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Remains found on Tiger Island

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Nassau County Sheriff Bill Leeper said Thursday morning human remains found on Tiger Island July 4 have probably been there "a year or two." They have been sent to the medical examiner's office in Jacksonville in an attempt to determine the identity of the person and how he or she died.

Tiger Island is located west of the Dee Dee Bartels Boat Ramp, across the Amelia River from Amelia Island.

The remains, a skull and other bones, were found at about 8 p.m. Wednesday by a boater from Georgia who was

walking the shoreline with his family. The bones were in the island's wood line. The boater flagged down a Nassau County Sheriff's Office marine unit patrolling the waterways and reported what he had found.

Leeper said the skull had roots growing through it and algae on the bones.

"If (the remains) had been there a month, it wouldn't have been like that," Leeper told the *News-Leader*. "It's possible that with the storms we've had over the past couple of years, it could have been unearthed if they were covered with sand."

Fernandina Beach Police Chief James Hurley said there is an unresolved miss-

ing person's case, that of Caster Nova Gray, who went missing in 2013 while fishing with some friends in Fort Clinch State Park. Hurley said Nova has never been found.

He said the remains could be those of a person who had fallen overboard on an international trip or any number of scenarios.

"There is no reason to speculate until we get the report from the medical examiner," Hurley said, adding that, if it is determined that the remains are not Caster Nova Gray, the investigation will probably be conducted by the Nassau County Sheriff's office.

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A FESTIVE FOURTH



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The Fort Clinch Fife and Drum Corps appeared in costume and played period patriotic tunes July 4 in downtown Fernandina Beach.

Police ask for help ID'ing nude man reported in three local incidents

PEG DAVIS
News-Leader

According to Fernandina Beach Police Chief James Hurley, local officers have received three reports recently of a nude man in the north end area of Fernandina Beach touching his genitalia in public. The man was seen at Beach Accesses 4 North and 16 North, and near Beach Access 9 North, somewhere between East Fifth and East Sixth streets, off Ocean Avenue.

"We had a first report of this witnessed by three 14-year-old girls," Hurley wrote to the *News-Leader* on Tuesday night. "The next report by an adult woman provided good intel and we

are hopeful of identifying this pervert."

The earlier victim reported to the police in June that she was walking north on the beach from Beach Access 16 North one afternoon in April. As the victim approached the boundary of Fort Clinch State Park, she observed a nude, white male, estimated to be about 40 years old, bald with some dark hair on the sides of his head, and no visible tattoos. The man was touching his private parts. The woman told the responding officer that she was furious and decided to confront the man.

"As she began to walk towards him, he immediately put a towel around himself, picked up his swim trunks and began to walk briskly away and off the

beach," according to the report. The woman reportedly said she did not tell police at the time because "she thought she had scared the man."

Once the woman learned on Facebook of a subsequent incident on June 14 at Beach Access 4 North, she changed her mind and reported the crime.

In the June 14 incident, "three juvenile females reported seeing a nude, white male" who was touching his genitalia. The girls told the responding officer they were on the beach at Beach Access 4 North at approximately 2 p.m. when a white male who appeared to be

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Bill Hazes looks at his court reporting paper tape in the historic county courthouse in Fernandina Beach.

Hazes looks forward to his 'epic journey'

CINDY JACKSON
News-Leader

On July 5, 1989, the *News-Leader* published a profile with this headline: "Courting with a 60s flair. Legal reporter marches to flower-power, muscle-car beat."

The profile is of a very young looking court reporter named William "Bill" Hazes Jr. — "a product of

the 60s" — driving his black Dodge Magnum with t-tops, red stripes and fender flares to Nassau County from Duval County every day and listening to Pink Floyd to make the travel time easier. Hazes said he was enjoying his job, preferred criminal cases, and did not prefer fast-talking attorneys "that you can't slow down."

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Foster's retirement brings controversy over replacement

PAMELA BUSHNELL
News-Leader

Part 2 of a two-part profile. Judge Robert M. Foster, who plans to step down from the 4th Judicial Circuit Court's bench a few days short of a mandatory retirement date in January 2019, recently sat down with the *News-Leader* to reflect on his career as an attorney and a judge. Several colleagues of Foster were approached for contributions to this profile, but declined to participate. The first part of Foster's profile was published on July 4.

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"The state is killing people with costs, fines and fees," says Judge Robert M. Foster.

Convicted felons are expected to contribute to the cost of their stay in jail and to pay fees toward the services of the State Attorney's Office and the Public Defender's Office. "Eighty to 90 percent of the people I see in their first appearance in court after their arrest don't have a job. They are not going to be able to pay those fees, especially if I sentence them to prison," Foster said bluntly. Foster would also would like to see an end to the practice of suspending driver's licenses for financial reasons such as failure to pay child support, since it can be counterproductive. He sees many people back in felony court who have continued to drive on suspended licenses in order to hold down a job.

FOSTER Continued on 5A



PAMELA BUSHNELL/NEWS-LEADER

When Judge Robert M. Foster arrived in Nassau County in 1994, all county and circuit court proceedings were still being held at the historic courthouse on Centre Street in Fernandina Beach. With the addition of a second circuit court judge in 1998, three judges were sharing a single courtroom, a situation that created backlogs. The county had outgrown the original courthouse but options for expansion became controversial and pitted the city of Fernandina Beach against the county. Foster eventually ordered the two sides into mediation that resulted in a compromise to renovate the historic courthouse for continued use and to build a larger courthouse annex in Yulee, where land was available. The annex, since named the Robert M. Foster Justice Center, opened in 2004.

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WEEKLY UPDATE

Old-fashioned homecoming

The Evergreen/Sandhill community will host an old-fashioned homecoming celebration today, Saturday and Sunday at St. James Baptist Church, located at 153037 C.R. 108. The weekend is being sponsored by the church's pastor, Rev. Johnnie Green.

The schedule of events includes a meet and greet fish fry today, an old-fashioned picnic with fun and games Saturday, and a dress-down service and dinner under a big tent Sunday. All events are open to the public.

Contact Darryl Mason at 334-8084 for more information.

Legion sponsoring blood drive

American Legion Post 54 will sponsor the bi-monthly blood drive at the Fernandina Beach Market Place farmers market from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Blood Mobile will be located at the corner of North Seventh Street and Alachua Avenue. All donors will receive a free OneBlood beach towel and a wellness checkup. Plus, all donors will receive a coupon for BOGO admission to the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens. Make an appointment online at oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code "36191."

For more information contact the American Legion at 261-7900. "One pint can save three lives."

Pink Ribbon Ladies meeting July 9

The Pink Ribbon Ladies, a Nassau County support group for survivors of breast and other female cancers, will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, July 9, at the Ackerman Cancer Center, located in Suite 103 at 1340 S. 18th St. in Fernandina Beach. The Pink Ribbon Ladies offers support and education for women with breast, ovarian, cervical, and other female cancers in Nassau County.

For more information, contact Anne Showalter at 321-5465 or Isobel Lyle at 321-2057.

EABC to hold pub night social

The European American Business Club will host a casual pub night social in place of its usual business meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, at the Sandbar & Kitchen Restaurant, located at Main Beach in Fernandina Beach. Members will be meeting upstairs in the restaurant. There will be no speaker and no charge, so members will be responsible for their own refreshments and food, if desired. To RSVP, email info@eabcnetwork.com.

Men's cancer group meeting July 12

Men Helping Men, an education program developed to help men make informed decisions throughout their prostate cancer journey, will meet at 11:30 a.m. July 12 in the Board Room at the Baptist Medical Center Nassau. For information, contact Lauren at 277-2700.

FRWN hosting local candidates

The next meeting of the Federated Republican Women of Nassau is scheduled for July 13.

Appearing in a rapid succession format, candidates running for the following offices will appear: Nassau County Board of County Commissioners, Districts 2 and 4; Nassau County School Board, Districts 1 and 5; and Ocean Highway and Port Authority, Districts 3, 4 and 5.

Attendees will have an opportunity to learn about candidates' positions in advance of the upcoming August primary. In addition, Special guest Marilyn Evans Jones, former member of the Florida House of Representatives and the namesake of the FRWN scholarship will be in attendance and perhaps make a few remarks.

The meeting will be at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club beginning at 11:30 a.m. Reserve your place for lunch and the meeting by calling 491-5544 or emailing frwnassau@gmail.com by Tuesday, July 10. Reservations are \$15.

Affordable Housing speaker series

The Nassau County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee will host the first speaker in a series to discuss affordable housing in Nassau County.

Bill Lazar of the St. Johns Housing Partnership will present at 6 p.m. July 18 in the Peck Center, located at 516 S. 10th St. in

Fernandina Beach. The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information on the committee, contact 530-6300 or planninginfo@nassaucountyfl.com or visit nassaucountyfl.com/housing.

Scholarships for FBCA available

FBCA has announced that the school is accepting scholarships from the AAA Scholarship Foundation. This nonprofit organization awards annual scholarships for tuition and fees and is privately funded to assist eligible students attend an eligible private school of their choice.

The Foundation works with schools in several states, including Florida, to make "Academic Achievement Accessible." Scholarships are income-based, offering a broader range of quality education to eligible families. For private school opportunities, visit Fernandina Beach Christian Academy located at 1600 S. Eighth St. in Fernandina Beach or call 491-5664 to schedule an appointment.

Beach task force needs volunteers

The Amelia Island Beach and Marine Life Protection Task Force is seeking volunteers to remove litter from the beaches before it is ingested by animals. Volunteers will work one or two evenings a week, through August, for one to two hours between 5:30 and 8 p.m. at local beaches. For more information, email charmontaskforce@gmail.com or aibeachprotectiongroup@gmail.com.

Hearing group facilitator needed

Can you help people adapt to a hearing-impaired world? Nassau County Volunteer Center is looking for a hearing loss support group facilitator. This unique individual will schedule meetings and speakers, update social media, and participate in traditional marketing techniques. This person would have a social work, facilitation, hearing or audiology background. If you fit the bill, go to volunteernassau.org and volunteer.

Unbiased help with Medicare

The UF/IFAS Nassau County Extension Service is offering weekly individual consultations at the Barnabas Center, located at 1303 Jasmine St. in Fernandina Beach, for Medicare beneficiaries. If you will be new to Medicare, have questions about Medicare or want to know if you qualify to save money on your Medicare drug costs, Medicare monthly premium, deductibles and copays, call Meg McAlpine at 530-6359 to schedule your private appointment. Appointments are being scheduled Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Diabetes support group

A diabetes support group for those with Type 1 or 2 diabetes meets every Thursday at 11 a.m. on the second floor of the MCCI building located at 449621 U.S. 301 in Callahan. Varying topics are presented with informal support and discussion. A registered dietitian and a mental health counselor will facilitate some sessions. Today, participants will prepare a healthy meal to take home and cook. To register, contact Melanie Hadden at 507-2692. There is no cost to attend.

Sexual assault support group

A free support group for survivors of sexual assault meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Family Support Services in Yulee. For more information, contact Lori Armstrong at 716-5390 or larmstrong@womenscenterofjax.org.

Healing Hearts meetings

Healing Hearts is a local support group for those who have lost a spouse. The group meets twice a month on the second Monday at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at the Marina Restaurant and again on the fourth Monday at 6 p.m. for dinner at the Marina Restaurant. For more information, contact Mary Mercer at 415-1881 or Joni Reid at 556-6767.

Are you looking to help?

The Nassau Volunteer Center has a new service for volunteers. Go to volunteernassau.org and click on "Volunteer" or "Get Connected." This simple to use free tool allows you to tell agencies what skills and interests you have while allowing the agencies to find

Amelia Island resurfacing project Open House

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is hosting an open house for the Amelia Island resurfacing project Tuesday, July 17, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Nassau County Chamber, 961687 Gateway Blvd., Suite 101G, Amelia Island.

Those interested can drop by between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. to learn more about the resurfacing project and ask questions to the project's engineers, contractors, designers and FDOT team members who will be available. This is an informal open house and no presentation is scheduled.

The project began in June, with completion anticipated in winter 2018. Construction costs \$4.1 million.

The FDOT hired Hubbard Construction as the contractor.



suitable volunteers. This one stop registers you for dozens of agencies in Nassau County. For information, call 261-2771.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Visit nflaa.org/wiktor/meetings or call 904-399-8535.

District schools satellite offices

Do you ever have the need to visit the Nassau County School District administration office located at 1201 Atlantic Avenue in Fernandina Beach? Do you find yourself driving 20 plus miles to get there? Is it a trip that takes you more than an hour these days? The Nassau County School District now has two satellite offices. The westside location is at 45021 Third Ave. in Callahan and the Yulee location is at 86207 Felmore Road in Yulee. The offices will provide a place for parent meetings, employee meetings, staff meetings, and support. If you have questions or would like to schedule a meeting, call 491-9900.

Project documenting POWs

A documentary film maker has put out a call for Vietnam-era POWs. Thuy Diem, whose father was in the South Vietnamese Army, is producing *The Unforgotten*. Her father was captured and escaped during the war before finally coming to the United States. Veterans who would like to share their wartime POW experience can contact Diem at aspotbellypig@gmail.com.

Volunteering for NHS

NHS Second Chance Resale Store and its sister clothing store, NHS Second Chance Closet, are looking to grow their team of volunteers in all areas. If you have a few hours a week to spare and enjoy meeting and working with other animal lovers in a fun atmosphere, pick up a volunteer application at Second Chance, located in the Eight Flags Shopping Center on South 14th Street or go online to Nassauhumanesociety.com and click on Volunteer. For information, call 321-0022.

Be a zookeeper

Amelia Residents in Action for the Symphony sponsors a program each January and February that visits all fourth grade classes in Nassau County with 40 orchestral instruments. The goal of the program is to acquaint students with how to properly hold and play each instrument. To be able to reach all Nassau County students, ARIAS needs volunteer "zookeepers." No experience is required. To volunteer, contact Susan Kosciulek at 548-0227 or Barbara Zacheis at 321-5639.

Gun courses

Gary W. Belson Associates holds basic with defensive tactics courses, concealed-weapon license courses and close-quarter defensive tactics courses. For information and more class dates, contact Gary Belson at 491-8358 or 476-2037, or gbelson@bellsouth.net, or visit www.thebelsongroup.com

Overeaters Anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous meets in the parlor at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 801 Atlantic Ave., Fernandina Beach, at 1 p.m. Thursdays.

OBITUARIES

Marvin Coe

Marvin "Smoky" Coe, 87, changed his address and entered into the presence of God on July 4, 2018. He was a man of strong faith who believed in the power and resurrection strength of Jesus Christ's love.



Smoky was born December 15, 1930 in Cookville, Texas and bought his first guitar at a pawn shop for \$2.50 at the young age of 10. Self-taught and hungry to sing, play and write music, he began performing with the Jamboree Boys by the age of 14 at local rodeo, fairs and festivals. In addition, the band played on a daily live radio program on KIMP in Mount Pleasant, Texas. The band was often featured at Shalor's Starlight Lounge in Texarkana, where they regularly performed backup with Jim Reeves.

The Korean War altered the course of Smoky's music career and, like most young men of that time, he joined the Army. Shortly after his stint in the service, he moved to North Carolina with his family, married Dolly Jane Smith and began a career with Ford Motor Company. Throughout his business career, Smoky maintained his love of music, playing with local bands and writing original country tunes. He had such a passion for music that he established MARCO Recording, a sound studio that he operated to record local country and gospel bands that wanted to put their music on vinyl and tape. Smoky owned and operated the studio for 35 years. During that time, he discovered and became friends with Randy Travis. Randy went on to Nashville fame and called one day to ask if he could include one of Smoky's original songs, "Good Intentions," on a new album. Travis' *Always & Forever* album went double-Platinum and remains

There is also a meeting at the Alachua Club, 32 N. Third St. at 6 p.m. Mondays. For more information, contact Lorrie at 343-4771.

Gun classes for everyone

Pistol and revolver gun classes for beginners to advanced shooters are given by NRA-certified instructor and retired state and federal law enforcement officer Frank P. Covie and held at the convenience of each person starting any weekday except Wednesday. Both basic and personal protection classes are available and including classroom, range shooting and no-cost use of a .22 pistol and rifle including ammo.

Contact 277-4144, 603-491-7017, or fpc99@comcast.net for complete info.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

The TOPS weight loss group meets at 3:45 p.m. Thursdays in the county building at 86026 Pages Dairy Road in Yulee.

Lions Club bingo

Lions Club bingo, every Thursday and Sunday, Yulee Lions Club Bingo Hall. Doors open at 4 p.m., warm-ups at 5:15 p.m. Early birds play at 5:45 p.m. with the regular program at 6:30 p.m. Participants must be 18 years old; minimum purchase \$15. Information, 708-2591.

Energy bill assistance

Nassau County residents are entitled to receive a summer home energy payment of up to \$475 toward their electric or gas bill through the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. Residents may also be eligible to receive a one-time winter crisis payment up to \$600. Eligibility is based on household income and family size.

Effective immediately, the Northeast Florida Community Action Agency Inc. has changed to an automated appointment scheduling system for individuals seeking assistance with paying utility bills. All NFCAA's offices located in Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, and St. Johns Counties will participate in the new appointment scheduling system. The new system is user friendly with the capability to direct overflow calls and other inquiries to a call center. All customer data entered through the system will be securely maintained.

- Call the toll free number – 844-625-8776.
- Appointments can be scheduled through an interactive voice response (IVR) system or through operators.
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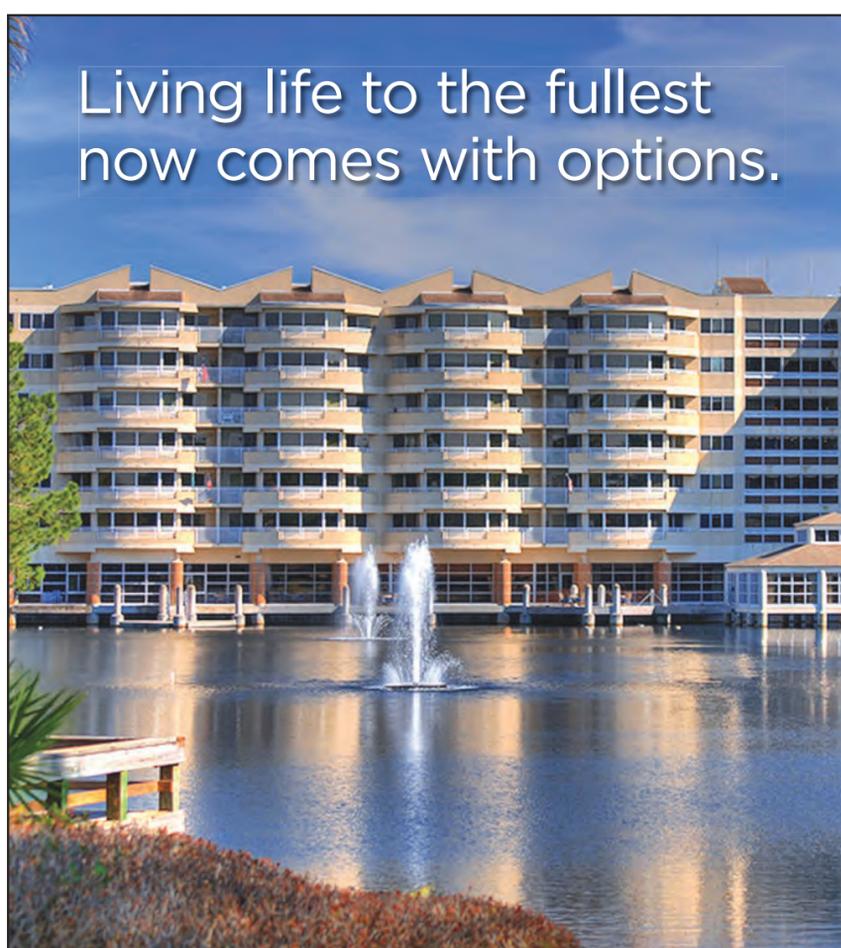
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FESTIVE FOURTH IN FERNANDINA

Light Up Amelia presented a traditional July 4 fireworks show that was viewed from the marina by hundreds. These sisters, dressed for the holiday, enjoyed activities on the waterfront, all with a patriotic theme. A young man shows his pride in the Stars and Stripes with face painting, one of the activities featured in the city of Fernandina's Independence Day celebrations. The Fort Clinch Fife and Drum Corps provided musical entertainment for attendees of Independence Day festivities in Fernandina Beach. Ashlen James, Ryan James, Brandon Evans and Robert Conrad were winners of pie eating contests held to celebrate the Fourth of July in Fernandina Beach. Georgia won the best pet costume for Independence Day 2018. All the contestants who entered the bike-decorating contest were declared winners.

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HAZES *Continued from 1A*

Leader is checking in again with Hazes.

This time, it's noting his retirement after 35 years of service to the circuit court in Nassau County. The occasion was celebrated with a Pink Floyd-themed cake presented on the night of his retirement dinner. One layer contained the album title, and one of his favorite phrases, "Another Brick in the Wall."

Hazes turned 66 back in September, and he said he figured that it was just time to retire. He closed his office on June 6. He has plans to take a major road trip in October in his 1979 Dodge Magnum GT, which now has over 260,000 miles. He purchased the car back in 1982, when it had less than 12,000 miles on it. He used it to drive his wife to the hospital when his daughter was born and it was that very same car he used to drive his daughter to her wedding. Now he will drive his beloved car on a cross-country trip, "an epic journey" as he refers to it, during which he will spend some time along the famed Route 66.

Looking back on his life and career, an epic journey in itself, Hazes refers many times to the results of "pure dumb luck." He felt his options were limited after serving four years in the U.S. Air Force, so he chose to use the GI Bill to enroll in the Stenotype Institute in Jacksonville. It is there that he met his wife of 41 years, Katie. They have two children. Daughter Kathryn is a certified CPA and son Pete has decided on a career in nursing.

Bill talks of the mid-1980s, after it was decided that the courthouse located in Fernandina Beach would have its own full-time judge and court reporter. Having visited on a part-time basis for the Jacksonville firm where he was employed, he recalls telling his boss that he would travel to Fernandina any day of the week because, as he said then, "I like the place." He recalls feeling like he had walked onto a movie set when he first entered the historic downtown courthouse.

Based on a "conservative estimate," Hazes figures he

made that drive some 8,000 times. There was never a day that he didn't look forward to the drive and thinking about the day ahead. His children used to travel with him to attend school. He is grateful for that time he spent with them.

While other court reporters have updated their machines and software over the years, Hazes says he's "old school." He explains that technology has progressed so much and voice recording has come so far these days that most machines don't even have paper, yet his machine uses paper and he carries it over his shoulder. And, Hazes says, while that technique may be slower, "What I enjoy about doing things the way I do things is the fact that you get to feel the ebb and flow, the way people are talking. You really feel the tension move around the courtroom. The fastest court reporters don't hear a thing and I admire them, but I listen to everything."

Hazes went through seven or eight machines in 35 years, putting a lot of "miles" on each one. He is embarrassed to admit it, but the company that developed the software for the one he has used to the end went out of business some 20 years ago. He says his speed has probably averaged about 225 words a minute, but it's more about accuracy.

Hazes will be missed for his accuracy at court and much more.

"Bill is one of the finest, if not the best, court reporter that has worked in Nassau County," Nassau County Attorney Mike Mullin said. "He is not only a professional in his work but a true gentleman. I never saw Bill have a bad day, and his smiles and pride when discussing his family would light up a room. The smile was almost as big when talking about his cars. Many of us who did, and do, trial work benefited from his critiques and thoughts after trials. He is very sharp and savvy as to the courtroom, and most of all, he is Bill. We will miss his professionalism, ethical standards, smile and just being a great guy and friend."

"We have been good friends since the beginning of his career," added Elaine Coats,



FILE PHOTO

The *News-Leader* ran a profile of retiring court reporter Bill Hazes in 1989. The special Pink Floyd-themed cake made for Bill Hazes' retirement dinner. Pink Floyd is one of his favorite bands.

CINDY JACKSON
NEWS-LEADER

who retired after 41 years with the court system in Nassau County. For most of those years, she was the director of court departments. "I worked for the Nassau County Clerk of Courts so we share a lot of working memories. I appreciate his steadfast work ethics, professionalism and dedication. The court system in Nassau County was blessed to have him. Most of all I treasure his friendship."

In the course of reminiscing, Hazes praised the judges he has reported for: "Fernandina has had some incredible judges. They have all been smart and I have the utmost respect for each and every one. ... Each and every one has had a different demeanor."

And the respect is returned. "Bill Hazes has become an integral part of our local and legal communities," Judge Robert M. Foster said. "His care and concern for others

and his dedication and steadfast devotion to the legal profession will be greatly missed. Bill has made Nassau County a better place for all of us, and we will miss him greatly."

Looking back on his career working in Nassau County and downtown Fernandina Beach, Hazes says the most rewarding cases have been those involving adoptions and the saddest have been about divorces and child custody. Even after all these years, his "faith in the justice system is still sound." Hazes added that he will miss it "more than you can imagine and will look for every opportunity to come back."

As for parting words, Hazes again make references to Pink Floyd and says, "Long you live and high you fly, and smiles you'll give and tears you'll cry, and all you touch and all you see, is all your life will ever be."

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Six candidates for Foster's seat go to governor

PAMELA BUSHNELL
News-Leader

On June 20, the 4th Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission forwarded six names to Governor Rick Scott for review from 18 candidates interviewed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Robert M. Foster. Although candidates from Nassau County were among the 18 interviewed, none were among the final six recommended by the commission. One candidate among the final six has a second home in Fernandina Beach.

"I've had conversations with Judge Foster about his replacement," said Patrick Kilbane, chairman of the nominating commission. "Foster loves Nassau County and he really wanted someone from the county to replace him, but we had some highly qualified candidates to consider."

Lester Bass, 55, is currently a Duval County judge appointed to the bench by Scott in 2014. He has a law degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He previously served as general magistrate and civil traffic hearing officer in the 4th Judicial District and as a staff attorney for Jacksonville Area Legal Aid.

Michael T. Fackler, 46, is an attorney and partner in Milam, Howard, Nicandri, Gilliam and Renner PA. He has a law degree from the University of Florida's Levin College of Law. He was a law clerk for Judge Harvey Schlesinger. His practice has been in general commercial litigation.

Charles M. Greene, 61, is a 17th Judicial Circuit judge elected to the bench in 1990. He has a law degree from Nova Southeastern Law Center.

He has previously served as assistant state attorney in Ft. Lauderdale and in private practice. As an active member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, he serves as an aircraft commander. He and his wife have owned a second home on Amelia Island for the past 27 years.

Robin Lanigan, 49, has been a 4th Judicial Circuit general magistrate and hearing officer since 2016. She is a graduate of the Florida Coastal School of Law. She previously practiced family law and was an adjunct professor at Florida State College, where she taught family law.

Rhonda Peoples-Waters, 44, of Rhonda Peoples-Waters PA, is also a graduate of the Levin College of Law. Her specialty is criminal law and she has served as an assistant public defender. She is a former member of the city of Jacksonville Ethics Commission.

David Tucker, 56, is the northeast regional counsel for the Department of Children and Families, where he presides over contested adoptions, evidentiary hearings and childcare licensing. He is a graduate of the Levin College of Law and an adjunct professor in administrative law at Florida Coastal School of Law.

The governor has 60 days to review the names presented by the commission. He may select an appointee from the names presented or he may ask the commission for additional candidates. Kilbane pointed out that whomever is appointed by the governor as result of the process may or may not actually fill Foster's seat. It is possible the new appointee could be assigned elsewhere in the circuit and another judge be transferred to fill the Nassau County vacancy.

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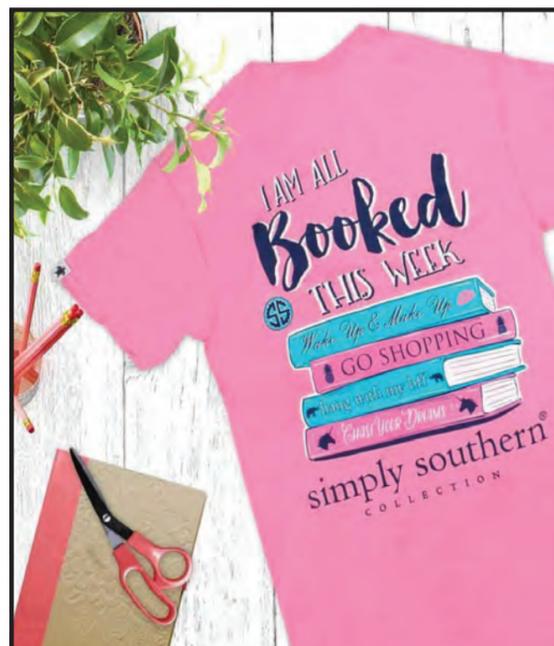
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County will probably raise property taxes

CINDY JACKSON
News-Leader

Though a tax increase is probably in the future for the vast majority of Nassau County property owners instead of any major cuts to departments or projects, "Everything is subject to change," Office of Management and Budget Director Justin Stankiewicz stated July 2, as he presented his plans for FY 2018-19 plus a projection of five years to county commissioners. Stankiewicz referred to his proposed budget as a "blueprint," as his department is still waiting for actual numbers for state revenues, for instance.

Most of what Stankiewicz laid out was based on the Board of County Commissioners approving a proposed increase in the millage rate of 1.9 mills. The final vote on the FY 2018-19 budget will take place July 23. That vote is scheduled to be on an amount "not to exceed" 1.9 mills.

Despite the potentially bad news for taxpayers, kudos and congratulations were extended from commissioners to staff, staff to commissioners, audience members to commissioners and commissioners to audience participants.

To illustrate his point, Stankiewicz referenced revenues from taxes that have gone up due to an increase in property values. An increase in Homestead Exemption that will be voted on later this year, which is expected to pass, would basically offset much of the additional monies

Average Taxable Values – Preliminary 2018 Values

Commissioner District	Average Residential Taxable Value	Cost to Taxpayer per Year	Cost to Taxpayer per Month
District 1	\$175,000	\$333	\$28
District 2	\$275,000	\$523	\$44
District 3	\$105,000	\$200	\$17
District 4	\$ 65,500	\$124	\$10
District 5	\$ 76,500	\$145	\$12
COUNTY-WIDE	\$139,400	\$265	\$22

*Based on proposed tentative millage increase of 1.9004 mills (max)(subject to change)
*Increase in County Revenues = \$13,014,418

SOURCE: THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

A breakdown by county district shows how a proposed tax increase of 1.9 mills would affect taxpayers owning property in each district. As Office of Management and Budget Director Justin Stankiewicz reminded commissioners and audience members, "A parcel located in the unincorporated areas of the county pays the county-wide millage (0.6480 increase), the county transportation millage (0.2504 increase) and the municipal service millage (1.0020 increase). A house located in the incorporated area of the city of Fernandina Beach, town of Hilliard or town of Callahan does not pay the municipal service millage; but rather pays their respective city or town."

that could otherwise be collected. He also announced some good news – that the county's insurance costs will be going down by 19 percent because a new carrier has been identified. If nothing else changes to counteract the savings realized by reduced insurance costs, and there are no program or personnel cuts or adjustments to take into con-

sideration, an increase in the millage rate could be seriously considered by the county commissioners.

Stankiewicz said there has not been an increase in the millage rate since 2014.

The proposed increase was framed as additional revenue needed to address deficiencies in many areas, predominantly

public safety and infrastructure.

Stankiewicz believes that if his strategic financial plan is put in place, any and all future increases or decreases would be very slight.

Contained in his presentation was a breakdown by district of the estimated cost to taxpayers based on an average home value in that district if the county's tax

levy goes up by 1.9 mills.

What would the taxpayers get for their money? The proposed budget from the county's staff places an emphasis on public safety, infrastructure, and building up reserves.

While nothing is final, constructing, equipping, and staffing Fire Station 71, as approved three years ago, could begin. Station 71 would be located on Chester Road.

There could be a new tanker truck for Station 60 in Bryceville and a brush truck for Station 40 in Hilliard. Stankiewicz mentioned that part of the plan is to get more services to the rural parts of the county where the need is great as evidenced during hurricanes Matthew and Irma and the Bryceville wildfire.

There would also be money for important infrastructure projects including drainage repairs and paving on Henry Smith, Pratt Siding and Dyal roads. While the Florida Department of Transportation has allocated its half of the money for those projects, an increase in the millage rate would provide the necessary matching funds. The William Burgess Extension also could be completed. That project is slated to provide an alternate route to U.S. 17 for travelers on State Route 200/A1A. The budget would also provide funds for nine bridges deemed to be deficient and requiring repair in the next 12 months.

Funding for parks and recreation was not discussed in

much detail, as the department of Planning and Economic Opportunity is updating its budgetary needs and investigating alternatives to, or changes in, the current system of recreational impact fees.

Funding "opportunity reserves" could also provide revenue for matching grants.

A county resident asked about what businesses were paying in the form of taxes as compared to homeowners. Stankiewicz stated: "We don't have a lot of commercial growth here." He also noted that for every dollar collected from residential property owners, the cost of county services actually amounts to about \$1.50.

Another resident suggested that having dollar figures associated with such things as unfunded mandates, lost opportunities for lack of matching funds, and a list of expenditures that have been reduced would be helpful in assisting taxpayers better understand the process and the need for the increase.

"It's not that there was a gross negligence in the planning, we just didn't know any better," Commissioner Steve Kelley said.

The next budget meeting is scheduled for July 11 at 6 p.m. at the James S. Page Governmental Complex, located at 96135 Nassau Place in Yulee. To watch a video of the latest budget presentation and other commission meetings, go to nassauclerk.com/default.cfm?pid=bocc.

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FOSTER *Continued from 1A*

With respect to trends in crimes committed in Nassau County, Foster has also observed a rise in domestic violence cases. He uses two local outpatient resources as referrals for batterers intervention programs. As to the success rate of these programs he said, "If a person is inclined to listen, batterers' intervention, anger management or emotional management classes are beneficial. At least you offer people a chance to turn their life around."

His perception is that the volume of drug offenses in his court over the years has stayed about the same, although the type of drugs being abused changes.

In reference to criminal cases in general, Foster noted, "Most often we judges don't see the success stories." During one recent morning court session there had been eight defendants charged with probation violations, plus two arrest warrants issued for defendants who failed to show up for their hearings.

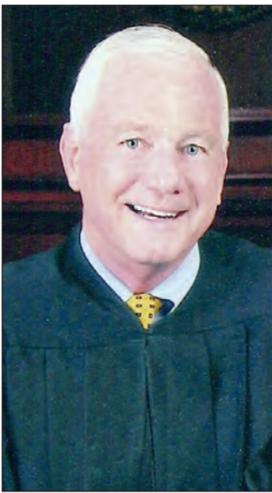
"I see the worst in human nature, yet I am still often surprised how cruel and mean people can be to one another," Foster admitted, but he developed the ability to leave work behind when he goes home at the end of the day.

Foster also shared his self-awareness: "We judges have incredible power over people's lives. We are faced with 'God-like' decisions sometimes. We can end a life, or take away people's children." He tries to consider that power while making decisions, in an attempt to ensure he is fair and there are no regrets afterward: "I have never sent anyone to prison that I didn't think belonged there."

Foster is one of three judges presiding over cases in Nassau County. Judge Steven M. Fahlgren is a circuit judge presiding over civil, juvenile delinquency, family, probate and domestic violence cases. Judge Wesley R. Poole is the county judge for criminal misdemeanor, criminal and civil traffic, small claims and county civil cases.

He also has praise for the current functioning of county government, the circuit court clerk's office, the judicial staff, and the police. Although the county's three public defenders are busy with over 150 pending felony cases among them, they are doing a "more than adequate job," according to Foster.

As to the high percentage of prison inmates relative to the general population in America when the U.S. is compared with other countries, Foster isn't sure that reflects a problem with the judicial system. "There is a common theory that we are a more violent nation than others," he noted. But he shares concerns about the disproportionately high ratio of black males in the prison population. "Black males are overrepresented in arrests," Foster said. "How to combat crime in the black community is a serious issue that public officials need to address. I've thought about it for 30 years and I've never come



Foster

Neighbors weren't speaking to one another over it. It was a very tense time. I was gratified to be part of the two-courthouse solution." The annex, since named the Robert M. Foster Justice Center, opened in 2004.

Foster created some recent news when he affected how his replacement could be chosen. He submitted a letter to Gov. Rick Scott in April announcing his plans to resign from his position at the end of December, just days shy of his mandated retirement. While the replacement of a retiring circuit court judge is generally decided by an election, the governor can replace a judge resigning before the end of his or her term. The decision fueled speculation about political maneuvering and motives.

As a result of Foster's letter of resignation, the governor removed the judgeship position from the November general election ballot. David Trotti, a Jacksonville attorney who had qualified to run for the open seat before Scott cancelled the election for it, filed a lawsuit.

"This is an 'artificial appointment' that disenfranchises voters," Trotti's attorney, Robert Slama, said, "It's become a textbook chess match."

An injunction to stop the appointment process was overturned on appeal. The 4th Judicial Circuit Nominating Committee interviewed 18 applicants and forwarded six names for consideration to the governor. Slama has filed an emergency constitutional writ on behalf of his client with the Florida Supreme Court, which has scheduled a preliminary hearing for Friday, July 6.

Reacting to speculation that Scott simply wants to appoint someone who belongs to the Federalist Society, an organization of conservatives and libertarians seeking changes in the American legal system, Foster was circumspect: "I have

up with an answer."

But Foster's biggest challenge in Nassau County was not directly related to his interpretation of the law. It was a dispute over how to expand the courthouse in Fernandina Beach.

With the addition of a second circuit court judge in 1998, three judges were sharing a single courtroom, a situation that created backlogs. The county had outgrown the original courthouse but options for expansion became controversial and pitted the city of Fernandina Beach against the county. Foster eventually ordered the two sides into a mediation that resulted in a compromise to renovate the historic courthouse for continued use and to build a larger courthouse annex in Yulee, where land was available. "The historic courthouse was a disaster. It was too small," Foster said. "The wiring was dangerous. ... A huge fight developed between the city (of Fernandina Beach) and the county (over) whether to expand the courthouse on the island or to move here. Two or three lawsuits were filed that held up progress.

Notice of Meeting Amelia Walk Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Amelia Walk Community Development District will be held on **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Amelia Walk Amenity Center, 85287 Majestic Walk Circle, Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034.** The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

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Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

David deNagy
District Manager

NUDE MAN

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nude from the waist down was seen sitting in the sand dunes about 30 yards away. The man then stood up, exposing himself to the girls and handling his penis. The report says the girls immediately left the beach and reported the incident.

The girls said they would be able to "positively identify the suspect."

In a third incident reported on June 22, a woman said she was swimming in the area of the beach between Fifth and Sixth streets on the previous afternoon "when she saw a man enter the beach...and sit on the dunes. The suspect proceeded to masturbate."

East Sixth Street dead-ends at Beach Access 9 North.

The woman told the responding officer that she left the water to confront the man, who ran away. The woman followed, and told police he drove away in a "dark blue in color truck with grey fender walls." The truck could be an older model Chevrolet from the late '80s or early '90s, according to the report. The victim described the man as a "large, heavy set, bald man, wearing black shorts, between the ages of 35 and 45."

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President Ron Heymann, left, and Scholarship Committee Chair Phyllis Davis, right, present the Rotary Club's scholarships to Fernandina Beach High School students.

Rotary Club awards \$36,000 in scholarships

The Rotary Club of Fernandina Beach awarded \$36,000 in scholarship funds to graduating seniors in all four Nassau County High Schools this year, according to a news release.

Club President Ron Heymann and Scholarship Chair Phyllis Davis presented the scholarships at awards assemblies at the respective high schools and the students were honored at Rotary luncheon meetings and socials as they were invited to describe their future plans to the Club at those events.

Recipients of the Club's 2018 scholarships include the following students:

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 - Gabrielle Gibb, University of Florida
 - Hanna Grinde, Jacksonville University
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 - Amber Sell, University of Tampa
 - Martin Tolxdorf, University of Florida
- Hilliard Middle-Senior High School**
 - Jada Connor, Florida Southern College
- West Nassau High School**
 - Brianna Batrous, Florida State College at Jacksonville
 - Hannah Bennett, Jacksonville University
- Yulee High School**
 - Olivia Lanaghan, Florida State University
 - Shelby Steadman, University of Florida



All four Nassau County high schools were represented at the introduction and recognition of the winners at the Club's social in June.

COMMUNITY SCRAPBOOK

Local DAR members win national awards

Two members of the Amelia Island Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution have been awarded national honors in the American Heritage Arts and Literature competition. Anita Lay placed third for her play, *With Morgan at Cowpens*. The one-act play features a grandfather who reminisces about the Battle of Cowpens, which took place January 17, 1781, and pitted American Brigadier General Dan Morgan against the infamous British Lieutenant Colonel Sir Banastre Tarleton.

Theresa Emery, below, also placed third in the Music/Vocal category with her song, "He'll Come Home Safely to Me," which recounts a young woman's thoughts as she stitches a piece of embroidery detailing her wish that she and her loved one live happily after his safe return. The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is the largest women's service organization in the world and contributes over one million volunteer hours a year. More than 200 members of the Amelia Island Chapter contribute approximately 5,000 volunteer hours and \$4,000 in scholarships and awards in Nassau County each year.

SUBMITTED PHOTOS



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Locals present check to Miss Florida

Amelia Island residents Kenneth Ford, left, and Norma Storms, right, present a check to the newly crowned Miss Florida 2018, Taylor Tyson, who lives in Jupiter, Fla. The annual Miss Florida Pageant was held in Lakeland with 40 contestants competing for the crown. Tyson wowed the judges with her talent as a pianist, physical fitness and personality. She will represent Florida at the Miss America Pageant that will air Sept. 19 from Atlantic City, N.J. on ABC. Ford commented, "She could very well become our next Miss America."



Rotary leadership

The Rotary Club of Amelia Island Sunrise, with a year that runs from July through June of the following year, recently swore in Mickey Ulmer as president for 2018-19. The club meets 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. every Friday at the Fernandina Beach Golf Club, located at 2800 Bill Melton Road in Fernandina Beach. For more information visit the club's website at AmeliaIslandRotary.com.

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how manifold are thy works!
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Sunday Acts 7:1-10
Monday Acts 7:11-20
Tuesday Acts 7:21-30
Wednesday Acts 7:31-40
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Mitigation

Well, I see where the carnage on Lime and 14th streets has begun. It's amazing what dollar bills in the right pockets can do. I see where the "caterpillars" are back, only this time they are from Molina instead of Taiwan. I also see a few Deere wandering around on the property.

As soon as all the vegetation is cleared off the property and we get a big rain, Amelia Island will have another pond to deal with. This is an example of "mitigation" in

its finest hour. Back in the early 1970s, I sat in on some early Water Management District meetings and mitigation as talked about then has been stretched about as far as it can go. Too many Grants and Hamiltons pulling on it.

The development taking place on Crane Island is about as secretive as you can get. They will soon become a part of Fernandina Beach.

Stanley Bunch
Fernandina Beach



RICK MCKEE-AUGUSTA CHRONICLE/CAGLE CARTOONS

VIEWPOINT / JUDITH OCHS / FERNANDINA BEACH

The cultural-political civil war 'is on'

The wildly irrational letter to the editor from Fernandina Beach "near native" Dennis Stipe (June 15, "Beyond the Pale") and numerous responses condemning or agreeing with him point out that a cultural-political civil war is now taking place in our country, even here in Fernandina Beach. After listing his qualifications for writing his letter to the editor, Mr. Stipe said he now regrets having served two years underwater as a Navy submariner because we now have a horrible, miserable traitor as President. Although Stipe claims to be a Republican, he ended his letter saying he wants "all you Republicans to rot in hell" for supporting Donald Trump.

The *News-Leader* was right to print Stipe's letter. The editor said, "Outrage is rampant in 2018." Therefore, Stipe's letter might do some good by spurring debate and discussion. (June 20, "Spurred by outrage"). The *News-Leader* then printed response letters, mostly from astonished readers.

There are many in Fernandina Beach, either southerners with better manners than Mr. Stipe or transplanted middle-class northerners who have aversions to rude, profane, aggressive, insulting, disrespectful actions and actors. Not Mr. Stipe, who said he was overjoyed when he heard the profane vitriol about the president spewed by the Raging Bull at the Tony awards.

The war is on. One of the warring factions is Trump's America (also the name of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich's new book). Trump's America consists of those Donald Trump supporters whom Hillary Clinton in a September 2016 speech

condescendingly called deplorables (racist, sexist, homophobic, xenophobic, you name it). The next day, she personalized the target, explaining she meant to say it was Donald Trump who was deplorable.

The other faction is the anti-Trump coalition from whom we hear more every day. This is a varied group whose shared rallying point is they all bitterly oppose President Trump. They cannot accept the results of the 2016 election with grace. Their battle cry is still "resist!" They include Democrats, progressives, socialists, globalists, establishment elites, race-focused activists, and violent radicals. There are also leftist actors, entertainers, mainstream media, academics, people who'd prefer a pastor as president, and Republican never-Trumpers like Mr. Stipe. Their spoken and social media commentary is often repugnant hate-speech filled with profanities and threats of death and harm to the President and his family and to other Republican officials.

Their hate speech began in earnest just after the President's inauguration, but in recent months and weeks, it has become louder, more radical and violent. Their furor grew at the same time Congress focused on the DOJ Inspector General's June 14 report on the FBI's handling of the Clinton email investigation that unearthed a pattern of animus and anti-Trump bias by high-level FBI attorneys and agents. Suddenly, as if to divert attention away from the IG report, the media began showing pictures (some from 2014) of government housing for children separated from their parents when they crossed the border illegally. The media stories didn't mention that the housing arrangements were the same as in the Obama administration, but the separation issue excited

the interest of the public, which totally forgot about the FBI.

Angry rhetoric ensued. Politicians began comparing the situation to Nazi concentration camps and the Holocaust. Anti-Trumpers went beyond their usual verbal attacks on the president to actual harassment of cabinet members and administration officials. Radical group Antifa began threatening action against Homeland Security personnel, in particular targeting Immigration and Customs and Border Patrol employees.

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi said, "I just don't even know why there aren't uprisings all over the country." Congresswoman Maxine Waters, was shouting "Impeach 45" for 18 months. She now tells her supporters to get a group to harass and push back on any administration official they see in public – in a restaurant, department store or gas station – and "tell them they're not welcome anymore, anywhere!"

Twenty-something Allison Hrabar, a DOJ employee, brought a dozen of her fellow members of the Democratic Socialists of America to a D.C. restaurant to scream at DHS Secretary Neilsen and her husband. Twenty-one year old Caitlin Marriotti, an intern for New Hampshire Senator Maggie Hassan, hurled the F-bomb at the President as he walked through the U.S. Capitol. Stephanie Wilkinson, owner of a Red Hen restaurant in Lexington, Va. asked White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders and her dinner party to leave. A woman going by Kayleigh-Marie tweeted a call for President Trump's assassination. Her tweet was up for over a week.

These are the anti-Trumpers, encouraged by the left-stream media. The war is heating up.



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Real estate sizzles

U.S. real estate prices jumped 7.1 percent in May as compared to a year ago – the biggest increase in four years.

The price increase in Nassau County was likely higher. "I think it was more here," says John Holbrook, an agent with Berkshire Hathaway Chaplin Williams Realty who reports local statistics to financial firms. "The construction costs are probably up 10 percent on their own."

A strong demand for homes – especially on Amelia Island – along with a limited supply have propped up prices. "It just seems that people keep coming," says Tisha Dadd, broker-owner of Island Real Estate of Amelia. "They keep discovering the island (and the area)."

In Yulee, a spate of new homes is being absorbed by an endless demand. A game changer exists in Yulee, however. It is a neighborhood known as Wildlight.

"It's a great location," Dadd says about Wildlight, which is "its own little entity." The Rayonier Inc. development is closer to Jacksonville for people who work there and live here. New homes are already selling in Wildlight, which also has a state-of-the-art elementary school open and operating.

Holbrook points out that prices can vary drastically from one place to another, and from one price point to another. Lower-end homes have realized a larger percentage increase in price than higher-end homes. It's a matter of small numbers versus large numbers.

The median price of an existing home sold in May in the U.S. was \$264,800. The median is not the average, but the middle of all the price points.

And there are fewer homes for sale here and across the country. This inevitably pushes up prices. The supply of homes for sale has been dropping on an annual basis for the past 36 months, according to the National Association of Realtors.

Some metropolitan areas continue to lead the price gains, like Seattle, Denver and San Francisco. They also have the leanest supply of homes for sale.

Of course, the rise in interest rates



STEVE'S MARKET PLACE

Steve Nicklas

has caused urgency for some buyers, but ruled out others. Homeowners who have locked in mortgage rates below 4 percent may not want to roll out into a higher-rate contract. So they stay put.

Mortgage rates are now 1 percentage point higher than at the lowest point several years ago. Many believe that interest rates will trend higher from here, which could chill the real estate market for a while.

Younger, first-time homebuyers have been caught between a rock of student-loan debt and a hard place of exorbitant rents, preventing them from accumulating a down payment. Therefore, they are delayed in buying their first home.

In many areas, property prices have recovered from the severe downturn and are now at or above the all-time high prices of 2007. The highly appreciated prices can also complicate purchases, for any buyers.

Home prices in our area have certainly eclipsed the 2007 levels. The appeal of Amelia Island continues to attract tourists as well as prospective homebuyers to Nassau County. Newcomers who cannot afford to move to the island can easily locate minutes away in Yulee.

"The island definitely has been discovered," says Dadd. "There's an influx of people still coming in."

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A beach remembered

1959. I was sitting on the store bench when George walked out. He was an aged, thin, weathered man. He glanced at me, got in his jeep. "Get in," he said. The school bus was pulling up. I looked at my daddy. He nodded with a smile. I didn't know where I was going, but I knew it wasn't school. I climbed in the mail jeep, the long fishing poles hanging out the back. George slung the full mailbag over the seat and said we would deliver the mail when we finished. Little did I know how my life would change. I was on my way to paradise.

1965. The beach was vibrant and alive, every race, creed and kind, a gathering of excitement, relaxation, solitude and awe. No high-rise hotels, no mansions, only majestic dunes and a glistening crystal white beach up to a hundred yards wide that stretched for miles from Peters Point to Nassau sound.

Barbecues and bonfires at sunset, shark fishing, dogs chasing seagulls and each other, drag racing on Sundays at American Beach, dune buggy racing at Peters Point, airplanes landing on the beach giving free rides, seining, fishing, beach bands, surfing contest and sitting on tailgates along the oceans edge, feet dangling in the water while inching vehicles landward as the tide moved towards a setting sun.

Peters Point rock'n, Afro American Beach jump'n. Hundreds of people and cars on the wide

wet sand beach. playing, lounging, and grilling on the dry sand. Music and laughter were in the air. Everybody's beach, rich or poor, banker, baker, candlestick maker. We were all alike, brought together by a common bond. We could never imagine it would be lost, or that anyone would want to take it, or could.

1970. The front page of the Fernandina Beach *News-Leader*: "Sea Pines Purchases South End of Amelia Island. \$4,650,000. To employ 600." We have been discovered and are eager to share paradise. The front-page news continues to say, "The first facilities to be built are expected to include a 500-site public campground near the beach, and public beach recreational facilities in the two mile section of the company's new holdings lying between the south edge of Fernandina Beach and American Beach." Sea Pines, our new neighbor.

1973. Back home from college. Married, with my little boy. My dad and mom still behind the counter of Halls corner store in Amelia City. Sea Pines/AIP was in process of development. Great to be home and back on the beach!

Down to the beach we go. Hundreds of cars and people on the beach stretched from the city limits line to the south end. No more drag racing or airplanes on the beach or buggies in the dunes. Life was still good.

On the 18th day of May 1973, the beach

trembles. The county commission votes 5-0 to remove the cars and people from the beach. There were only a handful of public off-beach parking spots along the right of ways at Lewis Street, Scott Road and Peters Point. Few knew about the county ordinance. It was brought up without public notice at a road and bridge meeting in Hillard. The beach was considered a highway back then. The word quickly spread. The "Citizens for the Preservation of Public Beaches" was formed. Two weeks later a special commission meeting was held at the Fernandina Rec center, the largest public space in the county. A crowd showed up, Smiley Lee punched the county attorney in the mouth, the vote was called. The second reading fails to pass, a 5-0 vote. Cars stay on the beach. All is well in paradise, trust was lost.

For the next 15 years the beach remains the same, except for the neat little rows of umbrellas sprouting like mushrooms along the edge of the dunes. No more sitting in the dunes to watch the sunrise and sunset or to gaze across the sea or into the sky, or picking sea oats to take home for gifts or decoration. A way of life being slowly removed. The pounding of bulldozers spread flat the sand mountains of my youth, I watch as my ancient friends are no more. Concrete boxes sprawl across the beachfront pointing skyward as a sirens call.

As the years pass, there come new faces, different ways and gated worlds. There is now us and them, yours and ours. The beach and dunes cry as the blades and pumps continue to cut and gouge into paradise.

1989. Front page of the *News-Leader*: "Beach Driving Illegal; Oct 1, 1989 State Law." I put a legal pad on the counter of Hall's Beach Store. In a few days there were hundreds of signatures against the new law. The *Florida Times-Union* reported that this law was slipped in on the last day of the state legislative session by a freshman representative from St. Petersburg who said, "My idea came from a lobbyist up there." Our local state representative and senator knew about the bill months before; and both voted "yes" to close the beach. The county commissioners said, "We were caught completely off guard and had no idea such a politically explosive piece of legislation was forthcoming." This new state law was cleverly written to only affect Nassau County beaches.

I was appointed the leader of the Citizens for the Preservation of Public Beaches. We rallied, fought, negotiated, legislated, sued and compromised. The cars remain on the beach.

2018. You know the rest of the story. HB 631 – same old song, same old dance, same old story.

The question is always the same, incompetence or intent. You decide. I have.



HORNETS IN ACTION



The Yulee High School baseball team hosted Bishop Kenny Monday in summer action. The Hornets are in Tallahassee today and wrap up the summer with games at Bishop Kenny Monday and at Creekside Tuesday.
PHOTOS BY BETH JONES/NEWS-LEADER



▼ FOOTBALL

Jaguars hosting an NFL Play 60 character camp

For the seventh year in a row, the NFL has partnered with Hall of Fame offensive tackle Anthony Muñoz to host NFL Play 60 Character Camps throughout the country as part of the NFL's year-round Hispanic outreach initiative, focused on offering youth opportunities to play and experience the game of football.

The Jacksonville Jaguars will host a camp July 13 at their training facility.

This year, 12 NFL Play 60 Character Camps will be hosted in partnership with NFL clubs, including multiple sites in Florida, California and New York. Each site will welcome nearly 300 predominantly Hispanic youth, ages 9-13, with little or no football experience from local youth organizations.

The camps kicked off with the New York Jets and New York Giants each holding a camp in June at their respective training facility. The camps will be held through September. Miami is hosting one Aug. 9.

"It was great to kick off the 2018 season of NFL Play 60 Character Camps with two exciting camps in New York," said Muñoz, founder of the Anthony Muñoz Foundation. "We are excited about the opportunity to impact more than 3,000 kids this summer."

"Unlike camps that focus simply on football, these take it to the next level, with the importance of character in athletics and life as a major focus. We use football as a platform, but bring more into it including team building and character traits."

"It is how I was taught as a kid growing up in Southern California and I'm proud to pass that on to today's youth."

The camps' mission is to make a positive impact on youth through teaching football skills, emphasizing exercise, and reinforcing the importance of character in athletics and life. These grass roots efforts have made a strong impact in these communities.

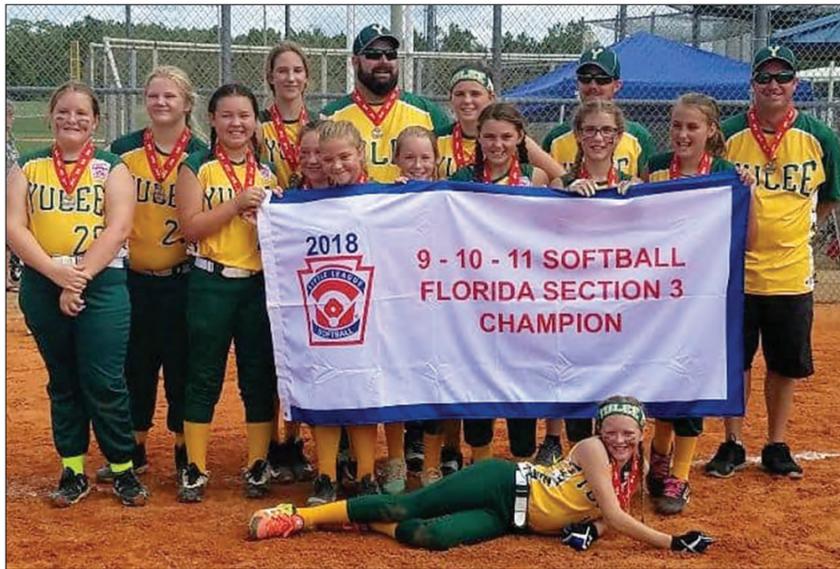
The program works in collaboration with USA Football and its NFL Flag curriculum, which encourages participants to be physically active through non-contact, continuous action while learning the fundamentals of football and lessons in teamwork and sportsmanship through local community leagues.

USA Football is the official youth football development partner of the NFL and its 32 teams.

In addition, the camps will teach character values that are core to the Anthony Muñoz Foundation, as well as promote NFL Play 60's health and fitness message. NFL Play 60 is the league's youth health and fitness campaign, aimed at getting kids active for 60 minutes a day.

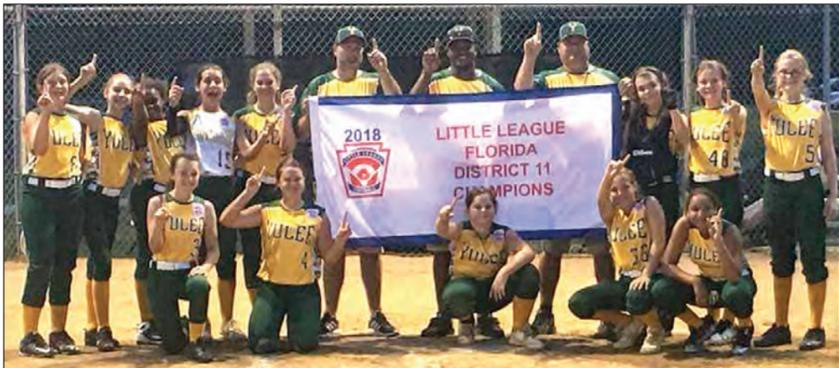
If interested in getting your children involved, registration for the NFL Flag fall season is currently open. To register with an NFL Flag league in your community or to start a league of your own, visit www.PlayFootball.com.

YULEE ALLSTARS



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The Yulee Little League 11U Allstars are the District 11 and section champs. They will be playing in the state championship this weekend in DeFuniak Springs. Yulee opened with a pair of wins over Baker County on June 23 and beat San Mateo for the district crown. Over the weekend, Yulee beat Port St. John 13-3 and blanked Palm Coast 15-0 to clinch the section title. Aleigha Murto, above left, faced just 10 batters Sunday, striking out seven en route to a no-hitter. Jena Edwards, sliding in at home, above right, was four-for-four at bat with a walk-off single for the sectional win. Yulee's bats were on fire.



The 11U Allstars collected the district, left top, and section, left, titles and play this weekend in the state championship. The team includes Carsen Chmiel, Ava Martyn, Kayla Johnson, Brooke Williams, Jena Edwards, Sydnei Harris, Aleigha Murto, Samantha Gibson, Serenity Sutton, Audriana Neil, Brooke Fallon and Chyann Horne. Manager is Bobby Sutton, and coaches are Glenn Gibbons, Caitlin Bachman, Paige Panke, Madison King, Kendall Panke, Alexis Boyd, Gabriel Prentice, Kylan Edwards, Leah Kasper, Karysn Ennis, Makayla Jacobs, Haliegh Ince and Emily Wood. Manager is Darius Prentice, and coaches are Russ Panke and Cliff Bachman.

SPORTS SHORTS

FBHS football camp

Fernandina Beach High School head football coach Jude Swearingen and his staff will conduct a youth camp from 5-7 p.m. July 23-25 at the Fernandina Beach Pop Warner fields at Buccaneer Sports Complex on Beech Street.

Cost is \$50. Registration is 30 minutes prior to the start of the camp.

Hunter safety

A hunter safety class will be held from 8 a.m. to noon July 14 in the community room at the Callahan Fire Station and from 1-4 p.m. at North Florida Firearms and Tactical Center in Hilliard. Students must complete the online course at www.MyFWC.com prior to taking the course.

Junior tennis tourney

The city of Fernandina Beach's summer 2018 junior tennis championships will be held July 20-21 for the 10U (orange ball) and 12U (green ball) divisions and July 27-28 for 12U-18U (yellow ball) divisions.

Entry fee is \$10 and includes a tournament souvenir. Deadline to enter is at 5 p.m. July 15. Email entries to michelemaha@msn.com.

Adult tai chi

Master Tom Gagne is offering adult tai chi classes at 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Email paksfernbch@yahoo.com or call 261-8660 for information.

FCA camp

Faith Christian Academy is offering a boys flag football camp and a girls volleyball camp July 23-27 for rising fifth through 12th graders at the FCA Upper School Campus located behind New Life Baptist Church, 464067 SR 200 (at Blackrock Road).

Athletes have the option of attending three-day (\$65), four-day (\$85) or five-day (\$100) camps. Camp will run from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., with extended care available until 4 p.m. for an additional fee (\$10/day, \$25/week).

A registration form must be completed for each participant. For information, contact Coach Glenn Parrish, athletic director for Faith Christian Academy, at 321-2137 or 412-1408.

Youth lacrosse

Amelia Island Nassau County Youth Lacrosse is a developmental youth lacrosse program for boys and girls ages 8-15. Registration will begin Oct. 1 for the 2019 spring season.

No prior experience or knowledge of the sport is necessary. The club is a non-profit member of U.S. Lacrosse and volunteer driven.

Visit www.ameliainlandlacrosse.org or the club Facebook site, www.facebook.com/groups/AINC>Youth Lacrosse for additional information and updates or contact Head Coach Carl J. Bazarian at carljbaz@gmail.com (703) 981-7703 or President Robby Allen at aincyouthlacrosse@gmail.com or (843) 263-0761.

Boules Club

The Amelia Island Boules Club holds petanque pickup games on the petanque courts at Central Park, corner of Atlantic Avenue and South 11th Street, Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. and most afternoons on weekdays.

Petanque (pay-tonk) is a cousin of both horseshoes and bocce, the Italian bowling game. The public is always welcome. Call 491-1190.

Fishing Rodeo

The 36th annual Fernandina Beach Fishing Rodeo, presented by the Nassau Sport Fishing Association, will be held Aug. 4 at the Fernandina Harbor Marina. It is sanctioned by the Southern Kingfish Association as part of their 2018 Tournament Trail national championship series. There is a kingfish division and an in/offshore division. Every entrant can fish one or both divisions.

The traditional silent auction and raffle will be going on full swing Friday and Saturday. For food, there will be barbecue along with the fully-equipped Scoops ice cream stand. The Budweiser Beer Wagon will be on hand along with other non alcoholic beverages to help handle the summer heat.

There will be live enter-

tainment on Friday and Saturday evening featuring Larry and the Backtracks on stage. There will be several boats of various sizes on display along with some brand-new trucks from local dealers.

The weigh-in is from 2-5 p.m. Saturday. Jacksonville captain Rick Ryals, Florida Sportsman TV and radio personality, will be the emcee.

Online tournament registrations are encouraged, but checks will also be accepted. Five days are needed to process a check if it is mailed in, so send them early to receive the early registration fee rate.

See all of the registration information and instructions at www.nsfafish.net. VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards are accepted.

Early entry deadline is July 20; fees are \$350 for the kingfish division and \$100 for the in/offshore division.

Cash prizes up to \$10,000, based on the number of boats registered, will be awarded in a special presentation that will begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. This year, tournament organizers added a second-place cash prize for each species in the in/offshore division part of the tournament.

For information, visit www.nsfafish.net or call the tournament committee at 277-8889.

Sailing club meets

The Amelia Island Sailing Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Kraft Athletic Club at Ten Acres, located off Buccaneer Trail.

Social hour starts at 6:30 p.m., followed by a potluck dinner, business meeting and guest speaker presentation. Guests are welcome.

The AISLSC is a great way to meet new friends who share a love of the water and boating. Current boat ownership or sailing skills are not prerequisites to joining. Club activities throughout the year may include day/overnight excursions by water and/or land, sailboat racing, social activities such as tubing, swimming with manatees, picnics and parties; as well as assisting with local conservation and environmental efforts in surrounding waters.

Contact Commodore Tom Maguire at (703) 298-1714.

NSFA meets

The Nassau Sport Fishing Association holds its monthly business meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. The monthly social get-together is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. The location for both meetings is Kraft Ten Acres, 961023 Buccaneer Trail, Fernandina Beach. All are welcome.

The Nassau Sport Fishing Association, founded in 1983, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization created to develop and promote saltwater fishing in the Nassau County area while adhering to state, federal and local regulations, to encourage compliance with rules of water safety by club members and the general public, and to promote youth-related community and other civic-minded activities.

Contact President Dennis Burke at (256) 453-4744 or email info@nsfafish.net.

Organized bike rides

The North Florida Bicycle Club offers several organized bicycle rides each week at various times and locations on Amelia Island and in Nassau County. Cyclists of all abilities are welcome.

Helmets and a bicycle in good working condition are required. Bicycle safety will be emphasized at the start of each ride. Cyclists typically split into groups, depending on pace and skill level, and there are options to cut the ride short. Anyone who joins the group will not be left behind. Lunch is optional.

Call 261-5160, or visit www.ameliainlandcycling.com, www.ameliainlandtrail.org or www.nfbc.us.

Walk with Me

The McArthur YMCA offers Walk with Me, a program designed for people to walk with other people. The trail will be Amelia Park. The goal is a 50-minute walk with five minutes of stretching before and after the walk.

The program is held at 8 a.m. Mondays. Meet at the McArthur YMCA, 1951 Citrona Drive. Walkers of all ages and levels are welcome.

Call 261-1080 for information.

SUMMER PLAY



SUBMITTED

Players of the Amelia Island Club at Long Point's summer golf team traveled Tuesday to the Jacksonville Golf & Country Club, where they participated in a very close match. Pictured are, from left, Maureen Nussman, Claudene Lindberg, Jeanne Tennyson, Marti Cain, Betteanne Valick and Melonie Murphy.

GOLF NEWS

ALS tournament

The 14th annual ALS Amelia Island Golf Classic, held in memory of John Louis O'Day, will be held Aug. 3 at The Amelia Island Club at Long Point. Tournament proceeds benefit the ALS Association Florida Chapter.

Entry fees are \$200 per player or \$800 for a foursome. The reception only is \$50

per person. Sponsorships are available. Registration and warm-up with lunch buffet are from 10:30 a.m. to noon, with a shotgun start at noon. Format is a four-person scramble. The dinner reception is from 5-8 p.m. and includes beer and wine, raffle prizes, awards, silent auction and live music.

Contests include hole-in-one, longest drive and closest-to-the-pin (men and

women) and putting on putting green. Awards go to the first- through fifth-place net teams and first- and second-place gross teams. All players receive a complimentary goody bag. Raffle tickets will be available for five for \$20 or an entire arm wing span for \$100.

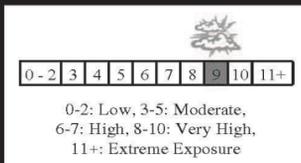
For information, contact Mark O'Day at 553-0576 or odaym25@aol.com or visit www.ALSGolfAmelia.com.

The News Leader Weather Summary

Fernandina Beach's Seven Day Forecast

Day	Forecast	Temp
Friday	Isolated T-storms	88 / 75
Saturday	Scattered T-storms	86 / 77
Sunday	Scattered T-storms	87 / 75
Monday	Scattered T-storms	85 / 76
Tuesday	Scattered T-storms	88 / 79
Wednesday	Mostly Sunny	93 / 84
Thursday	Mostly Cloudy	92 / 83

Local UV Index



Weather Trivia

In which direction do tornadoes usually move?

ANSWER: Southwest to Northeast.

Weather History

July 6, 1893 - A violent tornado killed 71 people on its 40-mile track across northwestern Iowa. Forty-nine people were killed near Pomeroy, where 80 percent of the buildings were destroyed and most leveled to the ground. Photos showed most of the town without a wall or tree standing.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Fri	6:35-8:35	6:58-8:58	Tue	10:01-12:01	10:31-12:31
Sat	7:22-9:22	7:46-9:46	Wed	--	11:02-1:02
Sun	8:11-10:11	8:37-10:37	Thu	11:34-1:34	12:05-2:05
Mon	9:04-11:04	9:32-11:32			

www.WhatsOurWeather.com

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	6:28 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	1:23 a.m.	1:53 p.m.
Sat	6:29 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	1:57 a.m.	2:52 p.m.
Sun	6:29 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	2:35 a.m.	3:54 p.m.
Mon	6:30 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	3:16 a.m.	4:58 p.m.
Tue	6:30 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	4:03 a.m.	6:04 p.m.
Wed	6:31 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	4:56 a.m.	7:11 p.m.
Thu	6:31 a.m.	8:30 p.m.	5:56 a.m.	8:14 p.m.

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Date	Degree Days	Date	Degree Days
6/27	90	73	89/74	0.00"	6/27	31	7/1	31
6/28	91	73	89/74	0.00"	6/28	32	7/2	31
6/29	85	71	90/74	0.00"	6/29	28	7/3	31
6/30	86	76	90/74	0.00"	6/30	31		
7/1	87	75	90/74	0.00"				
7/2	87	76	90/74	0.00"				
7/3	87	75	90/74	0.00"				

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

Tides This Week

Fernandina Beach				St. Mary's Entrance			
Date	High	Low	Date	High	Low	Date	High
Fri	2:53 am	9:06 am	3:28 pm	9:36 pm	Fri	2:17 am	9:03 am
Sat	3:46 am	9:58 am	4:24 pm	10:36 pm	Sat	3:10 am	9:55 am
Sun	4:43 am	10:51 am	5:23 pm	11:35 pm	Sun	4:07 am	10:48 am
Mon	5:44 am	11:46 am	6:23 pm	None	Mon	5:08 am	11:43 am
Tue	6:44 am	12:34 am	7:21 pm	12:41 pm	Tue	6:08 am	12:31 am
Wed	7:43 am	1:31 am	8:18 pm	1:37 pm	Wed	7:07 am	1:28 am
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StarWatch By Gary Becker - Satellite of Hard Knocks - The Moon

The moon's gossamer appearance bathed in ghostly earthshine when a razor crescent; Luna's changing phases that are easy to discern; its rapid movement from night to night as it approaches and sometimes occults bright stars and planets; its sun like illumination under the photographic lens; and its ability to hide in the shadows of the Earth or court the sun to the exhilaration of the visual senses during a lunar or a solar eclipse, make it a joy to observe. The airless, nearly waterless moon has been with us almost since Earth's formation. The early solar system was a rough and tumble place, laced with debris both large and small as the planets accreted. Some satellites undoubtedly formed in this leftover material orbiting around their parent planets. Others were captured, like the small moons of the outer giant planets and Mars, but our moon's origin was probably different. Most planetary astronomers believe that a Mars-sized object sideswiped Earth, drawing material from our primordial crust and spraying it into space. Some of this matter went into orbit around the Earth and rapidly coalesced to form the moon. Other debris continued to bombard Luna, creating a completely crater saturated surface which today is called the highlands. Watch the moon as it blossoms this week towards its full phase. Other locales of the moon's nearside are darker and more circular in nature, indicating another chaotic period of lunar history. Protoplanets thrown inward by the outer planets or perhaps a major breakup of the asteroid belt pummeled the moon's surface about 3.85 billion years ago, gouging from its surface huge basins that were eventually inundated with lava gushing from its depths. This basaltic rock had a slightly different composition, and therefore, a different reflectivity. Today, we observe the basins called maria as the darker lowlands of Luna's surface. They are dated to about 3-3.5 billion years of age. So, as you look at the moon this week, consider the fact that you are witnessing a chronological palette of events, billions of years in the making and right in front of your eyes. www.astronomy.org



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Couple's century plant flowering for first time in more than 30 years

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Marva and James Mitchell both grew up in Callahan and enjoyed living there. They have been married 56 years and moved into their home, also in Callahan, over 50 years ago. A cedar tree planted itself there, but they have planted everything else in their yard.



This Century plant, (*Agave americana* var. *marginata*), is monocarpic, meaning it will bloom once in its lifetime. The plant's name comes from the fact that it can take many years, though not 100, to flower. The century plant is a hardy survivor, tolerating heat, drought, and salty seaside conditions. It grows best in full sun but can adapt to shade. The upward-facing yellow flowers grow in clusters at the end of the horizontal branches near the top of the tall stalk. The plant dies after blooming. The Mitchells' Century plant has not bloomed in at least 30 years.



The Mitchell's century plant has many babies around the bottom, and there are also other smaller century plants on the couple's property.



The Mitchells also enjoy many other plants that they have planted in their yard, including a large Japanese plum, a grape vine, lemons, oranges, pears, pecan and more. Also growing are many vegetables such as squash, okra, peas, corn and greens such as mustards and collards. They also enjoy nine hens that lay eggs on a regular basis.



After more than 10 years, the plant produces a lofty flower spike that can reach a height of 20 feet or more, with terminal panicles of pale yellow to white blooms.

Spotlight on Nassau Gardens is a monthly recognition program of the UF/IFAS Nassau Extension Service and features gardens and plants grown by Nassau County residents. To be considered for recognition, send a digital photo with a description of your "spotlight" along with your name, address, and phone number to beawalker105@gmail.com. For more information, call the Extension office at 530-6353.

ON & OFF THE ISLAND

SOUNDS ON CENTRE

This month's Sounds on Centre concert will feature the Honey Badgers, who will hit the stage at 6 p.m. today in downtown Fernandina Beach. The group features Hupp Huppmann, Ray Hetchka, Mike Devereaux and Vic Deacon. Their tight harmonies punctuate an eclectic blend of classic and alternative rock, blues, folk, pop and R&B. The concert takes between Front and Second streets on Centre Street.



FORT MATANZAS

Step back into the mid-1700s and visit Fort Matanzas National Monument when it was occupied by soldiers going about their daily activities. Cannon firings are presented on every tour on the first Saturday of the month except for the 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. tours. Tours begin at half-past the hour throughout the day. The fort is located at 8635 A1A South in St. Augustine. Learn more at nps.gov/foma.

ACTORS' NIGHT OUT

Amelia Community Theatre will host its annual Actors' Night Out between 7 and 9 p.m. tonight in the Main Stage theater, located at 207 Cedar St. in Fernandina Beach. Adults who are 18 and over are invited to attend this informal event to learn about auditioning for the upcoming 12 shows at ACT during the 2018-19 season. Participants will have the opportunity to read a scene aloud for fun and meet directors and other volunteers. There is no charge to attend, and light refreshments will be served. For more information, call 261-6749.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Joy to the Children will host a Christmas in July party 4-7 p.m. Sunday at The Green Turtle Tavern, located at 14 S. Third St. in Fernandina Beach. Hupp and the Yacht Rockers will provide live music, and The Happy Tomato will serve food. Guests can participate in a 50/50 raffle with

a \$100 starting pot, games like Cornhole, life-size Jenga, and Hook on a String, and a silent auction. Each person who brings a new, unwrapped toy or twin sheet set will receive a free beer. Joy to the Children is a local nonprofit organization that has been providing new clothing, toys, bedding, backpacks filled with school supplies, new books, personal care bags and a hot meal to underprivileged children in Nassau County for 23 years.

BUILD A GAME

The Home Depot in Yulee holds free workshops for children the first Saturday of every month. In addition to building a project, participants receive a free apron, certificate of achievement and commemorative pin for each class they attend. This month, you and your 5- to 12-year-old child can build a fishing game while tackling educational and developmental skills. Once your fishing game is built, you and your child can decorate it with paint and stickers. All Kids Workshop attendees must be accompanied by a parent or adult at all times. No registration is required.



OUT AND ABOUT

THIS WEEKEND

Lifetime Fernandina Beach resident Ron Sapp will address the Clinch Historical Society with a presentation about "the different issues and people that have kept Fernandina such an interesting place in which to live since 1950" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 9, at the Amelia Island Museum of History, according to a news release. "(Sapp's) primary focus will include the resort/tourism era (1973 to present); the different city managers, city attorneys and commissioners. He knows politics from the inside as he was elected city commissioner for the first time in 1978 and served eight terms off and on (over) 24 years (including) six terms (years) as mayor. He regularly contributes to the Fernandina Beach News Leader," the release states. "Sapp has lived in Fernandina Beach since he was two years old. He went to all the schools here. He married Kasey, his wife of 50 years. Ron and Kasey have two children: Sherri, who lives in Fernandina Beach, and Lori, now living in Gainesville," the release continues. Sapp has also been a teacher at Fernandina Beach High School since 1988. After taking off two years for retirement, he's now teaches psychology and Honors U.S. History part-time. He's also a veteran, having served four years - 1966-70 - in the U.S. Air Force. The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. The museum is located at 233 S. Third St. in Fernandina Beach. For more information, contact clinchhistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

NEXT WEEK

The Newcomers Club of Amelia Island is hosting its monthly coffee at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 10. Women interested in joining the club who reside in Nassau County (no matter how long they have lived there) are welcome to attend. For further information contact Coffees@NewcomersAmelia.org.

Community Yoga + Wellness will hold back care healing yoga classes throughout July. The series of four classes scheduled for 5:15-6:15 p.m. July 12, 19 and 26 will cover recuperative poses for repairing injury, finding appropriate mobility or stability bringing blood flow for decreased inflammation, and tips for helping stay safe and injury-free at home. Participation requires a reservation which can be made at yoga-amelia.com/workshops. No previous yoga experience is needed.

The Friends of the Library Book Club will meet Thursday, July 12, at 7 p.m.

in the parlor at St. Peter's Episcopal Church to discuss *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks. The program is free and open to the public. Future meeting dates and books to be discussed are Aug. 9, *Sing, Unburied*, *Sing* by Jesmyn Ward; Sept. 13, *Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi; Oct. 11, *The God of Small Things* by Arundhati Roy; Nov. 8, *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande; Dec. 13, *Daisy Miller* by Henry James; Jan. 10, *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles; Feb. 14, *The Noise of Time* by Julian Barnes.

UPCOMING

The Amelia Island Genealogical Society will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 17, in the Community Room of the Fernandina Beach Branch Library, 25 N. Fourth St. in Fernandina Beach. Marie Santry will present "Who's Your Daddy: Even Original Records Can Lead You Astray." Genealogical case studies explore a research problem and how it has been solved. This program is a case study of a man who grew up with the surname Haskell. He had his father's birth record, Social Security application, and other documents identifying the Haskell surname. These records indicated the father was born in 1892 in Lapeer County, Mich., but searching census records did not find any such person in 1900 or 1910. He doesn't surface in census records until 1920. Thus began a mystery that has led to two other surnames, more birth records, marriage records, newspaper accounts, court papers, and finally DNA tests. Santry has been researching her family history for almost 30 years and has helped others in their search as well. As a member of the Amelia Island Genealogical Society, she designed an update of a genealogy course for beginners and has been a principle instructor in the course for 10 years.

Bob Colacello, close friend and colleague of Andy Warhol, will be speaking at the Cummer Museum on July 19. As the editor of Warhol's *Interview* magazine for nearly 10 years, Colacello helped to build the magazine into one of the most recognizable and respected lifestyle magazines in history. Colacello is also the author of *Holy Terror: Andy Warhol Close Up*, a memoir recounting his work with Warhol throughout the 1970s and early 1980s. The book offers a unique perspective on the creativity and eclectic style of Warhol and has cemented Colacello as an authority on the enigmatic artist. In addition to his work with Warhol, Colacello has worked as a special correspondent for *Vanity Fair* since 1984, writing numerous profiles on



SUBMITTED

Les DeMerle, world-renowned drummer and artistic director of the Amelia Island Jazz Festival, in conjunction with Arts Alive Nassau Inc., will present a camp designed to develop rhythm and enhance musical skills in drummers/percussionists and students of any musical instrument. Subjects will include the correct way to hold drumsticks, counting rhythms, creating a groove with a steady beat, learning drum rudiments, and exciting drums and rhythm jam sessions. The camp will take place at 10 a.m. to noon Monday through Wednesday, July 9-11 and 16-18, at New Vision Congregational Church, located at 96072 Chester Road in Yulee. The \$120 fee includes all six two-hour sessions. To register, call 310-9243 or email arts.alive.nassau@gmail.com.

influential cultural figures such as Prince Charles and Naomi Campbell. Colacello is also the renowned biographer of Ronald and Nancy Reagan, receiving high praise for *Ronnie and Nancy: Their Path to the White House, 1911-1980*. The lecture will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. Following the lecture, there will be a question and answer session with Colacello, followed by a book signing of *Holy Terror*. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the Cummer Shop. Registration is required, and costs \$30 for Museum members and \$40 for non-members. There will be light bites, beer, and wine included in the registration price and served before the lecture. For registration visit cummuseum.org/events/calendar or call 899-6023.

The newest exhibition at the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens - "Urban Spaces, Open Skies: 20th-Century American Landscape" - will be on view July 27 through Feb. 3, 2019. Drawn from the Cummer Museum's extensive collection of works on paper, this presentation will feature more than 30 prints celebrating modern cities and the timeless charms of the country. Visitors can admire how artists have aptly captured the changing landscape of burgeoning cities like Chicago and New York, with its iconic Brooklyn Bridge, busy streets, workers, and harbors. In contrast to such images, the stillness and serenity of the countryside - with its wide open spaces, fields, and lakes - offer a welcome respite from the often chaotic urban life.

Applications for the UF/IFAS Nassau Master Gardener program are due by 5 p.m. Friday, July 27. For an overview of the volunteer program, see the Extension website at blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/nassauco/files/2017/07/MG_overview2018-1.pdf. The application is available at blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/nassauco/files/2017/07/MG_application2018.pdf. Prior to submitting your application, please complete the pre-test and submit with your application. The pre-test is at blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/nassauco/files/2017/07/MG_test_2018.docx. The application and pre-test must be submitted to the Extension office in Callahan or Yulee, or emailed to Extension Director Rebecca Jordi at rjordi@ufl.edu. For questions, call the Extension office at 530-6353.

UF/IFAS Nassau Extension Director Rebecca Jordi will be conducting a

three-day seminar, "Crash Course on North Florida Gardening," on consecutive Thursdays - Aug. 30, Sept. 6 and 13 - from 8 a.m. until noon at the Yulee county building (next door to the Yulee Extension office). The program will cover topics on proper landscape practices and plants for the Northeast Florida area with different information being presented each day. Notebooks, refreshments and plenty of garden material will be given away to participants. Classes will contain information on Florida-friendly plants, annuals, perennials, attracting wildlife, trees, shrubs, lawngress, palms and citrus. Appropriate watering and fertilization methods will be discussed as well as proper pruning and plant selection. The cost is \$50 per person or \$75 per couple. Deadline for registration is Friday, Aug. 24, at 5 p.m. Registration must be completed online at <http://bit.ly/2Kmxipx>. For information, contact the Extension office at 530-6351 or rjordi@ufl.edu.

The Fernandina Beach High School Class of 1978 is planning its 40-year reunion. A meet and greet will be held at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, at Sandbar & Kitchen at Main Beach (no charge). Dinner and dancing will take place 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, at Walker's Landing (\$50 per person). For information, contact Johnny at 321-7875, Brenda at 753-0235 or Kim at 415-3243, or visit the FBHS Class of 1978 page on Facebook.

The West Nassau Historical Society will hold its fundraiser Hobos, Hot Rods, and Heroes Festival and Car Show on Saturday, Nov. 3. The nonprofit's second autumn celebration is an all-day event held in and around the historic 1881 Callahan Train Depot and adjoining 1856 Florida Railroad bed. The arts and crafts and food vendors will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The car show portion is a judged contest in several categories and is presented by Cochrane's Collision Center, Callahan Cruisers, and AB&B Auto Parts. It is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will be followed by an awards ceremony on the depot's main stage. The kids' play area will start at 10 a.m. with a bouncy house and youth-oriented games. Joel Pace Music students will hold a hands-on instruments session on the front platform of the 137-year old station. The Historical Society will honor veterans at 11 a.m. Local live entertainment will perform on the main depot stage from 9

a.m. to 4 p.m. with the final act following the car show awards ceremony. Tours of the history museum, 1881 depot, turpentine artifact exhibit, and 1940s-era cabooses will also be conducted. Inside the train depot museum the Historical Society will host a Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibit called "Crossroads: Change in Rural America." The six-week long exhibit is made possible by the Florida Humanities Council and will run through Dec. 8. The national display will be augmented with local quilters showing their works inside the depot annex along with the Historical Society's 8x8 history-themed model train layout. Sponsors and volunteers are needed to help make this fundraising event a success. For additional information on becoming a vendor, car show participant, volunteer, or sponsor to the 2018 Hobos, Hot Rods, and Heroes Festival and Car Show, visit www.wnhsfl.org or call festival co-chairs John Hendricks or Emily Baumgartner at 879-3406.

Fern and Dina's gallery is offering various classes in July in media including clay hand-building basics, acrylic painting, water-based painting, fluid acrylic pour, and intro to cold wax, as well as a kid's art camp. Call 261-5566 for more information or go to fernandinas.com.

ONGOING

Local artist Lisa Inglis will host painting parties during the summer at The Green Turtle Tavern and PJD's Beer & Wine Garden. Cost is \$20 per canvas with several designs from which to choose. You start whenever you show up and work at your own pace. All supplies are provided.

- The Green Turtle Tavern, 14 S. Third St., Tuesdays 5-7 p.m. on July 10 and 24, Aug. 7 and 21 and Sept. 4 and 18.
- PJD'S Beer & Wine Garden, 12 S. Second St., Thursdays 1-4:30 p.m. on July 12 and 26, Aug. 9 and 23 and Sept. 6 and 20.

Ballroom On Amelia offers Two for Tuesday group classes with Bachata at 7 p.m. followed by Merengue at 8 p.m. Tuesday classes are \$10 per person or both for \$15. A dance workshop is offered from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays for \$10 per person. Ballroom On Amelia is at 1897 Island Walkway at RAD Studios. Neither a partner nor a reservation is required. For information, call 624-0886 or visit ballroomonamelia.com or the Ballroom on Amelia Facebook page.

Learn tai chi at an evening class on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Interested in a gentle practice to connect mind and body? Tai Chi might be perfect for you. This ancient practice is taught by Davis Burbank at Community Yoga + Wellness, 210 Beech Street. Go to toyoga-amelia.com to check the class schedule. Six classes are \$60.

Resin epoxy, dirty pour art classes are being held 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays and 1-3 p.m. Mondays at Clay Times Art Center, located at 112 S. Third St. All materials are provided for you to create your own 12-by-12-inch piece of art, which can be picked up the next day when it has cured to a glass-like finish. Cost is \$45. To register, contact Julie Delfs at 518-322-7937.

Kings Bay RC Modelers, established in 1989, is located at the intersection of Clark's Bluff Road and Oakwell Road in Kingsland, Ga. We are a small club with excellent facilities, consisting of friendly people passionate about our hobby. We welcome pilots of all levels. To learn more please visit bit.ly/2xDcFBd.

The Amelia Knitting Club meets from 3 to 5 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the BuyGO store on South Eighth Street.

Bingo is played every Thursday at American Legion Post 54, 626 S. Third St. The public is invited to play. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., and early bird games begin at 6:05 p.m. Regular session, nine games for \$20, begins at 6:30 p.m. Cash prizes, and proceeds are donated to help veterans and the community. You must be 18 to be in the hall during play. Call 261-7900.

Lions Club bingo, every Thursday and Sunday, Yulee Lions Club Bingo Hall. Doors open at 4 p.m., warm-ups at 5:15 p.m. Early birds play at 5:45 p.m. with the regular program at 6:30 p.m. Participants must be 18 years old; minimum purchase \$15. Information, 708-2591.

ACBL Duplicate Bridge, Peck Center, 516 S. 10th St., Fernandina Beach. Amelia Island Duplicate Bridge Club hosts the only sanctioned ACBL duplicate bridge games on the island. Monday, 1 p.m.; Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.; Thursday, 1 p.m. For information, contact fredstokes50@gmail.com or (770) 616-7664.

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SUMMER DANCE SERIES



The Summer Dance Series with Crescendo Amelia will continue at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 13, at Kraft Athletic Club, located at 961023 Buccaneer Trail. BYOB responsibly. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 online at crescendoamelia.com or for \$25 at the door. The series will continue the second Friday in August.

SUBMITTED

'Curious Incident' offers a 'play within a play' at AMP

The winner of five Tony awards and seven Laurence Olivier awards – both including Best Play – plus numerous other accolades, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* will be on stage later this month at Amelia Musical Playhouse in Fernandina Beach.

The show is adapted from the multiple prize-winning best-selling novel of the same name and ran for 799 performances in London's West End before enjoying a hugely successful two-year run on Broadway.

Christopher Boone, the production's 15-year-old central character living in Swindon in the west of England, is what might be described today as "a high-functioning victim of autism or

Asperger's Syndrome," though the book's author, Mark Haddon, has said that he somewhat regrets this label, and the events of the story are recorded in his diary. At the suggestion of Christopher's teacher, the diary becomes the basis of a play, delivering to audiences a "play within a play" that moves between the present and Christopher's recollections as his teacher reads the diary.

In opening of the play, Christopher discovers the body of his neighbor's beloved dog and determines to discover what happened to the animal. During his investigations, a much more significant discovery prompts him to leave his comfort zone and travel alone to London on a new and more important mission. Despite

its somewhat macabre opening, the show has a happy-ish ending.

The cast of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* includes Joseph Woodlief, Hannah James, Gillian Johnson, Joseph Stearman, Susan Joline, Karen Harper King, Sam Forbes, Frank O'Donnell and David Watson. Geoffrey King directs.

The show can be seen at 7:30 p.m. July 13-14 and 20-21 and at 2:30 p.m. July 15. Tickets are priced at \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and available by going online to ameliamusicalplayhouse.com or calling 277-3455.

Some strong language in the first scene and scattered through the remainder of the play suggest a PG-13 rating for the show.



Hannah James, Joseph Woodlief, Joseph Stearman and Gillian Johnson will star this month an adaptation of the book *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* at Amelia Musical Playhouse.

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SCOTT MOORE AND KATHY BROOKS/SPECIAL

Wild Amelia will host the opening of a year-long exhibit of the winning photos of its 2018 Nature Photography Contest at 7-8:30 p.m. Friday, July 13, at the Fort Clinch Visitor Center. The public is invited to attend, and park entry fees will be waived for the event. Wild Amelia is an educational, all-volunteer nonprofit that offers year-round programs including monthly nature lectures known as Wild Nites, a Nature Photography Festival and photography contest, Junior Naturalist classes and activities, Adult Naturalist classes and activities, road and beach cleanups, and a three-day Nature Festival in May. For more information about Wild Amelia, visit wildamelia.org and Wild Amelia on Facebook.



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The Amelia River Ramblers will perform a bluegrass concert on the patio of the Visitor Center during the event, and Fort Clinch staff will offer a candlelight tour of the fort after the concert, weather permitting. Guests should bring chairs for concert seating, and those interested in the tour should register by calling 277-7274. The photo exhibit opening will be held rain or shine.

Natural pain relief can be as close as your garden

BY MELINDA MYERS
Special to the News-Leader

Busy schedules, over-indulging, and strenuous summer activities can lead to sore muscles, indigestion and headaches. When searching for pain relief, look no further than your own garden or your local farmers market. These five foods fresh from the garden – or pot – are packed with super pain-relieving and anti-inflammatory power.

Mint: Infuse mint into your tea or ice water to refresh and rejuvenate so you're ready for more summer fun. Mint also helps relieve headaches and general aches and pain. Grow this vigorous perennial herb in a container so it won't overtake your other plants. At the end of the season, root a few cuttings to start new plants to grow indoors.

Hot Peppers: Capsaicin, the spicy element in chili, jalapeno, habanero and cayenne peppers, is a great pain-fighting tool and is often used in topical creams to help treat backaches, arthritis and muscle pain. Hot peppers are ready to harvest when they are fully colored. Ask friends to share their harvest or purchase hot peppers at your local farmers market if your garden is lacking this plant. Be sure to purchase extra hot peppers to dry and enjoy year-round. Then add these and pain-relieving plants to your garden. Plant them after the soil and air warm, at the same time you plant sweet peppers and tomatoes.

Cherries: Manage muscle pain and inflammation with sour cherries. They are loaded with disease fighting chemicals and antioxidants. Plus, they help fight inflammation and relieve pain. Purchase plenty of cherries to juice, dry and preserve so you can enjoy their health benefits

all year long. And consider planting a sour cherry tree in your backyard. Montmorency is the most popular sour cherry tree, needing only 700 hours of air temperatures between 34 and 45 degrees to initiate flowering for fruit development. New hardier dwarf introductions from the University of Saskatchewan can be grown in colder regions including Zone 2.

Ginger: Grow ginger in a pot outdoors or sunny window alongside your other indoor plants. Ginger helps reduce inflammation and combat migraines, muscle pain, arthritis and post workout or post-gardening soreness. All this and it helps fight nausea so common during a summer filled with barbecues and celebrations. Although it's a tropical plant, you can find plants online. Or join other gardeners who have had success rooting the rhizomes purchased at the grocery store to start new plants.

Sage: Harvest a few sage leaves, add hot water and brew a bit of sore throat relief. Sage tea has long been used to soothe scratchy and irritated throats and showed positive results in a 2006 clinical trial. Grow this herb in the garden or container. It thrives in a sunny spot with well-drained soil. Harvest leaves as needed through the season. Regular harvesting encourages more growth for future harvests.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses How to Grow Anything DVD series* and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV and radio segments*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine. Myers's web site is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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RELIGION

Discovering source of American freedom, and remembering why it matters

We are a free people, blessed beyond measure to live in a nation that prizes liberty and justice for all, and fortunate that most of us have never known another way. As a result, we may have never wondered where the idea of human freedom was first conceived, and why it matters.

Those who have thought about such questions often look to Athens and Rome. To be sure, our founders learned much from both models, but neither inspired their notion of a free and independent people. That came from Moses and the Israelites and their exodus from Egypt. And specifically from Exodus 19, where this formerly enslaved people stand before God at Mt. Sinai.

Several scholars, including Daniel Elazar, Michael Walzer, and Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, argue that the book of Exodus "is the master story of Western freedom." In their view, the exodus was central to the American Revolution, because at the heart of it there was a template for society, human dignity, freedom, justice, and social change. According to Sacks, "Ancient Israel was where the idea of freedom was born." And the Sinai covenant, he says, put its stamp on American history through its contribution to the U.S. Constitution and the notion of constitutionalism.

In his forthcoming book *Last Chance for Liberty*, author Os Guinness explains that Israel's covenant at Sinai inspired America's founders for three reasons:

First, despite the fact that God was the sovereign king, the Israelites freely chose to enter into the covenant. Three times the Jewish people were given the choice - Moses essentially asking, are you in or out? Is this what you want? And each time they exclaimed with one voice, "All that the Lord has spoke we will do" (Exodus 19:8; 24:3, 7).

They ratified the covenant of their own free will and in that, says Sacks, "A far-reaching principle is articulated for the first time: [By God's design], there is no legitimate government without the consent of the governed, even if the governor is the creator of heaven and earth."

The people of Israel bound themselves to this covenant, freely and joyfully, because they were grateful to God for their liberation. What's more, they understood the wisdom of God's ways. Look at Deuteronomy 4:8, where Moses dramatically asks, "What great nation is there that has the statutes and judgments as righteous as this whole law that I am setting before you today?"

Second, says Guinness, the covenant was a morally binding pledge. It was a solemn promise to others,



PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

Richard Doster

and in that promise they not only expressed their free will; they also voluntarily shouldered vast responsibilities. When people form a covenant, Guinness says, they make a morally informed and binding pledge to one another. This means that in covenantal and constitutional societies, relationships and a shared sense of community matter more than political power. The nation can only thrive when people stay committed to the covenant.

Third, the Sinai covenant required a heart-felt sense of reciprocity. America's founders were impressed by the fact that it not only included a pledge to God, but to every other Jew. The Israelites willingly agreed to love their neighbors as themselves and to care for widows, orphans, and even strangers. One rabbi said that there was not one covenant but 600,000 covenants, with all the Israelite men making the same commitment. Another rabbi disagreed. There were actually 600,000 times 600,000 covenants, he said, because everyone made a covenant not just with God, but with their fellow Israelites.

But even the second rabbi wasn't quite right. By the terms of the Sinai covenant, the Jews were also responsible to the unborn and yet to be born. Look at Deuteronomy 5:3 where Moses explains, "The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. The Lord did not make this covenant with our fathers, but with us, with all those of us alive here today." The covenant was perpetual, each generation responsible to the one that would follow.

This is the story that inspired William Bradford to set sail on the Mayflower. It's the story that John Winthrop cited it in his famous sermon "A Model of Christian Charity." And it explains why Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson hoped to use the Exodus as the theme in the Great Seal of the United States.

The questions for us, in our generation, are: Do we feel responsible for our countrymen? Are we, in our individualistic society, willing to love our neighbors as ourselves? The outcome of the "American experiment" depends on our answer.

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Summer speakers at First Presbyterian

Each Sunday this summer, First Presbyterian is hosting a variety of presentations focused on cherishing God's creation here on our beautiful island. They are free to the public. Please come for coffee at 9:30 a.m. and stay for the presentation that begins at 9:50 a.m. and last approximately 50 minutes.

- July 8 - Eating Fresh, Farm to Table with Chef Bill Thompson, Amelia Culinary Academy
- July 15 - The Night Sky with Helmut Albrecht, ScienceFirst
- July 22 - Amelia's Historic Trees with Margaret Kirkland, Amelia Tree Conservancy
- July 29 - "Look & See" with Rev. Dr. Wain Wesberry, pastor, First Presbyterian, Fernandina
- Aug. 5 - Solar Energy with Pete Wilking, A1A Solar
- Aug. 12 - Bees and Beekeeping with Barb Kent, BuyGones

The church is located at 9 North Sixth St. in Fernandina Beach with special needs parking space available in the FPC lot on North Fifth Street. For more information, contact 261-3837 or churchoffice@1stpres-fb.com or visit first-presbyterian-church-32034.org.

Bahá'í of Nassau County

The regular multi-faith inspirational afternoon is on the second Sunday of each month. The next one will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 8, at Springer Controls, located at 96072 Chester Road in Yulee. This will be an open, discussion/conference-style meeting. Bring your own ideas, thoughts, writings, book, etc. All are welcome for a casual couple of hours, hospitality, friends and fellowship. The current Bahá'í month is Mercy.

The month of Words begins July 13. For more information, call 566-5437 or 432-8845.

Hope House worship

Join us at 12 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, to worship, study and fellowship with other believers. The Salvation Army Hope House is located at 410 S. Ninth St., Fernandina Beach.

Bottled water, bug spray, peanut butter and jelly needed

Three items in very high demand at the Salvation Army Hope House right now are bottled water, insect repellent and, of course, peanut butter and jelly. We also need the following to fill our emergency food bags: boxed meals, stuffing and instant potatoes, breakfast items like cereal, breakfast bars, oatmeal, and grits, canned meats like chicken, tuna, spam, or summer sausage, canned fruit, canned legume beans, soups and stews. Thank you for helping ease the burden for some of Nassau's most vulnerable! As always, any other non-perishables you find on sale or in the "two for one" bin are also appreciated. Donations can be brought to The Salvation Army Hope House, 410 S. Ninth St., Fernandina Beach.

Two contemporary services offered at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church is the only Lutheran church in Nassau County and offers two worship services on Sunday mornings. The 9 a.m. service is a traditional liturgical service, while the 10:45 a.m. service is a more casual

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School Supplies

The Salvation Army Hope House is already getting ready for school. If you or someone you know need help providing school supplies for your children, we are accepting applications now through July 6. If, on the other hand, you can help provide greatly needed supplies, we already have over 50 students signed up for our Smart Start Program. We need backpacks (especially for teenagers), lined and graph paper, notebooks, folders, binders, subject dividers, scissors, staplers, rulers, protractors, compasses, scientific calculators and more. Call 321-0435 or stop by 410 S. Ninth St. for a more detailed list or to drop off your supplies. Thank you for helping our students succeed!



service. If you are coming or going from the beach and have shorts, a T-shirt and flip-flops on, you are welcome. All children present are invited to join in the sending song by picking out a percussion instrument to add to the joy of our worship time together.

On the fifth Sunday of each month there is one combined service at 10 a.m., following by a fellowship meal and community service project. Children are welcome and encouraged to be present at either worship service; however, a nursery area is available for children five years old and younger.

Holy Communion is offered at all worship services, open to all baptized believers in Jesus Christ. Lutheranism is Bible-based and utilizes the "Common Lectionary" of scripture readings.

Prince of Peace is located on Amelia Island at 2600 Atlantic Ave., next to the Atlantic Recreational Center and across from the main entrance to Fort Clinch State Park. To learn more, visit poplweb.org.

College-age Bible study

Amelia Baptist Church hosts the Bible Study for College Age group at 7 p.m. each Sunday. For information and directions, call Adam Page at 261-9527.

Under the Silver Balloon

The Bahá'ís of Nassau County hold prayers and meditations for peace, amity, concord and harmony every Saturday morning from dawn to sunrise on the beach at Seaside Park (east end of Sadler Road). For more information, call 556-5437.

Franklinton meal and Bible study

Franklinton United Methodist Church will serve a meal at 4 p.m. and host a Bible study at 5 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month in its Gabriel Means Fellowship Hall. The dinners and Bible studies will be open to the public. The church is located at 1415 Lewis St. in Fernandina Beach. For more information, call 277-2726 or 261-5354 or email franklintonumc@att.net.

Submit event announcements/briefs to: *Calendar Listing c/o News-Leader, 511 Ash St., Fernandina Beach, FL 32034; editor2@fbnewsleader.com; or 261-3696.*

United Methodist Church

All children from pre-k through fifth grade are welcome to attend Yulee United Methodist Church's "Who.o.o.o is Jesus?" Vacation Bible School scheduled for 6-8 p.m. July 9-13. Bible lessons, music, crafts, food, drink and lots of fun will be included. Parents should call the church at 336-5381 for more information and to register. Yulee UMC is located at 86003 Christian Way in Yulee.

Grace Community Church

Grace Community Church in Yulee will be having a one-day VBS from 9

Summer Bible School Guide

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a.m. to noon Saturday, July 14. To register your child in kindergarten through fifth grade, call 491-0363 or email office@gracenessau.com with "VBS" in the subject line. Grace Community Church is located at 96038 Lofton Square Court.

Legacy Baptist Church

Family Fun Day and VBS at Legacy Baptist Church! Join Legacy Baptist Church between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, July 14, for its annual Family Fun Day with water slides, bouncy house, and refreshments for the whole family. Vacation bible school will follow Monday through Friday, July 16-20, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The theme for this year's VBS is "Game On!" A light meal will be served each night. You can register at the Family Fun Day or online at legacybaptistfb.com. The church is located at 941328 Old Nassauville Road.

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