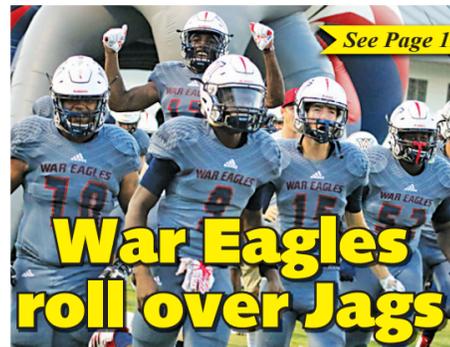


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## Making a connection



PHOTO BY ERIN HILL

Daughter and father Julia and Sean McGlynn measure water visibility at Wakulla Springs.

### Lakes in Leon, local creeks contribute to pollution in Wakulla Springs

By ERIN HILL  
Staff Writer

Members of the Wakulla Spring Alliance go out on a boat every Thursday to measure the spring's visibility level, weather permitting.

Cal Jamison, a member of the Alliance, said pollutants from septic tanks in Wakulla and Leon counties, and storm water from Leon County all go underground and taint what was once the crystal, clear waters of Wakulla Springs.

The visibility needs to be at 75 feet for the glass bottom boat to run. The last time it ran was in May 2017. For the past few months, the spring's visibility has roughly averaged about 20 feet.

Jamison said the readings are better if there are no clouds or the sky is completely cloudy. If the sky is partially cloudy, and the clouds shift, the read-

ing can be off, he said. Alliance Chair Sean McGlynn said the group has four different ways to check the water's visibility – a Secchi disk, Par meter, spectroradiometer and a color scale.

Wakulla Springs is one of the world's largest springs. Every day, an average of 250 million gallons of water

bursts from the cave system below.

Of Florida's more than 700 springs, Wakulla Springs is one of only 33 first magnitude springs, with flows of greater than 100 cubic feet per second.

Wakulla Springs provides the source of water for the Wakulla River.

Dr. Sophie Wacogne-

Speer said excess rain makes the spring water darker because of groundwater runoff, and also causes the river to rise.

Wacogne-Speer said the higher the river is, the lower the springs visibility level.

Lately, the water in Wakulla Springs has mostly been a greenish-

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## Sinkhole reopens

### Now believed stabilized, it's near New Light Church

By ERIN HILL  
Staff Writer

A sinkhole has reopened up just off of New Light Church Road in Crawfordville. It's about 5 feet wide, and 10 feet deep.

Public Works Director Cleve Fleming said the hole is nowhere near as big as it was when it first opened up back in May. He said it

was about 25 to 30 feet wide then, and 15 to 20 feet deep.

Fleming said they've filled it twice, using local limestone rock and fill dirt. He said since it has opened for a third time, they are consulting with the county engineers to come up with a permanent solution.

Fleming said the sinkhole appears to be

stabilized.

"We've slowed the progression of the sinkhole," Fleming said. "Initially when it opened up it was migrating towards New Light Church."

He said it no longer appears to be spreading. He also said they have someone out monitoring it everyday.

A sudden collapse  
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## Verna Brock is proud to be part of schools

### The school board member returns for another term without opposition

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN  
Editor

Verna Brock stopped by the office of The Wakulla News recently, excited about things going on in Wakulla schools – the addition of aeronautical engineering program, in addition to more auto repair and welding.

"I'm gratified to be able to continue serving the county on the school board," Brock said.

Brock said she was honored by the support of the community in not drawing an opponent in her bid for re-election. She will begin another four year term on the school board in November.

Brock said she was proud to be a part of the Wakulla public school system, and praised her fellow school board members for their being "collegial and committed."

"This board is 100



percent committed to serving the schools of Wakulla County," she said. "It's all about the kids – and wanting every single child to have the opportunity to fulfill their potential."

Her goal, she said, as with her own children, is that students grow up to be "happy, well-adjusted citizens."

"We come into this world with all kinds of different challenges," she said. Wakulla's schools offer the "struc-

ture and support to help every child maximize their talents."

She praises district administrators for their efforts: "I see how much they do, how hard they work," she said. "It would be difficult to do as much with fewer people, or less talented people."

She points to Jefferson County as an example of an "ineffective school board that wrecked a school system – because of a

divisive school board."

In Wakulla, by contrast, teachers, administrators, the school board and parents are all working to do the best for students.

"It's a joy to serve the county here," she said.

Brock recently retired as a librarian in Leon County. Years before, she started with the Wakulla County Public Library, but left to be a full-time mom for a while.

When she returned to work, it was with the Jefferson County Library for eight years, and then 15 years with Leon, and was branch manager of the Woodville library.

Brock is married to Ed Brock, who has worked at St. Marks Powder for 42 years. They have four adult children who all went to school here and graduated from Wakulla High School. Now her grandchildren are entering the school system.

## Wakulla's unemployment rate is 3.2%

Federal judge grants summary judgment and costs; employee had claimed discrimination, retaliation

Staff Report

Wakulla County's jobless rate in August was 3.2 percent. The state average was 3.7 percent, according to numbers released on Friday, Sept. 21 by the state Department of Economic Opportunity.

The unemployment rate in the Tallahassee metropolitan service area, which consists of Wakulla, Leon and Gadsden counties was 3.7 percent in August, which was 0.5 percentage point lower than the region's year ago rate of 4.2 percent. The labor force was 185,088, up 2,480 (+1.4) over the year. There were 6,776 unemployed residents in the region.

Leon County unemployment rate was 3.6 percent, and the rate in Gadsden County was 4.7 percent in August.

In August 2018 nonagricultural employment in the Tallahassee MSA was 180,100, an increase of 4,200 jobs (+2.4 percent) over the year.

The Tallahassee MSA had the fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in financial activities (+9.2 percent) and information (+5.7 percent) in August 2018.

The Tallahassee MSA was tied for the second fastest annual job growth rate compared to all the metro areas in the state in professional and business services (+6.8 percent) in August 2018.

The industries gaining in jobs over the year were professional and business services (+1,400 jobs); leisure and hospitality (+1,000 jobs); financial activities (+700 jobs); education and health services (+600 jobs); mining, logging, and construction (+200 jobs); trade, transportation and utilities (+200 jobs); information (+200 jobs); other services (+200 jobs); and manufacturing (+100 jobs). The government (-400 jobs) industry lost jobs over the year.

For Florida overall, the August estimate represents 375,000 Floridians considered out of work – 8,000 fewer than in July – from a workforce of 10.2 million.

The mark kept the state below the national rate of 3.9 percent for July, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Florida is one of 15 states below the national mark.

Florida ranked third among states during the past year in overall job creation, with 222,000 new jobs, trailing 394,500 added in

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### CORRECTION

• A story in the Sept. 20 edition about the animal shelter quoted Animal Services Director Ivanhoe Carroll as saying that letting stray cats starve is a part of nature. Carroll actually said stray cats are not as likely to reproduce if they're not healthy is a part of nature.

We regret the error.

### OBITUARIES

Daphine Parrott Cash  
Carl 'Pete' L. Eddings Jr.  
Jennifer Groover Gauger  
Charles Desmond Tucker  
Joan Bradley Virgin

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PHOTO BY WILLIAM SNOWDEN

Members of Wakulla Seminole Boosters to announce the group is close to fully endowing the Houston Taff Memorial Athletic Scholarship for student-athletes at FSU. The annual golf tournament that helps fund the scholarship is Oct. 12 at Wildwood.

# Wakulla Seminole Boosters to hold golf tournament to fund Houston Taff Scholarship

Group hopes to fully endow scholarship with tournament set Oct. 12; money goes to support Wakulla student-athletes at Florida State – Nigel Bradham and Keith Gavin have been recipients

By **WILLIAM SNOWDEN**  
Editor

The Wakulla Seminole Boosters will hold their annual Houston Taff Memorial Golf Tournament to raise money for Wakulla student athletes at Florida State University.

The golf tournament will be held at Wildwood Golf Course on Friday, Oct. 12.

Retired Wakulla Sheriff David Harvey, who has been involved with the Wakulla Seminole Boosters for 11 years, spoke at news conference last week for the Boosters noting that the Taff scholarship has raised \$319,000 – which is on the verge of being fully endowed

at \$500,000.

Wakulla athlete Keith Gavin, a wide receiver on the FSU football team, is a recipient of the 2017-18 Houston Taff Memorial Scholarship.

Nigel Bradham was the first recipient of the Taff scholarship. Bradham graduated from Wakulla in 2008 and played linebacker for FSU from 2008-12, and played in the NFL for the 2018 Super Bowl champion Philadelphia Eagles.

Current Wakulla football player Keyshawn Greene is an FSU commit; and there's talk of a Wakulla volleyball player who may go to FSU.

Taff was a legendary gator trapper and outdoorsman who

died in 2008 at the age of 65.

He played baseball at FSU and remained a fervent fan of FSU sports throughout his life. He and his wife Beth started Wakulla's first recreational youth sports program in the 1980s. After years of taking youth to Tallahassee for baseball camp, the Taffs started a local camp.

Windy Jones, one of three Taff daughters, recalled her mother driving to Tallahassee to buy McDonald's burgers for local campers and bringing them to Wakulla.

Taff was also known for his commitment to providing student-athletes a place where they could get away from the rigors of school and out into the woods to hunt and fish, or just sit around a campfire.

Travis Sherman, an FSU football player from 1992-96 who married Taff sister Amy, rattled off a list of players who spent time with Taff – hunting and fishing or just relaxing and eating: Todd Fordham, Chris Weinke, Marvin Jones, Derrick Brooks....

Windy Jones started laughing and recalled that Weinke killed his first deer with her dad – from her deer stand.

Centennial Bank is the headline sponsor of the tournament.

Tournament chair Ernie Jaworski said that sponsorships are available: Hole sponsors are \$200, teams are \$500, and there are \$1,000 Gold



Houston Taff as an FSU baseball player in the 1960s.

sponsorship packages and \$2,000 Diamond sponsors. The sponsorships, Jaworski said, "really helps us immensely."

The tournament is also raffling a week-long getaway to a mountain home in North Carolina to a three bedroom cabin. Tickets are \$20 and only 500 are being sold.

Tickets are available at the Seineyard

Wildwood or contact Windy Jones at (850) 579-6663.

Taff, who was nicknamed "Housecat," also coached baseball at Wakulla High – and took the team to its first state championship. David Harvey was the pitcher on that team; the catcher was David Miller, now the retired superintendent of schools.

Taff helped Harvey get a baseball scholar-

ship to Chipola. The future sheriff later transferred to FSU to major in criminology. Taff died 10 years ago.

To make a donation, send check to Wakulla Seminole Boosters c/o Tara Sanders, P.O. Box 1858, Crawfordville FL 32326 or go online at [boosters.fsu.edu](http://boosters.fsu.edu).

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## Church Briefs

### • Friendship P.B. to host Sheila Smith Trio

The Sheila Smith Trio, a gospel singing group from Malone will perform at Friendship Primitive Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 6 p.m. The concert is free and everyone is welcome.

The church is located at 165 Friendship Road in Medart.

### • First Pentecostal has a Monday Men's Prayer

The First Pentecostal Church of Crawfordville would like to invite all men to our Monday Men's Prayer Meeting at 7:30 a.m. The steps of a righteous man are ordered by the Lord. Come begin the workweek in prayer.

We also offer In-depth home Bible studies, if you are interested in learning more of God's word, please contact Pastor Abraham at (850) -728-9070.

The church is located at 5 Crescent Way, Crawfordville.

### • Ochlockonee Bay UMC to hold lasagna dinner

The Ochlockonee Bay United Methodist Church on Surf Road will

hold a baked lasagna dinner and silent auction on Friday, Oct. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m.

The menu will include baked lasagna, salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert for \$10. A silent auction will offer a variety of new and gently used items for sale.

Proceeds will go toward the church Memory Garden Project.

### • Crawfordville UMC to bless the animals Oct. 6

Crawfordville United Methodist Church is having a Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Bring your animals and please join us for this meaningful blessing. Food or monetary donations are welcomed to help support the local animal shelters.

The church is located at 176 Ochlockonee St.

### • Anglican Church to bless the animals Oct. 7

Christ Church Anglican is hosting a Pet Blessing for Sunday, Oct. 7 at 4 p.m.

All types of pets welcome, and all are invited to attend. The church is located at 3383 Coastal Hwy.

# GIS in county's future

## Mapping system could be a gamechanger

By ERIN HILL  
Staff Writer

Wakulla County will soon have a Geographic Information System (GIS).

During the county commission meeting last week, Commissioner Randy Merritt announced that the Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) received \$63,000 to put GIS in eight counties, including Wakulla. GIS is a computer system used for capturing, storing and displaying spatial or geographic data.

The other counties that will get GIS are Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson and Liberty. The ARPC serves those eight counties, in addition to Leon, and their municipalities.

Merritt said once GIS is set up, the county can put Future Land Use, Zoning Lidar and flood maps on there.

It would also be a good move for economic development, Merritt said. Businesses considering a site in Wakulla County can download maps and put into whatever system the site selector uses, he said.

County Administrator David Edwards said the county will also put all of the county's roads and storm water facilities into the GIS.

Merritt pointed out that it could be

used by staff and citizens.

He noted that the county can also put information from the property appraiser in the system.

"It will be a big game changer for smaller counties, they do all the work and it doesn't cost us anything," Merritt said.

He noted that it's a free starting point for the county.

"We pay our dues, this is one of the things we get out of it," Merritt said.

Also during the meeting, Edwards said the county was recently awarded a \$200,000 grant from the Florida Wildlife Commission to install a floating dock north of the fixed dock at Rock Landing in Panacea.

Edwards said it will be a usable commercial dock, where there will be space available to rent for oyster boats.

In other matters the commissioners voted 5-0 to:

- Allow Inspired Technologies to install fiber connectivity from the community center to the Trice Lane Complex where Revenue Collections, Road & Bridge, and the new Fire Rescue Facility are located.

- Approve a change of zoning for the property Gulf Specimen Marine Lab is located on from Single-Family Residential to Downtown Commercial District.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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For our readers' convenience, The Wakulla News provides this Public Notice Section for all Public Notices not published in the Legal Notice section of the newspaper.

### City of Sopchoppy Notice of Public Meeting

The City of Sopchoppy Council is holding a Public Meeting Monday, October 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at City Hall, 105 Municipal Avenue, Sopchoppy, FL.

Purpose of Meeting: General Business.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with a disability needing a special accommodation should contact the City of Sopchoppy, Administration Office at least two (2) days prior to the Meeting at (850) 962-4611.

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### North Central Florida Regional Housing Authority (NCFRHA) Wakulla County Section 8 Housing Choice Waiting List

North Central Florida Regional Housing Authority (NCFRHA) will be opening the Wakulla County Section 8 Waiting List effective Monday, October 1, 2018 at 8 a.m. The waiting list will close Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at 4 p.m. Interested applicants can apply online at [www.ncfrha.com](http://www.ncfrha.com) or call 352-486-5420 extension 2 to request an application. Applications must be complete. NCFRHA has a Local Residency Preference. Applicants currently residing in Wakulla County will be placed over applicants that do not reside within this county. Applicants will be placed on the waiting list by preference, date and time of completed application. For more information or if a Reasonable Accommodation is needed for a person with a disability, please call 352-486-5420.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Paramedic/Firefighter (Full-Time) (RE-ADVERTISEMENT)

The Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners has an immediate need for qualified applicants for two Full-time Paramedic/Firefighter positions within the County's Public Safety Division. A robust benefit package is included for those individuals hired. Refer to [www.mywakulla.com](http://www.mywakulla.com) for qualifications and licensure requirements.

Send a Wakulla County application to Human Resources, PO Box 1263, Crawfordville, FL 32326. Drug screening is required. Veteran's preference will be given to qualified applicants. Wakulla County is an AA/EOE.

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### CITY OF ST. MARKS PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE #18-05 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST MARKS, FLORIDA CREATING A NEW PROVISION IN CHAPTER 74-104(a) OF THE CITY OF ST MARKS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

FIRST READING: OCTOBER 11, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

FINAL READING: NOVEMBER 8, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.

Location:

788 Port Leon Drive St. Marks FL 32355

The City of St. Marks located at 788 Port Leon Drive, 9 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 925-6224. Interested parties may inspect ordinance at 788 Port Leon Drive and be heard at the meeting. Persons needing special access considerations should call the City Office at least 24 hours before the date for scheduling purposes. The Board Office may be contacted at (850) 925-6224.

September 27, 2018 AD# UNHY

### CITY OF ST. MARKS NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

The City of St Marks has scheduled a Public Hearing regarding the following before the City of St Marks Commission on October 11, 2018 at 7:00 pm. All public hearings are at The City of St. Marks located at 788 Port Leon Drive, 9 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) -925-6224. Persons needing special access considerations should call the City Office at least 24 hours before the date for scheduling purposes. The Board Office may be contacted at (850) 925-6224.



#### 1. Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment

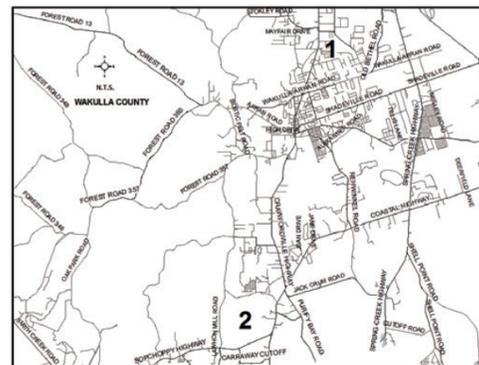
**Applicant:** City of St Marks  
**Proposal:** Change Future Land Use from Commercial to Mixed Use  
**Property ID:** Blocks A, B, C, D, E, and F  
**Existing FLU Map:** St Marks  
**Existing Zoning:** Commercial  
**FEMA Flood Info:** AE19 12129C0265E  
**Parcel Size:** 9.4 acres  
**Hearings Required:** City Planning Board

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING APPLICATIONS FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPROVAL

The Wakulla County Planning Commission propose to consider the following applications. A Public Hearing is scheduled regarding the following before the Planning Commission on Monday, October 8, 2018, at 7:00 PM, unless otherwise noted below or as time permits. All public hearings are held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida, 32327. Interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.



**1 Application for Preliminary Plat Approval:**  
PP18-03  
**Applicant:** Golden Construction Co., Inc.  
**Proposal:** Create 12 lot subdivision to be known as Stone Ridge  
**Tax ID Number:** 20-35-01W-000-04538-000  
**Existing FLU Map:** Rural 2 (FLUE Policy 1.2.5)  
**Current zoning:** LDR (Section 5-68, LDC)  
**FEMA Flood Info:** "X" zone on Panel 0250E  
**Parcel size:** 24.39+/- acres  
**Location:** north side of Aaron Strickland, east of Mc Callister Road  
**Hearings Required:** Planning Commission  
**Monday October 8, 2018@ 7:00 PM**

**2. Application for Conditional Use Permit:**  
CU18-03  
**Applicant:** Parrish and Mattie Barwick  
**Agent:** Florida Wild Mammal  
**Proposal:** Wildlife rehabilitation center  
**Tax ID Number:** 02-55-02W-000-02460-000  
**Existing FLU Map:** Agriculture FLUE Policy 1.2.2)  
**Current zoning:** AG (Section 5-25, LDC)  
**FEMA Flood Info:** "X" and "A" zones on Panel 0360E  
**Parcel size:** 29.78+/- acres  
**Location:** north side of Sopchoppy Hwy, west of 102 Sopchoppy Hwy  
**Hearings Required:** Planning Commission  
**Monday October 8, 2018@ 7:00 PM**

Copies of applications, draft ordinances, and any related public record files may be viewed at the County Planning Department located at 11 Bream Fountain Road, Crawfordville, FL 32327, 8 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 926-3695. Any person desiring to appeal a decision of a County Board must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings. Persons with a disability needing a special accommodation should contact the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners Administration Office at least two (2) days prior to the meeting at (850) 926-0919; Hearing and Voice Impaired at 1-800-955-8771; or email at [ADARequest@mywakulla.com](mailto:ADARequest@mywakulla.com)

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# The Opinion Page

readers speak out

## 'A day on' at Wakulla Springs



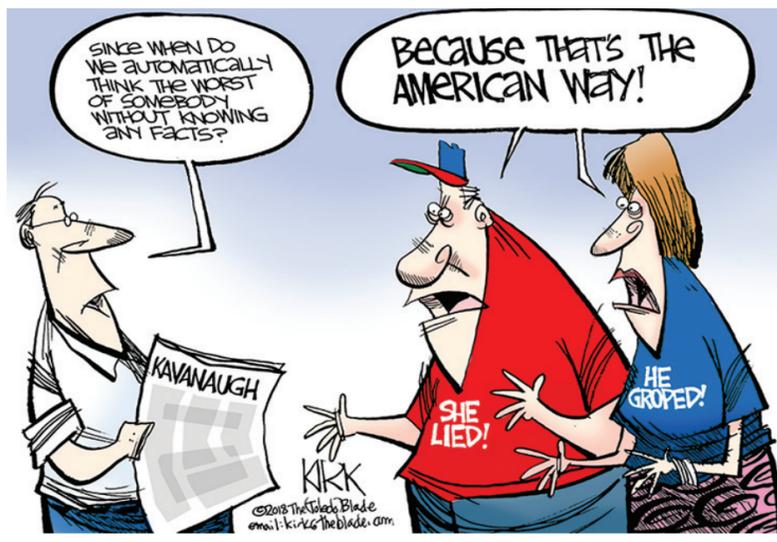
By ERIN HILL

As the end of the year approaches, local organizations have already begun making plans for Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Black History Month. This year the Friends of Wakulla Springs is among those organizing for the national day of service that was deemed "a day on, not a day off" by congress in 1994. Friends of Wakulla Springs is partnering with the The Lodge at Wakulla Springs State Park, the Wakulla Christian Coalition, Palaver Tree Theater and local churches to celebrate King's birthday and the county's black history, especially black history related to Wakulla Springs and The Lodge. Members from the different groups met at the Palaver Tree last week to brainstorm ideas. The date is set for Saturday, Jan. 26, beginning at noon. So far, plans include a traditional African-American meal, which will be cooked by Chef Reshard Plummer, and served on the veranda, overlooking the spring. There

may even be a barbecue, if The Lodge approves. There will also be a special menu featuring traditional Lodge food. Jungle boat tours will run as usual. Everyone in the county and surrounding areas is invited to attend. There are also plans for area choirs to sing selections from The 1800s until present day. There will be an opportunity for families and individuals to join Friends of Wakulla Springs. The organizers want to celebrate the cultural and spiritual contributions of Wakulla's African-American community. During the meeting it was pointed out that many don't know about the county's black history, especially pertaining to The Lodge. Obviously there have been African-Americans working at the lodge over the years. Generations of families have worked there. Chef Reshard's family is an example. Plummer is the head chef at the lodge. His mother and grandmother worked there decades ago, and so did one of his aunts. He also said his great uncle helped build The Lodge. With construction of The Lodge beginning in the 1930s, surely there were other African-Americans who helped build it. The MLK Day

event partners are hoping to find out who those people were, and acknowledge them during the celebration. They are also trying to find out if there were African-Americans who lived on the Wakulla Springs property. The organizers also discussed doing a local black history tour, with the same concept of the civil rights tour that 30 Wakulla High School students went on earlier this year during black history month. The students would tour local sites significant to the county's black history, like some of the historically black cemeteries. By following the planning of the MLK event, I hope to learn more about Wakulla County's black history as well. I plan to work on a series during black history month, which will hopefully include stories about Hyde Park, and a black farmer's co-op that was formed in Wakulla county during the mid 20th century. Anyone with information about Wakulla County's black history, especially the old Shadeville School, Hyde Park or the black farmer's co-op, email me at ehill@thewakullanews.net.

*Erin Hill is the staff writer for The Wakulla News.*



### READERS WRITE:

## Where's money administrator saved county?

Editor, The News:

The proposed property tax increase is just another slap in the face to all the property owners in this county. Based on the fact that the commissioners said since Mr. (David) Edwards saved this county so much money last year, let's just give him a huge raise. Mr. Commissioners, why are you having to increase our property taxes and do away with our utility exemption? THERE SHOULD BE PLENTY OF MONEY. Where is the money our administrator saved the county? Also, in looking at the Budget Summary, I can't find where the county has budgeted for legal fees. The legal fees paid to the law firm representing Wakulla County have skyrocketed. Just a conservative figure provided by county records show at least \$111,000 already paid in my case, \$63,000 in the Gulf Group case, and \$19,000 in the Lake Ellen case. These are bare minimums based on the invoices the county provided. I am almost 100 percent sure that the figure given in my case alone is

not a true amount. The county has already been represented by four different attorneys that I have met in hearings, mediations, lower courts, appeal court, etc. This does not count the law clerks, paralegals and others who have worked on this case – which is still unresolved after four and a half years. Will it take a state audit to determine the true figures? These three cases are the only ones I found out about. I'm sure there are other ongoing cases and will be new cases filed in the future. Why so many cases filed against the county? If things were being done right, there would be no cause for legal actions or reasonable settlements could resolve litigation. So my question remains unanswered: WHERE IS THE MONEY OUR ADMINISTRATOR SAVED THIS COUNTY? Was it used up in very generous salaries or the county's astronomical legal fees? A property owner and taxpayer,

**Brenda Mathers**  
Crawfordville

## Debate set for gubernatorial candidates

### Ron DeSantis and Andrew Gillum will meet, but Senate debate between Bill Nelson and Rick Scott is cancelled

From Florida Press

Leadership Florida and the Florida Press Association today announced final plans for the Oct. 24 "Decision 2018: Before You Vote" statewide televised gubernatorial debate between Democratic nominee, Mayor Andrew Gillum, and the Republican nominee, Congressman Ron DeSantis – and any other candidate who may qualify under the project's criteria. The organizations also cancelled a parallel planned statewide televised debate set for Oct. 23 in Florida's U.S. Senate race because neither Gov. Rick Scott, the Republican nominee, nor incumbent U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, the Democratic nominee, committed to participate. "We're excited that this gubernatorial debate will help inform millions of voters about the views and vision of the candidates for governor – just days before the general election," said Wendy Spencer, president of Leadership Florida. "This is the only live, 60-minute debate in this election cycle with a statewide consortium of broadcast partners blanketing every market in the Sunshine State." The gubernatorial debate will be produced from the campus of Broward College, from 7 to 8 p.m.

on Oct. 24, with WPBF 25 News, the Hearst Television-owned ABC affiliate in West Palm Beach, leading the production under the guidance of longtime former NBC News executive producer Phil Longi, one of the nation's most respected and accomplished broadcast professionals. The debate will be moderated by WPBF 25 News anchor and multi-Emmy Award winner Todd McDermott, with a media panel that will be named soon. The debate will be simulcast statewide on Florida Public Radio and will later be rebroadcast nationally on C-Span. Underwriting sponsors of the debate include the Florida League of Cities, AARP, the Claude Pepper Center, and the Claude Pepper Foundation. "It's critically important for voters to hear firsthand the perspectives from the gubernatorial candidates about the critical issues that matter most to millions of Floridians," said Dean Ridings, president of the Florida Press Association. "We expect to have direct questions asked and answered about issues ranging from providing for the education of our children to protecting Florida's environment, and many others."

The Leadership Florida and Florida Press Association debate partnership is responsible for the longest-running, most highly respected statewide televised debate series in Florida's modern political history, in gubernatorial and U.S. Senate contests. In 2016, the partnership produced the U.S. Senate debate in which incumbent Sen. Marco Rubio faced off against Democratic challenger, Congressman Patrick Murphy. For 37 years, Leadership Florida has dedicated itself to bringing together emerging and existing leaders from across the state to challenge, prepare, and inspire them to build a better Florida. As a respected non-partisan organization, Leadership Florida provides meaningful forums and creates unique opportunities introducing members to fresh transformative ideas and information. The Florida Press Association is a non-profit organization with a purpose to protect the freedoms and advance the professional standards of the press in Florida, with a membership of Florida's daily and weekly newspapers and online local media. Visit www.flpress.com to learn more.

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Letters are published as space becomes available and must include the author's first and last name, mailing address and telephone number for verification purposes. One submission per person per month. Letters are edited for style, length and clarity.

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What was your favorite food when you were a kid?**



**THURMAN GREENE**  
RETIRED

“String beans and Irish potatoes, that was my favorite food when I was coming up.”



**ANDY KEITH**  
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“Chocolate chip ice cream! I like it as much today.”



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“Pizza, shrimp... pizza, shrimp, one of the two.”



**THOMAS KINSEY**  
BROWN'S REFRIGERATION

“Spaghetti and fried bologna.”



**ROGER LINDSEY**  
WAREHOUSE MANAGER

“Mama's fried chicken with her homemade dinner buns.”

- Compiled by Lynda Kinsey

**Wakulla's jobless rate is 3.2%**

From Front Page

Texas and 348,900 in California.

Many of Florida's new jobs are tied to the leisure and hospitality industry, which has grown by 54,600 positions in the past year. Construction jobs have grown by 7.7 percent in the past year, while education and health services positions are up 2.3 percent. Professional and business jobs are up 2.1 percent.

Gov. Rick Scott, who held an event Friday in West Melbourne, highlighted Florida's long-term job numbers and the creation of 20,000 seasonally adjusted private-sector jobs over the past month.

Across Florida, the Crestview-Fort Walton Beach-Destin metropolitan statistical area continued to hold the lowest regional unemployment rate at 2.9 percent, down from 3 percent in July.

The metro areas of Panama City, Gainesville and Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford each were at 3.4 percent in August, all down from 3.6 percent a month earlier.

At the other end of the unemployment rates, the retirement community of The Villages, which is its own listed metro area, had a 5.5 percent rate, down from 5.7 percent in July.

The areas of Homosassa Springs and Sebring were next highest at 5.4 percent.

This story was compiled from information from CareerSource Capital Region and News Service of Florida.

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## When you find yourself behind on a deadline



By **SHERYL H. BOLDT**

Your deadline for that report is one day closer than it was yesterday. Yikes!

You're desperately trying to put a dent in that research project you should have started weeks ago when a co-worker walks past your office door. You can practically hear him smiling.

Curious, you chase him down the hall. "Hey! How's your part of the report coming along?"

"Handed it in this morning," he answers with that noisy smile.

"This is the last time I wait til the last minute," you mutter as you walk back to your office. And you mean it – every bit as much as you meant it

last month. And the month before that.

Does this scenario ring too true?

What happens in the time between, "I'll start earlier" and "Yikes!?" We begin with good intentions.

We say, "I'll get to it first thing in the morning." Then the whole day passes with no progress.

Whether we mismanage our time or we feel the project is too intimidating, another week goes by, and we've nothing to show for it – except more anxiety.

Discouragement and fear play a substantive role in this.

When I go through a dry spell at work (not closing enough sales), I busy myself with other tasks rather than getting back on the phone. And when I hit a wall writing my screenplay because the project seems so daunting, I avoid my laptop.

What would happen, the next time we fail to follow through on a task, if we stopped focusing on the project and

started focusing on the One we ultimately serve? Look at Colossians 3:23 (ESV): "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men."

Would doing our tasks out of devotion to our heavenly Father change the way we approach our work?

Not to mention the outcome of the project itself?

Would it help us to begin working on it in a more timely manner and seeing it through to the end – all the while, asking God to equip us for the task? Whether or not we're ahead of the deadline or right on top of it, if we're working as unto the Lord, we'll smile.

I suspect, God will too.

I love hearing God smile. Don't you?

*Sheryl H. Boldt is a sales executive for Wave 94 and author of the blog, www.Today-CanBeDifferent.net. Contact her at sherylhboldt.wave94@gmail.com.*

### OUT TO PASTOR

## Financial tip of the week: Pay attention

By **JAMES L. SNYDER**

Enjoying a casual evening at home, reclining in my favorite easy chair reading, while the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was chatting on the telephone.

Then an odd phrase caught my attention: "plastic surgery." My ears perked up and I heard my wife say, "I certainly agree with that article and I'm going to do some plastic surgery myself."

Well, you can imagine what thoughts were racing through my head. When she hung up the telephone, I queried her about it.

"You do support me in this plastic surgery plan, don't you?"

There are times to disagree with your spouse, but as a husband for more than 45 years, I have never discovered that time. Forcing a smile, I nodded in the affirmative and told her she had my full support in whatever she decided.

Women, more than men, are a little sensitive about their appearance. For a man, "appearance" means he showed up. A woman has an altogether different approach to the term "appearance."

Some women look in the mirror and see where some improvements could be made.

Believe me, I never would have brought it up, but if that makes my wife happy, then

whatever it costs, we can put it on a credit card. The only problem with putting something like this on a credit card is that by the time you pay it off you need another procedure.

Each day I checked the appointment calendar hanging on our refrigerator to find out when she would be going in for the surgery. Day after day, I looked, but could never find any appointment.

I decided to tuck this little bit in the back of my mind and, however it developed would be all right with me. One day this week, I went to the Slurp N' Burp Café for a quiet lunch. The issue was far from my mind as I enjoyed a delicious lunch. As I finished my last cup of coffee, the waitress brought my bill and I pulled my wallet out to pay for it.

In searching my wallet for a credit card I discovered, much to my chagrin, that there were no credit cards to be found. Somehow, I had lost my credit cards. Perhaps, in the morning when I was getting dressed they were dropped out of my wallet as I was placing it in my trousers.

The problem with that theory was that all the other cards in my wallet were intact. Fortunately, I had my cell phone and called my wife. "Honey, I've lost all my credit cards. I'm here at the restaurant

and I can't find any credit cards in my wallet. Do you have any idea what I did with my credit cards?"

"I cut them all up."

"You did what?"

"You said you supported my plastic surgery plan, didn't you?"

"But, I thought..."

"You thought what?"

Oh boy.

I must confess that my hearing is good – it is my understanding that falls so far short. The only exercise I'm really good at is "jumping-to-conclusions."

This is common among many people who call themselves Christians.

Their hearing is good but their "doing" is not up to par.

The apostle James understood this truth quite well. He writes, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves" (James 1:22).

It is not so much what you hear that pays dividends in life, but what you do.

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— GENESIS 9:2 —

"Male Blackbird" by Thomas Bewick, 1797

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# Obituaries

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Daphne Parrott Cash  
Carl 'Pete' L. Eddings Jr.  
Jennifer Groover Gauger  
Charles Desmond Tucker  
Joan Bradley Virgin



**Daphne Parrott Cash**

Daphne Parrott Cash, 85, of Crawfordville, died at her home on Sept. 20, 2018.

She was born Oct. 23, 1932 in Stem, N.C., and moved to Crawfordville in 1970, where she raised her family. Daphne Parrott Cash was a true Matriarch of the Cash family, a woman who rules a family. Daphne's home was her castle where all came to gather, to cry, to laugh, but most importantly, be wrapped in the unconditional love that was always present anytime you were around her. Daphne was the epitome of a sport-model! She was full of a no-nonsense attitude, quick witted and possessed a remarkable capacity for love and forgiveness. Daphne was also a meticulous quilter in her earlier years and made some real

**Carl 'Pete' L. Eddings Jr.**

Carl "Pete" L. Eddings Jr., 78, of Panacea, died at his home Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018, with his family.

He worked 25 years in Construction working for a Mechanical Engineer, Wakulla Home Center in Panacea and Three Rivers Pest Control before his retirement. Pete loved to hunt, fish and most of all spending time with his family. He was a member of Panacea First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Merle Eddings; two daughters, Susie Bowen (husband Larry), and Cindy Eddings Grey; five siblings, Dora Morrison, William Wright, Vivian Clark, Rhonda Butler and Pam Carnes; four grandchild-

ren, Josh Bowen (wife Holli), Megan Jones (husband Dylan), Dillion Grey (wife Sydney), and Carlayna Grey; eight great-grandchildren, Kade, Bailey, Harper, Kinleigh, Katie, Jacob, Blakely and Holden.

A Memorial Service was held Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, at 4 p.m. at the Panacea First Baptist Church. The family will receive friends one hour prior to Service at 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to National Kidney Foundation at [kidney.org](http://kidney.org) or 800-622-9010 or 30 E. 33rd St., New York NY 10016.

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raised two children together, Michael Dean Gauger Jr. and Robyn Gauger Trammell. By marriage she had a daughter, Christa Gauger, and a son, Scott Trammell. She had six beautiful and amazing grandchildren, Colton McCulley, Trevor McCulley, Abbott Gauger, Sophia Gauger, Adele Trammell, and Stella Trammell. She will always hold a special place in their hearts and they will remember her love for them every day.

Jennifer's entire life was dedicated to her family. She was an incredible daughter, sister, wife, mother, mother-in-law, friend, and most of all grandmother. Her time was spent doing for others. Her selflessness showed through every aspect of her life.

Jennifer will never be forgotten. She will be remembered and celebrated every day by those who loved her so much.

We'll miss you, mama, more than words can ever express. We will honor your memory in all that we do. I love you more.

Private family services will be held at a later date.

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**Joan Bradley Virgin**

Joan Bradley Virgin, 94, of Crawfordville, passed away Friday, Sept. 14, 2018.

Born to a farmer and an artist of flower arranging, catering and decorating. Born at home on the farm 3 miles outside Oxford, Ohio. This farm was the kind that had the arched swinging door from the yard to the farm, which opened to the flagstone walkway in front of the long chickenhouse, and then there was the dairy building and then the big barn. During World War II, Joan would collect eggs and, yes, she would milk the cows. Her husband, George, (nicknamed Jim), then the track "star" at Miami University of Ohio, would run out to see her. They both graduated from Miami University, married in 1947, and began their family in Cincinnati.

Joan was a stay-at-home mom who taught piano to children and adults in their home for 40 years. George was a teacher of Industrial Arts, History and English. They raised their children in a subdivision of Cincinnati, Greenhills, Ohio. Joan sewed, read and baked the most delicious desserts. She was very active in the church, school system, the PTO and had many recitals for her students. She continued to take piano lessons herself and practiced well into the night, until she mastered Beethoven. Her husband's career took them to Orlando, Huntsville, Ala., to Redstone Arsenal, Ala., and then to Palm Beach Gardens. She continued to teach piano and was very active in the choir of Trinity Methodist Church. She was in the Palm Beach Co. Music Teachers Association, where she served as president twice and took many other positions, as well. She dearly loved this group and often brought her famous desserts to meetings and recitals. Joan kept in touch with her friends, from high school and college on, until well into her 90s. Her hobbies were traveling, shopping, gardening, playing the

card game Kings in the Corner, playing the Stock Market, reading, playing crossword puzzles and going to concerts, movies and plays with her grandchildren. She loved to go look at new homes. She loved it when people would ask her to play for them on her beloved baby grand piano. Joan enjoyed the time she taught her granddaughter to play the piano. Four years after her husband died, she came to live with her daughter, Carol Ann Williams here in Crawfordville. The members of the Crawfordville United Methodist Church took her in like a best friend. She loved singing duets with members of the choir and playing the piano and bells, there.

Joan Virgin was the most generous person you ever met, giving to many charities of all kinds. She sent out graduation, sympathy and get-well cards to all mentioned in the Prayer Meetings she regularly attended at the church. She enjoyed the Morning Glories and appreciated the fact that they picked her up and brought her to many activities. Recently she moved with her daughter, Carol Ann and Jeff, Carol Ann's new husband, to Sumatra. Unfortunately, she suffered a massive stroke in October 2017 and never recovered. She was well taken care of at the St. James Health and Rehab Center in St. James Island, Carrabelle, by the most wonderful nurses, nursing assistants and the Good Doctor, David Keen. Always known as the sweetest lady, a loyal friend and a great wife, mom and grandma. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Survivors include daughter Carol Ann Williams and husband H. Jeff Vonier, and son James B. Virgin; two grandchildren, Elizabeth Ashley Williams (husband Darren Prock), and George Jacob Williams (wife Jennifer); and four great-grandchildren, Allison Metcalf, Elliana Williams, Reese Mary Prock and Jake Thomas Prock.

Family received friends on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018, at 10 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Crawfordville. Funeral Service will begin at 11 a.m. Final resting place will be at St. Elizabeth Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis TN 38105 or (866) 278-5833 or [stjude.org](http://stjude.org), and/or the church of your choice.

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**Jennifer Groover Gauger**

Jennifer Groover Gauger, 67, died Sept. 18, 2018 in Tallahassee.

Jennifer was a selfless, amazing woman who did nothing but show strength, courage, and determination until she drew her final breath. She was the toughest and most generous person her family has ever known.

Jennifer was born on Nov. 14, 1950 in West Palm Beach. Jennifer was the daughter of Julian and Mary Jane Groover. Jennifer had four siblings, Judy Romano, Jay Groover, Jeff Groover, and Janie Zaniwski.

Jennifer married Michael Dean Gauger Sr. on June 2, 1973. They remained devoted to each other through 45 years of marriage. They



**Charles Desmond Tucker**

Charles Desmond Tucker, a native of Crawfordville, and Loxley, Ala., and son of the late Carlton and Louise Tucker died Sept. 18, 2018.

He was born in Tallahassee on Oct. 4, 1954. He grew up in Crawfordville, graduated in 1972 from Wakulla High School, and from Florida State University in 1977 with a degree in criminal justice.

He began working for the U.S. Postal Service full time after graduation, where he worked as a delivery/retail analyst, and for 24 years as Postmaster of the Robertsdale Post Office, before retiring in June of 2016. During his time as Postmaster, Desmond, or "Tuck" as he was known, worked around the state in various capacities. He was well loved by his post office family in

Robertsdale, as well as the community at large.

Desmond was preceded in death by his parents; and his son, Charles Justin Tucker.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly 44 years, Angela Newell Tucker of Loxley, Ala.; a daughter, Erin (Bryan) Rhea of Monroeville, Ala.; brothers, Dennis (Harriet) Tucker, of Tallahassee, Delwyn (Tamsi) Tucker of Sopchoppy, and brothers-in-law Chris (Cathy) Newell, and Scott (Lori) Newell of Mobile, Ala.; aunts, Irma Leslie Moore, Wilhelmina Morrison, June Purvis, Gail White, and Clara White; and an uncle Bobby Jack White. He is also survived by five nephews, Alex, Parker, Kendall, Kyle, and Kody Newell; and five nieces, Elisabeth Tucker, Locklyn Brownell, Blair and Tatum Tucker, and Emma Newell; one great-nephew, Beau Ray Brownell; and a host of other family and friends who will miss him dearly.

Services were held on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Desmond's memory.

Funeral and burial services entrusted to Pine Crest Funeral Home, Mobile, Ala.

**Church Briefs are on Page 3A of this issue.**



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# Community

happenings in our community

## Wakulla 4-H shooting sports club organized



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Parents and children, above left, attend a Wakulla 4-H Shooting Sports Club meeting. Jim Griner, above right, wins the raffle for a rifle.

**Special to The News**

Wakulla 4-H held the first meeting of the 2018-19 program year on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at the UF/IFAS Wakulla Extension Office in Crawfordville. Generous community support from the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office; Fonvielle, Foote, Lewis, and McConaughy Law firm; No Shoe Firearms and Accessories; the Wakulla Men's Club; and Big Bend Realty has helped club organizers prepare to lead instruction and engage youth in club activities.

In early September, sixteen individuals became certified as 4-H Level One Shoot-

ing Sports instructors during a day long range training hosted by Wakulla 4-H at the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office range in Sopchoppy. The three-person instructional team was led by University of Florida faculty member Professor Gerald "Jerry" Culen, PhD.

Participants choose one of two areas to be certified in, shotgun or archery. Training participants included 4-H volunteers and UF/IFAS Extension staff.

Counties represented in the training included Escambia, Holmes, Marion, Jefferson, Union, Wakulla, Walton, and Alachua. Five Wakulla 4-H volun-

teers earned Level One certification in order to lead the newly formed Shooting Sports Club in Wakulla for the 2018-19 program year: Ken Gooding, Trena Gooding, Ne'Shoni Love-Beane, Joe Morgan, and David Pienta.

Wakulla Shooting Sports will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at the UF/IFAS Extension Center in Wakulla at 84 Cedar Avenue to conduct club business and complete 4-H projects. Archery practices will be held at the same location several times per month pending instructor schedules with shotgun instruction will be held at the WCSO range at

65 Qualify Lane in Sopchoppy.

The Wakulla 4-H Shooting Sports Club will be organized and operated using the guidelines of the national 4-H Shooting Sports Program. The guidelines for this program are provided by the National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee. This committee is made up of Extension professionals, volunteers, and others.

The 4-H Shooting Sports Program is one of many options utilized by UF/IFAS Extension to achieve youth development and fulfill the mission of Extension 4-H youth programs. The 4-H Shooting Sports Program teaches

young people the safe and responsible use of firearms, principles of archery, and hunting basics.

Lifelong skill development is one of the main benefits of involvement in the 4-H Shooting Sports Program and applies to both youth and adults involved in the program. Specifically, the 4-H Shooting Sports Program is designed to:

- Provide youth proper training in the use of firearms, archery equipment, and other areas of shooting sports.
- Provide thorough instruction in shooting sports safety.
- Develop life skills such as self-

confidence, personal discipline, responsibility, and sportsmanship.

- Create an appreciation and understanding of natural resources and their wise use.

- Provide volunteer instructors safe and proper instructional techniques.

- Show volunteer leaders how to plan and manage 4-H Shooting Sports Clubs.

To learn more about the Shooting Sports Club or other Wakulla 4-H youth development programs and volunteer opportunities please call 850-926-3931 or email 4-H Agent Rachel Pienta at r.pienta@ufl.edu.



## Sopchoppy Opry gospel show set for Saturday

**Staff Report**

The Sopchoppy Opry's annual all Gospel show is Saturday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. in the historic Sopchoppy School Auditorium. This concert will feature special guests, Grass Roots along with South Bound Band for an evening of great gospel

music. Also appearing the dynamic duo of Joel Harrison and Glenda Sue Bradley. Tickets are \$14 and may be reserved by calling (850) 962-3711 or purchased at the door. The ticket office and Opry Cafe open at 5:30 p.m. on show date. For more information go to sopchoppyopry.com.

## Section 8 list opens Oct. 1

**Special to The News**

North Central Florida Regional Housing Authority (NCFRHA) will be opening the Wakulla County Section 8 Waiting List effective Monday, Oct. 1 at 8 a.m. The waiting list will close Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 4 p.m.

Interested appli-

cants can apply online at [www.ncfrha.com](http://www.ncfrha.com) or call (352)486-5420 extension 2 to request an application.

Applications must be complete. NCFRHA has a Local Residency Preference. Applicants currently residing in Wakulla County will be placed over applicants that do not reside

within this county. Applicants will be placed on the waiting list by preference, date and time of completed application. For more information or if a Reasonable Accommodation is needed for a person with a disability, please call 352-486-5420.

## Revell family reunion continues for 69th year

**Special to The News**

The Children of James Alexander Revell, Celia Strickland Revell, and Laura Clemons started the Revell reunion in 1949 at the home of Charlie and Dollie Revell.

This Tradition has continued, You and your family are invited to attend the annual Revell reunion at

the Sopchoppy City Park on Sunday, Oct. 21 from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

Even if you cannot attend this year's reunion we would like to hear from you. We need updates for the family tree: marriages, births, and deaths. Find our Facebook page "Steven Calvin Revell" and send a message.

For information please contact Judy at (850)264-6157

## Operation Santa to host bingo

**Special to The News**

Operation Santa of Wakulla is holding a BINGO night fundraiser on Sept. 29 at the Wakulla Senior Center, located at 33 Michael Dr. in Crawfordville. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Come visit and shop with the many vendors,

where free BINGO cards can be earned just for shopping. Bingo starts at 6 p.m. Come enjoy fun, food and prizes while supporting a local charity, and help make a child's Christmas wish come true.

Contact Rosanna Brown for info (850)241-2970.

## NJROTC shrimp fry is Oct. 5

**Special to The News**

The Wakulla High School NJROTC will have it's 26th annual shrimp fry fundraiser before the WHS Football game against Leon High School on Friday, Oct. 5. For a \$10 donation you can enjoy a delicious shrimp dinner, provided by Posey's Up the Creek Restaurant. Tickets can be purchased from a cadet prior to the event or at the gate.

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# School

education news from local schools

## Galloway retires from school system

By **BETH O'DONNELL**  
Special to The News

Kathy Galloway, District Office Administrative Secretary for Facilities and Maintenance, was honored at a Retirement Party for her on Sept. 20.

Family, friends and colleagues came to bid farewell to “one of the kindest ladies I’ve ever met,” said Superintendent Bobby Pearce as he and the School Board presented her with a WCSB retirement plaque.

“That is almost 41 years of service with a positive attitude towards our children and adults,” added Pearce. “She is one of the calmest, most helpful people I know.”

Since 1977, Galloway has worked for Wakulla schools as a substitute teacher, a one-on-one student assistant, a teacher’s assistant, and is now completing her 27th year of working as the Administrative Secretary to Randy Bristol, Director of Facilities and Maintenance for the entire school system.

“I have learned so much in this job and enjoyed the diversity of working with people from all walks of facilities and maintenance. I’ve worked with contractors, architects, salespeople, engineers, you name it. Starting my career working with children, I never dreamed I would come to love this world of



Kathy Galloway and her two granddaughters pose for a photo.

helping to maintain a good environment for children to learn in. Some days even now I miss working directly with students.”

“And I have loved working with every school in the district. I know all the foremen, custodians, principals and assistant principals and tried to understand that whatever problem they needed solved, it was a priority to them to keep their students and faculties happy. You can’t teach in 90 degree weather if your air conditioning goes out.”

Says Bristol, “Kathy has been a dedicated employee and an asset to the school system. I appreciated her commitment to this office and to the school system as a whole. I could always rely on her to be responsible for maintaining this office with integrity. She is well-respected



Randy Bristol with Galloway.

by her peers and everyone enjoys working with her. You won’t find anyone who can say a negative word about her because she sincerely loves our employees and our school system.”

In turn, Galloway says, “Mr. Bristol has always made me feel like an important part

of the team. The huge scope of work that falls into the facilities and maintenance category is on his shoulders every day, but he keeps calm, problem solves, and prepares for future needs 5, 10, 15 years down the road.”

A product of Wakulla schools, Galloway attended Crawfordville

High School for grades 1 through 9 and graduated from Wakulla High School attending grades 10 through 12.

“I began substituting when my children started school so I could still be at home when they were, as well as be involved with their activities at school. Then I was hired to be a one-on-one assistant for a blind kindergarten student, which was a wonderful experience,” says Galloway.

“This led to being asked to work one-on-one with a middle school student. After this, I worked in an ESE (Exceptional Student Education) classroom and later moved to Crawfordville Elementary to work with students and help their teachers in the classroom for emotionally handicapped children. Next I was hired as secretary for the

Facilities and Maintenance Department.”

Galloway has been married to husband Lin for 48 years. They had three children, suffering through the tragedies of losing daughter Leigh and then son Darren, a twin to Ralph, who resides in Kentucky. The light in her eyes shines brighter on mention of her children and grandchildren.

Friend and colleague Rhonda Stevens noted, “Kathy is amazing to be able to keep an open, loving heart. You can see how much she loves to take care of ‘her people’ as she calls those who work in facilities and maintenance at each school. She takes care of all of us at the District Office too. The kind, compassionate person she is to me is the same as how she is to everyone. There is no falseness about her, only love for others.”

“Her service to the children and adults of our school system has not gone unnoticed,” stated Superintendent Pearce. “In April, her peers voted her Employee of the Month. She is one of those people who can tell if you are having a bad day, and she gives encouragement and hugs. She has been a great example of how to treat people, all the while getting her work done on time and done well. We will miss her but wish her joy in retirement.”

## Wakulla teachers complete mental health, suicide awareness and prevention training

By **BETH O'DONNELL**  
Special to The News

September is National Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month.

The faculty and staff of Wakulla County public schools are training and learning more all the time about mental health and suicide awareness to better serve their students.

A new resource this year is a separate office run by Belinda McElroy, Principal on Special Assignment, which focuses on Student Services such as the need for more mental health services.

After McElroy and Wakulla Institute Assistant Principal James Vernon attended a workshop over the summer about The Jason Foundation, they thought that training the smaller Wakulla Institute faculty and staff would be a great starting point for this year’s professional development.

The Jason Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the belief that “awareness and education are the first steps to prevention. We want to establish a Triangle of Prevention by providing students, parents and teachers the tools and resources to help identify and help at-risk youth.”

There is no intent to diagnose or treat



Wakulla teachers hold up certificates from completed mental health and suicide prevention training.

suicidal ideation. The Jason Foundation’s intention is to empower youth, educators and parents to help recognize when young people are in pain and where to go to get professional help involved as soon as possible.

Wakulla Institute consists of the Pathways disciplinary program, the Impact credit recovery program, and the Virtual School online program. There is now a full-time counselor from DISC Village on the campus

of Wakulla Institute, a certified guidance counselor, weekly visits from the FSU psychology interns, plus there are two full-time Licensed Clinical Social Workers on staff for the entire school system.

Says Vernon, “I was proud of the Wakulla Institute faculty and staff members. Everyone participated in the training and earned certificates for the online module they finished. I did all ten modules because the more I learned, the

more I saw some of our students in the cases presented.”

Adds McElroy, “We are taking mental health and suicide awareness training to all the faculties at the different schools. We held our first Youth Mental Health First Aid trainings on Sept. 12 with 35 participants. These were mainly middle school and high school special area teachers, coaches, and guidance personnel.”

Youth Mental Health First Aid is a 6 hour

course mandated for all school personnel by Senate Bill 7026 that encompasses suicide awareness and prevention. This course does not teach to diagnose and treat, but to be aware of signs and symptoms, how to assist students in getting help, and how to intervene if a student is in crisis.

Notes Superintendent Bobby Pearce, “Even with a heightened sense of awareness about our students’ mental health, it

is tough to identify each and every one student who needs help because the signs may be hard to see. The more people we have trained on what to look for, the better.”

Adds McElroy, “We will be providing more trainings in suicide awareness and prevention using Jason Foundation materials throughout the school year. But kudos to Mr. Vernon and his WI team for leading the way!”

# Week in Wakulla

<b>Godby vs. Wakulla District rivalry game</b>  J.D. Jones Stadium Kickoff at 7:30 p.m.  <b>Saturday</b>	<b>Lighthouse Reveal</b>  St. Marks Lighthouse 9 a.m.  <b>Saturday</b>	<b>Operation Santa Bingo</b>  Senior Center 4:30 p.m.  <b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sopchoppy Opry</b>  Historic Sopchoppy Auditorium 7 p.m.  <b>Saturday</b>
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## Thursday, Sept. 27

• THE WAKULLA COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY WORKING GROUP is holding a PUBLIC MEETING at 2 p.m. in the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners Administration Conference Room.

## Friday, Sept. 28

• GODBY VS. WAKULLA, the big district rivalry game, kicks off at 7:30 p.m. at J.D. Jones Stadium.

## Saturday, Sept. 29

• GRAND REVEAL OF THE ST. MARKS LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS QUARTERS from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets for the public will be available for purchase (\$2/ticket) at the Visitor Center on that day, beginning at 9 a.m. Only 15 tickets will be available for each 30-minute time slot during the event. Visitors must purchase the tickets in person that day only. Climbing the tower will not be permitted.  
• OPERATION SANTA BINGO FUNDRAISER at the Wakulla Senior Center. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for guests to come visit and shop. Bingo starts at 6 p.m. Contact Rosanna Brown for info (850) 241-2970.  
• SOPCHOPPY OPRY will feature an all gospel music concert with David Mast and Grass Roots band beginning at 7 p.m. at the historical

Sopchoppy High School auditorium. Tickets are \$14. Call (850) 962-3711.

## Monday, Oct. 1

• BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS meets in the commission boardroom at 5 p.m.

## NEXT WEEK

## Friday, Oct. 5

• WAKULLA HIGH SCHOOL NJROTC 26TH ANNUAL SHRIMP FRY FUNDRAISER before the WHS Football game against Leon High School. For a \$10 donation you can enjoy a delicious shrimp dinner, provided by Posey's Up the Creek Restaurant. Tickets can be purchased from a cadet prior to the event or at the gate.

## Saturday, Oct. 6

• BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Crawfordville United Methodist Church, 176 Ochlockonee St. Bring your animals and please join us for this meaningful blessing. Food or monetary donations are welcomed to help support the local animal shelters.  
• NORTH FLORIDA BUTTON CLUB (Member of National Button Society) will meet at the central location of Sunset Coastal Grill in Port St. Joe at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact President Kaye Reed (850) 647-5414, emails vickaye@yahoo.com; lmwood@gt-com.net; skpsky2000@comcast.net. A short business meeting, a great clothing button presentation, and button bits by anyone.

## Sunday, October 7

• BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS at 4 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican, 3383

Coastal Hwy. All types of pets welcomed.

• SECOND SUNDAY SING at 6 p.m. at Woodville United Methodist Church the second Sunday of each month.

## Monday, October 8

• WILDERNESS COAST PUBLIC LIBRARIES GOVERNING BOARD MEETS at 1:30 p.m. at the Wakulla County Public Library. The meeting is open to the public.  
• SOPCHOPPY CITY COMMISSION meets at Sopchoppy City Hall at 6:30 p.m.  
• PLANNING COMMISSION meets in the commission boardroom at 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, Oct. 9

• REFRIGERATOR PICKLES AND FREEZER JAMS CLASS from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Extension Office. Samples and recipes included. Call (850) 926-3931 to register. The cost is \$10 per person.  
• TOBACCO FREE FLORIDA PARTNERSHIP MEETING at the Wakulla County Health Department located at 48 Oak Street, Crawfordville FL 32327. For more information please contact Tobacco Prevention Specialist Traci Bourgeois at (850) 926-0400.  
• WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER MEETING at First Baptist Church of Crawfordville Christian Life Center. Doors open at 6 p.m. The buffet meal will be catered by the Seineyard. The cost is \$25 per person. Please R.S.V.P. by Oct. 5. Checks can be made payable to WCHS and brought by the Museum or mailed to P.O. Box 151, Crawfordville FL 32326. For more information please call (850) 926-1110.

• FREE FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE at the public library on Friday, Oct. 12. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. PG-13 movie starts at 7. Bring your own popcorn.  
• Kid FRIENDLY DAY from on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Hudson Park for kids 12 and younger. There will be games, crafts, bouncy houses, a photo booth, live performances and a fire demonstration conducted by Wakulla Fire and Rescue.  
• OYSTER FEST from noon to 6 p.m. at Woolley Park in Panacea on Sunday, Oct.14.  
• SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY is Oct. 20 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Hudson Park. There will be a variety of vendors such as Auntie Jyos, Classy Flashy and Sassy Jewelry, Scentsy, Mary Kay, Young Living, Pampered Chef and much more. There will also be yard sale booths. Get your Christmas shopping started early.  
• THE 69th ANNUAL REVELL REUNION at the Sopchoppy City Park on Sunday, Oct. 21 from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Find the Facebook page "Steven Calvin Revell" and send a message. For information please contact Judy at (850) 264-6157.  
• CHILI COOK OFF from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 26 at the Wakulla County Community Center, 318 Shadeville Road, Crawfordville. Cooks must be set up by 5:30 p.m. Judging begins at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person. Includes chili, drinks and a few raffle tickets. Hosted by The Wakulla Chapter of the Tallahassee Board of Realtors and Habitat for Humanity of Wakulla County.  
• MONARCH BUTTERFLY FESTIVAL on Saturday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. Contact: (850) 925-6121 or saintmarks@fws.gov.

## UPCOMING

Email events to [reporter@thewakullanews.net](mailto:reporter@thewakullanews.net)

# PUBLIC NOTICES

For our readers' convenience, The Wakulla News provides this Public Notice Section for all Public Notices not published in the Legal Notice section of the newspaper.



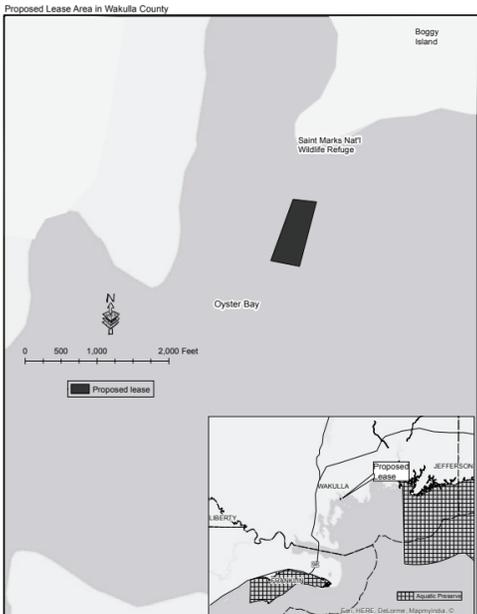
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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND**

**Section 253.69, Florida Statutes – Rule 18-21.021, F.A.C.**

**NOTICE OF AQUACULTURE LEASE APPLICATION**

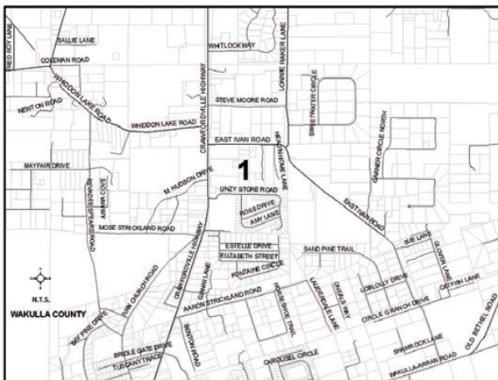
NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 253.70, Florida Statutes, that the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund has received an application (65-AQ-1768) from Edwin Mitch Spears of 4177 Spring Creek Hwy, Crawfordville Florida. The applicant is requesting approval of a 7.5-acre sovereignty submerged land aquaculture lease in Oyster Bay in Wakulla County, Florida to conduct shellfish aquaculture in the water column. The parcel is not located within an aquatic preserve. A map identifying the location of the proposed activity accompanies this notice. Anyone having any questions or comments regarding the proposed project should file them in writing with the Division of Aquaculture, 600 South Calhoun Street, Suite 217, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, on or before 5:00 p.m. on the 20th day of October 2018.



September 27, 2018 AD#UL63

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING AN APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF ZONING**

The Wakulla County Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners propose to adopt the following by ordinance. Public Hearings are scheduled regarding the following before the Planning Commission on Monday, October 8, 2018, at 7:00 PM, and before the Board of County Commissioners on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 5:00 PM unless otherwise noted below or as time permits. All public hearings are held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida, 32327. Interested parties are invited to attend and present testimony.



**1. Application for Change of Zoning: R18-12**

Applicant: Cynthia Hamrick  
Agent: Susan Jones  
Tax ID Number: 17-3S-01W-000-04450-005  
Existing FLU Map: Rural 2 (FLUE Policy 1.2.5)  
Current zoning: AG (Section 5-25, LDC)  
Proposed zoning: LDR (Section 5-68, LDC)  
FEMA Flood Info: "A" zone on Panel 0250E  
Parcel size: 3.57 +/- acres  
Location: east of Crawfordville Highway, north of Linzy Store Road

**Hearings Required: Planning Commission Monday October 8, 2018@ 7:00 PM**  
**BOCC Monday October 15, 2018@ 5:00 PM**

Copies of applications, draft ordinances, and any related public record files may be viewed at the County Planning Department located at 11 Bream Fountain Road, Crawfordville, FL 32327, 8 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 926-3695. Any person desiring to appeal a decision of a County Board must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings. Persons with a disability needing a special accommodation should contact the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners Administration Office at least two (2) days prior to the meeting at (850) 926-0919; Hearing and Voice Impaired at 1-800-955-8771; or email at [ADARequest@mywakulla.com](mailto:ADARequest@mywakulla.com)

September 27, 2018 AD# UNC5

**Notice of Public Hearing Concerning a Text Amendment to the Wakulla County Land Development Code**

The Wakulla County Planning Commission and Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners proposes to adopt the following ordinance. Public Hearings are scheduled before the **Wakulla County Planning Commission on Monday, October 8, 2018, beginning at 7:00 P.M. and before the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners on Monday, October 15, 2018 beginning at 5:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.** All public hearings will be held at the County Commission Chambers located west of the County Courthouse at 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida 32327. All affected parties may appear at the public hearings, be heard, and submit evidence and written comments on the application.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS; AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE II OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, RELATING TO LAND SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS; AMENDING SECTION 7-20 OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Copies of applications, draft ordinances, and any related public record files may be viewed at the Wakulla County Planning and Community Development Department located at 11 Bream Fountain Road, Crawfordville, FL 32327, 8 AM to 4:30 PM M/F; Phone (850) 926-3695. Any person desiring to appeal a decision of a County Board must ensure a verbatim transcript or copy is made of the testimony and exhibits presented at said hearings. Persons with a disability needing a special accommodation should contact the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners Administration Office at least two (2) days prior to the meeting at (850) 926-0919; Hearing & Voice Impaired at 1-800-955-8771; or email at [ADARequest@mywakulla.com](mailto:ADARequest@mywakulla.com).

September 27, 2018 AD#UMU4

# NOTICE OF ELECTION

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State for Florida, do hereby give notice that the following proposed amendments and revisions to the Florida Constitution will be presented in each county on the 2018 General Election ballot.

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The language for these amendments may also be found at FloridaPublicNotices.com, at DOS.Elections.MyFlorida.com/initiatives, and at this newspaper's website.

#### NO. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 37

**BALLOT TITLE:** Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption

**BALLOT SUMMARY:** Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homestead property greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for all voters other than school district levies. The amendment shall take effect January 1, 2019.

**FULL TEXT:** ARTICLE VII FINANCE AND TAXATION SECTION 6. Homestead exemptions.— (a) Every person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence or naturally dependent upon the owner, shall be exempt from taxation thereon, except assessments for special benefits, up to the assessed valuation of twenty-five thousand dollars and, for all levies other than school district levies, on the assessed valuation greater than fifty thousand dollars and up to seventy-five thousand dollars, and on the assessed valuation greater than one hundred thousand dollars and up to one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, upon establishment of right thereto in the manner prescribed by law. The real estate may be held by legal or equitable title, by the entireties, jointly, in common, as a condominium, or indirectly by stock ownership or membership representing the owner's or member's proprietary interest in a corporation owning a fee or leasehold interest in excess of ninety-eight years. The exemption shall not apply with respect to any assessment roll until such roll is first determined to be in compliance with the provisions of section 4 by a state agency designated by general law. This exemption is repealed on the effective date of any amendment to this Article which provides for the assessment of homestead property at less than just value.

percent each year. If approved, the amendment removes the scheduled repeal of such provisions in 2019 and shall take effect January 1, 2019.

#### FULL TEXT: ARTICLE XII SCHEDULE

SECTION 27. Property tax exemptions and limitations on property tax assessments.— (a) The amendments to Sections 3, 4, and 6 of Article VII, providing a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property, providing an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption, authorizing transfer of the accrued benefit from the limitations on the assessment of homestead property, and this section, if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at a special election authorized by law to be held on January 29, 2008, shall take effect upon approval by the electors and shall operate retroactively to January 1, 2008, or if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election, shall take effect January 1 of the year following such general election. The amendments to Section 4 of Article VII creating subsections (g)(4) and (h) (g) of that section, creating a limitation on annual assessment increases for a specified real property, shall take effect upon approval of the electors and shall first limit assessments beginning January 1, 2009, if approved at a special election held on January 29, 2008, or shall first limit assessments beginning January 1, 2010, if approved at the general election held in November of 2008. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 4 of Article VII are repealed effective January 1, 2019. However, the legislature shall by joint resolution propose an amendment abrogating the repeal of subsections (f) and (g), which shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the general election of 2018 and, if approved, shall take effect January 1, 2019. (b) The amendment to subsection (a), abrogating the scheduled repeal of subsections (g) and (h) of Section 4 of Article VII, shall take effect January 1, 2019.

#### NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X, SECTION 29

**BALLOT TITLE:** Voter Control of Gambling in Florida

**BALLOT SUMMARY:** This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling by requiring that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution. Affects articles X and XI. Defines casino gambling. This amendment does not conflict with federal law regarding state/tribal compacts.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** The amendment's impact on state and local government revenues and costs, if any, cannot be determined at this time because of its unknown effect on gambling operations that have not been approved by voters through a constitutional amendment passed by a citizens' initiative petition process.

**FULL TEXT:** ARTICLE X, FLORIDA CONSTITUTION, is amended to include the following new section: **Voter Control of Gambling in Florida.** (a) This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling in the State of Florida. This amendment requires a vote by citizens' initiative pursuant to Article XI, section 3, in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law. This section amends this Article, and also affects Article XI, by making citizens' initiatives the exclusive method of authorizing casino gambling. (b) As used in this section, "casino gambling" means any of the types of games typically found in casinos and that are within the definition of Class III gaming in the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq. ("IGRA"), and in 25 C.F.R. § 502.4, upon adoption of this amendment, and any that are added to such definition of Class III gaming in the future. This includes, but is not limited to, any house banking game, including but not limited to card games such as baccarat, chemin de fer, blackjack (21), and pai gow (if played as house banking games); any player-banked game that simulates a house banking game, such as California black jack; casino games such as roulette, craps, and keno; any slot machines as defined in 15 U.S.C. 1171(a)(1); and any other game not authorized by Article X, section 15, whether or not defined as a slot machine, in which outcomes are determined by random chance, randomly, such as instant or historical racing. As used herein, "casino gambling" includes any electronic gambling devices, simulated gambling devices, video lottery devices, internet sweepstakes devices, and any other form of electronic or electromechanical facsimiles of any game of chance, slot machine, or casino-style game, including but not limited to card games, such as baccarat, chemin de fer, blackjack, and pai gow. As used herein, "casino gambling" does not include pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing, dog racing, or jai alai exhibitions. For purposes of this section, "gambling" and "gaming" are synonymous. (c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to limit the right of the Legislature to exercise its authority through general law to restrict, regulate, or tax any gaming or gambling activities. In addition, nothing herein shall be construed to limit the ability of the state or Native American tribes to negotiate gaming compacts pursuant to the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act for the conduct of casino gambling on tribal lands, or to affect any existing gambling on tribal lands pursuant to compacts executed by the state and Native American tribes pursuant to IGRA. (d) This section is effective upon approval by the voters of this state, and no legislative implementation is required. (e) If any part of this section is held invalid for any reason, the remaining portion or portions shall be severed from the invalid portion and given the fullest possible force and effect.

#### NO. 4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4

**BALLOT TITLE:** Voting Restoration Amendment

**BALLOT SUMMARY:** This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of all terms of sentence, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** The precise effect of this amendment on state and local government costs cannot be determined, but the operation of current voter registration laws, combined with an increased number of felons registering to vote, will produce higher overall costs relative to the processes in place today. The impact, if any, on state and local government revenues cannot be determined. The fiscal impact of any future legislation that implements a different process cannot be reasonably determined.

**FULL TEXT:** Article VI, Section 4. Disqualifications.— (a) No person convicted of a felony, or adjudicated in this or any other state to be mentally incompetent, shall be qualified to vote or hold office until restoration of civil rights or removal of disability. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any disqualification from voting arising from a felony conviction shall terminate and voting rights shall be restored upon completion of all terms of sentence, including parole or probation. (b) No person convicted of murder or a felony sexual offense shall be qualified to vote until restoration of civil rights. (bc) No person may appear on the ballot for re-election to any of the following offices: (1) Florida representative,

(2) Florida senator, (3) Florida Lieutenant governor, (4) any office of the Florida cabinet, (5) U.S. Representative from Florida, or (6) U.S. Senator from Florida if, by the end of the current term of office, the person will have served (or, but for resignation, would have served) in that office for eight consecutive years.

#### NO. 5 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 19

**BALLOT TITLE:** Supermajority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize, or Raise State Taxes or Fees

**BALLOT SUMMARY:** Prohibits the legislature from imposing, authorizing, or raising a state tax or fee except by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature in a bill containing no other subject. This proposal does not authorize a state tax or fee otherwise prohibited by the Constitution and does not apply to fees or taxes imposed or authorized to be imposed by a county, municipality, school board, or special district.

**FULL TEXT:** ARTICLE VII FINANCE AND TAXATION SECTION 19. Supermajority vote required to impose, authorize, or raise state taxes or fees.— (a) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO IMPOSE OR AUTHORIZE NEW STATE TAX OR FEE. No new state tax or fee may be imposed or authorized by the legislature except through legislation approved two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the Governor for approval pursuant to Article III, Section 8. (b) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO RAISE STATE TAXES OR FEES. No state tax or fee may be raised by the legislature except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the Governor for approval pursuant to Article III, Section 8. (c) APPLICABILITY. This section does not authorize the imposition of any state tax or fee otherwise prohibited by this Constitution, and does not apply to any tax or fee imposed by, or authorized to be imposed by, a county, municipality, school board, or special district. (d) DEFINITIONS. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings: (1) "Fee" means any charge or payment required by law, including any fee for service, fee or cost for licenses, and charge for service. (2) "Raise" means: a. To increase or authorize an increase in the rate of a state tax or fee imposed on a percentage or per mill basis; b. To increase or authorize an increase in the amount of a state tax or fee imposed on a flat or fixed amount basis; or c. To decrease or eliminate a state tax or fee exemption or credit. (e) SINGLE-SUBJECT. A state tax or fee imposed, authorized, or raised under this section must be contained in a separate bill that contains no other subject.

#### NO. 6 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE I, SECTION 16 ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 8 AND 21 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

**BALLOT TITLE:** Rights of Crime Victims; Judges

**BALLOT SUMMARY:** Creates constitutional rights for victims of crime; requires courts to facilitate victims' access to the justice system; and restores their rights throughout criminal and juvenile justice processes. Requires judges and hearing officers to independently interpret statutes and rules rather than deferring to government agency's interpretation. Raises mandatory retirement age of state justices and judges from seventy to seventy-five years; deletes authorization to complete judicial term if one-half of term has been served by retirement age.

**FULL TEXT:** ARTICLE I DECLARATION OF RIGHTS SECTION 16. Rights of accused and of victims.— (a) In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall, upon demand, be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, and shall be furnished a copy of the charges, and shall have the right to have compulsory process for witnesses, to be confronted at trial adverse witnesses, to be heard in person, by counsel or both, and to have a speedy and public trial by impartial jury in the county where the crime was committed. If the county is not known, the indictment or information may charge venue in two or more counties conjunctively and proof that the crime was committed in that area shall be sufficient; but before pleading the accused may elect in which of those counties the trial will take place. Venue for prosecution of crimes committed beyond the boundaries of the state shall be fixed by law. (b) To preserve and protect the right of crime victims to achieve justice, ensure a meaningful role throughout the criminal and juvenile justice systems for crime victims, and ensure that crime victims' rights and interests are respected and protected by law, a manner so, less, vigorous than protections afforded to criminal defendants and juvenile delinquents, every victim is entitled to the following rights, beginning at the time of his or her victimization: (1) The right to due process and to be treated with fairness and respect for the victim's dignity. (2) The right to be free from intimidation, harassment, and abuse. (3) The right, within the judicial process, to be reasonably protected from the accused and any person acting on behalf of the accused. However, nothing contained herein is intended to create a special relationship between the crime victim and any law enforcement agency or office absent a special relationship or duty as defined by Florida law. (4) The right to have the safety and welfare of the victim and the victim's family considered when setting bail, including setting pretrial release conditions that protect the safety and welfare of the victim and the victim's family. (5) The right to prevent the disclosure of information or records that could be used to locate or harass the victim or the victim's family, or which could disclose confidential or privileged information of the victim. (6) A trial shall have the following specific rights upon request: a. The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of, and to be present at, all public proceedings involving the criminal conduct, including, but not limited to, trial, plea, sentencing, or adjudication, even if the victim will be a witness at the proceeding, notwithstanding any rule to the contrary. A victim shall also be provided a copy of the indictment, and timely notice of any release or escape of the defendant or delinquent, and any proceeding during which a right of the victim is implicated. b. The right to be heard in any public proceeding involving pretrial or other release from any form of legal constraint, plea, sentencing, adjudication, or parole, and any proceeding during which a right of the victim is implicated. c. The right to confer with the prosecuting attorney concerning any plea agreements, participation in pretrial diversion programs, release, restitution, sentencing, or any other disposition of the case. d. The right to provide information regarding the impact of the offender's conduct on the victim and the victim's family to the individual responsible for conducting any presentence investigation or compiling any presentence investigation report, and to have any such information considered in any sentencing recommendations submitted to the court. e. The right to receive a copy of any presentence report, and any other report or record relevant to the exercise of a victim's right, except for such portions made confidential or exempt by law. f. The right to be informed of the conviction, sentence, adjudication, or disposition of the convicted offender, and the scheduled release date of the offender, and the release of or the escape of the offender from custody. g. The right to be informed of all postconviction processes and procedures, to participate in such processes and procedures, to provide information to the

release authority to be considered before any release decision is made, and to be notified of any release decision regarding the offender. The parole or early release authority shall extend the right to be heard to any person harmed by the offender. h. The right to be informed of clemency and expungement procedures, to provide information to the governor, the court, any clemency board, and other authority in these processes, and to have that information considered before a clemency or expungement decision is made; and to be notified of such decision in advance of any release of the offender. (7) The rights of the victim, as provided in subparagraph (6)a., subparagraph (6)b., or subparagraph (6)c., that apply to any first appearance proceeding are satisfied by a reasonable attempt by the appropriate agency to notify the victim and serve related notices as provided. (8) The right to the prompt return of the victim's property when no longer needed as evidence in the case. (9) The right to full and timely restitution in every case and from each convicted offender for all losses suffered, both directly and indirectly, by the victim as a result of the criminal conduct. (10) The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay, and to a prompt and final conclusion of the case and any related postjudgment proceedings. (11) A state attorney may file a good faith demand for a speedy trial and the trial court shall hold a calendar call, with notice, within fifteen days of the filing demand, to schedule a trial to commence on a date at least five days but no more than sixty days after the date of the calendar call unless the trial judge enters an order with specific findings of fact, justifying a trial date more than sixty days after the calendar call. b. All state-level appeals and collateral attacks on any judgment must be complete within two years from the date of appeal in non-capital cases and within five years from the date of appeal in capital cases, unless a court enters an order with specific findings as to why the court was unable to comply with this subparagraph and the circumstances causing the delay. Each year the chief judge of any district court of appeal or the chief justice of the supreme court shall report on a case-by-case basis to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate all cases where the court entered an order regarding inability to comply with this subparagraph. The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subparagraph. (c) The right to be informed of these rights, and to be informed that victims can seek the advice of an attorney with respect to their rights. This information shall be made available to the general public and provided to all crime victims in the form of a card or by other means intended to effectively advise the victim of their rights under this section. (c) The victim, the retained attorney of the victim, a lawful representative of the victim or the chief judge of any district court upon request of the victim, may assert and seek enforcement of the rights enumerated in this section and any other right afforded to a victim by law in any trial or appellate court, or before any other authority with jurisdiction over the case, as a matter of right. The court or other authority with jurisdiction shall act promptly on such a request, affording a remedy by due course of law for the violation of any right. The reasons for any decision regarding the disposition of a victim's right shall be clearly stated on the record. (d) The granting of the rights enumerated in this section to victims may not be construed to deny or impair any other rights possessed by victims. The provisions of this section apply throughout criminal and juvenile justice processes, as self-executing, and do not require implementing legislation. This section shall not be construed to create any cause of action for damages against the state or a political subdivision of the state, or any officer, employee, or agent of the state or its political subdivisions. (e) As used in this section, a "victim" is a person who suffers direct or threatened physical, psychological, or financial harm as a result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime, or the delinquent act or against whom the crime or delinquent act is committed. 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# NOTICE OF ELECTION

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State for Florida, do hereby give notice that the following proposed amendments and revisions to the Florida Constitution will be presented in each county on the 2018 General Election ballot.

**electronic devices and components, parts, and accessories for such products, in which the sale of other products or services is merely incidental.**  
 (d) LEGISLATION. In the next regular legislative session occurring after voter approval of this section, or any amendment to this section, the Florida legislature shall adopt legislation to implement this section, and any amendment to this section, in a manner consistent with its broad purpose and stated terms, and having an effective date no later than July 1 of the year following voter approval. Such legislation shall include, without limitation, civil penalties for violations of this section; provisions for administrative enforcement; and the requirement and authorization of agency rules for implementation and enforcement. **This section does not** Nothing herein shall preclude the legislature from enacting any law constituting or allowing a more restrictive regulation of tobacco smoking or the use of vapor-generating electronic devices than is provided in this section.

**NO. 10  
 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
 ARTICLE III, SECTION 3  
 ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 4 AND 11  
 ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 1 AND 6**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
 State and Local Government Structure and Operation

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
 Requires legislature to retain department of veterans' affairs. Ensures election of sheriffs, property appraisers, supervisors of elections, tax collectors, and clerks of court in all counties; removes county charters' ability to abolish, change term, transfer duties, or eliminate election of these offices. Changes annual legislative session commencement date in even-numbered years from March to January; removes legislature's authorization to fix another date. Creates office of domestic security and counterterrorism within department of law enforcement.

**FULL TEXT:**  
**ARTICLE III  
 LEGISLATURE**  
 SECTION 3. Sessions of the legislature.—  
 (a) ORGANIZATION SESSIONS. On the fourteenth day following each general election the legislature shall convene for the exclusive purpose of organization and selection of officers.  
 (b) REGULAR SESSIONS. A regular session of the legislature shall convene on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March of each odd-numbered year, and on the second first Tuesday after the first Monday in January March, or such other date as may be fixed by law, of each even-numbered year.  
 (c) SPECIAL SESSIONS.  
 (1) The governor, by proclamation stating the purpose, may convene the legislature in special session during which only such legislative business may be transacted as is within the purview of the proclamation, or of a communication from the governor, or is introduced by consent of two-thirds of the membership of each house.  
 (2) A special session of the legislature may be convened as provided by law.  
 (d) LENGTH OF SESSIONS. A regular session of the legislature shall not exceed sixty consecutive days, and a special session shall not exceed twenty consecutive days, unless extended beyond such limit by a three-fifths vote of each house. During such an extension no new business may be taken up in either house without the consent of two-thirds of its membership.  
 (e) ADJOURNMENT. Neither house shall adjourn for more than seventy-two consecutive hours except pursuant to concurrent resolution.  
 (f) ADJOURNMENT BY GOVERNOR. If, during any regular or special session, the two houses cannot agree upon a time for adjournment, the governor may adjourn the session sine die or to any date within the period authorized for such session; provided that, at least twenty-four hours before adjourning the session, and while neither house is in recess, each house shall be given formal written notice of the governor's intention to do so, and agreement reached within that period by both houses on a time for adjournment shall prevail.

**ARTICLE IV  
 EXECUTIVE**  
 SECTION 4. Cabinet.—  
 (a) There shall be a cabinet composed of an attorney general, a chief financial officer, and a commissioner of agriculture. In addition to the powers and duties specified herein, they shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed by law. In the event of a tie vote of the governor and cabinet, the side on which the governor voted shall be deemed to prevail.  
 (b) The attorney general shall be the chief state legal officer. There is created in the office of the attorney general the position of statewide prosecutor.

The statewide prosecutor shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the state attorneys to prosecute violations of criminal laws occurring or having occurred, in two or more judicial circuits as part of a related transaction, or when any such offense is affecting or has affected two or more judicial circuits as provided by general law. The statewide prosecutor shall be appointed by the attorney general from not less than three persons nominated by the judicial nominating commission for the supreme court, or as otherwise provided by general law.  
 (c) The chief financial officer shall serve as the chief fiscal officer of the state, and shall settle and approve accounts against the state, and shall keep all state funds and securities.  
 (d) The commissioner of agriculture shall have supervision of matters pertaining to agriculture except as otherwise provided by law.  
 (e) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, and the attorney general shall constitute the state board of administration, which shall succeed to all the power, control, and authority of the state board of administration established pursuant to Article IX, Section 16 of the Constitution of 1885, and which shall continue as a body at least for the life of Article XII, Section 9(c).  
 (f) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, the attorney general, and the commissioner of agriculture shall constitute the trustees of the internal improvement trust fund and the land acquisition trust fund as provided by law.  
 (g) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, the attorney general, and the commissioner of agriculture shall constitute the agency head of the Department of Law Enforcement. **The Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism is created within the Department of Law Enforcement. The Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism shall provide support for prosecutors and federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies that investigate or analyze information relating to attempts or acts of terrorism or that prosecute terrorism, and shall perform any other duties that are provided by law.**  
**SECTION 11. Department of Veterans' Veterans Affairs.**—The legislature, by general law, shall provide for a may provide for the establishment of the Department of Veterans' Veterans Affairs and prescribe its duties. The head of the department is the governor and cabinet.

**ARTICLE VIII  
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
 SECTION 1. Counties.—  
 (a) POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. The state shall be divided by law into political subdivisions called counties. Counties may be created, abolished or changed by law, with provision for payment or apportionment of the public debt.  
 (b) COUNTY FUNDS. The care, custody and method of disbursing county funds shall be provided by general law.  
 (c) GOVERNMENT. Pursuant to general or special law, a county government may be established by charter which shall be adopted, amended or repealed only upon vote of the electors of the county in a special election called for that purpose.  
 (d) COUNTY OFFICERS. There shall be elected by the electors of each county, for terms of four years, a sheriff, a tax collector, a property appraiser, a supervisor of elections, and a clerk of the circuit court; except, when provided by county charter or special law approved by vote of the electors of the county, any county officer may be chosen in another manner therein specified, or any county officer may be abolished when all the duties of the office prescribed by general law are transferred to another office. Unless When not otherwise provided by county charter or special law approved by vote of the electors or pursuant to Article V, section 16, the clerk of the circuit court shall be ex officio clerk of the board of county commissioners, auditor, recorder and custodian of all county funds.  
 (e) COUNTY CHARTERS. The charter of this article, a county charter may not abolish the office of a sheriff, a tax collector, a property appraiser, a supervisor of elections, or a clerk of the circuit court; transfer the duties of those officers to another officer or office; change the length of the four-year term of office; or establish any manner of selection other than by election by the electors of the county.  
 (f) COMMISSIONERS. Except when otherwise provided by county charter, the governing body of each county shall be a board of county commissioners composed of five or seven members serving staggered terms of four years. After each decennial census the board of county commissioners shall divide the county into districts of contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable. One commissioner residing in each district shall be elected as provided by law.  
 (g) NON-CHARTER GOVERNMENT. Counties not operating under county charters shall have such power of self-

government as is provided by general or special law. The board of county commissioners of a county not operating under a charter may enact, in a manner prescribed by general law, county ordinances not inconsistent with general or special law, but an ordinance in conflict with a municipal ordinance shall not be effective within the municipality to the extent of such conflict.  
 (g) CHARTER GOVERNMENT. Counties operating under county charters shall have all powers of local self-government not inconsistent with general law, or with special law approved by vote of the electors. The governing body of a county operating under a charter may enact county ordinances not inconsistent with general law. The charter shall provide which shall prevail in the event of conflict between county and municipal ordinances.  
 (h) TAXES; LIMITATION. Property situate within municipalities shall not be subject to taxation for services rendered by the county exclusively for the benefit of the property or residents in unincorporated areas.  
 (i) COUNTY ORDINANCES. Each county ordinance shall be filed with the custodian of state records and shall become effective at such time thereafter as is provided by general law.  
 (j) VIOLATION OF ORDINANCES. Persons violating county ordinances shall be prosecuted and punished as provided by law.  
 (k) COUNTY SEAT. In every county there shall be a county seat at which shall be located the principal offices and permanent records of all county officers. The county seat may not be moved except as provided by general law. Branch offices for the conduct of county business may be established elsewhere in the county by resolution of the governing body of the county in the manner prescribed by law. No instrument shall be deemed recorded until filed at the county seat, or a branch office designated by the governing body of the county for the recording of instruments, according to law.  
**SECTION 6. Schedule to Article VIII.—**  
 (a) This article shall replace all of Article VIII of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, except those sections expressly retained and made a part of this article by reference.  
 (b) COUNTIES; COUNTY SEATS; MUNICIPALITIES; DISTRICTS. The status of the following items as they exist on the date this article becomes effective is recognized and shall be continued until changed in accordance with law: the counties of the state; their status with respect to the legality of the sale of intoxicating liquors, wines and beers; the method of selection of county officers; the performance of municipal functions by county officers; the county seats; and the municipalities and special districts of the state, their powers, jurisdiction and government.  
 (c) OFFICERS TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE. Every person holding office when this article becomes effective shall continue in office for the remainder of the term if that office is not abolished. If the office is abolished the incumbent shall be paid adequate compensation, to be fixed by law, for the loss of emoluments for the unexpired term.  
 (d) ORDINANCES. Local laws relating only to unincorporated areas of a county on the effective date of this article may be amended or repealed by county ordinance.  
 (e) CONSOLIDATION AND HOME RULE. Article VIII, Sections 9, 10, 11 and 24, of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect as to each county affected, as if this article had not been adopted, until that county shall expressly adopt a charter or home rule plan pursuant to this article. All provisions of the Metropolitan Dade County Home Rule Charter, heretofore or hereafter adopted by the electors of Dade County pursuant to Article VII, Section 11, of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, shall be valid, and any amendments to such charter shall be valid; provided that the said provisions of such charter and the said amendments thereto are authorized under said Article VIII, Section 11, of the Constitution of 1885, as amended.  
 (f) DADE COUNTY; POWERS CONFERRED UPON MUNICIPALITIES. To the extent not inconsistent with the powers of existing municipalities or general law, the Metropolitan Government of Dade County may exercise all the powers conferred now or hereafter by general law upon municipalities.  
**SECTION 7. SELECTION AND DUTIES OF COUNTY OFFICERS.—**  
 (1) Except as provided in this subsection, the amendment to Section 1 of this article, relating to the selection and duties of county officers, shall take effect January 5, 2021, but shall govern with respect to the qualifying for and the holding of the primary and general elections for county constitutional officers in 2020.  
 (2) In Miami-Dade County and Broward County, the amendment to Section 1 of this article, relating to the selection and duties of county officers, shall take

effect January 7, 2025, but shall govern with respect to the qualifying for and the holding of the primary and general elections for county constitutional officers in 2024.  
**(1)(g) DELETION OF OBSOLETE SCHEDULE ITEMS.** The legislature shall have power, by joint resolution, to delete from this article any subsection of this Section 6, including this subsection, when all events to which the subsection to be deleted is or could become applicable have occurred. A legislative determination of fact made as a basis for application of this subsection shall be subject to judicial review.

**NO. 11  
 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
 ARTICLE I, SECTION 2  
 ARTICLE X, SECTIONS 9 AND 19**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
 Property Rights; Removal of Obsolete Provision; Criminal Statutes

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
 Removes discriminatory language related to real property rights. Removes obsolete language repealed by voters. Deletes provision that amendment of a criminal statute will not affect prosecution or penalties for a crime committed before the amendment; retains current provision allowing prosecution of a crime committed before the repeal of a criminal statute.

**FULL TEXT:**  
**ARTICLE I  
 DECLARATION OF RIGHTS**  
**SECTION 2. Basic rights.**—All natural persons, female and male alike, are equal before the law and have inalienable rights, among which are the right to enjoy and defend life and liberty, to pursue happiness, to be rewarded for industry, and to acquire, possess and protect property; except that the ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship may be regulated or prohibited by law. No person shall be deprived of any right because of race, religion, national origin, or physical disability.

**ARTICLE X  
 MISCELLANEOUS**  
**SECTION 9. Repeal of criminal statutes.**—Repeal or amendment of a criminal statute shall not affect prosecution or punishment for any crime previously committed before such repeal.  
**SECTION 19. Repealed High-speed ground transportation system.**—To reduce traffic congestion and provide alternatives to the traveling public, it is hereby declared to be in the public interest that a high-speed ground transportation system consisting of a monorail, fixed guideway or magnetic levitation system, capable of speeds in excess of 120 miles per hour, be developed and operated in the State of Florida to provide high speed ground transportation by innovative, efficient, and effective technologies consisting of dedicated rails or guideways separated from motor-vehicular traffic that will link the five largest urban areas of the State as determined by the Legislature and provide for access to existing air- and ground transportation facilities and services. The Legislature, the Cabinet, and the Governor are hereby directed to proceed with the development of such a system by the State and/or by a private entity pursuant to state approval and authorization, including the acquisition-of-right-of-way, the financing of design and construction of the system, and the operation of the system, as provided by specific appropriation and by law, with construction to begin on or before November 4, 2003.

**NO. 12  
 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
 ARTICLE II, SECTION 8  
 ARTICLE V, SECTION 13  
 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
 Lobbying and Abuse of Office by Public Officers

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
 Expands current restrictions on lobbying for compensation by former public officers; creates restrictions on lobbying for compensation by serving public officers and former justices and judges; provides exceptions; prohibits abuse of a public position by public officers and employees to obtain a personal benefit.

**FULL TEXT:**  
**ARTICLE II  
 GENERAL PROVISIONS**  
**SECTION 8. Ethics in government.**—A public officer is a public trust. The people shall have the right to secure and sustain that trust against abuse. To assure this right:  
 (a) All elected constitutional officers and candidates for such offices and, as may be determined by law, other public officers, candidates, and employees shall file full and public disclosure of their financial interests.  
 (b) All elected public officers and

candidates for such offices shall file full and public disclosure of their campaign finances.  
 (c) Any public officer or employee who breaches the public trust for private gain and any person or entity inducing such breach shall be liable to the state for all financial benefits obtained by such actions. The manner of recovery and additional damages may be provided by law.  
 (d) Any public officer or employee who is convicted of a felony involving a breach of public trust shall be subject to forfeiture of rights and privileges under a public retirement system or pension plan in such manner as may be provided by law.  
 (e) No member of the legislature or statewide elected officer shall personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the government body or agency of which the individual was an officer or member for a period of two years following vacation of office. No member of the legislature shall personally represent another person or entity for compensation during term of office before any state agency other than judicial tribunals, similar restrictions on other public officers and employees may be established by law.  
 (f)(1) For purposes of this subsection, the term "public officer" means a statewide elected officer, a member of the legislature, a county commissioner, a county officer pursuant to Article VIII or county charter, a school board member, a superintendent of schools, an elected municipal officer, an elected special district officer in a special district with ad valorem taxing authority, or a person serving as a secretary, an executive director, or other agency head of a department of the executive branch of state government.  
 (2) A public officer shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement before the federal government, the legislature, any state government body or agency, or any political subdivision of this state, during his or her term of office.  
 (3) A public officer shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement for a period of six years after vacation of public position, as follows:  
 a. A statewide elected officer or member of the legislature shall not lobby the legislature or any state government body or agency.  
 b. A person serving as a secretary, an executive director, or other agency head of a department of the executive branch of state government shall not lobby the legislature, the governor, the executive office of the governor, members of the cabinet, a department that is headed by a member of the cabinet, or his or her former department.  
 c. A county commissioner, a county officer pursuant to Article VIII or county charter, a school board member, a superintendent of schools, an elected municipal officer, or an elected special district officer in a special district with ad valorem taxing authority shall not lobby his or her former agency or governing body.  
 (4) This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit a public officer from carrying out the duties of his or her public office.  
 (5) The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subsection, including, but not limited to, defining terms and providing penalties for violations. Any such law shall not contain provisions on any other subject.  
 (g)(f) There shall be an independent commission to conduct investigations and make public reports on all complaints concerning breach of public trust by public officers or employees not within the jurisdiction of the judicial qualifications commission.  
 (h)(1)(g) A code of ethics for all state employees and nonjudicial officers prohibiting conflict between public duty and private interests shall be prescribed by law.  
 (2) A public officer or public employee shall not abuse his or her public position in order to obtain a disproportionate benefit for himself or herself, his or her spouse, children, or employee, or for any business with which he or she contracts, in which he or she is an officer, a partner, a director, or a proprietor, or in which he or she owns an interest. The Florida Commission on Ethics shall, by rule in accordance with statutory procedures governing administrative rulemaking, define the term "disproportionate benefit" and prescribe the requisite intent for finding a violation of this prohibition for purposes of enforcing this paragraph. Appropriate penalties shall be prescribed by law.  
 (i)(f) This section shall not be construed to limit disclosures and prohibitions which may be established by law to preserve the public trust and avoid conflicts between public duties and private interests.  
 (j)(f) Schedule—On the effective date of this amendment and until changed by law:  
 (1) Full and public disclosure of financial interests shall mean filing with the custodian of state records by July 1 of each year a sworn statement showing net worth and identifying each asset and

liability in excess of \$1,000 and its value together with one of the following:  
 a. A copy of the person's most recent federal income tax return; or  
 b. A sworn statement which identifies each separate source and amount of income which exceeds \$1,000. The forms for such source disclosure and the rules under which they are to be filed shall be prescribed by the independent commission established in subsection (g) (f), and such rules shall include disclosure of secondary sources of income.  
 (2) Persons holding statewide elective offices shall also file disclosure of their financial interests pursuant to paragraph (1) subsection (j)(f).  
 (3) The independent commission provided for in subsection (g) (f) shall mean the Florida Commission on Ethics.

**ARTICLE V  
 JUDICIARY**  
**SECTION 13. Ethics in the judiciary**  
**Prohibited activities.**—  
 (a) All justices and judges shall devote full time to their judicial duties. A justice or judge shall not engage in the practice of law or hold office in any political party.  
 (b) A former justice or former judge shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement before the legislative or executive branches of state government for a period of six years after he or she vacates his or her judicial position. The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subsection, including, but not limited to, defining terms and providing penalties for violations. Any such law shall not contain provisions on any other subject.

**ARTICLE XII  
 SCHEDULE**  
**Prohibitions regarding lobbying for compensation and abuse of public position by public officers and public employees.**—The amendments to Section 8 of Article II and Section 13 of Article V shall take effect December 31, 2022, except that the amendments to Section 8(h) of Article II shall take effect December 31, 2020, and:  
 (a) The Florida Commission on Ethics shall, by rule, define the term "disproportionate benefit" and prescribe the requisite intent for finding a violation of the prohibition against abuse of public position by October 1, 2019, as specified in Section 8(h) of Article II.  
 (b) Following the adoption of rules pursuant to subsection (a), the legislature shall enact implementing legislation establishing penalties for violations of the prohibition against abuse of public position to take effect December 31, 2020.

**NO. 13  
 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
 ARTICLE X, NEW SECTION  
 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
 Ends Dog Racing

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
 Phases out commercial dog racing in connection with wagering by 2020. Other gaming activities are not affected.

**FULL TEXT:**  
**ARTICLE X  
 MISCELLANEOUS**  
**Prohibition on racing of and wagering on greyhounds or other dogs.**—The humane treatment of animals is a fundamental value of the people of the State of Florida. After December 31, 2020, a person authorized to conduct gaming or pari-mutuel operations may not race greyhounds or any member of the *Canis familiaris* subspecies in connection with any wager for money or any other thing of value in this state, and persons in this state may not wager money or any other thing of value on the outcome of a live dog race occurring in this state. The failure to conduct greyhound racing or wagering on greyhound racing after December 31, 2018, does not constitute grounds to revoke or deny renewal of other related gaming licenses held by a person who is a licensed greyhound permit holder on January 1, 2018, and does not affect the eligibility of such permit holder, or such permit holder's facility, to conduct other pari-mutuel activities authorized by general law. By civil or criminal penalties for violations of this section and for activities that aid or abet violations of this section.

**ARTICLE XII  
 SCHEDULE**  
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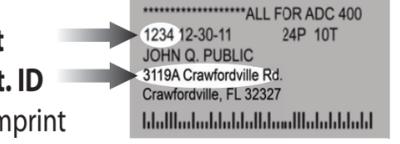
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# AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

## PROPUESTAS DE ENMIENDAS Y REVISIONES CONSTITUCIONALES PARA LA ELECCION GENERAL DEL 2018

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### N.º 1 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VII, SECCIÓN 6 ARTÍCULO XII, SECCIÓN 37

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**  
Aumento de la Exención sobre los Impuestos a la Propiedad de la Vivienda Familiar (*Homesstead*)

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de aumentar la exención fiscal de la vivienda familiar mediante la exención de la tasación fiscal de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar superior a \$100,000 y hasta \$125,000 para todos los gravámenes, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares. La enmienda entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

ARTÍCULO VII  
FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN  
SECCIÓN 6. Exenciones fiscales para la vivienda familiar. —

(a) Todas las personas que tengan titularidad legal o equitativa sobre bienes raíces y mantengan los mismos como residencia permanente del propietario, u otra que dependa legal o naturalmente del propietario, quedarán exentos de la tributación sobre los mismos, a excepción de las imposiciones para beneficios especiales, hasta la tasación fiscal de veinticinco mil dólares y, respecto a todos los otros gravámenes a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, hasta la tasación fiscal superior a cincuenta mil dólares y hasta setenta y cinco mil dólares, y sobre la tasación fiscal superior a cien mil dólares y hasta ciento veinticinco mil dólares, una vez que se establezca el derecho sobre estos según lo prescribe la ley. La titularidad sobre los bienes raíces podrá ser legal o equitativa, mancomunada, solidaria, en común, como condominio, o indirectamente mediante la tenencia de acciones o la participación que representen el derecho del propietario o socio en una sociedad que tenga el dominio o los derechos de arrendamiento que inicialmente superen noventa y ocho años. La exención no se aplicará respecto a ningún registro de evaluación hasta que primero un organismo estatal designado por la ley general determine que dicho registro cumple las disposiciones de la Sección 4. Esta exención se revocará a la fecha de entrada en vigencia de cualquier enmienda a este Artículo que disponga la tasación de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar a un valor inferior al valor justo.

(b) No se le permitirá más de una exención a ninguna persona o unidad familiar respecto a ninguna unidad residencial. Ninguna exención superará el valor de los bienes raíces tasables permitiendo la exención de la tasación de los bienes raíces o participación en una sociedad, el valor de la proporción que devengue de la membresía en la corporación sobre el valor tasado de la propiedad.

(c) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarles a los arrendatarios que sean residentes permanentes una reducción fiscal ad valorem sobre todos los gravámenes fiscales ad valorem. Dicha reducción fiscal ad valorem se establecerá de la forma y en el monto que disponga la ley general.

(d) El poder legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, permitirles a los condados o municipios, para efectos de sus gravámenes fiscales respectivos y con sujeción a las disposiciones de la ley general, conceder cualquiera de las siguientes exenciones fiscales adicionales para la vivienda familiar o ambas:

(1) Una exención que no supere cincuenta mil dólares para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre los bienes raíces y mantenga en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar no superen veinte mil dólares; o

(2) Una exención equivalente al valor tasado de la propiedad para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre los bienes raíces con un valor justo inferior a doscientos cincuenta mil dólares, según se determine en el primer año fiscal que aplique el propietario y que cumpla los requisitos para la exención, y que haya mantenido la misma como residencia permanente del propietario durante al menos veinticinco años, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar no superen la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en el párrafo (1). La ley general debe permitirles a los condados y municipios conceder dichas exenciones adicionales, dentro de los límites que se prescriben en esta sección del veterano, según lo ordena que se adopte de la manera que lo prescribe la ley general, y debe disponer el ajuste periódico de la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en esta subsección respecto a los cambios en el costo de vida.

(e) Cada veterano que tenga 65 años o más y que se encuentre total o parcialmente discapacitado recibirá un descuento del monto del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la propiedad de la vivienda familiar que posea el veterano y donde el mismo resida si la discapacidad hubiera sido causada por el combate y el veterano hubiera sido dado de baja con honor tras retirarse del servicio militar. El descuento se expresará en un porcentaje equivalente al porcentaje de la discapacidad permanente vinculada al servicio del veterano, según lo determine el Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos. Para optar al descuento que concede esta subsección, el solicitante debe presentarle al tasador de propiedades del condado, a más tardar el 1 de marzo, una carta oficial del Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos mediante la que se indique el porcentaje de la discapacidad vinculada al servicio del veterano y las pruebas que demuestren de manera razonable que la discapacidad fue causada por el combate, así como también una copia de la baja honorable del veterano. Si el tasador de propiedades rechaza la solicitud de descuento, el tasador debe notificarle al solicitante por escrito los motivos del rechazo, y el veterano podrá volver a realizar la solicitud. El Poder Legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, ordenar el requerimiento anual de solicitudes en los años posteriores. Esta subsección tiene efecto inmediato y no necesita legislación de implementación.

(f) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones y limitaciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarle una deducción fiscal ad valorem equivalente al monto total o un parte del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la propiedad de la vivienda familiar a:

(1) La cónyuge sobreviviente de un veterano que haya muerto durante su servicio activo en calidad de miembro de las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos.

(2) La cónyuge sobreviviente de un miembro de primeros auxilios que haya muerto en acto de servicio.

(3) Un miembro de primeros auxilios que se encuentre totalmente y permanentemente discapacitado a causa de una lesión o lesiones que haya sufrido en acto de servicio. La conexión causal entre una discapacidad y el acto de servicio no debe presumirse, sino que debe determinarse según lo dispone la ley general. Para efectos de este párrafo,

el término "discapacidad" no incluye una condición crónica o enfermedad crónica, a menos que la lesión que se haya sufrido en acto de servicio hubiera sido la única causa de la condición crónica y la enfermedad crónica.

Según se usa en esta subsección y según lo define más extensamente la ley general, el término "primeros auxilios" hace referencia a un oficial de la policía, un oficial correccional, un bombero, un técnico médico de emergencia o un paramédico, y el término "en servicio activo" significa que surge a raíz del desempeño real del servicio que sea necesario en virtud del trabajo como miembro de primeros auxilios.

ARTÍCULO XII  
ANEXO

SECCIÓN 37. Aumento de exención fiscal para la vivienda familiar. —Esta sección y la enmienda a la Sección 6 del Artículo VII mediante las que se aumenta la exención fiscal para la vivienda familiar a través de la exención de la tasación fiscal de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar superior a \$100,000 y hasta \$125,000 para todos los gravámenes, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

N.º 2 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO XII, SECCIÓN 27

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Limitaciones sobre las Tasaciones Fiscales de las Propiedades

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de conservar de manera permanente las disposiciones actualmente vigentes, las que limitan el aumento de las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades en propiedades determinadas específicas que no sean destinadas a la vivienda familiar, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, a un 10% anual. Si se aprueba, la enmienda eliminará la revocación programada de dichas disposiciones para el 2019 y entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

ARTÍCULO XII  
ANEXO

SECCIÓN 27. Exenciones fiscales sobre las propiedades y limitaciones sobre las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades. —(a) Las enmiendas a las Secciones 3, 4 y 6 del Artículo VII, que disponen una exención de \$25,000 para los bienes muebles tangibles, que disponen una exención fiscal adicional para la propiedad de la vivienda principal de \$25,000, que autorizan el traspaso de los beneficios acumulados de las limitaciones de inscripción de votantes, así como el mayor número de personas condenadas por delitos graves que se inscriban para votar, producirá mayores costos generales en relación a los procesos que existen actualmente. El enero de 2008, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y operarán de manera retroactiva hasta el 1 de enero de 2008 o, si se le presentan a los electores en este estado para su aprobación o rechazo a la próxima elección general, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero del año posterior a dicha elección general. Las enmiendas a la Sección 4 del Artículo VII mediante las que se crean las subsecciones (g) (f) y (h)(g) de dicha sección, mediante las que se crea una limitación sobre el aumento de la tasación anual sobre las propiedades determinadas específicas, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2009, si se aprueban en una elección especial que se realice el 29 de enero de 2008, o primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2010, si se aprueban en la elección general que se realice en noviembre de 2008. Las subsecciones (f) y (g) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII se revocan con fecha anterior a 2019, y el cargo de poder legislativo mediante resolución conjunta, propondrá una enmienda mediante la que se abrogue la revocación de las subsecciones (f) y (g), la que se les presentará a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la elección general de 2018 y, si se aprueba, entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

(b) La enmienda a la subsección (a) de esta sección, que abroga la revocación programada de las subsecciones (g) y (h) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII de la Constitución del Estado que existía en 2017 entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

N.º 3 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO X, SECCIÓN 29

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Control de Apuestas en Florida por parte de los Votantes

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

La presente enmienda garantiza que los votantes de Florida tengan el derecho exclusivo a decidir si autorizar o no las apuestas en los casinos, exigiendo que para que estas sean autorizadas conforme a la ley de Florida, deban ser primero aprobadas por los votantes de Florida de conformidad con el Artículo XI, Sección 3 de la Constitución de Florida. Afecta los artículos X y XI. Define las apuestas en casinos y aclara que la presente enmienda no discrepa con la ley federal respecto a los convenios entre tribus y el estado.

**DECLARACIÓN DE IMPACTO FINANCIERO:**

El impacto de la enmienda en los ingresos públicos y costos del gobierno estatal y local, si los hubiere, no pueden determinarse en este momento. Esto debido a que se desconoce su efecto en las operaciones de apuestas que no hayan sido aprobadas por los votantes mediante una enmienda constitucional propuesta a través de artículo. La petición de iniciativa por parte de los ciudadanos.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

EL ARTÍCULO X DE LA CONSTITUCIÓN DE FLORIDA se enmienda para que incluya la siguiente nueva sección:

Control de Apuestas en Florida por parte de los Votantes.

(a) La presente enmienda garantiza que los votantes de Florida tengan el derecho exclusivo a decidir si autorizar o no las apuestas en casinos en el Estado de Florida. La presente enmienda requiere del voto mediante una iniciativa de los ciudadanos de conformidad con el Artículo XI, Sección 3, para que las apuestas en casinos sean autorizadas conforme a la ley de Florida. Esta sección enmienda el presente Artículo, y además se aplica al hacer que las iniciativas de los ciudadanos sean el método exclusivo de autorizar las apuestas en casinos.

(b) Según se utiliza en la presente sección, "apuestas en casinos" hace referencia a cualquiera de los tipos de juegos que suelen encontrarse en los casinos y que se ajustan a la definición de juegos Clase III de la *Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act* y *Federal de Regulación de Juegos* antes la Población Indígena, 25 U.S.C. § 2701 y ss. ("IGRA"), y en el 25 C.F.R. § 502.4, una vez que se adopte la presente enmienda, y cualquiera que se agregue a dicha definición de juegos Clase III en el futuro. Esto incluye, sin limitación, cualquier juego donde la casa participe y pueda ganar, lo que incluye, sin limitación, juegos de cartas como bacará, chemin de fer, blackjack, (21) y pai gow (si se aplican las reglas de juego donde la casa participe) cualquier juego bancario por los jugadores que simule un juego donde la casa participe, como el black jack de California; juegos de casino como la ruleta, el pase inglés y el keno; cualquier máquina tragamonedas según se definen en 15 U.S.C. 1171(a)(1); y cualquier otro juego no autorizado por el Artículo X, Sección 15, ya sea si se define como una máquina tragamonedas o no, en el momento en que sean determinados por un generador de números aleatorios o se asignen de manera similar al azar, como *instant o historical racing*. Según se utiliza en el presente, "apuestas en casinos" incluye dispositivos electrónicos de apuestas, dispositivos de apuestas simuladas, dispositivos de video lotería, dispositivos de concursos por Internet, y

cualquier otra forma de réplica electrónica o electromecánica de cualquier juego de azar, máquina tragamonedas, o juego de casino, independientemente de la manera en que dichos dispositivos sean definidos conforme a la IGRA. Según se utiliza en el presente, "apuestas en casinos" no incluye apuestas mutuas en carreras de caballos, carreras de perros o exhibiciones de castor. Para efectos de la presente sección, "apuestas" y "juegos" son sinónimos.

(c) Ninguna disposición aquí empleada se considerará como que limita el derecho del Congreso a ejercer su autoridad a través de la ley general para restringir, regular o gravar cualquier actividad de apuestas o juegos. Además, ninguna disposición aquí empleada se interpretará como que limita la capacidad del estado o de las tribus americanas nativas de negociar convenios en materia de juegos de conformidad con la *Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act* con el fin de realizar apuestas en casinos en tierras tribales, o de afectar las apuestas existentes en tierras tribales de conformidad con los convenios formalizados por el estado y las tribus americanas nativas según establece la IGRA.

(d) La presente sección tiene vigencia una vez aprobada por los votantes, tiene efecto inmediato y no se requiere ninguna implementación legislativa.

(e) Si cualquier parte de la presente sección se considera inválida por cualquier razón, la parte o partes restantes serán separadas de la parte inválida y se les asignará la mayor vigencia posible.

N.º 4 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VI, SECCIÓN 4

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Enmienda de Restablecimiento de Derechos al Voto

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

La presente enmienda restablece los derechos de votación de los Floridianos que han sido condenados por delitos graves después de que cumplan todos los términos de su sentencia, lo que incluye la libertad condicional o provisional. La enmienda no regiría para aquellos condenados por homicidio o delitos sexuales, a quienes se les seguiría prohibiendo de manera permanente votar, a menos que el Gobernador y el Gabinete votaran para restablecer sus derechos de votación según cada caso en particular.

**DECLARACIÓN DE IMPACTO FINANCIERO:**

Los efectos precisos de la presente enmienda en los costos del gobierno estatal y local no pueden determinarse. Sin embargo, la vigencia de las leyes actuales de inscripción de votantes, así como el mayor número de personas condenadas por delitos graves que se inscriban para votar, producirá mayores costos generales en relación a los procesos que existen actualmente. El enero de 2008, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y operarán de manera retroactiva hasta el 1 de enero de 2008 o, si se le presentan a los electores en este estado para su aprobación o rechazo a la próxima elección general, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero del año posterior a dicha elección general. Las enmiendas a la Sección 4 del Artículo VII mediante las que se crean las subsecciones (g) (f) y (h)(g) de dicha sección, mediante las que se crea una limitación sobre el aumento de la tasación anual sobre las propiedades determinadas específicas, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2009, si se aprueban en una elección especial que se realice el 29 de enero de 2008, o primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2010, si se aprueban en la elección general que se realice en noviembre de 2008. Las subsecciones (f) y (g) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII se revocan con fecha anterior a 2019, y el cargo de poder legislativo mediante resolución conjunta, propondrá una enmienda mediante la que se abrogue la revocación de las subsecciones (f) y (g), la que se les presentará a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la elección general de 2018 y, si se aprueba, entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

Artículo VI, Sección 4. Descalificación.

(a) Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por un delito grave, o que haya sido declarada mentalmente incompetente en este o cualquier otro estado, estará habilitada para votar u ocupar un cargo público hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles o hasta que desaparezca su discapacidad. Salvo según se disponga en la subsección, (b) de la presente sección, cualquier descalificación votar que surja a raíz de una condena por delito grave se extinguirá, y los derechos de votación se restablecerán, una vez que se cumplan todos los términos de la sentencia, incluyendo la libertad condicional o provisional.

(b) Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por homicidio o por un delito sexual grave estará habilitada para votar hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles.

(c) Ninguna persona podrá ser candidata a la elección para ninguno de los siguientes cargos:

(1) Representante de Florida,

(2) Senador de Florida,

(3) Vicegobernador de Florida,

(4) Cualquier cargo del gabinete de Florida,

(5) Representante de EE. UU. de Florida, o

(6) Senador de EE. UU. de Florida Si, al término del período de su cargo, la persona ha ocupado (o, si no fuera por renuncia, hubiera ocupado) dicho cargo por ocho años consecutivos.

N.º 5 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VII, SECCIÓN 19

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Voto Mayoritario Requerido para Imponer, Autorizar o Aumentar los Impuestos o Tasas Estatales

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Se prohíbe al sistema legislativo imponer, autorizar o aumentar los impuestos o tasas estatales, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación a través de una ley que no contenga ninguna otra materia. Esta propuesta no autoriza un impuesto o tasa estatal que esté prohibido por la Constitución y no aplica a ningún impuesto o tasa impuesta por, o autorizada para su imposición por, un condado, municipalidad, junta escolar o distrito especial.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

ARTÍCULO VII  
FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 19. Para imponer, autorizar o elevar los impuestos o tasas estatales se requiere una mayoría calificada de votos. —

(a) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA IMPONER O AUTORIZAR NUEVOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS ESTATALES. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser impuestos o autorizados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(b) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA AUMENTAR LOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser aumentados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(c) APLICABILIDAD. Esta sección no autoriza la imposición de ningún impuesto o tasa estatal que estén prohibidos por la Constitución y no aplica a ningún impuesto o tasa impuesta por, o autorizada para su imposición por, un condado, municipalidad, junta escolar o distrito especial.

(d) DEFINICIONES. Conforme serán utilizados en esta sección, los siguientes términos contarán con los siguientes significados:

(1) "Tasa" se refiere a cualquier cobro o pago requerido por la ley, incluyendo tasas de servicio, tasas o costos de emisión de licencias, y cargos por servicios.

(2) "Aumento" se refiere a: a. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la tasa de un impuesto estatal o una tasa impuesta sobre una base porcentual o por cada mil; b. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la cantidad de impuestos o tasas estatales que son calculados sobre una base plana o por cada mil; c. Disminuir o eliminar una exoneración o crédito sobre un impuesto o tasa estatal.

(e) MATERIA ÚNICA. Los impuestos o tasas estatales impuestos, autorizados o aumentados bajo esta sección deben estar contenidos en una ley separada que no contenga ninguna otra materia.

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**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Derechos de las Víctimas de Delitos; Jueces

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**

Establece derechos constitucionales para las víctimas de delitos; exige que los tribunales faciliten los derechos de las víctimas; autoriza a las víctimas a hacer respetar sus derechos durante los procesos penales y de justicia juvenil. Exige que los jueces y los oficiales de audiencia interpreten de manera independiente los estatutos y las reglas en lugar de deferir a la interpretación de la agencia gubernamental. Aumenta la edad obligatoria de jubilación de jueces y magistrados estatales desde setenta a setenta y cinco años; elimina la autorización para completar el término judicial si la mitad del plazo se ha cumplido antes de la edad de jubilación.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**

ARTÍCULO I  
DECLARACIÓN DE DERECHOS

SECCIÓN 16. Derechos del acusado y de las víctimas. —

(a) En todos los procesamiento penales, el acusado deberá, bajo pedido, ser informado de la naturaleza y causa de la acusación, asimismo se le proporcionará una copia de los cargos, y tendrá derecho a tener un abogado defensor en todo el procedimiento de testigos, a enfrentar testigos adversos en el juicio, a ser escuchado en persona, por un abogado o ambos, y a tener un juicio rápido y público impartido por un jurado imparcial en el condado donde se cometió el crimen. Si no se conoce el condado, la acusación o información podrá cobrar lugar en dos o más condados de manera conjunta y la prueba de que el crimen fue cometido en un estado es suficiente; sin embargo, antes de declararse, el acusado podrá elegir en cuál de estos condados se llevará a cabo el juicio. El lugar para el enjuiciamiento de los delitos cometidos fuera de los límites del estado será fijado por la ley.

(b) Para preservar y proteger el derecho de las víctimas de delitos a alcanzar la justicia, garantizar a las víctimas de delitos un papel significativo en todos los sistemas de justicia penal y juvenil, y asegurar que los derechos e intereses de las víctimas de delitos sean respetados, y protegidos por la ley de una manera no menos vigorosa que las protecciones otorgadas a los acusados penales y delincuentes juveniles, toda víctima tendrá los siguientes derechos, a partir del momento de su victimización:

(1) El derecho al debido proceso y a ser tratado con rectitud y respeto por la dignidad propia.

(2) El derecho a ser libre de intimidación, acoso y abuso.

(3) El derecho, dentro del proceso judicial, de estar razonablemente protegido del acusado y de cualquier persona que actúe en nombre del acusado. Sin embargo, nada de lo contenido en este documento tiene la intención de crear una relación especial entre la víctima y el acusado, o de interferir con la aplicación de la ley que no tenga una relación o deber especial según lo defina la ley de la Florida.

(4) El derecho a tener en cuenta la seguridad y el bienestar de la víctima y de la familia de la víctima al establecer la fianza, incluyendo el establecimiento de condiciones de libertad provisional que protejan la seguridad y el bienestar de la víctima y de la familia de la víctima.

(5) El derecho a evitar la divulgación de información o registros que puedan ser utilizados para localizar o acosar a la víctima o la familia de la víctima, o que puedan revelar información confidencial o privilegiada de la víctima.

(6) Una víctima tendrá los siguientes derechos específicos bajo pedido:

A. El derecho a recibir una notificación razonable, precisa y oportuna, y a estar presente en los procedimientos judiciales, públicos o privados, que involucren la conducta delictiva, incluidos, entre otros: juicio, adjudicación de culpabilidad, sentencia, o adjudicación, incluso si la víctima será un testigo en el procedimiento y a pesar de cualquier regla en lo contrario. A la víctima también se le proporcionará una notificación razonable, precisa y oportuna de cualquier liberación o escape del acusado o del delincuente, y de cualquier procedimiento durante el cual algún derecho de la víctima esté implicado.

B. El derecho a ser escuchado en cualquier procedimiento público que implique la libertad provisional u otro tipo de liberación de cualquier forma de restricción legal, declaración de culpabilidad, sentencia, adjudicación o libertad condicional, y en cualquier procedimiento durante el cual algún derecho de la víctima esté implicado.

C. El derecho de consultar con el fiscal sobre cualquier acuerdo de culpabilidad, participación en programas alternativos previos al juicio, liberación, restitución, sentencia o cualquier otra disposición del caso.

D. El derecho a proporcionar información sobre el impacto de la conducta del delincuente sobre la víctima y la familia de la víctima a la persona responsable de llevar a cabo el procedimiento de sentencia, previa a la sentencia, a cualquier informe de investigación previo a la sentencia, y a hacer considerar cualquier información de este tipo en cualquier recomendación de sentencia presentada al tribunal.

E. El derecho a recibir una copia de cualquier informe previo a la sentencia y cualquier otro informe o registro relevante para el ejercicio del derecho de la víctima, a cualquier persona que sean confidenciales o estén sentas por ley.

F. El derecho a ser informado de la condena, sentencia, adjudicación, lugar y tiempo de encarcelamiento u otra disposición del delincuente convicto, así como de cualquier fecha programada para la excarcelación del delincuente, y de la liberación o el escape del delincuente de la custodia.

G. El derecho a ser informado de todos los procesos y procedimientos posteriores a la condena, a participar en tales procesos y procedimientos, a proporcionar información a la autoridad de liberación para que sea considerada antes de que se tome una decisión de liberación, y a ser notificado de cualquier decisión de liberación con respecto al delincuente. La autoridad de libertad condicional o de libertad anticipada extenderá el derecho a ser escuchado a cualquier persona perjudicada por el delincuente.

H. El derecho a ser informado de los procedimientos de indulto y expurgo, a proporcionar información al gobernador, al tribunal, a cualquier junta de indulto y otras autoridades en estos procedimientos, a que esa información se considere antes de que se tome una decisión de clemencia o expurgo, y a ser notificado de cualquier procedimiento de cualquier liberación del delincuente.

(7) Los derechos de la víctima, según lo dispuesto en el subpárrafo (6) a., subpárrafo (6) b., o subpárrafo (6) c., que apliquen a cualquier primer procedimiento de comparecencia se cumplirán mediante un intento razonable por parte de la agencia competente para notificar a la víctima y transmitir las opiniones de la víctima al tribunal.

(8) El derecho a la pronta devolución de la propiedad de la víctima cuando ya no sea necesaria como evidencia en el caso.

(9) El derecho a la restitución completa y oportuna, en cada caso y por parte de cada delincuente condenado, por motivo de todas las pérdidas sufridas por la víctima como resultado de la conducta delictiva, tanto directa como indirectamente.

(10) El derecho a procedimientos sin demora para la resolución de una demanda final conclusión del caso y de cualquier procedimiento posterior al juicio.

A. El abogado del estado podrá presentar una demanda de buena fe para un juicio rápido, y el tribunal de primera instancia deberá celebrar una audiencia de señalamientos, bajo previo aviso, dentro de los quince días de la presentación de la demanda, para programar un juicio que comience en una fecha de noventa días después de la fecha de la llamada del calendario, a menos que el juez de primera instancia presente una orden con determinaciones de hecho que justifiquen una fecha de prueba más de sesenta días después de la audiencia de señalamientos.

B. Todas las apelaciones a nivel estatal y

los ataques colaterales sobre cualquier sentencia deberán completarse dentro de los dos años posteriores a la apelación en casos que no sean capitales y dentro de los cinco años posteriores a la apelación en casos capitales, a menos que un tribunal dicte una orden con conclusiones específicas acerca de por qué dicho tribunal no pudo cumplir con este subpárrafo y las circunstancias que causaron el retraso. Cada año, el juez principal de cualquier tribunal de apelación del distrito o el presidente de la Suprema Corte informará caso por caso al presidente de la Cámara de Representantes y al presidente del Senado de todos los casos en que dicho tribunal introdujo una orden con respecto a la incapacidad de cumplir con este subpárrafo. La legislación podrá promulgar legislación para implementar este subpárrafo.

(11) El derecho a ser informado de estos derechos, y a ser informado de que las víctimas pueden buscar el consejo de un abogado con respecto a sus derechos. Esta información se pondrá a disposición del público en general y se proporcionará a todas las víctimas de delitos en forma de una tarjeta o por otros medios designados a informar efectivamente a la víctima de sus derechos en virtud de esta sección.

(C) La víctima, el abogado retenido de la víctima, un representante legal de la víctima o la oficina del procurador del Estado, a petición de la víctima, pueden hacer valer y solicitar el cumplimiento de los derechos enumerados en esta sección y cualquier otro derecho otorgado a una víctima por ley en cualquier juicio o tribunal de cualquier instancia, o cualquier otra autoridad con jurisdicción sobre el caso, como cuestión de derecho. El tribunal u otra autoridad con jurisdicción actuará con prontitud sobre dicha solicitud, ofreciendo una solución jurídica de acuerdo con la ley por la violación de cualquier derecho. Las razones de cualquier decisión con respecto a la disposición del derecho de una víctima se indicarán claramente en el registro.

(D) El término "delitos estatales" enumerados en esta sección a las víctimas no puede interpretarse como denegación o menoscabo de otros derechos que poseen las víctimas. Las disposiciones de esta sección se aplican a todos los procesos penales y de justicia juvenil, sin autoexcepciones y no requieren una legislación de implementación. Esta sección no podrá ser interpretada para crear cualquier causa de acción por daños y perjuicios contra el estado o una subdivisión política del estado, o contra cualquier funcionario, empleado o agente del estado o sus subdivisiones políticas.

(E) Como se usa en esta sección, una "víctima" es una persona que sufre daño físico, psicológico o financiero directo o amenazado como resultado de la perpetración o intento de perpetración de un delito o delito delictivo contra quien el delito o acto delictivo es cometido. El término "víctima" incluye al representante legítimo de la víctima, al padre o tutor de un menor o al familiar de una víctima de homicidio, excepto cuando se demuestre que el interés de dicho individuo estaría en conflicto real o potencial con los intereses de la víctima. El término "víctima" no incluye al acusado. Los términos "delito" y "delictivo" incluyen cualquier acto delictivo. Las víctimas de crímenes o sus representantes legítimos, incluidos los familiares de las víctimas de homicidios, tienen derecho a ser informados, a

# AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

## PROPUESTAS DE ENMIENDAS Y REVISIONES CONSTITUCIONALES PARA LA ELECCIÓN GENERAL DEL 2018

Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que las siguientes enmiendas constitucionales propuestas y revisiones estarán presentes en la papeleta de las elecciones generales en cada condado de la elección general del 2018.

hubiese servido, o hubiese servido si no fuese por su renuncia, durante ocho años consecutivos.  
(b) La junta escolar deberá operar, controlar, y supervisar todas las escuelas gratuitas públicas establecidas por la junta escolar del distrito dentro del distrito escolar y deberá determinar la tasa de impuestos del distrito escolar dentro de los límites establecidos en este documento. Dos o más distritos escolares podrán operar y financiar programas educativos comunes.  
**SECCIÓN. Alfabetización cívica. — Como la educación es esencial para la preservación de los derechos y las libertades de las personas, la legislación deberá proveer fondos por ley para la promoción de la alfabetización cívica con el fin de garantizar que los estudiantes matriculados en la educación pública comprendan y estén preparados para ejercer sus derechos y responsabilidades como ciudadanos de una república constitucional.**

**ARTÍCULO XII**  
**APÉNDICE**  
Limitación del mandato para los miembros de la junta escolar del distrito. — Esta sección y la enmienda a la Sección 4 del Artículo IX que imponen límites a los términos de los mandatos de los miembros de la junta escolar del distrito entrarán en vigor en la fecha en que sean aprobadas por el electorado, pero ningún servicio en un mandato que comenzó antes del 6 de noviembre de 2018, se contará en contra de la limitación impuesta por esta enmienda.

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**ARTÍCULO II, SECCIÓN 7**  
**ARTÍCULO X, SECCIÓN 20**

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**  
Prohibición de la Perforación de Petróleo y Gas en Alta Mar; Prohibición del Fumado de Cigarillos Electrónicos en Lugares de Trabajo Encerrados.

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**  
Prohíbe la perforación para la exploración o extracción de petróleo y gas natural debajo de todas las aguas estatales entre la línea de media alta y los límites territoriales más alejados del estado. Agregará restricciones a las instalaciones autorizadas; en el cual el servicio de alimentos, si lo hay, es meramente secundario al consumo de tales bebidas; y que no se encuentre dentro, ni comparte, cualquier entrada o área interior común con ningún otro lugar de trabajo encerrado que incluya cualquier negocio para el cual la venta de alimentos o cualquier otro producto o servicio sea más que una fuente incidental de ingreso para el negocio.  
(9) "Dispositivo electrónico generador de vapor" significa cualquier producto que emplee un medio electrónico, químico o mecánico capaz de producir vapor o aerosol a partir de un producto de nicotina o cualquier otra sustancia, incluidos, entre otros, un cigarrillo electrónico, cigarrillo electrónico, pipa electrónica u otro dispositivo o producto similar, cualquier artículo de recambio para dicho dispositivo, y cualquier otro recipiente de una solución u otra sustancia destinada a ser utilizada con o dentro de un cigarrillo electrónico, cigarrillo electrónico, pipa electrónica u otro dispositivo o producto similar.  
(10) "Minorista de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor" se refiere a cualquier lugar de trabajo encerrado dedicado principalmente a la venta al por menor de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor, y componentes y accesorios para tales productos, en el que la venta de otros productos o servicios sea meramente incidental.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**  
**ARTÍCULO II**  
**PROVISIONES GENERALES**  
**SECCIÓN 7. Recursos naturales y belleza escénica. —**  
(a) Será la política de este estado conservar y proteger sus recursos naturales y belleza escénica. La ley establecerá disposiciones adecuadas para la reducción de la contaminación del aire y el agua y del ruido excesivo e innecesario y para la conservación y protección de los recursos naturales.  
(b) Aquellos en el Área Agrícola de los Everglades que causen contaminación del agua dentro del Área de Protección de los Everglades serán los principales responsables de pagar los costos de la reducción de esa contaminación. Para propósito de esta subsección, los términos "Área Agrícola de los Everglades" y "Área Protegida de los Everglades" tendrán la misma definición como las definiciones contenidas en las leyes en efecto el 1 de enero de 1996.  
(c) Para proteger a la población de Florida y su entorno, la perforación para exploración o extracción de petróleo o gas natural está prohibida en tierras debajo de todas las aguas estatales que no se hayan alienado y que se encuentren entre la línea de media alta y los límites exteriores de los mares territoriales del estado. Esta prohibición no aplica al transporte de productos de petróleo y gas producidos fuera de dichas aguas. Esta subsección es autoejecutable.

**ARTÍCULO X**  
**MISCELÁNEO**  
**SECCIÓN 20. Lugares de trabajo sin humo o vapor de tabaco. —**  
(a) **PROHIBICIÓN.** Como una iniciativa de salud para proteger a las personas de los riesgos de salud del humo y del vapor de tabaco de segunda mano, el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor están prohibidos está prohibido en lugares de trabajo encerrados dentro del estado de Florida. Esta sección no excluye la adopción de ordenanzas que impongan una regulación más restrictiva sobre el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor que la proporcionada en esta sección.  
(b) **EXCEPCIONES.** Como se explica en las definiciones siguientes, se puede permitir el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor en residencias privadas siempre que no se utilicen comercialmente para proporcionar cuidado infantil, cuidado de adultos, atención médica, o cualquier combinación de los mismos; y, además, puede permitirse en tiendas minoristas de tabaco, minoristas de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor, habitaciones designadas para fumadores en hoteles y otros establecimientos públicos de alojamiento; y en bares independientes. Sin embargo, nada en esta sección o en su legislación de aplicación o reglamentos, le prohíbe al propietario, arrendatario u otra persona en el control de la utilización de un lugar de trabajo encerrado el derecho de imponer prohibiciones o limitaciones más estrictas con respecto a fumar o usar dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor en el lugar.  
(c) **DEFINICIONES.** A los fines de esta sección, las siguientes palabras y términos tendrán los significados indicados:  
(1) "Fumar" significa inhalar, exhalar, quemar, transportar o poseer cualquier producto de tabaco encendido, incluidos cigarrillos, habanos, tabaco para pipa y cualquier otro producto de tabaco encendido.  
(2) "Humo de segunda mano", también conocido como humo de tabaco ambiental (HTA), significa humo emitido por el tabaco encendido, humeante o en combustión cuando el fumador no está inhalando; humo emitido en la boquilla durante el soplo; y humo exhalado por el fumador.  
(3) "Trabajo" significa cualquier empleo o servicio de empleo proveído por una persona a petición de otra persona o personas o de cualquier entidad pública o privada, ya sea pago o no, ya sea a tiempo completo o parcial, ya sea legal o no. "Trabajo" incluye, sin limitaciones, cualquier servicio realizado por un empleado, contratista independiente, agente, socio, propietario, gerente, funcionario, director, aprendiz, pasante, asociado, servidor, voluntario y similares.  
(4) "Lugar de trabajo encerrado" significa cualquier lugar donde una o más personas se dediquen al trabajo, cuyo espacio esté predominante o totalmente delimitado por barreras físicas en todos los lados y por encima, independientemente de si tales barreras constituyen o incluyen aberturas descubiertas, aberturas parcialmente cubiertas o con pantallas; ventanas abiertas o cerradas, persianas, puertas

o similares. Esta sección aplica a todos los lugares de trabajo encerrados sin importar si el trabajo se está produciendo en un momento dado.  
(5) El uso "Comercial" de una residencia privada significa cualquier período durante el cual el propietario, arrendatario u otra persona que ocupe o controle el uso de la residencia privada esté suministrando o permitiendo que se suministre: cuidado de niños, cuidado de adultos mayores, atención médica, o cualquier combinación de los mismos en la residencia privada, y que reciba o espere recibir una compensación por ello.  
(6) "Tienda minorista de tabaco" significa cualquier lugar de trabajo encerrado dedicado principalmente a la venta al por menor de tabaco, productos de tabaco y accesorios para tales productos, en el cual la venta de otros productos o servicios sea meramente incidental.  
(7) "Habitaciones designadas para fumadores en establecimientos públicos de alojamiento" significa los dormitorios y áreas privadas directamente asociadas, tales como baños, salas de estar y áreas de cocina, si las hay, alquiladas a huéspedes para su ocupación transitoria exclusiva en establecimientos públicos de alojamiento, incluyendo hoteles, moteles, condominios de resorts, apartamentos transitorios, establecimientos de alojamiento transitorio, casas de hospedaje, pensiones, viviendas de complejos turísticos, posadas de alojamiento y desayuno y similares; que sean designadas por la persona o personas que tienen autoridad de gestión sobre el establecimiento de alojamiento público como habitaciones en las que se permite fumar.  
(8) "Bar independiente" se refiere a un lugar de negocios dedicado, durante cualquier momento de su operación, en mayor parte o totalmente a servir bebidas alcohólicas, bebidas embriagantes, licores embriagantes, o cualquier combinación de los mismos para consumo en las instalaciones autorizadas; en el cual el servicio de alimentos, si lo hay, es meramente secundario al consumo de tales bebidas; y que no se encuentre dentro, ni comparte, cualquier entrada o área interior común con ningún otro lugar de trabajo encerrado que incluya cualquier negocio para el cual la venta de alimentos o cualquier otro producto o servicio sea más que una fuente incidental de ingreso para el negocio.  
(9) "Dispositivo electrónico generador de vapor" significa cualquier producto que emplee un medio electrónico, químico o mecánico capaz de producir vapor o aerosol a partir de un producto de nicotina o cualquier otra sustancia, incluidos, entre otros, un cigarrillo electrónico, cigarrillo electrónico, pipa electrónica u otro dispositivo o producto similar.  
(10) "Minorista de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor" se refiere a cualquier lugar de trabajo encerrado dedicado principalmente a la venta al por menor de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor, y componentes y accesorios para tales productos, en el que la venta de otros productos o servicios sea meramente incidental.  
(d) **LEGISLACIÓN.** En la próxima sesión legislativa regular que se produzca después de la aprobación de esta sección o cualquier enmienda a esta sección, la Legislatura de Florida aprobará legislación para implementar esta sección y cualquier enmienda a esta sección consistente con su objetivo general y términos establecidos, y con una fecha de vigencia a más tardar del 1 de julio del año siguiente de la aprobación de los votantes. Dicha legislación deberá incluir, sin limitaciones, sanciones civiles por violaciones de esta sección; disposiciones para la aplicación de medidas administrativas; y el requisito y autorización de las reglas de la agencia para su implementación y cumplimiento. Esta sección no ~~nada de lo contenido~~ prohíbe a la Legislatura promulgar una ley que constituya o que permita una regulación más restrictiva sobre el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor que la proporcionada en esta sección.

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**REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL**  
**ARTÍCULO III, SECCIÓN 3**  
**ARTÍCULO IV, SECCIONES 4 Y 11**  
**ARTÍCULO VIII, SECCIONES 1 Y 6**

**TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**  
Estructura y Operación del Gobierno Estatal y Local

**RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:**  
Requiere legislación para conservar el Departamento de Asuntos de Veteranos. Asegura la elección de alguaciles, tasadores de propiedad, supervisores de elecciones, recaudadores de impuestos y secretarios de tribunal en todos los condados; elimina la capacidad de los estatutos del condado para abolir, cambiar el mandato, transferir deberes o eliminar la elección de estas oficinas. Cambia la fecha de inicio de la sesión legislativa anual en los años pares de marzo a enero; elimina la autorización de la legislatura para fijar otra fecha. Crea una oficina de seguridad nacional y contraterrestre dentro del departamento de aplicación de la ley.

**TEXTO COMPLETO:**  
**ARTÍCULO III**  
**LEGISLATURA**  
**SECCIÓN 3. Sesiones de la legislatura. —**  
(a) **SESIONES DE ORGANIZACIÓN.** En el decimocuarto día después de cada elección general, la Legislatura se convocará en sesión con el propósito exclusivo de la organización y selección de oficiales.  
(b) **SESIONES REGULARES.** Una sesión regular de la legislatura se convocará el primer martes después del primer lunes de marzo de cada año impar, y en el segundo primer martes después del primer lunes de enero marzo, o cualquier otra fecha que pueda ser fijada por ley de cada año par.  
(c) **DEFINICIONES ESPECIALES.**  
(1) El gobernador, mediante una proclamación que declare el propósito, podrá convocar a la legislatura en sesión especial, durante la cual sólo se tratará actividad legislativa que sea relevante a la proclamación, o a una comunicación del gobernador, o que se introduzca con el consentimiento de dos tercios de los miembros de cada cámara.  
(2) Una sesión especial de la legislatura podrá ser convocada según sea necesario para el propósito de esta sección.  
(d) **DURACIÓN DE LAS SESIONES.** Una sesión regular de la legislatura no podrá durar más de sesenta días consecutivos, y una sesión especial no durará más de veinte días consecutivos, a menos de que sea extendida más allá de ese límite por un voto de tres quintas partes de cada cámara. Durante dicha extensión ningún asunto nuevo podrá ser tratado en ningún de las cámaras sin el consentimiento de dos tercios de sus miembros.

(e) **POSTERGACIÓN.** Ninguna de las cámaras podrá postergarse por más de setenta y dos horas consecutivas, a menos que sea en virtud de una resolución concurrente.  
(f) **ORGANIZACIÓN POR EL GOBERNADOR.** Si durante alguna sesión regular o especial las dos cámaras no pueden acordar sobre el tiempo de postergación, el gobernador podrá postergar la sesión sine die o a cualquier fecha durante el período autorizado para esas sesiones, siempre y cuando, por lo menos veinticuatro horas antes de postergar la sesión y mientras ninguna cámara esté en receso, cada cámara reciba aviso formal y por escrito de la intención del gobernador. Un acuerdo alcanzado por ambas cámaras acerca del momento de postergación durante ese período deberá prevalecer.

**ARTÍCULO IV**  
**EJECUTIVO**

**SECCIÓN 4. Gabinete. —**  
(a) Existirá un gabinete compuesto de un fiscal general, un jefe financiero, y un comisionado de agricultura. En adición a los poderes y deberes especificados aquí, podrán ejercer tales poderes y desempeñar tales deberes como pueda ser provisto por ley. En caso de una votación empate entre el gobernador y el gabinete, el lado en cuál el gobernador votó a favor se considerará prevaleciente.  
(b) El fiscal general deberá ser el jefe legal estatal. Será creada en la oficina del fiscal general la posición de fiscal del estado. El fiscal del estado tendrá jurisdicción concurrente con los abogados del estado para procesar la violación de leyes criminales que han o hayan ocurrido en dos o más circuitos judiciales como parte de una transacción relacionada, o cuando cualquier tal delito esté afectando o haya afectado a dos o más circuitos judiciales tal y como provisto por ley general. El fiscal del estado será nombrado por el fiscal general de entre un comité de tres personas designadas por la comisión de nominaciones judiciales para la Corte Suprema, o como sea provisto por ley general.

(c) El director de finanzas servirá como el principal funcionario financiero del estado, saldará y aprobará cuentas debidas por el estado, y almacenará todos los fondos y valores del estado.  
(d) El comisionado de agricultura tendrá jurisdicción sobre asuntos relacionados con la agricultura, y podrá ser nombrado o removido por el contrario por ley.  
(e) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, y el fiscal general constituirán la junta estatal de administración, la cual asumirá todo el poder, control, y autoridad de la junta estatal de administración establecida por el Artículo IX, Sección 16 de la Constitución de 1885, y la cual continuará como entidad del gobierno constituyente de la vida del Artículo XII, Sección 9(c). El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.  
(g) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán la junta estatal de agricultura, y el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.

(h) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán la junta estatal de agricultura, y el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.  
(i) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán la junta estatal de agricultura, y el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.  
(j) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán la junta estatal de agricultura, y el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.

**ARTÍCULO VIII**  
**GOBIERNO LOCAL**  
**SECCIÓN 1. Condados. —**  
(a) **SUBDIVISIONES POLÍTICAS.** El estado se dividirá, por ley, en subdivisiones políticas llamadas condados. Los Condados podrán ser creados, abolidos o cambiados por ley, con provisiones para el pago o repartición de los costos de creación o abolición.  
(b) **FONDOS DEL CONDADO.** El cuidado, custodia y método de distribuir los fondos del condado será provisto por ley general.  
(c) **GOBIERNO.** Mediante ley general o especial, un gobierno del condado podrá ser establecido por carta orgánica la cual se adoptará, enmendará, o revocará solo con el voto de los electores del condado en una elección especial convocada para ese propósito.  
(d) **OFICIALES DEL CONDADO.** Serán electos por los electores de cada condado, por términos de cuatro años, un alguacil, un recaudador de impuestos, un tasador de propiedades, un supervisor de elecciones, y un secretario de la corte de circuito; excepto que, cuando lo disponga la carta orgánica o una ley especial aprobada por el voto de los electores del condado, cualquier funcionario del condado puede ser electo en otra manera.  
(e) **OFICINAS DEL CONDADO.** Cualquier oficina del condado puede ser abolida cuando todos los deberes de la oficina presentes por ley general sean transferidos a otra oficina. A menos que cuando no por ley especial aprobada por la carta orgánica o voto de los electores o de conformidad con el Artículo V, Sección 16, disponga lo contrario, el secretario de la corte de circuito será secretario ex officio de la junta de comisionados del condado, auditor, registrador y custodio de todos los fondos del condado. Sin perjuicio de la subsección 6(e) de este artículo, la carta del condado no puede abolir la oficina de un alguacil, un recaudador de impuestos, un tasador de propiedades, un supervisor de elecciones o un secretario del tribunal de circuito; transferir los deberes de esos oficiales a otro oficial u oficina; cambiar la duración del mandato de cuatro años; o establecer cualquier forma de selección que no sea por elección de los electores del condado.  
(f) **COMISIONADOS.** Excepto cuando sea provisto de otra manera por la carta orgánica del condado, el cuerpo gobernante de cada condado será una junta de comisionados del condado compuesto de cinco o siete miembros sirviendo términos escalonados de cuatro años. Después de cada censo decenal el cuerpo de comisionados del condado dividirá el condado en distritos de territorio contiguos lo más iguales en población posible. Un comisionado residiendo en cada distrito será electo como provisto por ley.  
(g) **GOBIERNO SIN CARTA ORGÁNICA.** Condados que no operen bajo cartas orgánicas tendrán tal poder de autogobierno del distrito como el electo por ley general o especial. La junta de comisionados de un condado sin carta orgánica podrá promulgar, en manera prescrita por ley general, ordenanzas de condado que no sean inconsistentes con ley general o especial, pero una ordenanza en conflicto con una ordenanza municipal no será válida dentro del municipio en medida de tal conflicto.  
(g) **GOBIERNO DE CARTA ORGÁNICA.** Condados actuando bajo cartas orgánicas de condados tendrán todos

los poderes de autogobierno local que no sean inconsistentes con ley general, o con ley especial aprobada por voto de los electores. El cuerpo gobernante de un condado actuando bajo una carta orgánica podrá promulgar ordenanzas del condado no inconsistentes con ley general. La carta orgánica proporcionará aquello que deba prevalecer en caso de conflicto entre ordenanzas del condado y ordenanzas municipales.  
(h) **IMPUESTOS; LIMITACIONES.** Propiedad situada dentro de municipios no será sujeta a impuestos por servicios provistos por el condado exclusivamente para beneficio de la propiedad o de los residentes en áreas no incorporadas.  
(i) **ORDENANZAS DEL CONDADO.** Cada ordenanza del condado se archivará con el custodio de los registros estatales y entrará en vigor a tal tiempo de allí en adelante como sea provisto por ley general.  
(j) **VIOLACIÓN DE ORDENANZAS.** Personas que violen las ordenanzas del condado serán procesadas y castigadas según lo dispuesto por la ley.  
(k) **CORTE DEL CONDADO.** En cada condado habrá una sede del condado donde estarán localizadas las oficinas principales y registros permanentes de todos los oficiales del condado. La sede del condado no podrá ser movida excepto sea provisto por ley general. Oficinas sucursales para conducir asuntos del condado podrán ser establecidas en otras partes del condado por resolución del cuerpo gobernante en la manera prescrita por ley. Ningún instrumento se considerará registrado hasta que sea archivado en la sede del condado, o en una oficina sucursal designada por el cuerpo gobernante del condado para el registro de instrumentos de acuerdo con la ley.  
**SECCIÓN 6. Anexo al Artículo VIII. —**  
(a) Este artículo reemplazará todo el Artículo VIII de la Constitución de 1885, como fue enmendada, excepto aquellas secciones relacionadas con el resto de su texto y hechas parte de este artículo por referencia.  
(b) **CONDADOS; SEDE DE CONDADO; MUNICIPIOS; DISTRITOS.** El estado de los siguientes puntos, tal y como existían en la fecha en que este artículo tome efecto, es reconocido y será prolongado hasta que se cambie de acuerdo con la ley: los condados del estado; su condición con respecto a la legalidad de la venta de licencias intoxicantes; vinos y cervezas; el método de selección de los oficiales del condado; el desempeño de funciones municipales por oficiales del condado; las sedes de los condados; los municipios y distritos especiales del estado, sus poderes, jurisdicción y gobierno.  
(c) **OFICIALES A CONTINUAR EN EL CARGO.** Toda persona que ocupe un cargo cuando este artículo tome efecto en el condado por el resto de su término si dicho cargo no es abolido. Si el cargo es abolido, al titular del cargo le será pagada una compensación adecuada, la cual será fijada por ley, por la pérdida de emolumentos del resto del término.  
(d) **ORDENANZAS.** Las leyes locales relacionadas solamente con áreas no incorporadas del condado que estén en existencia en la fecha en que este artículo tome efecto, serán válidas y tendrán el mismo efecto que si fueran parte de este artículo. Todas las provisiones de "La Carta Orgánica de Autonomía Gubernamental del Condado de Dade", adoptadas hasta ahora o de aquí en adelante por los electores del Condado de Dade, en conformidad con el Artículo VII, Sección 11, de la Constitución de 1885, según enmendada, serán válidas, y cualquier enmienda a tal carta orgánica será válida y tendrá el mismo efecto que si fueran parte de este artículo. 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# Law Enforcement and Courts reports

## Sheriff's Report

Activity reported by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office for the week of Sept. 14 to Sept. 20.

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 14

- Joseph Bandur contacted the sheriff's office in reference to stolen home appliances. Bandur reported he recently purchased a home in Crawfordville and all appliances were to be included with the purchase. Bandur reported when he entered the house, he discovered the previous tenants had removed many of the interior appliances. Bandur was unable to provide an exact estimate for the value of the stolen items, but it is believed to be several thousand dollars. This case has been forwarded to detectives for investigation.

- Deputy Hedges conducted a traffic stop on Ace High Stables Road for a vehicle pulling a trailer with no tail lights. Upon seeing Deputy Hedges' emergency lights, the vehicle pulled into a driveway and the driver attempted to flee on foot. Deputies were able to detain the driver and he was identified as Michael Reinke. Deputy Hedges was able to determine Reinke was not in possession of a valid driver's license and also had an active warrant for his

arrest. Reinke was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended or Revoked, Resisting Arrest without violence and Possession of Less than 20 grams of Marijuana.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 15

- Edgar Chattin contacted the sheriff's office to report a vehicle burglary. Chattin advised sometime during the last three days someone had broken into his Toyota SUV. Chattin stated he went out to his vehicle and found his revolver and a hatchet were missing from the car. Chattin said he had last used the vehicle several days prior and was unsure when the burglary had actually occurred. Chattin was unable to provide much information regarding the stolen firearm but was able to identify where and when the gun was purchased. No suspect has yet been identified in this case and it has been forwarded to detectives for further investigation.

- A traffic stop was conducted on a vehicle which had no tag displayed. Deputy Spears made contact with the driver James Farmer and obtained his driver's license information. A check with Wakulla County Dispatch in-

formed Deputy Spears that Farmer did not possess a valid license and that he had five prior convictions for DWLSR. Farmer was placed under arrest for DWLSR and transported to the Wakulla County Jail.

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 16

- Damion Jones contacted the sheriff's office to report a theft. Jones advised on the day prior he was in the lobby of the sheriff's office picking up a friend. Jones reported he realized once he was home that he had left his wallet in the lobby of the sheriff's office. Jones stated on this date he was contacted by an individual who stated he had found the wallet. The individual met with Jones and returned his wallet to him. However Jones advised upon getting his property back he was missing \$40 in cash which had previously been in the wallet. This case has been sent to detectives for further investigation.

- Deputies responded to the area of Magnolia Gardens to a reported vehicle burglary. James Douin reported that around 10 a.m. he discovered his pistol was missing from the center console of his truck. Douin described the pistol a semi-automatic .40 caliber pistol, valued at \$350. No forced

entry was observed on the vehicle. Currently no suspects have been identified in this case and it has been sent to detectives for further investigation.

### MONDAY, SEPT. 17

- Timothy Lemathey contacted the sheriff's office to report the theft of his 9mm Smith and Wesson pistol. Lemathey advised he had been gone from home for work purposes and returned to find the firearm missing from his vehicle. Lemathey was able to provide deputies with the serial information for the gun and it was entered into FCIC/NCIC as stolen. A suspect has been identified in this case and it has been forwarded to detectives for further investigation.

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 18

- Deputies responded to the area of Bob Miller Road in reference to a suspicious person on a motorcycle. When deputies arrived they observed a white male matching the description provided in the middle of the roadway attempting to crank a motorcycle. Contact was made with the driver who was identified as Julian Hartley. The motorcycle was observed to have no tag displayed and Hartley could not

provide any proof of ownership. A check of the motorcycle's VIN number showed it to have been listed stolen out of Tallahassee. Hartley was placed under arrest for Grand Theft and transported to the Wakulla County Jail.

- William Harrod contacted the sheriff's office to report his Bersa .380 pistol stolen. Harrod advised he had last seen the weapon several days prior and had left it stored inside of his home. Harrod advised on Sept. 14 he had left his home to go fishing and returned later that day to find the gun missing. Harrod stated he searched his home for several days but has been unable to locate the gun. Harrod advised he believes the gun may have been stolen. Potential suspects have been identified in this case and it has been sent to detectives for further investigation.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 19

- The sheriff's office investigated multiple vehicle burglaries in the area of Tafflinger Road. All totaled four separate vehicle burglary reports were filed in that area. The suspects were noted to have busted several vehicle windows to gain entry inside of the vehicles. Some of the

items observed to have been taken are: credit cards, wallets, a Marlin 30-30 rifle, 10/22 rifle, and an SP-101 .357 revolver. WCSO Crime Scene responded to the scene and processed all crime scenes for evidence. All of the cases are currently being investigated by Detectives.

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 20

- Deputy Spears conducted a traffic stop on Spring Creek Hwy after observing debris falling from the rear of a vehicle. Upon contact with the driver, Chadwick Gable, it was learned that Gable's driver's license was suspended with nine prior convictions. Gable was subsequently arrested for felony DWLSR and transported to the Wakulla County Jail.

**If you have information regarding the activity shown, or any other crime contact the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office at (850) 745-7100 or (850) 926-0800 or use the WCSO Tip Line at (850) 745-7190; regarding school safety, use the WCSO School Safety Tip Line (850) 745-7138. Your information can be kept anonymous at your request.**

## Class action lawsuits rejected on insurance costs

By JIM SAUNDERS  
News Service of Florida

TALLAHASSEE – A divided federal appeals court Monday rejected class-action lawsuits filed by Florida homeowners who said they were charged too much for property insurance after leaving it to mortgage companies to buy coverage.

The ruling by a three-judge panel of the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals dealt with what is known as "force-placed insurance," which occurs when people with mortgages do not buy property-insurance coverage. Lenders then buy coverage and pass along the costs to the borrowers.

Four Florida resi-

dents and a Pennsylvania resident filed class-action lawsuits in 2015 against two mortgage-servicing companies and American Security Insurance Co., alleging a scheme that led to inflated charges for force-placed insurance. At least in part, they alleged that Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC and Caliber Home Loans, Inc. received rebates from American Security Insurance, the force-placed insurer, but didn't pass along those savings to the borrowers, according to Monday's ruling.

The lawsuits, which became consolidated, included a series of allegations, including breach of contract, racketeering, violation

of the Federal Truth in Lending Act and violation of the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act.

But the appeals court, in a 28-page majority opinion, upheld decisions by a U.S. district judge in South Florida to dismiss the cases. The opinion centered on state regulators approving the rates charged by American Security Insurance – and a legal concept, known as the filed-rate doctrine, that seeks to keep courts out of rate-making decisions.

"The plain language of the complaints ... shows that the plaintiffs are challenging the reasonableness of ASIC's (American Security Insurance's) premiums; and since these premiums are based upon rates filed with state regulators, plaintiffs are directly attacking those rates as being unreasonable as well. ... Because the plaintiffs should be understood as meaning what they say, we find that they have challenged ASIC's filed rate. As such, there can be no doubt that their causes of action are barred by the filed-rate doctrine," said the majority opinion, written by Judge Danny J. Boggs and joined by Judge Frank Hull.

But Judge Adalberto

Jordan wrote a 36-page dissent that said the federal appeals court should send the issue to the Florida Supreme Court and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court for guidance about how the states view the filed-rate doctrine. He also took issue with the majority's interpretation of the facts in the cases.

"ASIC and the lenders argue that the filed rate doctrine bars the homeowners' claims because they amount to generalized grievances that ASIC's insurance rates are unreasonably high, and seek only to force the defendants to sell (in ASIC's case) or bill for (in the lenders' case) insurance at lower rates," Jordan wrote. "But that argument misreads the homeowners' claims. The homeowners assert that, regardless of the insurance rate ASIC charged, the lenders are contractually obligated to charge only the amount of insurance they actually paid. By engaging in side agreements with ASIC for 'commissions,' 'reinsurance,' and other kickbacks – transactions that are of course, unregulated – the lenders found a way to discount their insurance costs. Given that the mortgage contracts between the homeowners and the

lenders required the lenders to charge the homeowners for only 'the cost' of insurance, the lenders breached

those contracts by demanding more than the discounted cost they paid ASIC."

## 'Deer dog' case to go to Supreme Court

Some Northwest Florida residents have gone to the state Supreme Court in a legal battle aimed at reining in "deer dog" hunting on property around the Blackwater Wildlife Management Area.

The residents, who contend that "deer dog" hunting has infringed on their property rights and created a nuisance, filed a notice as a first step in asking the Supreme Court to take up the case, according to documents posted Thursday on the Supreme Court website.

The notice came after the 1st District Court of Appeal sided with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and overturned a ruling by a Leon County circuit judge.

"Deer dog" hunting, as the name implies, involves hunters using dogs to flush out deer and has long been allowed in the state's Blackwater Wildlife Management Area. But the legal battle stems from hunters and dogs trespassing on adjoining private land. Property owners filed a lawsuit in 2016, seeking to prevent deer-dog hunting in the wildlife-management area. The lawsuit included what is known as a "takings claim" – essentially arguing that the deer-dog problems were so serious that they were depriving the owners from enjoying their property. Also, the lawsuit sought an injunction to require the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to "abate" the nuisance on the private property.

Leon County Circuit Judge Karen Gievers issued an injunction requiring the commission to abate the problem.

But the commission took the dispute to the 1st District Court of Appeal, where a majority of a three-judge panel rejected the injunction and sent the case back for entry of summary judgment in favor of the commission on the takings and nuisance claims. Among other things, the appeals court said the injunction was overbroad and violated separation of powers.

"Here, the injunction is impossible for FWC (the commission) to comply with because it holds the FWC accountable for the actions of third parties over which the FWC has no control," the appeals court ruled.

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# Stickers and thorns are hidden surprises



Natural  
Wakulla

By Les Harrison

The end of summer has many wishing to enjoy their lawns barefooted for merriment and dancing before the onset of the inevitable cooler weather.

Even the ongoing hot weather can be enjoyed, or endured, better with the soles of one's feet in contact with grasses.

Unfortunately, there are some cautions which must be taken in the local Garden of Edens. Stickers and thorns silently lay in wait of a tender and unsuspecting foot to violate with a sharp reminder of their presence.

Currently dormant, but soon to sprout spurweed is an annual cool season weed which grows very close

to the ground. As temperatures warm in the spring, spurweed grows rapidly forming spine-tipped burs on its central stems.

It usually persists in open areas such as lawns, fields and pastures through May. In cooler years it can actively grow until early June.

The feathery leaves often cause onlookers to confuse this plant with dog fennel, a common native weed, in its spring growth phase.

Spurweed, *Soliva pterosperma*, is actually an invasive exotic native to South America.

The burs are seed which attach to anyone or anything coming into contact, and are deposited at a new



PHOTO BY LES HARRISON/SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

**Southern sandspur has a common, but potentially painful, way of distributing its seed. The barbed progeny hitchhike to their new location, but may become unpleasant companions.**

## WILDFLOWER OF THE WEEK



### WILD BUCKWHEAT

This is a somewhat shrubby plant (*Eriogonum tomentosum*) that can grow up to three feet tall. It is a deciduous perennial, losing its leaves in winter, but greening back up in spring. It has clusters of cream-colored flowers at the ends of the upper stems; they bloom in late summer and early fall. The flowers have six tepals that have pink anthers. The backs of the leaves are densely covered with very short tan hairs. It grows in dry, well-drained sandy soil.

—Eleanor Dietrich, Florida Wildflower Foundation

site for germination and vegetative conquest.

The technique has been very successful for this plant as it is now established in many temperate and tropical locations worldwide.

Similar to the spurweed and often confused with it, sandspurs are native to Florida. While the plants are quite different in appearance, the injury experienced from the seed is identical.

Wakulla County actually has two native sandspurs: Coastal Sandspur, *Cenchrus incertus*, and the Southern Sandspur, *Cenchrus echinatus*, both populate open, grassy spaces.

Both plants are members of the grass family and can be

quite difficult to identify when mixed with other grasses and not producing their seed. Only a single spine on the bur of the Coastal Sandspur separates it as a species from the Southern Sandspur.

While the habitat preferences and seed relocation methods of spurweed and sandspurs are nearly identical, the sandspur can be encountered throughout the year, but are especially abundant currently.

Unless identified and avoided before physically contacting the seed, the contact is usually unpleasant.

Mowing is ineffective in the control of sandspur and spurweed.

Both have the characteristic of growing close to the ground and will produce

seeds below the mowing height.

Additionally, Dewberries and blackberries commonly reside in sunny open spaces and can be camouflaged by taller grasses. Both carry a generous quantity of sharp, stiff thorns.

For the novice, it may be difficult to distinguish dewberry and blackberry when looking at a single leaf. The overall plant appearance and growth habits of these two species are quite different.

Dewberry has a low, vine-like growth habit and rarely reaches heights greater than two feet.

Blackberry has a very upright growth pattern and commonly reaches three to six feet in height.

Dewberry common-

ly has slender thorns with red hairs on the stem while blackberry has hard, tough thorns and no hairs. Both can prove to be painful.

If the 1960's Tiny Tim song "Tiptoe through the tulips" inspires outside activity in the waning warm weather, wear sturdy shoes or risk hitting higher notes than his falsettos when locating these hidden surprises.

Contact the UF/IFAS Wakulla County Extension Office at (850) 926-3931 or <http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu/> to learn more about Wakulla County's stickers and thorns.

Les Harrison is the Wakulla County Extension Director.

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# Sports

sports news and team views

## War Eagles roll over Jags

Wakulla completely dominates Gadsden 35-0; showdown is this week against unbeaten Godby

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN  
Editor

The Wakulla War Eagles pounded a young Gadsden Jaguars team 35-0 at home on Friday night, improving their record to 4-1.

“It shows we’re getting better,” said Head Coach Scott Klees. “I’m proud of our overall performance – we never allowed them to get into the game.”

“We threw the ball well,” said Klees. “We threw it more than we ran the ball.”

Klees said Gadsden forced the War Eagles to throw by loading the box and blitzing the house. But Wakulla was up to the task: The War Eagles threw the ball 20 times, connected on 13, for 303 yards and three touchdowns.

**NEXT UP: GODBY COMES TO TOWN**

This is the game that everybody has looked forward to all year: district rival Godby Cougars, undefeated, ranked No. 6 in the 5A standings, come to J.D. Jones Stadium to play the No. 11 ranked Wakulla.

Klees said Godby is fast, they’re physical up front, and have



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Wakulla sophomore Jakari Ervin prepares to haul in a reception over a Gadsden defender.

receivers everywhere. “They are loaded in all three areas,” Klees said, meaning offense, defense and special teams.

What’s on the line when the two teams

play is making it to the postseason playoffs. In past years, the district champion and runner up made it to the playoffs – not so anymore. Now factors like strength

of schedule are considered so that every game matters – especially at the district level.

Klees offered his keys to victory that the defense has to

make them earn it. On offense, run the ball and control the line. For special teams, “We have a great kicker,” Klees said, “we need to put the ball up in the air” and give

**Key to victory against Godby: ‘When we pack the stands, the band’s going, the student section’s going. The players feed off that.’**  
– Head Coach Scott Klees

tacklers a chance to make a play.

“The biggest key is to have fans there,” Klees said. “When we pack the stands, the band’s going, the student section is going” – the players feed off that atmosphere.

“It should be an electric night for football,” Klees said.

**GADSDEN GAME RECAP**

Wakulla took the opening kickoff and drove down the field, but a pass into the end zone was tipped and intercepted by the Jaguars, ending the threat.

Gadsden struggled offensively against Wakulla, when they did move the ball,

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**COACH**  
**Scott Klees**

### FROM THE COACH

**Last week:** The War Eagles are improving, and never allowed Gadsden to get into the game.

**Scouting report:** This week, district rival Godby Cougars have speed everywhere. They are loaded.

**Keys to victory:** Defense: make them earn it. Offense: run the ball, control the line. But biggest key is fans in the stands – the team feeds off that energy.



Running back LaMonta Peterson gets into the open field.

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breakups

**Special Teams**



**LYRIC OAKS**  
3 tackles



The War Eagles come out onto the field at the start of the game.

# Cross Country team travels to Jacksonville

By MIKE MARTIN  
WHS Cross Country Coach

The Wakulla XC team traveled to Jacksonville this past Saturday to compete at the Katie Caples Invitational hosted by Bishop Kenny High School. With the Saint Johns River as the backdrop, over 50 teams competed on this super-fast course.

With the first official day of fall being Saturday, the weather was great for an evening race.

## JV TEAMS FIRST

The girls JV team was the first to hit the course. From the start of the race, Gracie Bruce led the JV team, and finished with a great time of 29:09. That's over a three-minute season best (SB) time for the year.

Bruce was followed in by Caitlyn Martin, who also ran a SB time of 31:20.

Next in was Emily Leblanc, who ran an outstanding time of 32:08, which was over a four-minute personal record (PR).

Aaliyah Cole was the next girl in with a new PR of 35:58. She was followed in by Analise Bracci who finished the race strong with a time of 38:12.

Next up was the boys JV team.

Senior Miles Nelson led the boys JV team with an outstanding time of 25:46, setting a new SB time by



Top 20 finishers: Mason McCord (17th), Alyssa Langston (2nd), and Daniel Wiedeman (7th).

almost four minutes. Nelson was followed in by Logan Richardson, who set a new PR of 26:53. Richardson was another runner who ran over a three-minute PR.

Andrew Lourcey was the last JV boy to finish with a great time and new PR of 28:56.

With fast times already posted by the

JV team, the girls varsity team was biting at the bit for their turn at the fast course.

## VARSITY TEAMS HIT THE COURSE

When it was all done and over, there were plenty of new PRs and SB times set on this night.

Alyssa Langston was the first Wakulla

girl to cross the finish line. With a second place overall finish, Langston posted an outstanding SB time of 20:54. She was followed in by Diamond Cooper, who also posted a SB time of 23:49.

Nina Prince was the third Wakulla girl to finish with an outstanding PR of 24:18. Jaquessa Jefferson

was the fourth scoring Wakulla girl with a great PR of 24:20.

Tirzah Votaw finished with a PR of 24:25.

Marina Whitsell was the next girl in with a new PR of 25:38.

Elizabeth Blitch finished with a new PR of 25:57.

Keri Livingston finished with a new PR of 26:18.

Zoie Hill was next, with a new PR of 27:09, and Ashlyn Speigner once again finished with another PR of 27:34.

To continue the trend for the night, the boys were ready to blaze the course.

Once again, the boys team was led by junior Daniel Wiedeman, who finished in 7th place overall with an outstanding SB time of 17:58. He was followed in by Mason McCord, who took the 17th spot with a great time and SB time of 18:28.

Simon Cole was the third runner in for Wakulla, and he posted a great time and new PR of 19:46.

Logan Kilpatrick was the fourth Wakulla runner to finish the race with a new PR of 20:12.

Chase Roberts was the final scorer and fifth Wakulla runner to cross the line with a new PR of 20:48.

Tripp Pitts was the next Wakulla runner to finish with another PR of 21:26.

Bryce Estep was the final Wakulla runner to cross the line with an outstanding new PR of 22:34.

Wakulla will travel to Lake City this Saturday, Sept. 29 to compete in the Alligator Lake Invitational. The first race for Wakulla will start at 8:10 a.m.

We encourage all family and friends to come out and support your running War Eagles.

# Lady War Eagles earn 4-3 record at Nike Tournament

Special to The News

The Lady War Eagles had an impressive showing at the 10th Annual Nike Tournament of Champions in Phoenix, Ariz. this past weekend.

The ladies were invited to attend the prestigious tournament in May and worked diligently to prepare for the event. Their hard work and dedication definitely paid off as the ladies came in second place in the Emerald Division defeating teams from Arizona, California, and Utah.

They boasted a 4-3 record for the event.

“Our team grew tremendously during this tournament,” said Head Coach Elizabeth Andrews, “I came home



Coach Elizabeth Andrews and the Lady War Eagles and WHS Athletic Director Mike Smith as the team traveled to Arizona.

with a completely different team than I took

with me. We had a blast and the girls exceeded every expectation I had for them.”

The Lady Eagles are hoping to continue the momentum gained

from the tournament to finish their current season strong.

With only five more regular season games before post-season play begins, the com-

munity is invited to come out and support the ladies as they dominate on the court.

The Lady War Eagles Varsity players are Emilee Brown, Abigail

Avera, Tanasha Cooksey, Melanie Oglesby, Margret Metcalf, Clara Alford, Hannah Bryan, Ansley Dull, Madison Evans, Jada Lassiter, Annabelle Slayton, and Ronnesha Thomas.

## REMAINING 2018 GAME SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, Oct. 2, Blountstown at Wakulla High, 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 3, at Chiles High, 5 and 6 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 4, Suwanee at Wakulla High, 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 5, at FAMU, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 11, Leon at Wakulla High, 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 16, Semi-Finals: Wakulla High, 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

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## War Eagles roll over Jags, 35-0

From Front Page

they were frequently hampered by penalties.

Wakulla got the ball for second series, again drove the field and capped it with a 1 yard run by LaMonta Peterson for a touchdown. Extra point by Hunter Busen was good. 7-0 Wakulla with 2:30 left in 1st.

Wakulla cornerback Jeremy Harvey intercepted a Gadsden pass and returned it inside the 10, but it was brought back out to the 50 for an illegal block in the back during the return.

The War Eagles got that yardage back on a bomb from quarterback Jaylon Worsham with the other Harvey twin, Jamey

Harvey, down to the 9. Running back Jordan Bolden broke two tackles on his way to the end zone. 14-0.

On the next series, Worsham scrambled for 20 yards, Peterson took it to the 5, and then Worsham hit Malik Murray with a pass for the score. 21-0.

On the next drive, a pass to Dorian Pope to

the 6, then TD pass to Jeremy Harvey. It was 28-0 at the half.

In the third quarter, Worsham hit Murray in stride for a 65-yard bomb for a touchdown. Busen added the kick to make it 35-0. Running clock.

The first string was done for the night. Final: 35-0.

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# In The Huddle



A weekly look at college football in the Sunshine State

## FLORIDA STATE SEMINOLES

# FSU sees reasons to be optimistic

Seminoles have turnaround in 37-19 win over Northern Illinois



By **BOB FERRANTE**  
of The Osceola

Florida State has been seeking improvement on offense after managing just 10 combined points in its two prior FBS losses. The Seminoles found some reasons to be optimistic for a turnaround on Saturday.

Deondre Francois threw for a season-high 352 yards and two touchdown passes as Florida State used an efficient first-half offense en route to a 37-19 win over Northern Illinois.

Francois had his seventh career 300-yard day, completing 23 of 31 passes. The junior had a 78-yard touchdown pass to Tamorrion Terry and an 8-yard TD pass to Jacques Patrick.

The Seminoles held a players' only meeting early in the week and a re-energized performance in practice was also reflected against the Huskies.

"A lot of the guys stepped up and said we've got to do better," Francois said. "We got to play better and we've got to stop blam-

ing it on everybody else. We've got to stop blaming each other, got to stop blaming our coaches. Today I feel like we did a better job at doing our job."

Despite using a fourth different starting lineup on the offensive line, the Seminoles generated a season-high 473 yards against the Huskies. Florida State was at its best in the first half, generating four scoring drives as the Seminoles took a 20-7 lead.

The Seminoles (2-2) gave coach Willie Taggart his first win over an FBS opponent in 2018. Florida State's other win came against Samford on Sept. 8.

Taggart was pleased with the passing game but saw some inconsistency in the ground game as FSU had 121 rushing yards but averaged just 2.1 yards per carry. He also lamented four turnovers (three fumbles and one interception).

"We can't turn the ball over like we did," Taggart said. "We had it on the ground too often, and we threw an interception that shouldn't have happened."

Ricky Aguayo had made just 1 of 4 field-goal attempts coming into the game but connected on three kicks



KEN FIELDS

Wakulla's Keith Gavin makes a catch along the sideline against NIU. Gavin set highs for catches with 6 for 93 yards in the first half.

– from 50 yards and twice from 42 yards. It was the fifth time in his career that Aguayo has made three or more field-goal attempts.

Marcus Childers tossed a pair of touchdown passes, including a 66-yard catch-and-run to D.J. Brown. Childers completed 20 of 41 passes for 215 yards also had an

11-yard touchdown run for NIU (1-3), which was forced to punt eight times and couldn't convert a pair of fourth-down conversions.

"I think we were in a fight, we were swinging and just didn't land some of our punches," NIU coach Rod Carey said. "We didn't do enough offensively."

Florida State held NIU to six rushing yards on 20 carries, the lowest total allowed by the Seminoles since Colorado in 2007.

Former Wakulla High star Keith Gavin set career highs for catches (six) and receiving yards (93) in the first half for the Seminoles, who won their 15th consecutive

non-conference home game.

The Seminoles had 23 first downs and were efficient, relative to the previous three games, despite losing three fumbles. Florida State ran a season-high 88 plays.

Next up: The Seminoles will travel to play Louisville next Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

## ... but there's reasons for concern

By **BOB FERRANTE**  
of The Osceola

Florida State is something of a known quantity after four games: the Seminoles are capable of airing it out on offense when Deondre Francois has time and the defense is much better than it has been given credit, despite concerns at linebacker and mental lapses in the secondary.

And it is a given that FSU's offensive line is a mess, a season-long worry as the attrition built in the offseason (six departures for various reasons) and the injuries have taken their toll. As a result, the Seminoles can't run the ball effectively and the offense lacks balance.

FSU is 2-2 with two very ugly losses that stand out far more than wins over Samford and Northern Illinois. The truth is that neither win is very impressive, although NIU may end up being one of the MAC's

best teams and has a quality defensive front that tested FSU's line. And the truth is that the first quarter of the season was the softest, with a ranked Virginia Tech the only real perceived challenge. The Hokies, of course, came back down to earth on Saturday with a loss to Old Dominion.

Tougher games are ahead. Maybe not Louisville, which has struggled to find any offense in the post-Lamar Jackson Era. But certainly with Miami. Wake Forest is no pushover. And the thought of Clemson's defensive front vs. FSU's offensive line should make Seminoles fans cringe. The next quarter could bring some good wins and some ugly losses.

Here are some reflections on FSU from the win over NIU as well as through four games.

**Receivers are emerging as go-to options:** Nyqwan Murray has long been a favorite of Francois' as

their on-field chemistry is undeniable. Their friendship goes back more than a decade to Orlando and they have always had a good QB-WR rhythm.

But there were other questions going into the year. Which of the veterans may be able to improve? And which of the younger options would be ready? Those answers, so far, have been former Wakulla High star Keith Gavin and Tamorrion Terry, as well as a few contributions from true freshman Tre'Shaun Harrison.

Gavin is still inconsistent and hasn't found the end zone in his career (his drop against Virginia Tech is forgettable but would have helped build early momentum in the

opener). Still, Gavin has 17 catches in four games. Terry has only eight receptions but three for touchdowns. Even if he's not a primary option in the offense, he shows the ability to break the game open.

**Defense is improved and gives FSU a chance to win:** The Seminoles likely won't finish in the top 25 of many defensive categories nationally. There are valuable junior stars like Brian Burns, Dontavious Jackson and Levontia Taylor but it is mostly a group of freshmen and sophomores and a secondary that is filled with big hitters.

If you're feeling optimistic about the Seminoles, about what they can do in the weeks

ahead, it's because the defense has shown toughness in goal-line and short-yardage situations as well as made in-game adjustments. It's a moral victory to say that the defense played well in the second half vs. Va. Tech and the first half against Syracuse, but both are accurate.

Looking at the next four games, matchups against Louisville and Wake appear to be 50-50 propositions. FSU can win either, split them or lose both. But if you're encouraged by what you have seen from the defense, you have to feel FSU has a fighting chance in those games and could battle with Miami.

**Aguayo on track, now fix special teams:** The junior kicker was

off early in the year but now says his mechanics are fixed and feels confident with his adjustments. This is a very good thing for multiple reasons. Coaches must be confident that when drives stall, they can turn to Aguayo for three points. And there will be close games ahead where FSU may have to settle for those three points but can hang with opponents if it can at least produce points from drives.

Logan Tyler appears to be settling in, too. The punt block by the Hokies is also forgettable but as much attributable to his blockers. D.J. Matthews' best returns have been called back due to penalty, a trend that must reverse.

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## THE WEEKEND SLATE

<p><b>Florida State vs. Louisville</b></p> <p>Saturday, Sept. 29 at 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>The game can be seen on ESPN2.</p>	<p><b>Florida A&amp;M vs. North Carolina Central</b></p> <p>Saturday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m.</p> <p>The game is on radio 96.1 FM.</p>	<p><b>Florida vs. 23 Mississippi State</b></p> <p>Saturday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>The game can be seen on ESPN.</p>
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## HOME ON THE RANGE

### Shooting a black bear



By MARJ LAW

Three years ago, we were at a cabin in Maine. I was leery about going outside. A black bear was lurking out there. Somewhere.

“There aren’t any bears near this place,” said Joe with great authority.

“We’re in Maine. Maine has black bears. Black bears like honey. That apple tree has a beehive filled with honey. So, air-got, we’ve got black bears.”

“It’s ergo, not ‘air-got,’” Joe corrected. “And there are no bears here.”

Well, I know different. That’s why, while Joe was having a nap, I took my trusty 9mm Springfield XDS for a walk while gathering a few apples for Mama. Jacking the slide, I load six rounds of full-metal jacketed Blazer brass.

The XDS has no safety, so if Mr. Bear is near, the safety is

something I don’t have to think about. The gun is sub-compact, having a 3.3 inch barrel, so having no holster is not a problem. I shove the XDS between the small of my back and my pants. It’s nice and snug. The waistline is shrunken due to vacation eating. Darn.

Nobody tells you that a gun next to your skin is cold, cold, cold. About 20 minutes later, you’re still feeling chilly metal in the middle of your back. Not comfortable.

I headed down the path.

Whoosh! A bunch of turkeys settled directly ahead. Nine hens gathered and one gobbler stands watch.

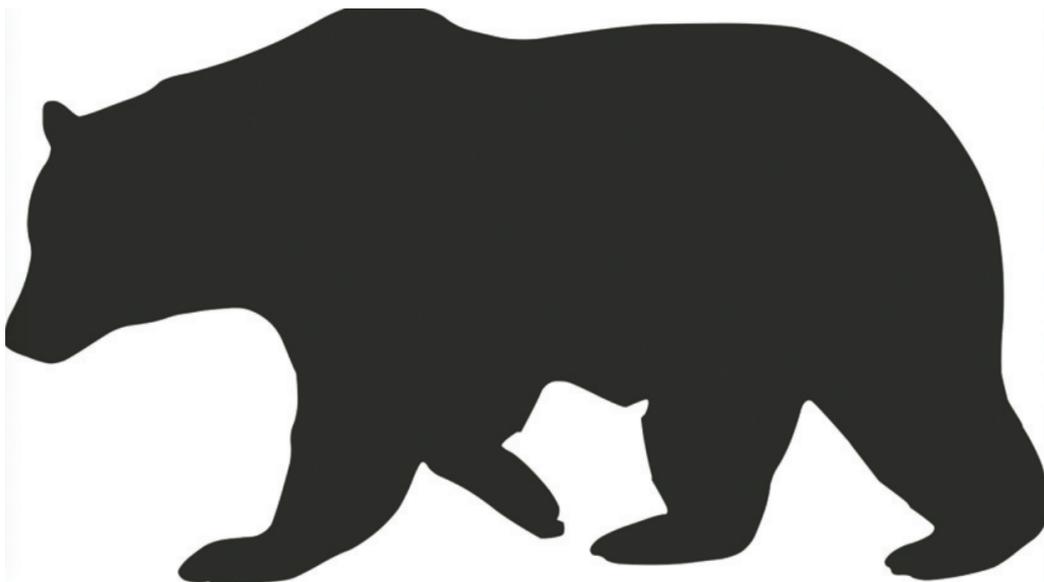
I moved slowly, reaching carefully for my cell phone in my right pocket to take a photo.

Suddenly, out of the thicket come two bear cubs. Just like children, they’re swatting at each other and tumbling over a stone wall behind me.

Ever so slowly, I continued reaching for that phone.

Roar! Mama bear is standing on her hind legs, glaring in front of me, about 30 feet away.

Maddened, she low-



ers her head. She’s about to charge!

Not feeling my bum shoulder, I snatch the XDS out of my pants, drop to a crouch position, aim and fire.

Ka-BOOM! My ears are ringing big time.

Mama bear drops like a rock.

Wow. Am I good, or what?

Something taps my right shoulder. I whirl around. Joe is there,

pushing my gun arm downward.

He’s holding his 10mm Ivor Johnson bazooka. No wonder I can’t hear what he’s trying to say.

He smirks, points the 6-inch barrel to the sky, and pretends to blow the smoke away. He flicks the safety back on.

My first thought is “That 10mm made me deaf for life!”

My second thought

is: “Drat. Joe was the one who shot the bear.”

Wait a minute. Wait just a darn minute. Who’s to say it was Joe who brought down Mama bear?

We’ve been home a week now. Every day, twice a day, I take our pooches Ethel and Ezra for a walk in Azalea Park.

A little girl tugging on her mommy’s hand says in a loud whisper: “Those hairy dogs sure

look like little black bears.”

When I tell the tale about our summer vacation, Joe grins.

“That’s a shaggy dog story.”

*Marj Law is the former director of Keep Wakulla County Beautiful who has become an avid shooter in retirement.*

### A day on the water with Billy O.: A tale of friendship, fishing and bananas

By CAROL LYN PARISH

“Be at the house at 5:45 a.m.,” said Billy O. on a warm Saturday morning as a slight breeze blew from the west and the sky was overcast.

Billy and I knew of each other in high school, but we weren’t close friends. He was a football star and I was the yearbook photographer. Twenty years later, we were at our high school reunion, telling stories of hunting alligators and fishing. An instant friendship was formed. When he invited me to go fishing with him and his family in south Florida, I jumped at the opportunity.

Billy captains the Miss Maddison with a crew of two, his 12-year-old son, Bryan, and 16-year-old daughter, Maddison. Bryan is an impressive young angler who can identify more saltwater fish species than most adults. Maddison is a lifeguard with a love of the ocean.

Our first stop was to catch baitfish. Billy maneuvered the boat into position, and Bryan and Maddison quickly cast out sabiki rigs - groups of several small hooks attached to the end of a fishing line. It was amazing to watch



this crew in action. Bryan and Maddison pulled in line after line of baitfish, with Billy switching back and forth to quickly get the lines back in the water.

Our baitwell loaded, we headed offshore.

Billy gave directions on which rod and reel to use, then Bryan swung into action. It was apparent they had done this before. Bryan caught the first fish, a snapper too small to keep. After catching a few more snapper, we started seeing dolphins and sharks in the area.

We decided to move to the next fishing spot where we saw more dolphin. Another stop and, finally, we were right in the action. Bryan and Billy got Maddison rigged up and she landed a little bonito. Within moments, another line at the bow started zinging. There is nothing like the sound of a line screaming off the reel when a fish takes the bait.

My turn. I’ll admit, I was out of practice, but Billy kept me on the fish and I got it in the boat. It was another little bonito.

We were a bit bummed that we hadn’t had more luck, but Billy reminded me that the weather was working against us since the wind was blowing from the west, causing choppy waves. We hit one more spot with no action and decided to call it a day.

After a bumpy ride into a sandbar, we decided to take a swim and have a snack. With more than enough to share, I brought out my banana-date-walnut bites.

“What?! You brought bananas on the boat!” said Billy.

I was quickly informed that bananas are considered bad luck on a boat.

A quick survey of a few boaters and anglers at the sandbar confirmed it. They all knew what it meant to have bananas on board a boat. Even the attendant and guests at the fuel dock solidified this story. Billy then told me of a time he wore clothing with a banana on the label during a fishing trip. The label was promptly cut off prior to leaving the dock.

What’s behind the banana ban? Some speculate that: ships had to make fast trips to prevent the fruit from spoiling so there was no time to fish; that bananas float, so if a ship went down they might be the only sign; and, Billy’s favorite, huge spiders often hitched a ride in the banana boxes.

I learned a lot on my fishing trip and I will tell you this, I will never bring a banana on a boat again.

While we didn’t get completely skunked, I now know our bad luck had nothing to do with the west wind, rough waves or cloudy skies. It wasn’t because of a lack of knowledge, skill or passion for fishing. It was my banana snacks.

Heading home for the day, I was left with a newfound respect for a man teaching his children to fish and get outdoors, a renewed hope for the future of fishing and the next generation of conservationists, and a reminder that fishing and a love of the outdoors brings people together.

I look forward to many more fishing adventures with this crew... without bananas!



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Sun r s/e set  
7:28 am 9:23 pm  
7:27 pm 9:41 am

Brightness- 93%

**Friday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:28 am 10:02 pm  
7:26 pm 10:40 am

Brightness- 87%

**Saturday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:29 am 10:45 pm  
7:24 pm 11:41 am

Brightness- 79%

**Sunday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:29 am 11:34 pm  
7:23 pm 12:42 pm

Brightness- 69%

**Monday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:30 am 11:34 pm  
7:22 pm 1:44 pm

Brightness- 58%

**Tuesday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:31 am 12:28 am  
7:21 pm 2:43 pm

Brightness- 50%

**Wednesday**

Sun r s/e set  
7:31 am 1:28 am  
7:19 pm 3:39 pm

Brightness- 36%

## Gulf Coast Weekly Almanac

Sep. 27 - Oct. 4



Tide charts by tides4fishing.com

For tides at the following points add to Dog Island Listings:

	High Tide	Low Tide
Carrabelle	28 Min.	25 Min.
Apalachicola	1 Hr., 53 Min.	2 Hrs., 38 Min.
Cat Point	1 Hr., 13 Min.	2 Hrs., 31 Min.
Lower Anchorage	1 Hr., 36 Min.	2 Hrs., 3 Min.
West Pass	1 Hr., 26 Min.	2 Hrs., 39 Min.

**St. Marks River Entrance**

Th	3:46 am ▲ 3.9 ft	10:09 am ▼ 0.3 ft	4:28 pm ▲ 3.9 ft	10:19 pm ▼ 0.9 ft
Fr	4:11 am ▲ 3.9 ft	10:46 am ▼ 0.2 ft	5:11 pm ▲ 3.8 ft	10:52 pm ▼ 1.1 ft
Sa	4:40 am ▲ 4.0 ft	11:28 am ▼ 0.2 ft	6:00 pm ▲ 3.5 ft	11:29 pm ▼ 1.3 ft
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Mo	12:15 am ▼ 1.6 ft	5:57 am ▲ 3.8 ft	1:27 pm ▼ 0.4 ft	8:18 pm ▲ 3.0 ft
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**Shell Point, Spring Creek**

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Sa	4:57 am ▲ 4.0 ft	11:51 am ▼ 0.3 ft	6:21 pm ▲ 3.6 ft	11:44 pm ▼ 1.6 ft
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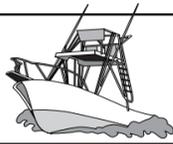
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## Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Carolyn Brown Treadon



As a follow-up to last week's article, Wade Olson sent in a more detailed account of the ATON Verifier course.

On Saturday Sept. 15, a group from FL12 traveled to Coast Guard Station Panama City for ATON Training.

The group consisted of seven members of FL12, Bob Asztalos, Tim Ashley, Norma and Phil Hill, Wade and Linda Olson, and Joe Story, who met with several members of FL19 for the training.

FL12 arrived a little early and stopped to eat at J. Michael's for lunch, then proceeded onto the CG Base. There we met with the FL19 folks who included Dan Berry our Division Commander and Coast Guard Chief Burke. Bob Asztalos put on an outstanding class that was very informative and very easy to follow with the Power Point presentation.

A big thanks goes out to Chief Burke for sharing his knowledge and experience concerning Aides Verification and situations he had encountered.

The classroom training lasted four hours, and to make the most of the verification time, sandwiches were ordered and picked up by Norma Hill and brought back to the classroom

### Boating Emergencies

Coast Guard Station

Panama City ..... (850) 234-4228

Coast Guard Station

Yankeetown ..... (352) 447-6900

Coast Guard Auxiliary

Apalachee Bay (Flotilla 12) ..... (850) 942-7500  
or ..... (850) 284-1166

so we could head directly to the boats and get on the water.

We could not have asked for a better evening for Aides Verification.

Though slightly warmer than we would have liked, there was a nice breeze and the waters were very friendly. We went out verifying as we went, then stopped when we had completed the daytime part of the verification and ate our sandwiches as we waited for the lights to come on. The sunset was spectacular and we were visited by many pelicans skirting by skimming the water.

Soon after the night verification was concluded the sun was completely down and the first quarter moon lit our way back to the dock.

Robert Shorter of FL19 and Bob Asztalos unerringly demonstrated the proper way to navigate at night and the patrol came to an

end without incident.

Ron Eudy sent in the following summary from the BASRA cruise he and another member took a couple weeks ago.

Two Members from Flotilla 12 joined 24 other Auxiliary members for the 8th Annual Coast Guard Auxiliary Cruise to support the BASRA (Bahama Air Sea Rescue Association). This fund raising event was held at Coral Beach, Grand Bahama Island (GBI) on Aug. 18. Members from District 7 and 8 were invited to attend.

Members Ron Eudy and David Fanslar boarded the cruise ship Grand Celebration for the overnight cruise to GBI and spent 2 nights at the Grand Lucayan Resort while spending the time with the BASRA group. Members have been asked to help out next year with the 3 mile swim that starts the BASRA fund raiser event.

The event was successful with somewhere around 500 people at the event. While there, we talked with many islanders about our support of their fund raiser. Many thanks were given and the auxiliaries were acknowledged by the BASRA group for our support.

Thanks to Sherrie, we will always remember safe boating is no accident - utilizing the aids to navigation properly can help you return to port safely.

If you would like to learn more about vessel safety checks, please contact Steve Hults, Staff Officer for Vessel Examinations at steve.hults@uscgaux.net.

If you are interested in learning more about our safe boating classes, or to learn more about getting involved in the Auxiliary, check out our website at www.uscgaux.net or contact our Flotilla Commander Ron Eudy, at Ron.Eudy@uscgaux.net.

*The Coast Guard Auxiliary is the uniformed civilian volunteer component of the U.S. Coast Guard and supports the Coast Guard in nearly all mission areas. The Auxiliary was created by Congress in 1939.*

## Underwater Wakulla

By Gregg Stanton

### Red Tide

Karenia brevis, responsible for the degradation of our coastal waters, is a dinoflagellate that feeds voraciously on our increasing coastal nutrients, to kill marine life.

This year's high coastal water temperatures have boosted the bloom as it seemingly moves northward in the Gulf of Mexico.

Oddly however, northwestern Florida coastal counties have a disproportionate concentration of blooms.

According to the FWC's Red Tide Status report of Sept. 21, Escambia and Santa Rosa have no bloom, Okaloosa and Bay have low concentration, and the Gulf has spotty reports from not present to medium concentrations.

We then go back to "not present" in Franklin, Wakulla, Dixie, Levy, Citrus, and Hernando, before going back up in Pasco.

Interesting.

Discussions I have had with Bob Ballard over the past year regarding the impact that his oyster farms may have on our coastal nutrient load, came back into focus recently. I reminded him that Lake Michigan was once very nutrient rich, with blooms that rendered the visibility to just a few feet. With the accidental introduction and proliferation of the Zebra Mussel many years ago, there also came an improvement of the water quality.

A shipwreck called the Rouse Simmons or Christmas Tree Wreck that a team of us surveyed to determine how she sank was in remarkably clear water, visible almost from the surface resting in 170 feet of water. The ship was covered with Zebra Mussels, but did not inhibit the study as they are relatively small.

I argued that Ballard should begin to sample for the nutrient load surrounding his oyster farms, anticipating that since his animals filter up to 50 gallons a day, and that he now has thousands of them filtering all day, every day, he should see a reduction in the coastal nutrient load and the very growth potential that he is working with in the mid water.

He felt, however, that he had a near inexhaustible nutrient supply, and perhaps he does.

But now consider what drives the Red Tide blooms: Temperature, which we cannot seem to control, and nutrients.

Perhaps an unintended consequence of the farm's reduction of nutrients, may be the prevention of the Red Tide locally.

I will begin to sample for the Red Tide around his farms this week and into the near future. Just by reducing the nutrient load a small fraction, may make a big difference on a Red Tide bloom.

Ballard has recognized the potential of this theory with a proposal to construct reef balls covered with oysters deployed as artificial reefs, breakwaters and nutrient reduction devices around the coastal boundary of the Gulf of Mexico.

These oysters would not be designed to eat, quite the opposite, as they would absorb heavy metals, and toxic dinoflagellates.

The reef ball itself is a proven and inexpensive artificial reef design.

Nutrient load data will need to be taken during this experiment to measure what impact the oysters will have on the environment.

Perhaps the abundance of oysters in the unaffected coastal waters of the northern Gulf of Mexico is already depressing the Red Tide blooms up here.

This will be an interesting long term study.

## Scallop season closed Sept. 25

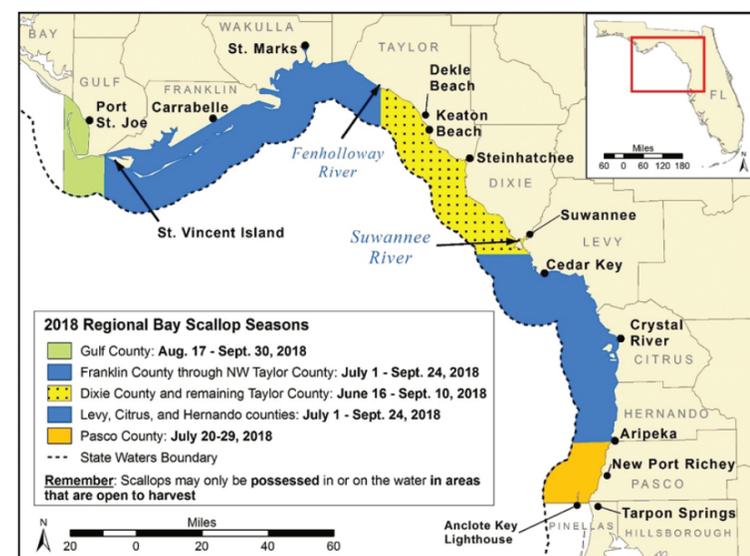
From FWC News

As of Sept. 25, state waters off the following areas are closed to bay scallop harvest: Franklin through northwest Taylor County (including Carrabelle, Lanark and St. Marks) and Levy, Citrus and Hernando counties (including Cedar Key, Crystal River and Homosassa). The last day open to harvest is Sept. 24.

### SHARE YOUR INPUT

These season dates are for 2018 only. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) will be working toward creating a more permanent season structure in the future.

Share your com-



ments on what you would like to see for a future season structure at MyFWC.com/SaltwaterComments. The FWC is very interested in understanding whether the public

prefers regional differences in the season dates or a consistent season across the harvest area, as well as what season dates work best for various regions. Pub-

lic feedback will be an important factor for determining whether further changes are needed when making a decision about the long-term season dates.

WEEKLY ROUNDUP – (Recap and analysis of the week in state government)

# High stakes for high courts

By **DARA KAM**  
NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE – Elected officials, political pundits and arm-chair quarterbacks are fanning the flames of a firestorm over President Donald Trump's nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court, Brett Kavanaugh, a federal judge who's been accused of sexual assault at a drunken high-school bash more than three decades ago.

Kavanaugh has vehemently denied the accusations lodged recently by Christine Blasey Ford, a research psychologist at Palo Alto University. If, when and how Ford will appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee has turned into a partisan skirmish of epic proportions. Democrats hope to postpone Kavanaugh's confirmation until after the November elections, in the hope that they might retake a majority in the Senate and ultimately put the kibosh on Trump's selection.

Florida Republican Gov. Rick Scott, who leaves office in January and is trying to unseat Democratic U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, came out this week with a statement about the Kavanaugh nomination that was ostensibly aimed at keeping everybody happy.

The Republican candidate defended "the truth" – which he said "is not partisan" and "is more important than politics" – and called Ford's accusations "serious." At

the same time, Scott maintained that Kavanaugh "deserves to have a chance to clear his name."

A frustrated Nelson, meanwhile, said he's tried five times to meet with Kavanaugh, to no avail.

Meanwhile, all but two of Florida's Republican state House members chimed in on the U.S. Supreme Court nomination this week.

Citing a "host of reasons" to support Kavanaugh, the GOP lawmakers used a letter to U.S. Senate leaders to urge Nelson to "transcend party politics" and "look at the nominee ... as his own man."

The missive, dated Wednesday, makes no mention of Ford or her allegations, which first surfaced more than a week ago.

## MAYBE ALEXANDER HAIG WILL DECIDE

The clash about whether Kavanaugh will make it onto the nation's high court is mirrored in some respects by a legal battle brewing in the Sunshine State over who will appoint replacements for three Florida Supreme Court justices who will be forced to retire in January. The battle is over whether Scott, his successor, or a combination of the two, will make the appointments.

In a lawsuit filed last year that argued Scott should not have the appointment power, the Florida Supreme Court said the

issue wasn't "ripe" for a decision. But that's changed now that Scott has started the process to choose replacements for retiring justices Barbara Pariente, R. Fred Lewis and Peggy Quince.

The League of Women Voters of Florida and Common Cause filed a renewed lawsuit Thursday contending again that Scott shouldn't have the power. The lawsuit came after Scott directed the Supreme Court Judicial Nominating Commission to begin the process of receiving and reviewing applications.

Saying that Scott "has now acted on his stated intention" to appoint the three justices and has set the process in motion, the groups asked the high court for a "writ of quo warranto," which is used to determine whether a state officer or agency has improperly exercised power.

The outcome of the case could shape the makeup of the Supreme Court for years, if not decades. Pariente, Lewis and Quince are part of a liberal bloc, which now holds a slim 4-3 majority, that has thwarted Scott and the Republican-dominated Legislature on numerous occasions since the governor took office in 2011.

Scott and the three longtime justices will all leave office in January, which has created the legal debate about which governor will have the appointment power.

In announcing that

Scott had initiated the nominating process on Sept. 11, his office said Scott would invite the governor-elect to interview the court nominees after the Nov. 6 general election. The governor's office pointed to an "expectation" that Scott and his successor would be able to agree on appointments.

If that happens, it would follow the lead of outgoing Democratic Gov. Lawton Chiles and Republican Gov.-elect Jeb Bush in late 1998 agreeing to appoint Quince to the Supreme Court.

But the chances of reaching agreement could hinge heavily on the outcome of the gubernatorial election between Democrat Andrew Gillum and Republican Ron DeSantis. Gillum is running as a progressive Democrat and, if elected, might have a hard time reaching agreement with the conservative Scott. The new governor will take office Jan. 8.

"In our understanding of the Constitution, the next governor will appoint the next three Supreme Court justices," Gillum's campaign said in a statement after Scott initiated the Judicial Nominating Commission proceedings.

One of the key arguments in the case surrounds exactly when the terms of Scott and the justices end.

The League of Women Voters and Common Cause maintain that the judicial vacancies do not occur until after the outgoing justices' terms expire at the end of the day on Tuesday, Jan. 8. That is also the day Scott's successor will take office.

Even if the justices' terms run out earlier in the day, Scott still doesn't have the authority to appoint the judicial replacements, John Mills, a lawyer representing the plaintiffs, argued last year. That would be up to the new governor, who will almost certainly be sworn in immedi-

ately after midnight on inauguration day, the plaintiffs argued, pointing to what happened when the last three governors assumed office.

In a statement issued in response to Thursday's lawsuit, Scott reiterated he wants to work with the incoming governor to fill the appointments.

"It's disappointing that these partisan groups filed a politically motivated lawsuit that would create three prolonged vacancies on the Florida Supreme Court, contrary to all historical practice. The governor is following precedent set by Governor Chiles and has said in good faith that his expectation is that he and the governor-elect will agree on the selection of three new justices," Scott spokesman John Tupps said in an email.

## GILLUM, DESANTIS SPLIT ON SCHOOLS

While the battle about the Supreme Court appointments heated up this week, Gillum and DeSantis also launched plans that show they are far apart on how to improve Florida schools.

Gillum is floating a proposal that would provide a minimum \$50,000 starting salary for teachers by increasing the state corporate-income tax by \$1 billion.

DeSantis, meanwhile, released a plan that includes requiring 80 percent of school funding to be spent in classrooms and not on administration. He said the plan could help boost teacher pay.

Republicans have criticized Gillum's proposal to increase the corporate-income tax rate from 5.5 percent to 7.75 percent to raise \$1 billion for schools.

Gillum, the Tallahassee mayor, said only the largest corporations pay the tax because of exemptions. He estimates his proposal would impact about 3 percent of the

companies doing business in the state. The tax increase would be offset by more than \$6 billion in reduced taxes the corporations are paying because of the recent cut in the federal corporate tax, according to Gillum.

"I will not allow them to get away with miss-describing what it is that we are proposing. We are simply saying that we've got to invest in our next generation," Gillum said at a press conference Tuesday.

Meanwhile, DeSantis, a former congressman from Ponte Vedra Beach, is touting the plan to require spending 80 percent of education funding in classrooms. His campaign policy statement said it would "cut bureaucratic waste and administrative inefficiency and ensure that money is being spent where it matters most."

After touring the Okaloosa STEMM Academy in Valparaiso on Tuesday, DeSantis said his plan could boost pay for teachers.

"As we're moving away from bureaucracy and putting more of the percentage of money we spend into the classroom, to me, the primary beneficiary is going to be the teachers," he told reporters.

**STORY OF THE WEEK:** The League of Women Voters of Florida and Common Cause filed a lawsuit seeking to block an attempt by Gov. Rick Scott to appoint replacements for three justices whose terms will end as the governor's tenure comes to a close in January.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "I want to make it very clear. The death of U.S. citizens is not a Republican or Democrat issue. It is a human tragedy." State Rep. Robert Asencio, a Miami Democrat, speaking to reporters a year after Hurricane Maria left Puerto Rico in tatters.



## Bring Tuscany to the Table

Take time this fall to slow down and experience the pure delight of great-tasting food with family and friends. Savoring the moment is at the heart of Tuscan-inspired entertaining, where everyone has a seat at the table to enjoy simple and delicious dishes that boast authentic flavor and incorporate quality ingredients.

With a passion for the simplicity of Italian food and homemade Tuscan cooking, Italian-American chef Laura Vitale, host of "Laura in the Kitchen," traveled to the small town of Lucca, Italy, where she reconnected with a region rooted in heritage, experienced rich traditions and embraced "The Tuscan Way" in crafting her own unique takes on classic dishes.

<b>Prep time: 15 minutes</b>	1	ounce prosciutto, thinly sliced
<b>Cook time: 10 minutes</b>	2	cups arugula
<b>Servings: 4</b>	1	tablespoon Parmesan cheese, grated
	1	tablespoon toasted pine nuts
	1	tablespoon Bertolli Extra Virgin Olive Oil
	1	cup Bertolli Rustic Cut Three Cheese with Aged Asiago, Romano & Parmesan Sauce
	1	prebaked pizza crust (12 inches)
	1/2	cup shredded fontina cheese
	1	tablespoon Bertolli Balsamic Vinegar of Modena

Heat oven to 450 F.

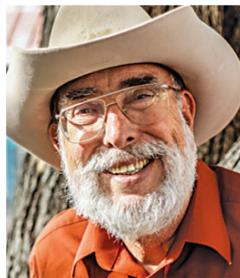
Evenly spread sauce on crust then top with fontina cheese.

Bake 10 minutes, or until cheese is melted, and remove from oven.

Top with prosciutto. Arrange arugula in center of pizza then sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and pine nuts. Drizzle olive oil and vinegar over arugula and serve.

## HOME COUNTRY

# Dogs day out at livestock auction



By **SLIM RANDLES**

One of the great pleasures of hanging around down at the livestock auction barn each Saturday morning is being able to take your dog along.

Why do we go to the sales barn? We love agriculture, and it's part of living here to see who buys what and rejoice in their good fortune, even if our own grass is stressed to the limit by whatever varmint we're currently feeding.

Or, it could be that we figure we've already lived too long, and if the right horse or cow comes

through there, and we buy it, our wives will see to it that we don't suffer in agony for untold years.

This weekly auction is a treasure house for our dogs. It's a dog's day out, a chance to scrounge under the bleachers for dropped hot dog portions and the occasional sweet bun crust.

It's a chance for them to get reacquainted with dog buddies and to check out any new pickups in the parking lot whose tires have not yet been properly baptized.

My coonhound loves it. She had done her munching, scrounging and socializing and was curled up under my truck, waiting for me, as we were getting ready to leave.

Dud's blue heeler was flitting around in the bed of his pickup truck, guarding against anything that might dignify to trespass.

And Doc had a new dog, of non-obvious parentage, on a leash, which meant he was not yet broken in to sales barn etiquette.

Once he got used to it, and had been introduced to the other dogs, he'd fit right in and the leash would be history.

"What kind of dog is that, Doc?" we asked.

"Why, he's an Egyptian shepherd."

"I never heard of an Egyptian shepherd. Does he work cattle?"

"Nope."

"What's he do?"

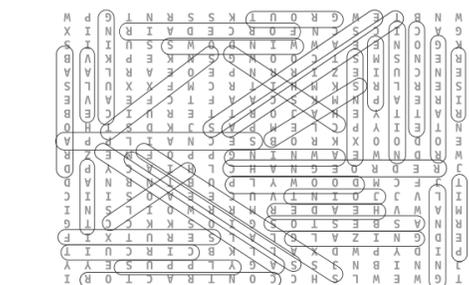
Doc grinned, "He makes pyramids in the back yard."

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**Puzzles4Kids** Answer

**Even Exchange**

- Month, Month
- Treats, Treats
- Recent, Recent
- Hilly, Hilly
- Smock, Smock
- Nozzle, Nozzle
- Forge, Forge
- Price, Price
- Reach, Reach
- Sailor, Sailor
- Tailor, Tailor

# RENOVATION WORD SEARCH

T G W E W L S H C C O N T R A C T O R Y  
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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| ALLOWANCE  | CHANGE ORDER | GENERATOR  |
| APPLIANCES | CIRCUIT      | GLAZING    |
| ARCHITECT  | CLOTH        | GROUT      |
| ASBESTOS   | CONCRETE     | HEADER     |
| AWNING     | CONTRACTOR   | INSULATION |
| BASEBOARD  | EXPENSES     | JOINT      |
| BEAMS      | FIBERGLASS   | LANDING    |
| CASING     | FIXTURES     | MATERIALS  |
| CAULKING   | FORCED AIR   | PAINT      |
|            |              | PERMIT     |
|            |              | PLYWOOD    |
|            |              | PRIME      |
|            |              | RISER      |
|            |              | SOFFIT     |
|            |              | STAIRCASE  |
|            |              | SUPPLY     |
|            |              | VALVE      |
|            |              | WINDOWS    |

**The Garden Bug**

The swamp sunflower grows throughout North America near bogs, ponds, lakes and rivers. Its flowers, which feature bright yellow petals and dark centers, appear in early autumn and draw butterflies, bees, and other nectar feeders. Caterpillars, cutworms and other pests feed on the plant as well.

- Brenda Weaver

Sources: www.easywildflowers.com, www.finegardening.com

**Puzzles4Kids** by Helene Hovanec

**CRISSCROSS – RHYMES WITH “ME”**

Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid.

3 Letters: GEE, KEY, SKI  
 4 Letters: FLEE, KIWI, LILY, PLEA, PONY, RUBY, ZANY  
 5 Letters: AGREE, FERRY, SCARY, YUMMY  
 6 Letters: EIGHTY, WORTHY, YIPPEE  
 7 Letters: CLOSELY, REFEREE, RETIREE  
 8 Letters: CAREFREE, CHICKPEA

**Even Exchange** by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Calendar segment	___ N ___	Cave entrance	___ U ___
2. Picks up the tab	___ S	Peace agreement	___ Y
3. As of late	___ C ___	Concede	___ L ___
4. Mountainous	___ I ___	Singer Buddy	___ O ___
5. Artist's garb	___ M ___	Electrical jolt	___ H ___
6. Pasta	N ___	French dog	P ___
7. Furnace	___ G ___	Brute or air	___ C ___
8. Going rate	___ C ___	Leo's group	___ D ___
9. Get a hold of	___ H	Act in response	___ T
10. Popeye's occupation	S ___	Men's outfitter	T ___

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**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Towel is missing. 2. Pocket is missing. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Airplane is missing. 5. Sand trap is smaller. 6. Club head is different.

**WHEN DO 4 AND 4 MAKE MORE THAN 8?**

Connect the dots and find out.

Answer: When they make 44.

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**ONE GOOD "CHURN" DESERVES ANOTHER!** Can you find the four five-letter words needed on the right that match the definitions below? All words must read the same across and down.

- A cow barn (given).
- An eagle's nest.
- They're numbered 1 to 9.
- A hair product.
- Affirmatives.

Answers: 1. Dairy. 2. Aerie. 3. Irons (golf). 4. Rinse. 5. Yeses.

**Junior Whirl** by Charles Barry Townsend

**FIND THE BIG WORDS!**

Using the definitions and the anagrams below, find the eight eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. For each definition, the letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

DEFINITIONS:

- Difficult to understand.
- A boom box necessity.
- A type of road.
- Extreme, unreasoning people.
- Hardwood rhythm instrument.
- Educated, well-informed.
- A flat fish.
- Unleavened bread.

ANAGRAMS:

cast + brat  
 sect + seat  
 plot + back  
 cats + naif  
 tact + sare  
 tale + tire  
 rags + tiny  
 riot + tall

Answers: 1. Abstract. 2. Cassette. 3. Blacktop. 4. Fanatics. 5. Castanet. 6. Literate. 7. Stingray. 8. Tonnilla.



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located at 38 Boykin Rd., Crawfordville, FL 32327, in the County of Wakulla, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.  
Dated at Crawfordville, Florida, this 21st day of September, 2018.  
Greg Taylor, Owner  
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5923-0927 TWN Fictitious Name  
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**Cousin Vinnie Detailing**  
located at 11 Pasture Run Way, in the County of Wakulla, in the City of Crawfordville, Florida 32327 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Crawfordville, FL, this 20th day of September, 2018.  
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### Fictitious Name Notices

5925-1011 TWN FLORIDA PACE FUNDING AGENCY  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS  
The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Florida PACE Funding Agency, a public body corporate and politic (the "Agency"), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Sections 163.08(2), (3) and (4) and 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments for more than one year to be levied within the area encompassed by the boundaries of every county in Florida, or any of the municipalities therein, subscribing to or served by the Agency's statewide provision of funding and financing to construct or pay for energy conservation and efficiency improvements, renewable energy improvements and wind resistance improvements in accordance with Section 163.08, Florida Statutes (collectively, the "Qualifying Improvements"). By law and resolution of the Agency, a property owner may apply to the Agency for funding and financing of a Qualifying Improvement. The non-ad valorem assessments contemplated by this notice are voluntary and are only imposed by the Agency with the prior written consent authorized by or on behalf of affected property owners who determine to obtain financing for Qualifying Improvements from the Agency. The Agency is authorized by law to fund and finance Qualifying Improvements and is required to annually collect the same by non-ad valorem assessments. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 1:00 p.m. on October 30, 2018, at the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization Executive Conference Room, 2570 W International Speedway Boulevard, Suite 100, Daytona Beach, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property that may be subject to the levy - which is the entirety of the State of Florida. Copies of the proposed form of resolution are on file at the office of Counterpointe Energy Solutions (FL) LLC, Third Party Administrator for the Florida PACE Funding Agency, 2600 Maitland Center Parkway, Suite 163, Maitland, Florida 32751, email: [gov@counterpointes.com](mailto:gov@counterpointes.com). All interested persons are invited to present oral comments at the public hearing and/or submit written comments to the Board at the above address. Written comments should be received by the Agency on or before October 29, 2018. Any persons desiring to present oral comments should appear at the public hearing.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the Board with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based.  
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons requesting special accommodation regarding participation in such public hearing should contact the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization at (386) 226-0422 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of the public hearing.  
By Order of the Board of Directors of Florida PACE Funding Agency on August 14, 2018.  
Published September 20, 27, October 4 & 11, 2018.

### Misc. Notices

5918-0927 TWN  
Shops By The Bay, LLC 18 CA 64 Notice of Sale  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 18 CA 64  
CENTENNIAL BANK, Plaintiff,  
v.  
SHOPS BY THE BAY, LLC, et al., Defendants.  
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment on Foreclosure dated September 4, 2018, entered in Case No. 2018 CA 64 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein CENTENNIAL BANK is the Plaintiff, and SHOPS BY THE BAY, LLC; KENNETH W. SHIVER; ABBIE SHIVER; NAT'S FOOD MART, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT(S), and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under, and against the herein named individual defendants who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties may claim an interest as spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees or other claimants are the Defendants, the undersigned will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash a Lobby of the Wakulla County Courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida 32327, at 1 o'clock a.m. on October 18th, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment on Foreclosure, to-wit:  
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of PANACEA PLAZA, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 112 of the Public Records of Wakulla County, Florida.  
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 sale.  
DATED this 5th day of September, 2018.  
Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of Court  
(COURT SEAL)  
By: Rachel Howard, Deputy Clerk  
Published September 20 & 27, 2018.

### Foreclosure Sale/Action Notices

5925-1004 TWN  
Scheil, Shannon Marie 2018-CA-000023 Notice of Sale  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE #: 2018-CA-000023  
BV Legacy, L.P. Plaintiff,  
-vs-  
Shannon Marie Scheil a/k/a Shannon Scheil Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Scheil a/k/a Shannon A. Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Wiggins; Jeffrey G. Godwin; Unknown Spouse of Shannon Marie Scheil a/k/a Shannon Scheil Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Scheil a/k/a Shannon A. Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Wiggins; Florida Housing Finance Corporation; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, if living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants  
Defendant(s).  
NOTICE OF SALE  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to order rescheduling foreclosure sale or Final Judgment, entered in Civil Case No. 2018-CA-000023 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein BV Legacy, L.P. Plaintiff and Shannon Marie Scheil a/k/a Shannon Scheil Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Scheil a/k/a Shannon A. Wiggins a/k/a Shannon M. Wiggins are defendant(s), I, Clerk of Court, Brent X. Thurmond, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT LOBBY OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 3056 CRAWFORDVILLE HWY, CRAWFORDVILLE, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M. on October 18, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:  
LOT 3, BLOCK "D", WOODVILLE SOUTH, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 31, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.  
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.  
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 the ADA Coordinator, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; (850) 577-4430 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.  
Brent X. Thurmond, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
Wakulla County, Florida  
(COURT SEAL)  
By: Rachel L. Howard, Deputy Clerk of Courts  
Submitted By: ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHÉ, LLP  
2424 North Federal Highway, Suite 360, Boca Raton, Florida 33431  
(561) 998-6700, (561) 998-6707  
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### Misc. Notices

5926-0927 TWN Fictitious Name  
Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:  
**Greg's Forestry & Mulching Services**  
located at 38 Boykin Rd., Crawfordville, FL 32327, in the County of Wakulla, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL.  
Dated at Crawfordville, Florida, this 21st day of September, 2018.  
Greg Taylor, Owner  
Published September 27, 2018.

### Foreclosure Sale/Action Notices

5923-0927 TWN Fictitious Name  
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located at 11 Pasture Run Way, in the County of Wakulla, in the City of Crawfordville, Florida 32327 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Crawfordville, FL, this 20th day of September, 2018.  
Vincent Ten Hoeve, Owner  
Published September 27, 2018.

## Foreclosure Sale/ Action Notices

**5920-0927 TWN**  
Alford, Floyd 18000091CAAXMX Notice of Action  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO. 18000091CAAXMX Division No.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR HILLDALE TRUST  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
FLOYD ALFORD, et al.,  
Defendant(s)/

### NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

**TO: FLOYD ALFORD WHOSE ADDRESS IS 122 WHIDDON LAKE RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327**

**UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FLOYD ALFORD WHOSE ADDRESS IS 122 WHIDDON LAKE RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327**

**UNKNOWN TENANT # 1 WHOSE ADDRESS IS 122 WHIDDON LAKE RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327**

**UNKNOWN TENANT # 2 WHOSE ADDRESS IS 122 WHIDDON LAKE RD, CRAWFORDVILLE, FL 32327**

Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown named Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property, to-wit:

One half acre of land lying in the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of section 18, Township 3 South, Range 1 West, Wakulla County, Florida, bounded on the East by the land of T. P. GREEN, on the North by the land of S.L. MOORE, on the West by the land of J.C. VAUSE, and on the South by Whiddon Lake Road. Said land is triangular in shape and is in the Northeast corner of that certain tract of land conveyed to MAMIE RICHBURG by H.L. CRAWFORD, JR., by deed, dated April 8, 1953, and recorded in Deed Book 42, Page 83 of the public records of Wakulla County, Florida. This being that certain land as conveyed to ASA STEVE REEVES, by MAMIE RICHBURG, by deed, dated April 27, 1953, and recorded in Deed Book 42, Page 115 of the public records of Wakulla County, Florida.

more commonly known as 122 Whiddon Lake Rd, Crawfordville, FL 32327

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, GILBERT GARCIA GROUP, P.A., whose address is 2313 W. Violet St., Tampa, Florida 33603, on or before 30 days after date of first publication and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 10th day of September, 2018.

BRENT X. THURMOND, WAKULLA County, Florida  
(COURT SEAL)  
By: Rachel L. Howard, Deputy Clerk

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**5924-1004 TWN**  
Flournah, Marcus L. 17000197CAAXMX Notice of Sale  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,  
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO. 17000197CAAXMX

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
MARCUS L. FLOURNAH; HELENIA NICOLE FLOURNAH A/K/A HELENIA N. FLOURNAH; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY;  
Defendants.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 4, 2018, and entered in Case No. 17000197CAAXMX, of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for WAKULLA County, Florida, wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is Plaintiff and MARCUS L. FLOURNAH; HELENIA NICOLE FLOURNAH A/K/A HELENIA N. FLOURNAH; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; are defendants. BRENT X. THURMOND, the Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE, at 3056 CRAWFORDVILLE HIGHWAY, CRAWFORDVILLE IN WAKULLA County, FLORIDA 32327, at 11:00 A.M., on the 11th day of October, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE SOUTHERLY 100 FEET OF LOTS 20 AND 21, BLOCK "25", OF GREINER'S ADDITION TO CRAWFORDVILLE, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN AT THE REBAR MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 20, BLOCK "25", GREINER'S ADDITION TO CRAWFORDVILLE, A SUBDIVISION A PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA; SAID POINT ALSO MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF EIGHT AVENUE WITH THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF JANE STREET (NOT OPEN); THENCE RUN ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY NORTH 72 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST 99.95 FEET TO A ROD AND CAP; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY RUN NORTH 15 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST 100.00 FEET TO A ROD AND CAP; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST 99.90 FEET TO A ROD AND CAP LYING ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF SAID JANE STREET (NOT OPEN); THENCE SOUTH 15 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 03 SECONDS EAST 100.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

LESS AND EXCEPT  
BEGIN AT REBAR MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 20, BLOCK 25, GREINER'S ADDITION TO CRAWFORDVILLE, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID POINT ALSO MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF EIGHT AVENUE WITH THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF JANE STREET (NOT OPEN); THENCE RUN ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY NORTH 72° 32' 48" EAST 99.97 FEET TO A 5/8 INCH REBAR (NO CAP); THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY RUN NORTH 15° 27' 54" WEST 100.00 FEET TO A SET 5/8 INCH REBAR (87391); THENCE SOUTH 72° 32' 44" WEST 99.95 FEET TO A ROD AND CAP LYING ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF SAID JANE STREET (NOT OPEN); THENCE SOUTH 15° 27' 03" EAST 100.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

Dated this 5th day of September, 2018.

BRENT X. THURMOND, As Clerk of said Court  
(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL)  
By: Rachel L. Howard, As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, Phone No. (850)926-1201 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

Submitted by: Kahane & Associates, P.A.  
8201 Pelers Road, Ste.3000 Plantation, FL 33324  
Telephone: (954) 382-3486; Telefax: (954) 382-5380  
Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com

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**5921-0927 TWN**  
Phinazee, Herbert 17000201CAAXMX Notice of Sale  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
Case No. 17000201CAAXMX

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## Foreclosure Sale/ Action Notices

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Bertha Phinazee, et al.,  
Defendants.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Order Canceling and Rescheduling Foreclosure dated August 29, 2018, entered in Case No. 17000201CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein PennyMac Loan Services, LLC is the Plaintiff and Bertha Phinazee; Unknown Spouse of Bertha Phinazee; Villas at Covington Park Homeowners Association, Inc. are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the courthouse, 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327, beginning at 11:00 AM, on the 4th day of October, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

**LOT 51, VILLAS AT COVINGTON PARK, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 13, PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

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

Dated this 39th day of August, 2018.

Brent X. Thurmond, As Clerk of the Court  
(COURT SEAL)  
By: Rachel L. Howard, As Deputy Clerk

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 Susan Wilson, ADA Coordinator, at 850-577-4401, 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 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.

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## Notices to Creditors/ Administration

**5917-0927 TWN**  
Lewis, Clayton C. 2018-CP-000070 Notice to Creditors  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,  
IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
CASE NO.: 2018-CP-000070

IN RE: ESTATE OF CLAYTON C. LEWIS, Deceased.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of CLAYTON C. LEWIS, deceased, whose date of death was September 2, 2018, and whose social security number is xxx-xx-4669, is pending in the Circuit Court for Wakulla County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is September 20, 2018.

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## Tax Deed Notices

**5914-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 042

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that ST WEALTH PARTNERS LP the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 1706 Date of Issuance May 28, 2015**  
**Parcel # 00-00-078-013-10965-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK E LOTS 16 & 17 DB 56 P 506, OR 67 P 91, OR 131 P 612 OR 431 P 611, OR 648 P 378, OR 664 P 464, OR 751 P 269**

Name in which assessed: WELLS FARGO BANK NA  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: October 24, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: September 5, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
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**5908-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 079

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that PATRICIA MITCHELL the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 1288 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-035-008-06911-000**  
**Description of Property: WAKULLA GARDENS BLOCK 7 LOT 48 OR 4 P 158**

Name in which assessed: GLENN R. WORLEY  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 7, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
Published September 13, 20, 27 & October 4, 2018.

**5907-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 078

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 1446 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-035-008-07988-000**  
**Description of Property: WAKULLA GARDENS BLOCK 25 LOT 16 OR 6 P 681 OR 636 P 895 OR 719 P 548 OR 813 P 77**

Name in which assessed: WINDER VI LLC  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 10, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
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**5906-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 077

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2254 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-11089-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK J LOT 30 OR 26 P 109 & OR 70 P 272 OR 294 P 645 OR 422 P 589 OR 480 P 206/212**

Name in which assessed: TARPON IV LLC  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 10, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5905-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 076

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2194 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10801-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK A LOT 80 OR 13 P 710 & OR 70 P 272 OR 422 P 589 OR 480 P 206/212 OR 503 P 361**

Name in which assessed: TARPON IV LLC  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5904-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 075

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 1629 Date of Issuance May 27, 2016**

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**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10806-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK A LOT 85 DB 59 P 131 OR 882 P 532**  
Name in which assessed: MELODY SELLNER  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5903-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 074

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2223 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10938-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK D LOT 40 OR 51 P 625 OR 675 P 414 OR 782 P 875**

Name in which assessed: JAMES A BIGOS & MONICA HORAN  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 10, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
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**5902-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 073

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2222 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10937-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK D LOT 39 DB 60 P 140**

Name in which assessed: GEORGE H & ISABEL NOLD  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5901-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 072

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2197 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10808-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK A LOT 87 DB 59 P 10 OR 131 P 243**

Name in which assessed: MILTON RICHARD HOLLEY  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5900-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 071

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that TIDEWATER INVESTMENTS OF WAKULLA LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2196 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-10807-000**  
**Description of Property: MAGNOLIA GARDENS BLOCK A LOT 86 DB 59 P 10 OR 131 P 243**

Name in which assessed: ANDREW OGERSHOK  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
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**5899-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 070

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Tidewater Investments of Wakulla LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2253 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-11088-000**  
**Description of Property: Magnolia Gardens Block J Lot 29 DB 60 P 15**

Name in which assessed: Andrew Ogershok  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida  
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**5898-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 069

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Tidewater Investments of Wakulla LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 2261 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 00-00-078-013-11118-000**  
**Description of Property: Magnolia Gardens Block K Lot 6 DB 58 P 315**

Name in which assessed: Anna Mae Gallion  
said property being in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder in the Wakulla Co. Courthouse on: November 14, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.  
Dated: August 9, 2018  
Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk  
By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk  
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**5897-1004 TWN**  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED  
TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 068

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that DUANE EVANS LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:  
**Certificate # 736 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011**  
**Parcel #: 03-65-02W-035-03779-005**  
**Description of Property: SURF BLOCK M LOTS 5 - 16 OR 372 P 880**

Name in



**Coffee break**  
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**Amber Waves** by Dave T. Phipps

NOT A CLOUD IN SIGHT. NOTHING BUT BLUE SKIES AND A NICE COOL BREEZE.  
I'D SAY THIS IS OUR LITTLE SLICE OF HEAVEN.  
DEAR, GET IN HERE AND SEE WHAT YOUR SON DID!  
OK, MAYBE JUST A DISTANT SUBURB OF IT.

**Out on a Limb** by Gary Kopervas

THEN-AND-NOW  
A BOY AND HIS DOG  
A BOY AND HIS DRONE  
YAP... YAP... YAP...  
HAMMMMMMMMM

**R.F.D.** by Mike Marland

WELL...IT'S FALL...WINTER WILL BE HERE BEFORE WE KNOW IT.  
YUP AND SPRING'LL BE HERE IN 208 DAYS, 14 HOURS AND 37 MINUTES.  
!?  
WINTER HATERS COUNTDOWN APP.

**The Spats** by Jeff Pickering

I'M BACK!! DID YOU LOSE ALL YOUR MONEY AT THE CASINO?  
NO, I LOST ALL OF YOURS.

**POPEYE** by Elmer Bernstein

YOU JUST DWELL ON THE BAD TREATMENT...  
...YOU HAD AS A CHILD...  
BUT THERE MUST'VE BEEN HAPPY MOMENTS.  
...WHEN YOUR PARENTS SHOWED SOME AFFECTION...  
...LIKE PLAYING WITH YOU  
FOR INSTANCE... I'VE SEEN YOUNG DADS THROW THEIR INFANTS INTO THE AIR.  
SURE... ME DADDY DUN DAT!  
THERE... AGAIN I'VE PROVEN YOUR ARE... MEMORY TO BE FAULTY!  
...THERE WAS FAMILIAL PLAY WHEN YOU WERE A BABY!  
WAIT! I SAID HE'D TROW ME INTA TH' AIR...  
... BUT HE NEVER BOTHERED TA KETCH ME!

**FLASH GORDON** by Jim Keefe

FOR THOSE OF YOU JUST JOINING US... THE TIME IS NOW... THE PLACE: THE PLANET MONGO...  
A WORLD WHERE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY EXISTS SIDE BY SIDE WITH PREHISTORIC SAVAGERY.  
LIGHT-YEARS FROM EARTH ARE CASTAWAYS FLASH GORDON, DALE ARDEN AND DR. HANS ZARKOV.  
SKREEEEEEE!  
KA-ZASK!  
SEARCHING FOR A WAY BACK HOME, EVERY DAY IS A STRUGGLE TO JUST STAY ALIVE!  
NEXT: A METEOR LANDS IN BOSTON!

**Play Better Golf with JACK NICKLAUS**

THE BALL CAN BE "TOPPED" - HIT ABOVE ITS EQUATOR - FOR A LOT OF REASONS.  
ONE OF THE MOST COMMON AMONG GOOD PLAYERS IS TRYING TO SWING TOO HARD.  
SPEEDING UP LEG AND HIP ACTION ON THE DOWNSWING IS FINE WHEN GOING FOR A BIG ONE... SO LONG AS THE RELEASE OF THE CLUBHEAD IS EQUALLY LIVELY.  
REMEMBER YOU MUST "RESTORE THE RADIUS" AS YOU SEE HERE TO HIT THE BALL FLUSH.

**King Crossword**

**ACROSS**

- Eastern big-wig (Var.)
- One-on-one battle
- Scoundrel
- Rice-A- —
- Paquin or Paris
- Raw rock
- Over
- Pen point
- Vagrant
- Ticket
- Aspect
- Idea that spreads on the Web
- 48-Across' counterparts
- Room-to-room access
- Convent dweller
- Great praise
- Old card game
- Wine pourer
- Existed, Biblically
- Do as you're told
- Exposes
- Cease-fire
- Noble title
- Melody
- Ecclesiastical compact
- See 25-Across
- 49 Soon, in verse
- 10 Operatic solo
- 11 Credit card user's problem
- 16 Parcel of land
- 20 Coal diggers' org.
- 21 Ward (off)
- 22 Chills and fever
- 23 Open area at a terminal
- 24 Othello, for one
- 26 Responsibility
- 27 Praise in verse
- 28 Days gone by
- 29 Drunkards
- 31 Patella
- 34 Jimmy Kimmel's network
- 35 Tusked mammal
- 37 Buddy
- 38 Party-game pin-on
- 39 Go by train
- 40 Son of Seth
- 41 Pimples
- 44 Yoko of music
- 45 "CSI" evidence
- 46 \$ dispenser
- 47 Pirouette

**DOWN**

- Joan of —
- Cattle call?
- Hostel
- Wealth
- Paint amateurishly
- Ruin
- Compass pt.
- Firetruck gear
- Skin-tone cosmetic

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**Weekly SUDOKU** by Linda Thistle

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

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

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**Trivia test** by Fifi Rodriguez

- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Who was the first African-American woman to be crowned Miss America?
- SCIENCE: What temperature does water boil in Celsius?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of ladybugs called?
- MEDICAL: What type of blood does a universal donor have?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Armenia?
- HISTORY: When did the Spanish Civil War end?
- TELEVISION: How does the title to this 1990s drama series end: "Beverly Hills, ..."?
- GAMES: How many dots are on a standard, six-sided die?
- MOVIES: What was the name of the father lion in "The Lion King"?
- MONEY: What is the basic currency of Iceland?

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**SMTW**

**Trivia Test Answers**

1. Vanessa Williams
2. 100 C
3. A loveliness of ladybugs
4. O negative
5. Yerevan
6. 1939
7. 90210
8. 21
9. Mufasa
10. Krona

**CryptoQuip**

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

Clue: S equals L

K CJB'I SKUX IJ EPC-OJTV  
OXIPSRJFUXFH EXZPTHX K  
IVKBU WXJWSX HVJTSC  
FXHWXZI IVXKF RXSCXFH.

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**King Crossword**

Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

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

**WAKULLA COUNTY**

**Weekly SUDOKU**

Answers

I don't like to bad-mouth metalworkers because I think people should respect their welders.

# Sinkhole reopens near New Light Church

**From Front Page**

can vary in size from a few feet to hundreds of acres and can range from one to 100-feet deep.

Sinkholes form when ground water circulates through, and dissolves certain types of soft rock, like limestone. As the rocks dissolve, caverns form and eventually, there is not enough strength to support the land above, triggering a sinkhole.

“What usually happens is the water finds its way down through the sand and limestone,” said Cal Jamison, former ambassador for Wakulla Springs, who also tracks sinkholes. “It happens a lot on disturbed land.”

Jamison said he saw the sinkhole two weeks ago, before the county filled it for a second time, and it looked to be about 20 feet in diameter, and 10 to 12 feet deep.

“It must be a pretty big crack in the limestone for this to keep opening,” Jameson said.

“They can go fill them, and a lot of times they won’t come back,” Jamison said.

He said if they do sink in again, they usually fill them with concrete.

Jamison said sinkholes are not uncommon in Wakulla Coun-

**The sinkhole, top, located off New Light Church Road when it first opened a couple of weeks ago; and Cal Jamison, below, looking at it after the sinkhole was filled by the county and started re-opening.**

ty. He said there are more than 1,000 sinkholes here.

Jamison said what’s unique about this sinkhole is its location. It’s uphill on the side of the road. He said they typically open up in the swale, if there’s no place for the water to drain.

Jamison said sinkholes usually open up near the elementary schools, and some of the subdivisions. He said the sinkhole that opened up on New Light Church Road is a solution sinkhole. He said it’s the same kind of sinkhole that has opened up under houses and trailers in Wakulla Gardens.

Jamison said those homes don’t have gutters so the rainwater from the roofs accumulates on the ground. The water seeps through the soil, and dissolves the limestone. Consequently, a hole, that resembles a pipe, opens up for the water to drain.

Fleming hopes the county engineers will soon come up with a permanent fix.



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# Making a connection: Linking Leon County lakes, local creeks to pollution at Wakulla Springs

**From Front Page**

brown color.

In some of the shallow areas, like near the boat dock, green sludge can easily be seen waving in the water.

Jamison said most of the green is coming from nitrates seeping into the soil from septic tanks and fertilizers. Fertilizers and human and animal waste produce nitrates that feed algae that eventually suffocates water bodies. The algae blooms not only affect the water’s color, they also affect the health of the spring. Algae blocks out sunlight for other vegetation that some of the animals feed off of, and could in turn destroy the entire ecosystem.

Jamison said he found out the lakes have holes in the bottom that connect to the underwater cave system, but he hasn’t found exactly where those connections are yet. He said the lakes are really dirty, and filled with algae.

Jamison said the brown water in the springs come from sinking streams. He said all of the creeks go underground, and they turn brown from cypress leaves that fall in them and decay. He noted that Fisher Creek, Black Creek and Jump Creek are a few that drain into Wakulla Springs.

When there isn’t any rainfall, the creeks dry up.

“When the water (in Wakulla Springs) is brown that means all

the creeks are flowing,” said Jamison.

When there is a lot of rain, the water travels through the underground cave system, which overwhelms the groundwater, Jamison noted.

“After the rainy season ends, Jump Creek dries up,” said Jamison. “When I see Jump Creek dry up, the spring gets clearer. The brown goes away.”

Jamison said Wakulla Springs is like a big suction that draws all the water in the springshed. When the drainage from the lakes and creeks combine, they turn the water in Wakulla Springs a tea-color.

Members of the Alliance have performed dye traces to try to better understand the

connections between lakes in the Big Bend area and the spring system. They pump hundreds of pounds of non-toxic dye into the lakes and sinkholes, and then use charcoal packs to measure traces of the dye at Wakulla Springs, and other springs connected through the cave system in the aquifer, Jamison said.

So far, the group has found that Wakulla Springs has a connection to Lake Iamonia, Lake Jackson, Lake Lafayette and Lake Munson in Tallahassee, Jamison said.

Jamison added that it took 11 days for the dye to reach Wakulla Springs from Lake Lafayette, which is a little more than 20 miles from Wakulla Springs. Traces of the

dye that was poured into Lake Iamonia, which is about 40 miles away, on the Florida/Georgia border, took 35 days to reach the spring.

Jamison said the Wakulla Springs Alliance documents the evidence they collect without making judgments. He said Bob Deyle, another member of the alliance is on sabbatical, but is still compiling the information collected from the dye trace while he is away.

“We’re just putting the facts out so Wakulla County, Leon County and Tallahassee will take the evidence and take some kind of action.”

He added that the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has already

made different efforts to restore and protect the springs, like implementing the Basin Management Action Plan, which provides guidelines for farming practices and septic tanks.

However, Jamison said the BMAP does not take the sinking lakes into account.

Wakulla County has also made an attempt to reduce pollution to the spring system by installing sewer systems, and requiring performance-based septic tanks in some areas in the Primary Springs Protection Zone, which is on the northern end of the county from Wakulla Station, follows Shadeville Highway, and then veers toward U.S. 319, crossing the highway at Zaxby’s.

## Blessing of the Animals

Join us Saturday October 6th 2018  
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Crawfordville United Methodist Church  
176 Ochlockonee Street Crawfordville FL, 32327

Blessing performed by  
Pastor Alan Gaylord

Our cats, dogs, reptiles, horses, fish and birds that grace our homes are among the things we care deeply about. Our hopes and dreams for a better world should be concerned with non-human creatures as well as our own kind. Bring your animals and please join us for this meaningful blessing.

Food or monetary donations are welcomed to help support the local animal shelters.

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