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Brown to retire as city manager

City Manager Bob Brown has announced his retirement, effective Sept. 25, and the Perry City Council is in the early stages of considering how it will conduct the search for a new manager.

Brown notified council members individually last week of his decision, and a

formal announcement was expected at Tuesday night's regular council meeting.

"I looked at it, ran the numbers and realized I could afford to retire. Time is more important than money. I plan to take it easy, do some traveling and play with my grandkids," Brown said.

This coming December would have marked Brown's 13th anniversary in the position. Both he and Finance Director Penny Staffney began their careers with the city in 2005.

"When Penny and I both started, the budget was → Please see page 4



Relay For Life

Honorary Chair Dianne Stephens-Miller (top) joined Junior Chair Noah Amador in leading the Survivors' Lap at the 2018 Relay For Life held Friday at Rosehead Park. (Bottom photo) Amador gets a playful lift from his parents while completing the first lap. For more on the event, please see page A-10.

Only two local races, 13 proposed amendments on Nov. 6 ballot thus far

Although only two local races are currently set to be decided by Taylor County voters this year, the November election ballot is expected to be lengthy due to a total of 13 proposed constitutional amendments up for consideration.

Eight of the 13 amendments were approved by the Florida

Constitutional Revision Commission (CRC), which convenes every 20 years to consider changes to the state's highest set of laws. The other five were placed on the ballot either by the Florida Legislature or citizen campaigns (see related story).

"These eight, along with the five initiative proposals

which were approved through citizen initiatives and the legislature, will create quite a lengthy ballot for the general election," said Taylor County Supervisor of Elections Dana Southerland. "There is a strong possibility that voters will see a two-page

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Spradley is asked who should lead emergency management

As he took part in his first meeting as a sitting board member Tuesday, County Commissioner Steve Spradley was quickly put on the spot when asked for his recommendation on how the county should move forward with its Emergency Management Department.

Near the end of the

county's May 7 meeting, County Administrator Ted Lakey addressed the board concerning the vacant Emergency Management (EM) Director's position that Spradley stepped down from in order to accept the District 3 County Commission seat he was appointed to fill following

the death of Commissioner Frank Russell.

"We have three ways to proceed," Lakey told commissioners. "We can advertise for a replacement, as we have traditionally, and keep the status quo."

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For man who pled to kidnapping, assault

Re-sentencing hearing delayed for Ronald Spring

The re-sentencing hearing for Ronald Spring, who is serving a 35-year prison sentence for kidnapping and assault, has been continued.

Jury selection for the hearing, originally set for

Tuesday, April 24, was delayed the morning of the proceedings.

Presiding Circuit Judge Greg Parker recused himself from the case, citing the fact that he had represented the victim in

the case in federal court "years ago."

County Judge Bill Blue was appointed to the case, and a new hearing date has not been announced.

Also, no ruling has been issued on a motion

by Spring's attorney to withdraw his client's 1990 plea to the charges.

Spring was 17 years old when he was arrested and charged with breaking into a woman's home,

kidnapping

her at knife-point, assaulting and abandoning her in the woods before returning to her residence and attempting to set it on fire.

Faced with nine felony charges at the time,

Spring took a plea deal and received a combined 70-year prison sentence.

However, subsequent rulings by the courts reduced his incarceration to 35 years, and his current release date is Dec. 28, 2025.

Bridge lighting ceremony set Thursday



Residents are invited to a lighting ceremony Thursday at the Capt. Chad Allen Reed Sr. Memorial Bridge in Steinhatchee, starting at 8:30 p.m. (Photo by Valena Driggers of Air & Opportunity)

The Steinhatchee Community Projects Board will hold a "bridge lighting ceremony" on Thursday, May 10 to commemorate the recently-completed installation of bridge lights on the Steinhatchee Bridge.

According to Liana Chapman, vice-chairman of the Steinhatchee Community Projects Board, the ceremony will begin at 8:30 p.m. at the Steinhatchee Pier next to the Capt. Chad Allen Reed, Sr. Memorial Bridge in Steinhatchee with members of Reed's family in attendance.

A native of Steinhatchee, Reed, 33, was a captain with the Dixie County Sheriff's Department who died in the line of duty on Jan. 14, 2010 while protecting the lives of the people around him.

Reed was shot and killed in a shootout with a man

wanted for murdering two elderly women and shooting two other women in Hernando County.

The vehicle was spotted in Dixie County and deputies began to follow it with the intention of stopping it in a rural area once it passed through town.

However, the driver of the vehicle pulled into a gas station and opened fire on deputies. Reed and the suspect were both wounded. Both men were transported to Shands Hospital, where Reed succumbed to his wounds.

On Feb. 10, 2011, the subject pled guilty of murder in the first degree in connection with Reed's death and was sentenced to life in prison. In January 2012 the man was also

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HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK 2018

May 6-12, 2018 is Hurricane Preparedness Week, and Taylor County Emergency Management Coordinator Kristy Anderson reminds local residents it is never too soon to prepare an evacuation plan.

If you need a reminder of how important it can be, just think back a few months to September when our roadways were clogged with South Florida residents

fleeing Hurricane Irma – which made finding gasoline nearly impossible – and the majority of the households were without power for days.

Anderson kicks off Hurricane Preparedness Week this year by urging locals to make sure you have a hurricane evacuation plan.

“As always, if you have any questions

about your evacuation plan or hurricane preparedness, feel free to call me at the office,” Anderson said.

Anderson can be reached by calling (850) 838-3575 or emailing: Kristy.anderson@

taylorcountygov.com .

You can visit www.taylorcountymem.com to learn more about the Taylor County Emergency Management office and Hurricane Preparedness Week.

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR STAYING AT HOME DURING A HURRICANE

- Develop a family disaster plan
- Stay alert to storm advisories (know the difference between watch and warning)
- Purchase a NOAA weather radio
- Keep a disaster supply kit ready
- Have enough food and water for at least three days
- Protect valuable documents
- Make your home more disaster resistant
- Prepare to board up windows and glass doors, anchor loose yard objects or bring them inside.
- Get cash (following a hurricane, banks and ATMs may be temporarily closed)

- Fill your car with gasoline
- Have a pet plan (Before a storm threatens, contact your veterinarian for information on preparing your pets for an emergency.)
- Do not use candles or open flames as a light source
- Work with your neighbors
- Check on elderly or those with special needs
- As the storm hits, gather your family in a safe room (an interior room with no windows)
- Following the storm, watch out for downed power lines
- Listen to your local officials

WATCHES AND WARNINGS: KNOW THE DIFFERENCE

When a **Hurricane Watch** is issued for your part of the coast, it means that hurricane conditions are possible within the watch area. The hurricane watch is issued 48 hours in advance of the anticipated onset of

tropical-storm-force winds. This should trigger your family’s disaster plan, and proactive measures should be initiated especially those actions that require extra time.

When a **Hurricane**

Warning is issued for your part of the coast, it means that hurricane conditions are expected within the warning area. The hurricane warning is issued 36 hours in advance of the anticipated onset of tropical storm-force winds. Once this warning has been issued, your family should be in the process of completing proactive actions and deciding the safest location to be during the storm.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Taylor County Emergency Management
(850) 838-3575
<http://www.taylorcountymem.com>

American Red Cross
<http://www.redcross.org>

Florida Alliance for Safe Homes
1.877.221.7233 (Toll Free)
<http://www.flash.org>

Florida Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industry
Tips for preparing your animals for an emergency:
www.doacs.state.fl.us/ai/adc/adc_emerg_manag_links.shtml

Letters to the Editor

Pastor thanked for helping Omega Phi

Dear Editor:
The members of Mu Omega Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi wish to thank Pastor James Taylor of First United Methodist Church of Perry for being so kind and accommodating as we prepared to honor this year’s “Lady of the Year.”

to serve their members -- they look for ways to reach out and serve others.

This year’s “Lady of the Year” Kristy Bethea Anderson, had just completed a morning service at First Methodist through the food pantry before the spotlight was turned on her.

Members of her church, along with family and friends, were there to celebrate this recognition of her volunteer work.

We are grateful for all the churches in this community, but especially First United Methodist, which made April 21 a memorable day for Kristy and for us all.

Sincerely,
Cheryl H. Gregory
President of Mu Omega chapter of Beta Sigma Phi

DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST

- Water - at least 1 gallon daily per person for 3 to 7 days
- Food - at least enough for 3 to 7 days (non-perishable packaged or canned food/ juices; foods for infants or the elderly; snack foods; non-electric can opener; cooking tools/fuel; and paper plates/plastic utensils)
- Blankets/pillows, etc.
- Clothing - seasonal/rain gear/sturdy shoes
- First aid kit/medicines/prescription drugs
- Special items - for babies and the elderly
- Toiletries - hygiene items
- Moisture wipes
- Flashlight / batteries
- Radio - battery operated and NOAA

- weather radio
- Cash - banks and ATMs may not be open or available for extended periods.
- Keys
- Toys, books and games
- Important documents - in a waterproof container (insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, Social Security card, etc.; document all valuables with videotape if possible)
- Tools - keep a set with you during the storm
- Vehicle fuel tanks filled
- Pet care items (proper identification/ immunization records; ample supply of food and water; a carrier or cage; medications; and muzzle and leash)

FAMILY PREPAREDNESS TIPS FOR EVACUATING DURING A HURRICANE

- Stay alert to storm advisories (know the difference between watch and warning; see left article)
- Enact your family disaster plan
- Map out your route (Use travel routes specified by local authorities. Do not get on the road without a place to go.)
- Fill your car with gasoline
- Evacuate if told to do so (Do not get stranded, evacuate early.)
- Enact your pet plan (Before a storm threatens, contact your veterinarian or local humane society for information on preparing your pets for an emergency.)
- Bring your disaster supply kit, including important documents.
- Secure your home before leaving

- Board up windows and glass doors, anchor loose yard objects or bring them inside and lock your doors
- Get cash (following a hurricane banks and ATMs may be temporarily closed)
- Notify family and friends of your plans
- When evacuating: If possible, evacuate to the home of either friends or family in a non-vulnerable area within your county. Next try a motel or hotel and as a last resort go to a shelter. Remember, shelters are not designed for comfort and do not usually accept pets. People who require special assistance in evacuating should register with their local emergency management office.)



Mid-Month Muddle

Susan Lincoln

Monday, oh Monday

It was an ordinary Monday, and I found myself in the grocery store line, watching as frozen pizzas and fruit - belonging to other customers - proceeded over the scanner.

I was third in line, and not at all happy to be accomplishing this chore, which comes around about as regularly as laundry and bills, hauling off garbage and dog baths.

While I waited my turn, I looked at the assortment of mints, playing cards and batteries which are placed prominently to relieve shoppers' boredom.

They didn't call my name. I thought of my friends - some on the golf course, others vacationing in Belize, still others visiting Disney World.

I could have changed places with any one of them. Although I boldly overhear conversations and never deny it, I really wasn't trying to intrude on this particular one...because I wasn't interested. I was wallowing in boredom, so I neither longed for entertainment, nor expected it.

Even so, I heard the customer at the front of the line say to the man in a motorized scooter, who was positioned between us, "Did you serve in World War II, sir?"

I alerted to the younger man's interest because I thought it was respectful of him to use the title "sir" (in this day when some liberal voices believe everybody is supposed to be on the same level and positions of honor should not be used to delineate one from the other - not sir, not ma'am, not officer, doctor or teacher).

The man in the scooter answered, but I couldn't hear his words, even though I tried desperately. I believe his answer included the locations and times of his service.

It wasn't a long conversation by any means, and I wasn't sure what prompted it, but perhaps the veteran was wearing a hat with his regiment's number, or a pin which announced his patriotism - something that made the first customer stop and take notice.

Bless those people who stop and take notice - those who don't just stand in line looking at dental floss and hand sanitizer.

Remember, it was an ordinary Monday, when we don't expect anything much to happen in

the line in the grocery store.

But that was about to change for me.

The veteran had only a few groceries - maybe a loaf of bread, some sandwich meat and a quart of milk. After sharing a brief conversation, the first customer said to the veteran, "Can I buy your groceries today, sir?"

A hush fell over the grocery line.

If this had been a movie, the American flag would have unfurled from the rafters and "God Bless America" would have resonated from the store's sound system.

The generous offer made me turn my head abruptly in abject amazement.

Quietly, the veteran nodded, but said it wasn't necessary.

"It would be my honor," the man said.

The cashier then rang up the veteran's small tab and placed the groceries in the wire basket attached to his scooter. He exited the line, on his four little wheels, and tipped his hat to customer number one.

The rest of us just stood there and should have had our hands over our hearts, saluting the flag that should have unfurled.

"You bought his groceries?" I asked, already knowing the answer, but wanting to comment.

"Yeah," he said with absolutely no bravado, seeking no praise. "He's done more for this country than I'll ever be able to do. It wasn't much, but it was the least I could do."

As he searched for the money to pay two grocery tabs, I said to him, "God bless you."

It wasn't much, but it was the least I could do. "Thank you," he said, walking away with his groceries for the week.

The cashier then said to me, "Well, that doesn't happen often."

I was sure it didn't - not often enough - but "Wasn't that nice?" I said rhetorically and a few others behind me smiled and nodded in agreement.

What I have got to remember is that Mondays are really no different than the other six days in the week, if you will only live them looking for the extraordinary among the ordinary.

It's right there, you see...next to the nail clippers, the breath mints and the travel toothbrushes.

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Commission considering turning over emergency management to the sheriff

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Sheriff's Office (TCSO) has expressed an interest in assuming Emergency Management duties," Lakey added, "And, in the past, we have had the county fire rescue chief assume a dual role as part of his public safety duties."

"I would like to hear from Commissioner Spradley," Chairwoman Pam Feagle said. "You did a really good job as Emergency Management Director, and I would like to hear your recommendation."

"We built the EM Department up to the point where it is an attractive addition for the sheriff's office or fire rescue department," Spradley said.

"But, there are several things to consider, including the fact that Florida Statutes require you to have an EM Director, so the Sheriff would have to pull double duty to oversee emergency management in addition to running his daily operations," Spradley said.

Spradley stated the additional EM equipment would certainly help augment the sheriff's search and rescue capabilities, adding that the EM office located adjacent to the County Jail "are almost a sheriff's office substation now."

"My concern would be how to handle the different duties during an actual disaster," Spradley said. "The county commission is ultimately responsible during a disaster and we are the only ones who can declare a state of emergency or order an evacuation. The county is responsible for operations during an emergency, for damage assessments, etc."

"A new thing coming down from the state now is that counties will soon be responsible for shelters and their costs - where the school system took responsibility before - so we will now have to staff

and supply the shelters and then seek reimbursement," Spradley said.

"I know there are a lot of smaller counties that have their sheriff run emergency management, and it seems to run well. You could continue to run it as it is now, and that could allow (Emergency Management Coordinator) Kristy (Anderson) an opportunity to advance, or you could hire someone else," Spradley said.

"I am torn. I would hate for the county to lose day-to-day control over Emergency Management, but our relationship with the Sheriff is good, so that would allow for a good working relationship moving forward," Spradley stated.

"I guess what I am saying is that I am not ready to make a recommendation today," Spradley concluded.

When questioned by Feagle, Spradley said if the county were to allow Sheriff Wayne Padgett to incorporate the EM Department under the TCSO umbrella, it would require a change in emergency management and disaster plans, which spell out what duties each county department would be responsible for.

"Ultimately, when you declare a state of emergency, it would still fall under the county commission, but you would just go through your sheriff instead of an EM Director," Spradley said. "It would include changing some paperwork." Commissioner Malcom Page suggested the board schedule a workshop to further discuss the subject and give board members a chance to hear from Sheriff Padgett.

"If we have another hurricane and we have to fund the clean-up out of county funds, I worry that if we don't dot every 'i' and cross every 't' we may not get reimbursed from the state or federal government," Page said.

"I am not sure the sheriff has the reserves in his

budget or the resources to do this," Page added.

"It sounds like more data and input is needed," Feagle said.

"I think it is working just fine right now," Commissioner Jim Moody said.

"Kristy is very knowledgeable and capable," Lakey said.

"She has been doing most of the paperwork already," Spradley interjected.

"I don't know what is the best way to go. We need to know more," Feagle said.

"I agree. We don't need to make a decision tonight,

but there are advantages to both options. I am not ready to make a decision tonight," Spradley stated.

"I like the comparison and contrast method. I would like to see the pros and cons listed out on paper - the advantages and disadvantages of both - that is very helpful to me," Feagle said.

The county briefly considered making the topic the subject of a scheduled workshop meeting for this Thursday evening, but Lakey suggested the board push back its workshop meeting because it held

an economic development "roundtable" with state agencies last Thursday.

Spradley was congratulated and welcomed by his fellow board members at the beginning of the meeting and thanked the board at the end of the meeting.

"I truly appreciate the opportunity to serve. I have long admired how county commissioners make the difficult decisions at these meetings, and I hope and pray that I am up to the challenge," Spradley stated.

"I pledge to work hard and do all I can do to make

intelligent and informed decisions, while not being combative when we disagree. I look forward to working with each of you on this board as we do what is best for the citizens," Spradley said.

During the May 7 meeting, Feagle also appointed Spradley to assume Russell's role as the county's representative and liaison with the Big Bend Water & Sewer District, Tourism Development Council, Three Rivers Library System and Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory Council.

Funding for bridge project provided by the Jackson family

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convicted of two additional murders and subsequently sentenced to death.

Reed attended Steinhatchee School and graduated from Taylor County High School in 1995. He began responding to emergencies with his father, volunteer firefighter Broward Reed, at the age of five and successfully completed the 48-hour first responder course by age 12.

Reed earned his EMT certification during his senior year of high school and began working with Dixie County EMS upon graduation. In 2000, Chad became director of Dixie County EMS and served in that position until January 2007, when he began service with the Dixie County Sheriff's office.

The Steinhatchee Bridge lighting project was made possible thanks to the generosity of the Frank Jackson family through donations made to the county and Steinhatchee Community Projects Board.

The Jackson family donated all of the funding required to light up the two-lane stretch of 10th Street that makes up the Steinhatchee Bridge and connects Taylor County and Dixie County.

The county awarded a \$195,000 contract to Shine and Company, Inc. of High Springs, Florida in November 2017 to install 11

street lights and associated conduit, cable and controls on the bridge spanning the Steinhatchee River and connecting the communities of Jena and Steinhatchee.

All funding for the project, including the cost of design and engineering, was provided by the Jackson family.

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Constitutional amendment ballot proposals include new \$25,000 homestead exemption

Of the 13 proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution to come before voters this November, three were placed on the ballot by the Florida Legislature, while two others were supported by citizen campaigns.

The remaining eight were proposed by the Florida Constitutional Revision Commission (see related story on front).

Amendment 1, approved by the Florida Legislature, would create an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption for local property taxes, excluding those levied by school districts.

Currently, the assessed value from \$0 to \$25,000 and from \$50,000 to \$75,000 are exempt on homesteaded properties, although the second tier exemption does not apply to taxes levied by school districts.

If voters approve Amendment 1, a new third tier of homestead exemptions would be created for the assessed value between \$100,000 and \$125,000.

Although this would

significantly impact property tax revenues for most Florida counties, it appears Taylor County would be spared. In the 2017 bill that was approved to place Amendment 1 on the 2018 ballot, language was included that requires the legislature to appropriate money to make up the lost revenue for those counties considered "fiscally constrained" -- which includes Taylor.

Amendment 2, also placed on the ballot by the Florida Legislature, asks voters to consider making permanent provisions currently in effect that limit property tax assessment increases on non-homesteaded property to 10 percent each year (excluding school district taxes). The provision is currently scheduled for repeal in 2019.

Amendment 3, placed on the ballot by "Voters in Charge," would require that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters.

The citizens' group collected more than 843,000 signatures

to secure the measure a place on the ballot. According to the Florida Division of Elections, 184 were collected in Taylor County.

Amendment 4, placed on the ballot by "Floridians for a Fair Democracy, Inc.," would restore the voting rights of Floridians with

felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence, including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor

and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.

The citizens' group collected 842,000 signatures, including 216 in Florida.

Amendment 5, placed on the ballot by the legislature, would prohibit the legislature

from imposing, authorizing, or raising a state tax or fee except through legislation approved by a two-thirds vote (supermajority) of each house of the legislature in a bill containing no other subject.

The 2018 general election is slated for Nov. 6.



Economic roundtable

County Administrator Ted Lakey and commissioners have high hopes that an economic development roundtable held here last Thursday will produce economic development and other assistance for Taylor County. Lakey said it was a "really good workshop" that "went very well," while County Commission Chair Pam Feagle said she was "very pleased" and that state officials "seemed very willing to help us." "However, we need another meeting in three months to see if they do what they say they will do," Feagle said. "It is so easy to have a meeting and say all of these nice things, but sometimes nothing gets done. I was very pleased that we have already received an email from the state about possibly helping us with the Hampton Springs site. Maybe next meeting other local entities can join us," Feagle added.

Proposals bundled together

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ballot again this year."

After beginning with 109 proposals, the CRC narrowed the field to 25, sending them

to the commission's Styling & Drafting Committee to craft the language the full commission would later consider.

Last month, the CRC approved eight ballot measures. But, because multiple proposals were bundled together within six of those eight, Florida voters will actually be asked to decide on 20 of the 25 original proposals. While some proposals are combined with similar ones -- or at least within the same subject matter, such as education -- others link seemingly unrelated issues, such as one which asks voters to approve bans on both offshore oil drilling and "vaping" in the workplace.

While the act of bundling amendments is allowed -- and has been used before -- it has drawn criticism from some around the state, including several editorials speaking out against it. (In 1998, the commission proposed nine amendments and Florida voters passed eight of them.)

In response, Brecht Heuchan, chairman of the CRC's Style & Drafting

Committee, defended the practice.

"According to election officials, long ballots create a disincentive to voting in the first place," Heuchan said.

"Grouping some ideas together keeps the ballot from becoming too lengthy to complete. If all of the CRC proposals were left as single amendments, there would be 25 questions on the ballot instead of 13; and in some areas of our state, each of those measures would be translated into multiple languages.

"Further, not grouping ideas would have abandoned every precedent we have. Both previous Constitution Revision Commissions, in 1978 and in 1998, grouped ideas and did so with more regularity than we did. Indeed, in 1968 the voters of Florida ratified an entirely new constitution which was 'bundled,' aka grouped into three, yes only three, ballot amendments. Grouping is not new and not controversial," Heuchan added.

The eight proposed amendments and their titles are:

- P 6001: Rights of Crime Victims; Judges.

- P 6002: First Responder and Military Member Survivor Benefits; Public Colleges and Universities.

- P 6003: School Board Term Limits and Duties; Public Schools.

- P 6004: Prohibits Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling; Prohibits Vaping in Enclosed Indoor Workplaces.

- P 6005: State and Local Government Structure and Operation.

- P 6006: Property Rights; Removal of Obsolete Provision; Criminal Statutes.

- P 6007: Lobbying and Abuse of Office by Public Officers.

- P 6012: Ends Dog Racing.

Four of the amendments each contain three of the original proposals (6001, 6002, 6003 and 6006), while one contains two (6004) and one contains four (6005). The last two amendments (6007 and 6012) are not bundled.

The full text of each of the proposed amendments is available online at: flcra.gov.



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around \$12 million. Today, it's about \$10 million and, at its lowest point, we had it down to \$8-8.5 million. Over time, inflation and other things caused it to creep back up. Last year, we looked at the budget and figured that, if it had increased just by inflation, it would be up to about \$18 million," Brown said.

He attributes the budget decrease to "managing it smarter."

"We have an excellent group of employees and good managers who help keep us running efficiently. We have about a third less employees now than we did when I started, and that's because whenever a job came open, we would look at it and see if we could do it another way, more efficiently -- like, in some cases, where it meant investing in technology. "Also, our joint ventures

with the county for building inspections and animal control, as well as swapping roles regarding recreation (with the county taking the lead) have also contributed to the reduction in staff.

"By helping us run things more efficiently, the employees have helped fund their own increases over the years. Our employees have gotten pay increases every year -- even during the years when most government employees didn't receive any increases. We have a great, stable workforce," Brown said.

The city has also reached several milestones during Brown's tenure, including a renewed focus on economic development, both for the historic downtown district and city-wide.

"We have worked well with the Taylor County Development Authority (TCDA) and have several projects in the works. Most recently, we saw the opening of Taco Bell and Popeye's.

Going way back, you'll remember that Walgreens and the auto parts store both located here during the teeth of the recession.

"I think we have a good working relationship with the county, which is not often the case in some communities. That good relationship helps a lot when it comes to economic development. Companies like stability. They don't like to come into a community where you have government boards fighting among themselves," Brown said.

He also noted that the city has "kept its tax rates and utility rates lower than most of our neighbors."

Brown said he will also be leaving "feeling good that all of the big, major infrastructure projects -- the kind done only once in a lifetime -- are in the pipeline," referring to a new wastewater treatment plant under construction, and city well and water projects in the works.



And it all falls down

A demolition project on North Jefferson Street came to an abrupt halt Friday afternoon when the front of the building being torn down fell into the middle of the busy thoroughfare. One eyewitness reported that the brick wall nearly hit a truck driving past. "The brick hit the man's tires. He stopped, got out and looked, and then drove away," the witness said. Law enforcement officers blocked traffic while crews cleared the road. The falling wall destroyed a city street light. The building housed everything from a car dealership to an employment office during its 108-year history and was owned by Ken Smith. The 6,800-square-foot brick building was constructed in 1910.



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Tickets for the upcoming Taylor County Historical Society Banquet are available at three downtown locations: the Historical Society museum located on Main Street (open Monday, May 14, at 6 p.m., at the Taylor County Historical Society (located on East Main Street). All individuals interested in the park are encouraged to attend.

New Hampton Springs council meets Monday

The first meeting of the Hampton Springs Park Advisory Council will be held Monday, May 14, at 6 p.m., at the Taylor County Historical Society (located on East Main Street). All individuals interested in the park are encouraged to attend.

Thursday afternoons, 1-5 p.m.); the offices of Perry Newspapers, Inc., on South Jefferson Street, and at Rain's Forest Flower Shop on East Green Street. The banquet will be held at the Perry Elks Lodge, starting with a social at 6:30 p.m. followed by a buffet dinner at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. The event, planned Saturday, May 19, is open to the public.

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Tom Breau (photo, top left) and his wife, Lee, (above) display some of the items that will be available at Saturday's Spring Festival.

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

TCMS Band hosts movie-themed concert this Thursday

The Taylor County Middle School (TCMS) Band Concert will be held this Thursday, May 10, at 7 p.m., in the school auditorium.

The concert will be movie-themed with songs from "Star Wars," "Pirates of the Caribbean," "Jurassic Park" and more. Admission is free.

Doors open at 9 a.m. No early birds!

The annual Taylor County Master Gardener Plant Sale and Spring Festival will be held at Forest Capital Park this Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Rain barrels will be for sale, and there will be a garden "yard sale" table set up with a variety of items to choose from.

Raffle Chairman Karen Falicon said she has a number of prizes to raffle off

throughout the event. Helping Hands of the Shelter will be selling hot dogs, chips and drinks, with all proceeds supporting their organization.

Local garden vendors will be set up outside in the park area, and the Master Gardeners will be set up inside Forest Capital Hall with plants for sale. The doors open at 9 a.m. (no early sales).



TCHS Prom King, Queen

Hollywood came to Taylor County on April 28. The red carpet was rolled out at Taylor County High School as students donned their finest duds to attend the 2018 senior prom, themed "The Golden Age of Hollywood." Figurative trumpets were sounded as the Prom King and Queen were announced at the event. TCHS senior Justin Holden (right), the son of Frankie and Dawn Holden, was named Prom King. TCHS senior Victoria Morgan, (left), the daughter of Phillip and Kathy Morgan, was named Prom Queen.

Reunion

Morgan, Wilson & Walters family reunion is Saturday

The annual Morgan, Wilson & Walters Reunion will be held Saturday, May 12, at Forest Capital Park starting at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited to bring a picnic lunch to share, a beverage and an item for the auction.

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4 summer classes offered

The Taylor County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) has announced it will hold four summer classes for its Teen Driver Challenge.

Classes are planned June 19, June 25, July 10 and July 24.

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the experience they need to drive safely under the supervision and training of TCSO staff," Sheriff Wayne Padgett said.

Applications are available online at www.taylorsheriff.org. Completed forms must be returned to the sheriff's administrative office

located at the Taylor County Courthouse.

The 26th annual Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger® Food Drive is on Saturday, May 12

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National Day of Prayer

Taylor County residents observed the National Day of Prayer Thursday by gathering at the Taylor County Courthouse for a noon prayer service. Seven different churches were represented at the podium with guest speakers that included: Oscar M. Howard II, Perry Church of Christ, who asked God's blessing for the nation; Judge David Fina, First Covenant Presbyterian Church of Live Oak, who prayed for the judiciary; Dr. Lawrence Hughes, Little Bethel AME Church, who prayed for the community; Randy Maubach, Salem Baptist and Crosspoint Baptist Church, who led a prayer for members of the armed forces; Perry Police Department Det. Ray Kellerman, Calvary Baptist Church, prayed for local law enforcement and first responders; Mark Wentworth, Spring Warrior Church of Christ, who led prayer for the economy and local businesses; Superintendent of Schools Danny Glover Jr., Cornerstone Baptist Church, who prayed for God's blessing over the schools; and Gary Knowles, First Baptist Church, who prayed for families and also blessed the meal that followed the service. County Judge Bill Blue introduced the guest speakers and shared scriptures related to each topic addressed by the corresponding prayer. Above: (top photo) Supporters filled the back parking lot of the courthouse; (photo, left) the Rev. and Mrs. Glenn (Ella Mae) Baker; (photo, middle) Dr. Lawrence Hughes; and (photo, right) Judge Blue (left) and former Superintendent of Schools Oscar Howard II.

Mother's Day

Stewart Memorial to host banquet Saturday, May 12

The Stewart Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church will hold a Mother's Day Banquet this Saturday, May 12, at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The banquet will be hosted by the Women's Missionary Society (WMS). Tickets can be purchased from any member of the WMS and will cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (10 and under).

Obituaries



Franklin Paul Botello

Franklin Paul Botello, 79, died May 2, 2018, in Kingman, Ariz.

Frank raced stock cars in the late 1950s and all of the 1960s at Saugus Speedway in California. He worked at Lockheed Airport until he went on to run his own survey business.

Frank was in the American Civil War Society, where he participated in reenactments for 13 years, fighting for the South. He once attended an American Civil War Society meeting in Perry in 2011 and really enjoyed it, saying the fellow Perry American Civil War Society members were "a really nice bunch of guys!" He appeared in the Jeff Dunham Show with Jeff and Sweet Daddy D.

In his last times, he deejayed at car shows in California and was an avid prospector.

Frank was preceded in death by his parents, Irene Botello Sanchez and Jessie Botello.

He is survived by: the mother of his daughters, Elizabeth Botello Sadler; his daughters, Angela Scott, Christine Tomlison and Desiree Botello Thomas; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; as well as a host of relatives

out West.

Funeral services will be held June 9, at noon in Arizona. There will be a car show and parade memorial in California at a later date.

"We love you and you'll be missed by many."

John Macon Fuller

John Macon Fuller, 74, died Tuesday, May 8, 2018, in Perry. John was born June 20, 1943, in Washington, N.C., to Charles and Mildred Fuller.

John loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them. He was of the Christian faith and attended First Baptist Church of Perry. He was a longtime employee of Thomas Chevrolet of Perry.

John was preceded in death by: his parents, Charles and Mildred Fuller; his brother, Charles Fuller; and his sister, Becky Deans.

He is survived by: his wife, Betsy Fuller; his children, John Fuller and Natalie Fuller; his grandson, Jaret Fuller; and his brother, Kenny Fuller; as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 12, at 11 a.m. at Burns Funeral Home of Perry with Brother Rick Patrick and Pastor Steven Ruff officiating. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, May 11, at Burns Funeral Home of Perry.

All arrangements are under the direction of Burns Funeral Home of Perry.

Friends may sign the online guest book at www.joeburnsfuneralhomes.com.

John Kenneth "Ken" Lee

John Kenneth "Ken" Lee of Coolidge died Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at Magnolia Manor in Moultrie, Ga.

Ken was born in the Cabbage Grove area of Taylor County on Oct. 28, 1938. He was the son of the late William Perry Lee and Jessie Beach Lee.

He was a retired banker from Bank of America. As a young man, he served honorably in the U.S. Army and worked at Buckeye for some years in the lab, before becoming a banker.

Ken loved the outdoors and his passion was training bird dogs. He was a man of great character with a keen sense of humor who loved his family and was known as a "Man's Man."

He was married to Linda Joy Lee, who preceded him in death in 2014.

Survivors include: his daughter Paula Lynn Fowler of Coolidge; grandchildren, Tyler Murrah and Ashtin Banks; great-grandchild, Jadya Murrah; sister-in-law and brother-in-law who he raised, Susan Hosay of Perry, and Ricky Gipson of Pavo, Ga.; sister, Carol Methvin, and husband, Rodney, of Perry.

Ken was preceded in death by his siblings Bill Lee, Annie Lee Franklin, Elsie Mae Ricketson, and Jeanine Benenati.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, May 10, at 3 p.m., at the Allen & Allen Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Billy Gipson officiating.

His family will receive friends on hour prior to the service.

Guests may sign the online register book at www.allenfh.com.



Open your eyes to God's glory

By DANIEL COPELAND

Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father." - John 14:8

There is within each of us a kind of hunger. We have a desire to see, to experience, to be gripped by the deepest and richest realities that the universe has to offer. We have a capacity to be amazed.

C.S. Lewis, renowned philosopher and author, actually saw the depths of our longings as proofs and pointers to the existence of God. He reasoned that if he found within himself desires that nothing in this world seems to satisfy, then he can only conclude that he was not made for this world alone.

Have you ever taken notice of how much we give ourselves to activities that, at their core, put us in the seat of the spectator, waiting to be enthralled and impressed?

We travel great distances to stand on the edge of the Grand Canyon. We sit and read epic stories. We turn on the television and watch god-like heroes battle for the fate of the world. We watch Olympic athletes compete for the gold medal. We wait for that critical moment, as our favorite team goes to the play-offs, when the perfect 3-point shot makes the difference between winning and losing.

There is a word in the English language for the thing we want to see, and that word is glory. When the greatness or beauty or virtue or excellence of something is expressed or made visible or made knowable, that is what we call glory.

Thousands of years ago, across the ocean in a desert wilderness, this deep longing found its way to expression on the lips of Moses. Weary with the burden of shepherding a million complainers across barren terrain, Moses made this

earnest request of God, "Show me Your glory!"

It's an appropriate request. I might even argue it is the absolute most perfect request a man can make of God. To see how great, wise, valuable, wonderful and beautiful God truly is to directly sense it and feel it and be moved and satisfied by it-- this is the very reason we and the entire universe exist.

The request is much the same as the one Philip made of Jesus, "Show us the Father, and it is enough..."

But if the request is such a good one, why was Philip rebuked? I believe the answer lies in this: it is a mistake to think that the only barrier preventing us from seeing and savoring greatness is the barrier of access. Philip thought that if only he could be granted access to see the Father, he would be satisfied. Jesus essentially rebuked him by telling him that he was shown the Father, and he missed it. How could this possibly be?

It's possible because our ears are dull to the point that we cannot hear; our eyes are dim, so we cannot see; and our hearts are hard, so we cannot feel. We must take up the cry of Moses, "Show me Your glory," with an awareness that the glory of God is already on display all around us, but we need to be made more sensitive to see it.

We must cry out for transformation and not just revelation. Sure, there is more glory yet to be revealed, but why should we ask God to show us more glory, when the response of our hearts to what's already on display is too weak? According to the worshipful cries of the angels, the whole earth is full of God's glory (Isaiah 6). Take a step outside, my friend, and pray that you be given the eyes to see it, the ears to hear it and the hearts to feel it.

Daniel Copeland serves as a teaching elder at St. Johns Christian Fellowship Church, located at 6050 Puckett Rd., in Perry.

In the Bible, "glad tidings" is frequently translated to mean "to tell good news" and "to preach the gospel." This space is dedicated to messages of good news to fill readers with uplifting thoughts to carry with them throughout the week.

Church announcements may be e-mailed to: newsdesk@perrynewspapers.com.



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Glow wins \$3,000 in Optimist tournament with 7.15 pound trout

Mark Glow weighed in a huge 30-inch trout that weighed 7.15 pounds to take the top prize in the 27th annual Perry Optimist Fishing Tournament Saturday.

A total of 276 anglers took advantage of picture-perfect weather conditions along the Taylor County coastline to wet a line and attempt to claim a share of \$15,000 in cash and prizes.

A total of 74 fish were weighed in at the three weigh-in locations – Keaton Beach public boat ramp, Sea Hag Marina in Steinhatchee and the Econfina River Resort – including 41 redfish, 27 trout, five shiners and a lone cobia.

In the end, 15 anglers brought back a fish big enough to claim a prize.

Glow, fishing with Junior Dice, claimed the biggest

cash prize (\$3,000) for catching the largest trout. He was followed by Paul Falzone, who weighed in a 5.65 lb. trout that claimed second place and \$1,000.

The third largest trout weighed in at 5.60 lbs and was caught by Steve English, who donated his \$250 winnings back to the Perry Optimist Club.

One year after taking the top prize for catching the largest trout, Ross Brenner took home \$1,000 this year by catching the largest redfish, which weighed in at 8.05 lbs.

Sam Roberts claimed second place in the redfish division with a fish that weighed 7.90 lbs., which was good for \$500 cash.

The only cobia that was weighed in during the event was caught by Shane Edwards, who claimed a

\$500 cash prize.

In the youth division, Travis Straw took first place with a 3.20 lb. Trout, followed by Abbigayle Cope with a 2.90 lb. trout that claimed second place.

The third-largest trout was snagged by Maicie Clark and weighed in at 2.50 lbs.

Taking first place in the youth redfish division was Hunter Ross with a 6.25 lb. redfish, which barely edged out T.J. Wilson, who caught a 6.10 lb. redfish to claim second place.

Catching the winning shiners out of Keaton Beach were: 1st Place - Wyatt Towles (8.5”), 2nd Place - Landen Vinson (7.5”) and 3rd Place Kaylynn Bray (7.4”).

Only one shiner was brought to the scales at the Econfina River Resort by Makayla Aman, who took

first with a whopping 9.75” specimen. No shiners were weighed in at Sea Hag Marina.

Michelle Hilton was the lucky winner in the raffle drawing for the 17’ Alweld aluminum boat powered by a 25 HP Yamaha outboard.

Other winners included: RJ Johnson (fish cooker), Brad Dodril (handheld GPS), Billy Wilson (depth finder), Pam Harlin (ship to shore radio), Linda Smith (rod and reel combo), Chris Bennett (80-quart ice chest) and Marty Horner (tool set).

“I really appreciate the community coming out and supporting our fishing tournament. We exceeded our goals and the number of anglers from last year,” said Optimist Club member Feebee Houck.

“I am overwhelmed with everyone’s generosity,” she added.



Mark Glow (right) caught the largest trout in the Perry Optimist Club Saltwater Fishing Tournament. The fish, which weighed a hefty 7.15 pounds, earned Glow \$3,000. Shown with him is Junior Dice.



Hunter Ross placed first in the youth redfish category with his 6.25-pound catch.



Abbigayle Cope took second place in the youth trout category with a 2.90-pound catch. Maicie Clark followed in third with her 2.50-pound trout.



The Keaton Beach shiner winners were: first place, Wyatt Towles, 8.5 inches; second place, Landen Vinson, 7.5 inches; and third place, Kaylynn Bray, 7.4 inches.



Ross Brenner, who reeled in the largest trout last year, caught the largest red this year, weighing 8.05 pounds. The fish earned him \$1,000.



Sam Roberts caught the tournament’s second largest redfish, weighing 7.90 pounds.

TCHS baseball’s season ends after loss in district tournament



Bryer Lee makes a catch in the outfield during recent baseball action at Pace Field.

(Photos by Amy Sadler)

Six seniors baseball players played their final game as a Bulldog last Tuesday night when the Taylor County High School (TCHS) baseball team lost to Florida High, 11-1 in the first round of the district playoffs.

The game was filled with miscues, as the Bulldogs couldn’t capitalize on several opportunities to score early in the game.

TCHS was still in the game in the 5th inning after James Parker roped a double to the fence in right center field, which scored the Bulldogs’ lone run and pulled TCHS to within 4-1.

However, in the bottom of the 5th inning Taylor made several errors defensively and allowed Florida High to score several unearned runs, which put the game out of reach and ended the Bulldogs’ season.

The six seniors who will graduate this year and played their final game in TCHS orange and blue included: Henry Blue, Dilan

Clark, Andrew Hall, Josh Mixon, Jordan Niles and James Parker.

“All of our seniors this year are super young men that will go far in life,” said Head Coach Reggie Wentworth.

Other players for the TCHS baseball team are; Jacob Cayson, Driston Carter, Robert Glanton, Ryan Hires, Bryer Lee, Gabe McMullen, Owen Moon, Kady Puhl, David Reischl, Ridge Sadler, Seth Smyrnios and Robert Woodall.

“It was a very disappointing season from a win-loss standpoint, but I will say that this group of young men has been a pleasure to coach,” said Wentworth.

“They really gave great effort and worked hard all year,” he added.

“I want to thank all the parents for their support throughout the year, and I am looking forward to a great season in 2019,” said Wentworth.

FWC is hosting blue and stone crab workshop in Steinhatchee Thursday

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) needs your input on the recreational and commercial stone crab and blue crab fisheries.

The FWC is hosting a public workshop Thursday, May 10, in Steinhatchee at the community center from 6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday’s workshop is one of several FWC is

hosting throughout the state this month to develop a better understanding of the public’s view on management of these fisheries, officials said.

Potential regulation changes being discussed include requiring all recreational stone and blue crab traps have an FWC-issued tag number affixed to the trap. Several potential regulation changes for the

commercial fishery will also be discussed, including standardizing management measures across the fisheries.

Other upcoming workshops include:

- May 14: Key Colony Beach, City Hall, 600 W. Ocean Drive.

- May 15: Key West, Monroe County Gato Building, 1100 Simonton St.

- May 21: Dania Beach, Dania Lions Club, 501 SW Fourth Ave.

- May 22: Fort Myers, Joseph P. D’Alessandro Office Complex, Room 165 C&D, 2295 Victoria Ave.

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HELP WANTED

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3/28-5/30

NORTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Madison, FL: Positions available - Testing Center Manager; Career and Technical Education Specialist; English Instructor; Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Program Data Manager; Director of Advance Manufacturing and Engineering Technology; See www.nfcc.edu for details. 4/20-5/9 NFCC

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THE CITY OF PERRY is now accepting applications for a Heavy Equipment Operator. Requirements: Must have a valid driver's license and obtain CDL minimum class A, with endorsement N, within 1ST 6 months of employment. Current CDL preferred. \$31,075.20 Annually. A complete job description can be found at www.employflorida.com. Applications are accepted through CareerSource. The City of Perry is a drug free workplace and an equal opportunity employer.
5/9 COP

NORTH FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE Madison FL: Nurse Faculty; PT Staff Assistant (Fitness Center); PT Truck Driving Instructor; Adjunct Chemistry Instructor; Staff Assistant. See www.nfcc.edu for details.
5/9-5/25 NFCC

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Taking Applications for the following:

- Convenience Store Managers
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- Repair & Maintenance

Apply in person/Drug Free Workplace

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2715 S. Byron Butler Pkwy. (Hwy. 19)
Perry, FL 32348

HELP WANTED

TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT. The job description and our 2-step application process can be found on our website at www.taylorcountygov.com or in the lobby of the County Annex. Applicants must apply through Career Source.
Roll Off Site Attendant - call in - oversees activities at County Solid Waste Collection Sites to ensure that proper procedures are followed.
Engineer - professional-level position involving application of engineering principles associated with public works type projects throughout the County.
Boat Ramp Attendant - Seasonal - part-time - oversees activities at County Boat Ramp and County Park to ensure that proper procedures are followed.
Mosquito Control Driver - seasonal - part-time - call in position during times when active mosquito spraying is necessary.
Sports Complex Part Time Concessions Worker - seasonal - this position is responsible for concessions work on a seasonal/part-time/as-needed basis to provide concessions during events at the Taylor County Sports Complex.
TCBCC

AMTEC LESS-LETHAL SYSTEMS, INC. (ALS) is currently hiring for Production line positions. The typical duties of this position include: assembling product, working with chemicals and explosive powders, and monitoring and cleaning production equipment. Production line employees are required to learn and follow work instructions in order to safely and efficiently build quality product. All open positions require candidates who are comfortable working with and around explosive material, firearms, machinery, and may require working in chemical suits. It also requires individuals who work well with others as a team. ALS offers an exceptional benefits package including; paid time off, a 401K program with company match and full health care benefits. Please visit www.employflorida.com for additional information on this position. Applications must be completed and submitted to AMTEC Less-Lethal Systems, Inc., 4700 Providence Road, Perry, FL 32347 no later than May 11th, 2018. ALS is an Equal Opportunity Employer of Minorities, Females, Protected Veterans and Individuals. This position is subject to a background checks and drug screening.
5/4-5/9
AMTEC

HELP WANTED

IMMEDIATE JOB OPENING. Looking for hard working, self-motivated person to be trained as a petroleum service technician with opportunity to become fully certified. Must have high school diploma or equivalent, valid drivers license with clean driving record and must be able to pass drug screening. Please email resume or request for employment application to amberr@jandjequip.com or fax resume to (850) 584-7566. Please do not call.
JJ

BIG TOP MFG. - MIG WELDERS NEEDED
Position requirements: Must have High School diploma or equivalent, 2-4 years of welding experience or be a graduate of a certified welding program. Ability to read and understand technical sketches, able to read a tape measure to the 1/16th, candidates must pass a weld certification test on site and a drug screen test. Ability to lift up to 50 pounds. Preference will be given to applicants with stable job history.
If you meet the requirements, please apply in person at Big Top Mfg. 3255 N US 19, Perry, FL. Applications will be accepted Monday thru Friday from 11:00am to 1:00pm ONLY.
Big Top Mfg. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or protected veteran status.
5/2-5/30
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HELP WANTED

BADCOCK FURNITURE
warehouse delivery person. Must be 21, have license, clean background, drug tested. No phone calls.
BF

SERVICE TECH-INSTALLER-HELPER
Valid DL and Drug Screening. Applications accepted at 520 W. Hampton Springs Ave.
ARA

BIG TOP MFG. - FIELD TECHNICIAN NEEDED
Position requirements: extensive travel including weekends, some holidays and at times overseas - a valid driver license, we prefer you have a passport - pass a background check and drug screen test - basic computer skills - professional communication skills to interact with customers - ability to lift 50 lbs. - Preference will be given to applicants with stable job history.
Experience/Background: knowledge of tools & equipment - construction experience.
If you meet the requirements, please apply in person at Big Top Manufacturing, Inc., 3255 North US 19, Perry, FL. Applications will be accepted Monday thru Friday from 11:00am to 1:00pm ONLY.
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Full-time employment includes paid time off, competitive compensation package, access to on-site day care and fitness facility, and the opportunity to join a service-oriented Christian organization. Great working environment! EOE/DFW. Criminal background verification required.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Assistant General Manager

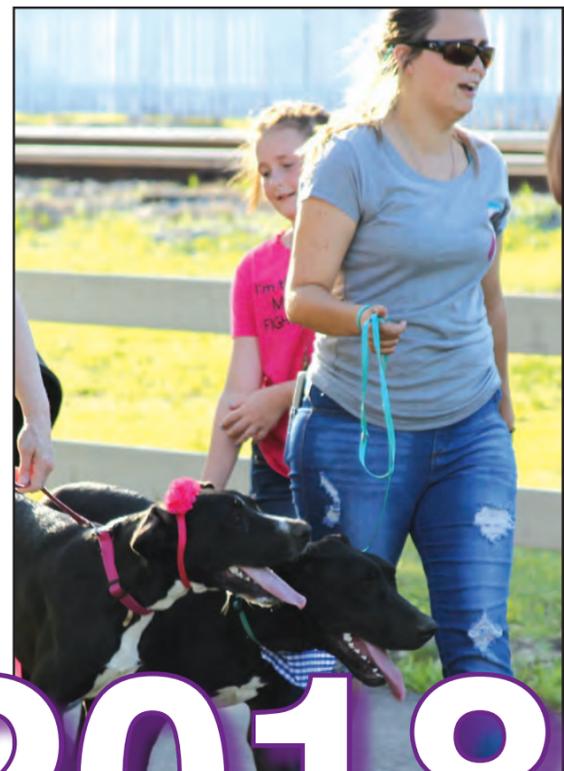
Requirements:

- Broad knowledge and experience in the installation of large fabric shelters
- Excellent skills in managing and working with people
- A general knowledge of business and business software
- The ability to read, write and speak English
- A driver's license with a clean driving record
- The ability to pass a drug screen
- A strong desire to succeed

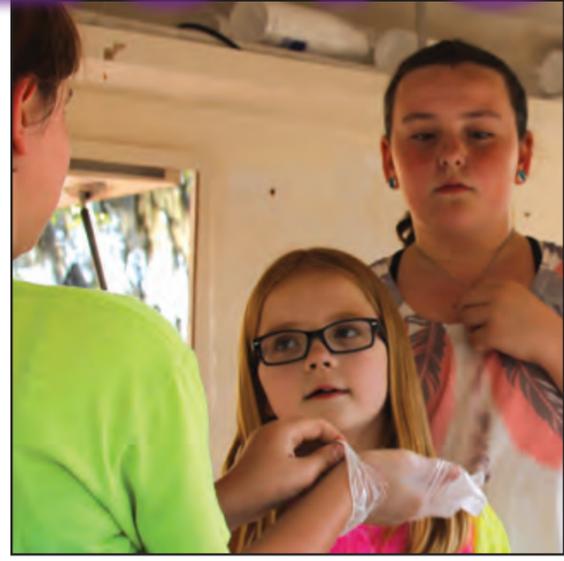
Education and Experience:

- A Degree in Construction Engineering, or
- An AA in Business Management would be a plus
- A Florida General Contractors license would be a plus
- The applicant will have to be bondable
- Five-year experience in Construction Business Management will be considered

Should you meet the requirements and experience for this position, please send your resume to: **Big Top Services, 3015 N US 19, Perry-FL 32347.**



RELAY 2018



Tried and true supporters of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life once again joined forces to field teams for the annual event, held Friday at Rosehead Park. Familiar faces greeted cancer survivors, their families and community residents as they stood united in the fight against cancer. Raffle tickets, tasty sweets and delicious dinners exchanged hands, with teams selling everything but the kitchen sink in a bid to raise as much money as they could to support cancer research. From the youngest volunteer (elementary-age students) to the oldest (a Lake Bird resident 92 years young), team members held steady throughout the six-hour event.

May Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Deadline to sign up for Little King & Queen Pageant Chamber of Commerce Office	3	4 Relay For Life Rosehead Park 6 p.m. to midnight	5 Community Yard Sale Rosehead Park 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6	7 TCHS Band Spring Concert TCHS Gym 7 p.m.	8	9	10 Deadline to sign up for Little Miss Red, White and Blue pageant. Call 584-5366 for info TCMS Band Spring Concert TCMS auditorium, 7 p.m.	11	12 Master Gardeners' Plant Sale Forest Capital Hall 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
13 Mother's Day Luncheon Perry Elks Lodge 1 p.m.	14	15 Parent meeting for Little Miss Red, White and Blue pageant Call 584-5366 for info TCHS Senior Awards Night TCHS Gym, 6 p.m.	16 Perry Garden Club luncheon meeting 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	17 Pre-K Graduation TCMS auditorium 5:30 p.m. & 6:45	18 Point of Grace Commencement Crosspoint Baptist Fellowship 7 p.m.	19 Taylor County Historical Society Banquet Perry Elks Lodge 6:30 p.m.
20	21	22	23 Baccalaureate Services 1st Assembly of God 6 p.m.	24 BBTC Graduation Forest Capital Hall 7 p.m.	25 TCHS Graduation TCHS football field 8:18 p.m.	26 Aucilla Graduation Bassett Gym 7 p.m. Public Safety Day Walmart parking lot 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
27	28 Memorial Day Ceremony Veteran's Park 10 a.m.	29	30	31		

Community gathers to hear school goals and provide feedback

More than two dozen local parents and community members received an update from Taylor County School District staff, as well as hearing a list of goals for the upcoming school year, during a Title I Family Engagement "focus group" on April 24 at Taylor County Elementary School.

In addition to parents and school staff, two school board members and Taylor County Sheriff's Office Chief Chuck Mincy were in attendance to hear Superintendent of Schools Danny Glover Jr. share highlights of the 2017-18 school year, including the importance of school attendance and goals for the upcoming school year.

In addition to detailing where Taylor County

ranks statewide on school attendance, school district staff also discussed a new mentoring program that will be fully implemented in the 2018-19 school year.

Afterwards, all those in attendance took part in a Family Engagement focus group session and were encouraged to answer a list of questions designed to gather input on how to improve school services for the upcoming school year.

Questions included: "Do you feel like you get the information that you need to help your child at home with academic learning? Why or why not?" "Tell us about your experience with parent/family engagement meetings at school. What do you think worked well? What could be

improved?"

"Is there anything else our school could be doing better to assist your efforts in supporting your child's learning?"

"Focus groups are an effective means of collecting qualitative information that can be used to guide improvement planning and efforts," said Director of Instruction Administrative Assistant Sherry Causey.

That same day, Taylor County Elementary School also hosted Senator Denise Grimsley, a Republican member of the Florida State Senate, representing parts of Central and Southwest Florida since 2012, who is currently running for the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services post.



More than two dozen local parents and members of the community gathered to listen to updates from the Taylor County School District, review a list of goals for the upcoming school year and participate in a Family Engagement focus group session on April 24 at Taylor County Elementary School (TCES). The same day, TCES hosted Senator Denise Grimsley, a Republican member of the Florida State Senate.

At the Booking Desk

Editor's Note: It is the policy of this newspaper to run the names of all those arrested and booked at the Taylor County Jail. All those listed below have been charged with a crime, but are considered innocent until proven guilty.

April 15: Kimberly Rose Albach, 24, Old Town, aggravated flee attempt to elude, resist/obstruct/oppose officer without violence, Dep. Thigpen, TCSO.

April 16: Lachadrick McBride, 39, 105 N. Beverly St., sentenced to department of corrections (13 months), Judge Parker.

Ronald Spring, 45, Lake City Department of Corrections, back for court, Officer Basch.

Doctawunus Lamal Anderson, 34, 5311 U.S. Hwy. 19, back for court, Officer Johnson.

Jacob James-Lamar Brannan, 25, 2400 Pigsaw Rd., possession of drug paraphernalia, Leon County warrant, Ptl. Cephus, PPD.

Tiffany Johnson, 32, Tallahassee, possession of controlled substance, possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis, Ptl. Mitchell, PPD.

Christopher James Grantham, 31, 725 Ma Dixon

Rd., possession of drug paraphernalia, Ptl. Mitchell, PPD.

April 18: Ashley Wigglesworth, 34, 1848 Wright Rd., FTA (Truancy), Dep. Upshaw, TCSO.

Richard Dennis Sadler, 52, no address given, possession of less than 20 grams cannabis, Widman Act, Dep. Wimberley, TCSO.

Jonathan Caine, 34, no address given, VOP - dealing in stolen property, Dep. Bell, TCSO.

Andre N. Thompson, 40, 212 Colson St., VOP - possession

of less than 20 grams cannabis, Dep. Bell, TCSO.

Harvey Scott Jordan, 31, 2553 S.E. Hwy. 349, VOP - grand theft, VOP - escape, VOP - fleeing police, Dep. Ericson, TCSO.

April 19: Arren Shane Ross, 44, 2352 Woods Creek Rd., FTA, Dep. Vickers, TCSO.

Daniel Eugene Hicks, 18498 W. Whitetail Dr., dealing in stolen property, accessory after the fact, Sgt. Hayden, TCSO.

Robert Thomas Williams, 35, 100 Magnolia Rd., violation of pretrial, Dep. Bell, TCSO.

Brittany Godfrey, 120 Poppell Dr., bench warrant, Dep. Ericson, TCSO.

Stanley Edward Powell, 55, 476 Myrtle St., lewd/ascivious conduct, Ptl. Arnold, PPD.

Regina Oglesby Powell, 40, Tallahassee, driving while license suspended, Trp. Swindle, FHP.

April 20: Anthony Wiggins, 58, Ala., FTA - driving while license suspended or revoked, FTA - DUI, Capt. Franklin, PPD.

April 21: Jacobry Thomas, 26, 100 Swift Rd., VOP - robbery, Capt. Franklin, PPD.

David Miles, 24, 2911 Golf Course Rd., possession of controlled substance, Ptl. Cephus, PPD.

April 22: Shannon Gorlewski, 36, 19060 Fawn Way, out of county warrant, Dep. Chewing, TCSO.

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INVITATION TO BID
The City of Perry is accepting Request for Proposal (RFP) Computer Systems Server - Virtualized. All inquiries regarding this RFP should be directed to Captain Michael "Gene" Franklin (850) 584-5121. For more information visit the City of Perry website: www.cityofperry.net David S. Sullivan City Mayor Robert A. Brown, Jr. City Manager 5/9, 5/11

E-Mail: mcmillanlaw@windstream.net
Personal Representative: Earl Randall Cannon, Jr. 109 SW Zinnia Glen Ft. White, Florida 32038 5/2, 5/9

Taylor County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 108 N Jefferson Street, Perry, Florida. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is May 2, 2018. Attorney for Personal Representatives: Leenette W. McMillan-Fredriksson Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0075779 PO BOX 1388 MAYO, FL 32066 Telephone: (386) 294-1688 Fax: (386) 294-1689 E-Mail: mcmillanlaw@windstream.net Secondary E-Mail: none Personal Representative: Sherilyn Mangum 362 Mangum Close Road Perry, Florida 32347 5/2, 5/9

MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of the first publication of this Notice is May 9, 2018. Attorneys for Personal Representative: Stuart E. Goldberg Fla. Bar No. 0365971 Law Offices of Stuart E. Goldberg, P.L. Post Office Box 12458 Tallahassee, Florida 32317 Telephone: (850) 222-4000 Facsimile: (850) 942-6400 Personal Representative: Paul Reynolds 1106 East Julia Street, Perry, FL 32347 5/9, 5/16

the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 16 day of April, 2018. Annie Mae Murphy As Clerk of the Court By: Marti Lee As Deputy Clerk IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who requires accommodations in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Carrina Cooper, Court Administration, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, FL 32055; Phone: 386.758.163. Contact Court Administration at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing impaired call 11. Submitted by: Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L. Attorneys for Plaintiff 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, FL 33487 Telephone: 561-241-6901 Fax: 561-997-6909 5/9, 5/16

and ALECIA M. RIVERS, are the Defendants, the Clerk of Court shall offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash on JUNE 5, 2018, beginning at 11:00 AM, at 108 North Jefferson St. East Steps, Perry Fl. 32347, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment lying and being situate in TAYLOR County, Florida, to wit: Lot 6, Block "E", of EL RANCHO, a subdivision, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 122, of the Public Records of Taylor County, Florida. NOTICE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Persons with a disability who need any accommodation to participate should call the ADA Coordinator, Jacquetta Bradley, P.O. Box 1569, Lake City, FL 32056, 386-719-7428, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing impaired call (800) 955-8771; if you are voice impaired call (800) 955-8770. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. THE CLERK SHALL RECEIVE A SERVICE CHARGE OF UP TO \$70 FOR SERVICES IN MAKING, RECORDING, AND CERTIFYING THE SALE AND TITLE THAT SHALL BE ASSESSED AS COSTS. THE COURT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ENLARGE THE TIME OF THE SALE. NOTICE OF THE CHANGED TIME OF SALE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. DATED this 26 day of April, 2018. Annie Mae Murphy CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Marti Lee Deputy Clerk STRAUS & EISLER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff 10081 Pines Blvd, Suite C Pembroke Pines, FL 33024 954-431-2000 Service.pines@strauseisler.com 5/2, 5/9

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
Division: Probate
File No. 2018-131-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF EARL RANDALL CANNON Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of EARL RANDALL CANNON, deceased, whose date of death was October 21, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for TAYLOR County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 108 N. Jefferson Street, Perry, Florida. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO. 2018-090-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF GLORIA ANNETTE FIFFIA Deceased
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the Estate of Gloria Annette Fiffia, deceased, File Number 2018-090-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Taylor County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 108 N. Jefferson Street Suite 102, Perry, Florida 32347. The names of the personal representatives and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All persons having claims against this estate who are served with a copy of this notice are required to file with this court such claim within the later of three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or 30 days after the date of service of a copy of this notice on that person. Persons having claims against the estate who are not known to the personal representative and whose names or addresses are not reasonably ascertainable, must file all claims against the estate within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice. ALL CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. The date of the first publication of this notice is May 2, 2018. Personal Representative: George Clayton 1003 East Green Street Perry FL 32347. Vernita C. Williams, Esq. Attorney for Personal Representative 6625 Miami Lakes Drive, Ste. 227 Miami Lakes, Florida 33014 Phone: 305-967-6741 FBN 884324 Email: vcfwofsb@aol.com 5/2, 5/9

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NUMBER: 18-CP-189
IN RE: ESTATE OF DOLORES YORK, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Dolores York, deceased, whose date of death was June 5, 2016, is pending in the Circuit Court for Taylor County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Taylor County Courthouse, 108 North Jefferson Street, Suite 102, Perry, FL 32347. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2016-CA-000080
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. LOUISE L. HUNTER, et al. Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 12, 2018, and entered in 2016-CA-000080 of the Circuit Court of the THIRD Judicial Circuit in and for Taylor County, Florida, wherein MTGLQ INVESTORS, L.P. is the Plaintiff and LOUISE L. HUNTER are the Defendant(s). Annie Mae Murphy as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the East Door, Taylor County Courthouse 108 N. Jefferson St., Perry, FL 32347, at 11:00 AM, on May 29, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: THE WEST HALF OF LOT 10, AND LOT 11 OF BLOCK A OF PERRY PARK SUBDIVISION, AS PER MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1 PAGE 77, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA. Property Address: 717 WEST VETERANS DRIVE, PERRY, FL 32347 Any person claiming an interest in

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 3rd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 17000506CAC
BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company Plaintiff, vs. ALECIA M. RIVERS, Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
Publish in the The Perry Newspaper Inc.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 4/25/2018, and entered in Case No. 17000506CAC of the Circuit Court of the 3rd Judicial Circuit, in and for TAYLOR County, Florida, where in BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, is the Plaintiff

and ALECIA M. RIVERS, are the Defendants, the Clerk of Court shall offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash on JUNE 5, 2018, beginning at 11:00 AM, at 108 North Jefferson St. East Steps, Perry Fl. 32347, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment lying and being situate in TAYLOR County, Florida, to wit: Lot 6, Block "E", of EL RANCHO, a subdivision, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 122, of the Public Records of Taylor County, Florida. NOTICE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Persons with a disability who need any accommodation to participate should call the ADA Coordinator, Jacquetta Bradley, P.O. Box 1569, Lake City, FL 32056, 386-719-7428, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing impaired call (800) 955-8771; if you are voice impaired call (800) 955-8770. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. THE CLERK SHALL RECEIVE A SERVICE CHARGE OF UP TO \$70 FOR SERVICES IN MAKING, RECORDING, AND CERTIFYING THE SALE AND TITLE THAT SHALL BE ASSESSED AS COSTS. THE COURT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ENLARGE THE TIME OF THE SALE. NOTICE OF THE CHANGED TIME OF SALE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. DATED this 26 day of April, 2018. Annie Mae Murphy CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Marti Lee Deputy Clerk STRAUS & EISLER, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff 10081 Pines Blvd, Suite C Pembroke Pines, FL 33024 954-431-2000 Service.pines@strauseisler.com 5/2, 5/9

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
Division: Probate
File No. 2018-150-CP
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MACK J. RUFF Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Mack J. Ruff, deceased, whose date of death was December 7, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO. 2018-150-CP
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MACK J. RUFF Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Mack J. Ruff, deceased, whose date of death was December 7, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NUMBER: 18-CP-189
IN RE: ESTATE OF DOLORES YORK, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Dolores York, deceased, whose date of death was June 5, 2016, is pending in the Circuit Court for Taylor County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Taylor County Courthouse, 108 North Jefferson Street, Suite 102, Perry, FL 32347. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR

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Sheriff Padgett invites public to Memorial Day ceremony

Sheriff Wayne Padgett invites the public to join him for the 2018 Memorial Day Ceremony.

The ceremony will be held on Memorial Day, May 28, at 10 a.m. at Veteran's Memorial Park.

"Memorial Day is a day of remembrance, and I would like to invite you to join us in remembering

those individuals from Taylor County who paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving in our country's armed forces," Sheriff Padgett said.

"Please RSVP to (850) 584-4225 or by email to events@taylorsheriff.org so that you may be recognized as our honored guest," Sheriff Padgett said.

PGC meets last time before summer

The Perry Garden Club (PGC) will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 16, from 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.

The meeting will host a farewell luncheon and plant exchange, as it is the last meeting before the PGC recesses for summer.

Members are encouraged to bring their favorite dish to share and bring plants if interested in participating

in the plant exchange. Members are also urged to invite friends and family.

The meeting will be hosted by Jennifer Dobbins, Linda Johnson, Mary Barnes and Peggy Whiddon, with the horticulture tip delivered by Debbie Ross.

The next meeting will be held in September.

The PGC will also be at the Master Gardeners plant sale this Saturday, May 12,



Ware Oil continues gift card giveaway for school staff

Four Taylor County School District employees walked away with \$250 each in gift cards at a recent Taylor County School Board meeting. Don Everett Jr. with Ware Oil visited the school board on April 17 to present a \$250 gift card for either gasoline or to the Huddle House to two instructional and two non-instructional employees as part of a year-long effort to reward good employee attendance and increase morale. The non-instructional employees who received gift cards for March were: Cheryl Moore with the transportation department and Pat Radnuz with the food service department. Instructional employees who received gift cards for March were: Rhonda Brooks with Taylor County Elementary School and Rosalia Hill with Perry Primary School. Shown above (left to right): School Board Member Deidra Dunnell, School Board Member Bonnie Sue Agner, School Board Chairman Brenda Carlton, Superintendent Danny Glover Jr., Brooks, Radnuz, Hill, Everett, Board Member Jeannie Mathis and Board Member Danny Lundy (not pictured is Cheryl Moore).

from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. where members will be signing up new members, selling fresh flower arrangements and selling cookbooks and notecards.



Obituaries

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Haskle Mauldin

Haskle Mauldin, 89, of Tallahassee, formerly of Sycamore, died Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at Heritage Healthcare in Tallahassee.

Haskle was born Dec. 9, 1928, to the late Hoke Smith and Frances Ruby Reeves Mauldin. He was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church in Tallahassee.

He is survived by: his wife, Geneva Lumsden Mauldin of Tallahassee; son, Terry Lamar (Amelia) Mauldin of Crawfordville; daughter, Wanda Gayle M. (Ken) Lee of Orlando; sister, Betty Jean Hall of Temple, Texas; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, May 6, at Bethel Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Road Suite 300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.

Zachary Lee Stephens

Zachary Lee Stephens, 22, of Crawfordville, died May 1, 2018. Zachary was born May 16, 1995, in Tallahassee, to Jefferey Lee Stephens and Courtney Nicole Fleming Stephens. He graduated high school in 2013.

Zachary was very mechanically inclined and enjoyed building things,

even from a very young age where he would build large and complex creations with Legos. Later, he built his very own motorized bicycle.

In 2015, he began a lengthy and difficult rehabilitation following a motorcycle accident, proving to his family and friends that he was a strong and determined young man. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, hiking in the mountains and spending time with his dog, Palladin.

He is survived by: his loving parents, Jeff and Nikki Stephens, of Gibsonville, N.C.; his brother, Zane Stephens; his paternal grandparents, JoAnn Watts and Lamar Lee Stephens, both of Perry; and his

maternal grandparents, Debbie Joyce of Crawfordville, and Ronnie Fleming of Perry; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at noon on Saturday, May 5, at the Burns Funeral Home Memorial Chapel in Perry with Pastor Charles Morris officiating. Interment followed in Pisgah Cemetery.

The family received friends one hour prior to the service.

Arrangements are under the care of Burns Funeral Home of Perry. Friends may send condolences to the family at www.joeburnsfuneralhomes.com.



The Taylor County Veterans Service Office will be closed from Monday, May 7, through Friday, May 11. It will reopen Monday, May 14, at 8 a.m.



Our Tallahassee Tiger baseball player Joshua DuBose is turning 9 on May 9

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