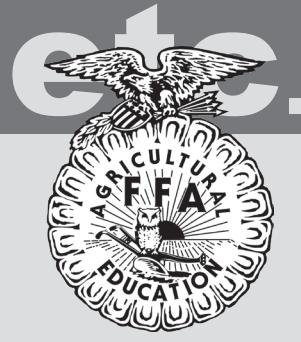


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FFA Annual Plant and Chick Sale, March 26-28

FFA's Annual Plant and Chick Sale is March 26-28 at the Union County High School ag education building.

UC Insurance Committee meeting, March 28

Union County will hold an Insurance Committee meeting on Friday, March 28, in the Board of County Commissioners chambers in the courthouse.

Free tobacco cessation seminar

Smoke? Dip? Spit? Want to quit? Attend a free tobacco cessation seminar in Lake Butler on March 29 at the Union County Public Library, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. I Quit with AHEC, in partnership with Suwannee River AHEC and Tobacco Free Florida, is hosting the two-hour seminar.

Participants will receive information on how to select and get ready for a quit date, and learn about what triggers them to smoke, dip or chew, and how to handle withdrawal symptoms. The program offers free nicotine patches, lozenges and/or gum (while supplies last), plus follow-up support.

To register, call 352-275-7489 or toll-free at 866-341-2730. For more information, visit www.ahectobacco.com.

Gospel singing in WS with The Reflections, March 30

There will be a gospel singing with The Reflections and a dinner afterwards on Sunday, March 30, at United Methodist Church in Fellowship with New Jerusalem Full Gospel Church on S.R. 121 in Worthington Springs.

Everyone is welcome. For more info call 386-496-1461.

Tucker to speak about Confederate soldiers at UC Historical Society, March 31

Robert Tucker will speak about confederate soldiers from Union County at the Union County Historical Society on Monday, March 31, at 7 p.m. He has done extensive research concerning the Civil War.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Union County Historical Society meets in the Townsend-Green Building and Museum at 410 West Main Street in Lake Butler, which is open every Monday morning from 9 a.m. till noon.

UCHS Class of 1954 holding 60-year reunion

The Union County High School Class of 1954 is holding its 60-year class reunion on Saturday, April 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Brown's Country Buffet on U.S. Highway 441 in Alachua. All classmates and friends are welcome.

Five EMS personnel leave county

UC a 'training ground' for neighboring counties; considers a raise for staff

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

At the March 17 meeting of the Union County Board of County Commissioners, Interim EMS Director Mitch Andrews announced that five more EMS employees left over the past month, who are needed to run the county's three rescue units in use: two 24-hour trucks and one 12-hour truck. The county has a fourth unmanned truck serving as backup.

"What that's done is it's really put a bind on the 12-hour truck," Andrews said. "Normally, we try to fill that truck with part-time people, and then we supplement it

with full-time people.

"But at the point we're at now, we just don't have the personnel to keep that truck going without working our full-time people with just a huge amount of overtime."

Andrews added that his current schedule for April shows the 12-hour truck staffed for nine days with part-time personnel, with most of the month still open.

Commissioner Wayne Smith asked if the 12-hour truck was being used much and wondering if transport requests from the Department of Corrections' Reception and Medical had slowed down. Andrews said that rescue unit had been shut down

recently due to lack of staffing, but that the transport requests had actually picked back up.

Union County is the only medical transport option in the county for DOC and Lake Butler Hospital. That means either transporting inmates to RMC's 28-bed unit at Memorial Hospital in Jacksonville or transporting LBH patients usually to either North Florida Regional Medical Center or UF Health Shands Hospital, both in Gainesville. Any of those trips can tie up a rescue unit for hours, meaning they are out of the county and unavailable

See EMS, 2A



Union County called on two Bradford County rescue units to assist with a couple of vehicle accidents that occurred at about the same time, and a potential cardiac arrest at a home shortly afterward, while two Union County units were out of county transporting patients.



Tuesday morning, UCSO and DOC officers cleared S.R. 16 so that Momberg could take off and head on home to Jacksonville, after receiving more fuel from his son the night before and clearance from FAA early that morning. (Photo courtesy of UCSO.)

Plane makes emergency landing on S.R. 16 in front of prisons

83-year-old pilot from Jacksonville ran low on fuel

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

George Charles Momberg of Jacksonville gave motorists on State Road 16 outside of Raiford a thrill when he made an emergency landing there right in front of Florida State Prison while heading west at around 5 p.m. on Monday. He then taxied across the bridge, past the new Union Correctional Institution Work Camp and south onto Northeast 285th Court by UCI.

Warden Diane Andrews said putting an airplane on the prison's perimeter road alerted everyone and correctional officers were quickly out in full force to assess the situation.

Once they determined everything, including the pilot, was OK, they quickly moved the airplane across the highway onto the PRIDE Enterprises property and waited for the Florida Highway Patrol to investigate the matter.

Momberg, 83, picked up his white 1946 Ercoupe 415-C in Minneapolis earlier in the day and was flying it back home, having refueled in Alabama. However, he ran low on fuel en route to Herlong Recreational Airport in Jacksonville, about 30 miles away "as the crow flies."

The low-wing, two-seat airplane that was designed by Fred E. Weick for ERCO (Engineering Research Corporation) and has been described as an "convertible" because of the design of the cockpit.

The airplane holds a total of 24 gallons of fuel, which it burns at a rate

of about 5 1/2 gallons per hour at a top speed of 90 MPH, according to the pilot.

"I took the better part of valor—get on the ground, don't run out of gas in the air!" the pilot exclaimed. "And this highway's nice and straight, it's got traffic on it, set up to where I could come over a car or two and have plenty of room before I ran into some traffic coming the other way."

"And gave them a real thrill. I turned on my landing lights, and they pulled over to the side of the road, I landed on the road."

He knew he was landing in front of a prison, but originally thought he was touching down on U.S. Highway 90 in front of Columbia Correctional Institution east of Lake City.

"I was pulling out of FSP when it landed on 16 right in front of me," said Jason Ferguson, who works at the prison. "I followed it to UCI."

FHP Tpr. K.A. Hilliard questioned Momberg shortly afterwards while the pilot waited for his son to bring 10 gallons of fuel over from Jacksonville.

Momberg finished military flight school in 1956 and "got out" in '59. Went back to flying in '68, and "got out" in '74. He lost his wife last May and told his children on his 83rd birthday last September that he needed something to do. That something was to get back in the cockpit—much to their chagrin, especially at his age, they thought. And he had not flown in nearly four decades.

They held out hope that he wouldn't pass his physical, but he did, and started

looking all over the eastern United States for a plane. He bought the Ercoupe in December, but had to wait on a break in the weather in order to fly it home.

According to the Union County Sheriff's Office, early on Tuesday morning the Federal Aviation Administration conducted their investigation and approved the pilot for takeoff, on his way to a new destination: Jacksonville Executive at Craig Airport.

Sheriff's deputies and Florida Department of Corrections personnel were on hand this time to clear the roadway so Momberg could taxi and take off safely this time.

Andrews said that she's worked at UCI for many years and has never experienced anything like that. Most likely neither has anyone else in the area.



Pilot George Charles Momberg explains what happened to FHP Tpr. K.A. Hilliard.

Two adults conspire in sexual assault of 13-year-old

Teen was drinking all day at a birthday party in Worthington Springs

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

At the Santa Fe Mobile Home Park in Worthington Springs, a 13-year-old female was sexually assaulted after being allowed to drink and become under the influence of alcohol at a birthday party there.

Providence resident Craig Andre Morgan, 18, and the victim drank throughout the day and hung out with others to celebrate a friend's birthday at the home of Alexandra Marie Ridgeway, 33.

Morgan claims that the victim woke him up later that night while he was sleeping on the couch and told him to come to a bedroom. He then partially undressed her and sexually assaulted her.

The victim stated to Union County Sheriff's Office Investigator Jerry Feltner that she told Morgan to "stop" several times, but he continued in spite of her protests.

The girl, whose 17th birthday they were celebrating, reportedly came in to warn the two that they should not be doing that.

Around 2 a.m., Ridgeway was told by her daughter that the victim was crying. Ridgeway came in and saw the victim having sex with Morgan and told everyone, "That girl's got to go," according to Feltner's report.

Capt. Doug York said that Morgan later indicated that he knew that the victim was under the influence of alcohol. That stiffens his penalty, York said, and added that if the victim had been 12, it would have been a capital offense.

Morgan was arrested for sexual assault against a minor, specifically:

- First-degree felony — sexual assault — victim 12 years of age or older with special conditions (the victim was under the influence of alcohol).

Ridgeway was arrested as an accomplice for failure to report the crime — observing sexual assault.

- Third-degree felony — public order crimes — accessory after the fact, second-degree felony.



Ridgeway

The good, the bad, the ugly of social media

Local experts, who are also concerned mothers, educate parents and students of pitfalls

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

Local experts gave a presentation at Union County High School last November, and then in February gave the same one again at First Christian Church of Lake Butler, hoping to reach as many parents and students as possible to warn them of the potential dangers of social media.

Titled, "Social Media: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly," the workshop was presented by Becky Raulerson, Union County School Board vice chair and

University of Florida lecturer; Mary Brown, Union County Public Library Director; and Charlotte Emerson, Union County High School Student Advisory Council vice chair and University of Florida College of Agriculture and Life Sciences director of student recruitment and development (she was only able to present at the first workshop).

The workshop included information on various social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snapchat and Ask.fm; how they each work; the positives and negatives of each; and general

tips on how to use social media wisely.

The Good

Social media can be used for much good, as way to communicate with friends and family and to collaborate with co-workers. It's provides an easy way to share news, information, photos, links and more.

For instance, locally, the Union County Times has a Facebook page that it uses to inform readers of breaking news and

See SOCIAL, 4A

UC Historical Museum launches Facebook Page

The Union County Historical Museum launched a Facebook page to provide information on upcoming meetings, items of interest that are on display and a listing of board directors and officers. Just search on the museum's name to find the page.

etc.

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LBWC offering scholarship to women

The Lake Butler Woman's Club is offering a scholarship for a female resident of Union County to attend an accredited university or college in the state of Florida. The scholarship will pay \$500 to the individual. If you are interested in applying, you can pick up an application packet from Tangelia Mackey in the guidance department at Union County High School. All applications must be submitted by May 12.

Delta Kappa Gamma offering scholarship to area women

The Alpha Nu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma is offering a \$500 scholarship for a Bradford-Union area female graduate and/or resident. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage and enable them to obtain a degree in the field of education.

Applicants must be enrolled full time at an accredited college or university and near completion of two years (four semesters) of undergraduate coursework.

For more info and an application, call 904-964-6186 or 352-468-6884.

Free hunter safety course offered in UC

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is offering a free hunter safety Internet-completion course in Union County.

The class is April 10 from 6 to 9 p.m. and April 12 from 8 a.m. until completed. Students who have taken the online course and wish to complete this classroom portion must bring the online-completion report with them.

The locations for this class will be given to those who register in advance by calling 386-758-0525 or going to MyFWC.com/HunterSafety.

All firearms, ammunition and materials are provided free of charge. Students should bring a pen or pencil and paper. An adult must accompany children younger than 16 at all times.

Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter safety course and have a hunting license to hunt alone (unsupervised). The FWC course satisfies hunter-safety training requirements for all other states and Canadian provinces.

April is Spring Beautification Month

Again this year during April, the city of Lake Butler will provide extra removal of trash and debris, at no additional costs.

For any questions, call City Hall at 386-496-3401.

'The Last Supper' comes alive at First Christian Church, April 17

Details to come regarding this special presentation...

EMS

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most of that time.

Case-in-point: When two vehicle accidents happened in Lake Butler within a half-mile of each other at nearly the same time last Thursday afternoon, two of Union County's three rescue units were tied up transporting patients out of the county, so Bradford County was called to respond to the first traffic accidents. It then went over to respond to the second accident, and a second Bradford unit was called in to respond to what was initially thought was a cardiac arrest at a home in Lake Butler.

That turned out not to be the case, but since it usually takes a Bradford County unit at least 15 minutes to get to Lake Butler, every moment counts when someone is experiencing a heart attack.

EMS personnel even asked the dispatcher to call Baker County for assistance, but quickly told him they were not needed after all.

Lack of EMS staff in Union County means those kinds of scenarios could become more frequent, leaving county residents in a lurch if neighboring counties are not able to respond because they are tied up on their own calls.

"Three of us might need an ambulance in this room before the night's over," Smith said at the meeting. "And I hate to be the one to make that call, but we had to move three hundred and something thousand from the general fund to rescue to balance y'all's budget this year, and then if we start paying full-time people, paying them time-and-a-half, then we're going to be having to look at moving more money. And there are not but two places to get it from, and there's not that much to be getting."

Commission Chairman Jimmy Tallman asked if the third truck could just be used as the county is able to staff it, without using full-time personnel, acknowledging how much Andrews had already saved. "We were able to cut a lot of hours out of the last payroll by managing overtime a lot better," Andrews replied, "and also the truck being shut down a couple of days."

Using part-time personnel, however, comes with restrictions, Andrews warned.

"The problem with our part-time people is, they have a full-time job," he said. "So when they give us days, they give us two days, or three days, out of the month."

"So it's not enough to staff, because that's 30 shifts—30 paramedics and 30 EMTs we'd have to staff to cover that truck for the whole month."

Paramedics are EMTs, or emergency medical technicians, who have received further training.

Commissioners directed Andrews to operate the 12-hour truck as part-

time staff was available.

But he cautioned them on that approach.

"There's times now that we have three trucks, and we don't have enough trucks," Andrews said. "(The calls) come at one time, and we'll sit there and won't have a call for four hours and then they're be four calls within 20 minutes of each other.

"So there's no way to really tell, exactly, when our calls are going to come out."

Smith pointed out that every county meeting it seems like it's being reported that EMS employees are quitting.

"Where are they going to?" Smith asked.

"Two are going to Alachua County, one went to Pensacola, and one's moving up to North Carolina," Andrews responded. "The other one resigned."

Clerk of Court Kellie Hendricks Connell suggested giving employees a raise to help stem the turnover.

"If we were to give the current employees a raise, that hopefully would help the turnover, save money in the long run by lowering our training costs," Connell said, "and, I know it sounds counterintuitive to pay more money to save money, but I believe, from my discussion..."

She was cut off by Smith and Commissioner Karen Cossey before being able to finish her sentence, though Cossey seemed to support Connell's recommendation.

"Well, and that's the issue we run into because, unfortunately, we're a training ground," Andrews said. "We bring the people in with no experience, we train them—as soon as they get training they work under Dr. Pete, which will get you a job anywhere in the state of

Florida—they go across the river and they make an extra ten thousand a year, working less days they're working here, making more money.

"So all we're doing is we're training them, and then these big counties are pluckin'—just as hard as they can," Andrews concluded.

"So we just rotate people through, and the problem is, when someone leaves, unlike the road department—if somebody leaves the road dept., he doesn't just doesn't have a guy that day, he doesn't call somebody in.

"If somebody's not there for us, we have to call somebody in," Andrews explained. "There has to be two people on every truck."

That means paying overtime to that person who was called in. On top of that, Andrews added, is they often have someone training as well, adding yet another person and employee time that has to be paid.

"So, that's why the overtime looks like it is just completely out of

control because, when somebody leaves, that opens a hole in our shift we have to fill with another full-time employee, plus we have to hire somebody to come in to take that position and eventually within three to four months, but you have to pay that person as well," Andrews continued.

Smith recommended giving personnel each a 50-cent-an-hour raise, which amounts to \$1,040 for a full-time employee, not counting overtime, which Smith figured was 28 hours in over two-week pay period. In the unlikely event that each employee would work that much overtime on a consistent basis, week-after-week for a full year at time-and-a-half, it would still be a far cry from the additional \$10,000 that Andrews said that they could make in neighboring counties.

At the Nov. 18, Tallman observed, "(Union County) guys are making \$8 and \$9 an hour. They're not going to stick around for \$8 and \$9 an hour."

That comes out to just \$18,720, at most.

The Florida Professional Firefighters "2012/2013 Wage Survey," dated April 26, 2013, lists an Alachua County firefighter/EMT starting salary at \$32,357 and firefighter/paramedic at \$35,878. It lists Bradford County at \$26,990 and \$30,326, respectively, for similar positions.

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners website confirms that report, also showing a starting salary of \$35,878.34 for the currently open position of Firefighter/Paramedic 40.

Smith asked if his suggested amount for a raise would help.

"That probably wouldn't keep them there," Cossey answered.

"What I would recommend, if y'all are looking at doing that," Andrews said, "is I would recommend doing a poll of the surrounding counties and general idea of what they're paying their employees, and I'll use Bradford County as an example."

"Bradford County used to be identical to us. They trained them; Jacksonville, Gainesville, Alachua plucked them out. And they redid their pay scale over there, and now that's a destination."

"People wait to go over there and work because they make money over there... they hardly ever leave," Andrews said. "And that's what we have to do here, to get a stable group of people, is to figure out how to keep them going to these other counties."

"Because they can leave here, go right across the river to Alachua (County), run the same amount of calls, and make \$10,000 more a



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year than they're making here."

Smith brought up the issue of Medicaid that's been previously discussed. At the Nov. 18 meeting, it was reported that the county transports 2,300 people a year, but loses money on Medicaid patients, which Smith concluded

"but Bradford County collects more revenue off of ad valorem tax than we even think about."

Tallman agreed.

"They're all goodwill gestures," Tallman said, "but we're never going to be able to compete with Columbia, or Bradford, or Baker for that matter."

Andrews agreed that a 50-cent raise did not guarantee that EMS personnel would stay, but reiterated that the only thing that might is if the county pays salaries competitive to its neighbors.

Smith reiterated that the money wasn't there, but that the county could find funding somewhere to support a 50-cent raise. Then he said other departments should get raises as well, such as the library or road dept. He gave the example again of Bradford County, which generates more gas tax revenues from the one gas station at the intersection of State Road 100 and U.S. Highway 301 than Union County collects throughout its borders. Consequently Bradford County pays its road graders \$18 or \$20 an hour to Union County's \$10—which ironically is still more than what Union County's EMS personnel get, even if they were given the raise Smith is proposing.

"I can get some numbers together, and I don't want to speak out of turn," Andrews said, "but I want to say that (former EMS Director Chris Drum) had kept numbers on the last group that we hired, and... just orientating the new people was somewhere in the neighborhood of \$170,000—is what we paid just to train the people to come to work here."

"I agree with what (Connell)

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said," Andrews continued, "because I've always agreed with that: You're going to probably spend some extra, but in the long run you're going to wind up saving, because if they're not leaving every six months you're not paying two people to ride the truck and you're not paying to orientate all these people."

He said he would put some numbers together for the commissioners to review.

Tallman mentioned that some live in the county who have been EMS employees for a long time, which Andrews confirmed.

"There's four people that live in the county, and they've been here," Andrews said, "and they're kind of dedicated to the community, so that's why they're here. Every one of them had the opportunity to go somewhere else,

and they've stayed.

"The turnover that we've had have been from the people that we bring in straight out of school—they live in Gainesville, they live over there—so basically they're gettin' their foot in the door, they're going to do their training..."

While he thinks a couple will stay, he said "there's always going to be some turnover like that.

"You can't turn away the extra \$10,000 a year if somebody comes calling, you know," Andrews said. "You're gonna take it."

He said the numbers he will compile will show training dollars the county would save due to reduced turnover.

"Now you're always going to have people who are gonna leave," Andrews said, "but not at the rate we have now.

"And it's been that way forever. It's always been that way; this has always been a training ground. Because if you can work here, you can work anywhere."

Smith said again that if EMS was to receive a raise to try to keep them in the county, then the commissioners should consider giving other county departments a raise.

"I don't think it's fair to give this bunch a raise," Smith said. "Say we give rescue just say \$1, let's try to give these other ones something, anyway, you know."

To fund such raises, Smith mentioned using some additional gas tax revenue available to the county, which Justin Stankiewicz, chief financial officer for the clerk of court, reminded him is mostly to cover road expenditures.

Commissioner Morris Dobbs agreed

that a raise should be considered across the board.

Tallman gave Connell the floor again to finish her earlier thought.

"I was just going to confirm what Mitch ended up saying," Connell said, "that I had worked those numbers with Chris, and we estimated somewhere between \$170,000 and \$190,000 to train."

"And that was just the orientation," Andrews chimed in. "That wasn't for overtime we were paying to fill the holes. So it could have been even more than that."

"That's correct. That was just the direct training of new employees," Connell added. "And that's why I say, It seems counterintuitive to pay more money, but just looking at EMS, give these people a raise as an incentive to stay, it will save us more than it costs us.

"And in addition to that, we'll also have more, and better trained, personnel on the vehicles."

Cossey praised Union County's EMS personnel based on recent family experiences.

"I do want to add that my daughter's been having some medical issues, and fainted at work almost two weeks ago, and Union County came to her, and got very good care. I want you to thank your guys," Cossey told Andrews.

"And then, a few days later, she was in another county, and had to be taken by rescue—and it was not good," she added, with a chuckle.

The next regular board meeting is on Monday, April 21, at 6 p.m. Download meeting agendas, minutes and recordings at www.unionclerk.com/board.

LEGALS

UCT Legals 3/27/14

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 63-2014-CP-000002

In re: THE ESTATE OF GERALD MATTHEW WHITEHEAD, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Gerald Matthew Whitehead, deceased, whose date of death was December 18, 2013 and whose Social Security Number is XXX-XX-6046, is pending in the Circuit Court for Union County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Union County Courthouse, 55 West Main Street, Room 103, Lake Butler, FL 32054. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE

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ALL CLAIMS NOT SO 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 the first publication of this Notice is March 20, 2014.

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**NOTICE
INVITATION FOR BIDS**

IFB# 14-01, Phase II Borrow Pit Access Construction

The New River Solid Waste Association (NRSWA) is extending an IFB for the Borrow Pit Access project. The Work is generally described as furnishing all labor, materials, equip-

ment, tools, transportation, services, and incidentals and performing all work necessary to provide the Owner with roadway access across a creek to the future borrow pit at the NRRL in accordance with the project drawings and specifications. The Project is located at the New River Regional Landfill (NRRL), 24276 NE 157th Street, Raiford, Florida, 32083. NRRL is approximately 2.5 miles north of Raiford, Florida, on the east side of State Road 121. Bidding and Contract Documents may be examined at the NRSWA office, 24276 NE 157th Street, Raiford, Florida, between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. To ensure that Bidders receive all addenda and or clarifications to the Bidding Documents in a timely manner, it is mandatory that all bidders obtain at least one set of Bidding Documents from the Owner to be eligible to bid on this project. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. (local time) at the NRRL office, 24276 NE 157th Street, Raiford, Florida. The Deadline for submittal of a sealed bid is 2:00 P.M. (local time) on Tuesday, April 22, 2014. For any further information or clarification, contact bids@jonesedmunds.com.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. will hold a pre-bid conference and walk-thru for the rehabilitation of three (3) single-family dwellings in the Union County SHIP program.

This meeting will be held Friday, March 28, 2014 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc., 665 SE 4th St., Lake Butler, FL. The conference and walk-thru is mandatory, no exceptions, for contractors who plan to bid. Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. requires each contractor to be properly licensed, carry general liability insurance of at least \$1,000,000.00 and Workers Comp insurance during construction.

Bids for these units will be due by 12:00 noon Friday, April 4, 2014, at Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc., 1171 Nobles Ferry Rd, Bldg. 2, Live Oak, FL. Please mark envelope

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LEGAL NOTICE UNION COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED COORDINATING BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: April 15, 2014 at 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: A & A Transport Office located at the Union County Transportation Facility, 255 SW 9th Avenue, Lake Butler, Florida.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Union County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, Florida 32653-1603.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 63-2012-CA-000163
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., PLAINTIFF

V. ANGELA DAWN SMITH, et al., DEFENDANT(S)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 18th day of Dec., and entered in Case No. 63-2012-CA-000163, of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA. The Clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the UNION COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 55 WEST MAIN STREET, FRONT LOBBY, LAKE BUTLER, FL 32054 at 11:00 A.M. on the 24 day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

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EIGHTH Judicial Circuit

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Kellie Hendricks Connell

Clerk of Court for UNION COUNTY

By: Crystal Norman

Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 14000001CAAXMX SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JULIE WATSON, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE-PROPERTY TO:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 63-2013-CA-000022

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, Plaintiff

vs.

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noteworthy events. David Stegall maintains a community page for Lake Butler featuring news, photos, tidbits and more.

And the Union County Sheriff's Office and Union County Historical Museum each recently launched a Facebook page in order to better connect with area residents.

In fact, on its new page, UCSO says, "Welcome to the Facebook account of the Union County Sheriff's Office. We plan to actively use this account as a tool to alert everyone of urgent news, events, sex offender information, missing person, most wanted and general information. We plan for it to be an investigative aid to get information out faster and to receive information back to us."

Within 24 hours they had over 1,800 "likes," meaning that many Facebook users are following the USCO page and can be instantly alerted to important news.

The Bad

However, like many things, social media also has its pitfalls, which the sheriff's office is committed to helping residents avoid. Joining with them are these concerned mothers, who are also community leaders, who gave the social media presentation twice so far and are probably willing to present it as many times as requested.

They know all too well the dangers lurking online.

In a fundraising letter sent by the Florida Baptist Children's Homes to promote its new program, "The Porch Light," a story is told of a 13-year-old girl who as having difficulties at home (who) met an older 'friend' online who seemed to have it

all—nice clothes, an expensive car and a huge house.

"(She) agreed to run away with him—but he made her pay for everything she was given by becoming an exotic dancer and selling her body as a prostitute."

Even in Lake Butler, a Navy man lured an underage girl through Facebook to meet with him and eventually have sex. She accepted a "friend" request from him even though she didn't know him. (See related article, next page.)

Here are some sexual predator statistics from InternetSafety101.org:

- Only 18 percent of youth use chat rooms, however, the majority of Internet-initiated sex crimes against children are initiated in chat rooms.

- As of December 2012, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's child victim identification program has reviewed and analyzed more than 80 million child pornography images since it was created in 2002.

- In 82 percent of online sex crimes against minors, the offender used the victim's social networking site to gain information about the victim's likes and dislikes.

- About 65 percent of online sex offenders used the victim's social networking site to gain information about the victim's whereabouts at a specific time.

- Over half (56 percent) of kids sexually solicited online were asked to send a picture; 27 percent of the pictures were sexually-oriented in nature.

- About 44 percent of sexual solicitors were under the age of 18.

- About 80 percent of online offenders against youth were

eventually explicit with youth about their intentions, and only five percent concealed the fact that they were adults from their victims.

- The majority of victims of Internet-initiated sex crimes were between 13 to 15 years old; 75 percent were girls and 25 percent were boys.

- About 14 percent of students in 10th through 12th grade have accepted an invitation to meet an online stranger in-person and 14 percent of students, who are usually the same individuals, have invited an online stranger to meet them in-person.

- About 14 percent of seventh through ninth-grade students reported that they had communicated with someone online about sexual things; 11 percent of students reported that they had been asked to talk about sexual things online; 8 percent have been exposed to nude pictures and 7 percent were also asked for nude pictures of themselves online.

- About 59 percent of seventh through ninth-grade victims said their perpetrators were a friend they know in-person; 36 percent said it was someone else they know; 21 percent said the cyber offender was a classmate; 19 percent indicated the abuser was an online friend; and 16 percent said it was an online stranger.

- Some 9 percent of children in seventh through ninth-grade have accepted an online invitation to meet someone in-person and 10 percent have asked someone online to meet them in-person.

- About 13 percent of second through third-grade students report that they used the Internet to talk to people they do not know, 11 percent report having been asked to describe private things about their body and 10 percent have been exposed to private things about someone else's body.

• Only one in three people will report sexual crimes to a trusted adult.

The Ugly

Another troubling trend online is cyber bullying. According to DoSomething.org, "Cyber bullying" is defined as a young person tormenting, threatening, harassing, or embarrassing another young person using the Internet or other technologies, like cell phones.

"The psychological and emotional outcomes of cyber bullying are similar to those of real-life bullying. The difference is, real-life bullying often ends when school ends. For cyber bullying, there is no escape. And, it's getting worse."

As evidence, the website lists "11 facts about cyber bullying":

1. Nearly 43 percent of kids have been bullied online. One in four has had it happen more than once.

2. About 70 percent of students report seeing frequent bullying online.

3. Over 80 percent of teens use a cell phone regularly, making it the most common medium for cyber bullying.

4. About 68 percent of teens agree that cyber bullying is a serious problem.

5. Some 81 percent of young people think bullying online is easier to get away with than bullying in person.

6. About 90 percent of teens who have seen social-media bullying say they have ignored it. And 84 percent have seen others tell cyber bullies to stop.

7. Only one in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.

8. Girls are about twice as

likely as boys to be victims and perpetrators of cyber bullying.

9. About 58 percent of kids admit someone has said mean or hurtful things to them online. More than four out 10 say it has happened more than once.

10. About 75 percent have visited a website bashing another student.

11. Bullying victims are two to nine times more likely to consider committing suicide.



The library has many resources on social media safety.

puts you in a bad light.

5. Absolutely, positively no pictures that are rude, obscene, gross, mean, party shots, inappropriate in any way. (Always think, "Is this picture OK for my mom to see? My grandma? My preacher? My teacher? My employer? My college? My future girlfriend/ boyfriend/wife/husband?" You get the picture!)

6. Until you are older and more mature—approximately 16-18 depending on maturity—I get to know your password(s).

7. You may only "friend" people you actually know.

8. We will go over your initial setup and privacy settings together.

9. Be very cautious about posting personal information such as your birth year, your phone number, your address, your Social Security Number, your whereabouts...

10. We will revisit and talk about your online activities often.

From iKeepSafe.org: "Helping children and youth clearly understand the ethical expectations of their parents and society is a responsibility we all share."

Online safety websites

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Vine, Snapchat, other social media and Internet sites that target children must adhere to rules that are put forth by the Federal Trade Commission's Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA, www.coppa.org).

This act is set forth for the protection of children under the age of 13 using the Internet, particularly social media sites. Any time

identifiable information is collected (full name, date of birth, address, phone, email, etc.) the person must be at least 13 years old or have verifiable consent from a parent or legal guardian.

Here are some websites that provide tips for online safety and eye-opening statistics:

- www.ikeepsafe.org
- www.getnetwise.org
- www.staysafeonline.org
- www.internetsafety101.org
- www.dosomething.org

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Navy man lures girl through Facebook

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

Just in case the scenarios of social media gone bad don't hit home, here is a situation that actually happened in Lake Butler. A 20-year-old Navy man stationed in Pensacola lured a 13-year-old girl in Union County via Facebook to eventually have sex with him.

Last November, Tyler Mackenzie Boyle sent a friend request on Facebook to a girl who did not know him, but she accepted it anyway. All she knew was that he was supposedly 19 and in the Marines or military in Pensacola.

They chatted on Facebook and made small talk. He eventually asked her if she wanted to hang out, and she agreed. He told her that he comes home on the weekend, and proceeded to meet together and hang out at Lakeside Park in Lake Butler.

She stated to Union County Sheriff's Office Investigator Jerry Feltner that she told Boyle she was 15, but told a girlfriend that she told Boyle she was only 13.

Boyle told Feltner that she was told him she was 17 or 18.

Boyle then asked the victim if she wanted to date and she agreed.

On a Friday he picked her up from school without her parents' permission and drove a short distance and then down a dirt road.

They started talking and she said he asked her to get in the back seat. They then started kissing, got partially undressed, and had sex. Then he took her home.

Afterward, he blocked her on Facebook after his friends informed him that she was underage. There was no more conversation between them after that.

When asked, she claims he knew exactly how old she was and says that he told her not to tell anyone or he would get in trouble since he was in the military—and told her to say it was someone else, whom he named.

All this transpired within a couple of weeks.

The victim told a friend about the incident and then her mother, Misty Redding, got suspicious, with the impression that something was wrong after a conversation with her daughter. The mother then contacted the sheriff's office.

On Feb. 5, Boyle was arrested in Fort White by the Columbia County Sheriff's Office on an active Union County warrant and transported to the Union County Jail for booking, where he was held on bonds totaling \$60,000 for two charges:

- Second-degree felony – sex offense against a child, fondling – victim 12 years of age to 16 years of age by an individual 18 years of age of older.

- Third-degree felony – kidnapping a minor – interfering with custody.

Boyle bonded out of jail over two weeks ago.

Teenage girl steals car from own home to run away, then returns

In an unrelated incident last fall, suspect was lured through Facebook to meet with Navy man and eventually have sex

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

According to the Union County Sheriff's Office, during the early morning hours of March 12, deputies were called to a residence in Lake Butler off of 11th Avenue after the mother, Misty Redding, of a 14-year-old female was reported missing along with a vehicle belonging to the family.

Sheriff's office investigators followed a lead regarding the

release of a defendant from jail that is the subject of an ongoing case involving the juvenile—Tyler Mackenzie Boyle, who last fall lured the suspect through Facebook, enticing her to meet with him and eventually have sex. He bonded out of jail over two weeks ago.

Capt. Doug York said that lead revealed no connection to this case and investigators expanded the search to statewide and alerted law enforcement to be on the lookout for the juvenile as well as a red 2012 Chevrolet Sonic LT from the residence, which belonged to Redding's boyfriend, Jeffery Peacock.

York said that the inside of the bedroom was closely processed and indicated that it may have been ransacked. The family who was at home at the time did not report hearing any suspicious noises the early morning hours before going to bed. The missing juvenile appeared to have taken some makeup with her and \$50 in cash from the home, in addition to the car.

UCSO deputies, as well as ones from other offices, along with ground units and air search teams, narrowed in on a location in Suwannee County where the juvenile and possibly another juvenile might have gone to since the missing girl's father lives there. York said that evidence of the initial scene at the 11th Avenue residence revealed that the ransacked room was actually "staged" to look as if there had been a struggle.

Sheriff's office investigators, along with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, uncovered several notes written by the missing girl indicating that she had planned to leave by taking the vehicle and also indicated the names of several friends that she tried to get to go with her. Investigators also learned of numerous text messages between the missing girl and another male juvenile from the Starke area. Redding found a text from one individual with a timestamp of 2:27 a.m. that said, "Are you alone?"

Parents of the other male juvenile were interviewed and learned later that morning that the juvenile who was supposed to be working did not show up for work.

Later in the evening on March 12, deputies learned of an apartment in the Starke area where the two may be located. Prior to Bradford County Sheriff's Office deputies arriving at the location in Starke, UCSO deputies were informed that the juvenile returned home with the car.

They arrested the juvenile there and charged her with grand theft of the car at the request of Peacock, according to a report from UCSO.

Sheriff Brad Whitehead added that an enormous amount of resources were spent on locating the juvenile utilizing local and state officers and she not only faces criminal charges for the theft of the car, but she may also face additional felony charges as a result of her actions.

The juvenile was held and then released to her parents.

Sex offender arrested for failure to appear, notify officer of move

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

Convicted juvenile sex offender Darrell Lee White, 21, was arrested by Union County Sheriff's Office deputies on March 14 with assistance from Bradford County Sheriff's Office deputies who served the warrant at Forest Park Apartments in Starke. Convicted in 2009 for sexual battery of a juvenile less than 12 years of age, White's sentence has a mandatory reporting and registration requirement.

According to UCSO Capt. Doug York, White was supposed to report to UCSO's sex offender office on four-month intervals and anytime he changes address within the county.

White had not only failed to report to Sheriff's Deputy Todd Hanlon at the scheduled time—the month of February—but he also relocated to another address and county, even, without informing Hanlon. White's probably been living with his mother at Forest Park since February, according to Hanlon's report.

"Our office remains aggressive in assuring that all sex offenders be tracked so we know where they are and we will not tolerate any violations that put at risk any citizen or especially children," Sheriff Brad Whitehead said in an email.

White's failure to report put into motion an immediate alert and arrest warrant notifying local agencies as well as nationwide law enforcement.

He was arrested without incident and brought back to Union County Jail under a \$100,000 bond.



Minivan hits EMD

Just before 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 22, Robert T. Ferrell, 26, of Lake City was driving a 2009 Kia Sedona minivan west on State Road 100 approaching Northwest Seventh Avenue when Raymond L. Mabrey, 66, rode his electric mobility device (EMD) across S.R. 100, according to a media release from the Florida Highway Patrol. According to a witness, Mabrey entered the path of the minivan, Ferrell steered left and applied brakes, but was unable to avoid collision, striking the right rear of the EMD. As a result, the pedestrian, Mabrey, struck the pavement and received minor injuries, but was not transported to a medical facility. Here you can see the chair knocked and basket knocked off EMD.

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Motorcycle hits curb across from courthouse

Around 7:30 a.m. on Friday, March 14, Hiram Jess McElroy, 64, of Lake City, hit the curb planter, pictured above, in front of Welch Auto & Tire Service on State Road 100 and Southwest First Avenue, across from the Union County Courthouse, according to a traffic crash report from the Florida Highway Patrol. For unknown reasons, McElroy veered to her right and struck the curb. Her motorcycle then became airborne and landed on its right side, rotated counter-clockwise and coming to rest across the street in front of the courthouse. She was charged with careless driving and transported to UF Health Shands in Gainesville.



At the ribbon-cutting ceremony: (L-r) Director of Public Works for Parks & Roads Mike Banks, City Commissioner Randy Jenkins and City Manager Dave Mecusker.

LB Splash Park opens then closes

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

following statement on its website: *On Wednesday, March 19, 2014 the City of Lake Butler was to officially take ownership of the Lake Butler Splash Park at Lakeside Park. After final inspection took place, tests revealed a malfunction in one of the water pumps. City officials made the decision for the ribbon cutting ceremony, which had previously been rescheduled twice, to continue as scheduled.*

"City staff is working to get this issue resolved as soon as possible," says City Manager Dave Mecusker. He added, "Because we have not officially taken ownership and for the safety of our residents, the Splash Park will be closed while repairs are being made. We sincerely apologize for the miscommunication and inconvenience this has caused."

However, as news spread later in the day and mothers brought their children—even from out of town—to use it, the city quickly stepped in to close the park.

Signs were put up, a gate was locked and the water pump was turned off on what had become a beautiful day.

The city then published the



UC Food Pantry becomes 'homeless,' shuts down

After First Baptist Church of Lake Butler bought the former Roberts Insurance building that also housed the Union County Food Pantry, the public food bank's volunteers have been frantically looking for a new home. However, the couple of options they tried did not pan out, and on Thursday, March 20, officially closed its doors, as pictured above.

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Farmers market may become new 'flea market' site

BY VINCENT ALEX BROWN
Times Editor

Since the closing of Sprinkle Field in Lake Butler and what had become the area's de facto "flea market," the Union County Board of County Commissioners is working with the city of Lake Butler to use the Union County Farmers Market as the area's new selling venue after the county made plans to sell that property.

"Right now, everything's kind of on the table, the negotiations are still a month away, but it is a way for our residents to be able to resell their products and do it locally," said Lake Butler Procurement Director Cassa Neta Herndon at the March 18 meeting of the Lake Butler Rotary Club. "We hope that this is an agreement that we can make with the county."

"That really is resulting from Sprinkle Field being shut down, and the private citizens around the city have had problems with vendors, roadside vendors, being in compliance with our code enforcement," Herndon added. "Hopefully we can come to an agreement on that."

"I think the city definitely has a common interest in seeing there be a proper place set up for people to go," County Attorney Russ Wade said at the county board's special meeting on Feb. 6, "because it's kind of become a little messy now."

At the county board meeting on March 17, commissioners understood that Tom Jenkins was still in negotiations with the city to get his land zoned for use as a flea market, and so tabled any further action until their April meeting.

However, Herndon put little confidence in Jenkins getting the zoning and occupational licensing he needed. His property is located next to the Little Rainbow Learning Center on Southeast Sixth Avenue and Third Street.

And she liked the visibility of the farmers market, which is located next to Jackson Building Supply on County Road 238 and Southwest First Terrace and diagonally across from Spires IGA.

It's an ironic twist in the history of the farmers market since Sprinkle Field was one of

the main reasons for its former demise and why the county made plans to sell it. Located on the corner of C.R. 238 and State Road 121 and right down the road from the farmers market, Sprinkle Field is where individuals and vendors each weekend sold everything from vegetables to furniture to food and clothes, offering a much better market for farmers and local growers to sell the fruit of their crops. Some even went to Gainesville to find buyers.

Traditionally, the farmers market has only been open during the summer or growing season on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. "They don't sell a lot, and some go to Gainesville where they can sell more," said Pamela Toney, secretary at the Union County Extension Office. "But I used to hear (that the farmers market) was really big. It would be nice if it would build up."

The exodus was in spite of the

fact that vendors at Sprinkle Field cannot accept WIC coupons or senior vouchers, like the farmers market can.

However, Sprinkle Field was closed in late January by John Henry Whitehead, about a month after the sudden passing of his brother, Sheriff Jerry Whitehead, on Dec. 18. They were co-owners of the property. Henry was advised by his attorney that the liability to him and the family was too high to keep the place open.

Shortly after the closing, when asked if he would reopen Sprinkle Field, Henry responded, "We're not sure. We haven't gotten insurance yet. When you open it up to a flea market, (insurers) kind of shy away from it."

No announcement has been made since then.

Lake Butler City Manager Dave Mecusker understood Henry's position, offering this scenario in response: "So, some kid is out

there with her mother and a car comes through there and hits them. It's an unregulated yard sale. And if anybody got injured, it would just wipe out (Whitehead and his family), because they could get sued, and they aren't willing to take that risk."

The farmers market property was appraised at \$155,000 with a caution from the appraiser that said it might be inflated because he had trouble finding local commercial comparables or "comps."

Justin Stankiewicz, chief financial officer for the clerk of court, said that the county purchased the land in 2003 for \$32,000.

"I'd like to see us start renting out spots (at the farmers market) like they did at Sprinkle Field and let people have their yard sales there," Commissioner Karen Cossey suggested at the county's Feb. 6 meeting. "We could use that revenue (from permits) and it would help the community as well."

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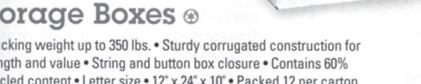


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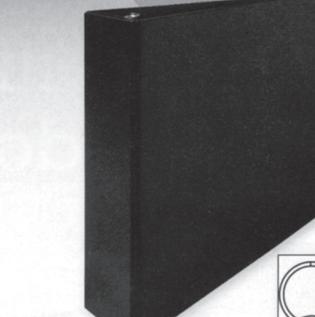
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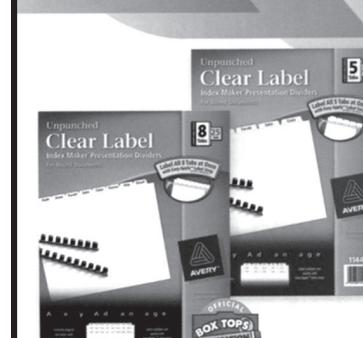
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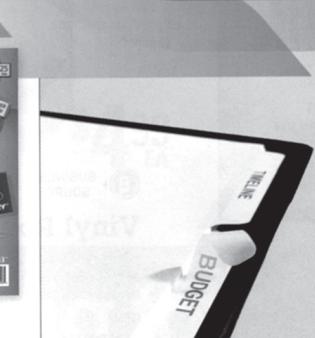
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Former Starke resident finds home on the fashion runway

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

At one time in her life, Mikaela Herres considered modeling to be too "girly" for her tastes.

"I was too much of a tomboy," she said.

The 19-year-old former resident of Starke has since achieved quite a few highlights in the profession and recently moved to New York to see just how far modeling can take her.

Herres, the daughter of Joey and Jackie Herres, said things have happened "very fast." Most recently, she participated in New York Fashion Week—a bi-annual event—twice and is already booked for the next event.

"It can be (overwhelming) at times," Herres said. "You just have to take a deep breath."

In 2006, Herres moved from Starke to Tampa, which was quite a nerve-racking change in her life. She went from a town where everyone knows who you are pretty much to a city where she didn't even know her neighbors. Plus, she found herself at a school with a population between 2,000 and 3,000.

"That's like a tough transition," said Herres, who was in middle school at the time.

Herres admitted she was quiet and shy, focusing her energies on athletics, such as track and field in school and aerial gymnastics outside of school.

Modeling has helped her come out of her shell.

"It definitely has boosted my self esteem," Herres said.

It wasn't until she graduated from Gaither High School that she began seriously considering modeling as a career, Herres said. And why not? She went from doing a couple of photo shoots while she was a middle school student and not that interested in modeling to being a finalist at Elite Model Look-Puerto Rico and International Modeling and Talent Association shows.

Herres, who has been the "face" of Bettina Cosmetics the past four years, said her thought was, "Well, things are happening. God's putting this in front of me for a reason."

Her first New York Fashion Week was "amazing" and "awesome," but Herres said her second Fashion Week was even better. She got to meet more people in the fashion industry as well as people from shows such

as "Basketball Wives" and "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills." Herres said she also got to meet former Miss USA and Miss World winners.

While in New York during the most recent Fashion Week, Herres said two "major" agencies have expressed interest in her.

The trip was also memorable in that Herres' mother made the trip as well to see her on the runway.

You might think having her mother in the audience would make her a little nervous, but Herres said she pushed those nerves aside. With her announced intention of moving to New York to further pursue modeling, it

was important for her mother to see her perform at a high level.

"I just had to show my mom I could handle this," Herres said.

As she became immersed in modeling, Herres said it was a surprise to see how serious the issues of weight and measurements are.

"They can look at you and tell if you're on the (right) measurements or not," Herres said.

Herres was muscular and toned due to her athletic endeavors. She was told she was almost too toned and had to stop working out so she could lose a bit of

See HERRES, 8B



Mikaela Herres has been the face of Bettina Cosmetics for four years.



RIGHT:
Mikaela Herres is pictured modeling one of Wanda Montes' Battle of the Strands creations. Battle of the Strands is an annual salon competition.



LEFT: On the runway during New York Fashion Week.

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6 competitors earn 9 rosettes in home division

Norma Lyon and Janet Flythe earned three and two best-overall rosettes, respectively, while four other exhibitors earned one each in the Bradford County Fair's home division.

Lyon earned rosettes for a dress, a purse and a baby afghan. She also earned an additional pair of blue ribbons for an afghan and a costume, while earning a red ribbon for socks.

Flythe earned rosettes for a chocolate cake and grape/pomegranate jelly. She earned a total of four blue ribbons, which included one for jam and one for sauce.

Susan Keding earned a rosette for a quilt, while earning an additional blue ribbon for a jacket.

Tamara Dinkins was awarded a rosette for pepper jelly. She also earned a red ribbon for jam.

In the senior division, Carol Dykes earned a rosette for a blue shawl. She earned a red ribbon for a poncho.

Cassie Garber was awarded a rosette in the youth division for cherry snowball cookies.

Other exhibitors in the youth division and the ribbons they earned were: Kacen Thomassen, bread, blue; Maudrey Tenly, cake, blue; Ella Dinkins, cookies, blue, brownies, blue, apple butter, blue, fruit mix, blue, vanilla extract, blue; Chris Chaney, cookies, red; Keary Matthews, cookies, blue; Megan Allen, brownies, blue, jelly, blue, pillow, red; Grace Sullivan, scarf, blue; and Audyn

Woodington, pillow, red. Adult exhibitors besides Dinkins, Dykes, Flythe, Keding and Lyon who earned ribbons were: Marissa Allen, jelly, blue; Ashley Harris, pumpkin butter, blue; Donna Harris, pumpkin butter, blue; Sissy Lee, jelly, red; Ehrline Tenly, corn, blue, salsa, blue; Kim Tilton, pickles, blue, jelly, blue; Beckie Burkett, dress, red, jacket, red, robe, red, towel, red, quilt, red; Carol James, painted sweatshirt, red; Christie Allen, scarf, red; Samantha Booth, throw, red; Ida Bivins, quilt, red, placemat, white; Pat Caren, doily, blue, afghan, red; Christy Hoilman, blouse, blue, hat, blue, pocketbook, red; and Connie Dennison, afghan, red, sweater, red, afghan, white, scarf, white.



Janet Flythe earned two rosettes in the home division, including one for this chocolate cake.



LEFT: Norma Lyon shows off the three projects that earned rosettes in the home division: a baby afghan, a dress and a purse.



LEFT: Cassie Garber earned a rosette for cherry snowball cookies.



RIGHT: Tamara Dinkins earned a rosette for pepper jelly.

RIGHT: This quilt earned Susan Keding a rosette. Not pictured: Carol Dykes, who won a rosette for a shawl.



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SOCIALS

Luke and Nicula to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Luke of Starke would like to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kaitlyn Alyse Luke, to John Michael Nicula, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Nicula of Lawtey.

Kaitlyn is a 2010 graduate of Bradford High School and a 2012 graduate of Santa Fe College. She is currently pursuing a degree in Elementary Education at the University of North Florida. John is a 2008 graduate of Bradford High School and a 2010 graduate of Santa Fe College. He is currently employed by Gainesville Regional Utilities.

They will be wed on May 10 at Kingsley Lake Baptist Church. Invitations have been sent.

Navy Relief director to speak at April 7 DAR meeting

Monica Woods, director of Navy Relief in Jacksonville, will be the guest speaker at the Monday, April 7, meeting of the Col. Samuel Elbert

Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at 10:30 a.m. at IHOP in Starke. Guests are welcome.

least 3.0;
• Sophomore year will be completed at Santa Fe.

The scholarship may be renewed one time the following semester per the instructions on the application check list.

Application checklists and financial-need forms can be obtained at either the Andrews Center in Starke or the Watson Center in Keystone Heights.

Andrews Center to offer personal conflict class

A "Resolving Personal Conflict" community education class will be held at the Santa Fe College Andrews Center, starting Tuesday, April 15.

The class is a biblical guide to resolving personal conflict using lessons from scripture. It meets from 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Tuesdays for eight weeks.

The fee is \$24, with the Peaceful Ministries workbook "Resolving Everyday Conflict" being provided by the instructor.

Register online at www.sfcoll.edu/communityed. You may also call 352-395-5193 or drop by the Andrews Center for assistance.

Apply for Betty Warren scholarship by March 31

The deadline for the \$1,000 Betty Warren Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by the Col. Samuel Elbert Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, is March 31.

Santa Fe College students at the Andrews Center or Watson Center may apply if:

- Their course of study is American history, education or medical and related fields;
- Freshman year (24 credit hours) completed at Santa Fe College;
- Grade-point average of at

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Albert Einstein

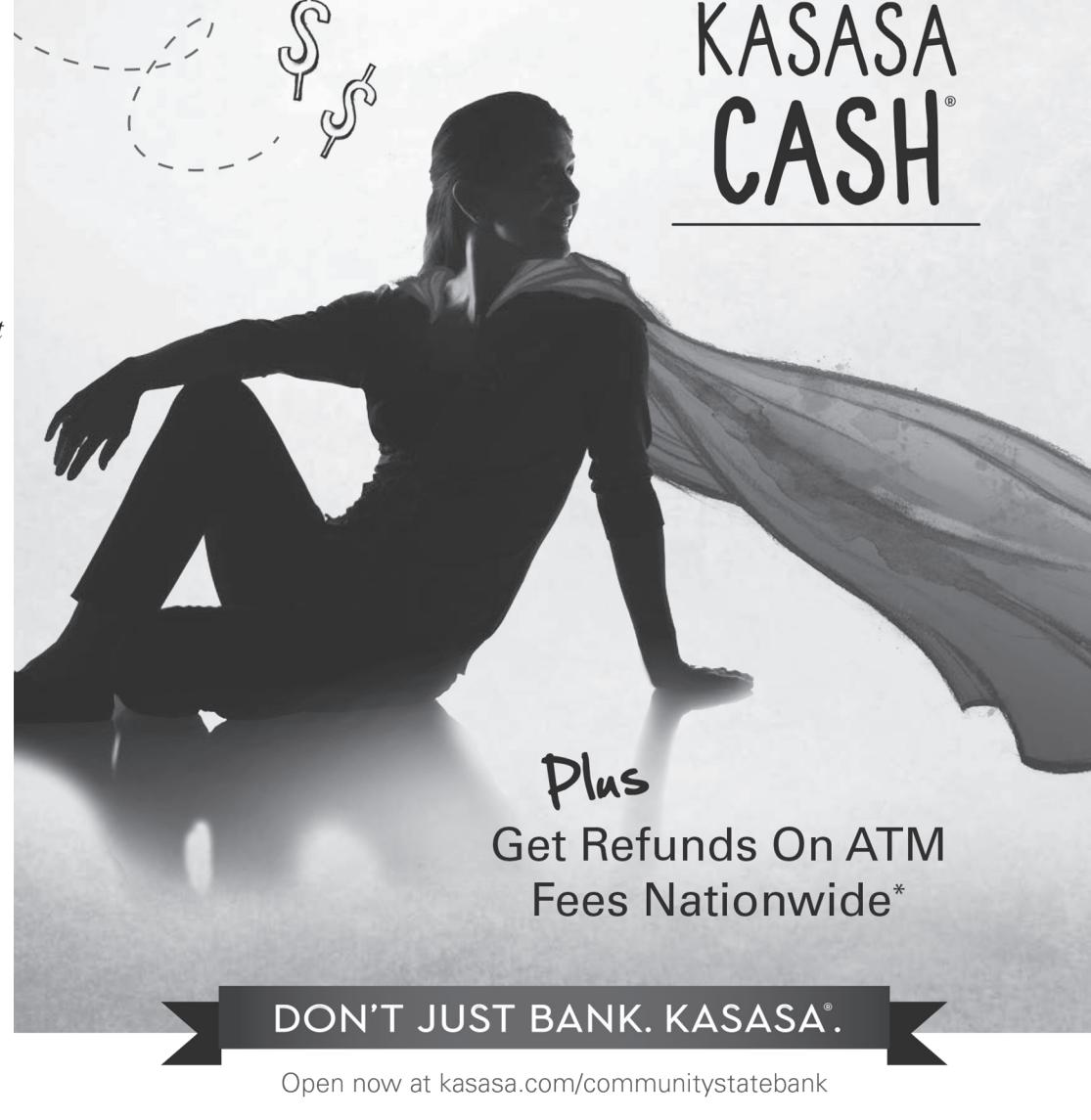
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OBITUARIES



Alice Brown

Alice Brown

LAWTEY—Alice June Brown, age 68, of Lawtey passed away Saturday March 22, 2014 at her residence with family by her side. June was born in Lawtey on Jan. 31, 1946 to the late John Silas Brown and Purvis Bertha Prevatt Brown. She was a lifelong resident of Lawtey and a longtime member of the First Baptist Church of Lawtey. She was passionate about her family as she would do whatever she could to support and care for them. June enjoyed spending time with her family especially watching her children and grandchildren play ball. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Mitchell Brown; and her grandson, Brandon Brown.

June is survived by her loving children, James Brown of Starke, and Paula Brown of Lawtey; her step-daughter, Terri Griffis of Keystone Heights; her sisters, Rebecca (Ralph) Wise and Janet (Paul) Norman both of Lawtey; her six grandchildren, Jonathan Prevatt, Julie Brown, Chase Brown, Triston Brown, Leah and Keearah Galvo; and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 27, at 11:00 am at the First Baptist Church of Lawtey with Pastor Lester Austin and Pastor Tim Mulkey officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery in Raiford. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archie Tanner Funeral Services, Starke. 904-964-5757. Visit www.archietannerfuneralservices.com to sign the family's guest book.

PAID OBITUARY

Robert Dobbs

NEW RIVER—Robert Dobbs, 88, of New River died Monday, March 24, 2014 at his residence with his family by his side. He was born in Lake Butler, Jan. 13, 1926 to the late Lester and Lelia Gordon Dobbs. He was a welder at DuPont for 35 years and an Army veteran. He was a member at Bayless Highway Baptist Church.

He is survived by: his wife of 59 years, Margie Moody Dobbs of New River; daughters, Sheila (Jim) Frampton of New River and Shari (Randy) Crews, of New River; son, Roger Dobbs of Simpsonville, S.C.; one granddaughter; brothers, Kenneth (Ina Jean) Dobbs of Jacksonville and Nolan Dobbs of Macclenny; and sister, Norma Jean (Cleathon) Johns of Macclenny.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 27, at 2:00 pm in the Bayless Highway Baptist Church with Rev. Jeffery Stading officiating. Burial will be at McKinney Cemetery following the service. In lieu of flowers the families ask that donations be made to Haven Hospice, 4200 North West 90th Blvd. Gainesville, FL 32606. Archer Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Lavon Drivas

STARKE—Lavon C. Drivas, 64, of Starke died Sunday, March 23, 2014 at E.T. York Hospice Care Center in Gainesville. She was born on Dec. 28, 1949 in Starke to the late Brady and Gladys (Lee) Collins. She graduated from Bradford High and the University of Florida. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church. Prior to retirement she worked for the Bradford County School Board teaching music.

Survivors are: husband, Spyros

D. Drivas of Starke; son, Demetrius A. Drivas of Starke; brother, A. Bernard Collins of Massachusetts; and aunt, Louise Lee.

Funeral services were held on March 26 in the First United Methodist Church of Starke with Pastor Mike Moore officiating. Arrangements are by Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke.

Steven Harrelson

FLORAHOME—Steven Ray Harrelson, 47, of Florahome died Monday, March 17, 2014 unexpectedly. He was born in Jacksonville on April 5, 1966. He was preceded in death by his father James L. Harrelson.

He is survived by: son, Andrew; one daughter; mother, Iva (Southerland) Harrelson of Florahome; siblings, Marie Eubanks and Michael Harrelson of Florahome, Leonard Harrelson of Penney Farms and Richard Harrelson of Middleburg.

Graveside services were held March 24, at Paran Cemetery in Grandin with Reverend Danny Fouraker. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Keystone Heights.



Shirley Padgett

Shirley Padgett

CLAY HILL—Shirley Estelle Padgett, 77, of Clay Hill, died Friday March 21, 2014 at Orange Park Medical Center with family by her side. She was born in Bradford County on Jan. 5, 1937 to the late Theodore Crews and Annie Mae Bell Crews. She was raised in Lawtey. She has resided in Clay Hill for the past 60 years. She was a member of Clay Hill Baptist Church and was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by: her husband of 43 years, Markelee Padgett; and brothers, Denvil and Archie Crews.

She is survived by: children, Gary (Martha) Padgett of Clay Hill, Sharon (Charles) Fuquay of Middleburg, Sandy (Tim) Prather of Green Cove Springs, and Karen (Chris) Thomas of Clay Hill; brothers, Joey Crews of Lawtey, and Wayne (June) Crews of Hampton; sisters, Alma Padgett of Lawtey, Annie Lee Smith of Starke, Carolyn (Mike) Hanks of Starke, and Louvenia (Mack) Williams of Florahome; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on March 25, at Clay Hill Baptist Church with Pastor Rick Crews officiating. Interment followed at Long Branch Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care and direction of Archie Tanner Funeral Services of Starke.

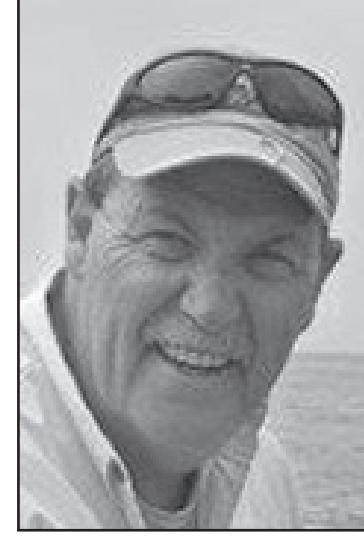
Michael Rogers

GLEN ST. MARY—Michael Ray Rogers 50, died suddenly at the Tallahassee Memorial Hospital Friday March 21, 2014. He was born in Jacksonville and lived all of his life in Baker County. He was a member of the Plumber and Pipefitter Local Union 234. He was a member of Taylor Church.

He is survived by: his wife, Tina Rogers of Glen St. Mary; mother, Deloris Rogers; father, Ray Rogers, both of Glen St. Mary; son, Phillip Rogers of Glen St. Mary; and sister, Shelli Lyn Rogers.

Funeral services were held March 23 at the Taylor Church in Taylor.

Burial was at South Prong Cemetery. Archer Funeral Home is in charge of all arrangements.



Rick Stephens

Rick Stephens

STARKE—Mr. Rick Foy Stephens, age 63, of Starke passed away Thursday, March 20, 2014 at the Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa. Mr. Stephens was born July 25, 1950 in Jacksonville and has been a longtime resident of the area. He served in the United States Navy and retired after 35 years with the Bradford County School System where he was an administrator. Mr. Stephens also enjoyed fishing, going to yard sales, wood working, and spending time with his family and children. His father, Foy Stephens had preceded him in death.

Survivors are: his wife of 33 years, Debra (Prevatt) and their three children, Macy Stephens, Dane Stephens (Sung Mi) and Abby Stephens Bacon (Jordan) all of Starke along with his mother, Myra (Macy) Stephens of Yankeetown, and three siblings, Scott Stephens of Belleview, Dawn Mendoza of Gainesville and Shawn Stephens of Yankeetown, and one grandchild, Jayden Kang Stephens.

Funeral services were March 25, in the First Baptist Church with Reverend Rick Weaver officiating. Interment followed at Crosby Lake Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family has requested donations to be made to the Moffitt Cancer Center Foundation, P.O. Box 23827, Tampa, FL 33623-3827. Arrangements are under the care of Jones-Gallagher Funeral Home of Starke. 904-964-6200. jonesgallagherfh.com

PAID OBITUARY

Joseph Stoddard

LAKE BUTLER—Joseph Carl Stoddard, 48, of Lake Butler died suddenly at his home Wednesday, March 19, 2014. He was born in Jacksonville to the late James P. Stoddard and Nila M. Kegley Shivers. He was a welder at Hunter Marine in Alachua until ill health forced his retirement. He has lived in Lake Butler for the past 20 years.

He is survived by: his wife of 27 years, Terry Roberts Stoddard of Lake Butler; mother and Stepfather, Nila M. and Bennie Shivers of Sparks, Ga.; daughter, Keri (Cory) Rozar of Lake Butler; sons, Jeremy and Joey Stoddard both of Lake Butler; brothers, Jimmie (Birdie) Stoddard and Larry (Kathi) Stoddard of Sparks, Ga.; sister, Juanita Kelley of Arkansas; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held March 24 in the Chapel of Archer Funeral Home in Lake Butler. Burial will be at a later date. Archer Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Maurice White

STARKE—Mrs. Maurice J. White, age 82, lifelong resident of Starke, passed away Saturday, March 22, 2014 at the E.T. York Hospice Care Center. Mrs. White was the youngest child of Alvin and Sarah Jenkins, she was educated in Starke, and later received her undergraduate and graduate degrees at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (Florida A&M).

Mrs. White was a long time educator for Bradford County having recently retired in 2013. She was a member of the Starke Seventh Day Adventist Church, and volunteered her time to numerous religious courses and musical endeavors.

Proficient at the keyboard, she often played at the Church Services, and helped children grow in their love for music.

She is survived by: her sons, Maurice J. (Nicole) White of Atlanta, McCoy (Marsha) White, Jr. of Gainesville; brother, Alvin Jenkins, Jr. of Baltimore, Md.; grandchildren, Daniel, Joshua and Mauricio-McCoy.

Graveside services for Mrs. White will be held 11:00 am, Friday, March 28 at Free Will Baptist Cemetery, Starke.

Mrs. White will repose in the Chestnut Memorial Chapel on Thurs., March 27, from 2:00 until 7:00 p.m. Family and friends are asked to meet graveside at 10:30 a.m. Arrangements entrusted to Chestnut Funeral Home, Inc., 18 N.W. 8th Ave., Gainesville.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Mae Francis Jenkins Scholarship Fund.

PAID OBITUARY

sisters, Ester Drury, Anne Marie Warren, Margaret Sullivan, Barbara McGahee and Clytie Watson; one brother Francis, Jr.; his parents Agnes and Francis Warren of Jacksonville; and long time companion Dorothy Cook of Keystone Heights.

John was always a caring and giving person. He proudly served in the U.S. Navy from 1941 to 1962 and while in the service he sent most of his paycheck back home to his parents to help support the family. After his retirement, he stayed active as a volunteer to many organizations.

He was an avid camper and devoted a great deal of time to the Boy Scouts of America. He was a Scout Master for many years and helped many young scouts become responsible citizens. He was instrumental in getting the Am-Vets Post in Keystone Heights established. He went on to serve as the Florida State Representative for the Am-Vets Organization and attended many conferences around the country.

He was also an active volunteer at the Lake City VA Hospital where he pushed wheelchairs each week. For many years he was a regular volunteer at the Robert Jenkins Veterans Domiciliary where he ran the weekly bingo game and bought ice cream for monthly birthday celebrations.

He was frequently called upon by area schools to represent the veterans at school functions.

John will be remembered by his friends and family as a man who was

never "too busy" to listen to another person, and who was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need of assistance.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Donations in John's memory may be made to the Community Hospice of NE Florida, 4266 Sunbeam Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32257. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

PAID OBITUARY

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.
Martin Luther King, Jr.

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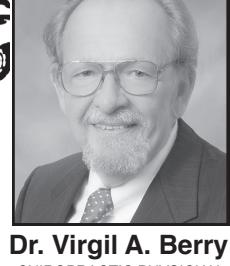


John Warren

John Warren

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS—Chief Warrant Officer (W4) John Warren, U.S. Navy (Ret.) was born December 9, 1923 and passed away on Friday March 21, 2014.

John was one of 14 children and is survived by his three sons, Steve (Avis), Mark (Diane) and Mike (Katherine); five step-children, Jim, Arlo (Barbara), Ronnie (Katherine) and John (Cindy) Cook and Sandy (George) Apthorp. He was "PaPa John" to a lot of grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He is also survived by six brothers, Stanley (Annie), Guy (Joan), Fritz, Jerry (Evie), Vincent and Denis, and one sister, Anne Montgomery (Monty). He was preceded in death by five

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Thanks to the newspaper

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to say a quick thank you to those at the Bradford Telegraph for being a fine example of journalism. The vast majority of newspapers are, at least, left leaning and purely assumption on my part, I suspect so would be the ideology of the Telegraph. Even if that is the case, it has been hard to say for sure because over the years as you've presented the area news and given voice to the area residents at both ends of the spectrum. In an era when the formerly most ardent defenders of free speech, liberals, have seemingly turned to endorse censorship of any opposing view, your paper says there is still hope. It stands as an example to civil discourse which once thrived in America. Once upon a time in America the majority of us, conservative and liberal, could come together and argue politics or ideologies most heatedly but at the end of the day, have a beer together secure in the knowledge that despite those disagreements, each had America's best interest at heart. I am afraid, however that those days are all but gone. Rome is falling, the Vandals and Goths are at the gates and the Dark Age looms.

Two weeks ago you printed what will most likely be my last opinion letter to your paper. It was quite lengthy I must admit and soaked with patriotic conservatism but of three newspapers it was sent to, yours was the only one with the fortitude to publish it. The two much larger papers it was sent to could not, apparently, afford the ink to reproduce it. Truthfully, I had not expected you to print it either; not because of content but because of its size. Over the years, your paper has never failed to print one of my letters. I suspect I could write and say everyone there was an idiot or Buster Rahn is a necrophiliac and you'd still print it. Neither is the truth, of course, nor do I hold such opinion. In fact, I hold both in the highest esteem because you do not censor the public opinion. I bet it would have been a blast to have written for the Telegraph.

Anyways, I again thank you for being such an example for free speech and of course, you are exempted from any expectation of printing this one. It is merely a thank you note for having the courage to print my drivel over the last decade or so.

With highest regards,
Thomas Rice

Community will miss Fishley

Dear Editor:

Our community recently suffered a great loss with the death of William Fishley of Keystone Heights.

A quiet, unassuming man, Bill did not stand out in a crowd because of his material possessions or dominating personality. He usually didn't have a lot to say about anything.

He was a gentle man, usually in the background. Yet he had a definite impact on those around him.

Bill always had a welcoming smile for anyone he encountered. But even more endearing was his attitude. You see Bill was one who believed he could do things to make a difference in this world. And he did.

Bill spent many hours of his life reaching out to others. He spent time with those incarcerated in our prisons and with those in his church community who were homebound.

He was frequently on the front lines trying to bring attention to the injustice of the legalized murder of unborn babies. He stepped up and defended the vital institution of God's marriage in our society. All of this in spite of

serious physical problems.

If I were to be tasked with engraving something on Bill Fishley's tombstone, I would assign these words from the biblical book of James: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only..."

I am grateful for the fact that I knew this man. He modeled what it means to be a true Christian. He is missed, and will not be forgotten.

Leonard C. Young
Keystone Heights

Thank you from D.J. Mobley family

Letter to the Editor:

Words cannot express the gratitude, love and compassion that Racquel, Kaleb, myself and our families feel for each person who has stopped by, sent cards, made donations to cover expenses, thoughts and prayers and those who brought food to our family during the loss of our son, Dakota Jacob Mobley "DJ". We are grateful to live in such a supporting community and are glad to call Keystone Heights our "home".

A special thank you to Racquel's extended family at Union Correctional Institution for their support and understanding and to our extended families with Clay County Fire Rescue, Orange Park Fire Department, Keystone Heights Volunteer Fire Department, Clay County Sheriff's Office and Bradford County Fire Rescue for the sincere concerns and support during this time, your concern did not go unnoticed. To VEMA, Fire and Iron, Middleburg American Legion, McHenry's (KH), Senior Wings (Orange Park), Prevatt's Bar and Grill (Middleburg), Whitey's Fish Camp (Orange Park), Dicks wings (Lake Asbury), and all of the riders for your support with the motorcycle ride to help cover the costs of DJ's funeral, we cannot thank you enough.

Our appreciation pours out to Jones Gallagher Funeral home, KHHS JROTC, KHFV Explorer Post 501, Boy Scout Troop 146, Trinity Baptist Church, Pastor Rob Morford and Pastor Marty Frakes for comforting our families and making this tragedy easier to understand. I know there are many names that we have left out and I do not think we could begin to acknowledge every person, but know that our family appreciates each and every one of you for

your support which has made this difficult loss easier to cope with.

On a more personal note Racquel, Kaleb, and I could not have made it through this without the love and continuing support from Racquel's sister Rhonda Singletary, brother Brian Singletary, and parents Keith and Debbie Singletary, Kevin's Sister Lauren Thomas, and parents, Linda Brophy and Don and Kit Mobley. Thank you each from the bottom of our hearts.

Kevin and Racquel (Singletary) Mobley and Kaleb

Find way to cope wth bypass

Dear Editor:

I've heard a lot of discussion regarding the bypass and the businesses of Starke. The bypass is a done deal. Now, Bradford County must find a way to cope. Change is going to happen, no matter how the town and its residents resist. Yes, we all want to keep the quiet close feeling of a small town, but we have to adapt. And that's where Starke has failed. Too many would rather fight to keep the city exactly as it is, while lamenting that businesses are closing, the kids are graduating and leaving for cities and towns where there are jobs, and the area is floundering.

I love my adventuring. I visit the little towns and the roadside attractions in search of Forgotten Florida. It is one of the reasons I liked living in Starke and I loved learning its history. I've been to all the little model towns like Micanopy and Alachua. Those places are off the beaten path and yet have thousands of visitors each year. I know that the town has visited these places looking for ideas, but nothing's come of it. These places are proof that you can keep the small town atmosphere and rake in the tourist dollars. Starke has the added bonus of sitting on 301 and yet driving through, a traveler sees a used up town and has no incentive to stop.

Many are opposed to the bypass saying businesses are going to close but closings happen everywhere, every day. Mostly, shops fail because they operate as they always have. They have not prepared for the coming years. They haven't updated their ideas. They haven't kept up with technology or the changing world or the needs of their customers. For instance, the hardware store.... They currently fulfill a need, but worry at the thought of the bypass, and Lowe's

or Home Depot coming to town. Firstly, travelers who will opt for the bypass route don't shop the hardware store. You don't head out on vacation thinking, "Hey. When I get to Starke, I'm dang 'skippy' stopping for six carriage bolts." So the bypass won't affect the store much, if at all. And Lowes or Home Depot WILL price them out of business unless they find a niche. But, (food for thought) the growing trend now is not DIY, but to hire someone to do it. Our kids are becoming more technology dependent and less hands-on. Our FFA's and construction classes in high school are becoming a thing of the past. We don't have shade-tree mechanics. Now you have to take your car to the dealer for even the smallest repair. Because of building codes and restrictions, you can hardly put up a barn or a shed - you have to have approved plans and a permit so you have to call a construction firm. If Jackson's is preparing for and anticipating this growing trend, they will have a thriving business that the box stores won't harm.

Though I don't know this for sure, it was my understanding that Applebee's or the like wanted to open a restaurant when the new Wal-Mart went in, but decided against it when there was a dispute over the liquor licensing. Has anyone noticed that the loosening of the liquor laws a few years ago didn't create a bunch of slap-happy drunks? We just have the same old ones... But I digress...

Anyway, my point is that you can't blame the bypass for Starke's dying. Without fresh ideas and, heaven forbid... change, Starke will fade away, just like Lake Butler. The bypass might just be a mercy killing.

I would rather see the bypass as an opportunity. It will remove from 301 the trucks who don't stop anyway, making the Starke section more conducive to stopping (and spending.)

I would encourage the storefronts along 301 to clean up, up-grade and beautify with an eye on eventually re-establishing street parking once the traffic

pattern has been established. Many of the businesses along US 301 are suffering from the same malaise as the town. I would encourage box-stores and chains at the north or south end of the by-pass anchoring the town, and look for entrepreneurs for the empty stores. I'd encourage investors to build unique strip shops with an old Florida theme along 301. Tourists are searching for vintage Florida and I would give it to them in exchange for their discretionary funds. Bradford County has a captive audience with US 301 but it is not be utilized.

Before the first shovel is turned on the by-pass, Starke should have a plan in place. Does it?

Very truly yours
T.E. Davis

Union County makes great showing in fair — Bradford step up

Dear Editor:

From what I observed at the Bradford-Union county fair last week, and I was there everyday, I am almost ready to conclude that the name of the fair should be reversed and be called the Union-Bradford county fair and here is why!! The Union county 4 H and FFA had the support of almost everyone in Union county, starting with the county commission, the school board, the school superintendent and the teachers. Don't you just love it, you look around the fair

and you don't see the Bradford School Board the Bradford School Superintendent, very few Bradford school teachers. You do see the Bradford 4 H and Bradford FFA kids working their tails off showing off their animals and their parents are right there with them admiring their efforts.

You also have to wonder where the 40,000 dollar a year public relations guy that the Bradford school Superintendent hired to help showcase the students was the entire week of the fair. This also applies to most of the teachers who probably looked upon that week as vacation week. The problem that I have and it's more in the form of a question: Were these teachers still on the payroll?

And where was the woman who is in charge of the AG program? She wasn't there the entire week.

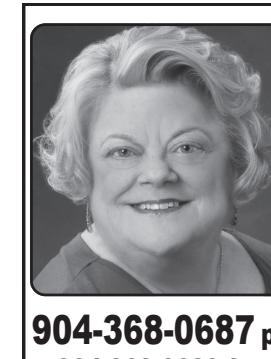
The more I think about this the more disgusted I get. My wife and I love the guys and gals who participate in the FFA and the 4 H and we try in every way we can to support them.

I guess we are more like the people in Union County.

How should we handle this mess? We could start by removing those who don't care about our kids from office.

It should be mentioned that our State representative Mr. Yoho was more interested in our kids, at least he participated in this event.

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Beckie Burkett earned best of show for a succulent safari and a lettuce bowl.



LEFT, ABOVE: Katie Caren holds a jade plant that earned her best of show. RIGHT, ABOVE: This emu egg was one of three exhibits named best of show for Kenedy Elder.



Pat Caren earned best of show for a lemon-lime dracaena and a maranta.

Fair's horticulture area produces 12 best-of-show award winners

Kenedy Elder earned three best-of-show awards in the youth division, while adults Beckie Burkett and Pat Caren each earned two in this year's horticulture display at the Bradford County Fair.

Elder was awarded best of show for a Norfolk pine, a tri-colored Cordyline and an emu egg. She had an additional best-in-class exhibit in quail eggs, while earning an additional two blue ribbons for chicken eggs.

Katie Caren earned best of show in the youth division for a

jade plant. She also earned blue ribbons for brown chicken eggs and green chicken eggs.

Youth Lexi Ray exhibited a lucky bamboo that was awarded best in class. She also earned a blue ribbon for chicken eggs.

Other youth exhibitors and the ribbons they earned were: Madison Bennett, chicken eggs, blue, jade plant, blue; Aiden Caren, brown chicken eggs, blue; Ella Dinkins, Rhode Island red eggs, blue; Jethro Francis mustard greens, blue, mustard greens, blue; Clay Fulgham,

chicken eggs, blue; Kaitlin Griffis, chicken eggs, blue; Ashley Harris, copper marans, blue, succulent safari, blue; Lake Harris, Wheaton Americana eggs, blue; Trevor Holtzendorf, leghorn chick eggs, blue, maran chicken eggs, blue, Peking duck eggs, blue; Kacen Thomasen, chicken eggs, blue; Audyn Woodington, copper marans, blue, cochin chicken eggs, blue; and Mrs. Nash's Brooker Elementary students, radishes, blue.

In the amateur adult division, Burkett earned best of show for a succulent safari and a lettuce bowl, while Pat Caren earned best of show for a lemon-lime dracaena and a maranta. Caren earned an additional best-in-class award for a desert rose, while earning red ribbons for a sansevieria, ponytail palm and dracaena. Burkett earned an additional blue ribbon for a ghetto garden.

Rita Frey earned best of show for a dendrobium and

an additional blue ribbon for a phalaenopsis. Pat Paul earned best of show for a bird's nest fern, while earning additional best-in-class awards for a peace lily, schefflera and paradise palm.

Paul also earned additional blue ribbons for a philodendron, rubber tree, African violet and peperomia.

Margaret Peek earned best in class for a white phalaenopsis.

Other amateur adult exhibitors and the ribbons they earned were: Kay Androlevich, Hiawatha succulent, blue; Laurie Compoton, ponytail palm, blue, ficus, blue, foliage, blue; Janet Flythe, haemanthus, blue, cedar, blue, tillandsia, red, schefflera, red; Bob Lawry, ponytail palm, blue, ponytail palm, red, bonsai, red (2), jade, red, arrowhead, white; Lane Tenly, Mr. Potato Head, blue; and Eoline Underhill, cactus with bloom, blue, spider plant, blue, variegated (?), red (2), peace lily, red, sansevieria, red, cactus, red; aloe, white.

In the professional adult division, the following earned best of show: Rod Crawford for Benicia strawberries and John Steyer for a salad burnett. Steyer earned best in class for a Gator pumpkin and peacock kale, while Buddy Norman earned best in class for Camino Real strawberries.

Crawford was awarded additional blue ribbons for Camino Real and Radiance strawberries, while Norman was awarded a blue ribbon for Camarosa strawberries.

Tommy King earned blue ribbons for Camarosa and Camino Real strawberries.

Additional blue ribbons earned by Steyer were: Red Russian kale (2), blood-veined sorrel, broccoli (2), dino kale (2), Hiawatha succulent, sun gold tomato, Japanese kale (4), aloe, chocolate mint, Japanese mugwort (2), Loki gourd, calabaza gourd, peppermint, oregano, dino radish, dino radish with flower, dino greens, leeks (2), wild Mexican tomato (2), Huan ngoc, thyme, succulent, Seminole pumpkin, Kyoto onion, gobo burdock, English mint, rosemary (2), patio tomato (2), red cabbage, endive, bok choi, spigarello, celebrity tomato,

This dendrobium earned Rita Frey best of show. Not pictured: Pat Paul and professional adults Rod Crawford and John Steyer, who each earned one best-of-show award.



early girl tomato, better boy tomato, tarragon, turmeric ginger, French sorrel (2), collards, celery (2), Asian red mustard (2), bull's-blood beet, arugula, cabbage (2), red bore kale (2), Brussels sprouts (2), rainbow chard (2), Japanese onions, flatleaf kale, cabbage collards (2), lambs quarters (2), sugar beets, Vietnamese mint, French shallot, Italian dandelion (2), winter bore kale (2), pineapple, hybrid radish (3), dino flowering radish, cleavers edible weed, brassica flowers, Romaine lettuce, green-leaf lettuce, Chinese lettuce, red butterhead lettuce, curly red lettuce, red oak lettuce, plantain, Shunkyo Japanese radish, Taiwan sword lettuce, wild thistle, wild primrose, Siberian kale, dill, dau mui pea shoots, cauliflower, collard leaves, chickweed, leaf cabbage, peacock kale, cabbage sprouts and red cabbage.

Steyer earned red ribbons for variegated oregano, Thai ginger, succulent, fennel, loquat, sago palm, Kyoto onions and daikon radish, while earning a white ribbon for strawberries.

Starke Kiwanis sets golf tournament on Good Friday

The 11th annual Kiwanis of Starke golf tournament will be held Friday, April 18, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Starke Golf and Country Club.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place teams.

The entry fee is \$50 per player/\$200 per four-person

team. That includes cart, lunch and goody bag.

Applications are available at the Starke Golf and Country Club clubhouse.

Contact Cheryl Canova (cheryl.canova@sfcollege.edu or 904-964-5382) or Barry Warren at (352-494-3326) for more information.

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Michael Jordan

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Elizabeth Whitaker had the best-overall exhibit in the senior division.



LEFT, ABOVE: The best-overall exhibit in the junior division belonged to Karly Raulerson. RIGHT, ABOVE: Saige Whitaker shows off her best-overall intermediate division exhibit.



Raulerson, Whitaker sisters show top 4-H exhibits at fair

This year's 4-H exhibit room at the Bradford County Fair featured projects from 26 participants in the junior, intermediate and senior divisions, with Elizabeth Whitaker, Saige Whitaker and Karly Raulerson earning best-overall awards in their respective divisions.

Elizabeth Whitaker had the best-overall exhibit in the area of paintings and drawings in the senior division. She had another exhibit in paintings and drawings that earned a best-in-area award as well as earning best in area for an exhibit in photography and an exhibit in wearable art.

In all, Whitaker earned nine blue ribbons, with one each in photography, creative arts and fiber arts, and three each in wearable art and paintings and drawings. She also earned two red ribbons in photography.

Saige Whitaker earned the best-overall award in the intermediate division for a photograph. It was one of two exhibits that earned her best-in-area awards, with the other coming in the area of educational posters.

Whitaker had nine blue ribbons overall: one in cake decorating and two each in photography, educational posters, fiber arts and paintings and drawings. She also earned three red ribbons

in creative arts and one each in photography and fiber arts.

In the junior division, Raulerson had the best-overall exhibit in the area of five arts. As a best-overall exhibit, it also earned best in area and a blue ribbon.

The junior division featured seven participants, with Ella Dinkins and Lake Harris earning seven and three best-in-area awards, respectively. Dinkins' earned best in area in photography, educational posters, woodworking, clothing and textiles, creative arts, decorated items and cake decorating, while Harris earned best in area in table setting, nature and environment, and food and nutrition.

Harris earned a total of five blue ribbons: one in table setting, one in food and nutrition and three in nature and environment.

Dinkins earned 23 blue ribbons: one each in table setting, fiber art, educational posters, woodworking and cake decorating, two each in clothing and textiles, wearable art and paintings and drawings, and three each in photography, creative arts, decorated items and food and nutrition. She earned one red ribbon in clothing and textiles.

Natalie Whitaker earned seven blue ribbons and had a best-in-

area exhibit in cake decorating. She earned one blue ribbon each in cake decorating and fiber arts and two each in photography and creative arts. She also had a red ribbon in photography.

Katie Caren had four blue ribbons, including three in the area of wearable art. One of her wearable art exhibits earned best in area.

Caren also had a blue ribbon in paintings and drawings.

Alyssa Garland and Clay Fulgham participated in the junior division as well, with Garland earning a blue ribbon in food and nutrition and Fulgham earning one blue ribbon in wearable art and one blue ribbon in paintings and drawings.

In the intermediate division, Sierra Graham earned two best-in-area awards in woodworking and food and nutrition. She had three blue ribbons in all, earning the third in decorated items.

Graham earned two red ribbons in food and nutrition.

Madison Bennett earned 13 ribbons, including one for an exhibit in cake decorating that also earned best in area. She also earned one blue ribbon each in decorated items and food and nutrition. She earned one red ribbon in clothing and textiles.

Natalie Whitaker earned seven blue ribbons and had a best-in-

area exhibit in cake decorating. She earned one blue ribbon each in cake decorating and fiber arts and two each in photography and creative arts. She also had a red ribbon in photography.

Bennett earned one red ribbon in photography and one in food and nutrition. She also earned a white ribbon in decorated items.

Lexi Ray earned best in area in decorated items and had two blue ribbons in all in that area. She also earned a blue ribbon in wearable art, two blue ribbons in creative arts and three blue ribbons in photography.

Ray also earned one red ribbon each in woodworking and fiber arts.

Kenedy Elder earned seven blue ribbons, with two coming in creative arts. One of those creative arts exhibits earned best in area.

Elder earned one blue ribbon each in decorated items and photography and three each in paintings and drawings. She had one red ribbon each in woodworking and creative arts and two each in photography and decorated items.

Lauren Cromwell earned best in area in paintings and drawings as well as one blue ribbon each in photography, fiber arts and wearable art. She had one red ribbon each in fiber arts and decorated items and two each in decorated items.

Tara Holtzendorf and Abigail Ripplinger earned best in area in wearable art and fiber arts, respectively. Holtzendorf also earned two blue ribbons in photography, one red ribbon in photography and two red ribbons in decorated items. Ripplinger earned two blue ribbons in

photography, one red ribbon each in photography and paintings and drawings and a white ribbon in food and nutrition.

Hannah Nistler earned three blue ribbons in photography, while Stephanie NesSmith earned a blue ribbon each in woodworking, wearable art and decorated items. NesSmith had two red ribbons in decorated items and three in creative arts.

Elizabeth Shockley earned two blue ribbons in photography, while Faythlyn Garland and Delaney Sweat each earned a blue ribbon in creative arts and food and nutrition, respectively. Alisha Lester earned a blue ribbon in photography and red ribbon each in educational posters, creative arts and decorated items.

Angela Flournoy earned a red ribbon in decorated items.

The senior division consisted of three participants besides Elizabeth Whitaker, with Kaitlin Griffis and Courtney Paul each earning two best-in-area awards.

Griffis earned best in area in food and nutrition and cake decorating, while also earning three blue ribbons in photography.

Paul earned best in area in fiber arts and nature and environment, while also earning a blue ribbon each in photography, educational posters and creative arts. She had one red ribbon in photography.

Austin Lester earned one red ribbon in creative arts.

Six Cloverbuds earned participation ribbons. Addysen Lockhart and Kensleigh Lockhart earned nine each, while Krislynn Faulkner and Luke Moss earned five and three, respectively. Maisyn McKenzie and Jackson Thames earned one each.



AT RIGHT: Madison Bennett took first in the intermediate division and earned the best-overall award in the 4-H strawberry pie contest. AT LEFT: Also participating in the 4-H strawberry pie contest were (l-r) Krislyn Faulkner, who earned a Cloverbud participation ribbon, Alyssa Garland, who placed second in the intermediate division, and Ella Dinkins, who was first in the junior division.

Congratulations to all the fair winners!

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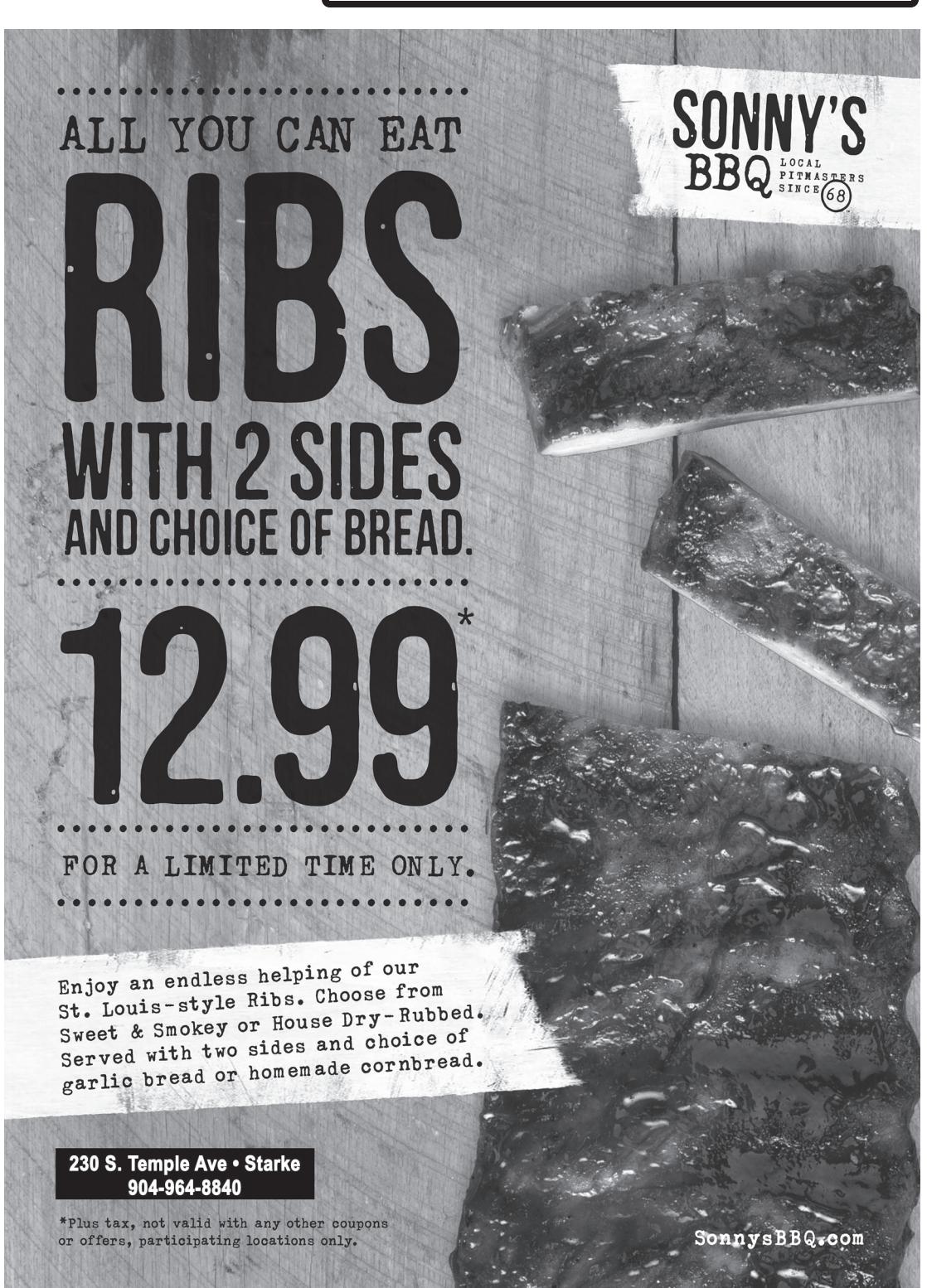
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AREA SPORTS

Ardley earns 2nd-place finish for BHS at Bolles meet

Kearris Ardley was the runner-up in the high jump, while also earning a fifth-place finish for Bradford High School at the Bolles Bulldog Track and Field Invitational on March 7.

Ardley cleared 6-2 in the high jump to finish behind Trinity Christian's Isaiah Ford, who cleared 6-4.

In the long jump, Ardley was fifth with a distance of 19-11.

Kenny Dinkins earned a pair of top-10 finishes. He placed fifth in the 400m with a time of 51.03, while finishing ninth in the 200m with a time of 23.14.

Chris Barron placed 14th in the 400m with a time of 53.02, while Alec Harden was 17th in the discus with a throw of 107-8.

Also competing for the Bradford boys' team were Cody Bias in the discus (77-6) and Brenton Ruisse in the long jump (15-3).

Girls' team member KaShondra McCallum placed 14th in the shotput with a distance of 29-10.5. Brooke Shireman also competed in the event, finishing with a distance of 20-8.

Indians defeat Fort White 2-0 for district win

Taylor Morris batted in and scored the game's only runs as the Keystone Heights High School softball team defeated Fort White 2-0 on March 19 to improve to 4-3 in District 5-4A.

Morris' line drive off the

center-field fence drove in the first run, while she later scored herself on an error.

Breanna Wells and Kristen Wood went 2-for-3 and 2-for-2, respectively.

Pitcher Brittany Schellpepper earned the win, bringing her record—and Keystone's team record—to 4-7.

Prior to playing Fort White, the Indians were held to no hits by pitcher Ashtin Strickland in a 9-0 loss to district opponent Santa Fe on March 18.

Keystone rallies in 7th to defeat Santa Fe 4-3

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

Keystone Heights was held to one hit, but that didn't prevent the Indians from scoring four runs in the bottom of the seventh to defeat Santa Fe 4-3 in a District 5-4A baseball game on March 21.

Santa Fe pitcher Clint Duke held the Indians (8-6, 5-2) hitless through the first six innings and allowed just one base runner during that span. However, Storm Miller reached on a dropped fly ball to lead off the bottom of the seventh. Bryce Plummer drew a walk before Kyle Hix singled to load the bases.

Tristan Starling hit a ground ball to short, which scored Miller, but an error on the force-out attempt at second kept the bases loaded with no outs. Keystone scored another run on a wild pitch before Duke was replaced on the mound by Tyler Barron.

Santa Fe attempted to get an out at home on a ball put into play by Blake Richardson, but catcher Jarrett Brown failed to make the necessary tag on the base runner, apparently thinking it was a force-out situation. That allowed Cory Taylor, who was running for Plummer, to score and tie the game.

A wild pitch with Blake Valenzuela at bat allowed Starling to score the game winner. Prior to playing Santa Fe, the Indians defeated district opponent P.K. Yonge 8-2 on March 18 and defeated Middleburg 3-2 on March 20.

Miller hit a home run and drove in three runs in the win

over P.K. Yonge. He finished the game 2-for-4, while Plummer and Hix were 2-for-2 and 2-for-3, respectively.

Hix drove in two runs, while Blake Richardson, Morgan Smith and Jarrett Tschorh each drove in one.

Starling threw a complete game, giving up five hits and three walks, while striking out six.

In the win over Middleburg, Hix and Miller each drove in a run, with Miller hitting a double.

Starting pitcher Wyatt Harvin earned the win, giving up two hits and one walk in four innings.

Austin Bass and Dean Dukes combined to allow two hits in three innings of relief.

Keystone played Baker County and district opponent Bradford this past Monday and Tuesday and will travel to play district opponent Interlachen on Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m. The Indians will travel to play St. Augustine on Tuesday, April 1, at 6 p.m.

Keystone shuts out BHS in season's 1st meeting

BY CLIFF SMELLEY
Staff Writer

Keystone Heights was held to two hits and struck out 13 as the Keystone Heights High School baseball team defeated Bradford 5-0 on March 14 in Starke.

Kyle Hix, who was 2-for-2, drove in three runs with singles in the first and fifth innings and a sacrifice fly in the third.

Keystone scored another two runs on errors.

Bradford pitchers Wyatt Barnes and Zach DeWitt combined to allow six hits, with Barnes striking out seven.

The loss dropped the Tornadoes (6-7 overall) to 2-2 in District 5 prior to playing Interlachen on March 21.

Prior to playing Bradford, the Indians lost 4-2 to Buchholz on March 11 in Gainesville, with the host Bobcats scoring three runs in the bottom of the sixth.

Hix and Tyler Keaton each had an RBI, while Bryce Plummer went 3-for-3. Jarrett Tschorh went 2-for-4.

Pitchers—Tristan—Starling and Dean Dukes combined to allow just three hits.

On March 13, Keystone lost 7-4 to the visiting Williston Red Devils. Hix, Keaton, Plummer and Starling each had an RBI, with Plummer going 2-for-2.

The Tornadoes entered the Keystone game off of a 14-1, five-inning win over Eastside on March 11. Matt Stanwix-Hay and Carson Yowell drove in three and two runs, respectively, while Jackson Reddish went 2-for-2 and drove in a run.

DeWitt, Wyatt Collins, Jacob Luke and Alex Mejias each had an RBI.

Luke (1-1) threw a complete game to earn the win, striking out 12.

Bradford, which played Keystone again this past Tuesday, played district opponent P.K. Yonge on March 26 and will host Williston on Thursday, March 27, at 1 p.m. On Friday, March 28, the Tornadoes will travel to

play Oakleaf at 4:30 p.m.

The Tornadoes return home to play district opponent Fort White on Tuesday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m.

Cook, Edwards earn 8th-place finishes for UC at Bolles meet

Union County High School got two top-10 finishes from Kristen Cook and Daquin "Buddy" Edwards at the March 7 Bolles Bulldog Track and Field Invitational.

Cook and Edwards each placed eighth in their respective shotput events. Cook had a distance of 31-8, while Edwards had a distance of 42-9.

Cook also earned an 11th-place finish in the discus with a throw of 84-9.

Other girls' team participants were Jessica Brown in the shotput (21-8.5) and Nancy Slocum in the long jump (13-1).

The boys' 4x100m relay team of Phillip Lillie, Andrew Jones, Geordyn Green and Anthony Hendrieth placed 13th with a time of 45.03.

Hendrieth also competed in the long jump (14-10.5) and 100m (11.98).

Josh Scott competed in the shotput (37-8) and the discus (70-4). Darrell Crim and Richard Crim had times of 59.37 and 1:01.25, respectively, in the 400m.

FINS, FUR & TAILS

Trophy catches and bass tournament action

The bass action coming out of Kingsley Lake during March is certainly the headline outdoors activity of the month. Brooks Morrell entered three bass in the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Trophy Catch Program and two in the FWC Hall of Fame.

Richard Barnes entered two in the Trophy Catch Program and one in the Hall of Fame.

Additionally, Len Andrews from Virginia made another Hall of Fame entry and continues to pursue his big bass hunt, which has been a 17-year tradition.

The Bald Eagle Open Tournaments, which are held on Wednesdays. The first three placements in the first tournament were as follows: Paul Akridge and Randal Alvarez in first, Dewayne Davis and Caleb Johns in second and Travis Cain and Josh Wishham in third.

The March 15 Murphy's Law Relay for Life Bass Tournament came off as a great success, despite the fact that it had to compete against several nearby

events. The tournament has established itself as one of the major spring tournaments in North Central Florida.

The first five places were as follows: Clint Jackson and Jason McCellan in first, Jimmy Ballard and Marcus Hodges in second, Jeff Thompson and Ed Prather in third, Derek Daniels and Michael Johnson in fourth and Brooks Morrell and Kris Kadlec in fifth.

Area host to recent shooting events

The Florida Challenge Sporting Clays event at the Sportsmen's Farm was a great show of shotgun competition Feb. 27-March 2, and the heavy action in the local sporting clays competition is not over for the year.

The Sportsmen's Farm is proud to announce that it will host the Florida State Championship, starting on April 3 and running through April 6. This is a really good opportunity to watch some really good wing shooters pit their skills against each other. Furthermore, the shotgun displays, gunsmith services and vendor displays are really plentiful for anyone interested in firearms.

Charles Alvarez held his last pheasant shoot of the season on March 14 at his farm on Brownlee Road near the Union County line. Again, the live wing shooting with a beautiful bird and the retriever action of trained dogs was a treat for all outdoorsmen.

Alvarez does plan to provide more pheasant shoots next hunting season, so stay tuned for more of that rustic action year.

Outdoors outlook

While bass fishing is really taking hold, crappie fishing is beginning to wane. However, no one reminded James McKinney and Hubert Coleman on March 14. After an afternoon on Santa Fe Lake fishing shoreline cover for the speckled slabs, they had a cooler of 12 to 15 nice slabs to show for their efforts, as shown in the accompanying photograph.

The local bass tournaments got started this week on Santa Fe Lake, but the bite seemed to suggest that the best of the bass spawn has yet to take place. The exception to that has been the recent big bass coming out of Kingsley Lake. Brooks Morrell landed three Kingsley Lake bass that were all over 11 pounds. Two were over 13 pounds, and the largest was 14 pounds, 9 ounces.

Richard Barnes landed one that was 10 pounds, 13 ounces, and another that was 13 pounds, 11 ounces.

More recently, Mark Roberts landed a 14-pound, 8-ounce monster bass.

Kingsley Lake's deep water makes it easy for the big fish to hide during most of the season, but during the bass spawn, the exposed bright sand makes it easier to locate them.

Kaylee Fowler of Keystone got in on the bass action on March 19. Fishing a shiner in a small Keystone Lake, she hooked and landed the 12-pounder shown in the accompanying photograph.

The next new moon and full moon should produce more hot bass action, but bass-bed fishing should quickly subside.

The speck spawn should also wane from those dates, and the freshwater bedding action from that point forward will be restricted to panfish.

Tight lines until next week.

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• March 27, Crosshorn

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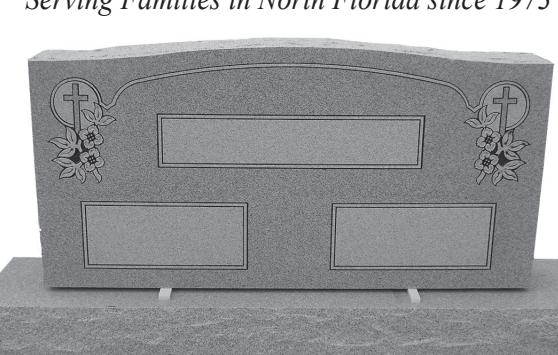
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Recent arrests in Bradford, Clay or Union

The following individuals were arrested recently by local law enforcement officers in Bradford, Union or Clay (Keystone Heights area) counties:

BRADFORD

Omar Rashawn Aldridge, 33, of Starke was arrested March 24 by Bradford deputies on an out of county warrant. Bond was set at \$531.

Reynaldo Antonio Aviles, 33, of Hampton was arrested March 20 by Bradford deputies for probation violation and on an out of county warrant from St. Johns. No bond was allowed on the probation violation charge.

Timothy Delancie Bass, 29, of Starke was arrested March 23 by Bradford deputies on two charges of probation violation.

Tamara Lee Burgess, 22, of Waldo was arrested March 21 by Bradford deputies for felony larceny-petit theft 3rd subsequent offense. She was arrested on a warrant from Bradford after being transported from Alachua County jail to the jail in Starke. Bond was set at \$15,000.

John F Burns, 41, of Starke was arrested March 18 by Bradford deputies for withholding child support. Bond was set at \$320.

Angelina M Candelario, 26, of Wesley Chapel was arrested March 23 by Lawtey police for possession of synthetic narcotics and for driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was set at \$3,500.

Katlin Jean Carter, 22, of Starke was arrested March 19 by Bradford deputies for probation violation.

Stanley Milton Courson, 55, of Lawtey was arrested March 22 by Lawtey police for driving while license revoked or suspended. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Jacob Sabaistian Crews, 23, of Starke was arrested March 21 by Starke police for an out of county warrant from Columbia for probation violation on original charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Rickey Lavon Gainey, 26, of Starke was arrested March 20 by Starke police for battery and for three charges of failure to appear for previous battery charges. According to the arrest report, police were called to the Kangaroo store in reference to the battery after the victim had ran from the apartment she was in with Gainey when he hit her in the face during an argument. Several hours later, Gainey was located by the police and arrested. A criminal history check revealed that he has five previous arrests for battery, according to the arrest report. Bond was set at \$45,000 for the charges.

Donald Robert Glenn, 50, was arrested March 24 by Bradford deputies for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$4,000.

Johnny A Higgins, 41, of Brooker was arrested March 22 by Bradford deputies for probation violation.

Appolios Nehru Holland, 40, of Starke was arrested March 24 by Starke police for driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was set at \$500.

Demetric Tefaro Johnson, 36, of Starke was arrested March 22 by Bradford deputies for resisting an officer. According to the arrest report, deputies were talking with a person outside of Club LA near Lawtey, when Johnson approached them and began yelling at them, asking what they were doing and why they needed to talk to the person. He refused to back away from the deputies, and didn't stop causing a disturbance, and was arrested.

Christian Devone Lee Kates, 22, of St. Petersburg was arrested March 22 by Starke police for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$273.

Cheryl Yvonne Knowles, 46, of Starke was arrested March 20 by Bradford deputies for resisting an officer and for disorderly conduct. According to the arrest report, Knowles was causing a disturbance by standing in the street, yelling at her neighbor and disrupting traffic. When the deputy arrived, Knowles refused to calm down and go inside her home as asked by the deputy. She was arrested, with bond set at \$1,000.

Tracy Charlene Lamb, 35, of Hampton was arrested March 23 by Bradford deputies for driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was set at \$500.

Nicole Carrie Larkin, 24, of Raiford was arrested March 19 by Bradford deputies for vehicle theft, possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana, and trafficking in opium or derivative. According to the arrest report Larkin was stopped near Melrose by a deputy for a traffic infraction. After calling in the tag to dispatch, it was discovered the vehicle she was driving was reported stolen out of Putnam County. A search of the vehicle turned up 3 grams of marijuana, a pill bottle with 39 pills of 5 mg Oxycodone, a bag with 4 pills of 15 mg Oxycodone, and 2 grams of crack cocaine. She was arrested and bond was set at \$140,000.

Corey C Levesque, 23, of Central Islip, NY was arrested March 23 by Lawtey police for possession of synthetic narcotics. Bond was set at \$2,500.

James Daniel Lewis, 19, of Melrose was arrested March 24 by Bradford deputies for probation violation.

Krystanna Marie Modlin, 29, of Palatka was arrested March 24 by Bradford deputies for probation violation. Bond was set at \$25,000.

Charlie Michael Mosley, 24, of Jacksonville was arrested March 21 by Bradford deputies for driving under the influence and for possession of drugs. According to the arrest report Mosley was observed driving erratically and pulled over in

Starke by the deputy. Mosley told the deputy he had been drinking at a local bar, and a pat down search revealed he had a container of pills that were Oxycontin. Mosley said he taken some of the pills too, and after field sobriety tests were administered by the deputy, he was arrested. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Tressen Keith Risby, 23, of Starke was arrested March 22 by Bradford deputies for probation violation.

Ariel David Rolon, 20, of Gainesville was arrested March 20 by Starke police for possession of marijuana and for possession of drug equipment. According to the arrest report Rolon was pulled over for an inoperative head light, and was acting nervous talking with the officer. The officer asked if he had anything illegal in the vehicle, such as weapons or drugs. Rolon said no, and refused consent for the officer to search the car. The officer then said he was going to check on the availability of a K-9 drug dog, at which time Rolon said he had marijuana in the center console. A black digital scale with marijuana residue was also found in the vehicle, and Rolon was arrested with bond set at \$3,000.

Jeffery Gerald Sellers, 33, of Lawtey was arrested March 21 by Bradford deputies for two charges of probation violation.

David Earl Tingle, 40, of Starke was arrested March 19 by Bradford deputies for probation violation.

Frank William Walker, 35, of Jacksonville was arrested March 22 by Starke police for battery, for driving without a valid license, and for an out of county warrant from Marion. According to the arrest report police were called to the gas station in front of Walmart about an altercation between a man and a woman. When police arrived, the vehicle had left headed north on Hwy 301, but the officer encountered the car in front of Sonny's after it suddenly stopped in the road and both adults exited. The couple, with three small children in the back, had continued arguing after Walker shoved her forcefully into the car at the gas station, according to the victim and another witness. He was arrested with bond set at \$2,910.

Tammy Lynn Weeks, 38, of Gibsonton was arrested March 24 by Starke police for possession of marijuana and possession of drug equipment. According to the arrest report Weeks was a passenger in a vehicle pulled over for a taillight not working, when the officer asked the operator of the vehicle if there was anything illegal inside. She replied no, but consented to the officer searching the vehicle. When he searched Weeks' purse, he found two plastic bags containing marijuana and a glass pipe used for smoking marijuana.

Chykanvia Brettne Williams, 20, of Lawtey was arrested March 23 by Starke police for criminal mischief-property damage. According to the arrest report Williams admitted to scratching an obscenity on the hood of her

ex-boyfriends vehicle during the night at the Southern Villas Apartment complex in Starke. Bond was set at \$500.

KEYSTONE/MELROSE

Craig Archie, 31, of Melrose was arrested March 19 by Clay deputies for trafficking in cannabis.

Deanna Biscardi, 43, of Keystone Heights was arrested March 21 by Clay deputies for eight counts of cruelty to animals. According to a sheriff's office report, a person who sold two horses to Biscardi and never received payment for the animals repossessed the horses from Biscardi's property in early March. The seller then complained to the sheriff's office that the horses were malnourished and had experienced significant weight loss. An investigator wrote in an affidavit that when he went to Biscardi's residence to question her, she was not home. "Six other horses were observed on her property and were in the same condition," wrote investigator Stacey Durham. "Very little food was available for three of the horses and no food was available for the other three." Durham wrote that he returned to the Keystone Heights-area seven days later. He wrote that the two horses that had been repossessed experienced considerable weight gain while "the six at D. Biscardi's residence had no food available and did not appear to have gained any weight."

Justin Carmichael, 19, of Keystone Heights was arrested March 22 by Clay deputies for vandalism over \$200 and possession of not more than 20 grams of cannabis.

Jamar Carter, 22, of Starke was arrested March 20 by Clay deputies for driving without a valid driver's license.

Jeffery Kash Clemons, 24, of Starke was arrested March 21 by Putnam deputies for DUI.

Michael Keith Parks, 36, of Lake Butler was arrested on a warrant March 20 by Union

deputies for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Elizabeth Kasey Croft, 21, of Lake Butler was arrested March 20 by Union deputies for battery and criminal mischief-property damage. According to the arrest report, the victim told deputies he was attempting to stop Croft from huffing on aerosol can to get high. He took the can from her and threw it in the woods, leading Croft to attack him, hitting him in the face, breaking his glasses and cutting him under his eye.

Nicholas Jordan Barefoot, 18, of Lake Butler was arrested March 19 by Union deputies for disorderly intoxication. According to the arrest report, a deputy spotted Barefoot stumbling on CR231 near the Kangaroo store. He stopped to question him, and due to his unintelligible remarks and condition, arrested him and transported him to jail.

Craig Andre Morgan, 18, of Lake Butler was arrested March 19 by Union deputies for sexual assault on 13-year old victim. According to the arrest report, the incident occurred during a party at a Worthington Springs residence on Friday, March 14 late at night. The incident also led to the arrest of Alexandria Marie Ridgeway, 33, of Worthington Springs, who was having the party that day. According to the arrest report, Ridgeway knew the 13-year old victim was drinking during the party, and she was later notified the victim was crying and went into the room and observed the victim and Morgan on the bed, but did not notify law enforcement. Ridgeway was charged with failure to report a crime-sexual assault, and a public order crime-accessory after the fact 2nd degree felony. Bond was set at \$35,000 for Ridgeway.

UNION

Eleanor Hinojosa Weeks, 70, of Lake Butler was arrested March 18 by the Florida Highway Patrol for driving under the influence with property damage. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Darrel Lee White, 21, was arrested on a warrant March 15 by Union deputies for failure to register as a sex offender and for failure to notify law enforcement of change of residence within 48 hours. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Marquita Catrice Williams, 30, of Lake Butler was arrested was arrested March 20 by Union deputies for petit theft. According to the arrest report, Williams was videoed shoplifting items at the Dollar General store in Worthington Springs.

Sandra Denise Parks, 37, of Lake Butler was arrested on a warrant March 20 by Union deputies for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Michael Keith Parks, 36, of Lake Butler was arrested on a warrant March 20 by Union

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ing approx. \$6,500. Call 904-607-6935 or 904-782-3088 located in MacClenny

50 FOR RENT

RENTAL HOME, DELIGHTFUL 2BR/1BA house. Shaded w/pecan trees, CH/A, storage shed, W/D hookups. 15484 21St. ave. (off Basset Rd.) Clay Electric utilities. Call 904-472-6256 or 904-384-8013.

WE HAVE 2 OR 3 bedroom MH, clean, close to prison. Call 352-468-1323

NICE MOBILE HOMES in Lake Butler & Starke 2 & 3 BR single wides, fenced. 2BR/2BA. Lakefront. Deposit required. Call 678-438-6828.

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LAKE BUTLER APARTMENTS, Accepting applications for HC and non-HC, 1,2,3, & 4 BR. Equal housing opportunity. 1005 SW 6th St. Lake Butler, 32054. TDD/TTY 711. Call 366-496-3141.

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SUITE OF OFFICES INCLUDES Kitchen, Shower, Washer Dryer. Downtown STARKE \$1000/MO. For information Call 904-364-9022.

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT starting at \$525 per month. Hidden Oaks, Lake Butler. Call 386-496-8111.

STARKE JUST REMODELED 1 Bedroom apartment. Large living room, ceramic tiled sit-down kitchen with appliances including dishwasher, ch/a, second floor, quiet neighborhood, lease, rent \$475, 1st, last, and security deposit of \$450 requested. Dixon Rentals 904-368-1133

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53 A YARD SALES

MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE. SAT MARCH 29 7:30AM In Country Club

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8AM-4PM 781 Glendale Street, Off 16 W. Clothes, furniture & household items.

HUGE ESTATE/YARD SALE Fri-Sun 8am-5pm.

1st house on the right past the Slab Fish Camp. 15338 SW 75th Ave Starke.

UNITED METHODIST WOMENS rummage sale. Friday & Saturday. Fellowship Hall. 8am-2pm on N Walnut Street Starke. Proceeds to Mission Projects.

GARAGE & YARD SALE

Multi family. Lot's of items. 10635 SE 49th Ave Starke. Follow signs.

MOVING SELLING EVERYTHING 11094 NW CR 225 Starke Fri and Sat 8am-3pm.

3 FAMILY FRI & SAT 8AM-? 307 S Church St. Adult, kids, and baby clothes. Workout equipment, kitchen stuff, furniture, lamps, tools, tv, toys & household items.

53 B KEYSTONE YARD SALES

ESTATE SALE Friday, Saturday & Sunday. March 28-30 8am-3pm. 6624 Woodland Drive Keystone Heights

57 FOR SALE

FOR SALE, due to illness, all good condition. Galion grader. 1995 Ferguson roller. 1989 Ford 350 Dualy diesel truck. 1996 Hallmark 8x16.5 ft. enclosed trailer. Equipment trailer. Tab saw, Wurlitzer-Melville-Clark spinet piano, Hammond spinet organ L-133 has LES LER speakers. Call 386-496-0683

SPRING SALE: Loveseat, 2 recliners, end tables and bedroom set. 904-625-3350

GUN SHOW APRIL 5TH & 6TH. Sat 9am-4pm, Sun 9am-3pm at the Baker County Fair Grounds, MacClenny. Admission \$6. CWP classes 10&1. Info Cliffhangers 386-325-6114

59 PERSONAL SERVICES

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CAR WASH: Shine Youth Group car wash at Tractor Supply. Sat 9am-?

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TEMPORARY FARM LABOR: Linda, Moseley Farms, Abbeville, AL, has 10 positions for cotton hauling, 3 mo. experience required for job duties listed; must be able to obtain driver's license within 30 days; hired workers may be required to take random drug tests at no cost to worker; testing positive or failure to comply may result in immediate termination from employment; tools, equipment, housing and daily transportation provided for employees who can't return home daily; trans & subsistence expenses reimb; \$10.00/hr, three-fourths work period guaranteed from 4/23/14-2/23/15. Apply at nearest FL Workforce Office with Job Order 1241306 or call 850-245-7105.

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NEW RIVER PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE: Teacher needed for basic computer classes. Post high school education and teaching experience desirable. Must have excellent knowledge of computer use and basic software programs.

Valid FL driver's license and clean driving record required. \$10.00, 6 hrs/week on Mon, Tues and Wed. Apply in person, New River Cooperative office, 110 N. Lake Ave.

PT STAFF NEEDED TO WORK W/ DISABLED CHILDREN in their home. \$8.50/hr, 1 hr. Exp. required must be able to pass Background Screening. Call 904-966-2100.

Lake Butler. Applications close on Mon, March 31, 4pm.

LIBRARY TEEN AND Tween programming person needed for the Bradford County Public Library. This is a full time, entry-level position, \$10.00 per hour.

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RETAIL SALES/CASHIER position available, apply at Gator II Farm Supply, South of Starke on Hwy 301. HS Diploma required.

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HERRES

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muscle.

She started dieting, concentrating on eating a lot of fruits and vegetables, salads and tuna, while trying to avoid most meats and red meat specifically. She drinks water only.

The first eight to 10 months were tough, Herres said, especially considering she was used to taking in protein because of her workout regimen.

"Now, I was doing the opposite," she said.

Of course, Herres has had to deal with people's stereotypes of models in regard to their bodies and how thin they are, but she insists she and other models are healthy.

"That's just our body type," Herres said.

Herres said the peak ages for a model are between 18 and 25, saying that when you reach 25, "they consider you old."

Some women may have a longer career of modeling if they sign with specific designers or go into acting. Herres said she's keeping an open mind, but really has no desire to be an actor.

What she would like to do if she is indeed done modeling at 25 is to go to the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York, go through a business management program and open her own agency. Herres said her grandparents have encouraged such a move as well as serving as a mentor to girls.

Herres said she does enjoy interacting with younger girls and talking to them about the industry, so she would embrace the role of a mentor.

"I really like being a role model for other people," she said.

Though she dresses up to walk runways, Herres said she still enjoys going outside, playing sports and getting dirty. She's still a tomboy.

"I just know how to dress like a lady now," she said.

I'd rather regret the things I've done than regret the things I haven't done.

Lucille Ball

It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see.

Henry David Thoreau

When written in Chinese, the word 'crisis' is composed of two characters. One represents danger and the other represents opportunity.

John F. Kennedy

We should not judge people by their peak of excellence; but by the distance they have traveled from the point where they started.

Henry Ward Beecher

The doorstep to the temple of wisdom is a knowledge of our own ignorance.

Benjamin Franklin

It requires wisdom to understand wisdom: the music is nothing if the audience is deaf.

Walter Lippmann

I believe that we are solely responsible for our choices, and we have to accept the consequences of every deed, word, and thought throughout our lifetime.

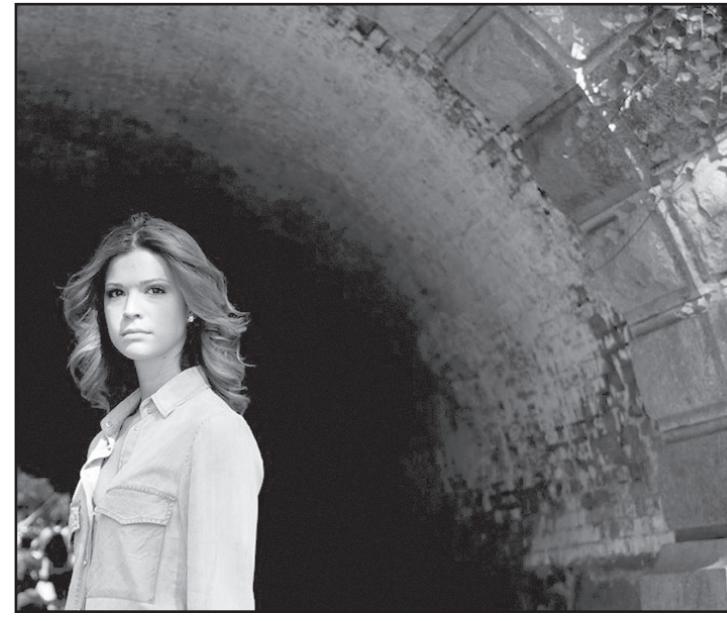
Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

The young man knows the rules, but the old man knows the exceptions.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

Knowledge is proud that it knows so much; wisdom is humble that it knows no more.

William Cowper



Mikaela Herres is pictured during a recent photo shoot in New York's Central Park.

FINS

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Ministries meeting, featuring profession fisherman Jeff Fitts, 7 p.m. at the Starke Golf and Country Club;

- April 3-6, Florida State Championship in shooting clays, Bradford Sportsmen's Farm.

If you have a story, idea or photo to share, please contact Mickey Agner via email at mka@maoutdoors.com, or by phone at 904-964-1488. Photos may also be submitted in person at the Bradford County Telegraph, Union County Times or Lake Region Monitor.



Clint Jackson and Jason McCullough took first place at the Murphy's Law Relay for Life Bass Tournament.

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