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## Raptors, more at Alligator Fest

9th annual event runs 8-3 Saturday at Alligator Lake.

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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Birds of prey will swoop and screech in their signature spiraling gyres over a local lake this Saturday.

It's the highlight of the Alligator Lake Spring Festival held each year by the Four Rivers Audubon Society.

The full scope of the avary predators behavior can be seen by ground-bound onlookers thanks to the expert falconer scheduled to perform at 1 p.m.

There will be trail walks with focuses on local wildlife, vendors selling natural products and a photo contest award presentation, plus free butterfly plant giveaways.

"We're trying to encourage people to plant some native plants in their yard," said Valerie Thomas.

Thomas is the vice president of the organization that holds the event each year.

She said it's an annual celebration of the lake.

"Really what this is, is getting the public out and seeing the wildlife that's here in their backyard," said Thomas, who has been with the local Audubon chapter for over nine years.

The lake is crucial for local environments and valuable to local economies. It's nearly 1,000 viewable acres serve as the headwaters for the Ichetucknee River Basin.

"What's happening in Lake City really matters all the way," she said.

Its importance stretches far beyond its visible body, with rivers running through circuitous stretches underground for miles, providing habitat, ground water, and an international draw for tourism across neighboring towns in the county.

The event is a focus on that importance, she said.

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**TOP:** Kitty Carroll of Accipiter Enterprises/Educational Birds of Prey (www.birdsofprey.net) brought a male falcon (gyrfalcon/peregrine hybrid), Elwood, and a female screech owl, Winston (**ABOVE**), to a taping of Perspective with Mike McKee at Florida Gateway College last week. The animals are examples of what she'll have on display this weekend at the Alligator Lake Spring Festival.



FILE

In this file photo from the 2015 festival, Sean Yates, of Lake City, warms up to a snake as Sam Cole, park services specialist, talks about snake species indigenous to the region. Snakes will make an appearance there this year as well.

## Car-tractor collision claims O'Brien man



COURTESY SUWANNEE COUNTY FIRE RESCUE

An 87-year-old O'Brien man died when this car ran into the back of his tractor Wednesday morning on U.S. 129 in Suwannee County, according to a report from the Florida Highway Patrol. Story, Page 3A.

## Ex-Alachua city commissioner faces charges for DUI, hit-run

Quit in December following arrest for alleged May DUI.

By **CARL MCKINNEY**  
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A former Alachua city commissioner was arrested Monday in Columbia County after deputies say he fled the scene of a hit-and-run and refused verbal commands, prompting them to subdue him with a taser.

Ben Habib Boukari Jr., who stepped down from his seat in February, faces a felony charge of fleeing law enforcement and

misdemeanor charges of reckless driving and resisting arrest.

At 4:36 p.m. Monday, a deputy responded to the area of U.S. Highway 90 and Brown Road to investigate a hit-and-run, according to a Columbia County Sheriff's Office report.

A caller told CCSO they were following a black Ford Explorer SUV west on U.S. 90 after it struck their vehicle, the report states.

As the deputy approached the intersection of U.S. 90 and Hunter Road, the Ford traveled

out of a ditch on the north side of U.S. 90 and sped through the east lane onto the west, forcing two vehicles off the road, according to the report.

The deputy activated his emergency lights, executed a U-turn and pursued the Explorer, which continued to speed away, the report states.

The Ford narrowly avoided collisions with two other vehicles traveling east on U.S. 90, according to the report.

The Ford continued east, he report stated, before turning south onto Sweetbreeze Drive.

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**Boukari**

## Dunn: Sorry to see Paul Ryan go

House Speaker will not seek re-election.

From staff and wire reports

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Paul Ryan abruptly announced Wednesday he will retire rather than seek another term in Congress as the steady if reluctant wingman for President Donald Trump, sending new ripples of uncertainty through a Washington already on edge and a Republican Party bracing for a rough election year.

The Wisconsin Republican

cast the decision to end his 20-year career as a personal one — he doesn't want his children growing up with a "weekend dad" — but it will create a vacuum at both ends of Pennsylvania Avenue. It will leave congressional Republicans without a measured voice to talk Trump away from what some see as damaging impulses, and it will rob Trump of an influential steward to shepherd his more

ambitious ideas into legislation.

U.S. Rep. Neal Dunn, the Panama City Republican who represents most of Columbia County in Congress, wished him well.

"For a man who never wanted the job, Speaker Paul Ryan has achieved greatness as the leader of the House of Representatives," Dunn said

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**Dunn**



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Indians take on P.K. Yonge, 1B.

# Lineman Appreciation Day

From staff reports

Clay Electric is joining hundreds of other electric cooperatives this week in honoring the dedicated men who often work in challenging conditions to keep the lights on.

On Monday, the Keystone Heights-based co-op celebrated National Lineman Appreciation Day and recognized all of its electric linemen for the services they perform to keep power flowing and protect the public's safety. Clay Electric's Lake City District Office held a breakfast on Tuesday to thank local linemen for the work they do every day.

"Our linemen are the heartbeat of our electric distribution system, and they work around the clock on high-voltage lines," said General Manager Ricky Davis. "Conditions can be dangerous, but they power through to ensure reliable service for our members."

More than 100 men maintain over 13,000 miles of line in the co-op's service territory.

To honor these brave men, each Clay Electric district office hosted breakfasts and other events to celebrate National Lineman Appreciation Day.

In 2013, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution designating April 18 as National Lineman Appreciation Day. The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Board then designated the second Monday of each April as National Lineman Appreciation Day.

The resolution represented the first time the NRECA Board has formally recognized a day in honor of linemen.



**TOP:** Columbia County District 5 Commission Chairman Tim Murphy (center) gets breakfast with Clay Electric Serviceman Travis Griffis (left) and District Engineer Craig Wacha on Tuesday at the co-op's Lake City District Office. The electric utility is honoring its linemen this week for the hard work they do to keep the lights on. Murphy thanked the linemen for the long hours and hard work they put in. **ABOVE:** Clay Electric and Pike Electric linemen enjoy a hearty breakfast Tuesday. The co-op invited Pike Electric to take part in the appreciation event for the assistance they provide throughout the year. **LEFT:** Columbia County District 4 Commissioner Everett Phillips (right) gets breakfast with Clay Electric Tree Trimmer James Sheppard on Tuesday. Phillips stopped by to personally express his appreciation to the linemen.

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## QUICK HITS

### Scripture of the Day

"Blessed be the Lord, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications."  
— Psalms 28:6 (KJV)

### Thought for Today

"Ambition can creep as well as soar."  
— Edmund Burke, 1729-1797, Irish statesman

### Winning Lottery Numbers

**Pick 3:** (Tuesday p.m.) 1-2-6  
**Pick 4:** (Tuesday p.m.) 7-7-8-5  
**Fantasy 5:** (Tuesday) 5-8-24-27-35

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## BOUKARI

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A Dodge truck abruptly pulled in front of the fleeing vehicle and blocked its path. Backup units arrived and helped the pursuing deputy conduct a stop.

The driver, later identified as Boukari, "repeatedly ignored" commands to turn off the vehicle, according to the report.

After being ordered to exit the SUV, the "extremely large male" eventually complied, the report states.

Boukari appeared to be unsteady on his feet and unable to follow commands, according to the report.

He stumbled on the roadway, the report states.

After being ordered to get on his knees, Boukari shook his head no and refused, according to the report.

Due to his large size and refusal to obey, a CCSO corporal deployed a taser, striking Boukari in the lower back and buttocks, the report states.

When they took him into custody, deputies noted Boukari was in a "highly

intoxicated state."

After he was medically cleared, Boukari was taken to the Columbia County Detention Facility, but has since been released on \$7,000 bond.

Before he resigned in February, Boukari's term as an Alachua city commissioner was set to expire in 2020.

In December, an area newspaper reported that the Eighth Circuit State Attorney's Office was charging Boukari with driving under the influence in connection with a collision from May.

## FESTIVAL

Continued From 1A

"We started it kind of like as a way to introduce Alligator Lake as the head springs of the Ichetucknee," Thomas said.

She said people are interested in the lake and its impact. Attendance has nearly doubled since it began.

"The things that happen in Lake City the pollution any kind of human impact at water-

ways starts right there at Alligator Lake," Thomas said. "The Ichetucknee is a big deal in this community."

The event is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. and wind down at 3 p.m.

Admission is free.

## RYAN

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in a prepared statement. "From passing historic tax cuts for America's families to rebuilding and standing firm for the men and women in our armed forces, Paul Ryan made a lot of personal sacrifices to do what was best for our nation.

"He has earned our respect, and just as importantly, our gratitude. Paul Ryan is truly a class act."

It's unusual for a House speaker, third in line to succeed the president, to turn himself into a lame duck, especially so for Ryan, a once-rising GOP star who is only 48 and was the party's vice presidential candidate in 2012. His decision

fueled fresh doubts about the party's ability to fend off a Democratic wave, fed by opposition to Trump, in November. And it threw the House into a leadership battle that could end up pushing Ryan aside sooner than he intended and crush any hopes for significant legislation before the election.

Ryan, though, said he had no regrets after having accomplished "a heckuva lot" during his time in a job he never really wanted. He said fellow Republicans have plenty of achievements to run on this fall, including the tax cuts Congress delivered, which have been his personal cause and the centerpiece of his small-government agenda, even though they

helped skyrocket projected annual deficits toward \$1 trillion.

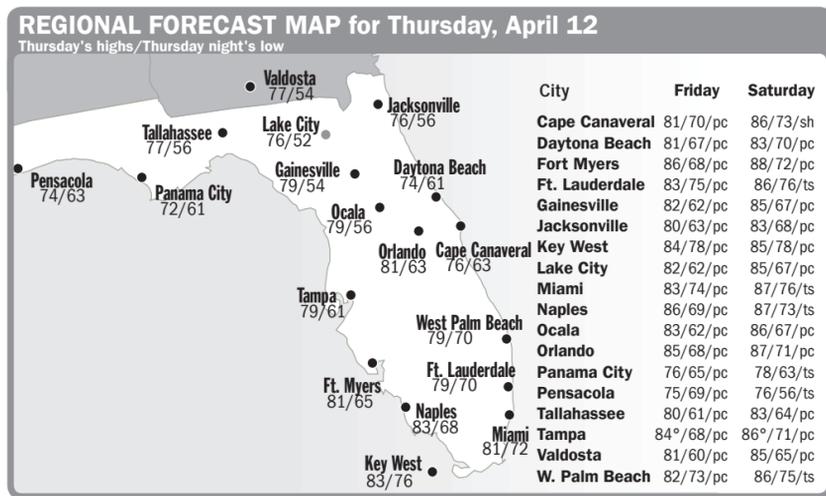
"I have given this job everything I have," Ryan said.

Speculation over Ryan's future had been swirling for months, but as he dialed up colleagues and spoke by phone with Trump early Wednesday, the news stunned even top allies.

Ryan announced his plans at a closed-door meeting of House Republicans. Rep. Mark Walker of North Carolina said an emotional Ryan "choked up a few times trying to get through" his remarks and received three standing ovations.

He later briefly thanked Trump in public for giving him the chance to move GOP ideas ahead.

# THE WEATHER



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Low Wednesday	53	Sunset today	7:56 p.m.
Normal high	79	Sunrise tom.	7:05 a.m.
Normal low	54	Sunset tom.	7:57 p.m.
Record high	92 in 1908		
Record low	35 in 1996		
PRECIPITATION		MOON	
Wednesday	0.00"	Moonrise today	5:15 a.m.
Month total	2.74"	Moonset today	4:49 p.m.
Year total	5.25"	Moonrise tom.	5:51 a.m.
Normal month-to-date	1.12"	Moonset tom.	5:46 p.m.
Normal year-to-date	11.96"		



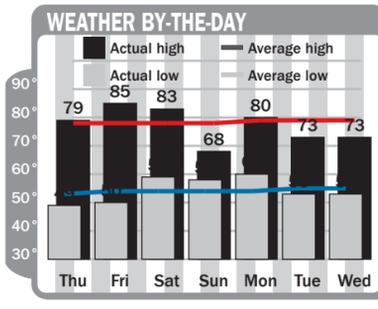
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## OBITUARIES

### Willie Ausgood

Willie Dash Ausgood was born August 26, 1944 in Lake City, Florida to the late Cassie Ausgood and Willie Dash. On Wednesday, April 4, 2018, Willie heard the voice of the Lord and gracefully answered His call while at home surrounded by his loving and devoted wife, Annie Ausgood, sister, Veronica Ausgood and children. A native Lake Citian, Willie was a graduate of Richardson High School Class of 1962. Upon completion of high school, he entered the U.S. Army. Willie worked for the Alachua County Sheriff's Department from July 1976 until his retirement in November 1999. While at the Sheriff's Department, he served in the capacity of Deputy and Investigator for the Warrants Division. In his leisure time, he loved fishing and riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Willie was a member of Souls' Harbor Church of God in Christ under the pastoral leadership of Superintendent M.L. Goggins, Sr. He was preceded in death by his sister, Eunice Williamson, and brothers, Wallace Ausgood and Michael Dash.



Willie leaves to cherish his memories: Loving and devoted wife, Annie Ausgood; children, Kia Ausgood-Stokes, Brian Ausgood (Latrice), Sean Ausgood, Willie Ausgood, Jr., Ronald Berry (Wameka), Barbara Walker; grandchildren, Janelle Ausgood, Mercedes Johnson, Cheyenne Ausgood, Dylan Stokes, Moriah Steele, Janeicia Berry, Malachi Steele, Miracle Berry, Ronneisha Berry; sisters, Veronica Ausgood, Lizzie Simmons, Gail Dash, Sylvia Dash; brother, Roger Ausgood; sister-in-law, Mae Wooden; brothers-in-law, Gene Berry, Nelo Williamson; hosts of nieces, nephews, other relatives and caring friends. Special thanks is extended to his committed caregivers, Vonda Harris, Trina Timmons, Annett



Berry; classmates, Dorothy Jean Richardson, Clareth Bradley, Inez Robins; devoted sister, Veronica Ausgood; comfort Keepers and Haven Hospice. Funeral services for Mr. Willie Ausgood will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 14, 2018, at Souls' Harbor Church of God in Christ, 901 NE Lake Drive, Lake City, FL, Superintendent M.L. Goggins, Sr. Pastor. The family will receive friends from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2018, at Souls' Harbor COGIC.

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### James Owens, Jr.

James Owens, Jr., oldest child and only son of Geneva Cray and Jared Cray, was born January 2, 1957, in Lake City, Florida. They preceded him in death. He passed away April 2, 2018, at North Florida Region Medical Center, Gainesville, Florida. James was educated in the Suwannee County School System, Live Oak, FL. He was employed with Daniels Lumber Company, Lake City, FL, where he worked as a Supervisor for twenty-two years. James enjoyed long, peaceful rides in the country and listening to music.



Left to cherish loving memories: His loving companion for twenty-two years, Patricia Graham, Lake City, FL; daughter, Robin Owens, Charlotte, NC, sons, Jamie Owens, Jacksonville, FL; Cory Hankerson, Charlotte, NC; granddaughter, Kayonni Joy Anderson; sisters, Helen Cray-Myers, Jacksonville, FL, Nancy Harp, and Gladys Owens, both of Lake City, FL; special cousin, Ron McFadden; special friend, Mike Chapman; hosts of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Mr. James Owens, Jr. will be 3:00 p.m. Saturday, April 14, 2018, at Allen Chapel Community Methodist Church, Wellborn, FL, Dr. James E. Jones, Pastor, Bishop Kyle Lowe, Officiating.

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### William Norman Robbins

Mr. William Norman Robbins, 78, of Fort White, passed away peacefully on Sunday morning, April 8, 2018 at the Suwannee Health and Rehab Center in Live Oak following an extended illness. He was born in Miami, FL on July 21, 1939 to the late George Benjamin Robbins and Merle Virginia Wilkes Robbins. He had made Fort White his home for the past twelve years having moved here from the Miami area. He was the Owner/Operator of W.N. Robbins Electric for over 35 years in Miami. Mr. Robbins was an Air Force Veteran, a City of Miami Firefighter for several years and he also volunteered for the Columbia County Sheriff's Office for over six years. He was a very active member of Christ Central in Lake City.



He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years; Bonnie Robbins of Fort White; sons; Mark Robbins (Nancy) of Coral Springs, FL, Chris Robbins (Janet) of Boca Raton, FL, Shane Robbins of Fort White and Michael Robbins (Alice) of Miami, FL; daughter; Lesley Jarrard (Mark) of Lake City; brother; George Robbins (Wanda) of Miami, FL. Grandchildren; Ryan, Christian, Charlyne (Richard), Allyson, Mark Benjamin, Christopher, Paige, Kayla, Sara, Michael, Emma, Sarah, Rachel and Samuel also survive.



Funeral services for Mr. Robbins will be conducted on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at 3:00 PM at Christ Central with Pastor Lonnie Johns and Pastor Dustin Busscher officiating. Interment will follow in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 2-3:00 PM (one hour prior to the services) at the church

on Sunday. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you consider donations to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital or the Shriners Hospital. Arrangements are under the direction and care of **GATEWAY-FOREST LAWN FUNERAL HOME**, 3596 S. US HWY 441, Lake City, FL, 32025. Please leave words of comfort for the family at [www.gatewayforestlawn.com](http://www.gatewayforestlawn.com).

### Ronald "Duck" Bernard Wilcox

Mr. Ronald "Duck" Bernard Wilcox was born on Friday, September 12, 1969 to Betty Wilcox and was raised in Olustee, Florida departed this life on Tuesday, April 3, 2018.



He received his education in the Baker County Public School System.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; Toby and Rosa Lee Wilcox; Uncles Willie (JoAnn) Wilcox, WC (Coreen) Wilcox and Pearl Wilcox.

He leaves his mother Betty Wilcox and Francis Williams. Brothers; Timothy Cason, Rogette Wilcox and Roland (Missy) Gaskins. Sisters; Kimberly, Carla, and Judith. Aunts; Betsey, Rose Wilcox and Shirley Hicks. Great uncles; Articuss (Betty) Tolliver and Nathaniel (JoAnn) Wilcox. Best friends; Rufus Smith and Larry Holmes, Jr., Alvin (Christa) Mobley, Tania, Mavis, Luke, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and sorrowing friends.

Funeral services will be Saturday, April 14, 2018 11:00am at Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Olustee, Florida with Rev. TaJauna Spencer-Gentry, Eulogist. Interment will follow in the Olustee Memorial Battlefield Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday, April 13, 2018 from 5:00pm until 7:00pm at Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Olustee, Florida

Arrangements entrusted to: **COOPER FUNERAL HOME**, 251 NE Washington Street, Lake City, Florida 32055. Willis O. Cooper, L.F.D.

### Mrs. Essie P. Wilson

Mrs. Essie P. Wilson, age 83, was born February 5, 1935 in Hamilton County, Florida to the late W.J. and Ethel Pierce Perry. She grew up in Columbia County Florida. She was the oldest of 15 siblings. Four preceded her in death. Essie Perry received her early education in the schools of Columbia County. She was in the class of 1952 of Richardson High School. She then attended Florida Normal and Industrial College. The school later became Florida Memorial College and is now known as Florida Memorial University in Miami, Florida. Essie taught in some of our isolated community schools. She was certified in 1958 and began her full-time career at Fort White. She taught for many years at Melrose Elementary School and ended her career at Minnie J. Niblack Elementary School. She retired in 2003 after 44 years. She then extended another year. After retiring from the classroom, she returned to tutor, teach at Sylvan Learning Center, and to do reading groups. She gave of her time through volunteer services. She put in many hours at Shands at Lake Shore, Stephen Foster Folk Center, Annie Mattox Park and the Community Outreach Ministry. Essie was a life member of Columbia County Retired Educators Association and affiliate of Florida Retired Educators Association. Mrs. Wilson was one of the founding members of First Central Cultural and Training Center, Inc. Essie was very active in the First Central Missionary Baptist Association. She taught in the District Congress and later became a Certified Dean through the Department of Christian Education of the National Baptist Convention USA. Essie served as the Assistant Dean and the Dean of Records for thirty (30) years. She was also a certified instructor as well. She taught at the District level and in the Florida General Baptist



Convention State Congress of Christian Education. She served as secretary to the late Moderator George Francis, secretary of the Northeast Ministers, Deacons, and Laity Union under three different presidents. She was a very active member of the Sister's Welcome Missionary Baptist Church where Rev. Major Franklin is the pastor. Essie was married to the late Mr. Clarence Wilson. She and Mr. Clarence Wilson had one son, Ceasaron Augustus- known to all as "C C".

A beautiful life, a glad smile, helping hands, words of encouragement, strength, and knowledge will be cherished by her son, Ceasaron Augustus, "CC" and her daughter-in-law, Shawana; her grandchildren, Pashen Williams, Christian C., Chancellor M., and Chasion A. Wilson; Siblings, Bernice Beasley, Lillie M. Hogue, Jesse, Louise Edmonson, Delois E. Watson and husband Wayne, Johnny D. and wife Mary, Clara L. Ferguson and husband Leonardo, Vera L. Lightner and husband; brother-in-law, Orice Griffin. Sharing in her memories are her many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, former students and many others in First Central Missionary Baptist Association and the community.

Funeral services for Mrs. Essie P. Wilson will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 14, 2018, at Olivet Missionary Baptist Church, 541 NE Davis Avenue, Lake City, FL, Minister Darryl Reid, Interim Pastor, Rev. Alvin J. Baker, Officiant and Rev. J.T. Billy Simon, Eulogist.

The family will receive friends from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2018, at New Bethel MB Church, 540 NE Martin Luther King Street, Lake City, FL.

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## Man, 87, killed when tractor hit from behind

By **COREY ARWOOD**  
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An 87-year-old O'Brien man died when his tractor was struck from behind on U.S. Highway 129 Wednesday morning, an FHP report said.

Gerald William Heitsman was headed north at a slow speed near 208th Street in Suwannee County at 10 a.m. when his 1979 Ford tractor was hit by a 2007 Ford Focus driven by a 31-year-old O'Brien woman, the report said.

The driver of the Ford Focus, Amanda Michael Douglas of O'Brien, "failed to slow down" on approaching the tractor, according to FHP. Neither she nor her 2-year-old passenger, Kynlee G. Kitchen, also of O'Brien, was hurt. Both were wearing seat belts.

Heitsman was thrown into the east shoulder of US 129 and the tractor was pushed into a ditch.

Alcohol was not a factor, the report said.

## Steeple work for landmark church

First United Methodist is getting renovations.

By **TONY BRITT**  
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The steeple atop First United Methodist Church can be seen from miles away.

It's white with artistic designs, has a gold-colored cross on top and looks brand-spanking new.

It is rather new — thanks to a construction recent project where the church had renovation work done to it.

The present sanctuary and Christian Education building were erected at 973 S. Marion Street at a cost of \$770,566. The first service took place Palm Sunday, May 22,

1970. A dedication service and the mortgage burning were celebrated Palm Sunday, April 12, 1987.

Earlier this year the church's congregation, under Pastor Jim Walker, decided to have the steeple renovated.

John Willis, First United Methodist Church trustee chairman, has been a member at the church for 40 years.

He said the church's steeple was constructed sometime from 1968-1970.

"It was made extremely well with steel beams and concrete," Willis said. "There are concrete levels to the steeple and the belfry tower is wrapped in wood and the wood was beginning to deteriorate after the years."

The O'Neal Roofing Company

has a work crew that is been working on making the necessary improvements to the steeple.

The crews have been using a crane where they were elevated and given access to both the interior and exterior of the belfry as they improved the structure.

"Mr. O'Neal's [crews] have gone up and taken down the rotten wood and replaced the rotten wood," Willis said. "They've repainted the entire metal steeple and the metal cross at the top."

The crews started the project approximately a month ago and have three weeks work into the project.

The weather has impacted the timeframe for when the project is expected to be completed, Willis

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OUR OPINION

## Alligator Lake fest worth checking out

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You'll see every imaginable critter, from screech owls to snakes, along with a real live falconry demonstration. That one alone makes it worth attending.

Admission is free, so no problem there either.

We'll be there covering it and would love to see you there.

TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1606, England's King James I decreed the design of the original Union Flag, which combined the flags of England and Scotland.

In 1776, North Carolina's Fourth Provincial Congress authorized the colony's delegates to the Continental Congress to support independence from Britain.

In 1861, the Civil War began as Confederate forces opened fire on Fort Sumter in South Carolina.

In 1934, "Tender Is the Night," by F. Scott Fitzgerald, was first published in book form after being serialized in Scribner's Magazine.

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Georgia, at age 63; he was succeeded by Vice President Harry S. Truman.

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to fly in space, orbiting the earth once before making a safe landing.

In 1963, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was arrested and jailed in Birmingham, Alabama, charged with contempt of court and parading without a permit. (During his time behind bars, King wrote his "Letter from Birmingham Jail.")

In 1985, Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, became the first sitting member of Congress to fly in space as the shuttle Discovery lifted off.

In 1988, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued a patent to Harvard University for a genetically engineered mouse, the first time a patent was granted for an animal life form.

In 1990, in its first meeting, East Germany's first democratically elected parliament acknowledged responsibility for the Nazi Holocaust, and asked the forgiveness of Jews and others who had suffered.

In 2008, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama conceded that comments he'd made privately during a fundraiser about bitter working class voters who "cling to guns or religion" were ill chosen.

■ Associated Press



## The outstanding Ryan departs

House Speaker Paul Ryan is retiring, and some say good riddance to bad rubbish while others of us say the rubbish resides in the critics. He is one of the best things to happen to Washington in years, this Wisconsin Republican who has been pragmatic, principled, prudent, caring, honest, knowledgeable, calm, compromising and innovative.

The trouble is that being the best thing can also make you a bad fit. How many others, for instance, would be so audacious as to try to fix Medicare in order to sustain it and deal with a killer debt? Doing something so responsible is to have demagogues lynch you or, seeing as how that could get them in trouble, come up with a televised video showing you push an old lady off a cliff in her wheelchair.

This is precisely the kind of vile tactic the left has consistently employed to win votes and devastate the public. The fact is that Medicare and Social Security constitute a mammoth part of the unified budget, that baby boomer retirements are causing a cost explosion and that the only way to fix things without economic mayhem is adjustments to the programs. That does not mean people are suddenly going to be cheated left and right, but that is what the left pretends by way of cheating the people left and right.

So Ryan came up with a voucher program that would still serve beneficiaries while reasonably tamping down the dangers, and that's just not the way Washington works. Along the same lines, he then came up with a welfare reform package



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that would mightily serve the poor, believe it or not.

The program would be work-oriented, and here was its genius: It would have third parties regularly evaluate whether different parts were working so that it could be revised as needed and actually accomplish its objective. Fellow conservatives did not leap aboard. Nor did very many rush to embrace his concerns about mass incarceration, a significant problem in my estimation.

His fellow office holders did recognize his leadership qualities, however. Even President Barack Obama voiced appreciation for his willingness to buy into reasonable compromise. The congressman has had his share of important accomplishments and he has provided able leadership that has helped keep the worst from happening no matter how hard so many worked to get there.

Some say the latest budget was close to the worst, and it was definitely not good in its trillion-dollar deficit ambitions. Was something better possible given our confused, tweet-fixated president's weav-

ing-and-waving strategies and the impossibilities of anything of merit ever passing through either the Senate or the House? "Polarization" is the word of the moment, "ideological idiocy" is a competing phrase and "politics as usual" has come to mean chaos.

There are so, so many destabilizing factors in Washington today. Lacking 10 volumes in which to list them, let's just note a special counsel probe as determined as a falling rock to land on something, a dissolution of congressional powers, an administration deserted by some while firing others and policy overstatements that are either the art of the deal or the deals of the artless.

Actually, there was a major matter that did get through the Senate and House under Ryan, and that was a tax reform measure helping to revamp the economy even as we speak. Here is something that will do so much for so many that it is hard to overstate its value. We are talking about American revitalization if doing something about the debt is not forgotten.

Ryan could just maybe help in all of this, but especially with the possibility of Democrats taking Congress in the midterm elections, futility could also become his middle name. He says he wants to spend time with his children.

That's important, too.

■ Jay Ambrose, formerly Washington director of editorial policy for Scripps Howard newspapers and the editor of dailies in El Paso, Texas and Denver, is a columnist living in Colorado.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Tasteless comments unwelcome

To the Editor:

I respectfully thank the candidate, who is no longer running for a soon-to-be vacant City Council seat, for withdrawing his name from this important race. In all the years I have voted (over 65), there have been reasons to vote for, or against, a certain candidate.

Positive reasons:

(1) To "step aside for the younger generation."

It's always a good idea to be aware when you are at an age you should not try something that is better left to someone younger. It's your decision: your reasons will be your own.

(2) Supporting another candidate you feel will do a better job. Your reasons will be your own.

(3) Believing "it would be in the best interest of the community." Again, your reasons will be your own.

Negative reasons:

(1) Fearing you will split the vote against another candidate. More fearful should be the lack of voters getting out there and casting a ballot, which is always a sad reality.

(2) Wanting someone "out of office so bad." I would rather hear why you want someone IN the office. The incumbent's record should speak for itself and allow me to have my own reason(s) to vote for or against them.

It is rather presumptuous to be "confident" that one candidate can beat another "without a runoff." It is also in poor taste to actually publicly

state that a certain candidate "likely won't be a big factor in the election." You might be surprised!

I prefer to see common courtesy and common sense in my elected officials, although neither seems common any more. I was so hoping our local ones could do what so many of our state and federal officials seem incapable of doing, but now I don't have such a good feeling this is going to occur. Let's play nicely in the sandbox we call our city and work toward the good of the entire community and not just our own agenda. Tasteless comments like those in Friday's article should be kept for your innermost circle. I do not choose to be in that circle.

Shirley King  
Lake City

To the Editor:

I doubt if I'll ever recover from the shock I received from the manager of Tire Kingdom when he said "You're free and ready to go."

I stopped to have the air checked in my tires and as before he told me "the right front tire was low again." I decided to have them check it out and to put fluid in for the windshield

wiper. I have gone to Tire Kingdom quite frequently with a friend but never to have service on my car.

In the meantime I pondered whether to pay by check or cash. It depended what the charge would be. Seldom is anything free today.

Almost one hour later, "You're ready to go." I was in total shock when I was told "no charge." I wonder if I'll ever recover!

Tire Kingdom, I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. You may not think it was a big deal but to a 94-year-old it was more than a big deal.

There are good kind caring people and merchants in Lake City.

Esther Mehl  
Lake City

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

■ To submit your Community Calendar item, stop by the Reporter office or email Justin Caudell at [jcaudell@lakecityreporter.com](mailto:jcaudell@lakecityreporter.com).

## Today

### Bingo at American Legion

Bingo games are offered every Sunday, Monday and Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at the American Legion Post 57, 2602 SW Main Blvd. in Lake City. There are three \$250 jackpots each night. Quarter games are played at 3 p.m. Mondays, Thursdays and Sundays. Refreshments are available at reasonable prices. For more information, call 752-7776.

### 'Gardening questions?'

UF/IFAS Master Gardeners are available from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Columbia County Extension Office, 971 W. Duval St., Lake City. Stop by or call 386-752-5384 to receive research-based information from university trained volunteers.

### 'Preschool Storytime'

"Preschool Storytime," a library program for families with preschoolers, is held on Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the main branch of the Columbia County Public Library, at 308 NW Columbia Ave. in downtown Lake City. For more information about the library's children's programs, call 386-758-2101.

### Geriatric

Residents are invited to join the Reader's Theater Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Lifestyle Enrichment Center, 628 SE Allison Court.

## Friday

### Spring book sale

The Columbia County



COURTESY

## BMX stunt show

Lake City Middle School hosted two bike assemblies by Rob Noll's BMX Trickstars for students and parents recently. It was an action packed show full of stunts and tricks. Two bicycles were also given away. Pictured from left are LCMS Principal Robert Cooper, BMX rider Rob Noll, students Zachary Tannenbaum and Brynlei Smith, and BMX rider Scott Weaver.

Public Library West Branch (435 NW Hall of Fame Drive, off U.S. Highway 90 just past Interstate 75) is holding a spring book sale through April 30. Fill a bag with books for \$3. For more information, call 386-758-1321 or email [dhorner@columbiacountyfla.com](mailto:dhorner@columbiacountyfla.com).

### Literacy volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to teach basic reading and writing skills to someone in need or ESOL (English for speakers of other languages). No tutoring experience

needed; training provided. For more information, call the Columbia County Public Library at 386-758-2111.

### Dinner and dancing

Dances are held each Friday night from 6 to 9 p.m. at The Lifestyle Enrichment Center, 628 SE Allison Court (behind Baya Pharmacy). \$7 admission. Bring a dish or dessert to share. All proceeds benefit the center. Call 386-755-0235 for more.

### 'Baby & Me'

"Baby & Me," a library program for parents and babies, is held on Fridays at 11 a.m. at the main branch of the Columbia County Public Library, 308 NW Columbia Ave. in downtown Lake City. For more information about the library's children's programs, call 386-758-2101.

## Saturday

### Spring Jubilee

Historic Bethlehem Lutheran Church invites

you to its Spring Jubilee, Saturday, April 14, 2018, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Free admission; live music will include Skip Johns and Lowlands, Martin Feagle and friends, and others; bounce houses; kids games; raffles; food and craft booths; antique cars; race cars; and much more. 182 SE Burns Lane, Lake City, Florida 32025. Look for the beautiful oldest Lutheran church in Florida (1859) on the hill at the corner of South U.S. 441 and CR 349. Y'all

come for a day of fun and fellowship.

### Sea Cadets

The public is invited to a color guard demonstration by the Sea Cadets on Saturday, April 14, at noon at Bulk Nation in Lake City. The U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps is a youth leadership program open to boys and girls ages 11 to 17. See [www.libertyseacadets.org](http://www.libertyseacadets.org) for more information.

### Farmers market

The Lake DeSoto Farmers Market is open every Saturday in the parking lot at Marion Avenue and Duval Street, across from the Courthouse Annex. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more, call 386-719-5766 or visit [market.lcfla.com](http://market.lcfla.com).

### Potluck dinner

A potluck dinner at 7 p.m. and dancing from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. occurs each Saturday at either Lake Butler Elementary School or Lake Butler Social Club. Dress code is casual dressy and special occasion. Admission is \$10 for club members or \$12 for guests. For more, call 813-679-5390.

## Sunday

### Bingo games

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TONY BRITT/Lake City Reporter

Juan Martino and Johnny Rhodes (not pictured) work on painting the steeple at First United Methodist Church on South Marion Avenue Wednesday afternoon. The work crew has spent about three weeks on the project.

## CHURCH

*Continued From 3A*

said.

The crews are nearly done with the steeple renovation work and are expected to move to another section of the church to replace damaged tiles next week.

Willis said he was pleased to see the steeple get the work and attention it needed.

"We've been in the church

for 40 years and this is kind of a dream come true to see the steeple put back into its original integrity," he said.

Just having the steeple renovated to its original form didn't hamper the church from making some additions.

"We're presently hooking the belfry back up so we can have a little music through the bell tower, through its bell system," Willis said. "It's a long tradition we've missed here in the last few years that we're trying to

get back into the traditional church."

Martha Jane Carter, who is working on historical documents for the church, also said she was happy to see the steeple get repair and renovation work.

"It thrills me that our generation is preserving it for the next generation," she said. "Our parents' generation built it, now our generation is restoring it and it will serve the next generation," she said.

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- Aerosol cans
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**TIME: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

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# Bulletin Board

NEWS ABOUT OUR SCHOOLS

## Belmont Color Run

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COURTESY PHOTOS

Crews, left, and Rocco with their projects.

## Belmont students at state science fair

From staff reports

Brody Crews, a Belmont sixth-grader, earned a top award for his hard work on his science project this year at the State Science and Engineering Fair in Lakeland.

Crews received a Special Recognition Award for his project being in the top one-third of projects in his category — junior chemistry.

Earning the award was an accomplishment that made him feel good, Crews said, because he was especially recognized for his use of the scientific method. Crews used robotics soft-

ware to measure the browning of apples with different acidic fruit juices.

"This was just a basic apple-browning project, and it made it all the way to State," Crews said. "All the judges told me that the way I did the scientific method was really good, and usually people don't nail that. The project wasn't that advanced, but the judges said it had amazing use of the scientific method."

Carmella Rocco, another Belmont sixth-grader, also competed at the state fair, and she represented Belmont well along with Crews.



**LEFT:** Belmont Academy raised more than \$17,000 in its recent Color Run. **BELOW LEFT:** Fifth-grader Keegan Handy shows off his colors. **BELOW RIGHT:** And they're off!



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PREP BASEBALL



JORDAN KROEGER/Lake City Reporter

Newberry's Cameron Harper slides into home plate safely as the ball gets by Fort White catcher Caleb Mathews during the third inning Wednesday night.

## IT'S ALL MENTAL

'Mental errors' come in all different forms for Fort White in loss to Newberry.

By **JORDAN KROEGER**  
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**NEWBERRY** — The Fort White Indians don't make excuses when they lose.

They only look in the mirror.

Wednesday night was no different.

Fort White committed three errors, walked seven batters and hit three more in a 9-7 loss to Newberry on the road in District 5-5A action. Pitcher Cody Morgan and Ethan Perkins combined to give up seven runs in the first three innings and the Indians could never rally, despite sending the

tying run to the plate in the seventh.

Perkins was saddled with the loss when Newberry broke a 3-3 tie with four runs in the third. The Indians (9-8, 4-5) missed a chance to create some distance from Newberry in the district standings, instead falling 1/2 game behind the Panthers (9-6, 5-5) in a very tight race.

"We're just not keeping our heads in it," Perkins said.

Kyle Lee, who started on the mound with a no decision for Newberry, went 1 for 2 at the plate with three RBI on a double and a bases-loaded walk. David Robinson,

<b>Indians</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Panthers</b>	<b>9</b>

who went 3 for 3, and Parker Aultman, who finished 2 for 4, also both had an RBI with two runs scored apiece.

The Panthers displayed a balanced lineup just like they did in their 12-4 win over the Indians on Mar. 21. Makai Jenkins and Justin Newberry also had an RBI each and Newberry scored two more runs on a wild pitch and an error.

"They're a good ball team. We made a lot of mental errors tonight. Not so much physical errors

but mental errors," Fort White coach Rick Julius said. "The kids didn't give up. They kept battling but when you're playing a good ball team you can't have mental and physical errors."

Trey Houk gave the Indians a quick 1-0 lead in the top of the first but it was very short-lived. Morgan only lasted a 1/3 of an inning, pulled when Aultmann tied the game with an RBI single. Morgan was charged with two more runs when Lee knocked a two-RBI double off Perkins.

The Indians tied the game in the top of the

**MENTAL** continued on 6B

PREP SOFTBALL

## Lady Indians ride Wave for district win

Fort White locks up No. 3 seed for the District 5-5A Tournament in two weeks.

By **ERIC JACKSON**  
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**GAINESVILLE** — Fort White might just be the best hitting team in District 5-5A.

The Lady Indians continue to make their case, using bunts and couple long balls to record 13 hits versus district foe Blue Wave Wednesday night. Fort White was just as strong in the circle as senior pitcher Shelby Dubose dominated from the start.

Dubose fanned four batters, surrendering just two hits in another complete-game performance, anchoring Fort White to a 10-0 mercy-rule victory over P.K. Yonge.

"The longer she's pitching in a game, the better she is," Fort White coach Michele Padgett said about the team's ace. "The looser she gets, the better she is."

<b>Lady Indians</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Blue Wave</b>	<b>0</b>

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Dubose was supported by strong production at the plate from her teammates. Fort White's Raven Miles and Jessica Burns both drove two runs each. Jen Allen went 3-for-4 with 2 RBI, helping the tribe secure the three seed in the district standings.

"I was just focused, keeping my eye on the ball," the sophomore said. "When it's game time, I just focus in."

**INDIANS** continued on 6B



ERIC JACKSON/Lake City Reporter

Fort White pitcher Shelby Dubose delivers a pitch at P.K. Yonge Wednesday night. Dubose finished with four strikeouts and gave up just two hits.

PRO GOLF

## Johnson looks to stay strong after Masters

Golfer isn't satisfied with another top-10 finish at Augusta.

By **PETE IACOBELLI**  
 Associated Press

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C.** — Dustin Johnson is not satisfied with his Masters' history, no matter how many top-10 finishes he posts at Augusta National.

The top-ranked Johnson wound up 10th in last week's major, his third straight appearance in the top 10 on the challenging layout.

"I definitely expect better," Johnson said Wednesday in prepping for this week's RBC Heritage. "I felt like I played well enough to win last week."

The problem was simple enough to identify — watching putts not fall in.

"The thing that's most frustrating is it wasn't that I was hitting bad putts. I was actually hitting good putts, they just weren't going in," he said.

Johnson hopes to remedy



JASON GETZ/Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Dustin Johnson putts on the 15th green during the third round of the Masters Tournament on Apr. 7 at in Augusta, Ga.

that at Harbour Town Golf Links, a place the South Carolina native has not played professionally since 2009.

Johnson, who's won a PGA Tour event in 11 straight seasons, typically took a vacation

after the Masters to shake off the stress that comes with the first major.

But as a newly signed golf ambassador to title sponsor

**JOHNSON** continued on 6B

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

## Hanson tosses two-hitter in win over No. 6 Florida

Redshirt senior strikes out 5 in 1st game vs. Florida.

<b>Gators</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Seminoles</b>	<b>5</b>

From staff reports

**TALLAHASSEE** — In front of 2,138 fans and in her first career game against the Gators, redshirt senior Kylee Hanson pitched a gem on Wednesday night as No. 13 Florida State (34-7) earned a 4-1 victory over No. 6 Florida (34-7) in the first game of the annual Fresh From Florida Sunshine Showdown.

Hanson tossed a two-hitter and posted five strikeouts in the complete game victory to improve to 20-3 on the year. It marked the eighth consecutive start where she allowed two or fewer hits, and her 14th of the season in 23 appearances.

It is the first time that Florida State has won consecutive games against the Gators since 2006. The Seminoles have won four straight games over ranked teams in 2018 and are 8-3 on the season against teams in the NFCA Top 25.

"Kylee pitched a great game," said FSU coach Lonni Alameda. "The game plan was to attack the zone and be able to mix speeds early. Against a lefty-dominated lineup, as a righty pitcher, that was a pretty good job for her. A great team effort and Carsyn had some

big swings and set the tone for us, and a lot of great defensive plays."

The Seminoles got an early lead with a solo home run in the bottom of the first by Carsyn Gordon. She drove a 1-1 pitch to deep center, nearly hitting FSU Director of Coaches Video Craig Campanozzi in his scissor lift at the height of the top of the scoreboard.

Florida tied the game at 1-1 in the top of the third as Jordan Roberts drew a leadoff walk and Alex Voss ran for her at first. A sacrifice bunt moved her to second base and Voss scored on a one-out RBI double by former Columbia star Kayli Kvistad.

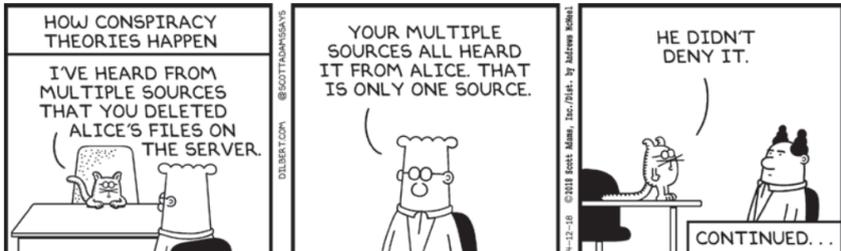
Florida State retook the lead in the bottom of the fourth as Gordon led off with a walk. Sydney Sherrill traded places with her on a fielder's choice and Jessie Warren hit a single off the third base bag to put Seminoles at first and second with two outs. Zoe Casas lined an RBI single to center to make it 2-1 FSU.

Deja Bush entered to run at second for Warren and Bush and Casas executed a perfect double steal to move into scoring position. A walk to Cassidy Davis loaded the

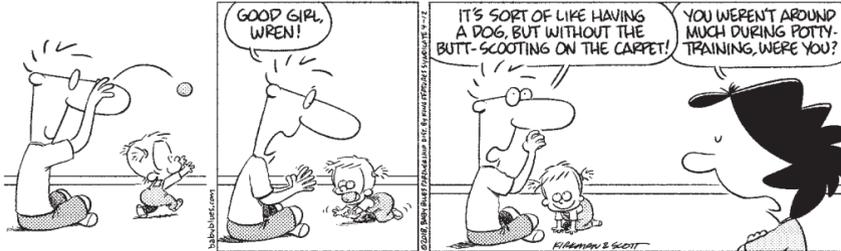
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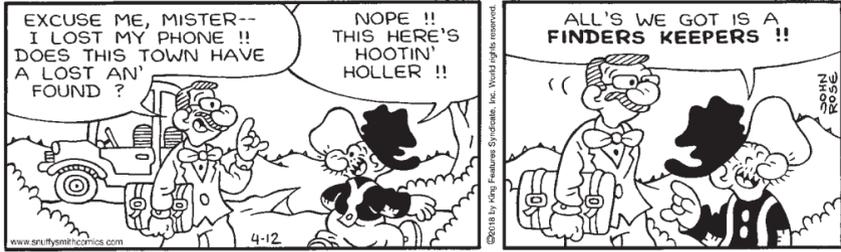
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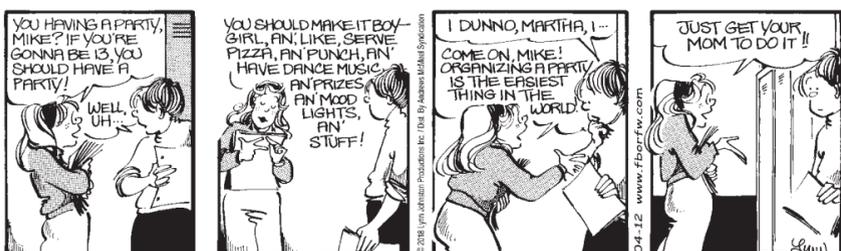
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**FOR BETTER OR WORSE**



**DEAR ABBY**

**Teen struggling to rebuild connection with alcoholic mom**

**DEAR ABBY:** My mom is a recovering alcoholic. Her alcoholism has caused emotional distress and damaged our relationship to the point that I am aloof and terse toward her.

She's six months sober now, receiving help and making an effort to repair the hurt and pain she has caused. But I'm struggling in moving forward.

My mom is generous, kind, loving, and has always been supportive. I feel guilty for the ambivalent part of me that could care less about fixing the issues SHE caused in our relationship. It saddens both of us that I have a hard time being kind and loving toward her. Any advice? - STUBBORN TEEN IN SOUTH CAROLINA

**DEAR TEEN:** Alcoholism is a disease that affects not only the drinker, but also those close to her (or him). That your mother is receiving help and working to remain sober means she is trying as hard as she can to get better and remain that way.

Forgiveness isn't automatic. It is a conscious choice on the part of the injured party. To think you are alone in this situation would be a mistake. There's a support group for younger family members of



**Abigail Van Buren**  
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alcoholics called Alateen. If you attend some of the meetings, it may help you to be kinder and more loving toward your mother. Alateen groups are everywhere. To find one visit [al-anon.org](http://al-anon.org).

**DEAR ABBY:** Recently I was late to work because I slept in and my boss was upset about it. But the thing is - it's really none of his business, is it? What I do on my own time isn't the business of my employer. I don't ask him what he does when he isn't here.

This has happened a few times and I know it might present a problem, but I don't think it's his place to tell me what to do outside of work. How is that legal?

I need the extra sleep in the mornings because I like to stay out late at night, which is my right as an American. If I need extra sleep in order to perform my job at a higher level, then isn't it better for the company that I sleep in?

I'm hearing blame when I should be hearing thank you. - MY BUSINESS IN INDIANA

**DEAR MY BUSINESS:** Forgive me if this seems harsh, but your boss's business IS his business. Businesses have regular hours of operation, which are usually stated in the employee handbook you should have read when you were being hired. It's the duty of an employee to show up on time AND in condition to perform his/her job.

I'm not surprised your boss is upset. It's a natural response when an employee who's relied upon acts irresponsibly, which is what you have been doing. Because you prioritize your social life above your work life, consider looking for a job that starts later or has flexible hours. You may need it.

**DEAR ABBY:** What is the purpose of high school graduation announcements?

**DEAR WANTS:** Graduation announcements are usually sent to close family and friends. Recipients are under no obligation to send a gift. Your congratulations should be enough.

Write Dear Abby at [www.DearAbby.com](http://www.DearAbby.com) or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

**HOROSCOPES | THE LAST WORD BY EUGENIA LAST**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Your actions will count. Follow through with your promises. Do your best to keep the peace and to avoid making assumptions without having all the facts. Observation will help you avoid mistakes and encourage greater insight into emotional situations. ★★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Explore new interests or bring an old dream or pastime back to life. Engage in creative endeavors that give you the freedom to push your skills and talents to the limit. Love and romance are highlighted and short trips encouraged. ★★★★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** A steady pace and being honest about what you can accomplish will help you reach the goals you set. Don't feel you have to put someone else's needs before your own. Good fortune will come from doing what's best for you. ★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You can solve any differences you have with someone if you are patient and willing to listen to complaints as well as suggestions. Working with instead of against someone will lead to common ground. Romance is encouraged. ★★★★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Take a good look around you and consider what you can do to make your life more comfortable. Personal changes to your living quarters or a physical update to the way you look will lift your spirits. ★★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Concentrate on doing something creative or unique compared to anything you have experienced in the past. Short trips in pursuit of information that can help divert you from stressful situations will result in peace of mind and an unexpected solution. ★★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Look for alternative ways to get the most out of your life. Save more, indulge less and concentrate on maintaining good health through proper diet and exercise. You

are only as good as the rules, habits and goals you set moving forward. ★★★★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Share your intentions, and you will find out exactly where you stand and what you need to do in order to reach your goal. If you don't ask for what you want, you will stifle your ability to bring about positive change. ★★★★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Emotional manipulation on your part or on the part of someone else will lead to disaster. Dismiss anyone who gives you an ultimatum or is offering information that doesn't sound legitimate. Look inward for truth and solutions. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Look for new opportunities that will give you the chance to use your skills in a unique and interesting manner. A change in the way you earn your living, to your popularity or to your reputation is apparent. Romance is highlighted. ★★★★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You'll be tempted to make changes to your current direction or friendships with people you've known a long time. Reverting back to old habits will not turn out to be as progressive as you hoped and will lead to challenges you didn't expect. ★★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Let your emotions out, and share your thoughts, feelings and intentions. You can make headway if you are honest about what you want. Personal changes will lead to greater opportunity and self-satisfaction. Romance is in the stars. ★★★★★

**CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS**

April 12: Musician Herbie Hancock is 77. Musician John Kay of Steppenwolf is 73. Actor Ed O'Neill is 71. Actor Dan Lauria ("The Wonder Years") is 70. Talk-show host David Letterman is 70. Singer-actor David Cassidy is 67. Singer J.D. Nicholas of The Commodores is 65. Singer Pat Travers is 63. Actor Andy Garcia is 61.

**CELEBRITY CIPHER**  
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"ZIP'D TZJD CIWF IOP HIWU  
KRRIFZJPS DI DXT MKHXJIP... MIUUIO  
CIWF VIHD JPDTPHT IYHTHHJIPH  
VTFRJUTHHUC." — MFKPE AKMAK

Previous Solution: "The farther you go... the harder it is to return. The world has many edges and it's easy to fall off." — Anderson Cooper

TODAY'S CLUE:  $B \text{ equals } A$

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### LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Case No: 2017-CA-000223  
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICE, LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
STEVEN M. CARROLL, et. al,  
Defendants.  
NOTICE OF ACTION  
TO: Steven M. Carroll a/k/a Steven Carroll a/k/a Steven Michael Carroll  
294 SE Camp Street  
Lake City, FL 320285  
Unknown Spouse of Steven M. Carroll a/k/a Steven Carroll a/k/a Steven Michael Carroll  
294 SE Camp Street  
Lake City, FL 32025  
Ashley M. Carroll a/k/a Ashley Marie Carroll a/k/a Ashley Marie Carroll  
294 SE Camp Street  
Lake City, FL 32025  
Unknown Tenant #1  
294 SE Camp Street  
Lake City, FL 32025  
Unknown Tenant #2  
294 SE Camp Street  
Lake City, FL 32025  
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATE, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN  
And any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to wit: LOT 89, BLOCK H, CANOVA'S SUBDIVISION, AS DEPICTED BOTH IN PLAT BOOK A, PAGE(S) 21, AND PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 57, PUBLIC RECORDS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Alexandra Kalman, Esq., Lender Legal Services, LLC, 201 East Pine Street, Suite 730, Orlando, Florida 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. WITNESS my hand and seal of the said Court on the 28th day of March, 2018.  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ S. Weeks  
Deputy Clerk  
416934  
April 5, 12, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2017-459-DR  
In Re The Marriage Of  
LORGIO ESTEBAN VEGA,  
Husband/Petitioner,  
and  
ERICA LINDSEY MOBLEY VEGA,  
Wife/Respondent.  
NOTICE OF ACTION OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE  
TO: ERICA LINDSEY MOBLEY VEGA  
Address Unknown  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition Fore Dissolution Of Marriage has been filed and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on J. DANIEL MARSEE, Attorney for Petitioner/Husband, whose address is Post Office Box 2007, Lake City, Florida 32056-2007, on or before Mary 4, 2018, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on husband or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.  
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.  
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court on March 26, 2018.  
P. DeWITT CASON  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By /s/ S. Rodriguez

416011  
March 29, 2018  
April 5, 12, 19, 2018

### LEGALS

PUBLIC AUCTION  
Will be held by Davis Towing & Recover, Inc., in Columbia County at 1226 NW Main Blvd., Lake City, FL 32055

Sale Date: 4/25/18 @ 9:00am  
JN8AZ08W94W304860  
2004 Nissan

Sale Date: 5/6/18 @ 9:00am  
1FMRU15W71LA17419  
2001 Ford

420105  
April 12, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 17000116CAAXMX  
DIVISION: 37-D  
FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF FLORIDA,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
CRYSTAL R. DOUGLAS F/K/A CRYSTAL CASON A/K/A CRYSTAL RUBY CASON;  
CHRISTOPHER G. DOUGLAS;  
SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT;  
CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A.,  
Defendants.

CLERKS NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on September 7, 2017, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on June 6, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. (EST), at the Third Floor of the Columbia County Courthouse, 173 N.E. Hernando Avenue, Lake City, FL.  
LOT 9, IN EXCEPTION TRACT NO. 4 OF THREE RIVERS ESTATES UNIT 12, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 117-117A OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:  
COMMENCE AT A CORNER LABELED AS P.R.M. 5 AS PER SAID PLAT AND RUNS S 07°20'00" W, ALONG THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SW CALIFORNIA TERRACE, 300.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE CONTINUE S 07°20'00" W, STILL ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 150.00 FEET; THENCE N 82°57'28" W, 273.00 FEET; THENCE N 07°20'00" E, 150.00 FEET; THENCE S 82°57'28" E, 273.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.  
TOGETHER WITH: A 2006 28 X 60 FLEETWOOD FESTIVAL DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME, I.D. GAFL534A79021-FE21 AND GAFL534B79021-FE21  
Property Address: 358 SOUTH-WEST CALIFORNIA TERRACE, FORT WHITE, FL 32038

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Carrina Cooper, Court Administration at 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, Florida 32055, 386-758-2163 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
Dated: March 26, 2018.  
P. DEWITT CASON, CLERK  
COLUMBIA COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ S. Weeks  
Deputy Clerk

416674  
April 5, 12, 2018

Registration of Fictitious Names  
We the undersigned, being duly sworn, do hereby declare under oath that the names of all persons interested in the business or profession carried on under the name of JUNE ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY, 175 SW MEADOW TERRACE, LAKE CITY, FL 32024 Contact Phone Number: (386) 623-7109 and the extent of the interest of each, is as follows:  
Name: JUNE DURBIN  
Extent of Interest: 100%  
by: /s/ JUNE DURBIN  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA  
Sworn to and subscribed before

me this 9TH day of APRIL, A.D. 2018.  
by: /s/ ROSITA ARNOLD  
Notary  
419785  
April 12, 2018

### LEGALS

me this 9TH day of APRIL, A.D. 2018.  
by: /s/ ROSITA ARNOLD  
Notary  
419785  
April 12, 2018

Registration of Fictitious Names  
We the undersigned, being duly sworn, do hereby declare under oath that the names of all persons interested in the business or profession carried on under the name of LYNNS MOBILE HOME PARK, 183 SE CAMELOT LOOP APT 8, LAKE CITY, FL 32025 Contact Phone Number: (386) 628-8466 and the extent of the interest of each, is as follows:  
Name: RODNEY MEREDITH  
Extent of Interest: 50%  
by: /s/ RODNEY MEREDITH  
Name: BETSY L. MEREDITH  
Extent of Interest: 50%  
by: /s/ BETSY L. MEREDITH  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of APRIL, A.D. 2018.  
by: /s/ MARA DRIGGERS  
Notary

419940  
April 12, 2018

### 305-GENERAL

Ashley Navejar will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Claxton, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-278-0949 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2118477359

Briana Couch will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 05/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Ashburn, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-245-8406 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2118770059

Erika Rosales will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Tifton, GA. Duties include: Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-403-7368 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2118889609

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### 305-GENERAL

Israel Navejar III will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Glennville, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-245-6828 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # 2119017349

Mary Wilcox will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Odum, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 843-718-4700 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2119341629

NCGA and its farmer members are currently recruiting 50 Temporary farm laborers to plant, cultivate, and harvest diversified vegetable crops in various NC counties statewide. Contact the local Employment Service for the name, location, and farm specific crop information/full disclosure for each NCGA farmer member. Work will begin 06/1/18 and will end 12/10/18. The wage offer is the highest of \$11.46 per hour or applicable piece rates depending on crop activity. Guaranteed 3/4 of contract hours. Free housing provided for non-commuting worker. Conditional transportation/subsistence reimbursed at 50% of the contract, or sooner if appropriate, for eligible workers. Work tools/equipment/supplies provided at no cost. NCGA members are equal opportunity employers. To apply, contact the nearest Employment Service office (10846118).

NCGA and its farmer members are currently recruiting 563 Temporary farm laborers to plant, cultivate, and harvest tobacco/diversified crops in various NC counties statewide. Contact the local Employment Service for the name, location, and farm specific crop information/full disclosure for each NCGA farmer member. Work will begin 06/1/18 and will end 11/10/18. The wage offer is the highest of \$11.46 per hour or applicable piece rates depending on crop activity. Guaranteed 3/4 of contract hours. Free housing provided for non-commuting worker. Conditional transportation/subsistence reimbursed at 50% of the contract, or sooner if appropriate, for eligible workers. Work tools/equipment/supplies provided at no cost. NCGA members are equal opportunity employers. To apply, contact the nearest Employment Service office (10845844).

NCGA and its farmer members are currently recruiting 58 Temporary farm laborers to plant, cultivate, and harvest tobacco/diversified crops in various NC counties statewide. Contact the local Employment Service for the name, location, and farm specific crop information/full disclosure for each NCGA farmer member. Work will begin on 6/1/18 and will end 12/10/18. The wage offer is the highest of \$11.46 per hour or applicable piece rates depending on crop activity. Guaranteed 3/4 of contract hours. Free housing provided for non-commuting worker. Conditional transportation/subsistence reimbursed at 50% of the contract, or sooner if appropriate, for eligible workers. Work tools/equipment/supplies provided at no cost. NCGA members are equal opportunity employers. To apply, contact the nearest Employment Service office (10845882).

### 305-GENERAL

NCGA and its farmer members are currently recruiting 87 Temporary farm laborers to plant, cultivate, and harvest diversified vegetable crops in various NC counties statewide. Contact the local Employment Service for the name, location, and farm specific crop information/full disclosure for each NCGA farmer member. Work will begin 06/1/18 and will end 11/10/18. The wage offer is the highest of \$11.46 per hour or applicable piece rates depending on crop activity. Guaranteed 3/4 of contract hours. Free housing provided for non-commuting worker. Conditional transportation/subsistence reimbursed at 50% of the contract, or sooner if appropriate, for eligible workers. Work tools/equipment/supplies provided at no cost. NCGA members are equal opportunity employers. To apply, contact the nearest Employment Service office (NC 10846096).

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Raquel Rojas will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Reidsville, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-245-8408 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2119553529

Rubin Wilson will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Quitman, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 470-819-0937 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2125343099

**SALT ROUTE DELIVERY,** must have valid drivers license, able to pass drug test, apply in person at 904 NW Main Blvd., Lake City, FL

San Juanita Hernandez will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Claxton, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-4541898 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2118504679.

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### 305-GENERAL

Sarai Farias will be hiring 74 temporary farm workers, needed from 5/25/2018 through 07/31/2018 at 35 hours per week in Collins, GA. Workers will harvest watermelons. The wage is \$10.95 per hour or the prevailing wage rate. Guarantee of 3/4 of total hours offered. Employer furnishes work tools, supplies and equipment. Free housing is provided for workers that cannot reasonably return home at the end of the day. Transportation and subsistence expense provided with completion of 50% of the work contract. Interested workers should apply at the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office and provide the office with a copy of this advertisement or call 912-245-2219 between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm to set up an interview. Reference Job # GA2118399309

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549 SW Boston Terr 3 Rivers Est Fort White Thurs Fri Sat 4/12,13,14 8 til ? Lots of misc items. Too many to list.

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Coldwell Banker-Bishop Sherry Ratliff 365-8414 MLS100226 4/2 mfg home in Deer Creek S/D, new metal roof & A/C excellently maintained \$129,900

Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100258 \$225,000 Pool home, open great rm w/FP, covered lanai, split plan, lg open kit w/eat-in bar.

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Remax, Missy Zecher 623-0237 MLS100279 \$155,000 3/2 newly renovated w/step-down sun rm, lg screened in-ground pool & privacy fence.

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Coldwell Banker-Bishop Elaine Tolar 365-1548 MLS97810 3/2 underway in Cannon Creek Pl, split plan, side entry garage, covered back porch \$185,900

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Poole Realty David Mincey 590-0157 MLS97886 \$250,000 Immaculate home close to town on 3.21ac, open floor plan, lg porches, formal dining room.

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Hallmark Real Estate Anita Tonetti 697-3780 MLS98624 In-ground pool home, pool is enclosed & heated, home is like new & very well maintained.

Rockford Realty Group, Debi Bennefield 288-1208/Scott Stewart 867-3498 MLS98684 3/2 in Live Oak, granite counter tops, open plan \$139,900

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Hallmark Real Estate Vic Lantrop 623-6401 MLS99666 3/2 lg kit, open floor plan, lg garage, near schools & shopping, fenced yard. \$129,000

Country Rivers Realty, LLC 497-3305 MLS99718 \$319,000 Working hay farm, fenced & cross-fenced 50'x100' hay barn, 2100+ sqft 3BR home.

Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS99752 \$220,000 4/2 on 5 ac, SS appliances, lg BR's, detached workshop, 2 septic tanks, storage shed

Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99858 \$205,900 3/2.5 brick w/formal LR, fam rm, fenced back yard on 6.9ac west of Lake City on SR-247

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Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99113 \$255,000 15+ ac on US90, 4/2 mfg home, 40x60 metal bldg, outbldg for yard equip fenced & xfenced.

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Daniel Crapps Agency 397-3002 MLS99229 \$350,000 Business on highly visible Hwy 90, fully equipped restaurant w/234 seating capacity

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Poole Realty Anita Handy 208-5877 MLS100079 \$125,000 3/2 on 12ac, screened back porch, the cleared land great for animals.

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Remax, Pam Beauchamp 303-2505 MLS99789 \$259,000 40ac fenced & x-fences, 40x60 hay barn, 3/2 TWMH covered back porch off kit, lg open spaces.

**ACROSS**

- 1 Woodchips, e.g.
- 6 - -thin
- 11 Musical drama
- 12 Ease
- 13 Globe features
- 15 Double-check
- 16 Chased the puck
- 18 Big T-shirts
- 19 Circus crowd noise
- 21 Watchdog's warning
- 22 Pocket change
- 23 "Mama -" (Shirelles tune)
- 25 Fake it
- 28 Miss a syllable
- 30 Plunging neckline
- 31 File label
- 32 Safety or mosquito -

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- 35 Small brooks
- 37 QB objectives
- 38 River sediment
- 40 Pitch a tent
- 41 "The Bells" author
- 42 Slalom run
- 43 Radar gun info
- 46 Human herbivores
- 48 Oozed out
- 50 Fixes up
- 54 NBA hoopster
- 55 Clean energy
- 56 Dirge
- 57 Guzzles

**DOWN**

- 1 Alley Oop's kingdom
- 2 Merchandise ID
- 3 Bruce or Spike
- 4 Hit the hay
- 5 Skein of yarn

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- 6 Conductor's baton
- 7 Hirt and Gore
- 8 Unending flow
- 9 Countess's husband
- 10 Blended whiskeys
- 14 Slumps
- 15 Hair-raising
- 17 Adventurer's report
- 19 Slicked up
- 20 Leaves unmentioned
- 22 Door ding
- 24 "The," to Wolfgang
- 25 Book of maps
- 26 Reassures
- 27 Baking meas.
- 29 Selene's sister
- 34 Toweled off
- 36 Rink event (2 wds.)
- 39 Natural eyewash
- 43 Mme.'s daughter
- 44 Clap of thunder
- 45 Food fish
- 46 Ultra
- 47 Monster's loch
- 49 Frat party fixture
- 51 MacGraw of the movies
- 52 Sack
- 53 Almost-grads

**JUMBLE**

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

**GITSH**

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**GRUHS**

Check out the new, free, JUST JUMBLE app.

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**TULEID**

(Answers tomorrow)

**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.

Yesterday's Jumbles: ADAGE TWINE RITUAL ENGULF  
Answer: The author showed off his typewriter's directions — LEFT AND "WRITE"

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## Everyday they're tumblin'

Bard Gymnastics of Lake City has qualified 56 gymnasts for the AAU State Gymnastics Meet. The team will travel to competition in Daytona Beach on April 14-15.

## JOHNSON

*Continued From 1B*

RBC, "I'll be back here for the next few years."

A popular theory about Johnson's absence was his length off the tee and strength made him a bad fit for architect Pete Dye's narrow fairways and small greens. One of the PGA Tour's tightest courses puts a premium on shot location versus 350-yard drives.

But Johnson proved that theory wrong with birdies on 10 of the last 17 holes in Wednesday's pro-am.

"Last time I checked, he's the No. 1 golfer in the world. He is the best golfer on the planet," said Wesley Bryan, the RBC Heritage's

defending champion and Johnson's former high school teammate. "So as long as we're playing the game of golf, I think that he's got a good chance of winning anywhere he tees it up."

Johnson heads a less power-packed field than at Augusta National. There are seven of the top 25 in the field: Paul Casey (13th), Marc Leishman (16th), Tyrell Hatton (18th), Matt Kuchar (21st), Brian Harman (23rd) and Kevin Kisner (25th).

Johnson acknowledged he'll use the driver less frequently, "four, maybe five times in a round," than most weeks on tour. Still, it comes down to making shots and few on tour do

that as well as Johnson.

"It doesn't matter where you play or what course it is, you've still got to hit good golf shots no matter what you're hitting off the tee," he said. "I like this golf course."

That could be bad news for the field, which includes perennial Harbour Town runner-up Luke Donald. He's finished in the top three here seven of the past nine times he has played. Donald is second all-time behind Jim Furyk in money earned at the RBC Heritage with more than \$3.76 million.

A former No. 1, Donald said it's essential to focus on the course, not the competitors.

Having Johnson at Harbour Town "strengthens the field and brings a little more interest to the tournament," said Donald, who finished a stroke behind Bryan last year. "But, again, I'll be playing against the course, not Dustin."

Johnson likes his game so far this season. He won the Tournament of Champions in Hawaii three months ago and finished second at Pebble Beach.

"Not a great job at winning," he said. "But the game definitely (is) in good form. I've got a lot of confidence in my game right now, and I'm really looking forward to this tournament."

## INDIANS

*Continued From 1B*

P.K. Yonge (2-14, 1-10) had troubles defensively early on against Fort White (8-8, 7-4). The Lady Indians capitalized on costly errors as early as the second inning and used to timely hitting to spoil the Blue Wave's senior night Wednesday.

It didn't take long for Fort White to take advantage of P.K. Yonge's shaky defense, opting to bunt after a flat first inning at the plate. The change paid off as the Blue Wave committed pivotal errors, trying to defend Fort White's small-ball attack.

"It puts pressure on the defense," assistant coach Chad Padgett said of the adjustments. "If they don't make a play, you keep doing it until they can make a play."

Leading 3-0 in the third, Miles extended the advantage with a two-run shot over the left field fence. Allen and Burns added two more runs in the following inning. After Miles scored again in the fifth, Allen and Burns finished off the Blue Wave with two more runs in the sixth, hitting their way to their first win at P.K. Yonge since 2012.

The Lady Indians have now won back-to-back games after snapping a five-game losing streak. Fort White hopes to keep the bats alive with four games remaining.

"I think we're doing pretty good," Allen said. "We aren't making as many errors as we did before. I think we're really coming together. I think we just had a slump because our spring break was two weeks ago. From the practices and more games we have, I think we're coming back together like we did in the beginning of the season."

After refocusing at the plate and cleaning up the errors, Fort White seemingly has bounced back from the spring break losing skid. The Lady Indians look to keep building up momentum heading into the District 5-5A tournament in two weeks. But one thing is clear: they aren't the same team that took the field two weeks ago.

"They got their heads back in it too," Michele Padgett added. "Around spring break there's a lot of outside of influences, testing and all that. Their heads are back in it now. They walked up here [to the field] and really wanted to win... We didn't even have to say anything to them. They were hyping themselves up, so their heads are back in it. You can't coach that. You can encourage, but you can't coach that want to win."

### UP NEXT

Fort White hits the road again to face Hamilton County in Jasper tonight. P.K. Yonge is set to play at Newberry tonight.



ERIC JACKSON/Lake City Reporter

Jennifer Allen records a base hit against P.K. Yonge Wednesday night.



JORDAN KROEGER/Lake City Reporter

Fort White's Tyler Shelnut slides safely into home plate in the first inning to put the Indians ahead 1-0 against Newberry.

## MENTAL

*Continued From 1B*

third when Tanner Trice was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded and Morgan followed with a sac fly RBI. But Newberry answered right back with four more runs in the bottom half, which included a bases-loaded walk and a bases-loaded wild pitch by Perkins.

"We just didn't pitch very well early," Julius said. "I pulled Cody out because he was a one-pitch pitcher and they're dead-red hitting team so I had to get him out since we have a big district game (tonight) so we can still use him (against Keystone Heights)."

The Indians closed to

within a run in the top of the fourth when Trice drew a bases-loaded walk before Morgan hit an RBI ground out and Jacob Sosa delivered an RBI single off of reliever Austin Spilamn, who picked up in the win. But the Panthers had another answer again in the bottom half, scoring two more runs on Robinson's RBI single and another on a throwing error at the plate to go ahead 9-6.

That ended Perkins' night, as he took the loss in 2 2/3 innings of work. He gave up three hits, walked five and hit a batter.

"When I was throwing strikes, (the umpire) wasn't giving them to me at the plate and that just kind of started it all right there,"

Perkins said. "Once you kind of get your head down on something like that then everything stops falling your way. Then we had errors and stuff and you can't go with errors like that and expect to win."

Caleb Mathews pulled Fort White a little closer in the sixth with an RBI single. Jeremy Barber reached base on a one-out in the seventh but Dylan Schaffer came in and recorded the final two outs to pick up the save for Newberry.

The Indians still have three district games left at Keystone Heights (tonight) and Santa Fe (Apr. 17) and at home against Bradford (Apr. 19).

"It's going to be an interesting couple of weeks," Julius said.

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