) or call Crime Stoppers of Columbia County (386-754-7099) and provide paperwork detailing the point-of-sale if purchased locally or seller's username if purchased online.



COURTESY

Valerie Thomas picks up trash from a thicket of smilax, a thorny plant, on the banks of Cannon Sink Saturday morning. "The bad thing is that there's always people that throw [garbage] in and people that pick it up," Thomas said. "And never the twain shall meet."

## CANNON

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caused it to flow from the land into Cannon Sink."

Dan Rountree, a co-founder of Current Problems in 1992 with Mike Jamerson and Sue Hart, said they began doing North Florida water clean-up after seeing trash in the Santa Fe River at O'Leno State Park.

"Mike and I wanted to canoe a stretch of the Santa Fe that was closed off and filled with trash," Rountree said, prompting him and his friends to arrange a deal with the park that allowed them to canoe and camp in the area in exchange for their volunteer cleanup efforts.

Over the years, they said they found many strange items in the waters, including a brass sculpture, safes, toilets and even a cremation box.

Terri Skiles from the Ichetucknee Alliance canoed through the calm waters, picking up glass bottles, plastic bags and other such items.

"We're just trying to do whatever little bit we can," she said.

Fellow volunteer Valerie Thomas struggled to pry free a tire stuck in a pile of smilax, a thorny plant.

"The bad thing is that there's always people that throw [garbage] in and people that pick it up," Thomas said. "And never the twain shall meet."

# Report: Woman arrested for selling synthetic marijuana

By STEVEN RICHMOND  
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A Lake City woman suspected of selling synthetic marijuana and prescription medications was arrested Wednesday, LCPD reports.



Lane

Police served a warrant on Kimberley Hope Lane, 43, of 640 NE Lake Drive, who they suspect of obtaining and reselling

illegal narcotics, including synthetic marijuana and prescription medications, according to a Wednesday press release.

The arrest and seizure was a joint effort between LCPD, CCSO, FDLE and the DEA as part of the Gateway High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas initiative, the release said.

According to LCPD Public Information Officer Craig Strickland, specific information about the items seized and the case itself was not available pending further investigation and

forthcoming arrests.

However, two of Lane's pending charges make reference to opium or derivatives thereof, according to the Columbia County Detention Facility's website.

Lane was booked into CCDF without bond. She faces charges for the sale of opium or opium derivatives, possession of such with intent to sell, marijuana possession with intent to sell, distribution of marijuana, drug equipment possession and a probation violation.

# HS Rodeo gathers students from all over state

From staff reports

Students from all over the state gathered at Smitty's Western Store Arena to participate in a series of Florida High School Rodeo Association (FHSRA) events Saturday and today.

Hundreds of contestants participated in a variety of activities including steer wrestling, calf roping, breakaway roping, barrels, poles and more.

The event was the seventh of eight similar weekends leading up to a three-day state final in May where the top four competitors in each event will be sent to



STEVEN RICHMOND/Lake City Reporter  
Taylor Baldwin chases a calf during the Breakaway event at the Florida High School Rodeo Association's visit to Lake City Saturday.

a national championship in Rock Springs, Wyo.

Fundraising Director for the FHSRA Stacie Clair says the children who participate learn many important values that could help them later in life.

"They learn a level of respect being raised in traditions and family values from old-school America," she said. "It's a lot of hard work and perseverance, they're learning that nothing comes easy and you have to work for what you want."

She said one of the best parts about rodeo is that students are only competing against themselves when they go out into the ring.

Adrianna Richards, an 11-year-old from Ocala,

shared some of the things she's learned as well.

"I've learned that to be a winner, you have to know how to lose," she said.

One of the benefits for students in FHSRA is the opportunity to earn scholarships for attending college.

Lake City native Austin Barber won a near-full ride scholarship from the organization and now attends Ranger College in Brownwood, Texas, studying agriculture business.

"It's helped me get where I am today," he said. "It's good for younger kids. It gives them an incentive to do better."

## OLYMPICS

Continued From 3A

head coach of the Hamilton County Special Olympics junior team, said she got involved in Special Olympics because one of her children has special needs. The Hamilton County School district sent 22 participants to the games and Speights said she's appreciative there is a venue for Special Olympians to compete.

"My oldest son is a Special Olympics athlete. This is a good event," she said. "I've been doing it for about four years now."

The event marked the first time the Special Olympics were hosted at Fort White High School, and Brown said the school provided several volunteers for the event.

Jill Huesman, Fort White High

School Agri-science teacher and FFA advisor, said about 25 of her students served as volunteers. She said some of her students arrived at 7:30 a.m. to help set up and some served as special escorts to the Special Olympians to make sure they were in the right place at the right time.

"They were just here basically to make sure everything ran smoothly and efficiently for these students because they are special to our campus and we want to make sure we do the best for them," Huesman said.

Dylan Spin, 18, helped as an event volunteer.

"I decided to be a volunteer because I felt it was special because as a regular student, we get to compete in sports, but the special students don't get to attend and do all the sports that regular



TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

Josh Compton (left) places a First Place blue ribbon on Special Olympian James Shott, who won the 50 meters walking contest.

students would," he said. "This is their time that we can open up all these events to them."

Deidre Houk, Fort White High School activities director and student government leadership teacher, said several of her students also volunteered.

"The students enjoyed it," she said. "It's been extremely cold, but other than the frigid weather they really enjoyed being in the atmosphere and being able to give back to these kids. It's heartwarming to see that they have such a willingness and giving spirit to want to help other people."

On Saturday, Fort White High School football stadium will serve as the venue for the Area 4 Special Olympics Summer Games with participants from Columbia, Alachua, Bradford, Hamilton and Marion counties competing.

**‘[Running] gets to be your best friend. You want to do it every day.’**

— Chase Martin, winner of the 5K race



Jasmine Horton performs during the Glow On! Get Fit Lake City Finale on Friday.



Kayliah Gallagher (left), 11, and Vidala Parks, 11, go down a bounce slide while attending the Glow On! Get Fit Lake City Finale held at Florida Gateway College on Friday.



Julie Floyd runs with her daughter, Lilah, 2, during the Fun Run race Friday. ‘All three of my stroller tires went flat but I made it,’ she said. ‘It was difficult, but it definitely gave me more of a workout.’



Heather Gray (left) and Jill Adams lift up Anna Rainbolt as she is confirmed the first female finisher of the 5K race on Friday.



Noel Cavallero, 10, crosses the finish line as the first male finisher in the Fun Run race.

## FINALE

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functional exercise part of life. Once you do it, you’ll never quit.”

Children then flocked to a stage area and danced to the sounds of “Fire Burning on the Dance Floor,” “Happy,” “The Cupid Shuffle” and more.

Around 1,380 children from local fourth- and fifth-grade classes participated in the 16-week initiative, taking time to walk/run either before school or during recess.

Winners of the fittest students, schools and businesses were announced, detailing their achievements over the 16 weeks:

- Fittest male student—Jeremiah Byrd of Pinemount Elementary, who walked/ran 44 miles;
- Fittest female student—Madison Siver of Five Points Elementary, who walked/ran 36 miles;
- Fittest classroom—Lashonda Newton of Pinemount Elementary, whose students walked/ran a collective 581 miles;
- Overall school winner—Pinemount Elementary Coach Mike McRare, whose students registered a collective 1,878 miles.

All students combined walked/ran 8,598 miles over the 16 weeks.

The following are the results for the fittest businesses, whose employees registered the most personal hours of exercise during the project:

- Small category—Morgan Law Center;
- Medium category—TD Bank;
- Large category—First Federal Bank of Florida.

The grand finale revealed the winners of the biggest loser competition, who won by losing the largest percent of their original body weight over the 16 weeks. There were 264 individuals vying for the title among both men and women.

The male winner was Charles Jolliffe, who lost 8.09 percent of his body weight from start to finish.

The female winner was Vicki Busscher, who lost 19.77 percent of her body weight.

Each winner won \$1,320, derived from 12.5 percent of the registration fees, along with a variety of prizes including an annual gym membership to one of the initiative’s four participating gyms (Anytime, American Family Fitness, Curves and Moowatee), a photography session with Captured Memories by Esta, a medallion, plaque and other fitness supplies.

“We had no idea if it would take off or if it would be successful and it really just blew us away,” Decker said.

Overall, Altrusa hoped citizens of Columbia County learned the many health benefits of proper diet and exercise.



Jill Adams raises the hand of Chase Martin, 13, who won the 5K race on Friday.



Photos by JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Participants had the opportunity to take a Zumba Fitness class Friday night.



Members of First Federal Bank of Florida accept a trophy for the Fittest Large Business.



Teresa Morgan, owner of Morgan Law Center For Estate & Legacy Planning, accepts a trophy for the Fittest Small Business.



Pinemount Elementary School teacher LaShonda Newton is named the overall winner for the top classroom with a record-ed 581 miles.

## WINNERS

*Continued From 1A*

Charles Jolliffe, who works from home as a chemistry specialist for Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, lost 22 pounds, or 8.09 percent, of his original weight.

While he played basketball and ran for his workouts, he realized he had to make additional changes to his dietary habits.

“Most of the day I am a good eater,” he said, “But I do have an issue with binging at night. I knew if I was going to do anything, it was to quit that.”

To find motivation, he looked to his children.

“The thing that drove me the most

was my son with Type-1 diabetes,” Jolliffe said. “He is always strong every single day with his problem. When you look at someone that has a legitimate issue and they will never be able to overcome it completely, then you just have to look at yourself and ask ‘why am I sitting around feeling sorry for myself?’”

Each winner received \$1,320, derived from 12.5 percent of the registration fees, along with a variety of prizes including a year-long gym membership to one of the initiative’s four participating gyms (Anytime, American Family Fitness, Curves and Moowatee), a photography session with Captured Memories by Esta, a medallion, plaque and other fitness supplies.



Members of TD Bank accept a trophy for the Fittest Medium Business.

# THE WEATHER

<b>9</b> SUN Partly cloudy Light wind HI 76 LO 49	<b>10</b> MON Partly cloudy HI 79 LO 52	<b>11</b> TUE Slight chance of rain showers HI 77 LO 56	<b>12</b> WED Chance of rain showers HI 79 LO 52	<b>13</b> THU Partly cloudy HI 70 LO 40
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### REGIONAL FORECAST MAP for Sunday, March 9

Sunday's highs/Sunday night's low

City	Monday	Tuesday
Cape Canaveral	79/59/pc	81/66/pc
Daytona Beach	78/56/pc	79/62/pc
Fort Myers	82/60/pc	83/67/pc
Ft. Lauderdale	80/64/pc	83/70/pc
Gainesville	78/52/pc	78/57/sh
Jacksonville	77/54/pc	76/58/sh
Key West	79/68/pc	81/73/pc
Lake City	78/52/pc	78/57/sh
Miami	80/65/pc	83/70/pc
Naples	78/62/pc	81/68/pc
Ocala	78/53/pc	79/59/sh
Orlando	80/59/pc	80/65/pc
Panama City	71/55/pc	67/59/r
Pensacola	69/59/pc	69/61/sh
Tallahassee	77/51/pc	73/55/r
Tampa	77/58/pc	78/65/pc
Valdosta	77/51/pc	74/57/pc
W. Palm Beach	80/62/pc	83/67/pc

### NATIONAL FORECAST MAP

3 p.m. today

**YESTERDAY'S NATIONAL EXTREMES** High: 84°, Santa Ana, CA Low: -18°, International Falls, MN

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**TEMPERATURES**

High Saturday	68	Sunrise today	7:47 a.m.
Low Saturday	34	Sunset today	7:34 p.m.
Normal high	73	Sunrise tom.	7:46 a.m.
Normal low	49	Sunset tom.	7:35 p.m.
Record high	88 in 1921		
Record low	30 in 1962		

**PRECIPITATION**

Saturday	0.00"
Month total	0.02"
Year total	1.99"
Normal month-to-date	1.24"
Normal year-to-date	7.75"

**MOON**

Moonrise today	1:44 p.m.
Moonset today	2:54 a.m.
Moonrise tom.	2:34 p.m.
Moonset tom.	3:40 a.m.

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### UV INDEX

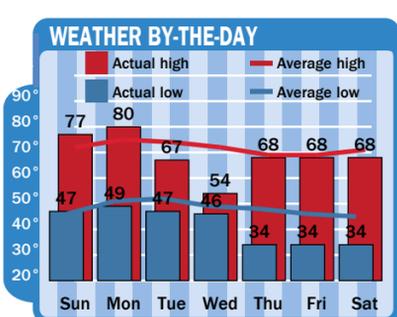
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Albany	44/17/.00	32/21/pc	Des Moines	34/25/.00	54/38/pc	Oklahoma City	51/35/.00	56/37/pc
Albuquerque	50/36/.00	61/36/pc	Detroit	37/32/.16	32/27/pc	Omaha	35/18/.00	61/34/pc
Anchorage	16/1/.00	26/9/pc	El Paso	62/51/.00	61/39/pc	Orlando	73/48/.00	79/56/pc
Atlanta	68/42/.00	69/48/pc	Fairbanks	1/-18/.00	0/26/pc	Philadelphia	57/35/.00	43/30/pc
Baltimore	61/27/.00	49/26/pc	Greensboro	-28/.00	64/40/pc	Phoenix	75/55/.00	81/54/s
Billings	47/29/.00	57/37/pc	Hartford	50/27/.00	34/24/pc	Pittsburgh	51/32/.00	38/29/pc
Birmingham	66/37/.00	67/49/pc	Honolulu	73/68/.06	80/70/pc	Portland ME	46/17/.00	32/16/pc
Bismarck	39/17/.00	52/34/pc	Houston	66/55/.00	56/51/sh	Portland OR	50/44/.01	58/44/r
Boise	44/35/.00	53/41/r	Indianapolis	46/33/.00	46/33/s	Raleigh	-7/21/.01	66/41/pc
Boston	55/27/.00	36/25/pc	Jackson MS	66/39/.00	70/49/pc	Rapid City	47/21/.00	68/40/pc
Buffalo	33/30/.00	28/23/pc	Jacksonville	66/37/.00	75/51/pc	Reno	57/33/.00	65/43/pc
Charleston SC	61/27/.00	72/49/pc	Kansas City	39/29/.00	57/36/s	Sacramento	64/43/.00	70/54/pc
Charleston WV	61/30/.00	49/33/pc	Las Vegas	66/54/.00	75/53/pc	Salt Lake City	55/34/.00	64/46/pc
Charlotte	66/34/.00	69/44/pc	Little Rock	64/35/.00	59/44/pc	San Antonio	61/57/.00	49/47/sh
Cheyenne	44/28/.00	67/37/pc	Los Angeles	80/52/.00	82/54/pc	San Diego	80/55/.00	77/56/pc
Chicago	35/28/.02	39/35/fg	Memphis	64/39/.00	59/47/pc	San Francisco	59/48/.00	61/54/pc
Cincinnati	57/30/.00	47/33/pc	Miami	73/57/.00	79/65/pc	Seattle	50/44/.07	55/45/r
Cleveland	37/30/.03	34/29/pc	Minneapolis	28/15/.00	43/34/pc	Spokane	48/32/.00	55/37/r
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Daytona Beach	66/48/.00	74/54/pc	New York	59/33/.00	39/30/pc	Tucson	73/51/.00	74/48/s
Denver	32/28/.11	70/37/s	Oakland	61/46/.00	66/53/pc	Washington	64/33/.00	50/35/pc



### WEATHER HISTORY

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Acapulco	82/69/.00	84/71/s	La Paz	60/41/.00	62/42/ts	Rio	78/73/.00	89/73/pc
Amsterdam	59/32/.00	59/41/pc	Lima	75/69/.00	78/69/pc	Rome	62/42/.00	64/39/pc
Athens	57/48/.00	57/44/r	London	60/44/.00	59/44/pc	San Juan PR	84/73/.00	82/71/pc
Auckland	73/53/.00	71/59/pc	Madrid	68/37/.00	68/39/s	Santiago	87/62/.00	87/68/s
Beijing	50/32/.00	53/28/pc	Mexico City	75/51/.00	77/51/s	Seoul	42/30/.00	44/30/pc
Berlin	55/37/.00	51/33/pc	Montreal	35/23/.00	35/12/sn	Singapore	89/77/.00	91/75/pc
Buenos Aires	78/64/.00	77/60/pc	Moscow	44/32/.00	44/33/pc	St. Thomas VI	80/75/.00	83/73/pc
Cairo	80/60/.00	78/57/s	Nairobi	82/60/.00	80/59/cd	Sydney	82/69/.00	80/68/pc
Geneva	59/32/.00	60/37/s	Nassau	75/69/.00	77/64/s	Tel Aviv	82/64/.00	86/59/ts
Havana	80/59/.00	78/59/s	New Delhi	78/53/.00	78/57/s	Tokyo	48/33/.00	48/33/s
Helsinki	44/33/.00	44/32/pc	Oslo	46/39/.00	53/48/pc	Toronto	37/32/.00	33/13/pc
Hong Kong	64/59/.00	69/57/r	Panama	87/75/.00	89/75/pc	Vienna	57/35/.00	53/33/s
Kingston	89/75/.00	86/73/r	Paris	64/37/.00	62/41/pc	Warsaw	50/35/.00	48/28/pc

KEY TO CONDITIONS: c=cloudy, dr=d-rizzle, f=fair, fg=fog, h=hazy, i=ice, pc=partly cloudy, r=rain, s=sunny, sh=showers, sn=snow, ts=thunderstorms, w=windy.

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# Goals ahead

Tigers' Williams wants to play at next level.

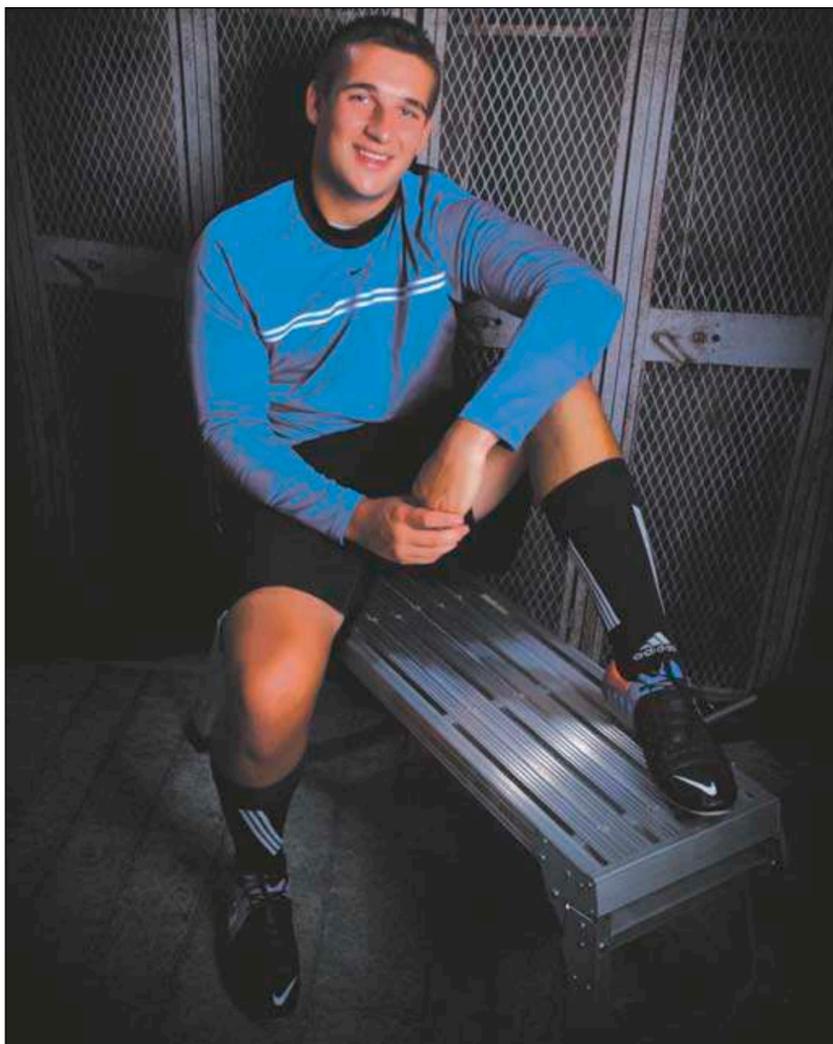
By **BRANDON FINLEY**  
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Columbia High goalie Ty Williams saved his best for last. The senior keeper for Columbia led the North to a 5-3 victory over the South in the North Florida Senior All-Star Game at Patton Park in Jacksonville.

Now Williams must decide if that was his last game or if he'll take his talents to the next level.

Williams ranks in the Top-5 among saves for goal keepers in the country according to Maxpreps.com, but it wasn't exactly the kind of year he would have liked.

"It was kind of a rough high school year," Williams said. "Most of the teams took a lot of shots, so I had really good stats. I went (to the All-Star game) and didn't really know what to expect. There's only been a couple of people to play in it before. The other goalie didn't show and, because they usually put two on each team, I played the whole game. I played pretty good. I made 17 saves and gave



COURTESY

**WILLIAMS** continued on 2B Columbia High goal keeper Ty Williams looks to play soccer in college.

# Columbia High lady hoops coach faces DUI charge

Reynolds out as coach, will stay on as teacher.

By **BRANDON FINLEY**  
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Columbia High will not retain Michael Reynolds as head basketball coach after he was arrested for drunk driving on March 3.

Reynolds was found stranded in his vehicle in a water-filled ditch along Interstate 10 according to the Baker County Press.

Baker County Sheriff's Deputy Matt Riegel said Reynolds responded to what was initially reported as a vehicle fire near the SR 121 exit around 1:50 a.m. on March 3.

The officer said that Reynolds' vehicle was sitting in a foot of water and that Reynolds had tried to exit on SR 121 believing that it was the road to Lake City.

Reynolds admitted to drinking alcohol in Jacksonville and failed a field sobriety test. When transferred to the Baker County Jail, Reynolds blew a .141 intoxication level.

"He's been removed as varsity girls basketball coach," Columbia High principal Todd Widergren said.



FILE

Columbia High girls basketball coach Michael Reynolds was relieved of his position after an incident on March 3.

"He realizes that he made a terrible decision and there are consequences that come with our actions."

Reynolds admitted guilt to the situation and regrets his actions.

"With the aide of my family and friends, I hope to get the help that I need in order to put these events behind me," Reynolds said.

The school has not given a timetable to naming Reynolds replacement with the Lady Tigers

Reynolds will stay on as a teacher at Columbia High School.

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# GAMES

- Monday**
- Fort White High weightlifting hosts Indian Invitational, 4 p.m.
  - Fort White High softball at P.K. Yonge School, 6 p.m.
  - Columbia High JV baseball vs. Baker County High, 6 p.m.
- Tuesday**
- Columbia High tennis vs. Oakleaf High, 4:15 p.m.
  - Fort White High softball vs. P.K. Yonge School, 6 p.m.
  - Columbia High baseball at Suwannee High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)
  - Fort White High baseball vs. Santa Fe High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)
  - Columbia High softball vs. Gainesville High, 7 p.m. (JV-5)
- Wednesday**
- Columbia High softball vs. Buchholz High, 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday**
- Columbia High tennis vs. Ridgeview High, 4 p.m.
  - Fort White High softball at Santa Fe High, 6 p.m.
  - Columbia High softball at Suwannee High, 7 p.m. (JV-5)
  - Fort White High baseball at Chiefland High, 7 p.m. (JV-4)
- Friday**
- Columbia High softball vs. Palatka High, 7 p.m.
  - Columbia High baseball vs. Middleburg High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)
  - Fort White High baseball at Interlachen High, 7 p.m. (JV-4:30)



JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter

Florida senior Will Yeguete raises a cut piece of net after beating Kentucky 84-65 on Saturday.

# UF sweeps SEC

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE — With strands of net behind their ears, Florida seniors Casey Prather, Scottie Wilbekin, Will Yeguete and Patric Young stopped at midcourt and kissed the floor.

It was the first step toward the next goal — winning

it all. Young scored 18 points in his home finale and No. 1 Florida routed 25th-ranked Kentucky 84-65 on Saturday, becoming the first team in Southeastern Conference history to go 18-0 in league play. “This is the way to go out,” Young said.

# Lady Indians fall short, 8-7

By TIM KIRBY

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FORT WHITE — Football scores in district games are coming up on the wrong side for Fort White High softball. The Lady Indians lost, 8-7, at home to Keystone Heights High on Friday.

Fort White (3-6, 0-4) fell by the same margin to Interlachen High in its last District 5-4A game. It was the first district win for Keystone Heights (3-6, 1-2).

Fort White opened on top with two runs in the first inning. Ashley Chesney was hit by a pitch on a 0-2 count. Morgan Cushman singled and Shea Chesney singled in her sister. Shea Chesney later scored, but the production was cut short with one runner on a fly ball by Shea Chesney. Alexa Hatcher and Chelsea Nieland singled and Bruce threw out at the plate on a come-backer and another picked off third base.

Keystone Heights scored three runs in the top of the second inning. Kristin Wood's two-run triple was the big blow and she later scored on a wild pitch.

Fort White tied it with a run in the bottom of the inning. Caitlyn Bruce led off with a single and Kayla Redwine bunted for a base hit. The runners advanced on a wild pitch. Kylee Crews' ground ball to second base scored Bruce, but it turned into a double play when the runner was thrown out at third.

Keystone Heights doubled its score in the third inning after loading the bases with two outs. A fly ball by Brooke Tussinger

cleared the bases before she was thrown out at third on the relay from the outfield.

Bruce scored her second run in the fourth inning. She doubled, moved to third on a wild pitch and scored on a sacrifice fly by Redwine.

Keystone Heights pushed the lead to 8-4 with a pair of runs in the fifth inning. A sac fly by Brianna Wells and squeeze bunt by Wood brought in the runs.

The two outs were the first of eight in a row retired by Fort White's Cushman. The host Lady Indians climbed back into the game with three runs in the fifth inning, two coming after two outs.

Ashley Chesney led off with a triple and scored on a fly ball by Shea Chesney. Alexa Hatcher and Chelsea Nieland singled and Bruce ripped an RBI-double for her third hit of the game. Nieland scored as Redwine added an infield hit.

While Cushman was shutting down the visiting Lady Indians, Brittany Shellpepper did the same to the home team. She retired seven of the eight final batters to preserve the win.

In addition to Bruce's three hits, Cushman, Nieland and Redwine each had two hits. Bailey Robison also had a hit. Fort White plays back-to-back district games against P.K. Yonge School on Monday and Tuesday. The Monday make-up game is in Gainesville, while the Blue Wave visit on Tuesday. Santa Fe High is a road game on Thursday All games are at 6 p.m.

# Wins all-around for CHS Friday

By BRANDON FINLEY

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With the baseball and softball teams in action for Columbia High on Friday night, it made for a good time in Lake City as both teams came away with shutouts.

The baseball team defeated Fort White High, 7-0, behind a complete-game effort from Caleb Vaughn. The Lady Tigers handed West Nassau High a 2-0 shutout behind a two-run homer from Caleigh McCauley to seal the deal.

Vaughn moved to 4-0 on the year after pitching the complete game with 14 strikeouts, three hits and one walk.

“He continued to do what he has done for us all year,” head coach Heath Phillips said. “Anytime you strikeout 14 batters and only walk one, that’s evident of what you’re doing as a competitor on the mound to get us a nice win.”

The Tigers were also good at the plate with Alex Milton collecting three hits and Dalton Mauldin and Jordan Culp reaching base twice. Levi Hollingsworth

also had a hit.

Milton and Culp led the team with three RBIs each and Harrison Shubert had an RBI.

Milton and Mauldin scored twice, while Hollingsworth and Tyler Myrick each scored one run.

Hits weren’t as easy to come by for the Lady Tigers in a pitching struggle, but when Columbia needed a hit the most, Caleigh McCauley came through with a two-run homer to score Tatum Morgan in the bottom of the fifth inning.

“Any game, any girl can come up and win it for us,” Columbia High head coach Jimmy Williams said. “We’re lucky to have a team full of girls like McCauley.”

The Lady Tigers are also lucky to have two pitchers who can win on any given night.

Ashley Shoup picked up the win after allowing six hits and striking out three batters in just over five innings.

Erin Anderson came in with one out in the sixth inning to pick up the save for the Lady Tigers.

“Ashley scattered a cou-

ple of hits, but she’s one of those players that just quietly comes in a does her job,” Williams said. “She’s a secret weapon for us. When you have two pitchers, it gives us an advantage over other teams that only have one arm at the end of the year.”

The Lady Tigers are 9-0 after Friday’s win.

Columbia will play a pair of Gainesville schools next week. The Lady Tigers host Gainesville High at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Buchholz High at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The baseball team didn’t fare as well on Saturday in an 8-0 loss to Wakulla.

The Tigers only had three hits with Tyler Myrick, Milton and Vaughn each reaching.

Hollingsworth had two walks and Culp also reached on a walk.

Wakulla was big in two innings, scoring three in the third inning and adding five more in the fifth.

Columbia is 8-2 after the weekend.

The Tigers return to action in a rematch against Suwannee High at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in Live Oak.



BRANDON FINLEY/Lake City Reporter

Columbia High head softball coach Jimmy Williams talks to Hollianne Dohrn between innings on Friday.

- ACROSS**
- Luau instrument
  - Bubbles
  - Add sound effects
  - Grassy field
  - Luxury fur
  - Go — — diet
  - Impulse carrier (2 wds.)
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  - More than enough
  - Powerful adhesive
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  - Marvy
  - Actress Tyler
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  - TGIF part
  - Rational
  - Big bird

- Fragrant wood
- Historical period
- Chop off
- Soft drink brand
- Cigar box
- Fabric meas.
- All-male gathering (2 wds.)
- ER figures
- Inches forward
- KLM datum
- Snack
- Dainty drinks
- Got the trophy

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- Wrist-to-elbow bone
- Retain
- “Fatha” Hines
- Data
- Heed
- Every one
- Free-for-alls
- Karate studio
- DOS alternative
- Pamper
- Have a hunch
- Swerves

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- Lawyer's thing
- Orchidlike flowers
- Free tickets
- Racing sleds
- Ceremonial fire
- St. Vincent Millay
- Attention getter
- Padlock adjunct
- Sketched
- Director — Preminger
- Nolan or Meg
- Mai —

# JUMBLE

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

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GALEE

DUNROG

DIHNED

Print answer here: ○○○○○○○○○

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by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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### REQUIRED DOCUMENT DEADLINE

**April 1, 2014**

Deadline for all required documents to be received by financial aid to ensure funding of tuition and fees at the beginning of the term. Required documents include, but are not limited to, official transcripts, tax returns, and other documents required for verification, as shown on any missing information letters. Students must be registered for classes before aid can be awarded.

## APPLY NOW!

### SUMMER A 2014 ADMISSION APPLICATION DEADLINE

**April 30, 2014 (classes begin : 5/12/14 & end 6/23/14)**

\*Application and all supporting materials must be received

### SUMMER B 2014 ADMISSION APPLICATION DEADLINE

**June 16, 2014 (classes begin : 6/26/14 & end 8/7/14)**

\*Application and all supporting materials must be received

## SUMMER 2014 REGISTRATION

### SUMMER A 2014 OPEN REGISTRATION

**April 9, 2014 - May 8, 2014**

### SUMMER B 2014 OPEN REGISTRATION

**April 9, 2014 - June 25, 2014**

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