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Merritt, Messersmith win

Randy Merritt wins third term as commissioner; Quincee Messersmith wins seat on the board

By WILLIAM SNOWDEN and ERIN HILL

Randy Merritt easily won his re-election bid for the county commission District 2 seat over challenger Jamel Gavin, and Quincee Messersmith won the District 4 seat over Ted Recker.

Supervisor of Elections anticipated a voter turnout of around 70 percent for local voters,

but the Tuesday night results showed it was the races for governor and U.S. Senate that were driving the high turnout – fewer than 60 voters didn't cast a vote in the governor's race between Ron DeSantis and Andrew Gillum, and only about 85 didn't vote in the Senate race between Bill Nelson and Rick Scott.

And the totals in those races was over-



Randy Merritt



Quincee Messersmith

whelmingly Republican. Merritt won a third

term on the county commission taking some 57 percent of the

vote, or about 1,500 votes.

Messersmith won her race by a margin of 53 percent to 47.

Merritt spent the evening on his back porch at his home in Riversink awaiting the results.

"I'd like to congratulate my opponent for running a clean race," Merritt said. "And I look forward to serving the citizens for another four

years."

Gavin had a positive outlook on the results: "Even though the outcome wasn't what I wanted, I'm thankful for the experience."

He said running for office forced him to get out of his comfort zone, and helped him conquer his fear of public speaking. He said he plans to run again.

"I'm just elated,"
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Schools of Excellence

Crawfordville Elementary, Wakulla High earn high designation

By BETH O'DONNELL
Special to The News

Crawfordville Elementary School and Wakulla High School are on the list of Florida Department of Education's recently released Schools of Excellence.

To be designated a School of Excellence, a school must meet an 80 percent threshold of possible points earned in the DOE school grade designation. Plus, they must have made a school letter grade of "A" for two out of the past three years.

Crawfordville earned 80.9 percent of the possible points for elementary schools for the 2017-18 school year.

Wakulla High School earned 83.3 percent of the possible points for high schools for 2017-18.

Both schools earned "B" school grades for the 2015-16 school year, and both earned "A" designations for school years 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Some areas that schools are graded on are the percent of students at or above grade level in English Language Arts (ELA), Math, Social Studies, and Science on standardized state tests.

High schools have extra areas graded such as College Dual Enrollment courses passed, Advanced Placement scores, Industry Certifications



School Superintendent Bobby Pearce

earned, and Graduation Rate.

Another important factor in earning 80 percent or above of possible school grade points is measuring student growth from year to year. These Learning Gains show student achievement in Reading/English Language Arts and Math.

The "School of Excellence" designation allows "administrative flexibility" spelled out by FDOE. This gives CES Principal Louis Hernandez and WHS Principal Mike Barwick more control over class sizes and reading requirements, to name a few areas.

"This is an honor for these two schools to be recognized for such high achievement gains," said Superintendent Bobby Pearce. "More importantly, it speaks to the idea that every child can learn. All of our teachers and staffs are outstanding at helping every single child show academic, social, and emotional growth from year to year."

Woman arrested for drug robbery at local pharmacy

Shelby Lynn Higdon is tracked to Tennessee and arrested within 3 days of alleged theft of opiates

Special to The News

On Thursday, Nov. 1, a female later identified as Shelby Lynn Higdon entered the Crawfordville Pharmacy, showed the clerk a note which said she had a firearm, and demanded a particular prescription opiate and an over-the-counter substance. The clerk complied and the female fled in a westerly direction on foot away through a breezeway toward a parking lot.



Shelby Lynn Higdon in booking photo from Tennessee.

At 5:43 p.m., the robbery was reported to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office. Even though deputies arrived within one minute, the female had already departed the area.

Later that day, the sheriff's office issued a Facebook post with photographs of the female that had been taken by surveillance cameras during the robbery. By the afternoon of Friday, Nov. 2, detectives had positively identified Higdon as the robber.

They determined that three months earlier, she and her boyfriend, Zachary W. Babcock, had travelled together from Indiana to Wakulla County, and established probable cause with which to charge Ms. Higdon with the pharmacy robbery.

Detectives also received intelligence information that Higdon and Babcock were in Leon County during the evening of Nov. 2.

Detectives from the Wakulla and Leon County sheriff's offices located her, and checked five Leon County motels and other

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Veterans Day events set for Saturday



Supervisor of Elections Buddy Wells addresses the crowd at last year's Veterans Ball.

Parade in the morning, ceremony in the afternoon, ball at night

Special to The News

The Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners in conjunction with the Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 4538, invites everyone to come out and salute our veterans during the 12th Annual Veterans Parade and Ceremony, and 2nd Annual Veterans Ball on Saturday, Nov. 10.

This year's theme is Honor and Service. The day kicks off

with a parade at 10 a.m. as local participants and veterans march down Crawfordville Highway showcasing troops, military organizations, school bands, county government, and many others.

Veterans are also encouraged to participate by walking in the parade or riding on the VFW float.

This year's Veterans Ceremony will be held at the Wakulla County Community

Center at 5 p.m., with the posting of the Colors by the Wakulla High School NJROTC Cadets.

The keynote speaker for this year's Ceremony is County Commissioner Mike Stewart.

The 2nd Annual Veterans Ball will commence at 6 p.m. following the Veteran's Ceremony at the community center and will feature food, dancing, fellowship, and cutting of the ceremonial

cake.

Veterans are encouraged to wear their Service Dress Uniforms, and members of the public can wear either business formal/casual or Sunday formal.

All of these events are free and open to the public.

For additional information related to these events, please contact Harold Ross, Veteran Services Officer at (850) 926-1072.

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Merrit, Messersmith win races

From Front Page

Messersmith said of her win. "I just so excited, so humbled, and ready to get to work."

She said she was pleased with her campaign for the District 4 seat, which is being vacated by Panama developer Jerry Moore. "I ran as me and I'm still me."

For election night, she and her family were all gathered at her Oyster Bay home.

"My mother made lasagna, we're all just watching the election results, and we may go play Seineyard bingo," she said.

Asked how he was doing, a disappointed-sounding Recker said, "Well, I could be doing better."

He said of his campaign: "I wish I could gotten out a little earlier, gotten my message out a little earlier."

Recker said some health problems had delayed his candidacy, but once in he ran hard.

He thanked his supporters - "especially one supporter,



PHOTOS BY LYNDA KINSEY

Candidate Ted Recker and wife Karen, above, wave at voters at the Crawfordville precinct. At right, retired Wakulla Circuit Judge Jackie Fulford holds a sign for judicial candidate David Frank while Ouida Rudd holds a Quincee Messersmith sign as voters come in to Crawfordville.



that's my wife."

Recker said he hopes county commissioners will pick up on some of his ideas, and said he sees a need to do more for the average citizen. He said more needs to be done for coun-

ty parks and recreation, and something should be done about a county pool - "stuff that keeps kids busy and off the street." He added that to do those things, more business needs to be recruited to Wakulla to pay the

taxes to pay for it. Recker, who lives in the fly-in community Tarpine, said he sold his airplane about three months ago. "I need to go shopping - I haven't had time to buy a new one."

Rep. Neal Dunn wins re-election

Staff Report

Congressman Neal Dunn, R-Panama City, won his bid for re-election over Democratic challenger Bob Rackleff of Tallahassee.

It will be Dunn's second term in the U.S. House of Representa-

tives.

Wakulla voters went strong for Dunn and other Republicans.

Dunn released a statement thanking his supporters and saying he could continue to work hard in Congress.

"Over the last 20 months our country has

seen historical highs in job creation and small business optimism," Dunn said. "We have had great success with the tax cuts and deregulation, but we must continue to support our small businesses and give hardworking Americans a break. We still

have much work to do in Washington and I am committed to working with President Trump to continue this momentum. I am humbled you have given me the opportunity to serve you by representing our conservative values in Washington."

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Proposal for Tarpine airport authority

Special district would have to be created by Legislature; would minimize county's financial risk for airport

By ERIN HILL
Staff Writer

Wakulla County commissioners voted 4-0 in support of a resolution to create a Wakulla County Airport Authority.

Commissioners took the vote at their meeting on Monday, Nov. 5.

It would require a special act of the Florida Legislature to create the airport authority as an independent district. Rep. Halsey Beshears, R-Monticello, whose district includes Wakulla County, has indicated his willingness to file the proposed special act.

The proposed special act included with the resolution approved by commissioners included proposed boundaries and a list of potential members of the authority's board of directors.

The Tarpine subdivision will be a part of that district.

George Shively, Ted Recker and Steve Fults were proposed for the airport authority's board. Fults is currently serving as the airport manager. Recker is a candidate for county commission and, should he win Tuesday's election, Emory Ashley was proposed an alternate for the airport authority.

County Commissioner Jerry Moore recused himself from voting because he owns property in the Tarpine subdivision.

Last year, county commissioners voted to abandon the county's ownership of the Wakulla County Airport. The commissioners also voted to turn over the airport to the Tarpine Homeowners Association.

The Wakulla Airport is a grassy airstrip located between Panacea and Surf Road on Ochlockonee Bay. Tarpine is a fly-in community



FILE PHOTO

A plane taking off from the Wakulla Airport at Tarpine.

of about 30 homes and more than 100 lots.

Unlike many airports, Wakulla has no fuel operations.

During the past year, County Administrator David Edwards and County Attorney Heather Encinosa have had discussions with members of the Tarpine Homeowners Association, who indicated they wanted the county to continue to own and operate the airport.

Members of the HOA were concerned that their group would be ineligible for Florida Department of Transportation grants for airport improvements, and the HOA would be responsible for airport ownership and management.

It was determined that the best option was to seek the establishment of an independent special district, which would be called the Wakulla County Airport Authority, would minimize the county's future risk and ensure longterm financial stability for the airport.

In September, the county approved the initial form of the special act, and directed the county

administrator to have the proposed district boundary surveyed.

During the meeting Monday night, Attorney David Weiss appeared before the board on behalf of the Tarpine HOA.

"We think this a good solution to make sure the airport continues to benefit the general public here in Wakulla County," Weiss said.

Cheryl Kursteiner, who lives in Tarpine, said she and her neighbors are very much in support of the establishment of the airport authority.

Kursteiner said she was once on the fence about the establishment of the airport authority, said she's been asking questions and seeking answers and is now very comfortable with the decision.

County Commissioner Randy Merritt said the airport will still cost taxpayers a small amount of money going forward, but that cost was not known as of the board meeting. He said the main reason for forming the district is so the airport authority can apply for grants as its own entity.

Encinosa said once the transfer

is complete, the airport authority will be financially responsible for the airport. She also said the authority will not have taxing authority.

Encinosa did note that if the authority should acquire the authority to tax, it cannot tax outside of the special district.

The Wakulla Airport sits on about 17 acres in Panacea. About 15 aircraft are based there, Fults said.

"The main thing is we're still eligible for grant funding and it will remain public use," Fults said.

Fults said private airports, and privately owned public airports are not eligible for DOT funding.

He said a public use airport is very beneficial to the county, especially for emergency management operations.

"After Hurricane Michael, aircraft flew in unloading supplies crucial for emergency operations," Fults said.

The special act would presumably go before the Legislature in its 2019 session.

Gillum visits Wakulla County on election eve

Florida Gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum made a campaign stop in Crawfordville on Monday, Nov. 5, the eve of the general election.

Gillum, mayor of Tallahassee, made a final push through several panhandle counties on Monday – in addition to Wakulla County, he visited Marianna in Jackson County, Monticello in Jefferson County, and Madison in Madison County, all North Florida towns not far from the mayor's Tallahassee base.

Gillum visited the Wakulla County Community Center and was greeted by a crowd of about 100. He vowed that, should he win election, the Panhandle would not be forgotten.

Gillum faces Republican Ron DeSantis in the election.

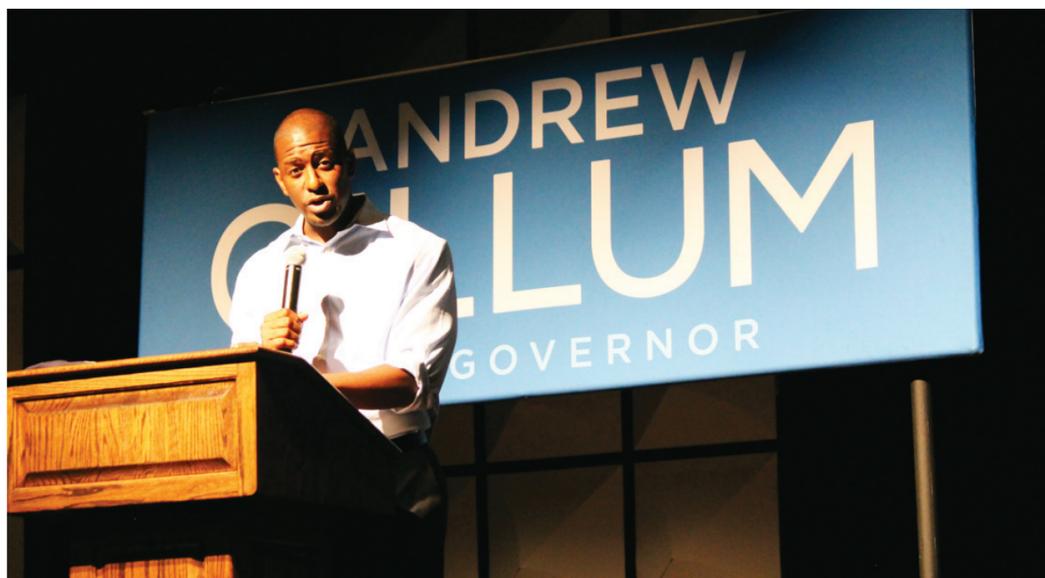


PHOTO BY ERIN HILL

Andrew Gillum at the Wakulla Community Center on Monday, Nov. 5.

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CITY OF ST. MARKS PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of St Marks will hold a public meeting for the St Marks Park Committee on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm for St Marks Recreation Trails Grant Application Riverwalk. For more information contact Zoe Mansfield, City Manager, at 850-925-6224. The City of St. Marks located at 788 Port Leon Drive, 9 AM to 4:30 PM M/F. 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.

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CITY OF ST. MARKS PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF ST MARKS WILL HOLD ITS REGULAR MEETING AT 32 SHELL ISLAND ROAD, ST MARKS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 8, 2018 AT 7:00 PM.

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.

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CITY OF ST. MARKS PUBLIC NOTICE

There will be a public meeting held on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 6:45 pm (ET) at the St Marks City Hall at 788 Port Leon Drive, St Marks, FL. For St Marks Recreation Trails Grant Application Riverwalk. All interested individuals are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Zoe Mansfield, City Manager, at 850-925-6224. The City of St. Marks located at 788 Port Leon Drive, 9 AM to 4:30 PM M/F. 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.

Nov. 8 2018, AD#V069

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WAKULLA COUNTY ANNOUNCES THE FOLLOWING:

EVENT: November School Board Meeting
DATE: Tuesday, November 20, 2018
TIME: 12:00 p.m.
PLACE: School Board Room, 69 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida
PURPOSE: Annual Re-Organizational Meeting

For further information please contact:
Superintendent's Office
Wakulla County Schools
Post Office Box 100, 69 Arran Rd
Crawfordville, Florida 32326
850-926-0065

Nov. 8, 2018 AD#UVMY

NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

Wakulla County, Florida (the "County") hereby provides notice, pursuant to section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting annual non-ad valorem special assessments throughout the unincorporated area of the County and within the incorporated areas of the cities of Sopchoppy and St. Marks, for the cost of providing fire protection, emergency medical services, solid waste, stormwater, road maintenance and improvements, clean energy and wind resistance improvements, property nuisance abatement, and other neighborhood improvements, facilities, and associated services commencing for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2019 and continuing until discontinued by the County. The County will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. on November 19, 2018 in the Wakulla County Commission Chambers, 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the County Administrator's Office, 3093 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the County with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-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, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's Office at (850) 926-0919, at least two (2) working days prior to the date of the hearing.

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The Opinion Page

readers speak out

Hurricane Michael taught important lessons



By ERIN HILL

cell towers, phone and power lines down, It was two days before I knew if my family was alive. It was like the Stone Age.

Even now, as my life is back to normal, most of my family in Panama City are still without power.

Two weeks after the storm hit, I went back home to help my parents straighten up around their house. They had very minimal damage. Their neighbors weren't as fortunate. A tree fell on their home, and left it uninhabitable.

Traveling through the counties to the west of here, most of the trees were bent as if they were plastic straws, while in other wooded areas pine trees were left scattered in fields like toothpicks.

In Port St. Joe, boats that were once docked at the marina still sat yards away in the parking lots of neighboring businesses. Vehicles picked up by the storm still sat in ditches.

Not even the churches were spared.

Despite the devastation, I've never seen a stronger sense of community.

Neighbors helped one another cut down trees, clear debris, pull up carpet and throw out furniture.

Local businesses provided hot meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

People met at the local high school's football field for a community wide church service.

Even surrounding counties like Wakulla that were also affected by the storm sent a flood of supplies to the area.

After I found out all of my family in friends had survived, I wondered how they would vote.

Initially my parents were told they would possibly be with out power until February. Thanks to the brave, hardworking lineman that came from all over the country, they were power was restored in less than two weeks.

As I type this column, there are exactly 45 minutes until the polls in this time zone close. I've never seen so many people in my generation so energized about voting in a mid-term election as they are about this year's election.

No matter what party you support, I hope everyone got out and exercised their right to vote.

Ad don't let anyone tell you how to vote.

Most importantly, don't vote based solely on the party you're affiliated with.

Vote for who and what is most beneficial for you.

Erin Hill is staff writer for The Wakulla News.

It's been almost a month since Hurricane Michael ripped through the Panhandle leaving many of my family members and friends, among countless others jobless and homeless.

My niece and my cousin, who both decided to stay and ride out the storm in Panama City said they didn't think they were going to make it.

My parents said that was their last time staying through a storm.

The detailed, first person accounts and photos shared on social media don't nearly compare to seeing it in person.

It looked like a war zone. From St. Marks to Panama City, everyone gave the same description of the aftermath.

Rows of train cars were overturned, street signs were ripped out of the ground and carried away.

Hurricane Michael made me realize just how dependent we are on technology. With



READERS WRITE:

A panel set on the history of St. Marks

Editor, The News:

The Wakulla County Historical Society will hear a presentation by John Y. Roberts and a panel of lifelong residents of the historic village of St. Marks on their memories of life there as well as talk about life there today.

You will also get a condensed version of the colorful history of St. Marks, from the home of the Apalachee Indians and the arrival in the area of the Spanish expedition of Panfilo de Narvaez in 1528.

Because of its strategic location at the confluence of the St. Marks and Wakulla Rivers, the Spanish constructed a fort at that location, Fort San Marcos de Apalache, in 1679. During their periods of occupation, the flags of Spain, England, America, and the Confederacy flew over the fort until 1865.

The program will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. at the Wakulla County Public Library, 4330 Crawford-



ville Hwy. Admission is free and open to the public, and we believe all who attend will enjoy the program and come away with an appreciation for the little village of St. Marks situated on the beautiful St. Marks River. For more information, please call the Historical Society at (850) 926-1110. We look forward to seeing you there.

Gayla Kittendorf
of the Historical Society

Another view:



On the need for a special session



By SEN. BILL MONTFORD

Anyone who surveys the massive devastation caused by Hurricane Michael across a large swath of Northwest Florida communities is shocked by the enormity of the damage to thousands of families, homes, neighborhoods, businesses, and to life itself in this wonderful region of our state. It took just a few hours for this powerful storm to leave behind a twisted trail of tragedy that will require many years of work to return to normalcy, if that's even possible.

This is a part of Florida where very independent people take pride in their commitment to the value of an honest day's labor and being good neighbors. Many were already working hard to maintain very modest lives. I've toured many of the damaged communities and neighborhoods, and I know the tremendous loss of property, infrastructure, jobs, and facilities has become an overwhelming problem that will hit them especially hard. As normal life goes on in the rest of Florida, and significant progress has been made, we cannot afford to sit back and think the problem will take care of itself. It won't.

If Hurricane Michael had slammed a major urban area of Florida, it would remain a high-profile top priority issue statewide. But portions of the Panhandle region

that have been battered include places like Panama City, Bristol, Hosford, Two Egg, Blountstown, Wewahitchka, Port St. Joe, Altha, East Point, Midway and lots of other small towns that many Floridians have never heard of. But we need to keep those names and needs top of mind – in Florida and nationally.

After Hurricane Andrew slammed into southern Miami-Dade County in late August of 1992, Governor Lawton Chiles and a bipartisan legislature convened a special legislative session in December for one purpose: recovery and rebuilding from Andrew.

We can't wait for the 2019 regular session of the Legislature to address these needs. So, let's concentrate on assessing the needs – in a special legislative session that shows all of Florida and its leadership team care about our Panhandle and Big Bend region. In the special session we will have to address critical needs that local governments cannot do. Some of their needs are housing, repair/replacement of utility infrastructure, the significant loss of jobs, the tremendous damage to hospitals, and the availability of basic necessities like food and water.

I know my friends and colleagues in the Florida Legislature - both House and Senate - will embrace the challenge of ensuring that our heavily damaged region remain a shared priority for assistance and attention. Along with other legislators of this region, from Tallahassee westward to Pensacola, I am hopeful that we will unite in outreach to the leadership to begin planning now for how best to help Northwest Florida recover in the new post-Michael real-

ity. This threatens to darken every day of the many people hurt by the storm's impact.

In the next few weeks, even as the immediate work continues for debris removal, restoration of power, sustaining lives, and overall damage assessment, we must begin formulating a smart, strong, sensitive and strategic plan to provide the assistance most needed to promote full long-term recovery of the region – and to protect the rest of our great state when the next major storm inevitably arrives.

The best and most effective opportunity to directly address the ongoing need and substantive assistance to meet it should be to convene a special session of the Florida Legislature after the election, perhaps even as an extension of the organizational session. At that time, or soon after, we would be properly working together – not as urban or rural lawmakers, and not as Democrats or Republicans. Instead, we will be working as Floridians, united in a purpose and principle that demands our attention and action. The people we serve deserve this highest level of priority – and it's the best way for us to ensure that hurricane victims do not also become political victims.

I am urging my colleagues in the Senate and House, and in our Executive Branch, to collaborate, cooperate, and coordinate our efforts to make Northwest Florida's hurricane-ravaged communities the focus of our best work ahead.

Bill Montford is a state senator who represents Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla counties.

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Polled at Crawfordville Quick Stop: What's your preferred weather temperature?



JAMES FRY
WAKULLA CI

“I grew up in the Snowbelt so I really like it cold. I keep my house around 69 degrees.”



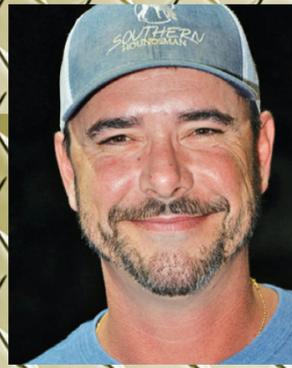
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“Probably about 72 degrees... Wish it would stay that way year around.”



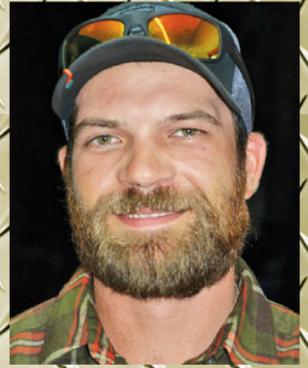
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HOUSEKEEPER

“About 70 degrees, it is great for fishing and oysters.”



JUSTIN VERNON
KEITH LAWSON H&A

“My preferred temperature is cold!”



KYLE PARKER
PROJECT MANAGER

“Around 80 degrees. You can still go swimming but not so hot to work in.”

- Compiled by Lynda Kinsey



A photo from the pharmacy's security cameras of the woman involved in the robbery. She was later identified as Shelby Lynn Hidgon and arrested in Tennessee.

Woman arrested for drug robbery at local pharmacy

From Front Page

locations where Hidgon and Babcock were possibly staying. Learning of the mass shooting in Tallahassee, the search was postponed.

Detectives continued their investigation throughout the weekend. During the morning of Sunday, Nov. 4, detectives received intelligence information that Hidgon was in Blount County, Tenn. That afternoon, at approximately 5 p.m., detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Hidgon from a Circuit Judge in Leon County.

The arrest warrant charged Ms. Hidgon with robbery and grand larceny and was issued with no bond.

At approximately 6 p.m., Hidgon's information was entered into law enforcement databases as a wanted subject and Sheriff Jared F. Miller authorized nationwide extradition. Wakulla detectives provided Tennessee law enforcement - including the Blount County Sheriff's Office, Maryville Police Department and Alcoa Police Department - with intelligence information on Hidgon and informed them of the active arrest warrant.

Exactly one hour later, detectives received a telephone call from an Alcoa Police Department advising that Hidgon had been arrested.

Hidgon had dyed her hair color from red to blonde. Shewas booked into the Blount County Jail.



Hidgon's boyfriend Zachary Babcock is being held on unrelated charges.

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- 1 teaspoon lemon zest, grated
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- 1 cup mascarpone cheese
- 1 1/2 cups heavy whipping cream
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- 1 pound cake, cut into 20 pieces

- nonstick cooking spray
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs

In medium bowl, combine rasp-berries, blueberries, blackberries, 1/3 cup cooking wine, lemon zest and honey. Cover bowl and marinate at room temperature 30 minutes. In mixer, whip mascarpone by slowly adding heavy whipping cream, sugar and remaining cooking wine. Once thoroughly mixed, whip to stiff peaks. Butter both sides of each piece of pound cake and add to saute pan. Over medium heat, brown both sides of cake until golden. Place two pieces of toasted pound cake in individual serving dishes and let cool. Place dollop of whipped mascarpone on pound cake pieces. Garnish with marinated berries.



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My letter of thanksgiving to God



By **SHERYL H. BOLDT**

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for this minute. By the time I've finished writing this letter, many more minutes will have passed.

Each minute that ticks by reflects your patience, your sovereignty and your work in my life.

I'll never know (unless you choose to reveal it to me when I meet you face-to-face) what tragedies you've withheld for my sake in the minutes I've already lived.

Likewise, I have no idea what the next minutes will hold.

But right now, I want to thank you for every minute, including the minutes you still have planned for me – minutes that

will allow me another chance to learn from my mistakes. And (with your help) to do better the next minute by correcting and making right a poor choice, an unkind word or a sloppily-done project.

Thank you, also, for each minute in which I wait for you to send another creative thought and opportunity my way. Another minute to live the life you have customized just for me.

And, Lord, I'm tremendously thankful each time your mercy, love and wisdom gets me through difficult and disappointing moments. Without you watching over me minute-by-minute, I'd be hopelessly lost. And hopelessly hopeless.

You are a powerful and sovereign God, yet you remain a devoted Father. You are more than wonderful. Thank you for all you are to me, every minute of every day.

Your grateful daughter,
Sheryl

Have you ever written a letter of thanks-

giving to your heavenly Father? If so, what did you say? If you haven't, would you like to thank God for a specific need He's met or a memory of a time you felt His nearness?

1 Peter 5:7 reminds us of God's constant involvement in our lives. "Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully" (1 Peter 5:7 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition).

Maybe reflecting on this reassuring message will inspire you to write your own letter. And if you already have, perhaps it's time to write a new one – to remind yourself (and God) how grateful you are that He "cares about you watchfully."

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

OUT TO PASTOR

Why did I ever grow up?

By **JAMES L. SNYDER**

At times, I have to do some errands for the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage. It's not that I like to do these errands, but I have learned this is one secret to getting along with her.

The errand she had for me was to go to the Mall and pick up something she had ordered. In my own way I tried to finagle out of that errand, but the more I finagled the more insistent she was. So, I decided to finagle no more.

As the pop song says, "I have a million reasons not to go, give me one reason to go." I tried to play this on her and her response was, "Because I asked you to."

You just cannot get any better than that. I know, because I have tried.

Since I do not go to the mall that often, I thought I would stop in at a coffee shop and have myself a cup of coffee and just chill out a little. Taking my coffee out in the main area of the mall, I sat in one of the lounge chairs and watched the people go by.

As a young person, my favorite author was Ernest Hemingway. In one of his books he says that the important thing for a writer is to, "listen, listen, listen." I tried to practice that throughout my life so I thought here at the mall would be a good opportunity to do just that.

It was rather noisy, but I tried my best to listen. Some of the things I heard I wished I had not heard, but that is the price you pay for listening.

I know I got some things wrong, but I

laughed very discreetly at some things I heard.

So many young people and children were racing through the mall. I did not know there were that many children on planet Earth. They were running and laughing and whatever else they could think of.

I just sat back and watched. Here these young people were having the time of their life. They were laughing and joking among themselves and just having a good time.

Occasionally I caught the joke and laughed to myself, but most of the jokes I did not understand. I guess that has to do with an age difference.

My spirits were beginning to rise and I was enjoying my visit in the mall. Do not let that get out, I do not want anybody to know I was having a good time – particularly you know who.

It seemed the more I watched, the more young people and children flooded the mall. And the laughter rang from one end of the mall to the other with me in between.

As I was enjoying this little episode, a thought snuck into my mind. I must confess that it is a rare occasion when a thought actually comes to my mind. This time a thought did come to my mind.

What I wanted to know was, why were all of these kids happy? Why were they having so much fun?

Don't they know how miserable the world is today? Don't they know how sad and horrific things are on the outside? The hatred, the anger, the putrefaction of the world as we know it.

Quickly my smile turned upside down and I frowned.

It then came to me. These kids in the mall having a wonderful time were not all caught up with what is going on out in the world. Their world is a world of fun and excitement.

It is only the "old geezers" who know about all of the terrible things going on in the world. The young only see the good.

In pondering this, I asked myself a very serious question. Why in the world did I grow up?

Why couldn't I have stayed young and naive and only focused on having a good time?

If I had stayed young, I probably would not be so depressed by everything that is going on "out in the world."

In pondering this, I thought of what David once said. "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread" (Psalms 37:25).

I can appreciate what these young people see, but they really cannot appreciate what I have seen through the years. That is simply, God always takes care of his people.

Dr. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, Ocala FL 34472. He lives with his wife in Silver Springs Shores. Phone (352) 687-4240 or email jamesnyder2@att.net. The church web site is www.whatafellowship.com.

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*Do not fret because of evildoers,
nor be envious of the workers of iniquity.
For they shall soon be cut down like the grass,
and wither as the green herb.*

PSALM 37: 1,2

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Obituaries

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Martin Lee Causseaux
George Harden
Raymond Paul Rich
Laura Jo Council Rocco



Martin Lee Causseaux

Martin Lee Causseaux, 72, of Woodville passed away on Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018.

He was a native and lifelong resident of Tallahassee. Lee was a member of the White Primitive Baptist Church in Woodville. He was a U.S. Army veteran who served in Vietnam and was the recipient of two Purple Hearts. Lee helped run his family's business, the Bert Thomas Grocery in

Woodville.

Survivors include two sons, Marty Causseaux (Kelli) and William Causseaux; four grandchildren, Hunter, Hayden, Tanner and Ryan Causseaux; one great-grandchild, Brantley Causseaux; eight brothers, Virgil (Josie), Pierce (Jeannie), Bobby (Julie), Morris (Paula), Roger (Priscilla), Jerry (Wanda), Larry (Mindy) and Danny Causseaux; and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife, JoAnn Thomas Causseaux; parents G.W. and Marie Causseaux; and two sisters, Dorothy (Mack) Barfield, Alice (Ray) Gabrenya.

Funeral services were held at the White Primitive Baptist Church in Woodville at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018. The family received friends one hour prior to the service. The graveside service will follow at the Thomas Cemetery with full Military honors.

James Sircy with Family Funeral Home in Crawfordville is assisting the family.

Raymond Paul Rich

Raymond Paul Rich, 85, of Crawfordville, died on Oct. 23, 2018 at his home in the woods after a long battle with lung cancer.

Raymond and his wife Harriet have lived in Wakulla County since 1992 and have been active in the community since that time.

Survivors include his wife, Harriet; four stepchildren, Garrett, John, Johnny, and Ronnie; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice of Florida, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee FL 32306.



George Harden

George Harden, 40, of Crawfordville, died of natural causes October 27, 2018. He was a graduate of Wakulla High School.

George was an avid fisherman, huntsman and golfer. He loved his family and his many friends. His smile, his adventurous nature and his fun loving wit will be missed

by all.

George is survived by his grandmother Jill Harden; four aunts, Liz Elsheimer, Cathy Webster, Millye Harden and Alicia Malone; three uncles, David Harden and wife Tammy, Fritz Haug and wife Elyse, Wil Haug; as well as many cousins and friends.

He was predeceased by his parents, Lee and Andrea Harden.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018, at 2 p.m. at the Cowboy Country Church on the 3Y Ranch, in Crawfordville.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorial donations be made to Florida Wild Mammal Association (fwma.org), 198 Edgar Poole Road, Crawfordville FL 32327; or Lees Place (leesplace.org), 216 Lake Ella Dr., Tallahassee FL 32303; or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the care of Skip Young with Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services (850-926-5919 or Familyfhc.com)



Laura Jo Council Rocco

Laura Jo (Council) Rocco, age 70 of Panacea, Florida, passed away Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018.

She was born in Tallahassee, to her late parents, Owen R. Council and Alice E. (Jones) Council. Laura loved the beach, the water and everything about the ocean. She adored her five grandchildren and couldn't eat enough boiled pea-

nuts. Laura and husband Rocky volunteered every Sunday at Eden Springs Church Service.

She is survived by her husband, Rocky A Rocco III of Panacea; sons, Randy (Becky) Owen of Austin, Texas, and Woolley Sanders of Crawfordville; sisters, Judy Council Duprey of Woodville, Beverly Council Mullis (Don) of Crawfordville; and five grandchildren, Ashlynn Owen, Brooke Owen, Colton Sanders, Savannah Sanders, and Kempton Sanders.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2018 at the Council Reunion Shelter Farm House, 3575 Crawfordville Hwy., Crawfordville FL 32327.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Forbes Funeral & Cremation Services, 2758 Coastal Hwy., Crawfordville FL 32327 (850-926-4407).

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BEREAVEMENT COLUMN

Failure produces success



By **TRACY RENEE LEE**

Death can be a frightening, lonely, and painful experience. I see death every day of the week.

Of late, I have found the number of proportionate deaths within the generations younger than my own, soaring. These deaths seem directly related to lifestyles that have negatively affected physical and/or mental health.

It seems that a good number of prime-aged adults either do not realize or do not care about consequences related to actions and choices – even when that consequence is death.

I find that persons devoid of consequential beliefs often act irresponsibly toward themselves and others. They seem oblivious to the pain they impose upon those who love them and disrespectful toward a higher being.

It pains and worries me that so many of them self-inflict their deaths due to selfish acts of abuse upon themselves.

Additionally, it frightens me beyond comprehension as I have children and grandchildren within this demographic.

As their mother and grandmother, I see the impact of the inconsequential lifestyle infiltrating their tolerance and becoming acceptable to them. Before long, I fear that they may succumb to the same end as those I see lying on my embalming table.

When my grandmother was a young

child, she was deprived of life's comforts due to extreme poverty. As a young woman, she suffered through the Great Depression. As a married woman and mother, she suffered the fall-out of marriage to an alcoholic.

These experiences, although loathsome, made her strong both physically and psychologically.

I see young people all around me suffering unparalleled sadness, isolation, mental illness, and premature death. It is time that we irradiate this growing epidemic of self-inflicted, premature death among the prime aged and younger adults within our society. To accomplish this we must do what we have failed to do – allow them to experience the consequences of childhood failures. Failing builds strength and character. It promotes better choices

and greater responsibility. In short, the experience of failure produces a future of success.

I want to see the success of lives lived to old age, not prime age.

Tracy Renee Lee is the owner and Managing Funeral Director at Queen City Funeral Home in Queen City, Texas. She writes books and weekly bereavement articles related to understanding and coping with grief.

For additional encouragement, read other articles or watch video "Grief Briefs," please go to my website at www.MourningCoffee.com.

Church Briefs

• Panacea Full Gospel sets Homecoming Revival

Panacea Full Gospel Assembly will hold Homecoming Revival Services Nov. 5 through Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. nightly featuring Brother T.R. Williams from Five Points, Tenn.

Homecoming Services on Sunday, Nov. 11 will be held at 11 a.m. with Brother Williams and the Lighthouse Girls. Dinner will be served after the morning service.

Come hear some good gospel singing and preaching.

• Lighthouse Church of Christ meets second, fourth Sundays

Lighthouse Church of Christ Church Services will be held at the Woman's Club on the second and fourth Sundays under the leadership of Pastor Derrick Nelson. All are welcome to attend.

• Chaires UMC slates a chicken pilau on Nov. 8

Chaires United Methodist Church will hold a

Chicken Pilau on Nov. 8, a Thursday, from 4 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$10 per plate, children 5 and younger are free.

The church is located at 9243 Parkhill Road in Tallahassee.

• Panacea Congregational to hold revival beginning Nov. 14

Panacea Congregational Holiness Church will be having Homecoming Revival beginning Wednesday, Nov. 14 through Friday, Nov. 16, with services at 7:30 nightly. A Homecoming supper will be held Saturday, Nov. 17 at 6 p.m. Homecoming services will be held Sunday morning, Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. and Sunday night at 6 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Henry Thornton.

For more information please call (850) 508-1895.

• Handel's 'Messiah' to be performed on Dec. 9 in Sopchoppy

The annual performance of Handel's "Messiah," directed by Reba Mason, will be held at Sopchoppy United Methodist Church on Dec. 9 at 3 p.m.

– Staff reports



1. Is the book of Acts in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Proverbs 30, what will pluck out the eyes of anyone who scorns their parents? *Demons, Ravens, Doves, Quails*

3. Who wrote in 1 Timothy 6:10, "The love of money is the root of all evil"? *Timothy, Isaiah, Moses, Paul*

4. From Matthew 8, what Roman official asked Jesus to heal his servant? *Marshall, Governor, Centurion, Jailer*

5. How many times are the words "apple" or "apples" mentioned in the Bible (KJV)? *2, 11, 37, 63*

6. Who was the father of Hosea? *Uzzah, Beerli, Joash, Ahab*

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Ravens; 3) Paul; 4) Centurion; 5) 11; 6) Beerli

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Wakulla grads exceed state scores on ACT

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

Wakulla High School's Senior Class of 2018 outscored their counterparts in Florida on the American College Test (ACT) in every area: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and on the composite score.

In addition, scores improved in every area over the last five years of WHS scores. "Putting more programs in place for WHS students to improve their scores is paying off. These scores are not only important for getting into college, they also help students earn scholarships, plus show us where we can improve our curriculum," says Director of Instructional Services Sunny Chancy.

Adds Superintendent Bobby Pearce, "The trend data for Wakulla is comparable because approximately the same number of WHS students take the ACT every year. All students are encouraged to take the ACT and/or the SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) regardless of their academic standing, so this is not just a reflection of students with 'A or B' grade point averages."

The ACT is one of the common national tests taken for college entrance qualifications, including meeting requirements to take Dual Enrollment college courses while still in high school. It is also one of the tests used for determining eligibility for Florida Bright Futures schol-

arships.

On the ACT, WHS 2018 graduates averaged 21 in English (state average 19.2). In Mathematics, WHS scored 20.9 (state 19.3).

WHS Reading scores averaged 23.3 (state 21.1). WHS Science scores came in at 21.8 (state 19.5). The overall average composite score for WHS 2018 graduates was 21.9 (state 19.9).

ACT personnel have done research with colleges nationwide to establish benchmark scores that are a valid prediction of whether or not students will pass a college course in that subject. In all four areas tested, Wakulla students exceeded the state average scores predicting passing

grades in College English, College Algebra, College Social Science, College Biology and in the composite score of all four subjects.

"It's important that the trend continues for our students to exceed the state averages from year to year in all areas of a nationally standardized college entrance exam. We want them to graduate from WHS both college and career ready so that a variety of pathways are open to them. Plus, improving our Wakulla scores each year is always our goal," states Superintendent Pearce.

WHS offers the ACT on the WHS campus in lieu of students having to drive to Tallahassee to take it in an unfamiliar setting. The SAT will be offered at WHS

during the second semester. Students are encouraged to take the ACT and/or the SAT in order to broaden their options for after high school.

They can prepare for doing well on the ACT and on other college entrance exams by taking advantage of the rigorous curricula offered at Wakulla High School such as Advanced Placement courses and college Dual Enrollment courses from Tallahassee Community College and Florida State University at no cost to parents.

"Students are encouraged to take the ACT and the SAT several times to improve their scores, starting in the fall of their junior year at the latest,"

said WHS Principal Mike Barwick. "If they can't afford the testing fees, they can talk to the Student Services Department personnel about fee waiver criteria."

Wakulla High School continues to increase college and career information dissemination efforts, including hosting a College and Career Fair plus Parent Nights for questions and answers.

For more information on taking the ACT or the SAT, contact WHS Assistant Principal of Student Services Priscilla Tucker at 850-926-2221 priscilla.tucker@wcsb.us or district-wide Director of Instruction Sunny Chancy at sunny.chancy@wcsb.us.

ACT/SAT prep at TCC Wakulla

Special to The News

Tallahassee Community College and the Florida A&M University TRiO program will co-host a free ACT/SAT Prep workshop Saturday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the TCC Wakulla Center.

The workshop will provide important information and useful tools for students pre-

paring to take the ACT or SAT. Students are advised to bring pencils and calculators.

While there is no cost to attend, students are requested to register in advance. Contact the TCC Wakulla Center at (850) 558-3525 or WakullaCenter@tcc.fl.edu to register.

The Center is located at 2932 Crawfordville Highway in Crawfordville.

Big Bend Hospice Wakulla hosts Community breakfast



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In honor of Hospice Month, Big Bend Hospice Wakulla/Franklin teams hosted a community breakfast on Friday, Nov. 2 at its Crawfordville

office.

Big Bend Hospice also celebrates 35 years of providing the region with hospice service this month.

Free Tai Chi classes

Special to The News

Sopchoppy United Methodist Church in Sopchoppy is offering a Tai Chi cClass for adults. The classes are on Wednesday mornings from 11 to

noon, and Thursday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m. Classes will also be held at the Wakulla Senior Citizens Center on Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. All classes are free.

Tallahassee Bach Parley concert set

Concert set for Nov. 11 features two Bach cantatas and chamber singers

Special to The News

The Bach Parley concert on Nov. 11 will feature two Bach Cantatas, numbers 61 and 150, with musicians playing period instruments and the Bach Parley Chamber singers. Music director Valerie Arsenault will explain what cantatas are, how they are structured, and how they are alike and different from an opera or an oratorio.

Cantata 150 was written when Bach was near the beginning of his career, and the final movement was the inspiration for the finale of Johannes Brahms's 4th symphony. Cantata 61 is from the middle of Bach's career when he worked in Weimar and was written for the first Sunday of Advent, just about this time of year.

The Bach Parley Chamber Singers will be joined in

Cantata 61 by tenor soloist Larry Gerber, who was involved with the Bach back to its founding in 1981. For this concert the singers are Anna Marie Friars, Arianne Johnson Quinn, Kendra Weineke, Tina Stringfellow, John Martin, Joe Kraus, Brian Arsenault, and Rick Effinger. The period instrument players are Valerie Arsenault, Carrie Holden, Melissa Brewer, Kim Jones, Nina Scheibe, Melanie Punter, and Charlie Brewer.

The French word "parley" means discussion, and a key element of Bach Parley concerts is the commentary provided by Arsenault who gives historical context about the composers and offers suggestions about what to listen for in the music.

The Tallahassee Bach Parley is also the umbrella organization for a non-profit music school, The Bach Par-

ley String Academy. In 2015, four teachers united to teach violin, viola, and cello at St. John's Episcopal church, and now the String Academy has grown to six teachers, almost 100 students, and even offers ukulele classes.

The concert will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 11 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 211 North Monroe St.

At all Sunday Tallahassee Bach Parley concerts this season, patrons will receive an insert in their programs with a discount coupon to use after the concert at participating downtown area restaurants. A \$10 donation is suggested, and free childcare will be offered.

For additional information about the Tallahassee Bach Parley, including the Bach Parley String Academy music school, visit www.bachparley.org.

Volunteers needed for planting project

By **LYNN ARTZ**
Special to The News

Volunteers are needed in Sopchoppy on Nov. 3 and 10 for a huge community planting project at Depot Park. About 220 trees and shrubs were planted on Saturday, Nov. 3. More than 300 wildflowers will be planted on Saturday, Nov. 10.

Volunteers should arrive either at 7:30 a.m. to unload plants and move them to marked locations or between 9 and 10 a.m. to join planting teams that will include the early arriving volunteers. Those not strong enough to dig holes can help by collecting empty pots, watering, applying mulch, and such. Bring shovels and posthole diggers if possible. Volunteers are also asked to bring gardening gloves, water bottles, hats, sun screen, towels, and their own lunch or snacks. Additional gardening equipment such as wheelbarrows, wagons, yard carts, rakes, pruning saws/shears, hoses, and buckets are needed. Large pieces of cardboard are needed as well.

Volunteers should park along Rose Street or in the parking lots at the hardware store or City Hall. Early arriving volunteers report to the back of the park where plants will be unloaded. Those arriving between 9 and 10 a.m. should report to the Depot to sign in. Contact Lynn Artz at (850) 320-2158 or by email at lynn_artz@hotmail.com to volunteer.

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School

education news from local schools

Local schools help with hurricane relief

By **LINDSAY SPARKMAN**

Special to The News

Wakulla County Schools accepted donations for our surrounding communities that were greatly impacted by Hurricane Michael.

Each school site collected donations brought in by our students and families.

Due to the overwhelming response by our community, multiple towns were served. Many local families in Wakulla were served.

Three trailers and three truckbeds full of supplies made it to Blountstown.

One truckbed full and a full U-Haul trailer delivered supplies to Marianna.

A moving truck packed full of supplies was also delivered to Jackson County.

The supply drive ran for one week and collected diapers, formula, canned food, bug spray, cat and dog food, and water.

"I felt it was important to collect supplies and to be able to assist our neighboring communities in a time of need," said Crawfordville Elementary Principal Louie Hernandez. "This was also a great opportunity to include our students in these discussions."

"The response was overwhelming," he said. "I never would have dreamed that we would collect the amount of supplies we did. This really shows the pulse of our com-



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Crawfordville Elementary Dean of Students Alena Crawford, Superintendent of Schools Bobby Pearce, Sunny Chancy, the district's chief academic officer, and Crawfordville Principal Louie Hernandez.

munity and I am so proud!"

In addition to the supplies collected, there were over 600 cards and letters written by students to the survivors and impacted families. These letters offered words of encouragement, love and support. The letters and pictures were created by kindergarten students all the way to high school students.

"It was amazing to see and read such heartfelt messages from our students to complete strangers," said Hernandez. "One letter from a second grader stated that they

did not have much but they wanted to give away their favorite box of cereal to someone who needed it more, and the letter was attached to a box of cereal. The letters were the most touching part of the drive."

A huge thanks goes to our students and families throughout the district for supporting the hurricane relief drive, Blue Water Realty for the use of their moving truck, Norfolk Southern Railway, and to the teachers and community members who assisted in delivering the supplies.



Letters from Crawfordville students offering words of encouragement to those impacted by Hurricane Michael.

Riversprings Middle School Band prepares for concert Nov. 8

By **LUKE MCMANUS**

Special to The News

The Riversprings Middle School Band Program is having a very busy and successful fall semester!

In late August, sixth grade band students (known as the beginning band) received their instruments and began their band journey. Lots of progress has been made in a short amount of time!

In September and October, the RMS Symphonic and Concert Bands performed for three of their home football games, as well as a WHS home football game in conjunction with the WHS and WMS band programs.

On Saturday, Oct. 6, the RMS Band hosted Jim Matthews as he led a professional development clinic where band students and directors from Calhoun, Leon, Taylor, and Wakulla Counties as well as music education students from Florida State University, learned about the intricacies of rehearsing and producing high level band



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performance.

On Saturday, Oct. 27, 11 students from the RMS Band completed a rigorous audi-

tion for the annual Big Bend All-District Band wherein middle school instrumentalists from our neighboring 11

counties compete for a very limited number of slots on each instrument.

The following nine

students all qualified for the event which will take place in late January and early February: Bella Perry and

Destiny Lamb on flute, Joslyn Eures on clarinet, Matthew Nelson and Deven Schawall on trumpet, Jaden Callaghan on trombone, James Thaxton on euphonium, Jayleigh Trop and Zachariah Allen on percussion.

All of this has occurred while students prepare for their annual Fall concert which will take place on Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

If you are curious to see what the RMS Band is all about, we cordially invite you to attend this event in the RMS Cafetorium. You will hear selections from the three aforementioned bands as well as the awesome RMS Jazz Band.

If you have questions about how to support the RMS Band Program or are interested in getting your student connected to this experience, email band director Luke McManus at luke.mcmanus@wcsb.us for all the details! We hope to see you at our fall concert.

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|  | Tourist Development Council meeting BOCC Chambers 9 a.m. | Free movie Public library 7 p.m. | Veterans Day Parade Crawfordville Highway 10 a.m. | Planning Commission meets BOCC Chambers 7 p.m. |
| | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Tuesday |



Nov. 8 - Nov. 14

Thursday, Nov. 8

- BINGO at VFW Post 4538. Funds support our local veterans. Libations & snacks available for purchase. Early Birds 6 p.m., Regular Birds 7 p.m. 475 Arran Road
- COASTAL OPTIMIST CLUB meets every Thursday at noon at Posey's Steam Room in Panacea.
- ROTARY CLUB OF WAKULLA meets at 8:30 a.m. at TCC Wakulla. Speakers will be Jeff Yarbrough of the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office and Superintendent of Schools Bobby Pearce.
- TAI CHI classes free at Sopchoppy United Methodist Church in Sopchoppy. The evening classes are every Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETS at 9 a.m. in the county commission chambers.
- WAKULLA CHRISTIAN COALITION meets at 6 p.m. at the public library.

Friday, Nov. 9

- AVOID SCAMS AND FRAUD workshop presented by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office at the TCC Wakulla Center from 1 to 3 p.m. This workshop is a part of the TCC Wakulla Financial Literacy Series.
- FREE FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE at the public library at 7 p.m. After superheroes are banned from society, the Parr family gets an offer they simply cannot refuse. A tycoon wants to bring back superheroes, and Helen, Elastigirl, is

enlisted to show how great they can be. Bob, Mr. Incredible is left at home to tackle his greatest challenge to date, parenting alone. Will Elastigirl be able to succeed and will Mr. Incredible be able to keep things afloat at home until she gets back?

- SALSA LESSONS with Crystil every Friday night at Cuban Mojos. Each class is \$5.

- VETERANS LUNCHEON at Wakulla High School at 11 a.m.

- WAKULLA HIGH plays RIBAUTL HIGH in Jacksonville. Kick-off is at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 10

- BIKE RIDE TO HIDDEN SPRINGS from Wakulla Springs State Park from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free with park admission.

- MARINE CORPS 242nd BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION at Shepherd Spring Animal Hospital from 2 p.m. until dark. All former Marines and guests are invited.

- NORTH FLORIDA BUTTON CLUB (Member of National Button Society) meets at the central location of Port St. Joe at 11 a.m., on Saturday, Nov 10. Everyone is welcome. For more information, check with these contact persons: President Kaye Reed emails vickaye@yahoo.com; lmwood@gtcom.net; skpsky2000@comcast.net.

- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in Sopchoppy for a huge community planting project at Depot Park. Volunteers should arrive either at 7:30 a.m. to unload plants and move them to marked locations or between 9 and 10 a.m. to join planting teams that will include the early arriving volunteers.

- SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY at Hudson Park in Crawfordville from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- VETERANS DAY PARADE AND CEREMONY AND VETERANS BALL

will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10. The parade begins at 10 a.m. on Crawfordville Highway. The Veterans Ceremony will be at 5 p.m. at the Wakulla County Community Center. The Ball will be at 6 p.m. at the community center.

Sunday, Nov. 11

- VETERANS DAY

Monday, Nov. 12

- VETERANS DAY OBSERVED – Banks and government offices will be closed.

Tuesday, Nov. 13

- BINGO every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Seinyard at Wildood, 3870 Coastal Hwy, Crawfordville.

- PLANNING COMMISSION meets in the commission chambers at 7 p.m.

- WAKULLA SCHOOL BOARD meets at 5:45 p.m. at the district office.

- WAKULLA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets at 6:30 p.m. at the public library. Program will feature John Y. Roberts hosting a panel on the history of St. Marks.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

- ARROW OF LIGHT is at 6:30 p.m. at the public library.

- BOOK BABIES 10:30 a.m. at the public library.

- BROWNIE SCOUT TROUP 178 meets at 4 p.m. at the public library.

- KNITTING GROUP MEETS at 4 p.m. at the public library.

- MAHJONG CLUB meets from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Meeting House on Whiddon Lake Road (first left after Walmart heading north). All are welcome, especially newcomers. For info (850) 559-0832.

- STEAM TEAM meets at 4 p.m. at the public library.

- FREE TAI CHI classes. The evening classes are every Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Wakulla Senior Citizens Center and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Sopchoppy UMC.

- YOGA CLASS begins on Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. Contact newposh3079@gmail.com or phone/text (850) 528-5838 to join the yoga email list and reserve a place in a class.

Thursday, Nov. 15

- OPTIMIST CLUB FASHION SHOW, the annual fundraiser, will be held at the Wakulla Community Center at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and available at the door..

UPCOMING

- FREE COUNTY-WIDE THANKSGIVING DINNER at the Senior Center, located at 33 Michael Dr. in Crawfordville on Tuesday, Nov. 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. For questions call (850) 926-7145.

- WAKULLA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS BANQUET will be held Tuesday, Nov. 27 at The Lodge at Wakulla Springs. Social hour at 5:30 p.m., dinner 6:30 p.m., program 7:30 p.m.

- FREE FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE on Nov. 30. A young, soon-to-be leader of a caveman tribe during the Upper Paleolithic period in Europe 20,000 years ago, Keda, falls from a cliff while on a buffalo hunting expedition with his father and other leaders of the tribe. His people assume that the fall killed him and leave his body behind. Keda awakens to discover that he is alone in a dangerous world. Desperate to find his way home, while dealing with a broken ankle and ferocious predators, he soon finds himself in the strange situation of trying to survive with the help of a wolf that almost killed him. The film is rated PG-13. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Doors will open at 6:45. BYOP – bring your own popcorn!

Email events to reporter@thewakullanews.net

WEEKLY & MONTHLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

- 4-H HORSEMASTERS CLUB meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Wakulla County Extension Office, Room #1, 84 Cedar Ave. in Crawfordville.
- BEGINNERS LINE DANCING at the Senior Center at 1:30 p.m. on Mondays.
- FREE RESPITE at Lake Ellen Baptist Church from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch, snacks and social group therapy provided. For info call Pat 984-5277.
- ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP meets the first Monday of each month at Lake Ellen Baptist Church at 12:30 p.m.
- OPEN GYM BASKETBALL from 6:15 to 8 p.m. at the Wakulla Community Center, 318 Shadeville Rd. in Crawfordville.
- YOGA AT NEW POSH on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. Contact newposh3079@gmail.com or phone 528-5838 to reserve a space. \$12 single class; yoga packages available.
- ZUMBA from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Wakulla Community Center, 318 Shadeville Road in Crawfordville.

TUESDAYS

- CIRCLE OF PARENTS PARENTING GROUP meets the last Tuesday of every month, 10 to 11 a.m. at the Florida Department of Health in Wakulla, 48 Oak St., Crawfordville. Enjoy snacks, make new friends and

share parenting ideas. Need a ride? Have questions? Call Molly Clore at 850.926.0400.

- FREE 100 B&W COPIES FOR TEACHERS at Amazing Mail Solution.
- THE PAINT PARTY every Tuesday from 6:30 to 9 p.m.. Bring your favorite beverage and relax. Instructors will guide you step by step through the featured painting. Classes \$25. Located at: Crawfordville Woman's Club, 64 Ochlockonee St. in Crawfordville. Pre-register at www.ThePaintPartyArt.com or call (850) 228-0422.
- PANACEA WATERFRONTS FLORIDA PARTNERSHIP meetings are the second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m. at Posey's Restaurant, 1506 Coastal Highway. Call 528-1527 for info.
- PLAY PICKLEBALL from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Community Center. Instructions on how to play the game are available. Bring \$2 to help with monthly rental of the space.
- THE TOBACCO-FREE FLORIDA PARTNERSHIP is held at 4 p.m. on the SECOND TUESDAY of each month at the Florida Department of Health in Wakulla County, 48 Oak St., Crawfordville. The meeting is open to the public and all community members are encouraged to attend. To request further information, please contact the Wakulla County Tobacco Prevention Manager Tonya Hobby at (850) 926-0400.

- 4-H GREEN THUMBS meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Wakulla Extension Office, Room #1, 84 Cedar Ave. in Crawfordville.

WEDNESDAYS

- INTERMEDIATE LINE DANCING at the Senior Center at 1:30 on Wednesdays for beginners.
- KNITTING GROUP meets at the public library from 4 to 6 p.m. For information, call 491-1684.
- TAI CHI classes free at Sopchoppy United Methodist Church in Sopchoppy. The evening classes are every Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- WAKULLA COUNTY MAHJONG CLUB meets from 1 to 3 p.m. at the PCT. 7 Meeting House, Whiddon Lake Road (first left after Walmart heading north). All are welcome – especially newcomers. Info: 559-0832.
- YOGA CLASSES at the Sopchoppy Educational Center on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. The cost is \$8 per class. For information, contact instructor, Alaine Solburg at (850) 566-8145.
- YOGA AT NEW POSH on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Contact newposh3079@gmail.com or phone 528-5838 to reserve a space. \$12 single class; yoga packages available.

THURSDAYS

- 4-H CHICKEN CHAMPS CLUB meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sopchoppy United Methodist Church, 17 Faith Ave. in Sopchoppy. Meeting is in "Lighthouse Room."
- AFRICAN DRUM CIRCLE with professional instructor Yazid at New Posh every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. To reserve a space in the Circle, contact newposh3079@gmail.com or call 528-5838. \$15.
- BINGO at VFW Post 4538. Funds support our local veterans. Libations & snacks available for purchase. Early Birds 6 p.m., Regular Birds 7 p.m. 475 Arran Road
- COASTAL OPTIMIST CLUB meets every Thursday at noon at Posey's Steam Room in Panacea.
- FREE BREAD to veterans and family on Thursdays 10 a.m. to noon at VFW Post 4528, 475 Arran Road.
- LINE DANCING from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Wakulla Community Center, 318 Shadeville Rd. in Crawfordville.
- PLAY PICKLEBALL from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Community Center. Instructions on how to play the game are available. Bring \$2 to help with monthly rental of the space.
- ROTARY CLUB OF WAKULLA meets at every week at TCC Wakulla at 8:30 a.m.
- TAI CHI classes free at Sopchoppy United Methodist Church in Sopchoppy. The evening

classes are every Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

- S.O.A.P. (SURVIVORS OF A PRODIGAL) SUPPORT GROUP meets every third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Ivan Assembly, 202 Ivan Church Road. Open to all who have a loved one dealing with an addiction.
- WAKULLA COUNTY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the THIRD THURSDAY of each month in the Education Center of the Crawfordville United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. This group meeting is for men and women, regardless of the type of cancer. Spouses, caregivers and friends are welcome. For more information, call 926-6050.

FRIDAYS

- THE QUILTERS' GUILD OF WAKULLA COUNTY meets at 9:30 a.m. at The Wakulla Library. Our current project is quilts for Wakulla County Hospice home-bound persons.
- YOGA AT NEW POSH on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Contact newposh3079@gmail.com or phone 528-5838 to reserve a space. \$12 single class; yoga packages available.
- SALSA LESSONS with Crystil every Friday night at Cuban Mojos, 10 Preston Circle Unit A in Crawfordville. Each class is \$5.

SATURDAYS

- 4-H ELECTRON CHASERS

CLUB meets the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Wakulla Extension Office, Room #1, 84 Cedar Ave. in Crawfordville.

- BREAKFAST is served at Macedonia Community Church each Saturday morning from 7 a.m. to noon for a \$5 donation. To place your order call 228-2885 or 519-7678. Church is located at 1085 Sopchoppy Hwy. Presiding Elder Alfred Nelson is Pastor.
- SOPCHOPPY DEPOT MUSEUM open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SUNDAYS

- BIG BEND FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN FIREFIGHTERS CHAPTER meets the third Sunday of each month at the Wakulla County Community Center from 7:30 to 9 a.m. for free breakfast and fellowship open to all emergency responders.
- SECOND SUNDAY SING at 6 p.m. at Woodville UMC the SECOND SUNDAY of each month.
- YOGA AT NEW POSH on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. Contact newposh3079@gmail.com or phone 528-5838 to reserve a space. \$12 single class; yoga packages available.

To add your recurring event to this list, email it to reporter@thewakullanews.net

Landscaping Sopchoppy



Ruthie Smith Harland collecting empty plant pots. You're never too young to start volunteering.

Volunteers come out to plant at depot and Depot Park

By LYNN ARTZ
Special to The News

More than 30 volunteers showed up on Saturday, Nov. 3 to plant 206 native trees and shrubs within Sopchoppy's Depot Park and in front of the his-

toric train depot.

On Saturday, Nov. 10, nearly 300 wildflowers and climbing vines will be added.

The project began when Lara Edwards, mayor of Sopchoppy, decided to add a butterfly garden to De-

pot Park. The project grew to include the entire park and involve a team of plant experts and enthusiasts.

David Roddenberry compiled a list of plants indigenous to the Sopchoppy area. His vision was to create a landscape within the park that represented Sopchoppy and the way it has looked historically.

Sandy Tedder and others expanded the plant list to assure a wide variety of larval and nectar plants for butterflies and food for birds.

Betsy Smith was recruited to create the landscape plan.

Lynn Artz coordinated the overall project.

The Sarracenia Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society adopted the project and assisted in many ways.

Keep Wakulla County Beautiful and the Wakulla County Gar-



PHOTOS BY CAROLE McCAY

Kitty Loftin, Sandy Tedder and Sopchoppy Mayor Lara Edwards.



Unloading plants to be planted in the parks.

den Club enthusiastically supported the project.

On Saturday, five teams of volunteers worked in different parts of the park.

Tedder and Kitty Loftin oversaw plant installation in front of the depot.

County Commissioner Chuck Hess and David Damon took charge of the park's large front beds.

Jeannie Brodhead and Bonnie Basham led planting teams in the south end of the park near the playground and within the wooded area.

Arborist John Melton provided planting instructions to assure best practices.

Other volunteers included Colleen and John Allcorn, Cathy

and Tim Arbogast, Sonia and Chloe Choquette, Lara and David Edwards, John Harley, Donna Hatch, Greg James, Norma Land, Carole McKay, Julia Miner, Tammy Nason, Pam Pafford, Betsy Rudden, Debbie Singletary, Betsy Smith, Emily Smith, Justin Stafford, and others.

Toddler Ruthie Smith Harley collected plant pots in a wagon.

Trees planted on Saturday included a live oak, magnolias, long-leaf pines, red cedars, fringe trees, hop trees, red buckeyes, an elderberry, and a Florida anise. Shrubs included piedmont azalea, yaupon holly, Walter's viburnum, sparkleberry, wax myrtle, yucca, and saw palmetto.

Plants were pur-

chased by the city from Superior Trees, Native Nurseries, and Just Fruits and Exotics.

To prepare for planting, Damon rototilled the front beds. David Edwards, Leonard Tartt, and colleagues cut down invasive camphor trees.

Brodhead, Tedder, and Artz tackled invasive mimosa and Japanese wisteria along the fence line.

David Edwards used a mini-excavator to dig some of the largest holes.

More volunteers are needed on Saturday, Nov. 10 to plant wildflowers.

To volunteer or obtain more information, contact Lynn Artz by phone at (850) 320-2158 or email at lynn_artz@hotmail.com.

WAKULLA COUNTY

SCHOOLS
NOW HIRING
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHERS!

Wakulla County Schools are recruiting energetic, caring adults who are interested in becoming a substitute teacher.

Substitute teaching is a great opportunity to supplement your income on a part-time basis or work on a more regular basis for schedules permitting. Being a substitute teacher allows you to choose the school you want to work at and select the age groups that best fits your personality. If you have children, the schedule of a substitute teacher mirrors the schedule of students and teachers, making it the perfect balance for work and family.

Come find out how to join our team and become a substitute teacher. **Thursday, November 29th at 9:30 a.m.**, an informational day is scheduled at the district office, 69 Arran Road to answer your questions and get you ready for your first day in a classroom!

Representatives from each school will be there to meet and greet you and provide some procedural information about their school. Come to the Human Resource Department and we will escort you to our meeting!

Call the WCSB district office at 926-0065 and ask for the *Human Resource Department* if you have any questions.

We hope to see you at the district office, **Wednesday, Nov. 29th!**



County Commissioner Chuck Hess and volunteer David Damon.

THE PRESENCE OF ABSENCE

Jerrod Beasley,

Crawfordville resident and author has just published his second book "The Presence of Absence." It is a compelling and controversial story about unrequited love that takes place in the 1950s in a small southeast Georgia town.



To order a copy, please send the check or money order for \$18 to the author at 49 Celebrity Lane, Crawfordville FL 32327. This includes Postage and handling.

Outdoors

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HOME ON THE RANGE

Kimber Stainless II vs. Springfield XDM



By MARJ LAW

Everyone who owns a handgun has a favorite. It could be the one they own. It might be one they'd love to have, but handgun owners have definite opinions about what they like.

Joe knows he has the best 9mm because his is a Kimber. Testosterone just pours out when guys hear the word "Kimber." It's almost nauseating.

His is a Kimber Stainless II 9mm 1911 gun. It has a hammer. It weighs a whopping 38 ounces. With slide and frame of brushed stainless steel, this is a solid handgun. It feels nice and tight.

The Kimber II's barrel is 5 inches long. The beavertail is deep, so you can get that webbing between your thumb and forefinger up nice and high for good control. Although there's a safety above the grip, there's also a safety here in the beavertail.

Magazines are single stacked and hold 9 rounds. The width of the grip is 1.28 inches. The grip itself is long.

Trigger pull on this particular gun averages out to 4.72 pounds, which is a fairly light pull.

I'm not crazy about the sights on this gun. The back sight is a three-sided square cut and the front sight is a square that fits into the "box." The sights are black on black, so Joe painted the front sight with red fingernail polish so it would stand out against the back sights.

What can I say about the grip? The rosewood grip is pretty.

Joe's got a Kimber and he knows it's much better than my Springfield XDM competition model 9mm.

Ahem.

The XDM is a striker-fired gun. It has no hammer. It's my personal belief that striker-fired guns have smoother action when you pull that trigger and feel that recoil. That's my opinion, and I plan to stick to it when four of us compare these two handguns.

While the Kimber's magazine holds 9 rounds, the Springfield holds 19 rounds. That's a whole lot more ammo in the gun. You'd think that the double stacked



Springfield XDM
Black polymer frame
Steel slide
Chunky grip
5.25" barrel

Kimber
Notice deep beavertail
Rosewood grips
Brushed stainless
5" barrel

Springfield mags would mean the grip is a lot wider, but that's not necessarily so.

The Kimber has a wide grip front to back, even though it's single stacked. According to Kimber, the grip is 1.28 inches wide, while the Springfield's is 1.18 inches wide. The Springfield has that double stack thing going on which makes it feel kinda square, but it's not as wide. Chunky, though.

Both guns are narrower in the beavertail area and the Springfield, like the Kimber, has a grip safety in the beavertail.

The beavertail on the Kimber is a lot deeper. My webbing fits better in the Kimber probably because the weight of the gun pushes your hand right into it. The XDM, on the other hand, weighs only 29 ounces compared to the Kimber's 38. Lots less.

So, OK, maybe the Kimber fits a bit snugger.

The Kimber's grip is heavy and sleek and it's a long grip. Joe says it takes a "man's hand." Oh, really.

I'm used to the XDM. The chunky grip has a heavily scored back-strap and foregrip. If your hand gets sweaty, the serrations make for a solid grab. And the grip is part of the polymer frame, so no rosewood on this guy. No pretty on this gun.

The slide is forged steel and the gun is all black. The 5.5 inch barrel makes for a nice long sight radius for accurate shooting. It's a little longer than the Kimber's.

While the trigger pull on Joe's Kimber is 4.72 pounds, the pull on my XDM is 3.15 pounds. Yes, it's had a trigger job and I like it a lot.

Repetitive shooting is very comfortable when your index finger doesn't wear out. However, I'd never suggest this action, because it will void your warrantee. I did it anyway.

So, now we're down to figuring out which of these two guns is the very best. Well, of course, I know the answer. Right?

We get two friends to join us. We all shoot both guns, considering grip, kick, accuracy, trigger pull length, and likeability.

It comes down to this. The guns are so similar, either one is about as good as the other, in the opinion of the four of us. Dang.

While we agree that the trigger pull length on the Kimber is a smidgeon longer than the XDM, both pulls are easy. Yes, my XDM has a lighter pull, but neither one is taxing.

Two of us prefer the Kimber's grip, while 2 like the XDM. Dang.

Even I agree the Kimber's falls right into the hand and is super nice, but I'm used to the chunkier feel of the XDM. If I were used to handling the Kimber, I'd like its grip better.

The Kimber rates a

very slightly higher perceived recoil. Not much, but some.

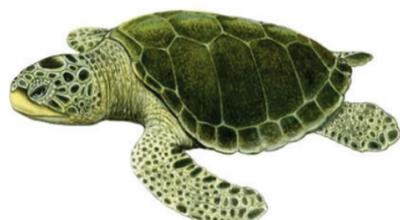
All of us score well with accuracy on both handguns. We all whack the bullseye at least once while firing off five rounds on one gun and then the other. Hitting dead center sure helps you like a gun.

Surprisingly, Joe hit a tiny bit more accurately with the XDM than the Kimber. Maybe he had warmed up on the Kimber. Who knows?

Joe still thinks his Kimber is the better gun. I still like the Springfield XDM better, but that Kimber's brushed stainless slide and frame and rosewood grips make it a handsome gun.

Sigh.

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



KEMP'S RIDLEY SEA TURTLE
(*Lepidochelys kempii*)

The rarest of sea turtles, they mate offshore and then females come in a large group called an 'arribada' to all nest at the same time on beaches with dunes or swamp. A female will nest three times during each nesting season almost always on Rancho Nuevo beach in Mexico. Some also nest on the San Padre Island, Texas. The dark baby turtles hide in the sargassum beds. They hunt for mollusks, crustaceans, jellyfish, algae, sea weed and sea urchins. Critically endangered, almost all sea turtles killed by the BP oil spill were Kemp's Ridelys.

Eukaryota, Anamalia, Chordata, Reptilia, Testunides, Cheloniidae



St. Vincent archery, Sambar Deer hunt cancelled

U.S. Fish & Wildlife

Hurricane Michael impacted St. Vincent Island on Oct. 10, resulting in significant damage, both due to storm surge and winds.

Much of the island's infrastructure was damaged, and many of the island's roads have been washed out. After careful examination of the island, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service determined that the Archery Hunt for

white-tailed deer to be held on Nov. 15-17, and the Sambar Deer hunt to be held on Nov. 29-Dec.1 will be cancelled.

The Jan. 17-19, Muzzleloader Hunt will still be held.

For anyone who has purchased a permit for the Archery or Sambar hunts, you will be able to use your permit for next year's hunts.

Unfortunately, there is no other way to reimburse you for your purchased permit.



The damaged boat house at St. Vincent Island after Hurricane Michael.

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a peek into life on and under the water

Local writers share their experiences

| Thursday | |
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| Sun r se/set | Moon r se/set |
| 6:56 am | 7:44 am |
| 5:44 pm | 6:49 pm |
| Br ghtness-- 1% | |
| Friday | |
| Sun r se/set | Moon r se/set |
| 6:57 am | 8:42 am |
| 5:43 pm | 7:32 pm |
| Br ghtness-- 5% | |
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| 5:43 pm | 8:18 pm |
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| 5:42 pm | 9:57 pm |
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| Tuesday | |
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| 5:41 pm | 10:49 pm |
| Br ghtness-- 32% | |
| Wednesday | |
| Sun r se/set | Moon r se/set |
| 7:01 am | 12:48 pm |
| 5:41 pm | 11:43 pm |
| Br ghtness-- 41% | |

Gulf Coast Weekly Almanac

Nov. 8 - Nov. 14



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

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| Th | 1:35 am | 8:22 am | 2:45 pm | 8:11 pm |
| Fr | 2:03 am | 9:00 am | 3:23 pm | 8:41 pm |
| Sa | 2:31 am | 9:37 am | 4:02 pm | 9:13 pm |
| Su | 2:59 am | 10:16 am | 4:42 pm | 9:47 pm |
| Mo | 3:29 am | 10:57 am | 5:27 pm | 10:27 pm |
| Tu | 4:04 am | 11:45 am | 6:20 pm | 11:19 pm |
| We | 4:49 am | 12:43 pm | 7:27 pm | |

City of St. Marks

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| Sa | 2:39 am | 10:04 am | 3:59 pm | 9:45 pm |
| Su | 3:07 am | 10:41 am | 4:38 pm | 10:17 pm |
| Mo | 3:35 am | 11:20 am | 5:18 pm | 10:51 pm |
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Shell Point, Spring Creek

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Alligator Point, Ochlockonee Bay

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| Th | 2.8 ft | ▼ -0.3 ft | ▲ 2.7 ft | ▼ 0.9 ft |
| Fr | 1:55 am | 9:11 am | 3:15 pm | 8:52 pm |
| Sa | 2:23 am | 9:48 am | 3:54 pm | 9:24 pm |
| Su | 2:51 am | 10:27 am | 4:34 pm | 9:58 pm |
| Mo | 3:21 am | 11:08 am | 5:19 pm | 10:38 pm |
| Tu | 3:56 am | 11:56 am | 6:12 pm | 11:30 pm |
| We | 4:41 am | 12:54 pm | 7:19 pm | |

St. Teresa, Turkey Pt.

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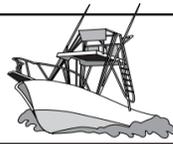
Dog Island West End

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| We | 4:57 am | 12:39 pm | 8:02 pm | |



Coast Guard Auxiliary Reports

By Carolyn Brown Treadon



Thank you to Duane Treadon for submitting the following article.

During our monthly Flotilla meetings this past weekend the membership elected its leadership for the 2019 year.

Current Flotilla Commander Ron Eudy has term limited out after serving two years as our Flotilla Commander and as Vice Commander previously. We appreciate his leadership and guidance over the past two years.

For the 2019 year the membership elected Wade Olson as Flotilla Commander and Raye Crews as Vice Flotilla Commander.

Wade has been a member for just a year but has accomplished much in that short time. He has been active in the vessel examiner (VE) program having obtained his certification as a VE

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as well as helping out with various public affairs programs. He is also working on his Aids to Navigation Verifier qualifications.

He comes from a Coast Guard family with his father having served for many years.

Raye is a long time member of our Flotilla and has served as Flotilla Commander and Vice Commander in the past. She is an active member in our Boat Crew, Program Visitor, AUX Chef, and Vessel Examiner programs. She also serves on Division

staff in Diversity. We look forward to another great year under Wade and Raye's leadership.

In other business member Rich Pizzala received his Vessel Examiner certification and member Bob Asztalos received his Aids to Navigation Verifier certification.

Bravo Zulu to all! Thanks to Sherrie, we will always remember safe boating is no accident - it is especially important to be extra cautious following a serious storm.

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.

We will be holding an ABS class on Dec. 1 at the Shell Point Seafarer's Chapel. 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

Our Water Table

There is a body of water under your feet, soaking the spaces between particles of sand. It can fill up this space up to the ground level and occasionally, beyond the ground level. Where the water stops and the air between the sand begins, we call the water table. It rises up and down depending upon several factors: rain fall, tides, storm surge, drought, and the nature of its drainage. Collectively we call this body of water the Floridan Aquifer. This fresh water aquifer is found all the way up into Georgia and Alabama, and far out under the Gulf of Mexico. As a body of water, it goes down some 600 feet underground.

Drainage occurs by dissolved limestone creating underground passage-ways that, over time, are enlarged by acid rains from the surface. Cave passages move enormous amounts of water collected from the surrounding sand trapping water, and shunts it to the ocean by way of rivers (above and below the ground). The higher the level of the ground water, the more water is shunted to the ocean. When storms flood swamps, they drain into sinkholes that then flush swamp water to the coast.

A storm up-hill say north of Tallahassee, can drop enough rain to cause an underground wave of ground water that days later will elevate the ground water level locally down here. Low lying property can seemingly flood and drain in blue sky weather. When my pumps failed at my underground home days after a large storm years ago, I had a clean, clear fountain in the middle of my house! Days after a hurricane my pumps run continuously, until the wave passes down-hill. We see this effect in local sink holes. the water level in the sinkhole is the groundwater level.

I was diving at Blue Grotto near Williston mid Florida on Saturday. To my surprise, the spring was flooded up over their boardwalk floating their dock high in the air. Visibility was down perhaps 20-30 feet from where it is normally at 100 feet. It too will return down 9 -10 feet and clear up in the weeks to come.

When a hurricane comes ashore, it drives water ahead of the storm that we call the surge. We have a routine version of this in the tides, which can be measured deep in Wakulla Springs. The ground water is pushed back with the surge causing rivers (above and below the ground) to reverse their flow. Coastal springs will reverse their flow and pump sediment back up into the rivers and caves. These deposits will take time to redistribute when the flow is returned to its normal flushing drainage. In the mean time several of our rivers will seem a bit shallower than normal.

You may have noticed our wells are shallow. My Father in Law, hydrologist Jack Rosenau, directed me to sink my well to at least 80 feet for good water back in the early 1970s. I gave up after breaking the casing and hired a local well digger. In a day he dug the well to 50 feet and set the jacket. I was upset that it was too shallow. But he understood our groundwater. He gave me a letter that guaranteed that my well would work for as long as he lived! He was killed in an argument with a neighbor weeks later, but true to his word, my well has never failed to deliver sweet, pure, and abundant water.

Florida Shorebird Alliance's Barbara Eells

From FWC News

Barbara Eells is one of the few people in the Florida panhandle who remembers when shorebirds successfully nested on beaches that are now developed. In fact, she began monitoring breeding snowy plovers and developed concerns about habitat loss before they were on FWC's radar in the panhandle region. Over the years, she grew to understand the monitoring and management needs for coastal shorebirds and continues to tirelessly dedicate her time to their protection.

Barbara has monitored breeding and non-breeding shorebirds in the Florida panhandle as a fish and wildlife volunteer for decades. She typically covers beaches in Bay and Gulf counties, encompassing approximately 20 miles of habitat. At any of these routes, Barbara can be found with a hammer pounding posts, her scope for re-sighting banded birds, filling in holes left by beach visitors, or in her vehicle keeping an eye on an incubating plover.



If you ask Barbara about "her shorebirds," she will provide you with the history of the area and the history of many of the banded plovers that occur in the area. One story includes a male snowy plover, she affectionately refers to as the 'Old Man', who was banded by an FWC biologist in 2004. Barbara has kept an eye on him and his many chicks for the last 15 years.

Barbara's interest in coastal conservation is not limited to shorebirds. She also coordinates, recruits and trains volunteers for sea turtle surveys at coastal areas like Mexico Beach and St. Joe Beach. Barbara ensures that sea turtle volunteers are

not only aware of shorebird concerns, but are able to recognize focal species, monitor plover broods, re-sight banded individuals, and provide outreach and education. Although her efforts have slowed down in recent years, she also provides wildlife rehabilitation for the Gulf County area. She not only cares for injured wildlife but provided a permanent home for wildlife that could not be released back into the wild, including a Black Vulture named Vultch.

As a retired school teacher, education and outreach come natural to Barbara, particularly when the subject involves coastal wildlife. Accordingly, she con-

ducts outreach at the local Port St. Joe High School to educate local youth about coastal habitats, wildlife and conservation concerns. Many of the animals that were part of the rehabilitation center participated in outreach events at local festivals or at special events at local state parks. She is also affectionately referred to as the 'bird lady' at many of the nesting beaches she monitors because she does not shy away from educating beach visitors or informing them of the rules in place to protect wildlife. Over the years, Barbara also worked with the local home owner's association to change coastal management practices such as beach raking to reduce disturbance to shorebirds. She's also worked with county staff or land managers to ensure that development at known nesting sites included protection for shorebirds.

Barbara and all her efforts highlight the importance of volunteerism and the critical role that volunteers play in wildlife conservation.

Green Scene

High fructose corn syrup: sinner or saint?



GREEN LIVING

By SAMANTHA KENNEDY
Wakulla Extension Service

I was recently asked about whether high fructose corn syrup (HFCS) was a “good” or “bad” ingredient. The simple answer is that it is not that simple. Let’s take a few moments to talk about this common nutritive sweetener.

HFCS is a mixture of two simple sugars, glucose and fructose. It has no artificial or synthetic ingredients. It is made from corn starch and is similar to sucrose (table sugar) in composition, which is why the two sweeteners are so comparable in taste and sweetness.

There are several types of HFCS, but HFCS-55 is the most common type found in foods and beverages, and has been deemed safe for human consumption by the Food and Drug Administration.

HFCS has many properties which actually improve foods and beverages. Like sugar, it enhances the flavors of fruits and spices, extends product freshness, helps in the fermentation process, acts as a stabilizer, enhances cooked flavors, and promotes surface browning in baked goods. The fact that it is a liquid allows it to blend easily with other ingredients.

The four major nutritive sweeteners – sweeteners that contain calories – are sugar, honey, molasses, and high fructose corn syrup. As carbohydrates, all four contain 4 calories per gram or about 16 calories per teaspoon. They are all metabolized similarly in the body.

What does this mean? It means since they all have similar chemical compositions, they are digested and broken down similarly in the body. Each are converted into the same basic nutrients (namely, glucose and fructose), which are then used as energy sources for other body functions.

So does HFCS contribute to diabetes and obesity? While some research has shown a link between the consumption of HFCS and a rise in obesity over the last 30 years, it is difficult to show conclusively that HFCS is the cause. On its own, HFCS has not been shown to be uniquely fattening.

Excess body fat occurs primarily when caloric intake does not balance with energy output. In other words, when more calories are eaten than are burned off through exercise, the leftover calories are stored as fat in the body. Since all nutritive sweeteners contain calories, consuming an excess of any of them can lead to weight gain.

As for diabetes, the link to HFCS consumption is not direct. Obesity is definitely a risk factor for diabetes, so the key to reducing the risk for Type 2 diabetes is to maintain a healthier weight through diet and exercise. Part of a healthier diet is reducing consumption of added sugars and other nutritive sweeteners, including HFCS, so cutting back on sweetened beverages and desserts is always a good idea.

The bottom line here is HFCS is a safe and inexpensive sweetener which shares many characteristics with both table sugar and honey. Since it is a carbohydrate, the body can use it as an energy source to fuel other functions.

However, as with most things, moderation is key. Too much HFCS, like too much sugar, can contribute to excessive weight gain and other chronic diseases.

The American Dietetic Association, a professional association of dietitians, advises consumers they can safely enjoy HFCS as part of an overall healthy diet plan which balances nutrient intake with moderate consumption of added sweeteners.

For more information about HFCS or other sweeteners, please call Samantha at the UF/IFAS Wakulla County Extension office at (850) 926-3931.



PHOTO BY SAMANTHA KENNEDY

High fructose corn syrup is digested and metabolized in the body in a similar way as two other common sweeteners, sugar and honey.



PHOTO BY LES HARRISON

Those who persisted and endured the hot September and October now have their first crop of turnips (white egg and purple top in this case), radishes, kale, and other leafy vegetables. There is still time to plant a second crop.

In the garden in November, it’s either too late or too early

By LES HARRISON and SAMANTHA KENNEDY
Of Wakulla Extension

November has brought on a number of events for Wakulla County residents, and the gardeners among them. All forms of advertising have now shifted to holiday products, and the associated gifts to be purchased.

While the month has many activities for home gardeners and landscape managers, there is a big no in November. It is either too late or too early, depending on one’s perspective, for certain activities.

One of the “big no’s” is the use of herbicides on warm season weeds. As these weeds go into dormancy the weed killers are not absorbed and do not work on the target species.

Annual weeds are already dying and have set seed for the next season. Warm season perennials are retreating into their annual phase of inactivity and are not subject to the herbicide’s control characteristics.

Another of the no’s is the application of nitrogen fertilizer to warm season plants. This element will stimulate the growth of tender foliage, even in the coming days of diminishing sunlight.

If a frost settles on the delicate green growth there will be obvious and substantial damage to the plant. In the most extreme cases the plant will be killed.

On the positive side, there are many cool season plants which can be cultivated. Broccoli, radishes, cabbage, kale and many others can still be planted during November for harvest in the mild days of Wakulla County’s late autumn or winter, even with its prospects of a light frost.

Many cool season vegetables were able to survive the warm (in some cases hot) autumn days if watered regularly and mulched properly after planting in early September. These are ready to harvest now and can be replanted for a second crop.

Additionally plant frost sensitive salad crops such as arugula, lettuce, and spinach and numerous other cool-season crops is a possibility with the moderating weather. There is still time for these vegetables to produce a viable yield before frost kills them.

Onions are another productive fall crop where there is still time to install. Locally onions can be grown for both the greens or the bulb.

For either crop the bulbs should be planted just below the soils surface. Scallions or green onions will be ready for harvest in 30 to 45 days, but bulb onions will take until late April or early May to be ready.

Even tomatoes are still producing. If concerned about premature frigid weather, plant the tomatoes in containers which can be moved to a protected site or be prepared to cover the plants when a winter chill

arrives.

Now is also the time to prepare for protecting citrus trees. If covering with a cloth and heating with a light bulb, or using the icing technique, be ready before that super chilling event sneaks up during the holiday season.

One advantage to late autumn gardening is the aggressive and prolific pests are about done for the year. The caterpillar, grasshopper and stinkbug population is well past their seasonal peak and should only present minor problems.

Now is the time to continue adding a thick layer of mulch around perennials, shrubs, trees and even vegetable plants to help regulate and maintain proper moisture levels. Also, mulch makes ornamental plant beds cosmetically more appealing, too.

Now is a great time to complete the gardening task since late November will begin the unending holiday season which terminates on New Year’s Eve 2019.

To learn more about late fall gardening in Wakulla County, visit the UF/IFAS Wakulla County website at <http://wakulla.ifas.ufl.edu> or call 850-926-3931.

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Sheriff's Report

Activity reported by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office for the week of Oct. 25 to Nov. 1.

THURSDAY, OCT. 25

- Taylor Davis of Crawfordville reported a theft of equipment owned by the company he works for, Anderson Columbia Co. Inc. Davis reported a yellow Caterpillar 420EXH backhoe had been stolen from a lot off of Lonnie Raker Road. The backhoe was valued at \$70,000 and had been parked at this location before Hurricane Michael and upon returning to the jobsite the theft was discovered. The case information was collected, documented, and referred to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation's Division. Deputy Patrick Fleming investigated.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

- Griselda Juarez Espinoza was arrested following a retail theft complaint at the Crawfordville Walmart. The suspect was reportedly observed on video surveillance putting numerous items in bags while she was in the store and then passing the final point of sale without paying for the merchandise. The total amount of the retail theft was \$211.35. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Wakulla County Jail. Deputy Jonathan Kendrick investigated.

- Sara King of Crawfordville reported the theft of several items from her residence. The victim reported six watches and three laptops had been stolen from the residence. The total value of the theft was estimated at \$2,143. The victim identified a suspect as being involved. The case information was collected, document-

ed, and referred to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation's Division. Deputy Ronald Mitchell investigated.

SATURDAY, OCT. 27

- Christopher Compton of Crawfordville reported a burglary to his residence and theft of property from inside. The victim said he came home to find a window on the side of his residence had been busted out and the house ransacked. The victim later discovered that three firearms had been stolen. The firearms stolen were a Bushmaster AR-15 and two Henry lever action rifles. The total value of the stolen firearms was estimated at \$1,600 and the damage to the window estimated at \$300. The case information was collected, documented, and referred to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation's Division. Deputy Matthew Hedges investigated.

- John Howerton of Tallahassee reported a burglary to one of his rental residences in Crawfordville and theft of property from inside the residence. The residence is located on Finner Drive and the victim noticed the back door ajar when he went to work on the property. The victim discovered the following items stolen from inside the residence: four 5-gallon buckets of Glidden paint, an electric sander, and an Echo chainsaw. The total value of the stolen property was estimated at \$549. The case information was collected and documented. Deputy Robert Standeford investigated.

MONDAY, OCT. 29

- Charlotte Brown of Panacea reported the theft of a pack-

Woman dies in crash at Alligator Point

The Florida Highway Patrol reported that a woman was killed after midnight on Friday, Nov. 2, when she failed to negotiate a curve on Bald Point Road in Alligator Point.

Laura Rocco, 70, of Alligator Point, was traveling southbound in a 2003 Chevrolet Tahoe when she missed a sharp right curve and left the roadway onto the northbound shoulder, striking a utility pole with the left rear of the vehicle. The vehicle then rotated in a counterclockwise direction causing the vehicle to overturn. The driver was ejected from the vehicle and suffered fatal injuries.

The FHP reported that she was not wearing a seatbelt.

age that was being delivered via FedEx. The victim stated that she discovered someone had signed for a package that was addressed to her. The package contained a gold Verizon 256 GB Apple iPhone XS Max valued at \$1,500. FedEx informed her that someone using the name "Amon Real" had signed for the package. The case information was collected, documented, and referred to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation's Division. Deputy Jenna Beceriklier investigated.

TUESDAY, OCT. 30

- Kevin Wood of Crawfordville was arrested following a suspicious person and vehicle investigation on Casseaux Road. The suspect was found asleep in the driver's seat of the vehicle while parked in the middle of the road. The investigation conducted on scene re-

vealed that the suspect was in possession of marijuana, marijuana wax, scheduled prescription narcotics, and equipment associated with the use of narcotics. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Wakulla County Jail. Once at the jail, the suspect was also found to be in possession of methamphetamine and received the additional possession charge and an introduction of contraband charge. Deputy Jenna Beceriklier investigated.

- Lewis Stewart of Crawfordville reported a criminal mischief to a piece of his property. The victim stated that he discovered that his picnic table had been purposely set on fire after being placed in a fire pit located at his residence. The picnic table was valued at \$200.00. The victim was able to identify a suspect who is likely involved in the criminal mischief. The case information was col-

lected, documented, and referred to the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigation's Division. Deputy Steven Parfitt investigated.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

- Cara Young of Massachusetts was arrested following a traffic stop and subsequent investigation. The suspect was reportedly observed operating her motor vehicle in a reckless manner in the 1200 block of Woodville Highway. The investigation conducted during the traffic stop revealed that the suspect was driving the vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. The suspect was arrested and transported to the Wakulla County Jail. It was also discovered that the vehicle Young was driving was reported stolen out of Leon County and she was the suspect in the theft. She was arrested for DUI and the Leon County vehicle theft. Deputy Matthew Hedges investigated.

- Jack Marion of Panacea reported a criminal mischief to the front door of his residence. The victim stated that around 8:30 he heard two loud bangs at his door like

someone was kicking the door. When he attempted to open the door it was as if it was jammed. He was unable to see anybody in the area when he exited the residence but several neighbors heard the same noises and reported seeing two young males running from the area. Damage was done to the lock of the door making it inoperable and estimated to cost \$150 to fix. The case information was collected and documented. Deputy Tiffany Spears investigated.

This week Sheriff Jared Miller and the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office responded to 984 calls for service, 162 calls to 911, and conducted 179 residential and business security checks

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A silent auction will be held from 12:00 until 4:30pm. This is a great opportunity to pick up some fabulous Christmas gifts that include items like Sea World tickets, artwork, and baskets full of goodies. Children will also enjoy complimentary temporary tattoos and can join Gladsy and Friends to paint their own rocks! A variety of cookies and cocoa will be available for everyone.





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Sports

sports news and team views

Wakulla blows out Jefferson

War Eagles close out regular season with 49-13 win over the Tigers, and head into the playoffs

By **WILLIAM SNOWDEN**
Editor

The Wakulla War Eagles finished off the regular season with a big 49-13 win against the Jefferson Tigers on Friday night.

Wakulla's star quarterback Jaylom Worsham was injured in the first series of the game when he sacked, and was tackled awkwardly around the legs. He was obviously hurting as he stayed in for one play – then he was sidelined with ice taped to his leg and hobbled on crutches.

Head Coach Scott Klees said Worsham may have a high ankle sprain and is day-to-day. "If he's healthy, he will start" against Ribault, Klees said.

Backup QB Lyric Oaks stepped up and flung the ball around with confidence. He passed for 200 yards and three touchdowns and still played free safety on defense and had three tackles.

"He went right after 'em," Klees said.

The War Eagles finish the regular season 8-2 and head into the first round of the playoffs next week, traveling to Jacksonville to take on the Ribault Trojans.

Of the upcoming opponent, Klees said the



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Quarterback Lyric Oaks, who stepped in for an injured Jaylon Worsham, with running back LaMonta Peterson and receiver DeJuan Hughes on the sideline with a big lead late.

Trojans have a very, very good defense but a young offense. They have relied on the defense for some of their wins, as well as special teams, where they have returned several kickoffs and punts for

scores.

GAME RECAP:
JEFFERSON COUNTY

The Tigers came to play: They took the opening kick off and drove the field, capping

it with a 1-yard quarterback sneak. The extra point knuckleballed through the uprights after a high snap, but it was good. Tigers up 7-0.

First Wakulla drive stalled. The Tigers had

a linebacker "spy" on Worsham to keep him from breaking contain and getting into the open. Worsham is sacked on a play and suffers a leg injury.

Lyric Oaks comes in to replace Worsham

and throws a long ball to Dalton Pope at the goal line. Score is 7 all.

On the next Wakulla series, Oaks connects with Jeremy Harvey for a TD. Extra point is no good. Score 13-7 Wakulla at the end of the 1st.

A couple of series later, safety Jarien Allen intercepted a tipped ball and returned it 75 yards for TD. Extra point good: 20-7 Wakulla.

An interception by Jeremy Harvey, sets up a 60 yard scoot for a score by Jordan Bolden. Go for 2 and LaMonta Peterson runs it in to make it 28-7 at halftime.

To open the third, the War Eagles drive 75 yards and score on a 2-yard run by Peterson. Extra point good: 35-7.

A fumble sets up Wakulla in good field position. Oaks throws 35-yard TD pass to Jamey Harvey, twin of Jeremy. Score 42-7.

That starts the running clock and the young players come in. Player with number 1 jersey scores on an interception. No. 34 takes kicker Hunter Busen's role and kicks extra point. 49-7.

Jefferson scores with less than 2 minutes left. PAT no good.

Final: 49-13.

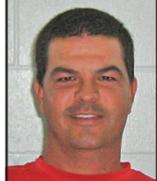
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COACH
Scott Klees

FROM THE COACH

Last week: War Eagles get a big win over Jefferson and Lyric Oaks steps up as quarterback, playing for an injured Jaylon Worsham.

Scouting report: Ribault has a very good defense, team is fast, and they are better than their 5-5 record..

Keys to victory: Defense needs to play extremely well, win special teams, and no turnovers.



Linebacker Keyshawn Greene, an FSU commit, makes a tackle.

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Running back Jordan Bolden on his way to the end zone for a TD turns his head and flashes a smile to photographer Ken Fields.

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LYRIC OAKS
200 yards passing and 3 TDs; 3 tackles on defense.

JAMEY HARVEY
4 receptions for 69 yards and a TD.

JARIEN ALLEN
Interception returned 75 yds for TD; 4 tackles.

HUNTER BUSEN
Great night kicking.

Cross Country team competes at regionals

By MIKE MARTIN
WHS Cross Country Coach

The Wakulla War Eagles cross country team traveled to Jacksonville to compete in the 2A Region 1 cross country meet on Saturday Nov. 3.

The Eagles ran the super fast course back in October at the pre-regional meet. The meet was held on the New World Golf Course, and even after a major storm moved through the area on Friday, the course stayed true to speed.

The girls were the first to toe the line on this beautiful Saturday morning. With temperatures in the low 50s, this was the best running weather the young Wakulla teams had all year.

At the start of the gun, Alyssa Langston once again led the Wakulla girls team. With this being her last cross country season of her high school career, Langston was hoping to make it to the 2018 FHSAA State Cross Country Championships on Nov. 10. Up to this point in her running career, Langston's fastest time was a 20:42, which she set back at the 2016 State Championship meet.

When Langston crossed the finished line on this day, she accomplished both of her goals and capped off a great high school cross country career. Langston set a new PR of 20:08 and finished in 15th place, which advanced her to the State Championship meet. This was a bittersweet day for Langston as she will be the only Wakulla runner to compete at the State Championship. With only the top six teams advancing to the State Meet, the young Wakulla girls team finished in seventh place overall. The second Wakulla runner to cross the line was junior Diamond Cooper, who set a new PR of 21:17. Sophomore Tirzah Votaw was the third Wakulla runner to finish with a new PR of 22:25.

Junior Nina Prince was the fourth Wakulla runner to cross the line with a new PR of 22:30. Sophomore Erica Odom was the fifth Wakulla runner to cross the line with a new PR of 22:49. Freshman Elizabeth Blich was the next runner to finish with her ninth PR of 23:03.

The last Wakulla runner to finish was freshman



Alyssa Langston sporting her medal after qualifying for the State Championship Cross Country Meet.

Ashlyn Speigner, who also ran a new PR of 24:41. The girls finished the 2018 XC season with a great showing, and with most of the team coming back next year, the young Wakulla girls team will be a force to be reckoned with next year!

The Wakulla boys' team

was next to run on the super fast course. After losing seven senior boys' last year, it was going to be tough for the Wakulla boy's team to advance.

Once again, junior Daniel Wiedeman led the boys' team. Wiedeman finished with a super fast time and new PR of 17:18. Right

behind Wiedeman was junior Mason McCord, who finished with a great time and new PR of 17:21.

Next in for the boys was junior Stephen Votaw, who finished with a great time and new PR of 17:35. Sophomore Simon Cole was the fourth Wakulla runner to cross the line with a great time of 18:50.

Right behind Cole was freshman Logan Kilpatrick, who also finished with a great time and new PR of 18:54. Freshman Tripp Pitts was the next Wakulla runner to cross the line with a new PR of 19:58, and the last Wakulla runner to cross the line was freshman Bryce Estep, who finished with a new PR of 20:22.

The Wakulla boys team finished in eighth place overall. With the entire boys team coming back next year, they too will be a force to be reckoned with.

I want to thank all the parents and friends for waking up bright and early each Saturday morning to show your support for the Wakulla cross country team. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Lady War Eagles fall to Mosley in regionals

The Lady War Eagles had a great season, but they lost in the second round of the playoffs to Mosley High School on

Monday, Oct. 29 in four games: 20-25 L, 26-24 W, 18-25 L, and 18-25 L.



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Tanasha Cooksey at the net for the Lady War Eagles.

Thigpen, star at WHS, continues soccer at Webber

By JENNA KIDD
Special to The News

BABSON PARK, Fla. – Sarah Thigpen was a three-sport athlete during her time at Wakulla High School.

She was a member of the Wakulla High School girls' soccer team, WHS flag football team and the WHS track & field team.

Thigpen's older sister, Kaylyn Thigpen, a recent Florida State University graduate in social work, also played soccer and ran track & field at WHS.

Both ladies are daughters of Christine Thornton.

During Thigpen's junior and senior

years at WHS, under the coaching of Logan Crouch, she received many awards and honors.

As a junior, Thigpen was ranked second in her district for goals.

She also made the Big Bend second-team, received the Utility Player Award from WHS and was a BSI Tournament Finalist.

She did not disappoint her senior year either.

In her final high school season, Thigpen, was the Lincoln Pre-Season MVP, once again made the Big Bend second-team and she was awarded with the Offensive MVP Awards from WHS. She



finished with 18 goals in 19 matches during her senior season.

Now a sophomore at Webber International University, Thigpen is making major strides on the soccer field. For the 2018 season, Thigpen played in 19 matches including exhibitions and scrim-

mages. Starting in all but one match was a very good feeling for the young defensive specialist.

Thigpen, who went from being a utility/offensive player in high school, is now for the first time in her career strictly a defensive player. In addition to

helping control Webber's back line of defense, she recorded five shots on goal while taking a total of six shots.

"To describe Sarah is relatively easy, look up the word hard working in the dictionary," said WIU Head Women's Soccer Coach Brian

Fallon. "Her work ethic is resounding and her personal commitment is present."

Last season the WIU women's soccer team finished fourth in The Sun Conference out of 11 teams. WIU ended the season with a record of 7-5-1 and went on to play in The Sun Conference Tournament quarterfinal round.

The Warriors fell in an overtime heart-breaker to rival Warner University to finish the 2017 season.

To conclude this season, the WIU women's soccer team played its last match away at Keiser University on Oct. 27.

This story was written by Webber International University senior women's soccer player Jenna Kidd.

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

CNN and a Chihuahua on the campaign trail

By DARA KAM
NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE – For dozens of people attending a political rally Wednesday in Southwest Florida, another celebrity held almost as much fascination as President Donald Trump, the headliner of the event.

A steady stream of rally-goers, many of them wearing “Make America Great Again” red caps, drifted by the fenced-off space for the media in the center of Hertz Arena to heckle CNN’s Jim Acosta, often before or after asking the White House correspondent to pose for selfies.

Acosta’s allure continued throughout the wait for Trump to appear. But even as chants of “CNN Sucks!” rippled through the venue, the cable-news star smiled, waved and appeared to take it all in stride.

Gary Cullen was among the pumped-up Trump supporters who took time out to castigate Acosta from the other side of the media barricade.

Clad in a black T-shirt with a graphic of a boy urinating on “CNN,” the 36-year-old Cape Coral resident told The News Service of Florida that “respect” is what’s lacking in American political discourse today.

“That’s what we’re missing in this country,” Cullen said, without a hint of irony.

Trump was in Florida to stump for Republican Gov. Rick Scott, who’s trying to

unseat U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, and GOP gubernatorial candidate Ron DeSantis, who’s facing off against Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum in one of most closely watched races in the nation.

Joining Trump on stage, DeSantis railed against Gillum, who has been under scrutiny for accepting a ticket to the Broadway hit “Hamilton,” and for expenses related to a Costa Rica trip. Both excursions are linked to an undercover FBI agent, “Mike Miller,” who was posing as a developer trying to do business with the city of Tallahassee.

In what has become a cornerstone of his campaign, DeSantis blasted Gillum for the FBI investigation focused on the mayor’s city and mocked the Democrat for saying at one time that he wanted to impeach Trump.

“This is a guy that took bribes from an undercover FBI agent. ... Maybe we should impeach Gillum as mayor of Tallahassee!” DeSantis said, sparking the audience to erupt with “Lock him up!” The chant echoed the refrain hurled at Hillary Clinton during Trump’s campaign two years ago.

Gillum, while making the rounds on national cable news, decried DeSantis’ tone, which he says mirrors that of Trump.

“From day one, he’s gone completely to the gutter on this campaign,” Gillum said Thursday on MS-

NBC’s “Morning Joe.” When asked if there was anything he regrets in his campaign, Gillum was unequivocal.

“Not at all. I think we’ve run a campaign that should be modeled,” the Democrat said, adding that he’s offered “concrete proposals” when asked about his policies.

But Gillum, seeking to become the state’s first black governor, added, “I also haven’t taken any punches from my opponent,” especially when it comes to race-related issues.

“We called him out on it. And I honestly think we need to do more of that,” he said.

KING TRUMP?

James Fahnestock stood in the blazing sun for more than five hours Wednesday while awaiting his first opportunity to see his hero, Trump, live and in person.

Fahnestock’s red MAGA cap did little to protect him from the heat, but the sweltering temperatures didn’t dampen the 36-year-old Naples resident’s enthusiasm for the man who’s not on the ballot in Florida but who, indirectly, is at the top of the ticket.

“I wish I could take a bullet for him,” Fahnestock told the News Service before entering Hertz Arena along with other Trump fans who traveled from throughout the state.

“He’s the greatest thing that’s happened for America in a long

time,” Fahnestock, who sells real estate, said of the president.

For Fahnestock and more than 8,000 other fans Wednesday night, Trump delivered, as he urged Floridians to throw their support behind DeSantis and Scott.

The Nov. 6 election is “one of the most important ... in our entire lives, although, I will say, not as important as 2016,” he joked.

The president boasted of a litany of successes, including lowering taxes, fighting illegal immigration and taking “unprecedented action” against terrorist regimes, such as Iran. Pointing to the fenced-off area in the center of the arena, Trump blamed the press for failing to properly convey his achievements to the public.

“The media doesn’t want you to hear your story. It’s not my story. It’s your story,” he said, eliciting loud boos from an audience clad almost exclusively in red, white and blue.

Trump’s appearance Wednesday in Estero and another planned rally Saturday in Pensacola are part of a last-minute push by the president as he visits Republican strongholds to boost enthusiasm for GOP candidates.

Earlier Wednesday, U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders campaigned for Gillum on college campuses in Tampa and Orlando, and former President Barack Obama appeared Friday with Gillum and Nelson in Miami.

“America’s at a crossroads,” Obama

said at a raucous rally. “The health care of millions is on the ballot. Making sure working families get a fair shake is on the ballot. But maybe most of all, the character of our country’s on the ballot.”

EVEN DOGS GET INTO THE ACTION

Earlier in the week, hundreds of supporters – including a Chihuahua festooned in red, white and blue – gathered in the parking lot of a popular wing joint in the Democratic stronghold of Broward County to cheer on DeSantis.

Andrew Pollack, whose daughter, Meadow, was among the 17 victims slain on Feb. 14 at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, had already whipped the crowd into a near-frenzy by the time the 40-year-old former congressman took the stage.

“We got any patriotic, America-loving Republicans here?” Pollack shouted, as he tossed out “Keep Florida Great Vote DeSantis” caps. The blue hats were also emblazoned with “Wings Plus,” the name of the restaurant hosting the rally and a popular venue for GOP political events.

Accompanied by his wife, Casey, and two young children on stage, DeSantis quickly attacked Gillum, focusing on the FBI inquiry.

The DeSantis strategy of linking crime and corruption with the Tallahassee mayor resonated with Judi Bougie, a 71-year-old Coral Springs Republican who was familiar

with the attacks on the Democrat even before Sunday’s rally.

Awaiting DeSantis’ arrival at the event, Bougie told The News Service of Florida she looks at “the pros and the cons” of each of the candidates.

“I don’t like what he’s not done for Tallahassee,” she said. “There’s a lot of crime up there.”

But at an early voting site in Tamara, Weston Wynton, who moved to South Florida from Jamaica 15 years ago, said he rejected DeSantis because of his ties to Trump and because of the Republicans’ shared anti-immigration stances.

“I don’t support Trump and his corrupted, small-minded way of looking at immigration,” Wynton, 55, said.

Gillum “is smart, intelligent and has an agenda that will benefit the people,” according to Wynton.

“That is why I voted for Andrew Gillum. Not because he is black,” he said.

STORY OF THE WEEK:

President Donald Trump headlined a rally Wednesday in Southwest Florida to boost support for Republican gubernatorial candidate Ron DeSantis and U.S. Senate candidate Rick Scott.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

“I love Donald Trump and everything that he stands for, does. I wish he could be king.” – Debbie Robinson, a 63-year-old Jupiter woman who traveled to Estero for Trump’s rally.



Garlic & Herb Lamb Chops with Marsala Mushroom Sauce

At first, changing a classic family recipe or whipping up a new, taste-tempting holiday dish may seem daunting. However, balancing taste and complexity doesn’t need to be stressful. Simplify recipe planning with one versatile ingredient that provides a bold boost and creates real crowd pleasers: cooking wines.

Yield: 7 (about 2 lamb chops per serving)

Prep time: 30 minutes

Cook time: 30 minutes plus marinating

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| | Marsala Mushroom Sauce: |
| | 1 tablespoon butter |
| | 1 pound fresh baby bella or cremini mushrooms, cleaned |
| 2 | tablespoons fresh shallots, thinly sliced |
| 1/2 | cup beef stock |
| 1 | teaspoon Dijon mustard |
| | salt, to taste |
| | pepper, to taste |
| 3/4 | cup Holland House Marsala Cooking Wine, divided |
| 2 | tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil |
| 2 | racks of lamb (approximately 3-4 pounds), trimmed and cleaned |
| | Sliced persimmons, for serving (optional) |
| | Maple syrup, for serving (optional) |

In large bowl, combine rosemary, 3 teaspoons garlic, lemon zest, 1/4 cup cooking wine and olive oil. Add racks of lamb, meat-side up, and cover bowl. Marinate 6-24 hours. After marinating, heat oven to 400 F. Transfer racks of lamb to heated, oven-proof saute pan on stovetop and sear each side 2 minutes until golden brown. Transfer oven-proof saute pan with lamb to heated oven and cook approximately 10 minutes, or until lamb reaches 135 F in center. Remove pan from oven and take lamb out of pan to rest.

To make Marsala Mushroom Sauce: In same pan, melt butter over medium heat; add mushrooms and saute. Add shallots and remaining garlic, cooking until fragrant. Deglaze with remaining cooking wine. Add beef stock and whisk in Dijon mustard. Season with salt and pepper, to taste, and cook 2 minutes to reduce and thicken.

Carve racks of lamb by cutting between ribs. Serve drizzled with Marsala Mushroom Sauce. Garnish with parsley.

HOME COUNTRY

Dud traps some raccoons



By SLIM RANGLES

The latest topic du jour at the world dilemma think tank is Dud Campbell’s trapline. It should be noted that no animals were harmed in the production.

In fact, the “victims” of Dud’s trapline probably gained a pound or two during the ordeal.

It all began not long ago now when Mrs. Miller complained about having a raccoon come around at night and eating the cat food she’d left on the back porch for Sissy.

After about five cups of coffee down at the

Mule Barn, the elders there, aka the Supreme Court of Dang Near Everything, decided the ‘coon had to go, but nobody wanted to kill the thing just for wanting to eat cat food. So Dud said he’d take care of it.

About two weeks later, Dud invited the guys out to the parking lot to see what was in his pickup, and there was a ‘coon, hissing at the world through the steel mesh of a live trap.

What did you use? Where did you put it? How long did it take to catch him? Are there more ‘coons in town? Where will you release him?

And one by one the questions were answered.

Oh, as the weeks went by, Dud had figured out the perfect bait to entice them into the trap. Oh yes, a delectable combination of peanut but-

ter, marshmallows and sardines.

And it worked. Soon, Dud had two of these traps working, so that he could refer to it as the trapline and not just “the trap.” Sounded better.

Before long, the score was quite impressive. Three ‘coons, one bobcat, a raven, one cocker spaniel, Sissy (who was released on her own recognition into Mrs. Miller’s custody and was immediately placed under house arrest), and a skunk.

“How’d you turn that skunk loose, Dud?” Doc asked.

“Very carefully,” was our resident trapper’s reply.

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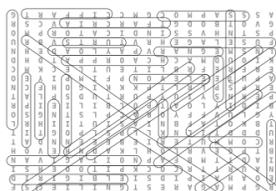
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- Carson, Caron
 - Aaron, Baron
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 - Danger, Dagger
 - Sally, Sally
 - Easel, Edsel
 - Bauble, Babbie
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 - Lodger, Dodger
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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| AILERON | COCKPIT | FUSELAGE |
| AIRCRAFT | COMMUTER | GROUND CONTROL |
| AIRFOIL | COMPASS | HELICOPTER |
| AIRSPACE | DEPARTURE | INDICATOR |
| ALTIMETER | DIRIGIBLE | INSTRUMENTS |
| ALTITUDE | DRAG | KNOT |
| APPROACH | ELEVON | LIFT |
| ARRIVAL | ENGINE | NAVIGATION |
| CEILING | FLIGHT | PASSENGERS |
| | | PAYLOAD |
| | | PILOT |
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| | | RANGE |
| | | ROUTE |
| | | SPEED |
| | | STRUT |
| | | TRAFFIC |
| | | TURBINE |

The Garden Bug
Flat-leaf parsley
Fool's parsley

Parsley is native to Southern Europe. Cultivated for more than 2,000 years, it was used medicinally and also as food. The ancient Greeks held it to be sacred, using it to adorn athletic champions and to decorate the tombs of the dead. Ancient Romans used it in cooking, and Charlemagne grew it on his estates. Fool's parsley, a poisonous weed, is sometimes mistaken for the edible flat-leaf parsley.

- Brenda Weaver
Source: www.whfoods.com

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE
Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

XIZ DBO'U ZPV FBU GJTI

PO UIBOLTHJWJOH?

CFDBVTF UIBOLTHJWJOH

OFWFS GBMMT PO B GSZ-EBZ.

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.

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|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1. Wild West Kit | ___ S ___ | Milk container | ___ T ___ |
| 2. Moses' big brother | A ___ | Snoopy's Red foe | B ___ |
| 3. Pirate's eye cover | ___ T ___ | Dry as the desert | ___ R ___ |
| 4. Risky business | ___ N ___ | Short knife | ___ G ___ |
| 5. Briny | ___ T ___ | Field or Struthers | ___ L ___ |
| 6. Van Gogh's stand | ___ A ___ | Ford's flop | ___ D ___ |
| 7. Showy trinket | ___ U ___ | Speak nonsense | ___ B ___ |
| 8. Giant slayer | ___ D ___ | Bette or Geena | ___ S ___ |
| 9. Hotel guest | L ___ | L.A. baseballer | D ___ |
| 10. Hospital staffer | ___ U ___ | From Oslo | ___ O ___ |

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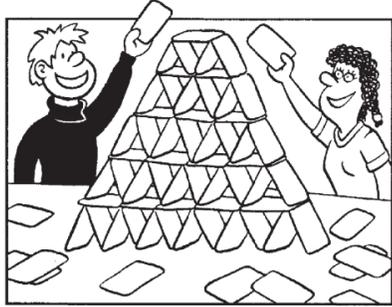
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: Sign is missing, 2. Backpack compartment is missing, 3. Shirt is shorter, 4. Cap is different, 5. Can is missing, 6. Hat dog is missing, 7. Shirt is



BILLY AND MARY are about to set a card house record. Can you correctly count all of the cards in this picture in 30 seconds?

Answer: We counted 67 cards. Did you find that many?

ODD WORD OUT!

To the right is a list of five words. Can you figure out which word doesn't belong on the list?

(a, e, i, o and n) in the other words, every other letter is a vowel.



ARE YOU A "WORD" CHEERLEADER? See if you can shout out the four five-letter words needed on the right that match the definitions given below. All words must read the same across and down.

- Shout encouragement (given).
- To divide in two.
- Mischiefous creatures.
- A sporting contest.
- Cessations from work.

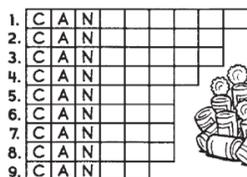


Answers: 1. Cheer, 2. Halve, 3. Elves, 4. Event, 5. Rests.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

NO, THIS IS NOT BILLY GOAT HEAVEN!



This is a "can-do" word puzzle for you. Each of the words in our grid begins with the word "can." Using the following hints, see if you can find these words in five minutes.

- A Fourth of July salute.
- Protective rooflike coverings.
- A metal can for sugar.
- A military hangout.
- A delicious appetizer.
- (slang) A prison informant.
- Frankness or sincerity.
- Type of picture-taking.
- Careful and shrewd.

Answers: 1. Cannonade, 2. Canopies, 3. Canister, 4. Canteen, 5. Canape, 6. Canary, 7. Candler, 8. Candler, 9. Canary.

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preme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be served at the address on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO EACH SHERIFF OF THE STATE: You are commanded to serve this summons and a copy of the complaint in this lawsuit on the above-named person.

DATED: September 18th, 2018.

Brent X. Thurmond, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Rachel L. Howard, Deputy Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2018-CA-120

TOMMY WREAD and ELIZABETH WREAD Plaintiffs,
vs. JESSICA BEAVERS Defendant

COMPLAINT
Plaintiffs, Tommy and Elizabeth Wread, sue defendant Jessica Beavers and alleges:
1. This is an action to foreclose on real property located at 121 Hoot Owl Hollow in Wakulla County, Florida. The property is further described as: Lots 6 and 7 of Swirling Sink, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 106 of the official records of Wakulla County, Florida.
2. On June 6, 2015 the defendant executed a "contract" for deed and an agreement to pay the Plaintiffs for the property. A copy is attached and made a part of this Complaint.
3. The sales price was \$50,000. It was agreed that the defendant put down \$1000.00 and to receive owner financing of \$49,000.00, for a term of ten years with 6% interest, with a payment of \$544.00 per month.
4. Plaintiffs are people entitled to enforce the "contract" under applicable law because the defendant failed to make any payments as duly obligated. The defendant failed to arbitrate as required in the "contract" for deed. Furthermore, the defendant agreed if a payment falls 60 days late, the Plaintiffs can repossess the property.
5. The property is in the defendant's possession.
6. Defendant has defaulted under the "contract" by failing to arbitrate or pay the payments on their due date ever since June, 2015.
7. Defendant owes Plaintiffs \$49,000.00 that is due on the principle, late fees and interest from June, 2015, and title search expenses for ascertaining necessary parties to this action.
8. Plaintiffs are obligated to pay their attorneys a reasonable fee for their services.
Plaintiff is entitled to recover their attorneys' fees under the statutory construction. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment foreclosing the "contract", attorneys fees, costs and if necessary a deficiency judgment.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ STEVEN P. GLAZER
Steven P. Glazer 3 High Drive,
Crawfordville, FL 32327 850 926 1234 Florida Bar No. 0789798

CERTIFICATION OF POSSESSION OF ORIGINAL NOTE
1. The Plaintiff is in possession of the original "contract" upon which this action is brought.
2. There is no formal promissory note nor a mortgage deed. There is a writing.
3. The name of the person giving the certification is Elizabeth Wread, owner.
4. The name of the person who verified such possession is Tommy Wread.
5. The verification was made on May 15, 2018 at 2:15 PM.
6. A correct copy of the "contract" is attached to this Certification.
7. I give this statement based on my personal knowledge.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing Certification of Possession of Original papers and the facts stated herein are true.

/s/ ELIZABETH WREAD
ELIZABETH WREAD

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on May 28, 2018 by the above named individual who is personally known by me.

/s/ STEVEN P. GLAZER
Notary Public #FF 138760 State of Florida
My commission expires: 7/11/18

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2018-CA 120

TOMMY WREAD and ELIZABETH WREAD Plaintiffs,
vs. JESSICA BEAVERS Defendant

NOTICE OF LIS PENDENS
TO DEFENDANT JESSICA BEAVERS AND ALL OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
You are notified of the following:
1. The Plaintiffs have instituted this action against you seeking to foreclose a deed and mortgage.
2. The plaintiffs in this action are Tommy and Elizabeth Wread.
3. The date of the institution of this action is July 31, 2018.
4. The property that is the subject matter of this action is in Wakulla County, Florida and is described as follows: 121 Hoot Owl Hollow, Crawfordville, Wakulla County, Florida 32327.
Described further as: SWIRLING SINKS SUBDIVISION TRACT 6 & 7 OR 293 P 296; OR 311 P 778; OR 458 P 433; consisting of 10.670 ACRES.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished by US Mail to Jessica Beavers, 121 Hoot Owl Hollow, Crawfordville, FL 32327 and to Jessica Beavers, 400 Yetman Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10307-1822, this July 31, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ STEVEN P. GLAZER
Steven P. Glazer 1596 B Crawfordville Highway Crawfordville, FL 32327
850 926 1234 Florida Bar No. 0789798

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5969-1115 TWN
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION Case No. 17000160CAAXMX

AMERIFIRST FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
vs. LEE E. PITTMAN, ET AL. Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 3rd, 2018, entered in Case No. 17000160CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, in and for Wakulla County, Florida, wherein AmeriFirst Financial Corporation is the Plaintiff and Lee E. Pittman a/k/a Lee Evan Pittman a/k/a Lee Pittman; Unknown Spouse of Lee E. Pittman a/k/a Lee Evan Pittman a/k/a Lee Pittman; Florida Housing Finance Corporation 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 November 29th, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
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Dated this 23rd day of October, 2018.

(COURT SEAL) Brent X. Thurmond, As Clerk of the Court
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Sale: November 23, 2018 1995 BUICK REGAL VIN# 2G4WB12L5S1485319
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5965-1108 TWN (11/23 sale(s))
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Vehicle will be sold for towing and storage. Charges pursuant to F.S. 713.78 at 1502 Shadaville Rd., Crawfordville, FL
SALE 11/23/2018 9:00 AM 2005 HONDA ACCORD VIN# 1HGCM56435A121309
SALE 11/23/2018 9:00 AM 2008 KIA OPTIMA VIN# KNAG123385268792
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5968-1129 TWN
Beavers, Jessica 2018-120-CA Summons
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2018-120-CA

TOMMY WREAD and ELIZABETH WREAD Plaintiffs,
vs. JESSICA BEAVERS Defendant.

SUMMONS: PERSONAL SERVICE ON AN INDIVIDUAL
TO: JESSICA BEAVERS, 400 Yetman Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10307; 121 Hoot Owl Hollow, Crawfordville, FL

IMPORTANT
A lawsuit has been filed against you. You have 20 calendar days after this summons is served on you to file a written response to the attached complaint/petition with the clerk of this circuit court, located at: 3076 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, FL 32327.
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5970-1115 TWN Switzer, Gerald L. 652018CA00033CAAXMX Notice of Action IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 652018CA00033CAAXMX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., PLAINTIFF, VS. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNORS, CREDITORS AND TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD L. SWEITZER A/K/A GERALD LYNN SWEITZER, DECEASED, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF ACTION

To: The Unknown Heirs, Beneficiaries, Devisees, Grantees, Assignors, Creditors and Trustees of the Estate of Gerald L. Switzer a/k/a Gerald Lynn Switzer, Deceased UNKNOWN RESIDENCE: 137 Shepards Easement, Crawfordville, FL 32327

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in Wakulla County, Florida:

Commence at an old concrete monument marking the Southwest corner of Section 4, Township 3 South, Range 1 West, Wakulla County Florida, and thence run North 00 degrees 25 minutes 38 seconds East along the West boundary of said Section 4 a distance of 2457.03 feet to a concrete monument, thence run North 00 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East along said West boundary 134.37 feet to a concrete monument for the Point of Beginning. From said Point of Beginning continue North 00 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East along said West boundary 350.00 feet, thence run South 89 degrees 09 minutes 44 seconds East 718.17 feet, thence run South 00 degrees 14 minutes 32 seconds West 350.01 feet, thence run North 89 degrees 09 minutes 44 seconds West 720.29 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Together with a 60 foot roadway easement lying 30.00 feet on each side of the following described centerline:

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Together with a 1986 doublewide mobile home, VIN #326265V0168A & 326265V0168B, title #50245417 & 42354122

has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action, on Tromberg Law Group, P.A., attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 1515 South Federal Highway, Suite 100, Boca Raton, FL 33432, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, either before December 8, 2018 or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in The Wakulla News.

DATED: October 30th, 2018. Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court (COURT SEAL) By: Rachel L. Howard Deputy Clerk of the Court

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 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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SUBJECT TO A ROADWAY EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE EASTERLY 30.00 FEET THEREOF.

DATE: August 22nd, 2018. Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of the Circuit Court (COURT SEAL) By: Rachel L. Howard, Deputy Clerk of the Court

Tromberg Law Group, P.A. 1515 South Federal Highway, Suite 100 Boca Raton, FL 33432

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Notices to Creditors/ Administration

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5967-1115 TWN Smith, Emma Patricia Love 18-30-CP Notice to Creditors IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 18-30-CP PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EMMA PATRICIA LOVE SMITH, Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of EMMA PATRICIA LOVE SMITH, deceased, whose date of death was October 31, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Wakulla County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 3056 Crawfordville Highway, Crawfordville, Florida, 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 THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (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 THREE (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 PERIOD 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: November 8, 2018.

Personal Representative: CRISTIN MICHELLE JOHNSTON 1715 Douglas Drive Bainbridge, Georgia 39819

Attorney for Personal Representative: J. C. O'Steen, Attorney FL Bar No.: 301108 2900 East Park Avenue Tallahassee, FL 32301 (850) 877-1028

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Tax Deed Notices

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5947-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 080

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Comian XI tax Lien Fund 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 # 1520 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 00-00-043-010-08800-000 Description of Property: Wakulla Gardens Unit 3 Block 19 Lot 21 OR 45 P 163 OR 617 P 545 OR 617 P 723

Name in which assessed Mark & Virginia Blosser 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 14, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5948-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 081

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that COMIAN XI TAX LIEN FUND, 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 # 1479 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 00-00-034-009-08526-000 Description of Property: WAKULLA GARDENS UNIT 2 BLOCK 8 LOT 14 OR 5 P 377

Name in which assessed CLAYTON FRYE 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5949-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 082

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that COMIAN XI TAX LIEN FUND, 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 # 1551 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 00-00-043-010-08993-000 Description of Property: WAKULLA GARDENS UNIT 3 BLOCK 23 LOT 22 OR 15 P 360 OR 656 P 689

Name in which assessed PAULINE NETHERY 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5950-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 083

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that COMIAN XI TAX LIEN FUND, 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 # 1488 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 00-00-034-009-08567-000 Description of Property: WAKULLA GARDENS UNIT 2 BLOCK 9 LOT 23 OR 5 P 810 OR 317 P 348 OR 687 P 651

Name in which assessed WILLIAM T & BILLIE A SMITH TRUSTEES OF THE SMITH LIVING TRUST 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5951-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 084

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that COMIAN XI TAX LIEN FUND, 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 # 1009 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 30-25-01E-000-04949-008 Description of Property: P-2-8-M-70 1.03 AC IN THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECT 30 OR 271 P 576

Name in which assessed Evelyn Perez Williams 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: R. DeLong, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

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Name in which assessed GEORGE & LYNDA SWINDLE 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5952-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 085

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that BEOR FUND 1 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 # 1806 Date of Issuance May 27, 2016 Parcel #: 00-00-121-080-12008-000 Description of Property: SHELL POINT BEACH UNIT 1 BLOCK B LOT 2 OR 10 P 21 OR 358 P 108 OR 412 P 22 OR 442 P 836 OR 743 P 1 - EASEMENT

Name in which assessed LELA M MITCHELL 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5953-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 086

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Bear Fund 1, 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 # 681 Date of Issuance May 27, 2016 Parcel #: 08-65-01W-302-04863-A36 Description of Property: Tradewinds Sub Lot 36 OR 504 P 451 OR 603 P144 OR 981 P 508

Name in which assessed Christopher J & Traci Y Jusko 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: R. DeLong, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5954-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 087

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Melvin Smith 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 # 853 Date of Issuance May 30, 2012 Parcel #: 15-35-01W-000-04380-009 Description of Property: 15-35-1W P-1-9-M-64 in NW 1/4 of Sec 15 OR 69 P 817

Name in which assessed Rosetta Cromarie 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: R. DeLong, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5955-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 088

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 # 2147 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 00-00-077-014-10519-013 Description of Property: Grieners Addition Block 25 LOT 1,2 & 3 DB 31 P 405 & OR 50 P 277 OR 104 P 337 OR 179 P 190 OR 196 P 150

Name in which assessed R E M Developers LLC c/o Gene Rivers 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: R. DeLong, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5956-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 089

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 # 404 Date of Issuance May 26, 2011 Parcel #: 13-55-02W-000-02780-038 Description of Property: 13-55-2W P-1-38-M-53-A .34 AC ML IN SE 1/4 OF SEC 13 OR 109 P 407, 408, 409 OR 140 P 488 OR 137 P 507 OR 278 P 813

Name in which assessed Lynda L Caruthers & Henry B Tiseth Jr 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: December 12, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. Dated: September 13, 2018 Signature: Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk By: D. Richardson, Deputy Clerk Clerk of the Circuit Court, Wakulla County, Florida Published October 25, November 1, 8 & 15, 2018.

5957-1115 TWN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED TAX DEED FILE NO. 2018 TXD 090

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- 33. ___ Farrow, actress shared interests
34. Discussion 69. A famous street for kids
36. Delayed 70. Underlying intentions
38. Liaison
40. Sediment deposit
41. Leased
43. Without
44. Woman (French)
45. Folk-pop artist Williams
47. Congressman (abbr.)
48. Resembles a pouch
51. Superior
53. Stalin's police chief
55. Razorbill is of this genus
56. Criminal act of setting fire
58. Department of Labor
59. William Jennings ___ The Great Commoner
60. Nickel
61. Ordered by canon law
64. Where Denver is (abbr.)
65. Has 10 straight sides and angles
67. Small group with

- 30. Whittled
32. River in western India
35. Small crude dwelling
37. One-time AC/DC singer Scott
38. Holds up a shirtsleeve
39. Mental faculties
42. Blot
43. A very large body of water
46. Redecorated
47. Mineral
49. Tree that bears spikes
50. Type of boat
52. Calypso music
54. Director Howard
55. Longtime U.S. Senator Specter
57. Buddhist serpent deity
59. Attempt to fly in falconry
62. ___ de plume
63. Wheel
66. Cerium
68. Rural delivery

13x13 crossword grid with numbers 1-70 indicating starting positions for clues.

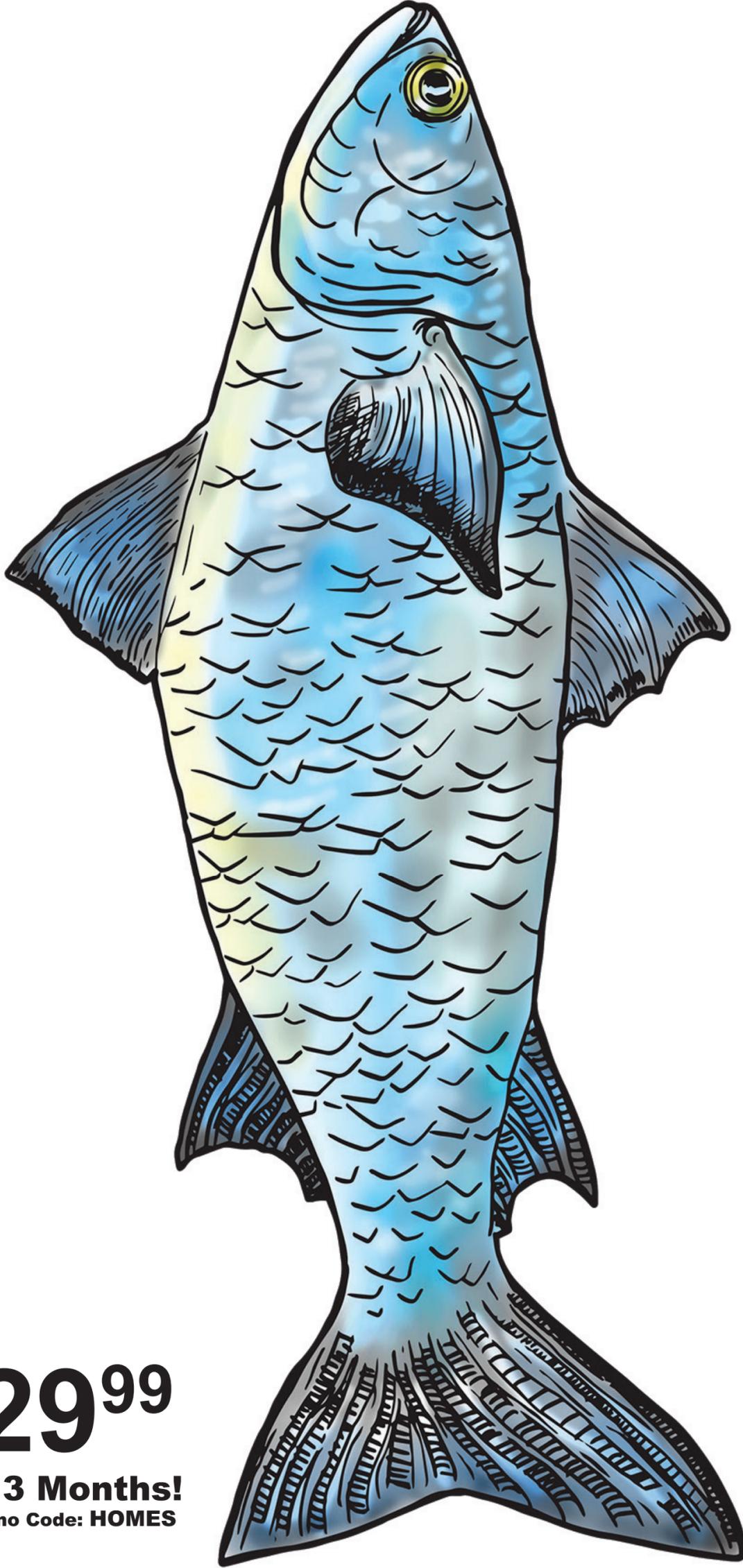
- CLUES ACROSS
1. State confidently
7. Replaced
13. Day of remembrance
14. Molecular process
16. Indicates position
17. Paper-and-pencil game
19. Military policeman
20. Nests of pheasants
22. Corpuscle count (abbr.)
23. Seat
25. Functions
26. Sheets of glass
28. Minute arachnid
29. Separately managed account
30. A bachelor's place
31. Dodge truck

9x9 Sudoku puzzle grid with some numbers filled in.

Each puzzle is divided into nine sections, and each section has nine blank squares. Fill in all 81 squares on the puzzle with numbers 1 to 9. You may not repeat any numbers in any one of the nine sections that you've already used elsewhere in that section. Also, you can use each number 1-9 only once in each horizontal line of nine squares, and in each vertical column of nine squares. The puzzle is completed when you correctly fill every square.

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