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RARE VISITOR



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Local photographer Michael Leary captured this image in a local tide pool where three reddish egrets were feeding. These egrets are rare visitors to the area. Residents of southern Florida and the Gulf Coast to Texas, they may occasionally pass through the area as migrants. They are the most rare of all the North American herons and egrets, Leary said.

County OKs budget, tax hike

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

Paving roads is not a priority for the county commission.

The board took the \$1.5 million pavement management plan out of the upcoming budget.

It is planning to replace vehicles from lawn mowers to fire trucks, but the budget dropped from a consultant's recommendation to fund the program at \$6 million, to a county plan to spend \$3 million, to deciding there is only \$1.5 million to cover replacement vehicles.

What's still in? A proposed property tax hike.

Less than two weeks remain before the county starts its new fiscal year, and a property tax increase of one mill remains under consideration. That is a \$1 increase for every

Budget meeting

A second public hearing on the Nassau County Commission's fiscal 2014-15 budget will be held on Monday at 6 p.m. at the James S. Page Governmental Complex, 96135 Nassau Place, Yulee.

\$1,000 of assessed property value.

For the past seven years, elected officials have used savings to cover operating expenses rather than ask property owners for more money.

"We've basically been spending our savings like drunken sailors," said County Commissioner Pat Edwards. "We've spent the reserves we can get our hands on."

Edwards said it's time to stop doing that.

"If we don't do something to stop the leak we're all going to drown," said Edwards.

During the first public hearing on the board's proposed 2014-15 budget Sept. 11, Edwards said he wants to follow a sound fiscal policy.

"I've never been a supporter of taking our reserves to dangerous levels," said Edwards.

He supports a tax increase and so do two other board members.

In a 3-2 vote, the board again approved a tentative property tax increase in an effort to balance the county's \$167 million budget.

But the plan is not finalized, yet. A second public hearing must be held and that meeting is scheduled for Monday.

Here is the vote:

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MARY MAGUIRE/NEWS-LEADER

Somers Isles Shipping will celebrate the 1,000th voyage of the ship Somers Isles between the Port of Fernandina and Bermuda. Company employees met the ship at the Port on Saturday. From left are Cathy Kaltenbach, Robin Bishop, manager of North Florida Shipping Inc., Terry McCarthy, Jack Watson, Robby Long, Teddy White and ship Capt. Emiel Koelhuis.

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SEA TURTLE NESTING SEASON

2014: 116 (15 Lost to tides) Hatched: 6594

2012 Nests: 189 Hatchlings: 14,096

Please turn off or redirect lights shining directly on the beach. For a detailed count see www.ameliaislandseaturtlewatch.com.

Skydivers land on city beach?

ANGELA DAUGTRY
News-Leader

Parachutes will be landing on the city beach if a new skydiving operation is approved by the Airport Advisory Commission and city commissioners.

Rick Hornsby, who owns a similar skydiving operation in Aruba, presented his plan for a tandem skydiving business at Tuesday's city commission meeting. The business would land parachutists on the beach near Slider's Seaside Restaurant at Seaside Park, Hornsby said.

The business would lease an office near the beach and from there, transport customers to the Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport. Customers would then be flown to 5,000 feet and dropped over the city beach in tandem with an expert skydiver, Hornsby said.

A safety crew would be on location at an open drop spot on the beach, and in constant contact with pilots and expert skydivers, he said.

"The intent (of this business) is to offer something people have seldom been able to offer," Hornsby said, "and

to promote the city worldwide."

Hornsby said the operation would use only two parachutes at a time, and would offer only tandem skydives every hour beginning around 8 a.m. Customers landing by parachute on the beach would then be picked up by vehicle and brought back to the office.

With a maximum of 15 a day, the daily skydives would end around noon, depending on conditions, Hornsby said. The operation would also maintain its own aircraft.

"The impact on the local economy is significant," Hornsby said. "Every skydiver has two to four people accompanying them." Hornsby said he estimated the skydiving business could add \$2 million to the local economy annually.

"Our parachutes are state-of-the-art and extremely maneuverable," Hornsby said. "These are highly steerable parachutes. I can land in the middle of this room 100 out of 100 times. ... I've done this for five years in Aruba and have 20 years of experience in South Florida."

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Horseback riders defend beach use

ANGELA DAUGTRY
News-Leader

If nothing else came of a discussion on horseback riding on city beaches during Tuesday's commission meeting, folks at least learned there's more than one way to look at horse manure.

As a result of the discussion, an amended ordinance on the permitting of horseback riding was set aside for further study, after residents complained about unjust restrictions on riders.

Due to previous residential complaints about horse manure on the beach, City Attorney Tammi Bach added several new conditions to the city's regulations for horses on the beach, which were up for initial commissioner approval Tuesday.

According to city regulations, permitted horses are only allowed on the city beach south of the Sadler Road beach access between sunrise and 11 a.m. and from 5 p.m. to sunset, between May and October. Permitted horses are allowed in that area any

time between November and April.

New regulations are that children under 16 must wear helmets and permit holders must clean up after horses or put a "tail bag" on their horse. Permit holders would have also been required to call city police dispatch at least four hours in advance of every ride, and let police know the exact number of horses on the beach.

The latter change particularly stuck in the craw of private and commercial riders.

Dawn Latham, an attorney and local equestrian, went so far as to say the new permitting language interferes with the constitutional rights of horseback riders.

"I ask the commission what city goals that amendment serves," Latham said. She noted that fishermen are not required to call city police when they begin fishing, even though they leave bait and fish heads behind on the beach. She also explained that it is extremely difficult to pick up

HORSES Continued on 3A

1,000 voyages from Port to Bermuda

MARY MAGUIRE
News-Leader

One of the busiest companies at the Port of Fernandina is located a few miles south of the facility on Bailey Road, not far from South Eighth Street.

Somers Isles Shipping Inc. (SISL) operates from a spacious office where employees arrange shipping for a wide range of products from washing machines and wallboard to luxury yachts and living room furniture to travel from Fernandina Beach to Hamilton, Bermuda.

Two to three times each month, the company fully loads the Somers Isles cargo ship with 165 containers and then sends it on a 3 1/2-day trip into the North Atlantic Ocean where its haul will be unloaded in Bermuda's capital city.

This port-to-port service started in 1986 and next week the company will celebrate the ship's 1,000th voyage. There is a party scheduled in Fernandina Beach on Sept. 23 and in Bermuda on Sept. 30.

Several of the company's board members and executives from Bermuda are traveling to Fernandina to attend the celebration.

"We want to say thank you to our

clients and local leaders for all of the support we've received from the community over the last 28 years," said Robin Bishop, who is chairman of the company's wholly owned U.S. subsidiary, North Florida Shipping Inc.

"We have always liked the small-town atmosphere in Fernandina, we love the Port and we enjoy being part of the community."

The company has seven employees, including two mechanics that handle container repairs in a workshop behind the office space.

When the ship heads out to sea it's run by a nine-member crew, including a captain, said Bishop, who relocated to Fernandina Beach from the Netherlands with his wife and child.

A company based in Holland handles staffing for the ship, said Bishop, and draws people from all over the world to work on the crew. Bishop said the ship is leased.

Bishop lives in Jacksonville but the company owns its building at 2661 Bailey Road as well as all of its equipment. This includes the chassis and containers. Some of the containers are refrigerated (the industry calls them reefers) because Somers Isles also

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OBITUARIES

Ira Mae Cribb

Ira Mae Cribb passed away September 9th, 2014. The funeral service will be held at 11 AM, Saturday at the River of Praise Worship Center, 83410 St Mark Dr, Yulee, FL.

The visitation will be held from 5-7 PM tonight, Friday, Sept. 19, at the Elm Street Church of God, 502 South 11th St., Fernandina Beach, FL. Interment will be in Bosque Bello Cemetery.

Please sign the family guest book at www.tswarden.com.

Funerals by T.S. Warden . Jacksonville

Dr. Richard E. Garth

Dr. Richard E. Garth of Amelia Island, Fla., died on September 13, 2014 after a long and eventful life. He was 88 at the time of his death. He was born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1926 to Anna B and Robert Marshall Garth. He attended Elementary School in Honolulu, Hawaii and Lee High School in Jacksonville, Fla.

He served in the field artillery as a fire direction control operator in the 42nd Rainbow Division in Europe during the final 4 months of the European campaign of WWII and then in the occupation of Austria for 13 months.

He obtained an AA Degree from the University of Florida, BA from Emory University, MS from the University of Tennessee, and the Ph.D. in Biology from Emory University. He taught at a number of universities, retiring as a full professor from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in 1989. He loved working with students and was fortunate to receive a number of awards from students, faculty, and alumni during his career.

He was married to Louise Harvey Monger of Sweetwater, Tenn., in 1950 and they had six children. They are Louise Catherine Fedosky of Springdale, Ark., Sandra Garth Radford of Johnson City, Tenn., Cynthia Garth Cobb of Jacksonville, Fla., Jean Garth Brooks of Bulls Gap, Tenn., Carol Garth Hixson of Chattanooga, Tenn., and James Richard Garth of Signal Mountain, Tenn. He and his wife are survived by seventeen grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

There will be no services, as that is what he requested.

Please share his Life Legacy at www.oxley-heard.com.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Brian Scott Harrold Sr., M.D.

Brian Scott Harrold, Sr., M.D., 83, of Powell, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 15, 2014 at Riverside Methodist Hospital.

Brian was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio on January 8, 1931 and was a longtime resident of Massillon, Ohio and Fernandina Beach, Florida. The youngest of five siblings, all of whom were characters, Brian had a life-long love affair with science. As a young boy, he conducted a science experiment that led to an explosion that catapulted him out the second story window of his childhood home – now the Logan County History Center – broken bones the result. With nowhere to go but up, he became a respected pathologist, tirelessly diagnosing diseases and even appearing on an episode of American Justice where his keen intellect helped solve a crime. Brian took fashion cues and political advice from no one. He grew a goatee in political protest and was known to declare he was “deteriorating on schedule.”

As a young man, he attended Culver Military Academy. He pursued higher education at Yale University, The Ohio State University and Jefferson Medical College. Brian also served as a Major in the United States Air Force.

He is survived by the mother of his children, Cynthia Williams, and their children, Brian Jr. (Kathy) of Massillon, Ohio, Diane (Hesham) Hassan of Canton, Ohio, and Shawn (John) Karasrides of Powell, Ohio. Survivors from his marriage to Barbara Lindsay Harrold in 1979 include children, Michael (Suzanne) Freeze of Boston, Massachusetts, Michelle (Shawn) Yoder of Massillon, Ohio, James Freeze, Jill (Robert) Hart of Boston, Massachusetts, and Lindsay (Jason) Dillon of Killeen, Texas. He also is survived by 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren as well as many loving nieces, nephews and other friends. He also leaves behind his beloved dog, “Bear” who is happily acclimating to a very full and busy household with his extended family.

Brian was preceded in death by his parents, Milton Calvert and Odessy Harrold, his wife Barbara Lindsay Harrold, and his siblings Milton Calvert, Jr., Robert Frances, Bruce Durston, and Lois Kennington Johnson.

Brian led a full life, sharing his wisdom and logic without judgment. He cherished his family and was a constant source of comfort to those around him. He will be profoundly missed.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. at the Rutherford Funeral Home At Powell, 450 W. Olentangy St. (Powell Rd./St. Rt. 750/1/4 mile east of Sawmill Pkwy) Powell, OH 43065. (614-

792-1471). The family will receive guests beginning at 2:00.

The family wishes to give special thanks to health care providers at Riverside Methodist Hospital for their loving care and support during Brian's final weeks. Donations may be made to <https://www.ohiohealth.com/foundation-riverside> or www.humanesociety.org/donate.

Please visit www.rutherfordfuneral-homes.com to send condolences to the Harrold family.

*Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell
Powell, Ohio*

Herbert Lee Underwood Sr.

Mr. Herbert Lee “Herb” Underwood, Sr., age 83, of Fernandina Beach, FL passed away on Tuesday morning, September 16, 2014 at the Warner Center for Caring at Baptist Medical Center in Fernandina Beach, FL.

Born in Ben Hill County, GA, he was the youngest of seven children born to the late Albert and Lillie Bell Brown Underwood. He grew up in rural Ben Hill County and was a graduate of Fitzgerald High School, Class of 1949. After high school he attended Middle Georgia College before joining the United States Navy and serving during the Korean Conflict. In September of 1953 he married Addie Roxie Goins. Upon being honorably discharged, he completed his degree at Middle Georgia and enrolled at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta where he earned his degree in civil engineering.

After graduation, he accepted a position with Federal Civil Service as Director of Engineering for eight southeastern states. He was later transferred to Miami Dade County in Miami where he worked as the Director of Housing and Urban Development. In the late 1960s, he was brought to Jacksonville to create the Department of HUD, assist with the Greater Jacksonville Consolidation efforts and serve as Chief Administration Officer under Mayor Hans Tanzler. Upon Jake Godbold's taking over the Office of Mayor, Mr. Underwood was asked to head up the Downtown Jacksonville Development Authority. He remained with the City of Jacksonville until retiring in 1992.

Having lived in Fernandina Beach previously; upon retirement, he and his wife returned to the shores of Amelia Island. Upon leaving public service, he became a General Contractor and accepted the position of Vice President of Vulcan Construction in Jacksonville. Mr. Underwood later founded and served as President of the Herb Underwood Contracting Corporation.

He enjoyed and loved very much being with his very large family and the Underwood Family reunions, which helped keep his family close. Herb enjoyed cooking, golf, hunting, fishing, traveling and an occasional cigar. His most special moments were being a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Fernandina where he was a member of the Adult Sunday School Class, a Church Elder and Stephen Ministry Minister.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by five brothers and sisters and a son, Stephen Keith Underwood.

Mr. Underwood leaves behind, his loving wife of 61 years, Addie Goins Underwood, Fernandina Beach, FL, a son, Herbert Lee Underwood Jr., and his wife, Janet, Atlantic Beach, FL, a daughter, Elaine Burford and her husband, Dale, Fernandina Beach, FL, his sister, Ann Bisset, Jacksonville, FL, seven grandchildren, Danielle McMaster (Jonnine), Rachel Underwood, Katie Burford, Rhett Burford, Cody Cosper, Stephanie and Kase Harper, two great-grandchildren, Frankie and Jasper McMaster, and numerous nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the First Presbyterian Church of Fernandina Beach with the Reverend Dr. Wain Wesberry, officiating.

Mr. Underwood will be laid to rest at a later date in the family section of Mr. Zion Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery in Wilcox County, GA.

His family will receive friends on Saturday, following the service, in Jim Thomas Hall at the First Presbyterian Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Stephen Keith Underwood Endowment Fund at the First Presbyterian Church of Fernandina Beach, 9 North 6th Street, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 or to the Warner Center for Caring at Baptist Medical Center of Fernandina Beach.

Please share his Life Legacy and leave your memories and condolences at www.oxley-heard.com.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

DEATH NOTICES

Barbara Elaine Griffiths, 65, Fernandina Beach, died on Monday, Sept. 15, 2014.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Dawn P. Hines, 79, Fernandina Beach, died on Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2014.

Oxley-Heard Funeral Directors

Errica Patrice Waye, Yulee, died on Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2014.

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Library marks passport month

The Fernandina Beach Branch Library will celebrate National Passport Awareness Month with the U.S. Department of State with extended hours for passport application processing on Saturday, Sept. 27, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Appointments are strongly encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome.

The library can process first-time applications and renewals for passports if issued over 15 years ago.

Has your passport been lost or stolen? Did you have a name change? The library can do these also.

Getting your passport is easy and can be done quickly, if you are prepared. You will need to bring three items 1) evidence of your identification such as your Florida driver's license; 2) evidence of your citizenship, typically your birth certificate. The birth certificate must be the original or a certified copy and 3) two checks for payment. Library staff also is happy to take the photographs for you.

Passport fees are paid to the U.S. Department of State; the \$25 facility fee is for processing the application. All forms are available at the library, stop in beforehand to pick up yours.

Check the library's website for details at www.nassau.reads.com; or visit travel.state.gov. Call 277-7365 for appointments or email libraryinfo@nassaucountyfl.com.

Refreshments will be provided by Friends of the Fernandina Beach Branch Library.

Breast health event Oct. 16

Baptist Health physicians will discuss breast health and breast cancer at “Dessert and Discussion,” an annual event about breast health and breast cancer, Oct. 16 from 6-8 p.m. at the Hill Breast Center at Baptist Medical Center (fourth floor classroom), 1235 San Marco Blvd., Jacksonville.

Baptist Health physicians and staff will share their expertise and answer questions.

Kevin Winslow, MD, reproductive endocrinologist and obstetrician and gynecologist, will discuss fertility issues faced by breast cancer patients.

Ankit Desai, MD, plastic surgeon, will talk about reconstruction options and Tina Reynolds, registered dietitian for Baptist Health, will provide education about nutritional considerations for breast cancer patients. Joan Ryan, a master yoga educator, will share how yoga therapy can help breast cancer survivors.

RSVP by Oct. 14 by calling (904) 202-RSVP (7787) or go to www.eventbrite.com/e/dessert-and-discussion-tickets-12666211981.

Sign up for a library card

Visit your local branch of the Nassau County Library System and sign up for your free library card.

A library card unlocks a world of adventure – giving everyone access to books, e-books, music, movies, computers, genealogy resources, 52 online databases covering a wide variety of topics, practice tests, career information, resume examples, e-government resources, interlibrary loan services and fun programs for children and adults.

For more information visit the library's website: www.nassaureads.com or any library branch: Bryceville, 7280 Motes Road; Callahan, 450077 SR 200, Suite 15; Fernandina Beach, 25 N. Fourth St.; Hilliard, 15821 CR 108; Yulee branch, FSCJ/Nassau Center, 76346 William Burgess Blvd.

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WEEKLY UPDATE

SAL raffle

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 54 Fernandina Beach is holding a raffle for gift cards in the amount of \$300, \$150 and \$50. Tickets are \$1 each. Each ticket gives you a chance at one of the prizes. The drawing will be held Oct. 1 and you do not need to be present to win. Buy tickets at the Post, located at Third and Gum streets.

Homecoming parade

The Fernandina Beach High School homecoming parade will take place downtown on Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. The community is invited to participate. If you or your group would be interested in being included, contact Rob Hicks at FBHS at 261-5714 or k12.fl.us.

Black Cat Days

It's Black Cat Days at the Cats Angels Adoption Center, 709 S. Eighth St., Fernandina Beach. Through the end of September, all of its black cats and kittens have a special adoption fee of \$25. The kittens are playful, sweet and full of energy. The black adult kitties come in all shapes and sizes.

All of the cats and kittens have been spayed or neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped. The Cats Angels Adoption Center is open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Visit www.catsangels.com.

Volunteers needed

The Day Drop-in Center is looking for volunteers for Tuesdays and Wednesdays mornings. The center welcomes people experiencing homelessness and those at high risk of homelessness. Services include showers and laundry facilities, a mailing address, phone and computer use, help acquiring needed documents, and referral to local service providers. The center is located at the Fernandina Beach Church of Christ at the corner of Jasmine and South 14th streets. To volunteer contact Dani Gammel, (216) 225-71

BEACH*Continued from 1A*

Commissioner Pat Gass was the only commissioner who expressed concerns about the parachute operation.

"I start thinking about Saturday and Sunday, when everyone is going to the beach," Gass said. "Not all people on the beach are as nice as (local residents)." She added that some visitors renting houses on the beach might not be very happy to see parachutists landing on the beach.

"The beach is there for

everyone to use, but not if people have to back up for you to use it," Gass said.

City Manager Joe Gerrity suggested having Hornsby present his business proposal to the Airport Advisory Commission so it could bring back its recommendation to the city commission at a future date.

Commissioners approved a skydiving operation at the city airport in 2010 called Skydive Amelia, but the business only lands parachutes at a specific area at the city airport.

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HORSES*Continued from 1A*

horse droppings while riding, and that the tide takes it all out to sea anyway.

"Under the public trust doctrine, the public has the right to use that beach," Latham said. "Once we have a permit on our person and on our trailer (the police) know who we are ... it seems redundant to call the local police department."

Debbie Manser, who operates a local horse ranch, said her business can "build dreams for people all over the world, for people to ride horses on our beautiful beach."

"I can't tell you the thousands and thousands of dollars I've brought to this island," Manser said. Owner of 30 horses, Manser said that without income from horse rides on the beach she would have to give them up. She added that she picks up the manure after her horses and brings it back to her ranch to discard.

Commissioner Johnny Miller said he understood the argument on horse manure goes both ways, but that he believed the objection to horse manure was mostly "a visual thing." As far as horse manure containing dangerous toxins, he said, "we're only talking about dried-up grass."

"If everybody could basically get along, this wouldn't be a problem," Miller said.

But resident Jim Caine, who lives on South Fletcher Avenue, said "there is nothing romantic about horse poop."

"I don't think you're going to enforce this," Caine said to commissioners. "You see the resistance (from horseback riders). There's almost an attitude of entitlement. I don't think it's an economic benefit ... and police shouldn't have to enforce it. ... If it's such a great idea, why don't we expand it to all city beaches?"

"As a resident it's not just

me," Caine said. "We will storm the commission on second reading (of this ordinance)."

Horse owner Stan Potter said the section on informing local police was cumbersome, and that he could not see the benefit.

"(Police) know when we're riding and they know when to patrol it," he said. "You should just say, clean up your poop or you'll be fined." He also noted he used a Great Dane to pull a cart along the beach for transport of horse manure.

"This ordinance has never been enforced in all these years," Latham said, adding that riders should be allowed on all beaches, including those around Fort Clinch.

"With more people moving in, we have to make room for more activities," Commissioner Pat Gass said. But, she added, "the people who don't ride also have rights."

Manser said the problem was primarily with outsiders who bring their horses to city beaches and ignore or are unaware of city regulations.

Horse owner Nancy Noble, who said she lives on the beach, objected to "being lumped in" with commercial horseback operations. Noble said she carried plastic grocery bags to pick up the droppings from her horse.

"It's not a problem for private individuals," Noble said.

"Dog owners don't like to pick up dog poop, any more than horse owners like to pick up horse poop," Gass said.

Commissioner Charles Corbett said that, due to "unintended consequences," the city should hold a workshop on the matter. Commissioners agreed to hold approval of the amended ordinance until the issue is discussed in detail at a public workshop in the near future.

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Nuns helped yellow fever victims

MARY MAGUIRE

News-Leader

A group of local citizens will hold a tribute on Monday to honor two Catholic nuns who died while helping the sick during Fernandina's yellow fever epidemic in September 1877.

Organizers will lay flowers on the gravesites of Sister Marie de Sales and Sister Marie Celine Joubert at 4 p.m., on Monday to commemorate the anniversary of their deaths.

The group is calling themselves Friends of the Sisters and they invite the public to attend the tribute and to bring a rose to the ceremony.

The nuns are buried in Bosque Bello Cemetery in Old Town on the north end of Amelia Island.

"What these two sisters did was extraordinary. The community needs to remember them," said organizer and Fernandina Beach resident Luigi Bresciani.

While the outbreak caused widespread panic and fear, it also revealed the heroism of the people who risked their lives to help people stricken by the disease.

For the group, this includes Sister Marie de Sales, who died at age 26, and Mother Celine, who died at age 33. The nuns are reported to have helped many people as others people tried to save themselves by leaving town.

Organizers are parishioners at St. Michael Catholic Church in Fernandina and would like to see the nuns entombed there.

Bresciani said the service will be held rain or shine. For more information contact him at *giggino39@gmail.com* or at 277-3985.

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PHOTO BY DONALD DOUGLAS/FOR THE NEWS-LEADER

Friends of the Sisters will hold a tribute Monday to honor two Catholic nuns who died while helping the sick during Fernandina's yellow fever epidemic in September 1877. At the gravesites in Bosque Bello Cemetery are, from left, Pat Ruebush, Luigi Bresciani, Beverly and James Crawly, Nola Perez, Iris Ward and Brian Downy.

Amelia Island Plantation Real Estate

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Real Estate Sales Executive



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Celebrating Homecoming 53 Years

SPECIAL GUEST: Michelle Nelson

HOOMEOMING MESSAGE: John Kasper,
Senior Pastor of Blackrock Baptist Church

Service will be followed by dinner.

Hope to see you there!!

Share Your Faith Workshop

WHERE: Grace Community Church

96038 Lofton Square Court (next to Winn Dixie)
Yulee, Florida 32097
(904) 491-0363

WHEN: Saturday, October 4, 2014; 9:00-4:00

WHAT:

Session 1: Why are We Here? Why It's So Hard To Share Our Faith With Others.

Session 2: Using Your Hand To Share The Gospel

Session 3: Overcoming The Fear of Witnessing

Session 4: Finding People Who Are Open

Session 5: Sharing The Gospel With Stories

Session 6: Leading in Commitment

Session 7: Developing A Love For The Lost

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Nassau County Board of County Commissioners has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

A. Initially proposed tax levy \$45,235,396

B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board

And other assessment changes \$ 3,130,103

C. Actual property tax levy \$42,105,293

This year's proposed tax levy \$50,501,967

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on:

Monday, September 22, 2014

6:00 PM

at the

James S. Page Governmental Complex

96135 Nassau Place

Yulee, FL 32097

**A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase
and the budget will be made at this hearing.**

COUNTY

Continued from 1A

Walter "Jr." Boatright: Yes.

Edwards: Yes.

Danny Leeper: Yes.

Barry Holloway: No.

Steve Kelley: No.

"This is not the time to raise taxes," said Kelley. "You're going to put people on the unemployment line."

Edwards is not convinced that property taxes are the right way to measure employment.

"When we didn't raise taxes people lost their jobs," said Edwards.

The county's Office of Management and Budget has projected an \$11 million shortfall in next year's budget and for now officials are using a mix of funding options to balance the budget.

It includes a tax increase, using reserve funding and cuts to capital improvement projects. Kelley said he is not sure the projections are correct.

"I'm not sure we're going to completely run out of (money)," said Kelley. "I'm of the opinion that the market is changing and we're coming out."

Leeper said the county must be careful not to cut too much. He said people will not want to

If we don't do something to stop the leak we're all going to drown.'

PAT EDWARDS

NASSAU COUNTY COMMISSIONER

come to Nassau County if officials do not maintain infrastructure, mow the grass and keep fire stations open.

It calls for changing existing fiscal policies, such as removing restrictions on how money should be spent. According to Kelley, this includes spending for the one-cent sales tax, which taxpayers were told would pay for capital improvements.

Kelley's plan also asks constitutional officers to hold their budgets to current levels. The plan does not say how the departments should cover rising costs, such as healthcare insurance, workers' compensation, fuel, union contracts that might call for salary increases or liabilities from any lawsuits not covered by insurance.

Holloway took issue with Kelley's timing.

"Why wait until tonight?" said Holloway. "You've had four months or five months you've been waving this around the county."

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They need to be replaced. While most of the cargo is in containers, the company's website says about 10 percent of its business last year was in break bulk (think of it like packing suitcases in a car's trunk and putting your bicycle on a rack).

The company's ship was the first vessel to call at the Forest Products Terminal operated by Nassau Terminals Inc. in Fernandina Beach.

Cathy Kaltenbach is a customer service representative and has been with the company for 28 years. She travels to Bermuda from Fernandina once each year for sales calls.

"It sounds glamorous but the days are filled with appointments," said Kaltenbach.

"I've become friends with many of my clients so I often get invited over to their homes for a barbecue dinner."

Yes, she said, Bermuda shorts are worn in Bermuda and considered proper business attire.

"As long as you throw on a jacket and tie," she said.

To learn more about Somers Isles Shipping Ltd., 2661 Bailey Road, Fernandina Beach, call 261-2662.

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BUDGET SUMMARY

Nassau County Board of County Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2014-2015

THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ARE 7.8% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

	GENERAL FUND	COUNTY TRANSPORTATION FUND	ONE-CENT SMALL COUNTY SURTAX	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT	CONSERVATION & CONTROL DISTRICT	TOTAL ALL FUNDS
CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	\$ 10,576,237	\$ 2,694,398	\$ 11,209,302	\$ 15,569,237	\$ 1,588,683	\$ 9,190,822	\$ 9,175,830	\$ 3,113,517	\$ 0	\$ 63,118,026
ESTIMATED REVENUES										
MILLAGE PER \$1,000										
TAXES:										
AD VALOREM TAXES	6.5670	\$ 36,839,275	\$ 3,637,823							\$ 40,477,098
AD VALOREM TAXES	1.6694									\$ 7,499,772
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SALES AND USE TAXES	\$ 75,000	\$ 985,271	\$ 7,255,318	\$ 4,350,000	\$ 1,334,886				\$ 721,045	\$ 14,721,520
PERMITS, FEES & SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	\$ 12,000	\$ 26,285		\$ 1,941,482		\$ 472,000	\$ 43,430	\$ 39,500		\$ 2,534,697
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	\$ 5,102,015	\$ 1,132,613		\$ 954,864	\$ 704,367	\$ 4,923,482			\$ 656,026	\$ 13,473,367
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 1,980,992	\$ 30,373		\$ 810,797			\$ 3,213,240	\$ 123,200		\$ 6,158,602
FINES AND FORFEITURES	\$ 55,700				\$ 113,760				\$ 3,700	\$ 173,160
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	\$ 221,993	\$ 91,450	\$ 54,000	\$ 72,688	\$ 10,200	\$ 60,740	\$ 81,875	\$ 36,700		\$ 629,646
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 1,411,571	\$ 1,949,906	\$ 23,194	\$ 1,586,529	\$ 2,575,450	\$ 7,650,000	\$ 106,549	\$ 3,058,265		\$ 18,361,464
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 45,698,546	\$ 7,853,721	\$ 7,332,512	\$ 9,830,120	\$ 4,624,903	\$ 13,106,222	\$ 3,445,094	\$ 12,138,208	\$ 0	\$ 104,029,326
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND BALANCES	\$ 56,274,783	\$ 10,548,119	\$ 18,541,814	\$ 25,399,357	\$ 6,213,586	\$ 22,297,044	\$ 12,620,924	\$ 15,251,725	\$ 0	\$ 167,147,352

EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 6,394,680			\$ 3,287,510	\$ 4,624,903			\$ 640,709		\$ 14,947,802
GENERAL OPERATIONS-COURT-RELATED	\$ 721,545			\$ 1,545,340						\$ 2,266,885
PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 10,243,941		\$ 1,104,357	\$ 2,650,463		\$ 10,519,897			\$ 6,937,525	\$ 31,456,183
PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT	\$ 344,528			\$ 1,523,230			\$ 7,365,276			\$ 9,233,034
TRANSPORTATION		\$ 7,942,088	\$ 950,305	\$ 1,814,300		\$ 10,416,960			\$ 5,000	\$ 21,128,653
ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT	\$ 247,969			\$ 5,167,911						\$ 5,415,880
HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 2,724,473		\$ 64,880	\$ 130,155						\$ 3,869,462
CULTURE & RECREATION	\$ 2,063,125		\$ 192,833	\$ 993,367						\$ 3,249,325
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES(USES)	\$ 23,469,211	\$ 223,057	\$ 13,271,989	\$ 833,633		\$ 375,954	\$ 1,323,628			\$ 42,534,570
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$ 46,209,472	\$ 8,165,145	\$ 15,584,364	\$ 17,945,909	\$ 4,624,903	\$ 21,312,811	\$ 8,688,904	\$ 11,570,286	\$ 0	\$ 134,101,794
RESERVES	\$ 10,065,311	\$ 2,382,974	\$ 2,957,450	\$ 7,453,448	\$ 1,588,683	\$ 984,233	\$ 3,932,020	\$ 3,681,439	\$ 0	\$ 33,045,558
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES AND RESERVES	\$ 56,274,783	\$ 10,548,119	\$ 18,541,814	\$ 25,399,357	\$ 6,213,586	\$ 22,297,044	\$ 12,620,924	\$ 15,251,725	\$ 0	\$ 167,147,352

Schools prepare for unexpected disasters

KATHIE COLGROVE
Community Newspapers

Nassau County Schools recently updated the Comprehensive Crisis Management Guide to incorporate the latest safety procedures.

"The current guide contains more information on the Incident Command System, updated procedures, and new information on several topics, such as suicide prevention, workplace violence, threat assessment and communication," Sharyl Wood, executive director of administrative services for the Nassau County School Board, wrote in an email. "The safe school/crisis management plan template was revised and the existing Severe Weather Emergency Plan was incorporated into the guide. These items were not added or improved due to being more of an issue now than before. They were updated to reflect better planning and reference information that is available now and a greater awareness of what threats there may be to a school."

The Comprehensive Crisis Management Guide was originally distributed in 1999. It was updated in 2008 and again in August. The Nassau County School District Division of Curriculum of Instruction and the Department of Intervention and Prevention compiled the guide. School crisis management teams reviewed the final document in August, according to Wood.

"We continue to have school resource officers at all

middle and high schools who also serve the elementary schools in their vicinities," Wood wrote. "We also have developed a greater working relationship with the law enforcement agencies, first responders and emergency management in general."

Wood added that there is a greater "urgency to be well prepared for multiple types of hazards," whether those emergencies are generated by people or weather.

"Currently, our school administrators, teachers and school staffs are very much more aware of potential threats and how to respond to them than in the past," she wrote.

Social media outlets have affected communication both positively and negatively.

"Social media expedites the speed with which information gets out, and the scope of the audience. That is positive," Wood wrote. "The negative of social media is that sometimes people pass along and comment on wrong information.

The means that schools can use for rumor control are discussed in the guide and basically, the school should make sure key communicators have accurate information updated regularly and that parents and the media are informed of the correct information in a timely manner. Our parent notification system, SchoolReach, is key for this purpose. Use of cell phones also greatly impacts communication. We have asked schools to address cell phone use during crises and even to develop scripts for students to text to parents if

something happens at school. That's just another way to get the word out."

Support staff is also available to assist students in the wake of emergencies.

"The district has professional staff counselors, psychologists and social workers who are always ready and able to respond to needs at the schools," Wood wrote. "In addition, each school has community resources that they rely on. Starting Point Behavioral Healthcare and (Nassau Alcohol, Crime and Drug Abatement Coalition) personnel work with the schools, including having personnel stationed in the middle and high schools and are very helpful resources."

Wood said the guide's purpose is to help school personnel think about the unthinkable in advance and practice how to respond.

She added, "In an emergency, people will do what they've adequately practiced. Much of the procedural information in this guide has been improved in recent times due to lessons learned both in local situations as well as circumstances reported from around the nation. There is infinitely more information available now to assist with planning than there was in the past."

Wood noted that she personally feels that area schools are better prepared to manage crises.

"Schools do practice their emergency drills, but I can't discuss the specifics of the procedures for security purposes," she wrote.

POLITICS IN BRIEF

Democratic Club of Amelia Island

The Democratic Club of Amelia Island will host its next dinner meeting on Tuesday at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club, 2800 Bill Melton Road. Doors will open at 6 p.m., with dinner served at 6:45 p.m. A cash bar will be available throughout the evening.

The speaker will be Angela DeMonbreun, presi-

dent of the League of Women Voters Jacksonville First Coast. In that role, she manages activities such as lobbying local officials, presenting voter education materials and hosting candidate forums. She will present information on the upcoming election, with an emphasis on the three proposed constitutional amendments.

Reservations for the dinner are requested. To

reserve, send a check for \$16 payable to DCAI to: DCAI, PO Box 16022, Fernandina Beach, FL 32035. You may also drop off a check at Democratic headquarters, located at the corner of Eighth and Date streets in Fernandina Beach.

For more information, or to reserve by phone or email, contact Penny Reid at (509) 294-3708 or dcai.secretary@nassaudems.org.

I held in home invasion

An alleged thief fired a shotgun during a home invasion Tuesday in Callahan.

The Nassau County Sheriff's Office has one man in custody and was seeking three others. The homeowner was not injured in the incident.

William Anderson Atwater, 19, of Callahan was charged with home invasion with a firearm and aggravated battery using a deadly weapon and booked into the Nassau County Jail. Three more men who allegedly drove away from the residence in a red Pontiac are still at large, Sheriff Bill Leeper said Wednesday.

The homeowner, who lives in the 540100 block of Lem



Atwater

face. After he woke up, the intruder began demanding money. The man took the homeowner's wallet from the dresser and began firing a shotgun toward the floor. None of the bullets hit the homeowner. The intruder then ran out of the house, Leeper said.

The homeowner saw a second man flee the residence and also saw a third man running in the backyard toward a wooded area.

A sheriff's deputy caught a fourth man, Atwater, as he ran into the woods, Leeper said. He was not the suspect who fired the shots. Atwater reportedly told detectives he and the other men were looking for money and drugs. Atwater remained in jail without bond Wednesday.

The NCSO needs the community's help in finding the three men still on the loose. Residents with information can call the NCSO at 225-3174 or First Coast Crime Stoppers at 866-845-8477.

Accident claims Hilliard man

A Hilliard man died Tuesday in a fatal crash on CR 121.

Gustavo Giral was on his way to work at 7:43 a.m., driving a DirecTV 2008 Ford E-250, and had come to a stop on CR 121 near the Florida-Georgia line. Giral, 58, was attempting to turn left onto US 1.

According to a media release from the Florida Highway Patrol, he turned his vehicle into the path of a 1999 International truck driven by Bill Joe Dale, 41, of West Green, Ga. Dale's truck hit the driver's side of Giral's vehicle with its front end.

Both vehicles came to a rest on US 1.

Giral was taken to UF Health Jacksonville, where he was pronounced dead. The accident was not alcohol related and both drivers were wearing their seatbelts, according to the report.

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Darlene and Dale, SR Jennings

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VIEWPOINT/ROBERT M. WEINTRAUB/AMELIA ISLAND

Once again into the mire in Mideast

The atrocities of the Islamic State of the Levant (ISIL) has resulted in a knee-jerk reaction to "bomb them into oblivion" as expressed by many politicians and media pundits. Dire predictions that the latest iteration of jihadism in Syria and Iraq presents a real and present danger to the American homeland led a large majority of Americans to support the idea of going back to war in the Middle

East. The pressure on President Obama to "do something now" pushed him to declare virtual war on ISIL.

The voices against this anger-fed reaction have been lost amid the uproar. Obama is about to make the same mistake that Bush junior made: jump into the tribal conflict that has roiled the Arab world for more than a millennium.

After the Prophet Mohammad died in the sev-

enth century, two factions emerged supporting different successors (caliphs), Mohammad's #2 and his nephew. One group became Sunni, the other Shia. They have been fighting each other ever since. The only thing that kept them in check was powerful tyrants who controlled their fiefs through military might and secret police. The Ottoman Empire, after World War I, was carved up by British and French colonialist map makers who ignored religious and tribal differences. Sunni, Shia, Kurd, Turkman, Christian were all jumbled together into Iraq and Syria. That created a time bomb waiting to go off.

The geopolitics of the region has Shia Iran and Sunni Saudi Arabia facing off. In Iraq, Sunnis, led by Saddam Hussein, ruled a large Shia population; in Syria, Alawites (a Shia sect) grabbed power over a large Sunni population.

When Hussein's tyrannical reign was ended by American forces 10 years ago, the lid came off and the bomb exploded. The American occupation was marked by continued bloodshed between Shia and Sunni militias, one more violent than the other.

Caught in the middle, most American casualties resulted from this sectarian warfare. Meanwhile in Syria, the extreme poverty and repression of the Assad regime finally exploded in a revolt by the oppressed Sunnis. The most violent of the rebel groups gained the upper hand, resulting in the formation of ISIL which seeks to create a Sunni



JOHN DARKOW/COLUMBIA (MO.) DAILY TRIBUNE

caliphate throughout the Levant.

It is into this maelstrom that America appears to be headed. There is a very strong argument to be made against a significant American military intervention in Iraq and Syria.

1. Our military leaders are unanimous that ISIL cannot be defeated without a strong ground force to control areas cleared by air power. Bombing alone won't achieve the goal. Potential allies in the region are all unsavory or weak. The strongest forces opposing ISIL are Iraqi Shia militias — which are just as violent as ISIL — and Bashar Assad's barbaric Syrian army, both supported by Iran. The U.S.-trained Iraqi army is in tatters. The Kurd peshmerge is effective in protecting its homeland, but hasn't the numbers to take the battle further. Sunni Saudi Arabia is the largest supplier of men and money to Sunni ISIL. Training an effective moderate Sunni force in Arabia will take a long time, if it is at all possible.

2. By bombing the Islamic State, who will we be helping? War against ISIL in Iraq will help the Shia militias and

Iran. War against ISIL in Syria will help Assad. In both cases, America will be seen as siding with Shia against Sunni, further alienating the Sunni who make up the core of ISIL.

3. Taking out armored vehicles in the countryside is one thing. Dislodging ISIL from cities is something else. Bomb ISIL HQ in Ar Raqqah? How many civilian casualties will there be? Think of Gaza where Hamas hid among civilians.

4. But what is the threat to the U.S.? The fear is that ISIL is radicalizing Americans and Europeans who will return from the war to attack Americans. The thinking goes by destroying ISIL in Iraq and Syria we will make the homeland safe. But is that realistic?

The attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 were planned by four men in a German suburb. The Boston Marathon bombing was the work of two locals. A bomb-maker in the dusty hills of Yemen masterminded the failed attacks by the shoe and underwear bombers, the bombs planted in computer printers and the Times Square car bomb. The recent bombing of a Jewish Museum in Brussels was the work of one man. The Ft. Hood shoot-

ings were by one man.

All the bombs in the Middle East would not have stopped these jihadist-inspired terrorist acts!

What America faces today is a threat of terrorism that has to be fought with anti-terrorist tactics, not a military-run war. We need greater intelligence to identify the plotters before they can act. We need to plug the holes in our borders, such as at sea ports. We need better cooperation between security forces around the world.

There is a legitimate geostrategic concern – if ISIL consolidates power in Iraq and Syria, it could threaten Kurdistan, Jordan and Lebanon, and might one day generate enough capacity to harm the West more directly. So yes, there is a place for limited American military action and support.

But we cannot solve the great Sunni/Shia divide. That is the Arab world's problem. Ultimately, fanatics devour themselves. It is a great tragedy what is befalling the people of the region. But trying to "bomb them into oblivion" isn't an answer. We have a war on terrorism to fight; let's keep our focus.

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See you all next year on Friday, Aug. 7, 2015!

Mark O
Fernandina Beach

BUDGET SUMMARY FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD

ESTIMATED REVENUES

Taxes:	Millage per \$1,000
Ad Valorem Taxes	0.0345
Interest on Investments	
TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	22,439,119
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND BALANCES	250,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES	22,689,119
Fund Balance Reserve	92,780,208
Total Approved Expenditures & Fund Balance Reserve	0
92,780,208	

THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

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C. Actual property tax levy	\$21,656,347

This year's proposed tax levy

This tax increase is applicable to: Nassau, Duval, St. Johns, Flagler, Volusia, Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, and Miami-Dade Counties

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on

September 24th, 2014
6:00 p.m.
Fellsmere Community Center
56 N. Broadway Street
Fellsmere, Florida 32948

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

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Tuesday, September 23rd is National Voter Registration Day and September is Library Card Sign-up Month!

In a cooperative campaign READ AND REGISTER, the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office and all Nassau County public libraries will be open for voter registration! If you don't have a library card, take this opportunity to sign up and check out a best seller and the other services available to you through the library. A library card is the most important school supply of all.

LIBRARY LOCATIONS:

Bryceville Branch Library
7280 Motes Road
Bryceville, FL 32009
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Fernandina Branch Library
25 North 4th Street
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Yulee Branch Library
Florida State College
76346 William Burgess Blvd.
Yulee, FL 32097
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

You can also register to vote at the following locations:

- Both Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office locations
- Florida Driver's License Offices, County Tax Collector

Visit www.votenassau.com for a complete list of registration agencies or to print an application from our website.

New registrations must be delivered or postmarked on or before October 6, 2014 to be eligible for the General Election to be held on November 4, 2014.

It is easy for voters to review and update information on their voter record, view their specific sample ballot, request a mail ballot, track the status of their ballot, locate their polling place or review their voting activity. Visit www.votenassau.com and select My Voter Record. If voters do not have access to the Internet, they may contact the Supervisor of Elections office to update their voter record, receive election information and more at 904-491-7500, Toll Free 1-866-260-4301, TDD 904-491-7510.



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Reading this might make you happier

There it was on the cover of *Prevention* magazine: a teaser headline that said, “How to be 40% Happier (Seriously.”)

Underneath were other teasers: “No-Cook Dinners,” “Cure Wrinkles” and an exclusive titled “Lose Your Belly, Eat More Fat.”

Put them all together and I would be at least 40 percent happier.

But doesn’t this make you wonder: How can anyone, even scientists with degrees in happiness – how can they measure happiness in percentages? Let me try to explain:

Prevention magazine says that “roughly half of us carry a covetable form of the cannabinoid-receptor 1 gene, which primes us to respond more amply when, say, relaxing into an episode of *Orange Is the New Black*.” But 40 percent of our happiness “is dictated not by special genes but by how we engineer our own joy.”

Now that we’ve cleared that up, let’s consider some things that would make us (well, me) happier, plus the percentages:

- Hearing this political announcement on TV: “My name is (pick one), and I approve this nasty, despicable message, which you will never have to hear again.” 72 percent.

- Having a state patrolman stop me on the interstate and reward me with a \$50 gift certificate for driving safely. 61 percent.

- Seeing that same patrolman stop the reckless driver who nearly caused a wreck and reward him with a \$500 fine. 62 percent.

- The firing of every male professional athlete who punches a woman, or anybody else, just because he can. 89 percent.

- Hearing the speaker of the U.S. House and the Senate majority leader pledge – and really mean it this time – that they and their colleagues will work across the aisles solely for the betterment of U.S. citizens, without considering whether their actions will help them get re-elected. 71 percent.

- Learning that U.S. Supreme Court has outlawed political correctness. 45 percent.

- Having a wish granted that all terrorists and potential terrorists in every country have been stricken with painful, incurable hemorrhoids that prevent them from leaving their homes until their funeral hour. 99 percent.

- Waking up one morning and discovering the tooth fairy has left a free crown. 54 percent.

- Finding out that you weren’t dreaming and that your spouse really does think you’re the greatest mate on Earth, except maybe for the swan and the turtle dove. 82 percent.

- Discovering that scientists finally have realized that true happiness – or, better yet, joy – cannot be explained in a magazine article about how to be happy. 49 percent.

Doesn’t matter if you have the happiness gene or Levi jeans, joy is not getting what you wish for. It’s being content with what you have, who you are, your service to others, and who loves you unconditionally.

So there, *Prevention* magazine. I said in those last 38 words what you tried to say in 15 pages of words. And I didn’t use any fancy terms like “cannabinoid-receptor 1 gene,” which, I might say, I was happy to omit.

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A mythical place we call home

Last year about this time, I decided to visit my favorite aunt. Aunt Linda is the last surviving member of Mama's side of the family. The youngest sibling, I remember her babysitting me when she was a teenager. I've always enjoyed her company. She lives in Baxley, Ga. I hadn't seen her since Mama passed and so on a clear, bright morning I set out on the road to go visit her.

It was one of those days signaling that autumn is anxious to help elderly summer off to a rocking chair on a shady veranda for a goodly long spell. As warm as a grandmother's heart, the stifling humidity was absent from school that day, so I turned off the air conditioner and put down the windows. Between here and there are the deep pine forests, dense thickets and the abundant fields and farms that lie scattered like children's toys along narrow US 1.

Driving along, letting the pleasant and sweet-smelling country air slide into the car beside me, I steeped myself to the soul in the drowsy fragrance of fresh cut hay bundled in yellow wheels, fecund pastures and meadows where livestock graze and the sharp tang of pines standing sentry along a stretch of road that the berserk interstate highways have shoved into a lonesome corner of memory. It might be monotonous if you're in a hurry. But if you're willing to go gently, it's an agreeable route that hearkens back to a simpler and easier day.

I meandered through Waycross, Ga., the place of my upbringing, along the way and



CUP OF JOE

Joe Palmer

continued my drive north through more woods and farmland toward Alma.

Alma is one of those sleepy, rural South Georgia bergs that US 1 zips through, seemingly in a hurry to get somewhere more lively, though the next notable waypoint is the even tinier and sleepier village of Hazlehurst. I worked summers in the country there as a teenager on the sprawling tobacco farms, hanging the freshly pulled broad green leaves on long stakes high up in the tall, fragrant old wooden barns until they were cured and dried a crispy honey golden and ready to be bundled up for the market.

Pulling into Alma, I made a right at the still standing VFW club and headed down what we called Radio Station road to my grandparents' old home. If I hadn't remembered that the property was next to the tiny station, I

would've missed it. The large estate I remembered is really a Lilliputian white wood frame house. Nearly all the pines in the front yard are gone and the whole place is run down and forlorn, seeming to cower in the bracket of scrub woods threatening to surround it. Thinking it was abandoned I pulled into the driveway and saw a small dusty red car in the dilapidated old carport. A middle aged country-fried woman came outside, said howdy and asked if she could help me. I told her my grandparents used to live there and I was passing through and hoped to see it. “Well, it ain’t much to see,” she drawled, “but feel free to get out and look around.”

It was nothing like I remembered. The quaint little house is falling apart. The garden has been edged out by encroaching woods. The ancient fig tree in the backyard is gone, along with the little stable and corral where my aunt Linda kept her Palomino mare. I can't imagine how we managed to fit our extended family inside the place for holiday meals and gatherings.

I thanked the lady for her hospitality and climbed back into my car. The old homestead seemed to bid a sad and final farewell to me as I backed out of the yard and drove away.

Home and place isn't necessarily how we remember it. As we age, memory rewrites the story with its own comforting narrative and vivid images. Rarely is the version we recall entirely true. Usually, it's more a romantic myth filled with beckoning faded photographs.

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Remember the nuns

All islanders are welcome to commemorate the anniversary of our nuns who died during the 1877 yellow fever on Monday, Sept. 22 at the Bosque Bello Cemetery, 4 p.m., rain or shine.

A rose is suggested as a symbol of the young lives sacrificed on that occasion.

Luigi Bresciani
Fernandina Beach

Industrial polluters?

In response to the recent letter from the writer that referred to the paper mills being the first thing that you see when you come into Florida: She goes on to say do we want industrial polluters or vacationers and where would we want our children to work?

As a 41-year employee of one of those paper mills I would like to give the other side of the story. First of all, we are constantly spending millions of dollars to upgrade our facilities to be compliant with all state and federal environmental regulations. As a father of four children and four grandchildren that live in this community it is in all of my families' interest that we preserve the environment that we live in. Are people naïve enough to think that resorts don't have an impact on the environment? Some of my adult children have worked at the resorts where a \$9 to \$12 an hour job is supposedly a living wage. Sure, most of them offer some benefits but most hourly employees that work there can't afford them.

When we advertise that we are hiring at the paper mill we have had up to 750 applicants standing in line trying to get a job. As a member of the interview team that participates in screening possible new hires I have sat and heard the stories of young folks that are trying to get a job that has health insurance benefits, a retirement pension and matching 401k benefits. Not to mention wages that pay an average of \$60,000 to \$80,000 a year. These are jobs that give families a chance to raise their kids and give them opportunities that a resort wage could never match.

When we ask these applicants why they want a job at the mill, they state that it gives them and their families opportunities that other jobs in the community could never give them. Statistics show that for every job at a paper mill, on average five jobs are created in the community to support these mills. This county is still mostly rural with thousands of acres of pine trees; close the mills and what happens to those jobs that support the mills? Not to mention the dollars spent at car dealerships, restaurants, and other retail establishments.

This letter is not meant to be anti-resort, I just want to give the other side of the story. As for me, I would rather my kids' work at a place that gives them a chance to raise a family with dignity and a chance to fully participate in the American dream. I have read many letters over the years that degrade our paper mills and industrial jobs, but in my experience they are usually written by folks that made their money somewhere else and then moved to our community. Most of these folks would never want their kids to work at places like resorts either, because of the lack of opportunity.

Jeff Bell
United Steelworkers (USW)
Local 415

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Thanks to the News-Leader, we learned of the frightening plans of

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the Port to expand, put more trucks on the highway, and to haul coal on trucks and barges.

If you missed the Sept. 10 issue of the *News-Leader*, go buy it. The editorial page is like an encyclopedia of information on the port situation, the OHPA, the FDEP, and phone numbers and emails of actual people in charge of these organizations.

Call your city commissioners, county commissioners. Ask them to request an FEDP hearing on behalf of the citizens of Fernandina Beach. Mr. Richard Bruce, OHPA commissioner, in a Viewpoint article Sept. 6, quotes the purpose from the charter is “to benefit the citizens of Nassau County and Florida.” Boy, we took a wrong turn somewhere.

I hope commissioners will vote no to expansion of the Port. When it comes to coal – it doesn’t matter how much, where it comes from, where it’s going, who it’s going to, the answer is no coal now, no coal in the future master plan, no coal ever.

I’m really scared for the future of our island, and our county.

Joan Bean
Fernandina Beach

Who's paying attention?

According to the figures, about 20 percent of registered voters voted in the August election.

I attended a county commission meeting on Thursday of last week where they discussed the upcoming budget, and where to find the predicted \$12 million needed to balance the budget. There were only 10 people in the audience to represent the public. Needless to say, the public portion of meeting lasted less than 10 minutes.

This is an issue that will affect every property owner in the county. It’s hard for me to understand the public apathy toward these meetings. I realize that some voters rationalize by saying, “I voted him into office and expect him to look out for me.” Well, maybe!

Years ago, I found out the hard way that the amount of Uncle Ben's pictures you have in your wallet carries a lot of weight.

If there's one thing that politicians are good at, it's counting noses.

Over the past 13-14 years, the most heavily attended commission meeting was the one relating to closing part of the beach to the general public. As the roar from the SRO crowd in the hallway and outside

grew louder, the commission members hurriedly passed and ingested a plate of crow.

The vote was unanimous. No beach closing.

Another fully attended meeting concerned the migration of the peacocks.

It's a shame more people don't attend these meetings.

The recent announcement by the Port Authority should be a wake-up call for a lot of folks. Miss Amelia doesn't need a ninth flag with the picture of a coal hod on it.

The residents of Clinch Drive need to remain vigilant. Don't take any long naps.

Stanley Bunch
Fernandina Beach

A thank you

We recently bought a new chair from Lott's Furniture in Fernandina Beach. We subsequently had some difficulty with the fabric. They have very nicely replaced it with a new chair of our choosing at no additional cost. Laurie, manager; Kristy, receptionist; and Chris and Ken, delivery people, were all so great. A wonderful experience.

Shirley Hargreaves
Amelia Island

Just the facts

John's Barber Shop would like to thank the *News-Leader* for recognizing our 50 years in business.

We also want to thank our many customers for making these years successful. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Barbering is as old and traditional as history itself. Remember, it's all facts, not gossip.

John H. Beckett
John W. Beckett
Fernandina Beach

FPU rate increase

Here we go again (“FPU rate hike gains approval,” Sept. 17), why even bother going to the Florida Public Service Commission meeting that was held with regard to FPU’s rate increase? As usual when any company states that they are asking for a rate increase, they almost always get one. In fact I’d say 99 percent of the time they get their increase. So why bother to announce it and have a meeting so we, the public, can state how we feel about the increase. We, the public, I feel, waste our valuable time by

going to these meetings, we might as well save our breath, time and gas for, as I’ve stated, they almost always get their increases.

It wouldn’t be so bad but this increase is quite a bit and what bothers me is that the ones that will suffer having this increase are the lower and fixed-income citizens. I wonder who, or rather what, size bonuses your corporate officers (FPU) will get. Another thing I need to vent about: was FPU’s new office building needed? How many of us have gone into their new office just to ask a question and had to wait as they only had one person at the window that handles payments, questions, etc. At least in their old office you were in and out in no time and there were plenty of persons to assist you, but now!

It stated in the *News-Leader* (according to PSC chairman) that we are to benefit from the agreement’s adjustments that will maintain stability through 2016; well, we’ll see. If I’m still around when FPU has another FPU meeting I guarantee I will not attend, why should I cause I promise you that if FPU wants another raise they’ll get it and no matter how many of us speak up, FPU’s ears will be closed to anything we have to say. This is my personal feelings about FPU and FPU.

Virginia (Jean) Haines
Fernandina Beach

Road etiquette, cyclists!

Sunday, Sept. 14, approximately noon, my husband and I had to stop abruptly on Burney Road to assist an elderly man showing signs of heat exhaustion. We had to stop in the center of the road as he was swerving or we would have hit him.

There was no traffic; two cyclists participating in a cycling event approached our car. They needed to pass us. Complaining about our mid-road emergency stop, the two rode on as if nothing was wrong. We placed the man in our car with his walker, and drove him to a location near his home, and made sure that he was coherent. We did not know him.

To the cyclists: Assess the situation before you complain. We would have stopped for you as well. This could have been a serious emergency. Remember you share the road, not own it

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Nassau Community Band is recruiting new members. Join this fun group of musicians for weekly Thursday rehearsals at the Yulee Middle School band room, 85439 Miner Road. Haven't played your instrument since college? Since Regan was president? Or longer? Not a problem! The band welcomes all skill levels. Performances are around town for just about any occasion. Visit www.facebook.com/NassauCommunityBand for more information or send a message to info@nassaucommunityband.com. Annual dues are \$100.

New cookbook offers 'Food for Thought'

For the News-Leader

A new book by Donald Parker, *Food for Thought: Recipes and Writings to Chew On*, will be introduced at a launch party



Thursday at Books Plus.

Meet the author and

enjoy wine and nibbles

from 4 to 6 p.m.

A culinary book with

unique content, *Food for*

Thought features both

unusual recipes and col-

orful, entertaining stories

about where the dishes

came from and what

makes them special. The

author and his wife, Andrea, have col-

lected recipes for over 60 years and

often added personal touches, as well as

creating innovative specialties.

"Cast off your shackles and over-

come your cooking prejudices and rou-

tine attitudes," the author says. "This

book is not a 'how-to' but a 'why-not.'

Why not try new ideas and give your

own creativity a chance? We hope the

readers will come along on a culinary

adventure with us."

Parker, 86, was a co-founder of the

Book Island Festival in 2001 and served

as president for the first five years. As a

director emeritus, he continues to be a

supporter of the annual event, now

named the Amelia Island Book Festival.

Originally from Cape Cod, Mass., he

and his wife have lived and traveled in

many parts of the country and abroad.

They came to Fernandina Beach 25

years ago and have been active in the

community in a variety of ways, includ-

ing the Rotary Club, the Nassau Poets

Literary events

Books Plus on South Eighth Street will host its final Author's In The Round on Sept. 20 from 4-6 p.m. with free wine tasting. Authors attending will include Nadine Vaughn Williams, *Tiny Treasures, Train Town Amelia and Fire Cat*; Annette Myers, *Shrinking Sands of an African American Beach and The Big Sand Dune*; Bill Reynolds, *The Jetty Man Series* located in Mayport; Mary Greenwood, *How to Negotiate Like A Pro*; Jane Marie Malcolm, *Velvet Undertow*; Stacey Ham, *JD's Baseball*; and Stacey Hamm, *New Adventures of James and Maisy*. Call 261-0303.

as Kincaid's deployment to the Vietnam War, enlightens readers about a powerful source of resiliency.

Byrd's first book of personal essays, *Miss Hilbreth Wore Brown*, was the Silver Medal winner of the 2011 Florida Publishers Association President's Book Awards. Byrd lives in Panama City. Visit www.oliviabellabyrd.com. Call the Book Loft at 261-8991.

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Martial arts expert Dan Kelly will teach area residents how to protect themselves at a self-defense workshop Oct. 4 from 9 a.m.-noon at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center, 2500 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach.

The workshop is a benefit for the Fernandina Beach Library expansion. Tickets are a donation of \$20 or more to Friends of the Library (FOL). Kelly is donating his expertise and 100 percent of the proceeds will help purchase library furniture and equipment.

Class is limited to the first 50 participants age 14 and older who sign up. For tickets and information, visit the library, 25 N. Fourth St., or call 277-7365.

& Writers Society, St. Peter's Episcopal Church and many others.

Parker was a founding member of the Nassau Writers & Poets Society, whose members jointly authored *Murder in Fernandina*, under the pen name Amelia Clinch. The novel led to a series of mysteries set in Fernandina, currently being written by Cara Curtin.

The new cookbook also includes a different kind of "food for thought" — a collection of Parker's poems, some humorous, some thoughtful, that he has written over the years.

For more information about the Sept. 25 party, contact Books Plus, 261-0303, located at 1743 S. Eighth St., Fernandina Beach.

Beach Babies' nature camp starts Monday

Wild Amelia will host a two-part nature camp Monday and Wednesday from 4:30 p.m. in the Book Loft, 214 Centre St.

Cost for both sessions is \$20; registration is required. Each child will receive a copy of Wild Amelia's Junior Naturalist "Seashore" curriculum. Call the Book Loft at 261-8991.

Wild Amelia's Junior Naturalist programs for ages

Deadline for wedding information and photos is 3 p.m. Tuesday prior to publication Friday. Call the News-Leader at 261-3696 for information.

Coast Guard plans exercise in local waters Wednesday

KINGS BAY, Ga. — Coast Guard Maritime Force Protection Unit Kings Bay will be conducting a full-scale maritime exercise, Resolute Guardian, on Wednesday from 9 a.m. until about 1 p.m.

The exercise will consist of small boat maneuvers, blank gunfire and distress signal training. Local mariners and members of the surrounding community are advised that there will be a 500-yard moving safety zone around all the exercise vessels.

No waterway closures or restrictions are scheduled

for this time.

The exercise will be conducted in the Intracoastal Waterway in the vicinity of the Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, continuing south to the Saint Marys River entrance.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be conducting safety patrols, as well as passing out informational flyers at local marinas to inform boaters of the exercise. All concerned mariners may contact Coast Guard assets on VHF channel 16.

For information contact LTJG Anthony Rodrigues at (912) 571-8559.

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Usually, it is easier to find fault in someone, rather than to appreciate the good qualities that they may possess. Constantly criticizing a person will only weaken their incentive to do their best, or to be a better person; however, constructive encouragement bolsters a person's enthusiasm and ambition. Parents, teachers, and employers who use the "encouragement approach" usually achieve good results, and having a good attitude is essential to doing a good job. Everyone likes to feel good about themselves, and giving an honest compliment to a friend or stranger will help lift a person's spirit. I once knew an owner of a business who would never compliment his employees, because he thought if he told them they were doing a good job they would ask for a raise in pay. With this kind of attitude it is difficult to keep loyal and good employees who feel that they are contributing to the business; and in fact, they may actually feel that they are being taken advantage of.

Psalm 142:3

MILITARY NEWS

■ Army 1st Lt. Russell R. Guilfoile has

graduated from the Judge Advocate General Officer Basic Course at the Judge Advocate General's School in Charlottesville, Va.

The course is a 14-week introduction to the practice of military law, with the first four weeks of the course being taught at Fort Lee, Petersburg, Va. During Phase I, the student learned officer responsibilities and basic soldier skills, field training exercise, deployment skills and weapons familiarization.

Phase II of the course is completed at the Judge Advocate General's School in Charlottesville, where the student received instruction in substantive military law, research and communication skills in writing and speaking. Officers study personnel law, military criminal law, claims

and legal assistance at military installations; government entered agreements and concepts of federal fiscal law; international law, including the law of war, which is taught to fellow soldiers; and the effect that foreign laws and international agreements have on the Army, soldiers and family members.

He will next be serving as legal assistance attorney with Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Maneuver Support Center, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Guilfoile is the son of Virginia Guilfoile of Chapel Hill, N.C., brother of Carlie Guilfoile of San Francisco, Calif., grandson of Carole J. Guilfoile of Mashpee, Mass., and Arthur and Barbara Reeve of Fernandina Beach and son-in-law of Paul and Jeanne Foreman of Germantown, Tenn.

He is a 2004 graduate of East Chapel Hill High School, Chapel Hill, N.C. He earned a bachelor's degree in 2010 from Furman University, Greenville, S.C.

He's making mom proud at Emma Love

HEATHER A. PERRY
News-Leader

Bryce Cubbal's mom taught school in Pennsylvania for almost 40 years. Seeing how much she enjoyed it and the difference she made got her son thinking he might also like a career in education.

The new Emma Love Hardee assistant principal said his mom is proud of his new position.

"I had some amazing teachers growing up, but the two influences who stand out were my fourth grade teacher and my mother."

"My fourth grade teacher really made a difference. He was my first male teacher and the first teacher that made it possible to enjoy school."

One of the reasons Mr. Michael was so memorable for Cubbal was that he didn't talk down to his students.

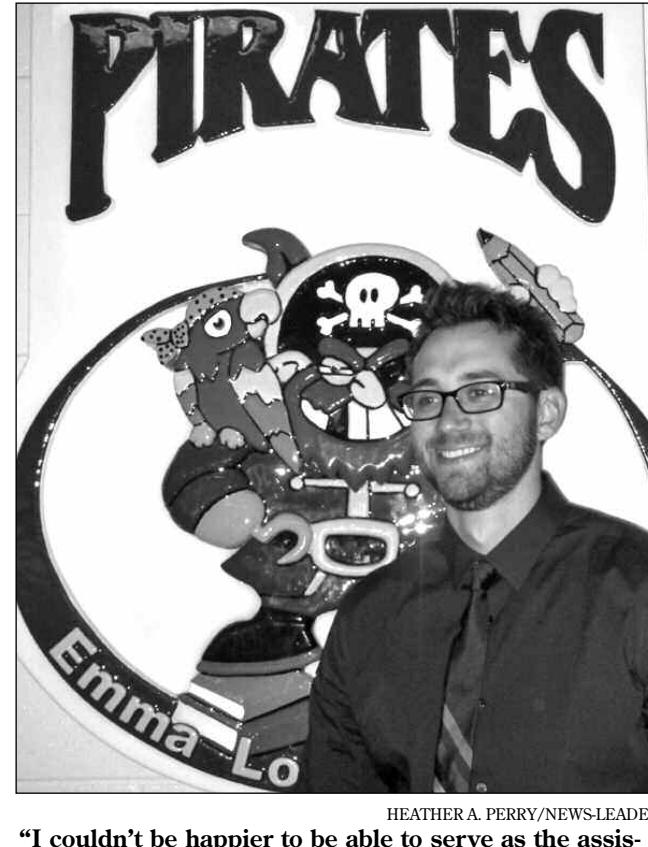
"He treated us at a higher level. He told us he used to teach eighth grade and that in his opinion, eighth grade expectations could be carried down to fourth graders.

There was a mutual respect there."

Cubbal says he wanted to get into administration because he feels that he can have the greatest impact on student achievement by being a leader and helping teachers become the best educators possible.

After obtaining his degrees at Clarion University of Pennsylvania and The American College of Education, Cubbal moved to Nassau County from New Wilmington, Pa., and took up his first post at Callahan Intermediate School.

In his sixth year with the Nassau County School District, Cubbal said, "I really enjoy my job. I wake up in the morning excited to start my day. I get the privilege of



HEATHER A. PERRY/NEWS-LEADER

"I couldn't be happier to be able to serve as the assistant principal at Emma Love Hardee!" says Bryce Cubbal.

working with amazing teachers and students."

Cubbal wants those students to thoroughly enjoy coming to school and he wants to make sure they learn all they can during their time there.

"I want my school to continuously strive for excellence because only then will we reach our full potential."

Working beside Principal Dr. Eric Larsen, Cubbal said he can make Emma Love Hardee a school environment that the 40 teachers and 600 students are happy to be part of.

"We're a team. There are things at school that he handles, there are things that I handle and then we collaborate on a lot of things together."

er."

Cubbal shares his Yulee home with his wife, Katie. Moving from Pennsylvania to escape the snow, Cubbal was familiar with the area because he has an uncle in Mandarin.

"I looked up the area and saw it was an A district with great schools so that's kind of how I chose this district."

A major car and motorcycle enthusiast, Cubbal is delighted to have more months to ride his Harley Davidson motorcycle during leisure hours.

Emma Love Hardee Elementary School is located at 2200 Susan Drive in Fernandina Beach. Phone 491-7936.

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20 Group outlooks



sell new versus used at a one to one ratio. The hot new car market is taking from the used car market.

Again, good for the consumer.

Paperless transactions are becoming more common.

The technology is very expensive up front, so it is a gradual trend. There is very little doubt that paperless is the way everything is going, including money. Cell phone integration in the customer process is growing fast. Our favorite appendage (or not) is going to be an absolute need in our life.

Most of the dealers in the room are at least 15 years in the business. The average is probably 25 or more. They have witnessed thick and very thin not long ago (2008, 2009, 2010). There is not a tendency to high five, but a desire to not get lapped by a competitor or market forces.

Change is a constant in 2014, and these dealers know it. For now, facility investments and other financial commitments are being made to push forward. Let's hope the auto sales hold up and stabilize for a while.

Think of a nice cool, dry spell – I am. Have a good week.

Rick Keffer owns and operates Rick Keffer Dodge Chrysler Jeep in Yulee. He invites questions or positive stories about automobile use and ownership.

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the 80 percent who finance, so much better than historic rates of 7 percent plus.

Leasing is popular with some imports, but is also having to compete with the low purchase rates and longer ownership cycles. Our Hyundai members do a good amount of leasing. Low rates help leasing, which is just a depreciation scale.

Last night, I flew back from Charlotte, N.C., after attending a 20 Group meeting. It is always informative, humbling and entertaining to spend two days with fellow dealers. What is accomplished is a good snapshot of the market and our industry.

Unlike most groups, which are brand specific, ours is a mixture.

It was begun years ago by my father, who has backed over 30 dealers and formed his own group. Both my younger brothers are dealers, one with seven dealerships. The membership is heavily Chrysler and Korean (Kia and Hyundai). Others include VW, Toyota, Ford, Chevrolet and Mazda.

Enough background.

Business is good in most cases, particularly the new car sales. Plenty of inventory is available, with most new 2015 models in good supply.

Our average dealer sold 78 new and 46 used last month (southeast U.S. locations,

many metro). Dealers like to

work on the market forces.

Service and parts business

has been brisk. With the average car 11 years old, repairs

and maintenance are needed.

Add warranty work on the

growing new car volumes

begun in 2012, and it makes

sense. Manufacturers are on

a mission to compete with the

independent service

providers and achieve product

loyalty. A customer that

Free cardboard recycling

The Nassau County Board of County Commissioners has announced the Convenience Recycle Center located at 46026 Landfill Road, Callahan, is now accepting and recycling cardboard free of charge from Nassau County residents. This is the only Nassau County recycling loca-

tion that will accept cardboard for recycling.

In addition to cardboard the center also accepts appliances, scrap metal, tires (4 per household per year), batteries, aluminum, glass, newspaper/magazines, electronics and plastics.

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open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

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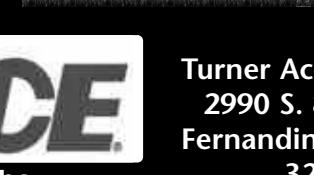
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Special Olympic surfers rally at state

Seven Nassau County Special Olympic athletes competed in the 2014 Special Olympics Florida State Surfing Championships at Cocoa Beach over the weekend. Surfing in this year's event from Nassau County were Phoenix Bridges, Alissa DiDomenico, Jake Martin, Kristopher Mitchell, Weston Terry, Stephanie Willaford and Vincent Wolski.

Preliminaries were held Sept. 12 with all athletes progressing to the semifinal and final competition round.

Final competition and awards were completed Saturday with DiDomenico and Wolski bringing home a first-place finish; Jake Martin harvested second place; Bridges, Mitchell and Terry finished third in some highly competitive events; and Willaford wrapped up the day with a solid fourth-place finish.

Accompanying and supporting the athletes were co-head coaches Kirk Mitchell and Steve Mehas and assistant coaches Freddie Peake, Betzy Harris, Jack Martin, David Montgomery, Matt Bellar and Jonah Harris.

Nassau County's surfing delegation was led by Tom Christenson, Special Olympics Nassau County director. Christenson also served as an official surfing judge during the two-day competition.

Mitchell was quick to praise the athletes for their commitment, saying, "The athletes have exemplified total commitment from the very first day. Even in less-than-desirable surf conditions, they were never discouraged with their overall training attendance record through 12 one-hour practice sessions exceeded 90 percent, which surpasses the long-term training objective of the Special Olympics International organization."

The success of this year's program will hopefully lead to program expansion next year and beyond, Mitchell said.

Anyone interested in learning more about Nassau County's surfing program or other Special Olympic sports and how to become involved, contact MoRonica Ravenell at 557-8309.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Athlete Vincent Wolski catches a wave with Coach David Montgomery watching.



Athlete Alissa DiDomenico and Coach Betzy Harris following the award ceremony, left. Right, athlete Stephanie Willaford exhibiting stellar Level 1 skills with Coach Jack Martin lending encouragement.



Coach Jack Martin and Freddie Peake ready to assist athlete Phoenix Bridges before competition, left. Right, athlete Kristopher Mitchell demonstrating Level 2 standing up performance during final competition round.

SPORTS SHORTS

FBHS homecoming

The Fernandina Beach High School homecoming parade will be downtown at 4 p.m. Oct. 10. The community is invited to participate in the parade. If you or your group would be interested in being included, contact Rob Hicks at Fernandina Beach High School at 261-5714 or robert.hicks@nassau.k12.fl.us.

Women's pro tennis

The Amelia Island Wo-men's Tennis Championship, a USTA pro circuit event, will be held Sept. 21-28 at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation. Ticket proceeds from finals weekend will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Qualifying rounds are Sept. 21-22 beginning at 10 a.m. Main draw matches are Sept. 23-26 beginning at 10 a.m. There is no admission fee for these rounds. The semifinals begin at 11 a.m. Sept. 27 and the finals are at noon Sept. 28; \$10 donation per ticket.

Other events include the Wilson Kid's Day Sept. 21 from 3-5 p.m.; pro/am tournament and dinner Sept. 22 from 5-6:30 p.m.; Boys &

Girls Club Sept. 26, time to be determined; and the Rogy Tennis Tournament Sept. 27 from 9-11 a.m. For information, call 277-5145. To register, email sbarbaro@omnihotels.com.

Sign up for YBA hoops

The Yulee Basketball Association registration for the 2014-15 season is now open. For information and to register visit www.YuleeBasketball.org.

All athletes must register online no later than Nov. 7. A mandatory tryout/skills assessment is Nov. 9 (10U 1-3 p.m.) (12U 2-4 p.m.) (15U 3-5 p.m.). Early registration is highly recommended as the number of athletes for tryouts and participation in the YBA is limited.

Coaches and volunteers are needed. Contact YuleeBasketball@gmail.com.

Sheriff's Shootout

The Nassau County Sheriff's Office and NCSO Charities are sponsoring the second annual Sheriff's Shootout sporting clay tournament Nov. 7 at Amelia Shotgun Sports in Yulee. Registration starts at 9 a.m.; shooting

begins at 10 a.m. with the awards ceremony at 11:30 a.m., followed by lunch. All participants will receive a hat and T-shirt.

Test your shooting skills against Sheriff Bill Leeper, fellow law enforcement officers and area leaders while helping raise money for NCSO Charities to benefit the community. Form a four-person team for \$500 or a two-person team for \$300. Sponsorships are available.

For information or to sign up, contact Larry Boatwright at 548-4027 or email at lboatwright@nassauso.com.

Yulee Little League

Yulee Little League will hold its annual board meeting at 6 p.m. Sept. 24 in the gymnasium of the Yulee Sports Complex, Goodbread Road.

Runway Rally

The Ben Byrns Foundation invites all runners and walkers to the third annual Ben Byrns 5K Runway Rally Fundraiser. Participants can run or walk the 5K Challenge or the one-mile

Fun Run

Register now for the Sept. 27 event. Start time is 8 a.m. on the Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport runways and taxiways. The 5K registration fee is \$25/\$30; one-mile Fun Run fee for all children ages 10 and under is \$15.

This year everyone will be timed with an individual My Laps Timing Chip. Register online/in-store at www.1stplacesports.com, online at www.benbyrns.com under events tab or with paper registration at Current Running, 815 S. Eighth Street, Fernandina Beach.

The funds generated from this year's race will support local organizations that provide programs for youth to help develop a sense of self esteem and the ability to make better choices in their lives regarding drug use.

Visit www.BenByrns.com for information on the foundation's mission and work with community organizations.

Upward Basketball

Upward Basketball and Cheerleading

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PIRATES HOST HORNETS



PHOTOS BY BETH JONES/NEWS-LEADER

The Yulee Middle School football team was up 32-0 at halftime Tuesday when the Hornets traveled to Fernandina Beach to take on the Pirates. Lightning delayed and then prevented the second half from starting. "We will not have to finish the rest of the game," YMS Coach Shaun Forbes said. "That will be the final score." The Hornets rolled to 3-0 on the season. Antwan Alexander had a trio of rushing touchdowns and over 100 yards rushing for Yulee; Maurice Moore also had over 100 yards rushing and scored a TD; Jordan Richo ran in two of Yulee's two-point conversions; and Chase Crider and Laken Montgomery both converted two-point conversions, catching passes from quarterback Jaxon Crosby. Yulee had more than 300 rushing yards for the third game in a row. The defense forced three Pirate turnovers. "As a coaching staff we are excited about how the boys are playing right now," Forbes said. "All of the boys are playing great football. We have a big test this next week when we travel to Charlton County." The Hornets play Tuesday at Charlton County, Ga., while the Pirates head to Callahan. Kickoff is at 5 p.m. for both games.

RECREATION ROUNDUP

FERNANDINA BEACH PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION through Oct. 3. Register at the Atlantic Center. Four age groups offered: 8U (6-8) co-ed; 10U (9-10) co-ed; 12U (11-12) separate boys and girls divisions; and 14U (13-14) separate boys and girls divisions.

Player evaluations are Oct. 13-14 at Peck Gym. Player draft Oct. 15 at the Atlantic Center Auditorium.

Practices begin week of Oct. 20; season begins week of Nov. 10. Games on Thursday evenings or Saturday mornings at Peck Gym. Six-game regular season, tournament in each division.

Registration fees are \$45 city residents, \$55 non-city (\$5 discount for additional sibling) and due Oct. 3. Copies of birth certificates required. Volunteer coaches needed.

For information, contact Jay Robertson at 310-3361 or jrobertson@fbfl.org.

OPEN ADULT VOLLEYBALL at Peck Gym Tuesdays and Fridays from 7-9 p.m. \$2/day city resident, \$5 non-city.

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL at Peck Gym Tuesdays and Fridays from 3-5 p.m. for school and club teams. Players must have adult coach or adult supervision.

Call at least 24 hours in advance: 310-3353.

Cost is \$2/day city resi-

dent, \$5 non-city.

OPEN INDOOR SOCCER at Peck Gym Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m., \$2 city residents, \$5 non-city.

OPEN BASKETBALL at Peck Gym Monday, Wednesday, Thursday from 11 a.m.-5:45 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., based on court availability.

FITNESS AREAS

- Weight Room/Cardio Area at Peck Gym. Free weights, selectorized equipment, Star Trac treadmills, Precor elliptical machines, Schwinn bikes. Ages 13 and up (ages 13-15 with adult supervision; ages 16-17 unsupervised but with waiver signed by parent or guardian).

Open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday and Friday from 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

- Atlantic Fitness Room at the Atlantic Center. Precor treadmills and elliptical machines, Star Trac bikes, Hammer Strength plate loaded fitness machines, and Magnum Fitness Biangular Series machines. Ages 13 and up (ages 13-15 with adult supervision; ages 16-17 unsupervised but with waiver signed by parent or guardian).

Open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Daily/monthly fitness area fees: City residents - \$3/day; \$25/month; \$75/four months;

\$180/12 months. Non-city residents: \$5/day; \$31/month; \$94/four months; \$225 12 months. Daily fees and memberships are valid at both fitness areas.

PERSONAL FITNESS TRAINING

available at Atlantic Fitness Room or Peck Gym with Jay Robertson, ISSA Certified Personal Fitness Trainer, Performance Nutritionist, and Specialist in Fitness for the Older Adult. \$30 per session, \$75/week (3 sessions), \$200/month (2 sessions/ week for 4 weeks). Monthly packages include dietary analysis and food program. Call Jay at 904-310-3361 to schedule a free introductory appointment.

SCUBA CLASSES

at Atlantic Pool

- **DISCOVER SCUBA EXPERIENCE/BUBBLE BLOWERS PROGRAM:** A one- to two-hour introductory experience that consists of a short classroom session and trying scuba in our pool with a PADI Instructor. Ages 8 and up. \$50/person city residents, \$62 non-city. Scheduled at your convenience.

- **PADI SCUBA OPEN WATER CERTIFICATION:** Private and group instruction available. \$275 (additional check-out dive fee).

Participants must provide their own masks, snorkels, fins, booties, and weight belts. Ages 10 and up. Training schedule available at the Atlantic Center.

SHORTS

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registration at First Baptist Fernandina is now open for kids in kindergarten through sixth grade.

Upward Basketball and Cheerleading is not only fun for children but a great fit for families. The programs conveniently fit into a family's busy schedule with no travel teams and just a one-hour practice and one-hour game each week.

Coaches use practices and games to teach and build basketball skills while making sure the kids have fun. Kids will also learn teamwork and build self-esteem in the basketball leagues and kids basketball camps, making for a positive sports experience.

Cheerleading is becoming more popular throughout North America and the Upward cheerleading programs strive to teach the basics in a fun environment. This foundation in cheerleading will help kids cheer successfully at the next level.

Each coach will make fun a priority as they teach kids cheerleading skills to each child on the squad and, since there are no tryouts, every child will have the chance to bring the credit to their feet.

Busy families can even take part in the cheerleading programs because games and practices are one hour each per week.

Deadline for registration is Nov. 22. This year, basketball shorts and cheerleading mock turtlenecks are included at no additional cost. Early registration (before Oct. 30) is \$75. After Oct. 30, the fee is \$90.

First Baptist, Fernandina is located at 1600 S. Eighth St. Visit <http://Upward.FBFFirst.com> or drop by the church office during regular business hours and pick up a registration form.

become better prepared, not become a victim, and how to escape from arm grips and choke holds," at a special self-defense workshop Oct. 4 at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center, 2500 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach.

Kelly served with the U.S. Marshall Service, was an Air Force security specialist, has a black belt in Aikido martial arts and has led self-defense classes for more than two decades. He has scheduled this special workshop as a benefit for the Fernandina Beach Library expansion and renovation that will be completed next spring.

Tickets are available for a donation of \$20 or more to Friends of the Library. Kelly is donating his expertise and 100 percent of the proceeds will help purchase library furniture and equipment.

All residents 14 years old and older are encouraged to attend. The class will take place from 9 a.m. to noon at the recreation center.

Class size is limited to the first 50 participants who sign up at the library with their donation of \$20 or more. If there is sufficient interest, a second workshop may be added.

For tickets and information, visit the Fernandina Beach Public Library, 25 N. Fourth St., or call 277-7365.

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.

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.

ADULT SOFTBALL

FERNANDINA BEACH PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT
Fall Leagues

RECREATIONAL CO-ED LEAGUE

Sept. 15

	HALF-LIFE	0-1
Keffer's Crew	AVENGERS	0-1
Half-Life	MARTEX SERVICES	0-1
	DIAMOND CUTTERS	0-1

STANDINGS - B DIVISION

	UNDER THE INFLUENCE	1-0
BAD COMPANY	LOGIC MOUNTAIN	1-0
FIRST COAST COMFORT	FIRST COAST COMFORT	1-1
GREEN TURTLE TAVERN	RIVER RATS	1-1
	PINCH-A-PENNY	0-1

MEN'S LEAGUE

Sept. 11

Prime Time 7

Ron Anderson Chevrolet 0 (forfeit)

Kabuki 17

Halffire Sports Bar 7

Uncle John's Pine Straw 20

Young Guns 7

STANDINGS

	UNCLE JOHN'S PINE STRAW	1-0
KABUKI	PRIME TIME	1-0
BAD COMPANY	HALFTIME SPORTS BAR	0-1
	RON ANDERSON	0-1

Games played at the Ybor Alvarez Softball Fields, 3243 Bailey Road.

For statistics and schedules, visit www.leaguelineup.com/tbflsoftball.

STANDINGS - A DIVISION

EMERALD GOAT 2-0

KEFFER'S CREW 1-0

YULEE CHILI'S 1-0

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YULEE HIGH SCHOOL

Junior Varsity Football

Sept. 19 at Westside* 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

Varsity Football

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

Volleyball

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

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Painting bowls for the Empty Bowls Lunch are, from left, Aleigha and Aidain Marto, Kyle Alter, Liam Marto, Tristan Marto, Ryan Alter, Ashtyn Lee, Abigail Fahlgren, Kinley Hall, Sydney Hall, Kaitlyn Malott and Abigail Felthouse.

Youth paint bowls for charity luncheon

MARGARET JOHNSON
4-H Youth Development

Nassau County 4-H members from across the county partnered with Barnabas to help decorate bowls for the upcoming Empty Bowls Nassau Luncheon.

The West Side Optimist Club and Lions Club generously allowed the 4-H'ers to use the Lions Club building for the activity. Area students, seniors and civic groups, including many Nassau County 4-H members, have created hand-painted and decorated bowls for every guest.

The Empty Bowls Nassau Luncheon will help provide meals and assistance for Nassau County families and individuals that are going through a rough time. Almost 10,000 people in Nassau County, including more than 3,000 children, don't know if they will have enough to eat each day.

Barnabas and its partners have distributed over 300,000 pounds of food to local residents each year. If you would like attend the luncheon that will be held Nov. 7 at noon, at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center in Fernandina Beach, contact the Barnabas Center at 261-7000.

The Nassau County UF IFAS 4-H program offers schoolchildren an opportunity to learn about a variety of project areas from aerospace to veterinary science. They also learn life skills, social skills and get the opportunity to learn about giving back to the community in which they live while having fun.

For information about the Nassau County 4-H Youth Development Program contact the Nassau County UF IFAS Extension office at 879-1019 or nassau.ifas.ufl.edu.



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NADA Retail \$10,200

Keffler Clearance Price \$4,995
STK#4195A



2008 Nissan Altima 2.5
NADA Retail Price \$9,550

Keffler Clearance Price \$8,895
STK#4623A



2008 Dodge Charger SXT Sedan
NADA Retail \$14,675

Keffler Clearance Price \$13,500
STK#4500A



2010 Kia Rio
NADA Retail Price \$9,050

Keffler Clearance Price \$8,995
STK#4594A



2006 Chevrolet Impala SS Sedan
NADA Retail Price \$10,600

Keffler Clearance Price \$8,950
STK#4168B



2005 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD
NADA Retail \$20,050

Keffler Clearance Price \$8,500
STK#4559A



2012 Kia Soul Hatchback
NADA Retail Price \$12,995

Keffler Clearance Price \$12,595
STK#4413B



2012 Dodge Charger SXT
NADA Retail \$26,000

Keffler Clearance Price \$23,700
STK#4462A



2004 Volkswagen Golf GL Hatchback
NADA Retail \$5,250

Keffler Clearance Price \$4,995
STK#A2709A



2011 Ford Taurus SEL Sedan
NADA Retail \$17,925

Keffler Clearance Price \$17,300
STK#4518A



2012 Buick Enclave Premium
NADA Retail Price \$35,700

Keffler Clearance Price \$32,950
STK#5018B



2011 Toyota RAV4 Limited SUV
NADA Retail Price \$24,925

Keffler Clearance Price \$19,500
STK#4317A



2010 Chevrolet Cobalt LS
NADA Retail \$8,725

Keffler Clearance Price \$7,995
STK#4547A



2013 Dodge Challenger
NADA Retail Price \$15,775

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NADA Retail \$17,750

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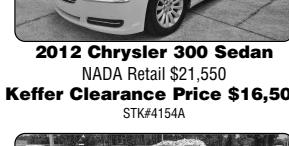
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NADA Retail \$17,995

Keffler Clearance Price \$17,500
STK#4505A



1998 Cadillac Deville D'Elegance
NADA Retail Price \$4,263

Keffler Clearance Price \$3,500
STK#4511B



2012 Chrysler 300 Sedan
NADA Retail \$21,550

Keffler Clearance Price \$16,500
STK#4154A



2012 Ram 1500 Express Crew Cab
NADA Retail \$32,275

Keffler Clearance Price \$25,998
STK#4334A



2013 Volkswagen Golf 2.5L
NADA Retail Price \$15,775

Keffler Clearance Price \$14,992
STK#A2715



2007 Mercedes-Benz GL-Class
NADA Retail \$19,250

Keffler Clearance Price \$18,995
STK#4575A



2005 Nissan Quest 3.5
NADA Retail Price \$6,850

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STK#4525C



2011 Dodge Durango
NADA Retail Price \$26,450

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STK#4461A



2013 Chrysler 300 Sedan
NADA Retail Price \$30,825

Keffler Clearance Price \$28,450
STK#4479A



2007 Chevrolet Avalanche LTZ 1500
NADA Retail Price \$19,900

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STK#4527A



2006 Saturn Vue
NADA Retail Price \$4,620

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2008 Nissan Altima 2.5 S
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STK#4623A



2004 Ford Explorer
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SUBMITTED
Chef Thomas Tolxdorf

Tasty food for a great cause

KENDRA SHAFER
For the News-Leader

Friends of Chef Thomas Tolxdorf of The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, are honoring him in the best way they know how, with delicious food and great company.

The public is invited to attend the upcoming Chef Thomas Food Fair at Intuition Ale Works in the Avondale area of Jacksonville, on Oct. 17 from 6-9 p.m.

Thomas was not only a celebrated chef, he also was an ardent advocate of youth soccer and a volunteer coach. He also was active with Amelia Island Runners and donated his chef services at many community events. His recent death by car accident was a great loss for the local community and extended family of restaurateurs.

To raise money for his family during the difficult time, some of the area's best restaurants will hold a food fair in front of the brewery. Tickets are \$60, with kids under 12 admitted free. A silent auction is planned, with prizes from places such as The Ritz-Carlton hotels of Amelia Island, Jacksonville, Orlando and Atlanta; the Omni; White Oak; many nice restaurants and original art-work.

To donate silent auction items or for more information, call (904) 556-4853 or email beach01@bellsouth.net.

For tickets, go to www.eventbrite.com/e/friends-of-

CHEF Continued on 4B

This year Pasta for Paws gets a professional chef's touch

ED HARDEE
For the News-Leader

The Nassau Humane Society's annual spaghetti supper is Saturday, and this year it will have a professional touch.

Chef David Berrian, a member of the culinary team at Osprey Village and previously a chef at David's and other local restaurants, is overseeing the food preparation this year. The traditional crowd-pleasing recipes for spaghetti sauce and meatballs are back, and "Chef David will be adding some extra flavor," said Humane Society Executive Director Tom Christenson.

The annual Pasta for Paws event is a major volunteer effort for the Nassau Humane Society, and raises money to operate the NHS animal shelter. It's Saturday

from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Atlantic Avenue Recreation Center. You can dine in or take out, and tickets will be available at the door.

A silent auction during the dinner will feature such items as a football autographed by FSU coaching legend Bobby Bowden, an original Jacksonville Jaguars leather jacket, and Gator Bowl tickets, Christenson said. There will be live "Margaritaville-style" music from Early McCall, and adoptable dogs and kittens from the shelter will be on hand to greet you.

"It's a fun event," Christenson said.

You'll get 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 supper is also known for its wide array of

homemade desserts, prepared by Humane Society volunteers. If you can't decide which treat to choose, extra desserts are just \$2 each.

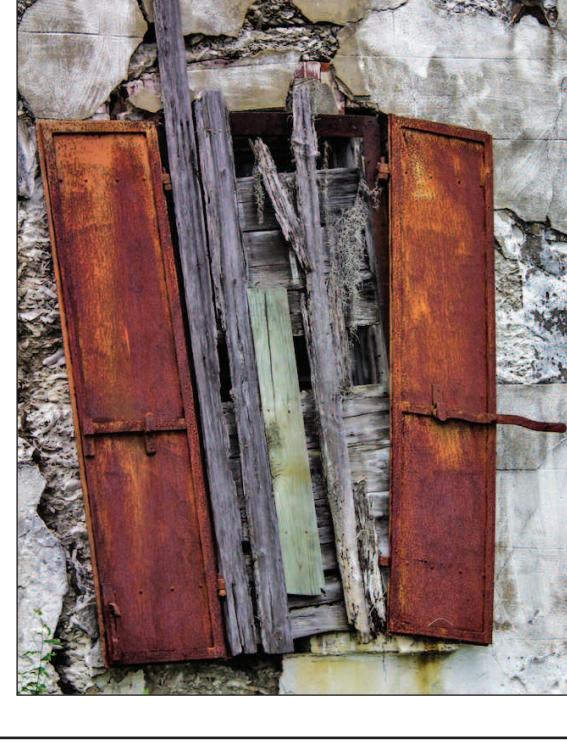
Osprey Village is the major sponsor for the event, and Harris Teeter donated the ground beef for the meatballs. NHS events/volunteer coordinator Kelly Monti thanked all of the sponsors "and all the volunteers who have helped with organizing the event from decorations, baking desserts, making all the sauce, making over 1,600 meatballs, and over 50 volunteers who will be helping the day of the event. Without the dedication and support from our wonderful volunteers, we would not be able to have such successful events to help raise funds for our furry

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Chef David Berrian, a member of the culinary team at Osprey Village and previously a chef at David's and other local restaurants, is overseeing the food preparation at this year's Pasta for Paws fundraiser.

FUSION EXHIBIT



Fusion, collaborative work by creative photographer Ann Kemp and kiln formed glass artist Denise Murphy, both of Fernandina Beach, will be on exhibit Sept. 26-Nov. 7 at the Cultural Center at Ponte Vedra Beach, 50 Executive Way in Ponte Vedra Beach.

An opening reception will be held Sept. 26 from 6-8 p.m. The galleries are free and open to the public, thanks to individual and corporate support. Regular gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information call (904) 280-0614. Visit www.ccpvb.org.

Far left is "An Empty Vessel Makes the Loudest Sound" by Murphy, and left is "Shutters (10 of 1)" by Kemp.

SUBMITTED

Pollinating with native bees

REBECCA L. JORDI
AND BEA WALKER
For the News-Leader

Many homeowners in Nassau County have landscapes that include flowering trees, perennials and even a few fruit trees. Often a vegetable or herb garden is also added to the landscape – in the form of raised beds or individual container gardens.

Many of the Extension office calls from homeowners growing fruits and vegetables are regarding their disappointment of certain crops like

cucumbers, squash, orange or pear trees, which have beautiful green foliage, but no fruit. Nothing is more disappointing than putting in all the effort of growing fruits or vegetables and getting nothing in return.

After concluding the gardener has selected the appropriate plant (right plant/right place) for our zone and it is receiving the appropriate amount of sunlight, water and fertilizer and the soil pH is correct, then we discover one important missing factor for good fruit or vegetable production – pollinators!

Pollinators are important? Yes! According to the National Academies 2014 article titled The Role of Pollinators, "... more than three-fourths of the planet's angiosperms (flowering plants) rely on over 200,000 species of animal pollinators to various extents to meet their reproductive needs."

Insect pollinators account for 87 of 124 main crops used for human consumption. Pollination is the act of transferring pollen grains from the

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PHOTO COURTESY OF THE UF/IFAS EXTENSION
The Mason Bee, above, is a solitary bee that will not sting and is a great pollinator for Nassau gardeners.

OFF & ON THE ISLAND

TRIBAL LOVE MUSICAL AT ACT

"Long, beautiful, shining, gleaming, steaming, flaxen, waxen, long, straight, curly, fuzzy, snappy, shaggy, ratty, matty, oily, greasy, fleecy, down-to-there hair." This anthem to hippie hair is just one of the 32 songs in "Hair, the American Tribal Love-Rock Musical," opening tonight on Amelia Community Theatre's main stage at 207 Cedar St.

Considered groundbreaking when it opened off-Broadway in 1967 and on Broadway in 1968, "Hair" was a musical Be-In with a relatively simple plot and amazing songs such as "Good Morning Starshine," "What a Piece of Work is Man," and "Let the Sunshine In."

Performances are tonight at 8 p.m.; Sept. 20 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; and Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are

\$25. Visit ameliacommunitytheatre.org or call 261-6749. The show contains adult language and situations and is rated R. For information, call 261-6749 or email actheatre@att.net.

CARS, COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Auto Legends Amelia will host the next Cars and Conversation gathering at Starbucks on Sadler Road from 9 until noon Sept. 20.

Join the group as they continue to enjoy and learn about unique and special historic autos, including the Alfa Romeo T-33 Stradale (1967-69)



street-racer – possibly one of the most exotic and beautiful auto designs ever by Franco Scaglione in Italy, who designed for Ferrari and others (pictured). Worth millions today as only 10 of 18 built remain, it is on the group's logo.

Bring out your precious ride on Saturday to share and tell all about it. Rain cancels. The public always encouraged to join in the fun.

RUNWAY RALLY

The third annual Ben Byrns Runway Rally will take place Sept. 27 at 8 a.m. on the Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport's runways and taxiways, with a 5K run and 1-mile fun run. New this year are timing chips to track your time. Pre-register at Current Running, 815 S. Eighth St., at all 1st Place Sports locations in Jacksonville, or at

www.BenByrns.com. Fee is \$25 through Sept. 19, \$30 after and \$15 for children.

The day of the race register at 7 a.m. at the site. Awards will be given in each age group and to all 1-mile finishers. Overall male/female winners will receive an aerial tour from McGill Aviation. Adults will receive Dry-fit T-shirts and children cotton T-shirts. Aerial flyovers will be at the rally.

Funds raised will support local organizations that provide programs for youth to help develop a sense of self-esteem and the ability to make better choices in their lives regarding drug use. Visit www.BenByrns.com for information on the foundation's mission and work with community organizations.



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OUT AND ABOUT

SPECIAL EVENTS

Join the Nassau County Council on Aging for its Ruby Jubilee from 6-10 p.m. Oct. 10 at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation resort.

Guests will enjoy a full dinner and live and silent auctions as they celebrate the agency's 40 years of service to seniors. The dynamic Les DeMerle Band featuring Bonnie Eisele will provide the entertainment. Reservations are \$100 per person and are available online at www.coanassau.com. All proceeds benefit the council's programs. Call 261-0701 for information.

The 42nd annual Rock Shrimp Festival takes place Oct. 4 in St. Marys, Ga., including 5K and 10K races, a 1-mile Kids Fun Run and a themed parade.

Enjoy entertainment, demonstrations, arts & crafts vendors and food concessionaires, including the Kiwanis Club rock shrimp dinners.

Advance registration is encouraged for the runs and is mandatory for vendors and parade entries. Discounted rock shrimp dinner tickets can be purchased in advance at the St. Marys and Kingsland Welcome Centers.

The "St. Marys Express" will run the 1930 saddle team steamer Lehigh Valley #26 at noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Purchase tickets at www.stmarysraillroad.com or (912) 200-5235.

For festival information or registration visit www.smkiwanis.com or www.VisitStMarys.com, or call (912) 882-4000.

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 raskin.steve@yahoo.com.

The 17th annual Greek Festival, Oct. 10-12, will feature the stories, music, dance and food of the islands, the mountains and the villages of Greece.

Francis Field, 29 Castillo Drive, St. Augustine, will be transformed into a virtual Greek village with all its vibrant sights and sounds. Hosted by Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, festival hours are Friday from 4-10 p.m., Saturday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

With over 100 arts, crafts and business showcase exhibitors, there will be shopping galore and lots to explore. Admission is \$3 for adults and free for those 12 and under. Free admission for active military and their immediate family with ID. Call (904) 829-0504 or visit www.stauggreekfest.com.

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TRINITY RIVER BAND



SUBMITTED

Trinity River Band of Callahan, above, will headline the first Willie's Duck Jam 2014 on Sunday at Willie's Duck Diner (www.williesduckdiner.com) in West Monroe, La. The event is produced by Bucky Newell, who is partners with Willie Robertson in Willie's Duck Diner. Robertson, executive producer of Duck Dynasty, will join the bands on stage. Trinity River Band is currently on tour with over 120 performance dates this year alone. "Better Than Blue," the title track of their current album, appeared five weeks on the Bluegrass Today Top 20 Weekly Song Chart - peaking at No. 4. The band includes Sarah Harris (lead and harmony vocals, mandolin); Mike Harris (guitar, lead and harmony vocals); Lisa Harris (bass, harmony vocals); Josh Harris (banjo, dobro, lead and harmony vocals); and Brianna Harris (fiddle, lead and harmony vocals). Visit TrinityRiverBand.com and join them on Facebook and Twitter.

Songwriters festival Saturday

ST. MARYS, Ga. — St. Marys' First Annual Songwriter's Festival will take place from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday at the St. Marys Waterfront Park. Several genres of music will be covered during the event, so that everyone will enjoy the day.

Songwriter's from across the country will play their music at the amphitheater throughout the day with featured performances by Rick Scott, a Grammy-nominated former drummer for the popular group "Alabama." Other performing musicians are from Colorado, Georgia, Kentucky and South Carolina and include Sherry Carlisle, Susan Marie Gallion of Fernandina Beach, Diana Trask, Nick Petta and more.

Music festival admission is free, with shopping opportunities from vendor booths from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. With the purchase of a \$3 alcohol event wristband, beer and wine will be available through 5 p.m. for consumption inside the park.

During the festival, there will be a raffle for five Silvertone acoustic guitars signed by all festival performers, with the proceeds going to benefit the Ronald McDonald House



Gallion

Charities.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each or \$20 for five. With a \$20 purchase you receive a free McDonald's extra value meal voucher. Tickets can be purchased at the St. Marys Welcome Center, Jerry Lee's Music Emporium, Wee Pub, Cumberland Inn & Suites, Once Upon A Bookseller and McDonald's in Kingsland and Folkston,

Ga., and Callahan. You do not need to be present to win.

After the festival the music continues with "Back from the Brink" playing modern bluegrass and Americana for the last Starry Nights Music in the Park performance of the year from 6-8 p.m. Bring lawn chairs and blankets for use throughout the day.

For festival information contact Jerry's Lees Music Emporium at (912) 576-4401 and for area information call the Welcome Center at (912) 882-4000 or VisitStMarys.com.

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 bars. One ticket will get you one drink at each establishment and an earful of colorful tales about the places you visit.

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.

box office, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Discounts available for groups of 10 or more at (904) 442-2947 or groupsales@fscj.edu.

COUNTRY JAM

MUSIC NOTES

Concert at fort

Fort Clinch State Park will its gates to area homeschool groups, featuring free park entry and a Florida songs concert by "Mrs. Kate" on Sept. 26. The park opens at 8 a.m. and the free concert begins at 11 a.m. in the courtyard in front of the fort. The park is located at 2601 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach.

Bring lawn chairs, a picnic and blankets. After the concert, Mrs. Kate's CD's, puppets, thunder tubes and rainsticks and other items will be available for sale. Visit www.floridastateparks.org and www.MrsKate.com.

Daryl Hance

Daryl Hance of Jacksonville will bring his brand of funky, bluesy rock and roll music to Fernandina Beach on Sept. 27 with a performance at the Dog Star Tavern on North Second Street.

Hance and his Power Trio will perform songs from his new album, Land Of Trembling Earth, as well as cuts from his 2011 release Hallowed Ground. Hance co-founded the band Mofro with friend JJ Grey in the late 1990s, recording four albums and touring internationally with the group before going his own way in the summer of 2010. Visit www.darylhance.com to learn more.

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, Gone Gorgeous (Yulee) 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 AlJF 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. Visit www.ameliaislandjazzfestival.com.

ART WORKS

Children's art

The Island Art Association will present Children's Art at the Education Center, located next to the Island Art Association Gallery, 18 N. Second St., on Sept. 27. Session 1, for ages 6-9, is 10-11 a.m.; Session 2, for ages 6-9, is 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; and Session 3, for ages 10-13, is 1-2:15 p.m. Register in advance at the gallery, 261-7020.

Painting Out Loud'

"Painting Out Loud," a three-mornings workshop, is being offered at the Island Art Association and taught by contemporary landscape artist Sharon Haffey on Oct. 3, 4 and 6 from 9 a.m. until noon. The cost is \$100 for all three days or \$40 for an individual session. Acrylic and oil painters of all levels are welcome and the focus will be on color choices and mixing, composition, and adapting photos for painting in your own style. To register, contact Sharon at sshaffey@aol.com or 310-9194.

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.

Art fair

The Beaches Art Fest 2014 will take place Oct. 4 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Beaches Museum and History Park, 425 Beach Blvd., Jacksonville Beach.

Presented as a joint effort of the Beaches Museum and Driftwood of Jacksonville Beach, the event will feature 80 artists and a variety of mediums ranging from painting, photography, pottery and sculpture, through exotic jewelry from Thailand. The works on display have been selected for their artistic merit by a professional jury.

Musicians that would like to perform, or others who would enjoy volunteering, should contact atsjolynjohnson@sbebsouth.net. Call (904) 241-5657 or visit www.BeachesMuseum.org.

Y'Art Sale

The Island Art Association will hold a Y'Art Sale Oct. 11 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the IAA Art Education Center Building, 18 N. Second St., Fernandina Beach.

Artists will be cleaning out their studios and selling their overstocked, unused supplies and art. If you want to reserve a table and participate in the sale, please register at the IAA Art Gallery, 18 N. Second

St. Cost of registration is \$15. The event will be free to attend and open to the public.

Painting workshop

The Island Art Association, 18 N. Second St., Fernandina

RELIGION

Running, hiding and God's endless mercy

When I saw him, I felt the pull. I don't know why, but it always seems to happen to me when I'm heading somewhere important. As I drove past him, he made his way off the shoulder of the road and down the embankment into the woods. That's when the Lord spoke to me. "I want you to turn around and offer him a ride."

"He went into the woods," I told the Lord, as if He hadn't noticed. I suppose somehow I was hoping He'd let me off the hook. It didn't work. In my heart I knew what He wanted me to do. With a bit of reluctance, I made a U-turn and headed back. To my surprise, just as I pulled up to the spot, he emerged from the dense roadside vegetation.

About 15 or 16 years old, it was



PULPIT NOTES

*Pastor
Rob Goyette*

clear he was having a tough time. Startled by my sudden appearance, it took him a moment to respond to my offer to give him a lift. Once he did, we both were in for a surprise. I kid you not, he looked just like me. The same blue eyes, the same curly hair, even the dimple on the chin. At his age, I could have been his twin.

As he tucked his duffle bag between his legs and closed the door, I felt the presence of God

come in the car with him. "My name's Rob, what's yours?" I said, bracing myself in the event his name was Rob too. "Steve," he said. "Where are you headed?" I asked. "Can you take me to the police station?" he said. "I need to turn myself in." "Sure," I said, trying to not to seem too nosy.

As he told me his story, I did my best to just listen. "I ran away from a program my parents put me in, in south Florida," he said. "Actually, my dad and step mom put me there. My parents are divorced." The pain in his voice was obvious. For days he had been running, hitchhiking and living in the woods. At the moment I had driven by, he had just reached the end of himself.

When it seemed right, I decided

to share my story with him. I told how I had moved to Florida as an aimless 19-year-old, how the Lord had met me in all of my troubles, and how it was Him that had nudged me to turn my car around to pick him up that day. As I spoke, he listened. As I looked at him, I kept seeing myself. The resemblance was uncanny. By the time we reached the police station, he too was sensing the divine nature of our encounter.

After giving him my cell phone number and asking if he would mind if I prayed for him, he thanked me for the ride and made his way to the front door of the police station. As he did, I had an overwhelming sense that he was going to be all right. How you might ask? Because the

same God that had met me, had met him. There was no doubt in my mind that God's hand was on him.

That day the Lord challenged me. In all my racing around to accomplish my so-called "important stuff," I had almost missed the very thing that mattered most – a person whom God was reaching out to. The fact that he looked just like me was an added bonus. Through my simple act of reluctant obedience, God had used him to remind me of the great grace that I had received so many years ago.

"Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy." (Matthew 5:7)

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

RELIGION NOTES

Volunteers needed

If you are looking for a place to volunteer interacting with people who need a smile, a hug, a word of encouragement or tangible evidence that they are not alone, the Salvation Army Hope House may have a place for you on its team. They are currently seeking enthusiastic and cheerful volunteers to staff the reception desk and Clothes Closet. Please call 321-0435 or stop by 410 S. Ninth St., on the corner of Ninth and Date.

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The Day Drop-in Center is looking for volunteers for Tuesdays and Wednesdays mornings. The center welcomes people experiencing homelessness and those at high risk of homelessness. Services include showers and laundry facilities, a mailing address, phone and computer use, help acquiring needed documents, and referral to local service providers. The center is located at the Fernandina Beach Church of Christ at the corner of Jasmine and South 14th streets. To volunteer or for more information, contact Dani Gammel, (216) 225-7101.

Fall schedule

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 801 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach, announces its new fall and winter schedule. Sundays include services at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Breakfast is at 8:15 a.m. and Christian Formation at 10:15 a.m. A beach service is held at 6 p.m. the second Sunday of each month. A Celtic service is held at 6 p.m. the fourth Sunday of each month.

First Baptist at 155

First Baptist Church of Fernandina Beach on South Eighth Street is celebrating its 155th birthday during September. Each Sunday will highlight a period of time in the history of the church. To learn more visit www.fbfirst.com or call 261-3617. The church is located at 1600 S. Eighth St.

Pancake breakfast

St. Francis of Assisi, the Yulee mission church of St. Michael

Catholic Church in Fernandina Beach, will host a fundraiser flapjack breakfast at Applebee's on Sept. 20 from 8-10 a.m. Tickets are \$10. Take-out will be available. All are welcome.

Homecoming

Join Five Points Baptist Church for its Homecoming celebration on Sunday, Sept. 21. Music starts at 10 a.m. with The Hicks Family and guest speaker Eugene Strickland at 11 a.m. Dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Five Points Baptist Church is located at 736 Bonniewood Road, Fernandina Beach. Call 261-4615 for information.

Special guest

New Life Christian Fellowship will hold two special services Sept. 21 with guest Rick Pino, founder of Fire Rain Ministries, which for the past eight years has been calling people to lives of radical love, radical holiness and radical devotion to Jesus. Pino will lead worship and share a message during the 10 a.m. service and will also lead worship for the Burning Heart service at 6 p.m. This service is an extended time of intimate worship. New Life is located at 2701 Hodges Blvd., Jacksonville.

Revival

Legacy Baptist Church invites you to its second annual fall revival Sept. 22, 23 and 24. Guest pastor will be Rusty Bryan, with guest Minister of Music Doug Allen. Services are at 7 p.m. each night, with Tuesday being a "Special Youth Night." There will be a hot dog supper on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to the supper.

Legacy Baptist is located in its temporary location at the volunteer fire station at 941328 Old Nassauville Road, Fernandina Beach. Enjoy good gospel preaching and singing. For information, contact Pastor Jeff Whitaker at 753-0731.

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 261-3837 to register. Workbooks are available for \$15 each.

Tuesday worship

The Feast of Trumpets, also known as Rosh HaShana, is the first of God's appointed fall feasts and begins on Wednesday evening, Sept. 24. If you ever wondered what it's all about and why it is important to followers of Jesus, come and see. Mary Moore, Hope House manager, will lead a teaching filled with sounds, smells, textures and tastes on Sept. 23 at noon. For more information, call 321-0435 or stop by the Salvation Army Hope House, located at 410 S. Ninth St.

Wellness fair

Fernandina Beach Church of Christ, along with Baptist Health, presents a Health and Wellness Fair on Sept. 27 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the fellowship hall at 1005 South 14th St., Fernandina Beach. Baptist Health will offer the following screenings: blood pressure checks, body composition such as body mass index or body fat measures, and cholesterol and blood sugar screenings. Join in a day of fun and fellowship that will include a variety of vendors and community resources. For information contact Pat Williams at 583-6344.

Guest speaker

New Life Christian Fellowship will celebrate 30 years of ministry on Sept. 28 at 10 a.m. Guest speaker will be Pastor Rusty Nelson from the Rock Family Worship Center in Huntsville, Ala. The service will feature music from the past to the present along with multimedia presentations looking back at the history of New Life. Immediately following the service enjoy a Family Reunion Picnic on the grounds with relay games and family fun. Bring your picnic lunch and join in a day of fun and fellowship. New Life is located at

2701 Hodges Blvd., Jacksonville. For information go to www.nlcf.org.

Faith workshop

Grace Community Church will host a share your faith workshop on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Grace Community Church, 96038 Lofton Square Court, next to Winn-Dixie, in Yulee.

Session topics include "why is it so hard to share our faith with others," "overcoming the fear of witnessing," "sharing the gospel with stories," "developing a love for the lost," "developing an ongoing ministry" and more.

Trainers Ron and Lynn Lester will lead the training. The Lesters are members of Good News Church in St. Augustine where since 2006, among other volunteers, they have led outreach and evangelism training programs to more than 1,200 people in multiple churches. The cost is \$15 per person and financial scholarships are available. For information visit gracenassau.com.

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 information contact Lois Cook at 624-3501.

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.

The Closet'

Emmanuel For His Glory Community Outreach Ministries announces the opening of "The Closet" for those in need of clothing and shoes for men, women and children. The ministry also is accepting clothing donations. "The Closet" is currently located in the Hickory Village subdivision (Miner Road), at 86292 Sand Hickory Trail. For information contact Lois Cook at 624-3501.

Grub and Gospel

A Bible-based prayer service with free breakfast offers food for the body and the soul at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday at The Barn in Yulee, 850918 US 17, one block north of A1A at the corner of Pages Dairy Road. Call 477-7268.

Help needed

The all-volunteer Yulee Interfaith Dinner Network needs the community's help to continue to provide hot, healthy meals to adults and children experiencing hunger in our community. Just \$25 provides enough meat to serve a hot meal to 50 people. To help, contact the network at info@chnassau.com, 556-2496, or send donations to The Coalition for the Homeless, P.O. Box 16123, Fernandina Beach, FL 32035. Please put YIDN in the memo line.

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First Baptist celebrates homecoming

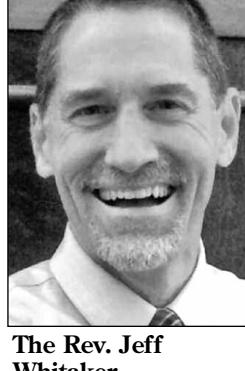
MICKI SMITH
For the News-Leader

On Sunday, First Baptist Church will celebrate its 155 years on Amelia Island with a special Homecoming Service at 10:15 a.m.

The special guest speaker is the Rev. Jeff Whitaker, a local business owner and pastor of Legacy Baptist Church in Nassauville, who grew up in the First Baptist Church.

Jeff was licensed to preach, was graduated from Luther Rice Seminary and then ordained in 2013 by First Baptist Church.

During this service, Pastor Jeff



The Rev. Jeff Whitaker

Overton and the FBC congregation will recognize and honor three women for their many years of service to God and their contributions to the growth of the First Baptist Church.

• Mrs. Cassie Harper Haddock is our oldest member at 97 years young!

This Baxley, Ga., native met her husband-to-be in Kingsland and he soon had an opportunity for employment with Rayonier in Fernandina.

She was invited to church by her neighbor across the street, Melba Haddock.

Cassie would hear Melba practicing the piano daily and one day Melba invited Cassie to come with her to Prayer Meeting. She did and immediately transferred her letter of membership to FBC in 1940.

• Mrs. Melba Haddock Shiver owns the title of having the longest Church Membership of 77 years.

Her piano playing turned into an opportunity to play the organ as a teenager and she became the full-time organist at FBC for 55 years.

Melba was active in other areas of the church such as the GA/RAs, choir, Sunday School classes and the WMU. She also worked in the Fernandina Beach School system for 28 years.

• Mrs. Melba Jones Sayler came from Brunswick, Ga., when she was about three years old.

Even as a teenager she was allowed to work with her mother who was a telephone operator above what is now the Robison's jewelry store.

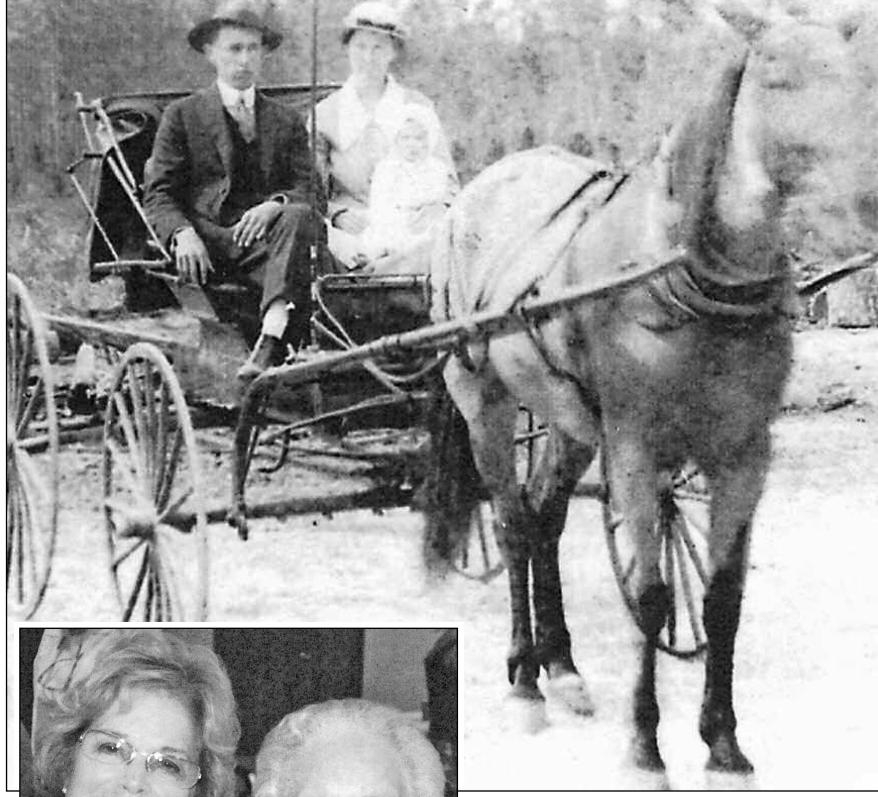
That lasted until the dial-tone system was initiated! Melba holds the longest Sunday School Membership of 86 years.

As a six-year-old she remembers walking to the newly built brick church at Fifth and Alachua streets for Sunday School. Melba joined the church in 1938.

Please join First Baptist at 10:15 a.m. Sunday to celebrate, worship and stay for dinner, which will be served in the Family Life Center immediately following the morning service.

To learn more visit www.fbfirst.com or call 261-3617.

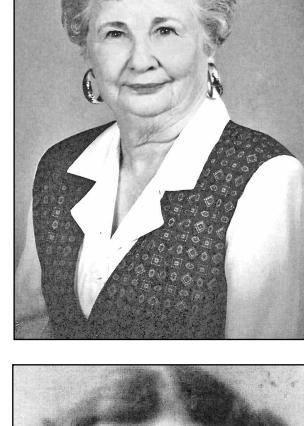
The church is located at 1600 S. Eighth St., Fernandina Beach.



Cassie Harper with her parents, near Baxley, Ga., above. Left, Cassie Haddock with daughter Suzanne Edwards. Below, Raymond and Cassie Haddock.



MELBA HADDOCK SHIVER, ABOVE IN HER ROLE AS CHURCH ORGANIST, AND LEFT. RIGHT AND BELOW RIGHT IS MELBA JONES SAYLER.



BEEs *Continued from 1B*

male part (anther) to the female part (stigma) of the flower to form seeds, fruits or vegetables. This transfer can happen via bats, birds, wind and insects.

The four major groups of pollinating insects are: flies; butterflies and moths; beetles; and bees. Bees are the most important group of pollinators because they gather pollen and repeatedly visit one flower species per session. This ensures pollen is not transferred to a different species of flower, which is why beekeepers can be certain the honey made is wildflower or orange blossom or tupelo, etc.

Butterflies, moths, flies, wasps and beetles feed on different flowers and have less pollen contact as these insects are more interested in nectar. They are beneficial pollinators but these insects just happen to brush up on the pollen when visiting the flowers – they are not hunting for it.

All bees are important for pollination but native bees are a gardener's best friend!

Unlike honeybees, native bees are mostly solitary (they don't live in colonies), and they are often non-stinging, unless provoked. Remember, honey bees were introduced to the United States by explorers and settlers; we had native bees long before colonization of Europeans. Native bees have narrow nests that are either below ground or in wood cavities. They are often specific pollinators. For example, the Squash Bee is dedicated to squash, pumpkin and similar cucurbits (gourds).

Unlike concerns about the decline in the honeybee population, native bees are plentiful. There are over 4000 species in North America. Florida is home to over 300 native bees species! Here are a few of the Florida native bees that benefit gardeners:

• The Metallic Sweat Bee is an important pollinator of flowering fruit and seed plants.

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf-files/IN/IN89700.pdf>

• The Southeastern Blueberry Bee pollinates orchards and flowering plants, in addition to blueberry shrubs.

• Long Horned Bees are ground nesters, often seen in native grasses. They prefer woodland and scrubs as a habitat. Some species of the Long Horned Bees are specifically attracted to daisies, asters and similar plants.

• Leafcutter Bees are solitary bees and will sting only if handled. They are important pollinators of native plants, alfalfa and blueberries.

http://entnemdept.ufl.edu/features/misc/bees/leafcutting_bees.htm

• Blue Orchard Mason Bees, native to the west coast of the U.S. and Canada, are important pollinators of fruit trees and blueberries. They nest in tunnels of wood cavities. Once they have completed the nests, the tunnel is sealed with mud. They are short-lived, living only about

three months after male bees emerge in mid-February.

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/in982>

Since native bees can benefit our gardens, are generally non-stinging and are solitary (no hives), how can we attract them to our lands-

scapes? First, you can conserve existing habitats, such as decaying tree stumps or wood with cavities, which are attractive to nesting bees. Next, avoid insecticides, especially systemic ones with imidacloprid or other neonicotinoids. To be certain, read the labels. For insect problems, use organic or Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Learn to tolerate some insect "damage" to your plants and trees.

Also, leave some bare soil in undisturbed areas of your landscape, so ground-nesting bees can tunnel through the ground. Make sure mud is available for bees that build nests in wood cavities. If you don't live near mud, artificially create some by placing wet soil in a dish or pan and keeping it moist. Finally, what every gardener loves to do: plant native and nectar flowers, shrubs and trees that our special friends love.

Some of these plants are: Tickseed (Coreopsis), Blanket Flower (Gaillardia), Beach Sunflower, Southern Sage Salvia, Tropical Sage, Climbing Aster, Partridge Pea (Cassia fasciculata), Powderpuff (Mimosa strigillosa), Blazing Star (Liatris), Pennyroyal (Pileolepis rigida), Bee Balm, Fiddlewood (Citharexylum frticosum), Walter's Viburnum, Florida Privet, Porterweed, Goldenrod, Wild Coffee, Sea grape, Saw Palmetto, Cabbage Palm, herbs, fruits and berries, and bee nests.

To learn more about pollinators and to have the opportunity to build two Mason bee houses, attend Nassau Extension's "Bring on the Pollinators" class on Oct. 3 at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is required if you want to take home two bee houses. The cost is \$10 for supplies. Download the registration form online at <http://nassau.ifas.ufl.edu/horticulture/landmatters/land-matters.html>. For more information, call the Extension office at 879-1019. Master Gardeners are on office duty Fridays, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., at 491-7340.

Resources: Native Bees – Gardeners' Best Friends, by Michelle Peterson Master Gardener St. Lucie County

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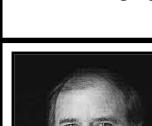


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Mary Hamburg, social director at Osprey Village, said the Nassau Humane Society has had a major impact on residents. "Many of our community members have adopted their pets from the Humane Society and they have been thrilled with their experiences," she said.

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