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Hazardous cargo - by rail, road and river

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

Every four minutes a truck carrying hazardous materials travels I-95 through Nassau County. Officials counted.

The Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC), which keeps an eye on hazardous substances for seven counties in Northeast Florida and helps plan the local emergency response for hazmat incidents, sent staffers out to the highway last year with clickers.

They looked for diamond-shaped placards on the sides of trucks that are required by the U.S. Department of Transportation for vehicles hauling hazardous materials. Emergency responders have to know what they're dealing with should there be an incident, so the federal government requires markings.

The workers also looked at the shape of the trucks. Cylinders often mean that something dangerous is on board, but it can also be milk or molasses, according to the LEPC.

As the trucks went by, staffers clicked their counters like participants in a version of the "I Spy..." travel game once popular with kids on long car rides.

The LEPC workers also counted trucks with hazardous materials along roadways in Duval, Clay, St. Johns, Baker, Flagler and Putnam counties, also included in Northeast Florida's District 4.

Here's what they concluded: "Transportation of hazardous materials ... is present in every community. The vast majority move safely, however, the threat of hazardous incidents remains significant due to the large impact on the environment."

They wrote up the findings for the 2013-14 Hazardous Materials Response Plan.

The transportation of dangerous chemicals on the interstate also concerns local officials.

"I-95 is a major concern," said the county's Emergency Operations Director Billy Estep. "You don't want to take a hysterical point of view, but you have to plan."

He said the county is planning for hazmat emergencies and that he has asked for money in his department budget for fiscal 2014-15. The EOC became part of the Nassau County Sheriff's Office, as of July 1.

Estep would not say how much he requested since the budget is still under consideration by the county commission. The new fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

"We always need more resources, but it will be up to the public and elected officials," said Estep.

LEPC Regional Planner Eric Anderson agreed. "Funding is everything," said Anderson.

Anderson said the region has three primary hazmat response teams, including Duval, Clay and St. Johns counties. But, he said, the St. Johns team will be eliminated later this year because of funding.

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced a \$20 million grant earlier this month to help all 50 states, U.S. territories and Native American tribal areas plan for hazardous material spills.



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Shān Lipinski, 40, swings her 15-month-old daughter Lyra under the shade of a live oak tree. Behind them are railcars heading to the paper mills where more than one million pounds each of anhydrous ammonia, chorine and sulfuric acid are stored on any given day. Lipinski said her father worked for Rayonier for more than 40 years. "We were instructed as children not to complain about the mills because that's what puts clothes on your back and food on the table," said Lipinski. "No one ever talked about how many chemicals they had. I guess I probably don't worry about it. I hope for the best."

Information on the DOT website said that Florida is expected to receive \$808,362 for its 67 counties. Puerto Rico is scheduled to receive \$65,000 and Florida's Seminole Tribe is slated for \$144,000.

The money is raised through fees collected for certain hazardous materials, though they don't mention which ones.

The money is distributed by the Pipeline Hazardous Safety Administration (PHSA).

According to the PHSA website, there are 2.6 million miles of pipeline in the country and nearly one million daily shipments of hazardous materials make their way around the U.S. by land, sea and air.

This transportation network includes Nassau County.

"The threat is out there and most people can't fathom that something could happen in their neighborhood," said LEPC's Anderson.

Nassau County Fire Rescue is responsible for emergency response at the local level, and Chief Matt Graves understands the potential for danger.

"Some nasty, nasty chemicals pass through here. We know that," said Graves in an interview last week.

"We know the threat is out there and we train, we're working on equipment and we certified firefighters in hazardous materials response."

The department has interlocal agreements with neighboring counties, including Duval in Florida and Camden County in Georgia, and Graves said they would be called if help is needed.

Fortunately, there has not been a significant event in Nassau County. And the trucks and trains hauling hazardous materials around the community largely slip by anonymously without arousing the least bit of public concern or notice.

Consider. Around 3 p.m. last Thursday, a tanker truck sat for the red light at South Eighth Street where it intersects with Beech Street. A diamond placard with the number 1719 marked the truck.

This number means the truck is hauling a load so

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'Bad stuff' listed

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More than 60 companies in Nassau County report having hazardous materials on site, according to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for hazardous materials based in Jacksonville.

Facilities are required to report annually to the federal government what they have, how much they have, where they store it and who is in charge of keeping it safe, said LEPC Regional Planner Eric Anderson.

The LEPC keeps the list and it is public information.

"I think everyone in Fernandina Beach knows that there are paper mills, but they probably don't know what's there," said Anderson. "I think they'd be surprised."

Consider sulfuric acid. Anderson said that storing anything over 1,000 pounds is "extremely dangerous."

RockTenn stores more than 1.7 million pounds of sulfuric acid and Rayonier almost 500,000 pounds of the toxic chemical at their facilities in Fernandina.

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Traffic jams delayed

MICHAEL PARNELL
News-Leader

The traffic jams that plagued motorists on A1A trying to get onto Amelia Island on Wednesday may return as utilities crews continue work next Wednesday and Thursday.

The work was rescheduled, though, to enable Labor Day weekend visitors to avoid disruption. The work was originally scheduled for today and Tuesday, but postponed after consideration.

The Florida Department of Transportation said there would be eastbound lane closures on A1A at Friendly Road just east of the Shave bridge from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday to transfer utility poles. Flaggers will direct traffic.

Florida Public Utilities is installing concrete poles in select locations on the island as part of a storm-hardening project to limit power outages in the event of tropical storms.

That didn't sway some motorists.

"I hope you will have a major story in Friday's edition on the huge, needless traffic jam yesterday caused by the utility company installing a new pole on Eighth Street," wrote Joe Anderson, who described himself as "a loyal reader for 17 years."

"This was not a minor delay. It lasted from early Wednesday morning until 1:30 in the afternoon. It caused delays of up to an hour for thousands of people traveling (A1A/SR 200) over

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Bartley family faults report

ANGELA DAUGHTRY
News-Leader

Ray Bartley Jr. said Tuesday he was surprised at the ruling this week by the State Attorney's Office that a Nassau County deputy was justified in shooting his younger brother in February.

Anthony Bartley, 21, of Fernandina Beach was shot Feb. 10 in the North Hampton subdivision in Yulee after he reportedly continued to attack Deputy Bill Quick after the officer attempted to subdue him with a stun gun.

The younger Bartley had been found running around the neighborhood shoeless, shirtless and unarmed, but bloodied from breaking windows, banging on doors and trying to climb onto cars, according to reports.

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Bartley

Is county prepared for emergency?

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

Is Nassau County prepared for a hazmat emergency?

"We're as prepared as we can be," said Nassau County Fire Rescue Chief Matt Graves. "Our people are trained and we have mutual aid agreements with surrounding counties so we wouldn't go it alone."

Graves said 15 firefighters are certified to handle hazmat incidents. He said the team organized about a year ago and trained for the first time in April.

These first responders, said Graves, are the people who will respond to a chemical disaster when everyone else is running away.

"And we hope we never have to respond," said Graves.

The chief said equipment for the hazmat response team was given to

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FIRE CHIEF MATT GRAVES

the county by the city of Jacksonville through a special grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) known as the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). This program helps state and local government agencies fund emergency preparedness.

The money paid for five decontamination trailers at \$35,679 each and a Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) trailer at \$86,989, according to Fire Rescue officials.

The county received one of each at no charge but is responsible for main-

tenance, say officials.

The decontamination trailer includes an inflatable decontamination shelter and a kiddie pool.

"That little pool works great because people can stand in it and be washed off and we can collect the water without contaminating the ground," said Mike Sadler, who handles logistics for Nassau County Fire Rescue. He served as chief for the Hilliard volunteer fire department from 2003 to 2008.

Sadler said a company specializing in handling hazardous wastewater

would be hired for disposal.

The inflatable building has compartments for undressing, washing, rinsing and dressing. Supplies include plastic suits and booties.

"We have supplies for 100 people," said Sadler.

The MCI trailer has a wide range of supplies to help with mitigation as well as medical issues, including generators, oxygen tanks, cots, stretchers, IV bags, towels, lights, machetes, ponchos, tarps, tags, a megaphone, gloves and strobe lights to help land a helicopter.

Sadler said officials are talking about bringing the MCI trailer to the Backwoods Country Jam festival to be held Sept. 27 at the Callahan Motor Speedway.

"That may be an opportunity to try this out," said Sadler. "Thousands of people are expected and this is also a first-aid station on a large scale."

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OBITUARIES

Barbara Ann Alexander Gray

Barbara Ann Alexander Gray, 83, Fernandina Beach, passed away August 27, 2014, at the Jane and Bill Warner Center for Caring/Northeast Florida Community Hospice in Fernandina Beach, Florida.

Barbara was born in Savannah, Georgia, on December 29, 1930, to Kermit Alexander and Helen Harn Alexander. She graduated from St. Vincent's Academy and attended Armstrong State University in Savannah. In 1950, she married Robert E. Gray and after the birth of their first child, the young family moved to Fernandina where two more children were welcomed.

While raising her family, Barbara was involved in many community activities. She helped start the Humphreys Memorial Hospital's Women's Auxiliary and was a long-time member of the Magnolia Garden Club. Barbara held many positions and offices while working for years in the GFWC Woman's Club of Fernandina Beach and the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) of Fernandina Beach. She belonged to several bridge clubs and a Mahjong group, gathering each week for games and fun. Recently she had joined the Silver Sneakers of the local YMCA.

Barbara's hobbies included cooking, floral arranging, sewing, and other crafts. One of her most memorable jobs was working at Dottie B's Florist. Her great passions were her family and friends. She showed her love in many ways but especially by cooking everybody's favorite dishes just as they liked them and always making sure to remember everyone she knew on every holiday.

Barbara was predeceased by her parents and her husband, Bob.

She is survived by her children, Robert E. Gray, Jr. (Alice); David C. Gray; and Helen Gray Edenfield (Ron); her former daughter-in-law, Sara K. Dixon (Jerry); her grandchildren, Amy-Katherine Gray (Joshua Roberts); Gray Edenfield; Aryn Alexis Edenfield (Joseph DiPietri-Antonio); and Kimberly Clemons (John); her great-grandchildren Johanne and Kate Marie Poulsen; her brother, James H. Cook (Jeanne); a sister and several nieces and nephews.

Barbara was a truly special and caring Southern Lady; she touched the lives of so many people and shared her love and knowledge with all who met her. She will truly be missed but always lovingly remembered by us all.

The family welcomes you to her visitation today, Friday, August 29, 2014, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, in the Burgess Chapel of Oxley-Heard

Funeral Home and also to her memorial service on Saturday afternoon, August 30, 2014, at 3:00 PM, at Oxley-Heard.

A private Interment will occur at a later date.

In lieu of food and flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Northeast Florida Community Hospice Foundation, the GFWC Woman's Club of Fernandina Beach, or the Nassau Humane Society.

Please share her life story and leave condolences at www.oxleyheard.com.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Rev. Neil Irvin Gray

A memorial service to celebrate and give thanks for the life of the Rev. Neil Irvin Gray will be held Saturday, August 30, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Fernandina Beach, Florida, where he was rector emeritus.

All who remember him or his legacy are warmly welcomed to this occasion of appreciation for his life.

A reception in the parish hall will follow the service.

Beaches Chapel by Hardage Giddens Jacksonville Beach

Richard Miller

Mr. Richard "Dick" Miller, age 64, of Fernandina Beach and formally of Lehigh, PA, passed away Wednesday morning, August 27, 2014 at Baptist Medical Center in Jacksonville, FL.

Mr. Miller was born on September 29, 1949 in Canandaigua, NY, the son of the late Robert and Marie Bugbee Miller. He was a graduate of Mynrdse Academy in Seneca Falls, NY. He attended Forestry School in New York. Mr. Miller served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and remained in the Reserves until his full honorable discharge in 1977.

He worked as Superintendent at Nyleve Bridge Corporation, overseeing the construction of highway bridges in the state of New York. Mr. Miller retired in 2012 and along with his wife came to Fernandina Beach to enjoy his retirement. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, downhill skiing and country dancing.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Todd Miller, and by his son, Michael Miller, in 2012.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 41 years, Andrea Miller of Fernandina Beach, FL, his son Richard A. Miller, also of Fernandina Beach, FL. His brothers, Robert Miller, Jr. and his wife, Sandy, and Tom Miller, both of Hot Springs, AR, Charlie Pendell

and his wife, Anita, of Fernandina Beach, FL. His sister Sue Meca and her husband, Pete, of Mathews, NC. One grandson, Damien Miller of Palmerton, PA.

He will be laid to rest beside his son Michael in Dinky Memorial Cemetery in Ashfield, PA.

If so desired, memorials may be made in his name to the Wounded Warriors Foundation, 4899 Belfort Rd #300, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

Please share his life story and leave condolences at www.oxleyheard.com.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Fermiond Carlis Smith

Mr. Fermiond Smith, age 60, formerly a resident of Fernandina Beach, was called home on Friday, August 8th, 2014.

As a young man he entered the U.S. Army where he served for four years. After his commitment in the armed services, he was honorably discharged. He worked at International Paper in Georgetown, South Carolina, where he enjoyed his trade of being a millwright.

In his spare time he enjoyed gardening, working on cars and fishing most of all.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George C. and Wordia Mea Smith, sisters Anne Smith Brown and Faye Smith Rayburn, and brother Jimmy Lee Smith.

He leaves behind son and daughter-in-law, George C. and Anna Smith, grandchildren Ella and Elijah, Milka Smith, mother of George C. Smith, brother George D. Smith of Fernandina Beach, FL, sisters Dorothy Smith Harvey of Savannah, GA, Ladine Smith Wulf of Mims, FL, Donna Smith Johnson of Savannah, GA, and Sandra Smith Tudor of Newborn, GA, and many nieces, nephews and great friends.



DEATH NOTICES

Roger V. Carter, 79, Yulee, died on Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2014. A celebration of his life will be held today, Friday, Aug. 29, at 6 p.m. at Peters Point beach access.

Eternity Funeral Homes & Cremations-Nassau

Emma Fulcher, 81, Fernandina Beach, died on Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2014.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Ms. Falana Deval Peterson, 38, Savannah, Ga., formerly of Fernandina Beach, died on Monday, Aug. 18, 2014. Funeral services will be at noon on Saturday, Aug. 30 at First Assembly of God of Fernandina Beach.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

AAA warns: Attention is key to safe driving

TAMPA – AAA is warning drivers to avoid any activities that divert attention from the primary driving task. Any distractions could endanger a driver, passengers, or others sharing the road, such as bicyclists or pedestrians.

"While we've made substantial progress in the past few years by raising awareness about risky driving behaviors, the simple fact is that distraction continues to be a significant contributing factor to deaths and injuries on our roadways," said AAA Traffic Safety manager John Pecchio. "We all should take personal responsibility for focusing on driving rather than on dangerous distractions."

Distractions are responsible for vehicle crashes leading to more than 3,000 deaths and 387,000 injuries in 2011, according to the most recent data provided by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Driving distractions come in all forms. A few examples:

- Texting
- Using a handheld or hands-free cell phone
- Conversing with passengers
- Eating/drinking
- Using a navigation system (GPS)
- Personal grooming

The use of electronic devices is among the most well-known and common source of distraction for drivers. Text messaging behind the wheel is one of the riskiest things a driver can do as it involves manual, visual and mental distraction simultaneously. Any kind of cell phone use can be risky. There is a public misperception that using a hands-free cell phone reduces risk but research states otherwise.

"The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety completed groundbreaking research last year finding that mental distraction by itself dangerously affects drivers behind the wheel," said Pecchio. "The research showed that hands-free features, increasingly common in new vehicles, are actually among the most mentally distracting. Just because a drivers' eyes are on the road and hands are on the wheel does not mean that they are safely focusing on driving."

Here are AAA's top 10 tips to avoid distractions while driving

10. Fully focus on driving and do not let anything divert your attention. Actively scan the road, use your mirrors and watch out for pedestrians and cyclists.

9. Store loose gear, possessions and other distractions that could roll around in the car, so you do not feel tempted to reach for them on the floor or the seat.

8. Make adjustments before your drive. Address vehicle systems like your GPS, seats, mirrors, climate controls and sound systems before hitting the road. Decide on your route and check traffic conditions ahead of time.

7. Finish dressing and personal grooming at home – before you get on the road.

6. Snack smart. If possible, eat meals or snacks before or after your trip, not while driving. On the road, avoid messy foods that can be difficult to manage.

5. Secure children and pets before getting under way. If they need your attention, pull off the road safely to care for them.

4. Don't use cell phones while driving – handheld or hands-free – except in absolute emergencies. Never use text messaging, email functions, video games or the Internet with a wireless device, including those built into the vehicle, while driving.

3. If you have passengers, enlist their help so you can focus safely on driving.

2. If another activity demands your attention, pull off the road and stop your vehicle in a safe place.

1. As a general rule, if you cannot devote your full attention to driving because of some other activity, it's a distraction. Take care of it before or after your trip, not while behind the wheel.



WEEKLY UPDATE

NAMI course

The Nassau County affiliate of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is hosting a free 5-week course for individuals experiencing symptoms of a mental/behavioral health related diagnosis. The classes will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Council on Aging building across from Baptist Nassau Medical Center in Fernandina Beach. The classes begin on Sept. 17 and end on Oct. 17. Materials for the course will be provided free of charge. For information call 277-1886.

Gun courses

Gary W. Belson Associates Inc. will hold a concealed weapon license course at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Aug. 30. A basic with defensive tactics course will be held at 9 a.m. on Sept. 20 and 27. For details and additional classes and information, contact Belson at 491-8358, (904) 476-2037 or gbelson@bellsouth.net. Visit www.TheBelsonGroup.com.

Libraries closed

The Nassau County Library System will be closed on Monday, Sept. 1 for the Labor Day holiday. Book drops will remain open.

Free yoga

In recognition of National Yoga Month and to promote good physical and mental health, Y Yoga Inc. is offering free yoga and meditation classes Sept. 1-8 at its studio at Gateway to Amelia. For information and schedules call 415-9642 or visit www.yyoga.com.

iPad raffle

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 54 is raffling two iPad Minis (16G each), with a separate drawing for each Mini. Tickets are a \$1 donation each. The drawing will be held on Sept. 3 at 7 p.m. during Roadkill Bingo. See the bartender or an auxiliary member for tickets. Post 54 is located at 626 S. Third St.

Model boat sail

A radio controlled model boat fun sail and exhibition will be held Sept. 6 from 10 a.m. to noon at Amelia Island Plantation. All model boats welcome, working or static, finished or not, except gas powered. Spectators, including supervised children, especially welcome. Call Hal Mather at 261-6420 for details and to arrange for a pass at the security gate.

Walkin' Nassau

Join Walkin' Nassau on Sept. 9 at 5:30 p.m. for a new twist on an old favorite as they walk through American Beach and then conclude with a beach walk and short turtle watch talk by Sandra Baker-Hinton. Learn a bit of local history while walking American Beach but also learn about how island residents assist the turtles – something unique that you can't see everywhere.

Meet in the Burney Park parking lot off Burney Road. Take First Coast Highway south towards the Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort, turn left on Burney Road and then right into the parking lot. For information and to RSVP contact Jane

Bailey at dnjbailey@mind-spring.com.

Speedway fundraiser

Autobahn Indoor Speedway indoor go-kart facility in Jacksonville will host a fundraiser Sept. 10 from 3-10 p.m. to benefit the Armed Forces Foundation (AFF) and Combat2College (C2C). Military service members, veterans and dependents may register to win the grand prize of a trip to Birmingham/Talladega in October including two week-end passes to the Geico 500 – NASCAR Sprint Cup Series at Talladega Speedway. Other prizes will be available to all attendees. Also enjoy racing, raffle prizes and food by local vendors.

Autobahn Indoor Speedway will donate 50 percent of all racing revenue Sept. 10 to the Armed Forces Foundation, which offers assistance to active-duty and retired military personnel, National Guardsmen, Reservists and military families, and to Combat2College, which provides academic and social opportunities, as well as support services for veterans and active service members. For details visit www.autobahnsspeedway.com/jacksonville-fl-indoor-go-karts.

Prostate cancer support

Men Helping Men, a prostate cancer educational support program, will meet Sept. 11 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the conference room at Baptist Medical Center Nassau, 1250 South 18th St. Dr. Kenneth Son, board certified urologist, will address general questions regarding prostate cancer. Please RSVP by Sept. 5 to 277-2700 or email Jennifer@FirstCoastOncology.com.

Heart Walk

The First Coast Heart Walk will take place Sept. 20 at Metropolitan Park in downtown Jacksonville. Opening ceremonies and festivities begin at 8 a.m. and the walk at 9 a.m. The walk is free and open to the public. For information and to register visit www.FirstCoastHeartWalk.org or call (904) 256-5721.

The non-competitive, 3.6-mile walk raises funds to support heart disease and stroke research and educational programs in the First Coast area. Brisk walking for as little as 30 minutes a day provides increased energy and circulation.

Healthy living seminar

Registered Dietitian Michele Manzie will teach you the facts about all the fad diets at a Healthy Living Seminar, Sept. 23 at 10 a.m. and at 6 p.m. at the Osprey Village Fitness Center, 48 Osprey Village Drive.

Learn to eat the healthy way from an expert in the field. Manzie will also be available for individual consulting. Nationally certified personal trainer Carol Rossmiehl will discuss proper exercise and provide tips on maintaining a well-balanced, strong and healthy body. Fee is \$15. Must pre-register to attend. Call 557-8542 or email across@com-cast.net.

Food management course offered

The ServSafe Food Manager Certification training is offered through the University of Florida Nassau County Extension Office. It provides comprehensive training that contains the most up-to-date information and current regulations.

Upon successful completion of the training, participants will receive a Certificate of Achievement from the University of Florida Food Safety and Quality Program. Once participants pass the ServSafe manager's exam, they will receive a national certification valid for five years (certificates/exam results will be sent out approximately two weeks after the exam).

The ServSafe curriculum and manager's exam are developed by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation. Certification is required in Florida for food managers of all establishments licensed by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and selected licensees of the

Department of Health.

As a nonprofit educational program, the Extension office is committed to offering the best price possible for the course. Below is a summary of its prices:

- Training and exam: \$110
- Training, exam and ServSafe manager sixth edition textbook: \$165
- Retest: \$75

Training classes are one day, starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. The test is administered during the latter half of the day. The maximum time allowed to take the test is three hours.

The Extension does not offer a "test only" option. Locations do not accept registration or textbooks payments.

The next training date in Nassau County is Sept. 19, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Peck Center reception room, 516 South 10th St., Fernandina Beach. To register contact Shannon at UF at 1-888-232-8723. For directions contact Meg McAlpine at 491-7340.



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BARTLEY

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Bartley's mother, Joann Jenkins of Fernandina Beach, said she was too distraught to read about the State Attorney's recent ruling, but she did listen to a 9-1-1 call released by the Nassau County Sheriff's Office.

"When Anthony got killed, all I saw was red," Jenkins said. "I didn't want to be at the house, I just wanted to be at work all the time."

"I was like, 'Wow,'" Ray Bartley Jr. said of the ruling released Monday afternoon by the sheriff's office along with other documents in the case.

"(Quick) shouldn't have got off that easy and that quick. Something should be done about it."

Quick, who joined the Nassau County Sheriff's Office in 2003 as a corrections officer, was put on mandatory leave of absence after the shooting and returned to work full-time two and a half weeks later.

According to documents released by the sheriff's office, Bartley had spent the night with a woman who lived in the neighborhood and broken a window in her house. She called 9-1-1, as did seven neighbors as Bartley moved down the street. After the deputy arrived 17 minutes after the first call, he tried to stun Bartley twice, but the young man recovered, punched the deputy with closed fists and told Quick "you're going to have to kill me," reports said.

"I listened to the 9-1-1 calls (from the time of the shooting)," Ray Bartley Jr. said. "The first one doesn't sound right. She was calm and collected. ... I just want to know who the girl is."

None of the callers was identified by the Nassau County Sheriff's Office, which cited state law that allows those names to be withheld when emergency services are requested.

The first caller told the dispatcher Bartley had punched holes in her walls and pushed her into a window. "His name is Anthony. I don't know his last name," the woman told police. She later told police Bartley had become agitated after apparently ingesting a drug in a rolled-up dollar bill during the night. An autopsy found cocaine and marijuana in his system.

Bartley had a police record that included a conviction for selling cocaine, for which he served jail time, as well as several juvenile offenses. But according to his brother Ray, 31, Anthony was trying to get back on the right track.

"I know my brother like the back of my hand," Ray Bartley Jr. said. "He had been in trouble but he was older and trying to get

right."

"I just don't understand it," he said. "A lot of black kids are getting killed by police, and they're unarmed. It's crazy."

"It don't make sense," Ray Bartley Jr. said. "The police don't care. It's just another kid gone, and they don't have to worry about it any more."

Ray Bartley Jr. is living in the house on Beech Street where his brother had been living before he died, with Anthony Bartley's mother. Although the brothers have the same father, Ray's mother died in 2008.

"I listened to the girl's 9-1-1 call," Jenkins said. "She sounded way too calm after Anthony pushed her through some glass."

"I don't know what happened at the girl's house," Jenkins said. "Anthony had \$300 when he left the house Sunday night. Maybe she took the money and he flipped."

"I don't see Anthony saying nothing like 'kill me,' or lunging at a police officer," Jenkins said. "Anthony was not crazy. My thing is, the police can say anything and he can't speak up for himself. I don't much trust any policemen. It's bad when you're scared of someone that's supposed to protect and serve you."

"If Anthony's in the right, God will fight for us," Jenkins said. "God has kept me above water with this whole thing."

"I'm very displeased with the whole situation," said Ray Bartley Sr., father of Anthony, on Wednesday. "How come they used a Taser, and the Taser didn't bring him down? The first time, they said the Taser didn't work. The point is, I'm disgusted. To tell you the truth, I don't believe none of it."

"All this time went by, and none of this came up about him attacking somebody," said Ray Sr., also of Fernandina Beach. "There's something wrong with that picture, him being shot so many times."

Bartley was pronounced dead at the scene Feb. 10. The autopsy revealed he was shot four or five times.

"He knew he was going to die young," Jenkins said. "He made up with everybody that weekend (before he was killed). He wrote his girlfriend in a letter, 'I'm going to be ready, I'm going to be prepared, I'm not going to be scared.'"

"I'm trusting in God that the truth will come out," Ray Sr. said. "He was getting his life together and doing good. It hurt me the way they handled the whole thing."

Bartley was the father of a two-year-old son, and was working as a prep cook at a restaurant in downtown Fernandina Beach at the time he died.

Election results official Monday

KATHIE COLGROVE
Community Newspapers

Official election results are expected to be certified Monday showing that George Spicer ousted Nassau County Commissioner Barry Holloway in Tuesday's election.

Unofficial results showed Spicer winning the District 4 race by 179 votes. Spicer captured 5,331 votes to Holloway's 5,152 votes.

That is not close enough to require a recount, Supervisor of Elections Vicki Cannon said. That would require the margin to be one-half of a percent or less.

"I thank the voters of Nassau County for choosing me as the Nassau County Commissioner of District 4. Nassau County is a winner," Spicer said via telephone Tuesday night. "I thank the voters and I look forward to moving Nassau County forward and getting out of debt, staying out debt and paying as we go."

Spicer shares that view



Kelley Spicer

with Commissioner Steve Kelley, who won his Republican primary election battle with former commissioner Mike Boyle. Kelley ousted Boyle from the seat four years ago.

This time Kelley won with 4,267 votes to Boyle's 3,374 votes. Kelley faces write-in candidate Eugene Alley in November.

Spicer will assume Holloway's seat since there are no Democrats or write-in candidates on the November ballot. Both Spicer and Holloway are Republicans.

A total of 11,122 ballots were cast in Nassau County, about 20 percent of the 55,166

registered voters.

According to results by precinct, Holloway was favored on the East Side while Spicer received more votes at most West Side voting precincts.

The exception was ballots cast at the Bryceville Community Center, where Holloway received 312 votes to Spicer's 261. Holloway lives in Bryceville, Spicer in Callahan.

The winner of the Circuit Court Judge Fourth Judicial Circuit, Group 27 seat is Anthony Michael Sharrit. He received 75 percent of the vote over Anthony Penoso.

Running unopposed for the Nassau County School Board in November are District 1 representative Donna Martin and District 5 representative Kathy Burns. Jamie Deonas will fill the District 3 post, currently held by School Board member Amanda Young, who did not seek reelection.

Also running unopposed in the Ocean, Highway and Port Authority race are incumbents Carrol Franklin, Adam

Salzburg and Ron Braddock.

Incumbents remaining on the Soil and Water Conservation District are Dean Woehrlle, Richard Bonner, Halston Nelson and Joe Johnson.

Current Republican Gov. Rick Scott will face former governor and now Democrat Charlie Crist in November.

U.S. Rep. Ander Crenshaw defeated Ryman Shoaf in the Republican primary. He received 70.95 percent of the vote and faces independents Gary Koniz and Paula Moser-Bartlett, as well as a write-in candidate in November in the congressional race.

Democrat George Sheldon received 60.66 percent of the votes over Perry Thurston in the Democratic primary and will face Republican incumbent Pam Biondi and Libertarian Bill Wohlsifer for the state attorney general seat in November.

For the general election, early voting will be held from Oct. 21 through Nov. 1. Election Day is Nov. 4.

School Board buys church property

KATHIE COLGROVE
Community Newspapers

The Nassau County School Board has purchased the former Callahan Church of God property across the street from West Nassau High School.

The board voted unanimously to approve the \$350,000 purchase of the building and the parsonage Aug. 14. It will be utilized to further the adult education program as it has previously.

Building modifications are not planned immediately, according to Sharyl Wood, executive director of administrative services.

"For the part we're using, some facility modifications had been done prior to the time we started using it," she said "At the present time, we don't have any specific plans to renovate or remodel the property. Not saying that we won't in the future, but just

not at the moment."

Adult education classes have been held at the property for several years. Most recently, a portion of the building has hosted gospel concerts.

The church building is 6,748 total square feet. The parsonage is 2,404 square feet.

"Up to now, we have been paying rent for use of the fellowship hall and former Sunday school classrooms, but not the parsonage or the sanctuary, which were rented by other parties," Wood said. "This is an ideal location for the program, near West Nassau (High School), but not actually on the campus. The property is adjacent to the WNHS campus across the street."



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the bridge onto the island. The backup went for several miles west of the bridge ...

"All unnecessary. All because the utility company decided it was more convenient for THEM to install a pole during daytime hours, instead of at night when the public would have not been inconvenienced."

Anderson's ire was echoed by numerous workers trying to get to their island jobs from their off-island homes on Wednesday morning, and from distraught local residents who made the mistake of running an errand off the island at lunchtime

Wednesday only to find their returns lasting as much as an hour as traffic backed up into Yulee.

Anderson noted FPU has requested an electricity rate increase, making the inconvenience "especially crazy at a time when the utility company is courting favor with the public, so they can push through a big rate increase."

"What city or county official gave the utility company permission to do this?"

"Who made this idiotic decision? Someone should be held accountable, because there are lots more poles to be installed, and we do not want this to happen again."

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Rayonier 'a good steward of safety'

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

Rayonier has had an excellent safety record since it opened its facility in Fernandina Beach in 1939.

The company, now known as Rayonier Advanced Materials, is not without incident.

Rayonier reported the release of sulfuric acid in 2009 at its Fernandina Beach facility.

The chemical is extremely dangerous. In small amounts it is a powerful irritant. In large amounts it can be deadly.

The company's Director of Communications Russell Schweiss said in an interview that the release happened after a hose valve on a rail car malfunctioned.

He said the release happened for one minute and that 118 pounds of sulfuric acid was released into the atmosphere. He said a worker closed the valve manually.

'I'm not minimizing the risk... (but) these are some of the most common materials used across a wide range of industries. The hazards are well understood.'

RUSSELL SCHWEISS
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, RAYONIER

"To my knowledge no one was injured," said Schweiss.

Facilities that use and store hazardous materials, such as Rayonier, are required to report what chemicals they have and how much they use to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). They also have to disclose incidents and emergency response. They do not have to report the information to local authorities.

Schweiss said the company's in-house team of emergency responders handled this situation on its own and did not

need help from the Fernandina Beach Fire Department.

He said the company holds annual simulation drills with city and county emergency responders and that the company recently completed a joint drill.

"We did it a couple of weeks ago," said Schweiss.

Schweiss said the facility operates 24/7 and that the company maintains equipment and has its own team of emergency responders to deal with hazmat situations.

He said the 45-member

team includes full-time and hourly workers that have other jobs when they're not handling emergency response.

"The team includes hourly workforce to degreed engineers," said Schweiss.

He said 300 people work at the facility.

The company has reported to federal officials that it has 1,444,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia; 1,080,000 pounds of chlorine, 1,080,000 pounds of sulfur dioxide and 445,000 pounds of sulfuric acid.

"It's important to understand that's the maximum that is on site," he said.

Schweiss acknowledged that these are significant quantities. He said that they are widely used.

"These are some of the most common materials used across a wide range of industries," said Schweiss. "The hazards are well understood."

Schweiss points out that there is a facility in Tampa that

handles more than two million tons of anhydrous ammonia per year.

"The point of telling you that is that these are not uncommon (chemicals) and (they) have established safety protocols," said Schweiss. "I'm not minimizing the risk."

Schweiss said the company continually updates its safety training protocols and maintains its equipment to the highest standard.

He said the mill manager's Monday morning meeting starts with safety because it is a high priority. He said safety messages are posted throughout the facility.

"We take our responsibility seriously," said Schweiss. "We've been a good steward of safety on the island."

Are we safe here from a hazmat incident at Rayonier?

"Yes," said Schweiss. "We have systems in place to prevent incidents."

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"Every community faces potential threat from hazardous materials and the threat is real," said Anderson.

He pointed to a leak in January at a chemical storage facility in West Virginia that left more than 300,000 people in nine counties without safe drinking water and the explosion last year in west Texas at a fertilizer plant that killed 15 people.

"It leveled the town," said Anderson.

Anderson provided a list of local companies with "Tier II" chemicals on-site, as reported to the Department of Environmental Protection. He calls them the "bad, bad stuff."

Rayonier Performance Fibers, Fernandina Beach

- Anhydrous Ammonia: 1,440,000 pounds
- Chlorine: 1,080,000 pounds
- Sulfur Dioxide: 1,080,000 pounds
- Sulfuric Acid: 445,000 pounds

Accident: Release of sulfuric acid in 2009 due to a hose blow-out; no injuries.

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- Sulfuric Acid: 1,728,233 pounds
- Cyclohexylamine: 21,060 pounds
- Hydrogen Peroxide: Below 52 percent concentration needed to trigger as an EHS chemical which would require a screening scenario hazards analysis.

Accidents: None reported

Kinder Morgan-Nassau Terminal, Fernandina Beach

- Sulfuric Acid: 4,590 pounds

Accidents: None reported

MCI, Callahan

- Sulfuric Acid: 7,968 pounds

Accidents: None reported

Bellsouth, Yulee

- Sulfuric Acid: 1,178 pounds

Accidents: None reported

Bellsouth, Fernandina Beach

- Sulfuric Acid: 3,535 pounds

Accidents: None reported

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dangerous that breathing it will scorch your lungs and burn your skin. It would not take much to kill you.

The truck was so shiny and reflective that it mirrored the street scene. But no one, including the men in work clothes walking around the former Beech Street Grill where shops for antiques and olive oil have recently opened, seemed to notice.

When there is any attention paid to the cargo heading across the county, it's usually focused on the log trucks that add traffic congestion with their bulky open loads.

Local leaders, including

Nassau County Commission Chair Barry Holloway, asked federal officials to measure the St. Marys River in an effort to transport the logs by boat.

Yet, it's the hazardous materials rolling along the roads, highways and rails that may pose a greater concern to public health and safety, the environment and commerce.

Consider anhydrous ammonia.

It's a volatile chemical that in small amounts irritates the eyes, nose and throat. More of it can burn skin and cause blindness. A large hit suffocates.

Rayonier reports having 1,440,000 pounds of anhydrous ammonia on its property at the foot of Gum Street, along with

more than one million pounds of chlorine and sulfur dioxide and almost half a million pounds of sulfuric acid.

In 2009, a hose blew out and released 118 pounds of sulfuric acid, according to Rayonier Performance Fibers spokesperson Russell Schweiss.

"The release lasted one minute and had to be manually turned off," said Schweiss in an interview on Monday. "To my knowledge no one was hurt."

Schweiss said systems are in place to protect employees and the public.

"We've been a good steward of safety on the island," said Schweiss. "The hazards are well understood."

Not by everyone. "I didn't know that they had

that much. No one ever talked about the chemicals," said lifelong Fernandina Beach resident Shān Lipinski, 40.

She said her father worked for the company for more than 40 years.

"We were instructed as children not to complain about the mills because that's what put clothes on our backs and food on the table," said Lipinski.

Back then, the complaint was largely about the smell. Processing pulp can be a smelly business. Anyone who complained was told that was the smell of money. Fortunately, filters are much, much better today, and Rayonier has gone a long way to clean up the pollutants it disperses into the air, water and soils.

During the interview in her yard at the corner of Pelican and Oak streets, Lipinski pushed her 15-month-old daughter Lyra in a small blue swing under a towering live oak that offered protection from the midday sun, and considered the situation.

"I don't even use chemicals like bleach in my house. It's water, vinegar and baking soda," she said.

About 300 feet behind her and her daughter stood a line of railcars on the train tracks that take cargo to the mills on the north end of Amelia Island.

"Do I worry? I guess I probably don't," said Lipinski. "I never thought about it."

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Democrats seek to oust Scott, other officials

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

Local Democrats are launching a get out the vote effort between now and the Nov. 4 election.

They seek support for party candidates running for statewide office.

That includes Annette Taddeo, who is seeking the job of lieutenant governor as gubernatorial candidate Charlie Crist's running mate.

Taddeo spoke at the Low Country Boil fundraiser Aug. 16 organized by the Nassau County Democratic Election Committee (DEC) where she urged the party faithful to knock on doors and make phone calls in an effort to capture votes.

"Even in a red county, it matters," said Taddeo, a Miami business owner and former head of the Miami Dade Democratic Committee.

"If you think your county is not important, you are mistaken."

Democrats face an uphill climb in Nassau County where registered Republicans outnumber Democrats by a 2 to 1 margin.

The Supervisor of Elections Office puts the numbers at 14,404 for registered Democrats and 29,809 for registered Republicans.

Taddeo has run for office twice before, including her county commission, and has lost both times. But, she said, she won a student council election at the University of North Alabama. She said the race was difficult, and it put her background as a Spanish-speaking student at issue.

Taddeo, 48, is the daughter of an Italian-American serviceman from New Jersey who served in World War II as well as the Korean War. He settled in Colombia, where he opened a helicopter school and met Taddeo's Colombian mother.

She said posters she had put up for the campaign were destroyed to read "Annette for deportation."

"I was born a U.S. citizen ... they judge us based on the color of skin or because we have a little bit of an accent," said Taddeo. "It made me realize that I needed to be a voice."

Taddeo also noted the mix of races in America.

"That's what makes us so great, especially in Florida," said Taddeo.

Taddeo launched her own company 20 years ago and on Aug. 18 took her daughter to school for the first day of third grade. She is married to a therapist and while she is well off now, she said she knows what it means to struggle.

"I've been to the store and taken things out of the basket because I didn't have money," said Taddeo.

She urged local Democrats to push Gov. Rick Scott out of office.

"When it comes to Medicare, women and pay, (he's) clueless," said Taddeo. "Scott doesn't want to (help)."

Taddeo would become the first female Hispanic lieutenant governor, if she and Crist can knock off Scott and Lt. Gov. Carlose Lopez-Cantera.

Local Democrats at the 16th annual Low Country Boil held at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club also heard from William Rankin, who is running for the state's chief financial officer.

Rankin of Deerfield Beach has qualified to run against Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater, the Republican incumbent, by paying the required fees.

He is the former asset manager for the state of Ohio and his backgrounds includes 11 years in the Army as a special agent for economic crime investigations. Rankin said he left the service because of disability.

He is divorced, the father of two adult children and became a grandparent for the first time six months ago. He said that he has seen his grandchild for two days.

"That's how important this race is to me," he said.

He said his publishing company is based in Europe and is called "Millionaire Lifestyle," though after the dinner Rankin said the magazine is on hiatus during the campaign.

The CFO heads the Florida Department of Financial Services and is responsible for overseeing the state's finances, collecting revenue, paying state bills, auditing state agencies, regulating cemeteries and funerals and handling fires and arsons. This is a cabinet level job and the CFO has administrative oversight over the offices handling banking and insurance regulation.

State Rep. Audrey Gibson, D-Jacksonville, also spoke at the event, urging people to vote

Scott out of office in an effort to help the middle class.

"It's the middle income that suffers," said Gibson. "Too poor to be rich. Too rich to be poor."

Gibson said the election starts in September with overseas balloting.

"I know I'm preaching to the choir but sometimes the choir needs to be preached to too," said Gibson. "Take the message out to the community."

While Gibson's district covers central Jacksonville in Duval County, she said she has attended the event for years to support fellow Democrats who share the county border.

The crowd also heard from Alan Clendenin. He is first vice chair of the Florida Democratic Party. He sat next to Taddeo during dinner and the two frequently leaned in to each other's ear to whisper a comment or share a laugh.

Clendenin launched into his short speech by saying that Attorney General Pam Bondi is against mandates.

"She thinks man dates lead to gay marriage," said Clendenin.

That comment drew laughs from the crowd, which organizers put at 135 paid attendees for the \$50 dinner, including shrimp, sausage, corn, beans and peach cobbler. Some 50 people paid \$100 per ticket to meet candidates in a private reception before the meal.

Clendenin also said Scott has slashed the state's education budget by \$1.6 billion and that on election day, Scott, Bondi and the rest of his team must be shown "the exit door."

The crowd also heard from James Poindexter of the Young Democrats of Jacksonville, who served as master of ceremony. (Among his comments: "Tricky Ricky has wrecked havoc on the state of Florida,"; "We've got to get rid of Rick Scott no doubt about it,"; Republicans are bloodsuckers.), and from Carla Voisard who is the chair of Nassau County's DEC and state committeewoman. She said money from the fundraiser is being used to pay for office space on South Eighth Street in Fernandina Beach and for computer upgrades.

"Yes, it's difficult to be a Democrat in Nassau County," said Voisard. "But our numbers are growing every day."

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Annette Taddeo, who is seeking the job of lieutenant governor as Charlie Crist's running mate, speaks at the Nassau County Democratic Party's annual Low Country Boil.

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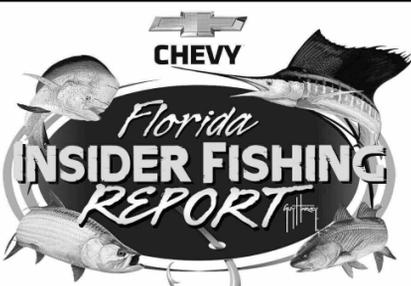
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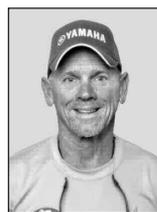
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Justice for our veterans: Veterans Treatment Court

There are thousands of people residing here in Nassau and Camden counties and enjoying a close knit, mostly family-oriented hometown environment, where we work and play, reach out to those in need and have a genuine patriotic nature that reaches down to our core values. We go about our daily lives, whether we work, go to school, have kids that are young or grown, have social lives, hobbies and most are eager to step up and say, "What can I do to help?" Our twin counties are like nowhere else in the country to live and we all want to wear a "Life is Good" T-shirt!

We are also a very integrated military community, not only historically, but we have found that virtually everyone we meet or talk to is a veteran, married to one, has siblings who are, mom or dad who was or is or have friends or family that are. The roots run deep here. We have a huge cross-section of veterans of all ages and eras of service.

There are many of our veterans living or staying here that have come home from service in times past, but there is an ever-growing need to reach out to many of our youngest service men and women who are facing each day without help, hope, a T-shirt and, in many cases, a home. They are victims of too many previous deployments and not enough support to readjust properly. Most veterans are strengthened by their military service, but many times the combat experience in recent conflicts has unfortunately taken an unprecedented toll on our men and women in uniform. There are far too many who struggle in their effort to readjust to normal life, as we know it; there are far too many returning soldiers per resources available to help in many cases.

There are grave issues to be dealt with here. Besides the physical handicaps many face in loss of limb, sight and func-



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Dedicated to veterans of all eras

JOHN SCHERER

tion, there are even more faced every day with mental health issues and many are compounded by substance abuse, family strife, unemployment and homelessness, perhaps ultimately leading to the possibility of incarceration.

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, one third of our nation's homeless are veterans! On any given night, more than 100,000 veterans are on the streets. The majority suffer from substance abuse, mental disorders or co-occurring disorders.

The suicide rate has increased dramatically, 18 veterans are lost each day in this country. Many suffer greatly with PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) and traumatic brain injury related issues; in addition 20 percent of returning veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan have symptoms of a mental health disorder or cognitive impairment, which left untreated can lead to involvement with the criminal justice system. There are over 150 military veterans arrested in Duval County/Jacksonville each month according to the Fourth District Public Defenders Office, a sobering fact that is an unjust epitaph to a veteran who has earned a better life and care.

The Veterans Treatment Court Program is a positive approach for many veterans who need help and a second chance to live life free from their unwanted and unrequested handicaps. The VTC allows jurisdictions to serve a large segment of the justice involved veteran population as opposed

to the business as usual approach of many courts in the country. It allows them to appear before a judge who handles numerous veterans cases, is in a better position to exercise discretion, effectively respond and is supported by a strong interdisciplinary team. The Veterans Court judge better understands the issues the veteran may be struggling with and is familiar with direct impact organizations that can help meet the veteran's immediate needs.

The Veterans Treatment Court was founded in 2008 by Judge Robert Russell in Buffalo, N.Y., after he noticed an increasing number of veterans appearing on his mental health and substance abuse dockets. He noticed first-hand the transformational power of military camaraderie when the veterans on his staff assisted veterans in one of his courts, and felt that more needed to be done.

Today, there are more than 150 Veterans Courts in the country and active in 20 of Florida's counties, including Clay and Duval counties and the first one in the state in Palm Beach County. Most are heavily mentored by veterans' organizations like the Vietnam Veterans of America, like Chapter 1046 in Duval and 1059 in Clay County.

Nassau County has started its groundwork on this outstanding program for our veterans here and in surrounding areas. Logistics are being put in place to have a Veterans Court here to make a difference by offering an outstanding program that can enlist the qualified veteran in a volunteer program to give him or her a second chance at a better future and avoid incarceration, after graduation from the program.

The program is a court-supervised, comprehensive treatment program designed to identify individuals with qualifying criminal charges who are either on active duty or who have an honorable or general condition discharge, have a documentable health diagnosis and the possibility of connection between their offense and their military service.

The Vietnam Veterans of America and all veterans' organizations in Nassau and Camden counties care deeply about all our veterans.

We feel our responsibility as Vietnam veterans is to give all we can to ensure a lasting legacy for all our in-service and younger generation of veterans.

If you would like more information about the Veterans Court Program and the pending VCT Program here covering our community, please call VVA Chapter 1088 at (904) 330-4679 or visit us on the Web at vva1088.org. Please join us in reaching out to all veterans.

Bucket list input

From inception, this column has been about sharing information and adding some input on the back end of the data. This week, the tables are turned, and your input is being solicited. Hollie and I are at the recent empty-nest juncture, and it seems timely to look forward. The phrase used by many planning ahead is "bucket list." For most, travel options would dominate the bucket list. Travel makes sense in that it is the number one regret of those well into their twilight years.

Beyond seeing the sights, is there more to consider in preparing a bucket trip? Given time to reflect, most might say yes. Having not done a list of 10 recently, it seems like a good opportunity. What follows will be 10 questions about a bucket list off the cuff on a Tuesday morning:

- 1) How many people (I started to say couples, but changed) actually have one?
- 2) Is it written down? And in a prominent spot?
- 3) How many items are recommended?
- 4) Should it be a new experience, or something revisited?
- 5) Could a service (community or personal) be high on the list?
- 6) Are relationships, family or otherwise, a thought?
- 7) Is there more validity than a New Year's resolution list?
- 8) Who can say they achieved over half



KEFFER'S CORNER

Rick Keffer

the list? Is that considered good?
9) Should it be individual versus couples?
10) Should time frames be in place?
Maybe 10 was too few questions, as that took less than 10 minutes. Bucket lists seem to be associated with the later chapters of life, but they don't have to be. What they are is simple – goals. Youngsters can have bucket lists just like grandparents. It might make for a good parent/child exercise. Bucket list items are often stretch goals. Whose mind is in stretch mode more than a young person's? Could finding out what they would like to work towards, that is special to them, be good?

Have you successfully executed a bucket list or crafted one that is active and exciting? My email is below and it would be fun to hear from anyone with thoughts. For those who haven't thought of it, maybe this will be a primer. Have a good week.

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Helping or enabling?

One of the challenging aspects of relationships is finding a balance between helping and supporting each other and going too far. When we use the term enabling we mean that by our actions we are making it possible for another person to achieve or maintain their own behavior. This can be positive in some ways, like driving your child to the pool enables her to swim, but most of the time we see enabling in a more negative light.

In addictions lingo, enabling is seen as one person's contribution to the other person's habit. The non-addict gets some kind of payoff from the other's addiction related behaviors.

One of the trickiest areas to find the right balance in helping is in child rearing. Because children start off completely dependent on us there is a constant demand for our caregiving and support. Of course, as children get older, they gain skills and competence and can do more for themselves. Most of us remember the phase during which our three-year-olds insist on doing things for themselves, "No. Me do it" becomes a common refrain. We recognize that letting a three-year-old dress herself will take longer than if we do it for her but we also realize that she needs to learn this task of independence.

As our children grow up they are supposed to learn all the skills that they will need to be fully functioning adults. Our job as parents is to help and support this learning by teaching them how to master the tasks rather than just doing the tasks for them. Yes, we help a lot with homework and school projects in the beginning, but before we send our youngsters off to work, college or university they need to know how to attack a problem and get the job done on their own. This is not to say that they will never ever need help again, we all need help from time to time. Help should be asked for and be a springboard to learning the skills and gaining independence.



MENTAL FITNESS

Janice Clarkson

We hear a lot about high youth unemployment and how hopeless many young people feel at limited job prospects and opportunities. It is far more common today for 25-year-olds to still be living in their parents' homes and working part-time, if at all, than it was 20 or 30 years ago. I wonder if we are doing enough to help our young people learn to be fully functioning, independent adults. In our desire to look after them and our fear about all the dangers they face perhaps we are not doing a good enough job preparing them for real life.

From a young age, children need to know about, understand and for the most part respect the rules, responsibilities and expectations within our homes and communities. They need to do chores and learn to contribute to the common good. They need to learn to take responsibility for their actions and to make amends when appropriate. They need to learn about setting goals and working hard to achieve them. They need to learn to balance their time, energy and resources. All of these skills are what makes a competent fully functioning adult.

I know it sounds like a pretty tall order but I really do not think it needs to be. If you are lovingly involved in your children's lives, you can help them recognize their strengths and weaknesses and how to work with them. Encouragement and honesty are important. The message that you want to give them is that they can achieve whatever they choose so long as they figure out what is needed and how to get there. This is helping not enabling. The message you want to give is, "I believe in you to be able to figure this out." As a parent

you participate in the discussion and offer suggestions, but you let your young person figure it out. You expect that your young person will be able to do this.

When my son Matt was in the seventh grade getting ready to catch the school bus, it was pouring rain out. I handed him a yellow raincoat and he said he wasn't going to wear something as dorkie as this and refused an umbrella. I told him that I did not want him soaking wet sitting in school. So come up with a plan to say try. After a few minutes he brought out a giant black garbage bag and punched a hole in it to let his head stick through it and said, "Will this work?" I was mystified at what he thought was cool! However, it worked and that was the important thing.

This is why chores, summer and part-time jobs and volunteering are important. They broaden our kids' experience and expertise and give them a better understanding of the world. They teach them about having to work for things and to develop competence.

My advice to parents is to start early and help your children learn responsibility and problem solving. Do not be so afraid of being unpopular that you become a slave to their desires or demands. Teach them to work for the things they want. There are jobs out there. They may be bottom of the ladder jobs for minimum wage, but that is exactly where most of us began our work lives. There is far more to be learned by flipping burgers to pay for your own cell phone than by sitting in your parents' basement texting on the one they pay for.

An enabling parent is one who settles for the least their child can be. A caring and supportive one helps their young people engage in life and find ways to strive to be their best.

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The fly on his backpack

It seems like only yesterday he was toddling off to kindergarten, dressed in a new outfit while Mama stood teary-eyed at the door.

"First time on a university campus. Excited," he posted online as he began the pursuit of his bachelor's degree.

"Be a sponge," I commented. "That's the idea. Then wring my brain out onto a keyboard later."

My son has come a long way from the little boy for whom reading ranked on the same level as having a tooth drilled.

Today he is that sponge, soaking up every bit of knowledge he can on a variety of topics, including a few that may be surprising to those who don't know him well.

Chosen to participate in the Honors Program, he joins an elite group considered "the best and brightest undergraduates at the university."

In small, seminar-style classes, he'll take part in intellectually stimulating discussions this semester on gender, sexuality, race and marginalized communities.

When I mentioned this to a friend, she said they didn't have classes like that when she was in college.

"Hopefully, a sign of a more tolerant world and he will be a big part of that," she said.

As someone who calls others out for sexist or bigoted remarks, he already plays a part in working toward tolerance among his peers.

I wonder how many of his male peers he'll find in the Women's Studies class? I couldn't be more proud that he's chosen to immerse himself in learning about the women's movement from a historical, sociological and anthropological perspective.

Already a dedicated champion of women's rights, I find it highly admirable that he wants to gain a deeper understanding.

Future classes include studies in the history of Civil Rights and a session on Radical Political Economics.

I wish I could've been a fly on his backpack for a day as he went to his first class on that huge university campus.

But no, it would've been too difficult to explain the insect with tear-filled eyes and big grin to his classmates.

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Alarmism, or sound fiscal practice?

I read with interest Steve Nicklas' comments in the Aug. 13 edition of the *News-Leader* regarding upcoming proposals for the Nassau County budget. Mr. Nicklas argued that there are two options on the table for balancing the county's budget — increasing taxes or drawing down the county's reserves — and implied that supporters of the former are engaging in political alarmism. He then goes on to refute these so called "alarms." Now, before I go on I should state that I am not a resident of Nassau County. I just happened to read Mr. Nicklas' article while visiting my parents — so I do not have a dog in the fight. I am, however, a professor in the Department of Political Science & Public Administration at the University of North Carolina in Charlotte, and my area of expertise is public budgeting and finance. Given my background, I was disappointed to read many of the claims made by Mr. Nicklas because I believe them to be inaccurate. I would like to go through these claims point by point in the hopes of helping to better inform the electorate.

First, Mr. Nicklas claims that over the past 20 years the population of the county has less than doubled yet the county's budget has increased by almost a factor of four (from \$40 million to \$155 million). He implies that service levels have increased dramatically over this time as a result of this increase in spending. Mr. Nicklas, however, has forgotten about a little thing called inflation. The population of the county has increased by about 54.3 percent during this time period. To maintain per capita spending in inflation-adjusted dollars, the county budget would have to be \$178.5 million today (\$23.5 million more than the current budget provides).

Second, Mr. Nicklas goes on to argue that if

the county uses some of its \$10 million in reserves, it can finance all of its programmatic needs. He says this after claiming that the county is doing very well economically. This begs the question, why does the county need to draw down its reserves to cover current expenditures if the economy is strong? Best practices in the world of public finance dictate that current expenditures be covered by current revenues. Reserves are created to hedge against risks such as economic downturns, civil unrest, and natural disasters. Maintaining sufficient fiscal reserves is a sign of a well-managed government. My home state of North Carolina requires its local governments to maintain reserves equal to at least 8 percent of their revenues. Counties along the North Carolina coast commonly hold 50 percent or more in reserve because of the threat of hurricanes. Nassau's \$10 million represents less than 6.5 percent of its budget.

Third, Mr. Nicklas suggests that drawing down reserves will have no impact on the county's credit rating. While many things are factored in when determining bond ratings, it is true that bond rating companies like to see that governments carry reserves and dislike it when governments use reserves on operating expenses. So, it is not unreasonable to worry about the impact of spending down reserves on Nassau County's credit rating.

Fourth, Mr. Nicklas admits that some emergency vehicles may be outdated and need replacing, but assures readers that the money can be found "somewhere." I wonder where "somewhere" is, especially if the county does not have sufficient revenues to cover its current expenditures and is debating whether to use its reserves to cover its expenses.

Lastly, Mr. Nicklas argues that the new

sheriff's headquarters be funded by (you guessed it) spending down the county's reserves. He states that, "Creating debt, even at a low interest rate, hardly makes sense when funds are readily available." However, it makes perfect sense when reserves are low and/or the expenditure is for a capital project. As I discussed earlier, eliminating your reserves makes it difficult for governments to respond to unexpected events. Additionally, borrowing to cover the construction of an asset that is expected to last many years into the future is considered a good principle of public finance. This is especially true when interest rates are low. The reason is that many future citizens are going to benefit from the construction of the asset. If reserves are used to pay for the construction then current citizens pay the full cost, while future citizens pay nothing. Paying the asset off over the lifetime of the asset ensures that all who benefit pay their fair share.

It is sound fiscal practice to use current revenues to cover current expenditures, maintain sufficient reserves to account for potential risks in the environment, and pay off long-term assets over their expected lifetimes. For democratic governments to be successful, citizens must decide which package of services they want the public sector to provide and then pay for those services according to sound financial principles. If the package of services exceeds current revenues, it is wise to either increase revenues or cut back on the services demanded. Many local governments across the country which have not followed these practices have found themselves facing bankruptcy.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

'Odor of bad fish'

The case of the young man shot and killed by a deputy sheriff at North Hampton was beginning to smell bad. Was there a cover-up to protect the deputy?

It had been months since the investigation had been turned over to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and neither the FDLE nor the Nassau Sheriff's Office were saying a word.

Now the State Attorney's Office and FDLE tell a far different story. The young man, half-dressed and bloody, repeatedly attacks the deputy. When the officer's Taser failed to stop the attack, the officer was justified in using deadly force.

I suspect the reporter for the *News-Leader* relied mostly on a skimpy police report rather than covering the story. Many residents of North Hampton probably knew more details of what happened than the readers of the *News-Leader*. And the paper's limited coverage led to the odor of bad fish.

Mark Bearwald
Fernandina Beach

Good for the goose...

Shouldn't politicians have to live by the laws they make? In June of 2013, the current Board of Commissioners voted for a Nassau County Ordinance 2013-15. This ordinance says that businesses cannot put advertisements in front of their shops/stores within 1,000 feet of SR 200/A1A "from the western ramps of I-95 to the west side of Thomas J. Shave Bridge."

Steve Kelley was the only commissioner who voted against this ordinance. He voted against it because he felt that it infringed upon the storeowners' right to promote their businesses.

When the campaign to elect county commissioners started, Mr. Kelley was told that, even though business owners were not allowed to put up signs from I-95 to the Shave Bridge, politicians could, because they did not have to follow this law.

Mr. Kelley stated that "politicians should always have to follow the laws they vote for." Therefore, even though Steve Kelley did not vote for this law, he was determined to follow it. George Spicer agreed with Steve Kelley; so they refused to place their signs on this stretch of road.

Several people argued with Mr. Spicer and tried to convince him to put his signs up along SR 200/A1A. They said, "This is the golden highway, you have to put signs up there!" But Spicer stood firm, "No," he said, "It's a matter of principle. If the business owners can't put them up, then I won't put them up."

During this campaign, Steve Kelley and George Spicer lost a lot of exposure by sticking to what they believed was right. Would it have benefited them to have signs up along this "golden highway"? Yes. Would it have been legal for them to put their signs on this route? Yes. But was it fair to the business owners, when they could not do the same? Kelley and Spicer did not think so, and they stuck by their convictions.

To me, that speaks volumes about the character of these two men.

Rebecca Walker
Fernandina Beach

Eighth Street

Over the nine years that I've lived in Fernandina Beach, I have logged many miles by foot through the Greenway, on the beach and pound-



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ed the pavement on the roads. When you are out training for 20 miles at a time, you have a lot to think about and observe, and at my snail's pace, I get a really great look at things. Many times I run down Eighth Street, and I feel it is not the "gateway" to our community that it could be. I am not alone in my feelings, as a recent survey conducted by the Fernandina Beach Community Development Department revealed the majority of those who took the survey described Eighth Street as "ugly," "shabby," "run-down" and "eyesore." Of the 300-plus surveyed, many felt that in the future it could be "welcoming," "inviting," "attractive" and a "beautiful gateway." But what can be done to make Eighth Street more attractive? And, would the businesses along Eighth Street benefit from esthetic improvements?

The answers lie within the code. No, this isn't some crazy science-fiction movie or the next Dan Brown novel, but it lies within updating our land development code and aligning it with the county's code to create a consistent look along Eighth Street. The corridor lies partly in the county and partly in the city. Both parts have different codes. For example, the most noticeable difference is the sign ordinance. The county allows taller, back-lit signs while the city allows lower signs with internal lighting from the front. If the codes were more similar, there would be more continuity.

You may be wondering what is being done to address this seemingly forgotten corridor? For the last six months, the city Community Development Department has been meeting with a diverse group of citizens and gathering their expertise and input about ideas for Eighth Street revitalization and updates to the land development code. I am fortunate enough to work with this group of local architects, engineers, real estate developers, board members, planners and concerned citizens. Anyone is welcome to get involved. Many of you have already taken the survey and suggested several ideas for what you think would be most improved along one of our main roads. The majority of responders believe more landscaping, enhanced lighting, revised sign policies and guiding a theme or mission to develop redevelopment would be a great starting point for helping Eighth Street.

There are several ways you can become even more involved in this effort. Number one: support the businesses along this road by shopping, eating and using their services.

Number two: Join our group for meetings to offer your feedback and stay connected to what is going on. Number three: Join a grass-roots effort to actually work on fixing up properties along Eighth Street like weeding, mowing, planting and coordinating with property owners.

I believe our entire community would benefit from an improved Eighth Street corridor. The businesses along there would attract more customers and more business leads to more jobs in our local economy. Improved property values could help bump the tax base to help with providing better services to all citizens. And, a revitalized Eighth Street would more accurately reflect the welcoming sentiments of the city's residents.

For more information on the Eighth Street planning process, visit www.fbfl.us/LDCED or contact Community Development Director Adrienne Burke at 310-3135 or aburke@fbfl.org.

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Free bicycle helmets

The Greater Nassau County Chamber of Commerce, supported by the Florida Department of Transportation and grants from the University of Florida and several commercial interests, will be at Hilliard Elementary School today to fit the entire school with bicycle helmets in a youth safety initiative, "PedBike." Approximately 715 students will rotate through the fitting and will receive a backpack with educational materials relating to the safety program.

Also benefiting from fittings of helmets are children at events at the Anchor Church of God, Callahan, and several events at the Greater Nassau County Chamber of Commerce in addition to Callahan Intermediate School and Bryceville Elementary School. Hilliard Elementary School is the third school adding an additional layer of safety to their students.

Many volunteers are needed for this event and include, school resource officers with the school system, members of the Chamber of Commerce, Callahan Lions Club, Westside Optimist Club, Rivers Edge Church, Nassau County Commissioners and many employees of the Hilliard Elementary School, including Principal LeeAnn Jackson.

Please help us promote this program by providing additional funding which could impact these chil-

dren's lives.

Remember: "Children" Safety Doesn't Happen By Accident."

Kenneth B. Overstreet
Greater Nassau County Chamber of Commerce

Par 3

Former Fernandina Beach mayor and longtime resident Beano Roberts has advocated constructing a par 3 course at our municipal golf course. I strongly endorse his proposal. Hopefully, Mr. Roberts, with his local background, will be successful in getting the right people to listen and understand the benefits.

A past president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects, Tom Clark, has played our municipal course several times while visiting. He made a pro bono presentation to our Golf Course Evaluation Committee and other interested individuals. Stressing the overall attractiveness of the course and its long-term potential, he presented various options that we could consider, many of which would involve currently un-utilized golf course property. Clark thought that selling some property and adding a par 3 course would be a move worth considering. He presented a few preliminary sketches showing what could be done.

Any property considered "for sale" should be very carefully selected. Perhaps there is a way to "sell" some acreage to the Greenway in exchange for money going into the Golf Course Enterprise Fund for future par 3 expansion?

Advantages of having a par 3 course are many — for golfers, for tourism, to enhance the overall appeal of Fernandina Beach as a great place to live or visit, and to boost the local economy. The course could become a golf destination spot. There are no other par 3 courses on the island. And par 3's are a huge draw. People visiting or considering moving often consider the availability of a course that does not require a lot of time to play, where they do not have to continually reach for the driver, where they can learn to play, or rekindle the game they enjoyed when they were younger and then became too busy. Or where they can introduce their children to the game. Tom Clark talked about the ones he designed for Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Williamsburg, Va. — and how profitable they are to their communities.

Jim Powers
Fernandina Beach

COMMUNITY

We are the products of God's fire

We were sometimes darkness, but now that we are light in the Lord, we should walk as children of the light. Regardless of the color of our skin, we all were once as dark as midnight; but now we are light in the Lord. Now we are to tread all around and follow as companions the luminous fire because we are sons and daughters of the ultimate fire, produced by God's spirit working in us.

God created Adam and Eve. We are products of God's fire through the Holy Spirit by the shed blood of Jesus Christ. Because of this wonderful change in our lives, we are never to cooperate in shady acts.

The fire in us is to consume all of the darkness in and around us. Just as light causes the darkness in a room to disappear, we are to be so luminous that no



NOW AND THEN

Maybelle Kirkland

darkness can remain. We are to be tried by fire because we are fire and children of fire. The fire does not consume fire but it consumes everything else. Whenever there is a fire, everything that was conceived in the darkness is brought to light. It is exposed. We cannot have or be partakers of the barren unfruitfulness of the darkness. Our fire, the fire in us, is to convict, convince, rebuke and tell a fault, not conceal it and cover it up.

We thank God that, as His child, produced by His Holy Spirit, we are fire. We do not just have fire, we are fire.

Therefore, we will not participate in the works, acts or deeds of barren or unfruitful things. We ask Him to continue to work within us as we continue our walk throughout the Earth as a child of light. Release in us your fire that will illumine all the darkness that exists among your people. Help us to expose what is not pleasing to Him and to help others desiring a change to come in the direction of His life.

Birthday wishes to Shirley Lee, Engrid Jones, Dorothy Albertie, Tradonna Coleman, Steve Brooks, Arie Kirkland, Wayne Richo, Dollie Watkins, Jerome Way, Keani Rainey, Ervin Jones, Oluke-mi Adekunle, Elbert Morris, Javon Pollard, Donny Davis, Lydia Parrish, Kenneth Jones, Willie Scott, Nikita Geter, David Johns, Sierra Henry, Curtis Collins, Yvette Bacon, Kim White, Reginald Alexander and Jurnee Richo.

Book Festival awards scholarship

With the cost of a college education continually escalating, almost all students and parents can use some assistance. This fall, Bella Hower, a recent graduate of Fernandina Beach High School, arrived at the University of Florida's Honors Program with the help of a \$2,000 Christa Powell Walley Scholarship.

The scholarship is aimed at students pursuing a degree in English, journalism, creative writing, communication or literature related fields. The award has been an integral part of the Amelia Island Book Festival for more than 10 years.

Annually announced and awarded at the VyStar Readers Luncheon, the scholarship is dedicated to the late Christa Powell Walley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powell of Fernandina Beach. Christa had a love for writing. The Powells joined with the Amelia Island Book Festival in sponsoring the scholarship, which is dedicated to encouraging writers in their pursuit of a literary career.

In one of her three writing submissions required in the application, Hower wrote, "Writing creates a world of possibilities unhindered by the laws of reality, where potential extends far beyond the bounds of what one perceives to be true, and twists and turns in events can be manipulated by a mere stroke of a pen."

As she started college, Hower said, "I plan to use this scholarship for tuition purposes while at the University of Florida. Every little bit counts and I cannot thank Mr. and Mrs. Powell enough for awarding me this scholarship; I am very honored."

Applications for the 2015 Christa Powell Walley Scholarships are available



Bella Hower, center, with the Powells, who give a scholarship every year in memory of their late daughter, Christa Powell Walley, who had a passion for writing.

online at the Amelia Island Book Festival website ameliaislandbookfestival.com.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 31. The applications will be judged by a panel of community leaders with literary backgrounds. The winner will be announced and the scholarship awarded at the VyStar Readers Luncheon slated for Feb. 21.

Applicants must be a U.S. citizen.

Any Nassau County high school senior, or any undergraduate or graduate college student who has ties to Nassau County (for example, attended school here, resided here prior to entering college, has parents or grandparents who live here, etc.) is eligible.

Amelia Island Book Festival is a 501 (c)3 not-for-profit dedicated to promoting literacy. For details, email info@ameliaislandbookfestival.com.

Yulee Middle gives thanks for Junior's Seafood

For the News-Leader

A certificate was recently presented to recognize and thank the staff of Junior's Seafood restaurant for their outstanding support of the school's eighth grade class during their 2013-14 end of year field trip.

Approximately 120 students and teachers were treated, free of charge, to a delicious lunch of fried shrimp and tilapia, French fries, coleslaw, hush puppies and iced tea.

Although the school had initially offered and expected to pay for the catered meal, Junior's, much to the school's surprise, insisted on donating the food as a goodwill gesture, showing their support as a valued community partner, and helping to keep costs down by making it possible for more students to participate.



Yulee Middle School Principal Jeremy Boatright, right, is shown with Junior's Seafood owner/manager Abraham Hassan, left, and Junior's catering chef Adam Frost after presenting them with a Certificate of Appreciation from the school.

WEDDING ENGAGEMENT



Mr. Taylor, Miss Tharin

Tharin-Taylor

Irina Ashton Tharin and Brandon Vince Taylor, both of Fernandina Beach, will be married at 5 p.m. April 10, 2015, at The Ribault Club.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Louis and Catherine Tharin of Fernandina Beach. The bridegroom-elect is the son of Brenda Taylor and Vince Taylor of Fernandina Beach.

MILITARY NEWS

■ Air Force Airman 1st Class Omel D. Roberts graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland in San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness and basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in

applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Roberts is the son of Carmela D. Roberts of Fairbanks, Alaska; the brother of Romel A. Wade of Great Lakes, Ill.; and the grandson of Mary J. Jones and Alice Roberts of Callahan. He is also the nephew of Latasha Taylor, Stacy Roberts and Tony Taylor of Callahan.

He earned a diploma in 2011 from West Nassau High School, Callahan.

CAMPUS NOTES

■ Emily Summer Purvis of Fernandina Beach graduated from the Florida Highway Patrol Training Academy's 128th Basic Recruit Class Aug. 5, 2014.

She is the daughter of Leslie and Steven Mallonee of Fernandina Beach and Jeff Purvis of Yulee, granddaughter of Carey and Wanda Braddock of Fernandina Beach and Karen Purvis and the late Fred Purvis of Yulee and sister to Savannah Purvis.

Purvis is a 2012 graduate of Yulee High School. She worked at Coldstone Creamery and Chic-Fil-A before being accepted to the FHP Training Academy Feb. 17.

For 25 weeks, she participated in an intensive training regimen designed to be both mentally and physically tough. The military-style training prepared her for the many challenges she will face in her new career and helped to strengthen both her body and mind.

Purvis participated in both classroom and hands-on learning in a variety of topics, including legal issues, interpersonal communications, crime scene and criminal investigations, DUI and crash investigations and traffic stops. She also endured six weeks of rigorous training in the high-liability areas of firearms, defensive tactics, first aid and vehicle operations.

Attending the graduation of the 128th BRC in Tallahassee were Purvis's



Emily Purvis, a Florida Highway Patrol Training Academy graduate, with fellow graduate Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leeper.

family and friends, including Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leeper. Leeper is a retired FHP lieutenant, who retired in 2012 after 35 years with the patrol and a graduate of the 53rd BRC in 1977.

Purvis has been assigned to Troop D in Orlando Orange County.

■ Sarah Elizabeth Yawn was included on the dean's list at the University of Georgia. Yawn is in her senior year and is the daughter of Steve and Heather Yawn of Kingsland, Ga. She is the granddaughter of Dorothy and Raymond Yawn of Brunswick, Ga., and Carol and Harry Warren of Yulee.



Yawn

'FANCY FRIDAYS'



Miss Kaila's first-graders celebrate the start of Fancy Fridays with a blessing and a prayer at Fernandina Beach Christian Academy. Each Friday, children celebrate their parents by giving thanks to God. The students learn basic etiquette and table settings and manners.

Wild Amelia offers nature camp

Wild Amelia will host a two-part nature camp Sept. 22 and Sept. 24 from 4-5:30 p.m. in the Book Loft, 214 Centre St., Fernandina Beach, for ages 7-14.

Cost for both sessions is \$20; registration is required. Campers will receive a copy of Wild Amelia's Junior Naturalist "Seashore" curricu-

lum. To register and pre-pay call the Book Loft at 261-8991.

This "Beach Babies" program will focus on sea turtles, crab life cycles, whelk and skate egg cases, shark-eye collars, baby jellyfish and shorebirds. Children will complete activities in the curriculum and make a lap book of their activities.

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Robustness & Resiliency

There are two ways to enhance our chances of survival: robustness and resiliency. Robustness is a measure of how much damage can be done to an organism and it will still function. Plants are robust because they can lose their leaves and the majority of their limbs and yet survive. Resiliency refers to the ability of an organism to adapt to changing circumstances. A tropical plant may be robust, but it won't survive in a harsh environment such as a desert. Human beings are hardy because we combine robustness with resiliency. We are robust in so far as we can survive without our teeth, could lose a few limbs, and some of our vital organs are paired, such as the kidneys and lungs, allowing us to survive with just one of them. Though not as robust as plants, we are more resilient. Since we adapt well to change, as evidenced by our living in virtually every environment on the planet. Religion is one of the tools that help us to adapt. The Bible is full of advice on how to get along under trying circumstances. The early Israelites were enslaved in Egypt and then had to survive in the desert, and even once they were established as a nation, they were surrounded by hostile neighbors. This remains true for them today, and there is a lesson here on the value of resiliency and robustness. Increase your robustness by staying healthy and increase your resiliency by being adaptive.

- Christopher Simon

Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave.

Exodus 18:20

POLITICS IN BRIEF

West Side Republicans

All Republican families are invited to attend the Westside Republican Club's meeting on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Hilliard Community Center, 37117 Pecan St. Orlando Avila will provide a presentation on the "Second Amendment, Our Constitutional Rights and Responsibilities."

City candidate forums

Amelia Park, a traditional neighborhood development located within the city limits of

Fernandina Beach, has the distinction of having one of the highest voter turnout percentages in Nassau County. Of 264 residents registered to vote in the 2012 elections (about 10 percent of the total number of registered voters within the precinct), 91 percent did so.

Because of the high level of interest in local politics, Amelia Park will host a candidate forum on Tuesday, Sept. 30 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall at Holy Trinity Church (located off Citrona on Lake Park Drive, across from the YMCA). Dan Scanlan, a reporter for the

Florida Times-Union who covers Nassau County news, will moderate the forum. Amelia Park residents have been invited to submit questions to be asked of the candidates, and all candidates will have been given the questions in advance to prepare their presentations to the community.

All who are vying for the two available seats on the city commission – incumbent commissioners Charlie Corbett and Sarah Pelican and challengers Robin Lentz, Tim Poynter and Roy Smith, Jr. – have been invited to participate.

In conjunction with the candidate forum,

Amelia Park will also launch a voter registration drive to encourage the majority of residents in the 375-home development to register for the party of their choice, and to vote in the general election on Tuesday, Nov. 4. The candidate forum on Sept. 30 is free and open to the public. Call 277-2664 for more information.

A city candidate forum is scheduled at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16 at City Hall, 204 Ash St.

For information, contact former mayor Susan Hardee Steger at 261-4372 or susan@fernandinaobserver.com.

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NASSAU COUNTY BEACH DRIVING PERMITS are issued pursuant to Nassau County Ordinances 2002-41 and 2002-31 and Resolution 2002-106.

Q: Do I need to obtain a beach driving permit? If so, what is the process?

A: *No permit is required if you are a Nassau County resident.

*Out-of-County residents shall obtain a permit to drive or park on the beach. In order to obtain a permit applicant will need to bring their driver's license and know the type of vehicle and tag number. The cost is \$5.00 for a daily permit or \$25.00 for an annual permit which is valid for the fiscal year: October 1st through September 30th. However, a disabled person may display their disabled person's parking permit placard issued by the Tax Collector's office in lieu of a beach driving permit; or if you are a senior citizen age sixty five (65) or older you may obtain a beach driving permit at no charge from the Office of the Clerk upon showing proof of age.

Individuals may contact the County's Parks and Recreation Department at 904-548-4689 in order to ascertain the permitted beach driving access locations or request a copy of the County ordinances referenced above through the Clerk's offices. Please note that beach driving permits are not transferable; each vehicle will require a separate permit.

Beach driving permits are available at the following locations:

Judicial Annex
904-548-4660
76347 Veterans Way, Clerk Services/BOCC, 2nd floor Yulee, Florida 32097

Hours of Operation:
Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Historic Courthouse
904-491-6430
416 Centre Street
Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034

Hours of Operation:
Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034

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Friday thru Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Flash Foods
904-261-3113
5518 South Fletcher Avenue
Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034
Hours of Operation: Open 24 hours

If you have any questions or comments about this column, please contact: Connie Arthur at 76347 Veterans Way, Yulee, FL 32097 or (904) 548-4663.



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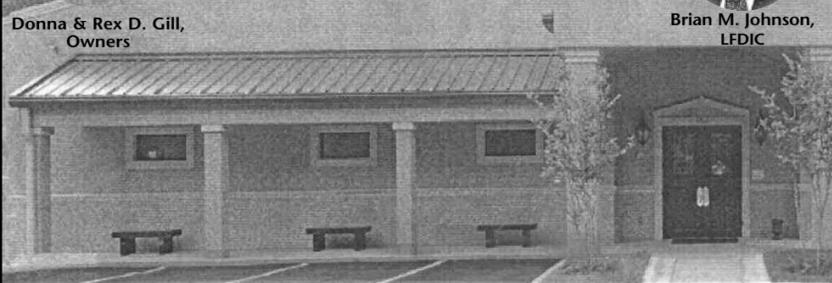
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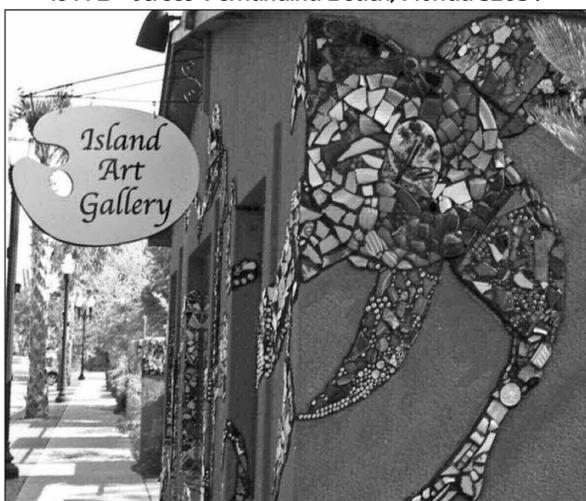
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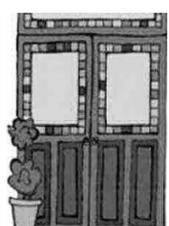
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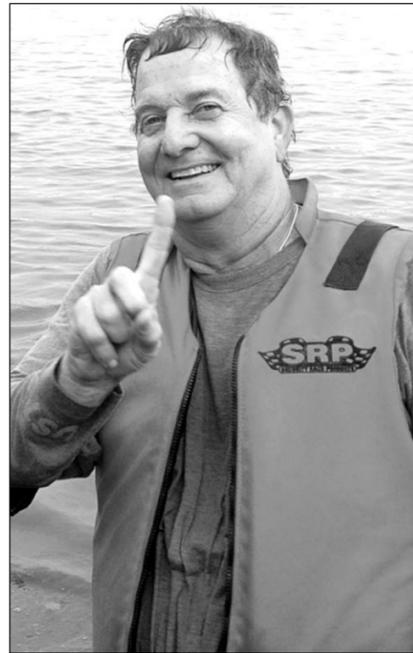
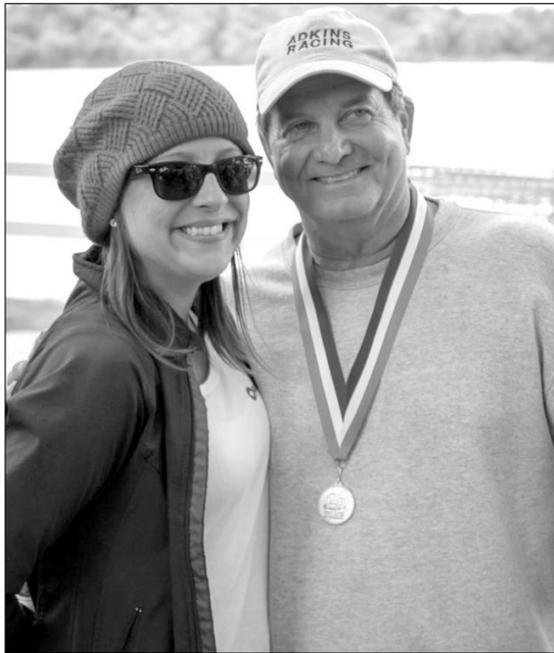
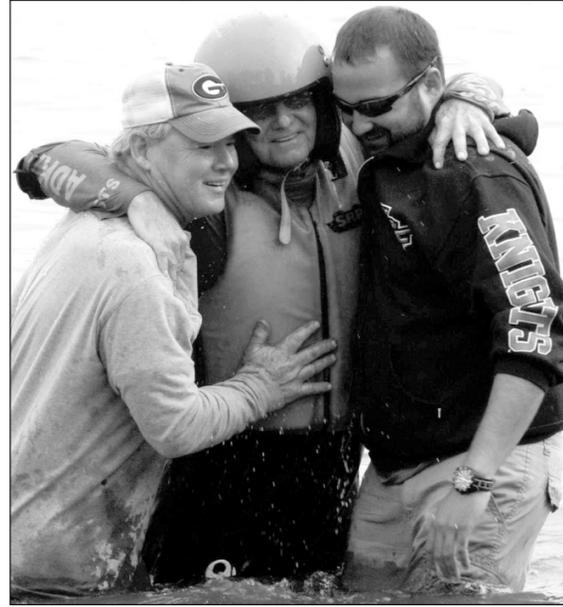
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NATIONAL CHAMP



PHOTOS BY JEAN TENNELL, DRU THOMPSON AND TIFFANY GONIGAM/SPECIAL
Tommy Adkins, a native of Fernandina Beach and son of Willie Adkins, captured his first national title July 26. He won the U.S. Title Series 500cc Hydro National Championship in DePue, Ill. Racing for more than 20 years, Adkins beat seven other hydroplane drivers en route to the national title; his boat pushes 100 mph on water. Daughter Lauren, above left and center, was on hand to cheer on her father. As is customary, his pit crew dunked Adkins in the lake after his win.

GRIDIRON ACTION



PHOTOS BY BETH JONES/NEWS-LEADER
The Fernandina Beach Middle School football team opened its 2014 season Tuesday at home. The Pirates lost to the Orange Park Wildcats. They host University Christian Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Pirate Field. The Fernandina Beach High School Pirates head to Yulee tonight for the 2014 opener. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. at Hornet Field.



BIG RED



MIKE LEARY/SPECIAL

Keegan Killian, 10, of Fernandina Beach landed this 30-inch red on eight-pound test to celebrate his birthday.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Gridiron golf

The third annual College Gridiron Golf Classic will be Oct. 3 at the Golf Club of Amelia Island. The captain's choice event benefits the Fernandina Beach High School Foundation. Box lunch and tailgate party included.

Register at 11 a.m. Kickoff is at 12:30 p.m. For information, call Durand Childers at 491-9820 or email raquelvanlennep@gmail.com.

Starting Point tourney

Sponsorships are now available for the fourth annual Starting Point Golf Tournament and the agency is looking for local companies interested in supporting mental health programs for children. Each year, the tournament raises funds to support substance abuse and mental health programs for Nassau County children.

The tournament will take place Nov. 3 at Amelia National Golf & Country Club beginning with registration at 11 a.m. and capping off with a barbecue and silent auction.

Sponsorships are available at four different levels and include player spots, dinner and beverages and sponsor recognition. Starting Point provides mental health and substance abuse services for children and teens, including school and home-based programs. In addition to sponsorships, many local firms are supporting the event with hole sponsorships and donations to the silent auction. Each year, the silent auction includes donated items such as gift certificates to salons, golf courses and restaurants, as well as gift baskets, event tickets, merchandise and art work.

For information, contact tournament chair Cherie Billings at 277-2995 or email

golftournament@spbh.org.

Starting Point Behavioral Health provides mental health and substance abuse treatment services to children, teens and adults in Nassau County. Serving more than 3,700 individuals each year, Starting Point is a non-profit agency.

October 4 Ball

The Fernandina Beach Men's Golf Association announces its 33rd annual October 4 Ball tournament at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club Oct. 11-12 with over \$3,000 in cash and prizes. Two-man handicapped format with Saturday captain's choice and Sunday better ball shotgun start at 9 a.m. Three flights based on age; under 60 white tees, 60-71 gold tees and over 71 red tees with an eight-shot differential in team handicaps.

Entry fee is \$99 and includes greens and cart fees, range balls, hole-in-one prizes for Saturday and Sunday, closest to pin prizes on three other par 3s both days, straightest drive prize Saturday and hot dog and burger lunch each day.

There is also an optional skins game each day and a cash winner-take-all putting contest Saturday.

Players must be FBMGA members. Join as a tournament member for \$30, which entitles players to participate in any FBMGA tournament in which the FBMGA has donated cash prizes — at least six in 2015.

Entry forms available at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club or by emailing John Rudd at john_carolyn@bell-south.net.

Play for St. Jude

Chili's in Yulee is hosting its first golf tournament benefiting St. Jude Children's Hospital Sept. 15 at North

Hampton, which is also one of the corporate sponsors.

Entry fee is \$75 per person and includes barbecue lunch, cart, green fees, range balls, a goodie bag and prizes, including \$25,000 for a hole-in-one, sponsored by iDrive Car Club.

Get a foursome together; individual players will be assigned a foursome. Applications and completed entry forms can be picked up and dropped off up at Chili's, 463756 SR 200.

Entry fees requested by Sept. 10. For information, contact Chili's Yulee manager Steve Gibson at 225-8666.

Ladies golf kicks off

The Fernandina Beach Women's Golf Association is preparing for its 2014-15 season. The association is accepting new members. The ladies play their 18-hole game Tuesdays at 9 a.m. The season opener is Sept. 2.

Anyone interested in participating as a full-year or winter-only member may contact membership chair Carol Minogue at 557-6287 or the Fernandina Beach Golf Club at 310-3175.

SPORTS SHORTS

Night of fishing

The Chevy Florida Insider Fishing Report representatives will be at Ron Anderson Chevrolet Buick GMC, 464054 State Road, Yulee, from 5-8 p.m. Sept. 4.

The first 75 visitors receive a T-shirt. There will be other giveaways along with hot dogs, drinks and fishing seminars by Capt. Rick Murphy, Capt. Russell Tharin and Brie Gabrielle from Chevy Florida Insider Fishing Report. For information, call 261-6821.

Pop Warner registration

Fernandina Beach Pop Warner football and cheerleader registration is open for the 2014 season. Visit www.leaguelineup.com.

Pro wrestling

Continental Championship Wrestling returns to Amelia Island with Wrestlbash 2014 Aug. 30 at Fernandina Beach Middle School. Matches include "Flash and Cash" Hayden Price vs. Julian Marcs for the CCW championship, "Future Eviltion" (Jonathan Wells and Daniel Anderson) vs. "Rock 'n' Roll" Chris Turner and Maddog Miller for the CCW tag team championships, Jamie McKinnon vs. Romeo De La Guerra for the CCW Southern States championship, Kevin Toole vs. Kristian Evans and many more. Also appearing are Ricky Jay, rookie Eric Moore, Shooter McGee, Skylark and others. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and belltime is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale at FBMS. Apportion of the proceeds benefit the school. Visit www.ccwrestling.biz.

Register for soccer

Register for the Amelia Island Youth Soccer's fall season at www.aiysoccer.com or contact Lee Burchett at burchett380@gmail.com. Amelia Island Youth Soccer has partnered with Soccer Made In America and the Chicago Blast Soccer Club.

Turtle Trot Labor Day

The Turtle Trot 5K Beach Run will be held Labor Day morning. The 3.1-mile run and walk will start at 7:30 a.m. Sept. 1 at Main Beach with an out-and-back course entirely on the beach, heading south at the start. This year the race will start exactly at low tide for best conditions.

Race proceeds will benefit Amelia Island Sea Turtle Watch, Friends of Fort Clinch sea turtle patrols and Amelia Island Runners running programs. The first 500 finishers will receive a commemorative coffee mug. And the event is family-friendly. A one-mile kids' fun run will be held at 8:30 a.m.

Another tradition of the end-of-summer holiday 5K is the unique T-shirts. Each year original sea-turtle artwork for the shirts is created by noted local artist Sandra Baker-Hinton.

Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female overall, masters (age 40 and over) and grandmasters (age 50 and over) winners plus three-deep age group awards in 15 groups from age 3-9 to 75-plus. In keeping with the beach theme, top age group winners will receive commemorative beach towels while second- and third-place finishers will get commemorative sports towels.

Through today, registration will be \$20 per person or \$15 for members of Amelia Island Runners. From Saturday until race day, registration is \$25 per person for everyone. Registration forms are available at Current Running, 815 S. Eighth St., or at AmeliaRunners.com, where online registration through Active.com is also available. Club discount is not available online.

All pre-registered runners and walkers will be guaranteed a T-shirt. Registration for the kids' run is \$10. All kids' run finishers get a ribbon and preregistered participants also get a T-shirt. Parents are encouraged to run with their children for free; just fill out a registration form.

Packet pickup for preregistered runners and walkers will be Aug. 30 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Aug. 31 from noon to 3 p.m. at Current Running and also race morning starting at 6:30 a.m. at Main Beach park. You can also register on race day from 6:30-7:15 a.m. at the park.

The 5K will be timed with disposable timing chips. No headphones, animals, bicycles or strollers are allowed on the course. For information, visit AmeliaRunners.com or call 415-6039.

Bassmasters meet

Nassau Bassmasters, associated with the Florida Bass Federation, the Bass Federation and the FLW, meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Pig Bar-B-Que restaurant in Callahan at 7 p.m. Membership into the club is open to anyone 16 and older. Call Bob Schlag at (912) 729-2282 in Kingsland, Aaron Bell at (904) 545-5092 in Callahan or Tim McCoy at 261-3735 in Fernandina Beach.

Sailing Club meets

The Amelia Island Sailing Club meets the first Tuesday at the Kraft Athletic Club at Ten Acres. Social hour at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. Contact Commodore Roger Henderson at (904) 624-2711 or commodore@ameliaislandsailing.org or visit www.ameliaislandsailing.org.

NSFA meetings

The Nassau Sport Fishing Association holds its monthly business meetings on the second Wednesday at Kraft Ten Acres, 961023 Buccaneer Trail, Fernandina Beach. The social get-togethers are held on the fourth Wednesday. Additional information, directions and reservations are available on the NSFA website at www.nsfafish.net.

The Nassau Sport Fishing Association, founded in 1983, is a 501c3 nonprofit organization, created to develop and promote salt-water fishing in the Nassau County area while adhering to state, federal and local regulations, to encourage compliance with rules of water safety by club members and the general public and to promote youth-related community and other civic minded activities. Contact President John Hartrich at 206-0817 or email info@nsfafish.net.

Sports association

Nassau County Sports Association meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday at the county building, Yulee. Call 261-1075 or 277-1609.

2014 SCHEDULES

YULEE HIGH SCHOOL	
Varsity Football	
Aug. 29	FERNANDINA 7:00
Sept. 5	POTTER'S HOUSE 7:00
Sept. 19	at Forrest* 7:00
Sept. 26	WOLFSON* 7:00
Oct. 3	PAXON* (HC) 7:00
Oct. 10	at Ribault* 7:00
Oct. 17	at Baker County* 7:00
Oct. 24	BISHOP KENNY* (SR) 7:00
Oct. 30	at Stanton* 7:00
Nov. 7	at West Nassau 7:30
*District	

FERNANDINA BEACH HIGH SCHOOL	
Volleyball	
Sept. 3	FLEMING ISLAND 5:30/6:30
Sept. 4	BISHOP SNYDER 5:30/6:30
Sept. 9	EPISCOPAL 5:30/6:30
Sept. 12-13 at Orlando tourney	
Sept. 16	at Ribault* 5:30/6:30
Sept. 18	at Fletcher 5:30/6:30
Sept. 23	YULEE* 5:30/6:30
Sept. 25	at Orange Park 5:30/6:30
Sept. 30	JACKSON* 5:30/6:30
Oct. 1	at Mandarin 5:30/6:30
Oct. 3-4 at Bolles tourney	
Oct. 7	BOLLES 5:30/6:30
Oct. 9	at Raines* 5:30/6:30
Oct. 10-11 JV at Bishop Kenny tourney	
Oct. 14	CREEKSIDE 5:30/6:30
Oct. 16	at Ponte Vedra 5:30/6:30
Oct. 20-23 District 4-4A at WNHS	
* District	

FERNANDINA BEACH HIGH SCHOOL	
Varsity Football	
Aug. 29	at Yulee 7:00
Sept. 5	at Nease 7:00
Sept. 12	HILLIARD 7:00
Sept. 19	EPISCOPAL 7:00
Sept. 26	MENENDEZ 7:00
Oct. 3	at Fort White* 7:30
Oct. 10	WEST NASSAU (HC) 7:00
Oct. 17	at Taylor County* 7:30
Oct. 31	MADISON* 7:00
*District	

FERNANDINA BEACH HIGH SCHOOL	
Cross Country	
Sept. 13	at Katie Caples Invite 5:45
Sept. 20	at UF Mountain Dew Open
Sept. 27	at Alligator Lake Open 8:00
Oct. 4	at Mustang Invitational 7:30
Oct. 9	Nassau County 4:30
Oct. 18	AMELIA INVITATIONAL 8:00
Oct. 22	District 3-2A
Nov. 6	Region 1-2 at Pensacola
Nov. 15	State 2A at Tallahassee

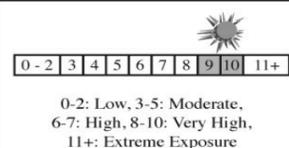
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Fernandina Beach's Seven Day Forecast

Day	Forecast	High/Low
Friday	Mostly Sunny	89 / 77
Saturday	Isolated T-storms	90 / 76
Sunday	Scat'd T-storms	90 / 77
Monday	Scat'd T-storms	89 / 76
Tuesday	Isolated T-storms	89 / 75
Wednesday	Partly Cloudy	90 / 76
Thursday	Mostly Cloudy	87 / 75

Local UV Index



Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	AM	PM
Fri	3:09-5:09	2:39-4:39
Sat	3:55-5:55	3:25-5:25
Sun	4:44-6:44	4:14-6:14
Mon	5:36-7:36	5:06-7:06

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Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	7:01 a.m.	7:52 p.m.	10:30 a.m.	10:09 p.m.
Sat	7:01 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	11:25 a.m.	10:47 p.m.
Sun	7:02 a.m.	7:49 p.m.	12:22 p.m.	11:30 p.m.
Mon	7:02 a.m.	7:48 p.m.	Next Day	
Tue	7:03 a.m.	7:47 p.m.	2:16 p.m.	12:16 a.m.
Wed	7:03 a.m.	7:45 p.m.	3:13 p.m.	1:09 a.m.
Thu	7:04 a.m.	7:44 p.m.	4:09 p.m.	2:06 a.m.

Weather History

Aug. 29, 1965 - A national record for the month of August was established when 2.5 inches of snow fell atop Mount Washington, N.H. Temperatures in New England dipped to 39 degrees at Nantucket, Mass. and to 25 degrees in Vermont.

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Farmer's Growing Degree Days
8/19	95	77	88/75	0.00"	Date Degree Days
8/20	95	77	88/75	0.00"	8/19 36 8/23 38
8/21	97	77	88/75	0.00"	8/20 36 8/24 32
8/22	95	77	88/75	0.00"	8/21 37 8/25 32
8/23	97	79	88/75	0.00"	8/22 36
8/24	88	77	88/75	0.00"	
8/25	86	77	88/75	0.00"	

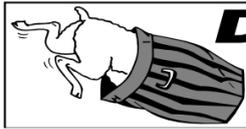
Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.

Tides This Week

Fernandina Beach				St. Mary's Entrance				
Day	High	Low	Day	High	Low	Day	High	Low
Fri	11:59 am	5:22 am	None	5:50 pm	Fri	11:23 am	5:19 am	11:35 pm
Sat	12:11 am	5:59 am	12:39 pm	6:34 pm	Sat	12:03 pm	5:56 am	None
Sun	12:52 am	6:41 am	1:22 pm	7:24 pm	Sun	12:16 am	6:38 am	12:46 pm
Mon	1:36 am	7:31 am	2:11 pm	8:23 pm	Mon	1:00 am	7:28 am	1:35 pm
Tue	2:25 am	8:28 am	3:06 pm	9:24 pm	Tue	1:49 am	8:25 am	2:30 pm
Wed	3:22 am	9:30 am	4:09 pm	10:25 pm	Wed	2:46 am	9:27 am	3:33 pm
Thu	4:25 am	10:33 am	5:16 pm	11:25 pm	Thu	3:49 am	10:30 am	4:40 pm

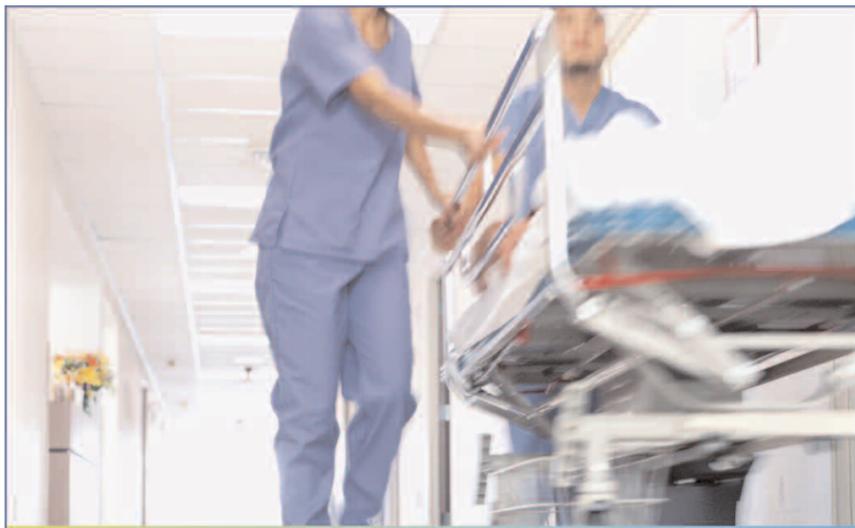
StarWatch By Gary Becker - Swing High, Swing Low

If you haven't noticed the rapidly shrinking daylight, then I suggest you pop your head out-of-doors just after 8:30 p.m. It's dark! The latest sunset occurred on June 30 at 8:33 p.m. for 40 degrees north latitude. Sunset at the beginning of this week happens at 7:47 p.m., but by week's end old Sol's hitting the dirt 10 minutes earlier. The changes in the dwindling daylight will occur faster and faster until the autumnal equinox (September 22), and then begin to slacken until the winter solstice (sun standstill) which occurs on December 21. It's similar to a child on a swing gliding back and forth. At the top of the arc, the swing momentarily stops at its farthest distance or amplitude from the center. These are the solstices, summer and winter, when the sun stops its northward or southward motions. Not much changes on either side of the solstices, again similar to a swing at the top of its arc. The swing's velocity slows, comes to a stop, and then gradually increases once again on its downward path. The maximum velocity (change) happens at the bottom of the arc, which corresponds to the autumnal (fall) and vernal (spring) equinoxes. So although the sun is now on its downward slide, the biggest decrease in daylight will not occur for another four weeks. By mid-October the changes will be as rapid as they are right now. While you take note of the shrinking daylight, take a look at the sky around 8:30 p.m. You'll notice two bright starlike objects close together in the southwest. The luminary below and to the left is Mars, while its companion is Saturn. The planets will be near to each other throughout the week, but on Monday the 25th, they will be closest, just 3-1/2 degrees apart. That's about the separation of your thumb held at arm's length. The view becomes even more interesting when the crescent moon enters the scene on the 30th, and then stands above and between the pair on Sunday, August 31. Good observing! www.astronomy.org



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City water/sewer rates to go up another 3%

ANGELA DAUGHTRY
News-Leader

A 3 percent increase in city water/sewer rates was unanimously approved by Fernandina Beach Commissioners at their Aug. 19 meeting, with no discussion.

The increase, which was the recommendation of a 2013 study by the Florida Rural Water Association, goes into effect Oct. 1.

Annual city water revenues are about \$3.5 million and wastewater revenues are about \$4.8 million, according to the study.

Total city water operating expenses are about \$2.2 million annually and wastewater expenses are about \$2.1 million.

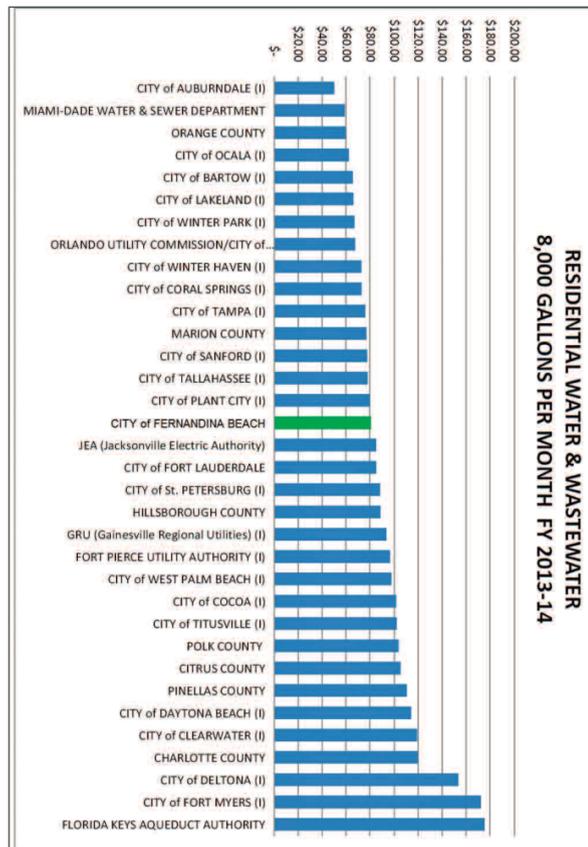
The water system also has an annual debt payment of about \$1.7 million, which is partially covered by impact fees and partially covered by a loan from the wastewater revenues.

The city paid \$18.95 million for Florida Public Utility's potable water utility in 2002, with an agreement for an additional \$7.5 million in a "futures" payment over a period of seven years.

A stormwater fee of \$1-4 per household was added in 2012. Single-family homes that do not have private stormwater systems are charged \$4, while duplexes are charged \$2 per unit. Residents in developments are charged a reduced rate (with a 50 percent credit) because they have their own stormwater systems. Condominium residents also are charged \$1.

City utility bills also include a fee for garbage pickup and a small municipal tax fee, which is a city revenue allowed by the state.

According to the Florida Rural Water Association website, it provides services to water and wastewater systems, including on-site technical assistance, training, compliance and troubleshooting.



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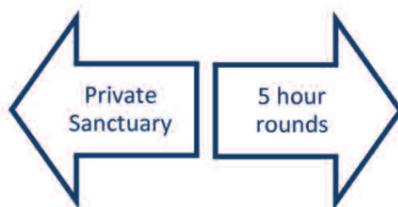


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Relive the '60's at Laugh In revue

For the News-Leader

You bet your sweet bippy — Amelia Musical Playhouse is presenting a Laugh In revue tonight and Saturday at the theater located on Island Walkway in Fernandina Beach.

If you were around during the 1960's you will remember this weekly variety show and the humor, politics, and iconic phrases that were a part of it. Twenty-five local singers, actors and musicians are performing their own version of this classic show at Amelia Musical Playhouse, the island's newest venue for music and entertainment.

The cast features longtime performers from the area as well as first-time performers on the AMP stage.

Says Jan Cote-Merow, who plays "Ernestine," "It is such fun to be part of a feel-good show that promises to bring such fun musical memories to the audience, performing songs by such iconic artists as the Beatles, Simon and Garfunkel, Donovan and many more."



PHOTO BY WILLIAM RASER/FOR THE NEWS-LEADER

The cast and crew of the colorful Laugh In revue at Amelia Musical Playhouse in Fernandina Beach are ready to take audiences on a trip down memory lane to the 1960s.

Gregg Dillingham, owner of AMP, had been promoting "Laugh In" as a promising revue theme for several years, and when Linzy

Kennedy came to AMP with a binder full of 60's music and the desire to direct, it all just fell together.

One of the goals at AMP is

to mentor new directors, and Linzy has moved from being a performer on stage into the role of director with creativity and enthusiasm.

When asked about the experience, she remarked, "This has been one of the

LAUGH Continued on 4B

'Laramie Project' coming to AMP stage

Amelia Musical Playhouse is proud to present the "The Laramie Project," written by Moisés Kaufman and the members of Tectonic Theater Project.

Directed by Jeff Goldberg, the play will be performed on Sept. 4, 5, 6 at 1955 Island Walkway, right off South Eighth Street in Fernandina Beach.

Hailed by *Time Magazine* as one of the "Top Ten Plays of the Year 2000," "The Laramie Project" is a thought-provoking, critically acclaimed and emotionally riveting theater experience of a small town at the epicenter of an incomprehensible crime.

"The Laramie Project" began in November 1998, one month after the brutal

AMP Continued on 4B

Wild Nites return Wild Amelia announces series lineup

Walk on the wild side with Wild Amelia in the coming months, and mark your calendar for the second Tuesday evening of each month when Wild Amelia will again offer the popular "Wild Nites" series.

The topics and speakers for the nine Wild Nites leading up to the ninth annual Wild Amelia Nature Festival, May 15-17, 2015, have just been announced. These Wild Nites are educational nature forums and are

free and open to the public and are held at the Peck Center Auditorium, 516 South 10th St., Fernandina Beach at 7 p.m. Wild Amelia partners with the city of Fernandina, Department of Parks and

Recreation, in offering these Wild Nites.

Here is a brief list of dates and topics:

WILD Continued on 4B



Wild Amelia's Wild Nites nature forum series will feature a program on endangered North Atlantic Right Whales in December; these animals are often entangled in long-line fishnets and need some human help to be saved.

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OFF & ON THE ISLAND

8 FLAGS REVISITED

The Amelia Island Museum of History invites you to its next Brown Bag Lunch on Sept. 3 at noon.

Tom Raymond will present *The Eight Flags of Amelia Island — Probably Not the Eight You Think*, not to pour cold water on the notion but to examine the raw facts, the vexillology, the art and science of the region's banners posted over the island over the years.

He'll explore the legitimacy, the sovereignty of the original inhabitants, the explorers and settlers who waved an array of colors and the evasive nature of history, while poking at a bit of historical revisionism along the way.

Attend for some fresh perspective on the "Eight Flags of Amelia Island." This program is free and open to the public. For information contact Gray at 261-7378, ext. 102, or gray@ameliamuseum.org.

AMERICAN BEACH MUSEUM GRAND OPENING

The American Beach Museum will officially open on Saturday, Sept. 6 with a ceremony from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at American Beach Community Center, 1600 Julia St.

The opening exhibit, "The Sands of Time: An American Beach Story," realizes a longtime dream held by MaVynee Betsch, who died in 2005. Known far and wide as the Beach Lady, Betsch was an historian, activist and environmentalist and the great-granddaughter of A.L. Lewis, president of the Afro American Life Insurance Company, who founded American Beach in 1935 as a place for African Americans to escape the stress of racism and segregation.

For decades, the Beach Lady was an iconic figure, championing environmental causes and the preservation of the island's history, culture and stories. The success of American Beach is a captivating story that makes for a fascinating exhibit at the new museum.

The exhibit features the history of American Beach, photographs, a filmed tour of the beach by the Beach Lady, along with her signature seven-foot locks of hair. Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole, sister of the Beach Lady will speak at the opening ceremony.

For information contact program director and curator Carol Alexander at Alexander.productions@aol.com.

Submit items for this calendar to Sian Perry at sperry@fbnewsleader.com

OUT AND ABOUT

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tonight from 5:30-7 p.m. at Post 54, Big Red will serve prime rib with baked potato and salad for a \$14 donation.

The Post is located at 626 S. Third St., Fernandina Beach

The Northeast Chapter of the Nam Knights will host a Wing Night on Aug. 30 at 5:30 p.m. at VFW Post 4351. Dinner includes wings and fries and all the fixings for an \$8 donation. Karaoke will follow with Eddie Carter. The VFW Post is located at 96086 Wade Place, under the Shave Bridge. For information call 432-8791.

American Legion Post 54 will serve "Legion Softball Dinners" with a choice of fried chicken or liver with mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and gravy for an \$8 donation on Aug. 30 from 5-7 p.m. The Legion is located at 626 S. Third St. Call 261-7900.

The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 4351 will serve pulled pork, coleslaw, and baked beans on Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. for a donation. They also will be recruiting new members.

Everyone is invited to come out and see what they are all about. For information call 432-8791.

The first-ever Amelia Con will be held at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center and the Woman's Club on Sept. 5-7.

This event is Amelia Island's anime, comic book, animation, video game, fantasy, sci-fi, and pop culture convention. The day of fun features celebrity and comic book guests, cosplayers, artists, writers, Q&A's, films, exhibits and more.

Tickets start at \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.ameliakon.com.

The Amelia Island Charity Group will host a Navy Seal Foundation Patriot's Day Ladies Fashion Show Luncheon on Sept. 11.

Lunch is at 11:30 a.m. at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club, 2800 Bill Melton Road. Fashions will be shown from Lori & Lulu's. State Rep. Janet Adkins will be the keynote speaker.

Tickets are a \$25 donation and all proceeds will benefit the Navy Seal Foundation. Online registration is available at: www.ameliainlandnavyseal-foundation.org/events or mail a check payable to the Navy Seal Foundation to P.O. Box 15698, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034. Contact Carol Carter with any questions at 261-9193.

Registration deadline is Aug. 31.

A free introductory flamenco class and workshop for adults will be held Sept. 13 at 12:30 p.m. at Alius Dance Studio, 14181 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville. The class will cover the basic history and evolution of flamenco, as well as the musical structure and dance techniques and basics of Castanuelas. For more information call (904) 607-6697 or visit www.flamencojax.net.

Five area storytellers will compete for the title Island Tales Story Champion Sept. 19 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Audience members will vote with cash for their favorite stories. Proceeds will help purchase furniture and equipment for the new Fernandina Beach Library opening next year.

Competing will be: Arlene Filkoff; Ron Kurtz; Capt. Kevin McCarthy; Abel Rae; and Yvette Thomas. Caren S. Neile, Ph.D., MFA, who teaches storytelling studies at Florida Atlantic University, will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

The program will follow a ticketed reception at 5:30 p.m. with island-themed delights from Lulu's, a generous pour by Wines by Steve and cash bar. The storytellers take the stage at 7 p.m. Vote tickets will be on sale the night of the event.

Advance tickets are \$50 at the library, 25 N. Fourth St.; Amelia Island Museum of History, 233 S. Third St.; and at fernandinaFOL.org (click on "what's new," "events," then "Donate Now"). A limited number of free tickets for the program only (doors open at 6:45 p.m.) are available at the library.

The Nassau Humane Society's Pasta for Paws spaghetti supper is coming up Saturday evening, Sept. 20 at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center.

The annual event always features great food and is one of the most important fundraisers for the Humane Society.

This year's dinner will be from 4:30-7:30 p.m. and will feature spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread, beverage and dessert for \$14. It's free for children age 6 and younger, and \$10 for kids age 7-10. The event always features a wide variety of homemade desserts to choose from, with extra desserts for \$2 each. Take-out will be available, and there will be live music and a silent auction.

Tickets are available at the NHS Second Chance resale store, 1002 South 14th St., the NHS Dog Park, 641 Airport Road, online at NassauHumaneSociety.com, and will be available at the door.

In place of its normal Friday night wine tasting, A Taste of Wine by Steve will host a Friday evening cruise with Amelia River Cruise on Oct. 10 at \$50 per person. The cruise will last around 1 1/2 hours beginning at 5 p.m. Enjoy appetizers and the usual two whites and two reds to taste. Please RSVP to Raskin at 557-1506 or raszkin.steve@yahoo.com.

THEATER

Rendezvous Festival, formerly the Amelia Island Film Festival, is accepting film submissions for its debut International Film and Music Festival on June 5-13, 2015 on Amelia Island and American Beach. Submissions accepted in the following categories: U.S. Shorts, U.S. Features, U.S. Documentaries, International Shorts, International Features, Animation Shorts and New Category Music Videos. For rules, regulations, submission dates and fees visit www.rendezvousfestival.com.

Fernandina Little Theatre presents "Dearly Departed," a hilarious comedy about a dysfunctional southern family, opening Aug. 30 at FLT, 1014 Beech St.

Performances of this long-running FLT hit are Aug. 30 and Sept. 2, 4, 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m. and Aug. 31 at 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$16.50 for all performances except Sept. 2 – tickets are \$14.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at The UPS Store in the island Publix shopping center.

FLT is an intimate performance space and patrons are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance to guarantee seating availability. Visit ameliaaft.org.

The Northeast Florida World Aids Committee will display two wall panels that are replicas of an AIDS quilt in the lobby of Amelia Musical Playhouse from Aug. 30 through Sept. 6 during the run of "The Laramie Project."

The purpose is to raise awareness about AIDS. In December 2014 an actual AIDS Quilt will be on display at City Hall in Jacksonville during Aids Awareness Week.

A representative from the committee will be present each night of the performances of "The Laramie Project" on Sept. 4, 5 and 6 at Amelia Musical Playhouse, 1955 Island Walkway, to give out information and answer questions.

St. Marys Little Theatre presents "Little Shop of Horrors" on Sept. 12, 13, 19 and 20 at 7 p.m. and Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. at Theatre by the Trax in St. Marys, Ga. Visit www.stmaryslittletheatre.com or call (912) 729-1103 for tickets and information.

Amelia Community Theatre announces that tickets are now on sale for "Hair, the American Tribal Love Rock Musical."

Performances are Sept. 19 at 8 p.m.; Sept. 20 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; and Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. on the main stage at 207 Cedar St. All tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at ameliacommunitytheatre.org or by calling 261-6749.

This landmark musical premiered on Broadway in 1968. The show contains adult language and situations and is rated R. For more information, call 261-6749 or email actheatre@att.net.

The Regions Bank Summer Movie Classics Series at the Florida Theatre in downtown Jacksonville concludes Sunday at 2 p.m. with "Goldfinger." Tickets are \$7.50. Visit www.floridatheatre.com or call (904) 355-ARTS.

MUSEUM

One ticket, four pubs, a wealth of historical information about downtown Fernandina and a good time for all. Join the Amelia Island Museum of History Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. to tour four of the town's most popular, notorious or otherwise historic pubs and bars. One ticket will get you one drink at each establishment and an earful of colorful tales about the places you visit as well as those you see along your way. It's a great way to see Fernandina and learn about its history.

MUSIC NOTES

Call for singers

Rehearsals for An Evening in December 2014 will begin Sunday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m. at Amelia Baptist Church. Pam Helton, music minister at Amelia Baptist Church, welcomes singers from throughout Northeast Florida to be a part of the 18th edition of An Evening in December.

The program will be performed on Friday and Sunday, Dec. 12 and 14 at 7 p.m. each evening. Rehearsals will be held each Sunday afternoon at Amelia Baptist Church from 5-6 p.m.

Singers are invited to join the choir starting Sept. 21. Amelia Baptist Church is located at 961167 Buccaneer Trail at the roundabout where South Fletcher meets First Coast Highway. Call Pam Helton at the church (261-9527) or Allen Lennon (261-8799) for information or to arrange for child-care during rehearsals.

Humphrey in concert

Frank L. Humphrey, III will present a concert on Friday, Sept. 5 at 7 p.m. at Amelia Baptist Church.

Frank has spent the last year at the prestigious Manhattan School of Music in New York City where he is studying Vocal Performance. He was awarded first place as a vocalist in the Gershwin International competition last fall. He is now in his senior year at Manhattan. He grew up in Jacksonville and is a graduate of Douglas Anderson School of the Arts and Florida State College at Jacksonville.

The concert, featuring sacred, classical and Broadway selections, is free and open to the public. A basket will be available for contributions toward Humphrey's education.

Amelia Baptist Church is located at 961167 Buccaneer Trail at the roundabout where South Fletcher Avenue joins First Coast Highway.

Blues Festival

The fourth annual Amelia Island Blues Festival will return back to the ocean breezes of Main Beach Sept. 12-13. Friday night will feature the Fernandina Beach High School "Blues in School Band" under the direction of Johnny Robinson and Roger "Hurricane" Wilson, followed by The Mojo Roots. On Saturday, the festival will continue with performances from a variety of artists, including headliners Curtis Salgado, John Primer, Samantha Fish, Bernard Allison, Ben Prestage and more. For a full line-up of entertainment and to purchase tickets, visit www.ameliainlandbluesfest.com or call (404) 784-7687.

Country jam

Backwoods Country Jam will be held Sept. 27 at the Callahan Speedway, headlined by Justin Moore, ACM 2014 New Country Artist of the Year, with Jason Michael Carroll, Jon Langston, Amber DeLaCruz and more.

Backwoods Country Jam and its team members will help nonprofits in North Florida and South Georgia fundraise through ticket sales and involvement in the event.

Gates open at 3:30 p.m. Moore takes the stage at 9:30 p.m. There will be food, merchandise and drinks. Tickets are \$40 at facebook.com/backwoodscountryjam, GoneGorgeous.com and Tasty's (Fernandina), at ticketmaster.com or call (904) 451-8072. Email backwoodscountryjam@gmail.com.

Goin' Coastal

Goin' Coastal music series presents, in association with Sweetwater Brewing Company, Nicki Bluhm & The Gramblers with supporting acts The Mother Hips and Fjord Explorer on Sept. 28 from 4-8 p.m. at Central Park.

Tickets are \$15 in advance (\$20 at the door) and available at the Atlantic Recreation Center, Green Turtle Tavern and Pipeline Surf Shop.

San Francisco-based Nicki Bluhm & The Gramblers have brought their California folk-rock sound to events such as Bonnaroo, Newport Folk Festival, Hangout Music Festival and Mountain Jam. In July, Nicki Bluhm was at Red Rocks Amphitheatre with the Tedeschi Trucks Band.

Jazz Festival

The Amelia Island Jazz Festival kicks off Oct. 12 with a free concert in Amelia Park from 2-4 p.m. featuring the U.S. Navy Band Southeast. The festival runs through Oct. 19 and will feature A Latin Jazz Concert and Wine Tasting Oct. 16; headliner Tony Monaco, jazz organist, Oct. 17; headliner Randy Brecker, Grammy award-winning trumpet master with a tribute to the Brecker Brothers Band on Oct. 18; a Dixie to Swing Jazz Brunch Oct. 19 with the AIJF All-Star Swingtet; late night jazz jams, a sponsor party and more.

Tickets range from \$35 to \$60 for regular admission, with VIP packages available and discounts for Jazz Pass programs. For tickets and further information visit www.ameliainlandjazzfestival.com.

Dulcimer group

The Yulee Dulcimers meet the second Saturday of each month at New Vision Congregational Church, 96072 Chester Road, Yulee. Members play all types of dulcimer music from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please bring several copies of your favorite music to share.

Beginners welcome. For more information call 849-1616.

Community band

The Nassau Community Band is an ensemble of amateur musicians, retired and current music educators, even folks that have not played since high school or college. It welcomes all interested persons to join them for rehearsals at 6 p.m. Thursdays at the Yulee Middle School band room, 85439 Miner Road. Email info@nassaucommunity-band.com, call band President Chuck Belinski at 277-1257 or search "Nassau Community Band" on Facebook.

Music cruises

Amelia River Cruises' Adult "BYOB" Twilight Tours are held Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$29 per person at 1 North Front St., Fernandina Beach, or call 261-9972 or book online at www.ameliarivercruises.com.

The Courtyard

The Courtyard Pub & Eats, 316 Centre St., John Springer on the piano Thursday-Saturday from 6:30-10 p.m. Call 432-7086. Join them on Facebook at courtyardpubanddeals for information on special events including appearances by "The Usual Suspects" with Pam and Davis Turner on Sunday evenings. You never know who may show up and join in the fun.

David's

David's Restaurant and Lounge, 802 Ash St., presents Aaron Bing Friday and Saturday nights. Call 904-310-6049.

Florida House

Florida House Inn, 22 S. Third St., hosts "Open Mike Night" each Thursday from 7:30-10:30 p.m. in the Mermaid Bar hosted by local musician Terry Smith. Musicians perform and the audience gets to hear new talent. Appropriate for the whole family. No cover charge. Call Smith at (904) 412-7665.

Vinyl Record Night

The Green Turtle, 14 S. Third St., presents Vinyl Record Night every Tuesday from 7-11 p.m. Listen to LPs played on high-end turntables, talk about the medium and purchase albums. Disc jockeys JG World and Jim play an eclectic mix from their personal collection of thousands of records. Call 321-2324.

Hammerhead

Hammerhead Beach Bar, 2045 S. Fletcher Ave. Live music. Visit Hammerhead on Facebook. Contact Bill Childers at bill@thepalacesaloon.com.

Instant Groove

The Instant Groove, featuring Lawrence Holmes, Johnny Robinson, Scott Giddons and Sam Hamilton, plays each Thursday night at The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island. Dress is casual. For information call Holmes at 556-6772.

Pablos

Pablos, 12 N. Second St., Fernandina Beach, hosts a jazz jam from 7-10 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month. Musicians may sit in for one song or the whole night. Join the mailing list by emailing beechflyer@bellsouth.net.

Palace Saloon

The Palace Saloon, 117 Centre St., presents live music. Call 491-8999. Join them on Facebook or visit www.thepalacesaloon.com.

Salty Pelican

The Salty Pelican Bar & Grill, 12 N. Front St., live music Thursday through Sunday. Call 277-3811, or visit The Salty Pelican Bar and Grill on Facebook.

Sandy Bottoms

Sandy Bottoms at Main Beach, 2910 Atlantic Ave., the Macy's from 6-9 p.m. live inside Wednesdays; and line dancing classes with Kathy Ball inside from 6-9 p.m. Thursdays. Visit www.sandybottomsamelia.com.

Sheffield's

Sheffield's at The Palace, 117 Centre St., presents late night dance mixes on Fridays with DJ Refresh and Saturdays with DJ 007, and Ladies Night with Gary Ross from 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays. Starting July 24, Sheffield's will host a weekly country night on Thursdays with a dance floor and country music DJ. Call 491-8999. Join them on Facebook or visit www.thepalacesaloon.com.

Sliders

Sliders Seaside Grill, 1998 S. Fletcher Ave., live music in the tiki bar 6-10 p.m. nightly and 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, reggae Wednesdays with Pili Pili; The Macy's in the lounge Friday and Saturdays 6-10 p.m.; shag dancing Sundays from 4-7 p.m.; music nightly 9 p.m.-1 a.m. in the Breakers Lounge. Call 277-6652. Visit www.slidersseaside.com. Join Sliders on Facebook and Twitter.

The Surf

The Surf Restaurant & Bar, 3199 S. Fletcher Ave., presents karaoke on the deck, Mondays at 7 p.m. and live music on the deck from 6-10 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. Call 261-5711 or email lisa@lickwidmarketing.com. Join them on Facebook and check out the entertainment calendar at www.thesurfonline.com.

Submit items and updates for this calendar to Assistant Editor Siân Perry at sperry@fbnewsleader.com.

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Tickets are \$25 per person (must be 21, must show ID); tour begins at the historic train depot in downtown Fernandina Beach. Reservations required. Contact Thea at 261-7378,

ext.105 or Thea@ameliamuseum.org.

Guests on this tour will learn Amelia Island ghost stories as they tiptoe through dark streets and walk in the footsteps of a bygone era as the past comes alive through the skillful storytelling of your guide. This tour begins at 6 p.m. every Friday like clock-

work and lasts approximately one hour.

Meet your guide in the cemetery behind St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 801 Atlantic Ave. Tickets may be purchased at the Amelia Island Museum of History for \$10/adults and \$5/students. Contact Thea at 261-7378, ext. 105 or Thea@ameliamuseum.org for more information.

RELIGION

Loved, saved and always on His mind

He gasped. He thrashed. He sank. Frantically he reached for the surface one last time. Nothing he did mattered. John was about to drown and he knew it. Distracted by the other children, his father seemed miles away. It wasn't the first time John had felt alone. Somehow in his mind, his brothers and sisters always seemed more important than he did. This time, the distance between he and his father might cost him his life. Thankfully, his view of his father's love was wrong.

Years ago, while trying to help someone with a problem, I heard this story. It came to me not from the person I was talking to but I believe from the Lord Himself. Their problem was one I've listened to many times before. Lots of people struggle with it.

For some, they know that God loves them but seemingly not as much as He loves everyone else. The idea that if they were the only person in need Jesus still would have died for



PULPIT NOTES

Pastor Rob Goyette

love. "If any one of your children was drowning in a pool, would you hesitate to jump in to save them? No. Would you wait for two of three of your other children to fall in before doing something for the one? Of course not. If all your kids were safe on land but one fell in, no matter which one it was, you would jump in

them is a pill hard to swallow. Actually, at one point, I wrestled with the same crooked kind of thinking. When I finally realized how much I loved my own children, my view of God, and His love for me, became much clearer.

"Think about it," I told the person that day struggling with receiving God's

and save them, right?" They had to agree.

And so it is with each of us. If we were the only one that needed saving, without question, Jesus would have endured the same ruthless crucifixion on our behalf. For me, knowing that is what makes knowing God so incredible. Granted I don't know how He keeps up with it all, nonetheless, I'm convinced it's true. God loves each of us as if we were all His favorite child. When any one of us is suffering, His heart is severely pained.

The illustration reminds me of Jesus' story of the lost sheep recorded in Luke's Gospel, chapter 15. It's a beautiful picture of God's heart toward us all.

"Suppose a man has 100 sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the 99 sheep grazing in the pasture and look for the lost sheep until he finds it? When he finds it, he's happy. He puts that sheep on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his

friends and neighbors together and says to them, 'Let's celebrate! I've found my lost sheep!' I can guarantee that there will be more happiness in heaven over one person who turns to God and changes the way he thinks and acts than over 99 people who already have turned to God and have His approval." (Luke 15:4-7, God's Word translation)

I must say, it's the thing I love most about God. When I'm in need, and even when I'm not, I'm on His mind. He's not too busy for me and he knows right where to find me. I'm never beyond His saving reach. Knowing that gives me boldness and confidence to face life's greatest challenges, no matter how scary they may be.

"There is no fear in love; but perfect love cast out fear." (1John 4:18a)

Robert L. Goyette is pastor of Living Waters World Outreach Center. rgoy@livingwatersoutreach.org

BIBLE STUDY

Amelia Island Community Bible Study classes are taking registration for the 2014-15 year that begins the week of Sept. 8. This year they will dive into the books of 1&2 Thessalonians, Philemon, 1, 2 & 3 John, Jude, James and Job.

Each member will receive study guides with homework to be completed each week by class day. The lesson is reviewed in small groups, then a teaching summary is given. The Core Groups are non-threatening, where no one is called upon to answer or pray. Speaking out is totally up to the individual. CBS is a non-denominational international ministry with Amelia Baptist Church hosting the Amelia Island classes. View a short video at www.community-biblestudy.org/aboutus.

- Men's Evening – meets Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m., Norm Purdue, 206-0588, napurdue@bellsouth.net
- Women's Evening – meets Mondays from 7-8:30 p.m., Nancie Waldron, 261-8507, deltaamb@aol.com, or Barbara Tucker, 261-9969
- Women's Day – meets 9:30-11:30 a.m. (a children's program is available for babies-high school), Kathleen Minor, 225-8125, wakminor@aol.com

The groups meet for 30 weeks, beginning the week of Sept. 8 through early May, within the Nassau County school

AWANA CLUBS

Springhill Baptist Church begins its Awana Clubs for kids meetings on Sept. 3 at 5:30 p.m. with a free dinner for all families who register their kids. Registration and orientation begin at 6 p.m.

The evening will conclude with game time and prizes for the kids. Parents should accompany their children this first evening to meet the leaders and learn about the program.

Awana is a global, nonprofit ministry with fully integrated evangelism and long-term discipleship programs for kids in pre-K through fifth grade that actively involves parents and church leaders. Offered through local churches, Awana reaches kids where they're at and walks alongside them in their faith journey.

Every Wednesday night the kids recite Bible verses they have memorized during the week, hear a story from the Bible and participate in game time. Awards are given each week as kids complete sections of their Awana handbook.

Come and learn more about what Springhill Baptist Church has to offer your family. Call the church office at 261-4741. The church is located at 941017 Old Nassauville Road, Fernandina Beach.

RELIGION NOTES

Supplies needed

Salvation Army Hope House needs household goods and volunteers. Its greatest needs right now include: 1) Powdered laundry detergent 2) Dishwashing liquid 3) Deodorant 4) Volunteers to help package and distribute donations to clients and to assist with other daily and Christmas projects. Please bring your donations to 410 S. Ninth St., at the corner of Ninth and Date streets.

1st Café @ First Presbyterian

1st Café in Jim Thomas Hall is open every Wednesday for dinner at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is \$7 for adults and youth, \$3.50 for children 5-11 and free for children 4 and below. Teaching by our pastors follows dinner at 6:15 p.m. Youth will gather in the Anchor and children second-fifth grades will enjoy the Actor's Workshop while preschool to first-grade participate in Kid's Choir. Call 261-3837 with questions. Nursery available from 6-7:15 p.m.

Call for singers

Rehearsals for An Evening in December 2014 will begin Sunday, Sept. 21 at 5 p.m. at Amelia Baptist Church. Pam Helton, music minister, welcomes singers from throughout Northeast Florida to be a part of the 18th edition of An Evening in December.

The program will be Dec. 12 and 14 at 7 p.m. each evening. Rehearsals will be held each Sunday at Amelia Baptist from 5-6 p.m. Singers are invited to join the choir starting Sept. 21.

Amelia Baptist Church is at 961167 Buccaneer Trail at the roundabout where South Fletcher meets First Coast Highway. Call Pam Helton (261-9527) or Allen Lennon (261-8799) for information or to arrange for childcare during rehearsals.

RCIA – is it for you?

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or are a Catholic who would

like to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults at St. Michael's Catholic Church on Tuesdays, from 6:45-8:15 p.m. Classes started Aug. 26. For more information, call 261-3472.

Latin American dinner

La Tierra Prometida (The Promise Land) Church will host its monthly fundraising dinner from 5-7 p.m. Aug. 30. Requested minimum donation for each homemade "all you can eat" authentic Hispanic meal featuring delectable foods from Mexico, El Salvador, Honduras, Puerto Rico & Uruguay is \$7, to help cover the costs of the food. All donations received above the costs of food will be used to help the church realize its dream of purchasing the historic Baptist Church it calls home. Enjoy a wonderful time of food, fun and fellowship at 416 Alachua St., corner of Fifth and Alachua, Fernandina Beach.

Bless our youth gospel concert

Historic Macedonia AME Church of Fernandina Beach presents Al Walker and the Walkers by Faith plus Jacksonville's Mighty Saints of God, featuring their hit song, "Savior," in concert on Sunday, Aug. 31 at 3 p.m.

Ages 18 and under admitted free. All others, tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Call 1-800-445-3787.

Bless our youth and join in this celebration of faith and love. Macedonia AME Church is located in Fernandina Beach at the corner of Beech and Ninth streets.

Tuesday worship

Read, ponder, question and discuss God's Words of Life, as the Salvation Army Hope House resumes its journey through the Gospel of John in Chapter 12 at the Tuesday worship service at noon Sept. 2. For information call 321-0435 or stop by the Hope House, located at 410 S. Ninth St.

Women's conference

The She is Strong Women's Conference will take place Sept. 11-13 New Life Christian Fellowship with powerful services and guest speakers Bianca Olthoff and Lisa Whittle Thursday at 7 p.m., Friday at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. Register online at www.nlcf.org or call (904) 223-6000. Early bird registration is \$25. Fee is \$35 after Sept. 1. Childcare for infants through age 5 provided with registration.

Faith & healing

"Faith & Mental Health – A Community Conversation," a conference sponsored by Baptist Health, will take place Sept. 13 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Florida State College of Jacksonville North Campus, 4501 Capper Road, Jacksonville, in the Zeke Bryant Auditorium.

The event is free with continental breakfast at registration and complimentary boxed lunch following the last session.

Faith leaders, congregations, mental health professionals, advocates and interested community members are invited to discuss promoting, developing and supporting mental health and ministry through faith communities. The goal is to discuss how faith organizations can help people cope with mental illness.

For information call Baptist Health Community Health at (904) 202-3013. Register at faithmentalhealthconference.eventbrite.com.

Women's Bible Study

On Tuesday, Sept. 23, First Presbyterian Church, 9 N. Sixth St., will offer a Women's Bible Study open to all women in the community. Meg Rensberry and Charlotte Collins will facilitate the DVD study, Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed, A study of David, by Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore & Kay Arthur. This eight-week study will meet in Jim Thomas Hall next to the sanctuary from 10 a.m. until noon. Call the church office at 261-3837 to

register. Workbooks are available for \$15 each.

Prince of Peace

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 2600 Atlantic Ave., across from Fort Clinch, holds a service of traditional worship and communion on Sundays at 9 a.m. Children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Study are at 10:15 a.m. and praise worship and communion at 11 a.m. The Rev. Ida E. Iverson is pastor.

Playgroup

Mom, me Playgroup for moms and infants-preschoolers meets every Thursday morning in Noah's Place at First Presbyterian Church, 9 N. Sixth St. in downtown Fernandina Beach. Noah's Place is open from 9 a.m.-noon for moms to gather, socialize and network while children grow and learn through play and interaction. All are welcome. If you have questions, call the church office at 261-3837 or visit www.first-presbyterian-church-32034.org.

Dinner fundraiser

Hot fish sandwiches will be available at 4 p.m. Friday and Sunday evenings at First Missionary Baptist Church, 20 S. Ninth St., Fernandina Beach, for a small donation. Proceeds will benefit Fernandina Beach resident Maybelle Kirkland-Brown, who is entered in the contest to become Union St. James Association Queen.

Celebrate Recovery

First Assembly of God, 302 South 14th St., Fernandina Beach, is hosting a series of "Celebrate Recovery" classes, a training course for those ministering to or struggling with a life-controlling condition. First Assembly adds to this course its collective experience of more than 20 years ministering to the local community's most vulnerable citizens. Acquire the skills to bring liberty to the lives of those trapped in life-controlling conditions. For information call 261-6448.

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QUILTING PROGRAM SEPT. 9

The Amelia Island Quilt Guild kicks off its 2014-15 year on Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. with the program "Creative Grids - The Original Non-slip Ruler." Laurie Malm and Mary Davis, right, from Lollipops Quilt Shop on Amelia Island will discuss and demonstrate the use of these quilter's tools and provide examples of beautiful quilt block results. Developed by English quilter Sheila Waterfield with input from her quilt group friends, Creative Grid rulers enable fabric hexagons, triangles, etc. to be cut with perfect accuracy. The meeting will be held at the Woman's Club, 201 Jean LaFitte Ave., Fernandina Beach. Guests are welcome. For more information visit www.aiquilters.com.

SUBMITTED



ART WORKS

Youth art classes

Youth art classes will be held at the Island Art Association Educational Center on Aug. 30, including Children's Art for ages 6-9, 10-11 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; and Middle School Art for ages 10-13, 1-2:15 p.m. Classes are led by Diane Hamburg. Pre-register at the gallery, 18 N. Second St., 261-7020.

Children's exhibit

The Amelia Island Plantation Artists'

Guild & Gallery presents Progeny, a children's art exhibit, through Sept. 20. The art is from the gallery members' children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

This collection will hang for only a limited time so be sure to take a look at the original works of art from budding young artists. The gallery is located at 94 Amelia Village Circle at the Omni Spa & Shops.

Open Tuesdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesday-Friday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and

Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Art show

The Island Art Association is exhibiting its juried Nouveau Art show, "Quotes From Shakespeare." Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens Curator Holly Keris was the judge. The show is at the gallery through Oct. 5 during gallery hours.

The IAA gallery is located at 18 N. Second St. Call 261-7020 or visit www.islandart.org.

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ISLAND MARKETS

The Fernandina Beach Market Place farmers market, aka the Amelia Island Market Place, will be open Aug. 30 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on N. Seventh Street in downtown Fernandina Beach with a variety of fresh produce, plants, soaps, sauces, breads, honey, spreads and more.

Returning this week is Evil Seed Sauce Company. Karen and Patrick bring their award-winning Big Evil BBQ, a sweet sauce with a hint of bacon that compliments chicken, burgers and meatloaf. Their best selling Asylum - Crazy Hot Sauce is back, too. This thick and creamy sauce is a blend of five peppers and perfect for wings, eggs and pizza.

This is the last time Chef Adam Sears, of Merge Restaurant, will be at the market for awhile as he is moving up the food chain, further strengthening his career and reputation in the culinary arts. Stock up on his sausage and shrimp burgers and swing by to wish him well.

Sonya's Blue Planet is back with her organic treats including quinoa, granolas and nut butters. She is an every-other-week vendor, and the Saturday mornings she is not in Fernandina Beach, shoppers truly notice her absence. Music this week will be the sweet vocal talents of Melissa Rangel.

The Market Place is open every Saturday, rain or shine. Well-behaved, leashed pets are welcome. Visit FernandinaBeachMarketPlace.com for updates, vendor profiles and recipes. Like them on Facebook. Call 557-8229.

Goodness Snow's Artisanal Truffles and Chocolate will be at the Amelia Farmers Market, aka Fernandina Farmers Market, Aug. 30. Goodness Snow has been making chocolates since 1981 and their product line covers everything from chocolate dipped seasonal fruit to their decadent truffles.

Bottega by Liz Grenamyer offers entrees and side dishes that just need to be reheated to rejoy in no time. Entrees change weekly and the menu often includes items such as espresso crusted pork tenderloin, grilled salmon with mango chutney and southern shrimp and creamy grits. Orchid Legends will offer orchids and other houseplants and can help with questions about growing and repotting orchids.

A crowd favorite returning Saturday is Dolcissimo Desserts, owned and operated by Magdalena who has been making rum cakes since 1985, from an "heirloom" recipe originating in Italy. Taste samples of her chocolate pound cake saturated with rum. Dolcissimo offers three sizes of cakes in two different flavors, original and the hot and spicy.

Also at the market will be Ever Blooming Gardens with drift roses, lilies of the Nile, bougainvillea, Texas sage and lots of other varieties. Pastries by Andrea will have savory and sweet gourmet baked goods and Winter Park Honey a large selection of gourmet varietal honey. The Savory Market brings Wild Alaskan Sockeye Salmon, Maine Sea Scallops and more to the market every Saturday and Gilded Gourmet offers handmade jams, jellies, spices and sauces. Simply Savory Olive Oils has six types of Extra Virgin Olive Oils, five of which are infused.

The Amelia Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Shops of the Omni Amelia Island Plantation. Call 557-4202 or visit www.ameliainlandfarmersmarket.com, where you can sign up for the email newsletter.

AMP *Continued from 1B*

beating death of gay college student Matthew Shepard on the outskirts of Laramie, Wyo. Kaufman and members of his theater group conducted interviews with over 200 Laramie residents to document how this small town responded to a vicious crime, reacted to the intense global media coverage, and reflected on the attitudes and actions that can cultivate both hatred and healing.

"The Laramie Project" premiered at The Ricketson Theatre by the Denver Center Theatre Company (Denver) and was then performed in the Union Square Theater in New York City before a November 2002 performance in Laramie, Wyo.

The play has also been performed by high schools, colleges and community theaters across the country, as well as professional playhouses in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand.

The Laramie Project features a cast of 25 experienced actors from the Nassau County area; many of these performers have been

involved in community theater in this area for decades.

Director Jeff Goldberg said, "I wanted to use many of the talented actors in our community, it has been my pleasure to appear onstage with many of these actors and I fell our cast represents a cross section of the community."

The Northeast Florida World Aids Committee will be displaying 2 vinyl wall panels in the lobby of Amelia Musical Playhouse from Aug. 30 through Sept. 6.

The purpose of this display is to raise awareness about AIDS. In December an actual AIDS Quilt will be on display at City Hall in Jacksonville during Aids Awareness Week.

A representative from the committee will be present each night of the performances of The Laramie Project on Sept. 4, 5, 6 to give out information and answer questions.

Tickets to the show are \$15 and are available at the theater, at www.ameliamusicalplayhouse.com, or call the box office at 277-3455.

Due to intense subject matter, "The Laramie Project" is not recommended for young children.

LAUGH *Continued from 1B*

most challenging and rewarding experiences of my life. I am so proud of my crew and can't wait to show you what we have made together! You bet your bippy you will have one heck of a time!"

Karen Hourigan, a new addition to the AMP Company, is singing a Janis Joplin classic. She is also enthusiastic about the production: "I am so excited to perform in this show. The people at AMP are so warm and welcoming. I feel blessed to be included in this company of such talented and passionate performers. I would also like to note that Jill and Gregg are two of the most inspiring, hard-working, and

supportive people I have ever known."

Live music is always a part of AMP shows, and this revue band features two pianos, bass and percussion. It is such fun to perform this music that is so familiar to everyone. To quote CJ Hetchka: "Can music save your mortal soul? These boots were made for walkin, so drive your Chevy to the Playhouse and lean on me and we'll be lovers in love!"

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday. Tickets are \$15. As of this printing, this evening's performance is almost sold out, but there are tickets available for Saturday. Call the box office at 277-3455 or visit ameliamusicalplayhouse.com.

WILD *Continued from 1B*

• Sept. 9, the National Marine Mammal Foundation and Dolphins;
• Oct. 14, Solar Energy and Conservation;
• Nov. 11, Nesting Shorebirds;
• Dec. 9, the North Atlantic Right Whale Aerial Monitoring Project;
• Jan. 13, Manatees A to Z;
• Feb. 10, update on Jacksonville's Urban Dolphins;
• March 10, the Eastern Indigo Snake;
• April 14, Sea Turtles and the Sea to Shore Alliance;

• May 12, the Green Anole and the Jacksonville Zoo.

More information about each program and the guest speakers will be shared as the program draws near.

Wild Amelia is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate residents of and visitors to Amelia Island about the island's natural treasures-wildlife and wild places.

For information about the educational efforts of Wild Amelia, including the Wild Nites and the ninth annual Wild Amelia Nature Festival visit wildamelia.com and Wild Amelia on Facebook.

'DEARLY DEPARTED' AT FLT



Juanita, Lucille, and Suzanne (Karen Antworth, Annette Rawls and Shannon Shaw) help set up the food table for friends and family in Fernandina Little Theatre's production of "Dearly Departed," the hit comedy about a dysfunctional Southern family. Performances are Aug. 30-Sept. 6 at FLT, 1014 Beech St. Tickets are \$16.50 for all performances except Sept. 2, when they are \$14, and available in advance at The UPS Store in the island Publix shopping center. SUBMITTED



EXHIBIT OPENS

The Plantation Artists' Guild & Gallery held an opening reception for its new exhibit, "As Time Goes By," on Aug. 15. Osprey Village and Amelia Island Montessori School sponsored a fundraiser with special food and wine pairings by Osprey's chef and sous chef, below, a raffle with a mini iPad as one of the prizes, and a photo booth. All donations went to Amelia Island Montessori School. In addition to the new show, a corner exhibit is showcasing works from gallery members' children and grandchildren. The gallery is located at 94 Amelia Village Circle at the Omni Spa & Shops. SUBMITTED PHOTOS



Rock Shrimp Fest is Oct. 4

ST. MARYS, Ga. – The 42nd Annual Rock Shrimp Festival continues its long-standing tradition of family fun on Saturday, Oct. 4 in St. Marys. The festival presents a full day of events including 5K and 10K races, 1-mile Kids Fun Run and a themed parade featuring floats, fire trucks, tractors, golf carts and more.

Downtown will be bursting with all-day entertainment, demonstrations, arts & crafts vendors and food concessionaires. The best part of the day, for most, are the Kiwanis Club dinners that include fresh rock shrimp, the southeastern delicacy that is the festival's namesake. Also included in the dinner are boiled shrimp, fried fish and hushpuppies.

This year's theme is "Still Rockin'!" and event mascot "Rocky the Shrimp" will be rockin' the crowd. Angela Wigger, director of tourism, said this is one of St. Marys' signature events and draws a great crowd and for the first



Rides on this steam locomotive train will be available during the Rock Shrimp Festival Oct. 4.

Railroad Days, a coinciding St. Marys event, by riding on Georgia's only live steam locomotive train and viewing rail equipment and 1/8 scale trains at Theatre by the Trax. The "St. Marys Express" is set to run the 1930 saddle team steamer Lehigh Valley #26 at noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Enjoy marsh and woodland views and costumed characters during the ride. Tickets should be purchased in advance at www.stmarysrailroad.com or by calling (912) 200-5235.

The Rock Shrimp Festival is organized by the Kiwanis Club of St. Marys and supported by the city of St. Marys and area sponsors. Kiwanis President Ron Szelist notes that proceeds from the festival continue to be spent locally to fund youth programs in Camden County. For information or registration forms visit www.smkiwanis.com or www.VisitStMarys.com or call the St. Marys Convention & Visitors Bureau at (912) 882-4000.

time, authentic steam engine train rides will be available.

Advance registration is encouraged for the Kiwanis 5K and 10K runs and is mandatory for vendors and parade entries. Discounted rock shrimp dinner tickets can be purchased prior to the event at several locations including the St. Marys Welcome Center and the Kingsland Welcome Center. The tentative festival sched-

ule is:
7:30 a.m. – 5K & 10 K Races Start
9 a.m.-6 p.m. – Vendors
8:30 a.m. – 1-Mile Kids Fun Run
9:30 a.m. – Race awards
11 a.m. – Parade begins
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HOMES

Grape debate: Scuppernong or muscadine?

Q. Are my grapes Scuppernong or muscadine? PR

A. The muscadine grape (*Vitis rotundifolia Michx.*) is native to the southeastern United States and was the first native grape species to be cultivated in North America. The natural range extends from Delaware to central Florida and occurs in all states along the Gulf Coast to east Texas.

Muscadine grapes will perform well throughout Florida, although performance is poor in high alkaline soils or in soils with very poor drainage. There are three species within the *Muscadina subgenera* (*Vitis munsoniana*, *Vitis powneei* and *Vitis rotundifolia*). Wild muscadine grapes are functionally dioecious, meaning they have male and female vines. Male vines account for the majority of the wild muscadine grape population.

Muscadine grapes are late in breaking bud in the spring and require 100-120 days to mature fruit. Typically, muscadine grapes in the wild bear dark fruit with usually 4 to 10 fruit per cluster. Bronze-fruited muscadine grapes are also found in the wild, and they are often referred to as scuppernongs. There are hundreds of



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named muscadine grape cultivars from improved selections, and in fact, one that has been found in the Scuppernong river of North Carolina has been named Scuppernong. So, to directly answer your question, not all muscadines are Scuppernong but all Scuppernongs are muscadines and yours is a muscadine. How about that for a tongue twister! There are over 100 improved cultivars of muscadine grapes. Skin color ranges from light bronze to pink to purple to black. Flesh is clear and translucent for all muscadine grape berries.

One reason for the popularity of muscadine grapes is that they are a sustainable fruit crop in the southeastern United States. They are tolerant of insect and disease pests, and homeowners can successfully grow muscadine grapes without spraying any pesticides. For complete information on planting, fertilization,

pruning, etc. look over the UF/IFAS publication: <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/hs100>.

Q. What is the difference between the ground cover called Purple Heart and the purple colored plant called wandering Jew? DM

A. Purple heart, *Setcreasea pallid*, is a perennial native to North America, can be grown in full sun to partial shade, and in a wide variety of soils. In north Florida, frost may kill back the tops, but it quickly returns in the spring. Set plants on 12-inch centers. Plants will require initial watering until established and then will need watering only during periods of extended drought. Propagation is by stem cuttings, which root easily. This sprawling, evergreen ground cover produces deep purple foliage and stems when grown in full sun. It also cascades nicely over retaining walls and does well in a hanging basket.

Purple heart produces small, pale pink flowers from the tips of stems and last only one morning. No pests or diseases of major concern although mites and chewing insects may occasionally cause injury. Wandering Jew, *Zebrina pendula*, is a totally different species, although it

looks somewhat similar to Purple heart. It would be difficult to find a more colorful or faster-growing groundcover than wandering Jew. The purple-green leaves with broad, silvery stripes and purple undersides are produced along the succulent stems, which root wherever they touch soil.

Small, insignificant, rose-pink flowers are produced among the leaves of wandering Jew all through the year. It is not native to North America, and will grow in a variety of soils but should be planted in partial to deep shade and receive regular watering. It is often used as an indoor plant or grown in hanging baskets. The cultivar "Purpusii" has dark red or red-green, unstriped, hairy leaves. "Quadricolor" has metallic-green leaves striped with green, red and white. There is also a green and white cultivar available. Propagation is by stem cuttings, which root easily. As a review, Purple heart is native to North America and can be grown in full sun. Wandering Jew requires shade and is originally from Mexico.

Visit <http://nassau.ifas.ufl.edu>.

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HOME & GARDEN BRIEFS

Cans needed

Master Gardeners need your empty vegetable or fruit cans for a gardening workshop they will be conducting soon. Can sizes should be 22 ounces to 55 ounces. Think of baked bean cans (55 ounces) or the large cans of fruit (31 ounces). Empty, rinsed cans can be dropped off at the Yulee Extension office. A donation will qualify you for a drawing to win a "Bean Can Bee House."

For more information call the Extension Office at 879-1019. Master Gardeners are on duty at the Yulee office on Fridays, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., at 491-7340.

Eco-tours

Join Amelia River Cruises for a two-hour interactive adventure to learn about the wildlife and ecosystems of Northeast Florida. Marine biologist Justina shares cool facts about intercoastal creatures with a shrimping demonstration using the otter trawl net, just like those still used in the commercial shrimping industry. She works in Tiger Basin, which is part of the St. Marys River Basin. View the catch and learn about each creature before they are released back to the wild.

Hours are 10 a.m.-noon Aug. 30 and Sept. 6, 20 and 27. The ticket kiosk is located at 1 North Front St., Fernandina Beach. Visit www.ameliarivercruises.com or call 261-9972.

Lawn games

Want to find out how to lawn bowl or play croquet? Join a ranger on the green to learn about these fun outdoor games on Aug. 30 at 2 p.m. at the Ribault Club on Fort George Island Cultural State Park. No reservations are necessary and the program is free. For information contact the Talbot Islands Ranger Station at (904) 251-2320 and visit www.floridastateparks.org

Wildflower class

On Sept. 3 at 10 a.m., Master Gardener Claudie Speed will conduct a Landscape Matters class on wildflowers. Enjoy the beauty and color of our roadside wildflowers, and, yes, even the weeds in bloom. Learn the important part these wildflowers play in our ecology and the surprising uses of these plants in our food and medicinal chain. The class will take place at the Yulee Extension office. It is free and open to the public. For information see the Extension website at: <http://nassau.ifas.ufl.edu/horticulture/landmatters/landmatters.html>, or call the Extension office at 879-1019. Master Gardeners will have plants on sale at this session.

Panther program

Nassau County Sierra Club and the Amelia Island Museum of History are pleased to co-sponsor a lecture by Alexis Mayer, coordinator of Panther Critical Habitat Campaign for the state of Florida Sierra Club. She will speak at the museum, 233 S. Third St., on Sept. 4, with a reception with light snacks at 6 p.m. and the program at 6:30 p.m. The event is free to the public.

Florida panthers (*Puma con color coryi*) once prowled and flourished in woodlands and swamps throughout the Southeast. Today, the panther is recognized as Florida's official state animal but it is one of the most endangered mammals on Earth, with only 100-plus currently left in the state. Find out what is being done to protect this species.

Union Garrison

Fort Clinch State Park will host a Union Garrison event on Saturday, Sept. 6 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 7 from 9 a.m.-noon at the park, 2601 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach.

The grounds will be bustling with soldiers in period costumes involved in firing demonstrations, marching drills, cooking and daily activities. Ladies in their dresses, sutlers displaying their wares, fife players and drummer boys bring every part of the Civil War era to life.

Fees include the \$6 per vehicle park entrance fee

plus \$2 per person fort admission. For information, contact the park at 277-7274 or visit www.FloridaStateParks.org.

Wild at Heart fest

The St. Marys, Ga., Wild at Heart festival, a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act, will feature a family-friendly party at Howard Gilman Memorial Park Sept. 6 from noon-5 p.m. as environmental organizations offer information booths, activities, and more.

Entertainment will be by the Frieze Studio of Music & Performing Arts, with refreshments provided by For The Love of Pets. Participating organizations include The Southern Environmental Law Center, NOAA/Sea Grant, One Hundred Miles, The Satilla Riverkeeper, The Georgia Conservancy, The St. Marys EarthKeepers, Glynn Environmental, The St. Marys River Management Committee, The Center for a Sustainable Coast, White Oak Conservation Foundation, Crooked River State Park, Greenlaw and The Pew Charitable Trusts.

Contact the St. Marys EarthKeepers, Inc. at (912) 673-6120. Visit www.stmarys-earthkeepers.com.

Coastal Cleanup

In support of the International Coastal Cleanup on Sept. 20 the following organizations, in partnership with Keep Nassau Beautiful and Fort Clinch State Park, will conduct "Adopt A Shore" beach cleanups as follows:

- Amelia Island Sea Turtle Watch will assemble at 9 a.m. at the Dolphin Avenue parking lot at Main Beach.

- Wild Amelia will assemble at the Fort Clinch State parking lot at 9 a.m. Entrance fees to the state park will be waived for participants. Bags and gloves will be provided.

Beach cleanup

Fort Clinch State Park is partnering with Keep Nassau Beautiful and the Nassau County Girl Scouts to host a beach cleanup as part of National Public Lands Day, Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon at the park, 2601 Atlantic Ave.

Participants will be provided with all needed supplies to clean up specified areas of the shoreline in Fort Clinch State Park. This two-hour event will ensure the safety of local wildlife and aid in keeping the beach ecosystem healthy and thriving. Park admission is free for event participants.

Talbot cleanup

In honor of National Public Lands Day, the Florida Park Service invites you to help clean up an important Timucuan cultural site on Big Talbot Island.

Help preserve a part of history while clearing back vegetation and chipping up small brush at the Grand Site. Meet at 9 a.m. Sept. 27 at the North Beach parking lot at Little Talbot Island State Park, 12157 Heckscher Drive, to caravan to the work site. The event is free and open to all ages.

Wear long pants and long sleeves, sturdy shoes and bring work gloves, bug spray, water and a snack or lunch. Cameras, binoculars and field guides are recommended also. For information visit www.floridastateparks.org/littletalbotisland/ or call (904) 251-2320. Visit www.floridastateparks.org.

Spanish-American War

Fort Clinch State Park will host a weekend event to commemorate the part that Fort Clinch played in the Spanish-American War on Saturday, Sept. 20 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 21 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the park, 2601 Atlantic Ave.

The fort will be filled with uniformed interpreters and participants will also be able to enjoy exhibits of the armament and period military equipment. Fees include the \$6 per vehicle park entrance fee plus \$2 per person fort admission.

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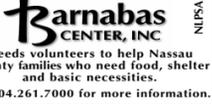
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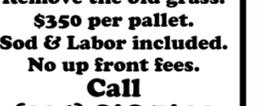
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