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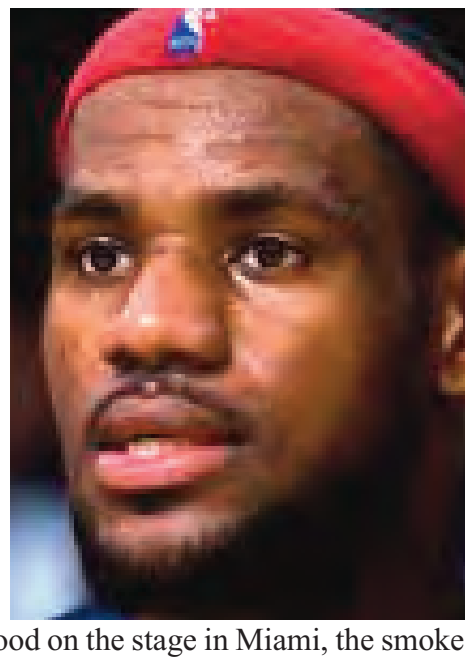
# Florida Heat up the Texas Spurs in Playoff - 95 to 88, Champions - Back to Back

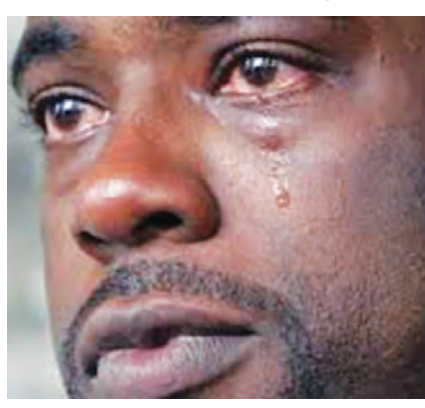


MIAMI – Not one, not two… A little more than two years ago, LeBron James stood on the stage in Miami, the smoke swirling about him, and made one of the most audacious declarations the NBA had ever heard. He had just joined with Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh to form the most star-powered triumvirate in the league, and now he was promising the Miami Heat fistfuls of titles.

Not one, not two, not three, not four, not five, not six, not seven…

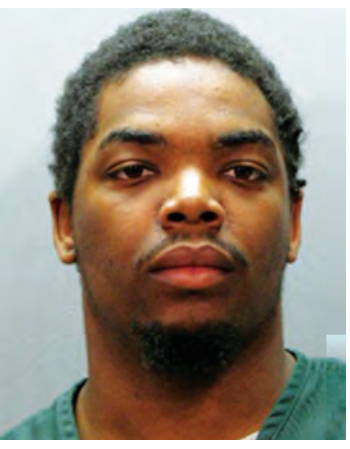
James crowed, and he was mocked fast and hard for the boast, for the spectacle of a welcome party the Heat had thrown for him, for his narcissistic I'm-taking-my-talents-to-South-Beach cable TV special. He hadn't won anything yet, of course. He just acted like he had, arriving there full of pompousness and entitlement, well on his way to becoming one of the sporting world's great villains. Of course he was Thursday's night MVP.

# Brian Banks' accuser ordered to pay $2.6 million in damages



Wanetta Gibson, the woman who falsely accused linebacker Brian Banks of rape when they were both students at Long Beach (Calif.) Polytechnic High School, has been ordered to repay $2.6 million in damages related to the $1.5 million she received from the Long Beach School District in a 2007 lawsuit, claiming an unsafe environment.Gibson was sued for the money she received, as well as court costs and a possible $1 million inpunitive damages. Gibson was not present at the ruling and her whereabouts are unknown, per the Long Beach Press-Telegram, but the court gained authorization to recoup the money through her future wages and property. It's important to note that Banks receives none of this money. He served five years in prison and another five years on probation as a result of the original verdict, and was released only in 2012 when Banks taped her admitting that the accusation was false.

# Home Invasion, Attempted Robbery, Two Dead



On Wednesday 06-19-2013 at 1120 PM, patrol officers were dispatched to 2078 Oak Water Dr. in reference to a shooting investigation. Upon arrival officers located the listed victim inside the house unresponsive. We later learned that the residents of the house were watching a movie when several males forced entry into the residence through the front door, in an attempted home invasion robbery. The residents of that home fired at the suspects striking the listed victim. That victim was transported to a local hospital where he was later pronounced deceased. (Aaron Harris)

Early this morning, Thursday 06-20-2013, police were again called to the Arlington area, when a deceased body was found near a dumpster at the Monument Road Animal Hospital at 1238 Monument Rd. Upon further investigation by JSO Homicide detectives, it was determined that the deceased was also a suspect in the earlier home invasion/attempted robbery on Oak Water Drive. At this time we cannot confirm the identity of the second deceased, as family notifications are underway. This is a very active investigation and further details will be provided in future updates.

Any citizens with information about these homicides are asked to call the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office at (904) 630-0500 or to remain completely anonymous.

# $48 Million Paid for Painting

He died at 27 and 25 years later, his painting, pictured above, "Dusthead" sold at a New York auction for more than $48 million.

Basquiat, who grew up in Brooklyn, N.Y., was the son of a Haitian father and a Puerto Rican mother. He died Aug. 12,1988. He was only 27.

Basquiat began as an obscure graffiti artist in the late 1970s before evolving into one the world's most-acclaimed artists.

He initially signed his graffiti art as SAMO. Homeless and living in Central Park, abandoned buildings and with friends, Basquiat sold hand-painted postcards and T-shirts to make money when he first started out.

# Black Actors and Actresses Win Big at Broadway's Tonys

Black actors and actresses did extremely well at Sunday night's Tony Awards, which honors the best performances on Broadway.

Cicely Tyson won best actress for her performance in "The Trip to Bountiful." Patina Miller won for best actress in a musical for her role in "Pippin," and Courtney B. Vance took home a Tony for best featured actor as a newspaper editor in "Lucky Guy." Billy Porter won best actor in a musical for his role as a drag queen in the play "Kinky Boots."

Tyson, who is 88, is the oldest person to win a Tony. Ms., Tyson, who plays a neglected, aging mother in "Trip to Bountiful," had not appeared in a Broadway production for 30 years.

## White Deaths Out Number Black Deaths

The Census Bureau revealed on Thursday that for the first time, white deaths outnumber births in the U.S. According to Census, this dip predicts that the number of whites will decline every year, but significant drops in the number of whites won't be seen until 2025.

Even though the drop in the white population is small now, many demographers said that they have never before seen a similar drop off. No other racial group shrank during this period.

What's behind the population decline among whites? For one thing, they're older with a median age of 42. The median age for Asians is 34. For African-Americans, the median age is 32, and 28 for Hispanics.

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# CHURCH

## Faith In Our Community
*Schedule of Events and Services*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SEA ISLANDS BLACK HERITAGE FESTIVAL**, August 16-18, 2013. Tribute to Gospel Legends, Sunday, August 18th at 11:00 a.m. Sheryl Renee, 3-octave range paints life, and stirs the seas with her majestic voice. Sheryl has shared the stage with some of the best musicians in the world. She produced her first solo project, A Salute to the Legends and a capella Gospel CD, *One Voice*. She has received the Triumphant Woman Award from Colorado Excelsior; featured guest vocalist at the Mile Hi Church, Colorado; the Adrienne Arsht Center, Florida's largest performing arts center; and more. To be held at the **Historic First African Baptist Church**, with Pastor Brenda Iglehart, 5800 Frederica Rd., Saint Simons Island.

**THE LAY ORGANIZATION** is having a program to honor all Black Soldiers from the Civil War to Present on June 30, 2013. Congresswoman Corrine Brown, plus Veterans will participate in the program. Greater Grant Memorial AME Church, 5533 Gilchrist Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32219. For more information, call (904) 764-5992.

**Presented by Greater Church of God by Faith and St. Vincent's Faith Community Nursing program**: What: "I'm Better Than Average" Youth Summit Discussion of real life topics and facilitated Q&A sessions. June 28 (5p - 8:30p) and June 29 (11a - 5p). Teens 14 - 19 (Parental consent is required for youth under 18.) Sessions will be held for parents, too. Greater COGBF 2434 Old Middleburg Rd. *Door prizes, snacks and refreshments! **If attending both days, win a FLAT SCREEN TV or qualify for a pizza party Saturday night! To register and/or consent forms, call 904-771-4941.

**Pursue Prayer Clinic -** Monday, June 17, 2013 @ 7:00pm - Monday, June 17, 2013 @ 7:00pm. Victory Way Christian Center, 4058 St. Augustine Rd Jax, FL 32207. Prophetess Tonya Hall of Victory Way Christian Center presents Life Empowerment Institute "Pursue Prayer Clinic" A five (5) week training on Persuing God in Prayer! The training will be every Monday @ 7pm on the following dates:Monday June 10, June 17, June 24, July 1 and July 8, 2013. Please visit www.TonyaHallMinistries.org for additional information or call the church at 904-398-877

Come join **Bishop Dr. Lorenzo Hall, Sr. every Wednesday** and **Thursday** from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM for **Prayer Meeting** and **Bible Study** at **The Greater El-Beth-El Divine Holiness Church,** located at 723 W. 4th Street, Jacksonville, FL 32209.


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# DEATH NOTICES

## JACKSONVILLE, FL

**ASHTON,** Clarence Joseph, 74, died June 11, 2013.
**BARTON,** Travis O'neil, 83, died June 17, 2013.
**BEAVER**, Sandra Hodges, 68, died June 15, 2013.
**BLUE**, Dora Belle, died June 16, 2013.
**BONNER**, James, died June 14, 2013.
**CARTER**, Kimberly Sue, 59, died June 10, 2013.
**DAIGLE,** (Ret) Major John L., Sr., 83, died June 17, 2013.
**DAVIS**, Shirley, 77, died June 11, 2013.
**DEAO,** Virginia Ginney, 51, died June 15, 2013.
**DEATER,** Linda, 60, died June 16, 2013.
**DEPPEN**, John, 58, died June 10, 2013.
**EDWARDS**, Velmarie Vel, 77, died June 16, 2013.
**FIDLER,** Renee Lynn, 45, died June 11, 2013.
**FOSTER**, Bettie Ruth Genoa Lang, died June 14, 2013.
**GRAY**, Edna, 91, died June 17, 2013.
**HADLEY,** Vernon E., 57,died June 16, 2013.
**HALL**, Clement W., died June 11, 2013.
**HALL,** Frank H., died June 16, 2013.
**HARNEY,** Kenneth Harrison, died June 8, 2013.
**HENNING,** Lillian Elizabeth, 96, died June 13, 2013.
**HEPPNER**, Wilda Rae, 51, died June 17, 2013.
**HIERREZUELO**, Van Daryl, died June 12, 2013.
**HIGGS,** Kenneth, 87, died June 11, 2013.
**HILLIARD,** Bind W. Pete, 78, died June 13, 2013.
**HOWARD**, Rachel A., 86, died June 14, 2013.
**HUBNER**, Marjorie J., 91, died June 15, 2013.
**HUDSON,** Rosemary, 95, died June 17, 2013.
**JACKSON**, Helen Burnett, 85, died June 15, 2013.
**JEWELL**, Elbert L., 85, died June 12, 2013.
**JOHNSON**, Tonya N., 49, died June 13, 2013.
**JORDAN,** Faye Deloris, died June 11, 2013.
**LANG,** Barbara Rose, 79, died June 15, 2013.
**LEE**, Avery A., 47, died June 11, 2013.
**LEE**, Joe, Jr., 66, died June 15, 2013.
**LEE,** Murphy, Jr., died June 14, 2013.
**LEE,** Pamela M., died June 13, 2013.
**LINDA**, Evangelist Elishear Mae, died June 10, 2013.
**LOPEZ**, Antonio Solis, 90, died June 16, 2013.
**LOVE,** Willie Mae, died June 17, 2013.
**McCOTTRY,** Sharon Frances, died June 13, 2013.
**McKINNEY**, Shirley Norman, 75, died June 17, 2013.
**MILLS,** Lou, 105, died June 11, 2013.
**MOODY**, Lowell, Sr., 74, died June 17, 2013.
**OWENS,** Isabella E., died June 14, 2013.
**ROBINSON,** Bernice F., died June 12, 2013.
**ROBINSON**, Claude Leonard, Sr., 85, died June 13, 2013.
**ROBOCH,** William E. Bill, 63, died June 14, 2013.
**SAUNDERS**, Brandon, III, 65, died June 11, 2013.
**SPEAR**, Luke, died June 16, 2013.
**SPENCE,** Velma J., 91, died June 11, 2013.
**SPERRING,** Julia Koon, 86, died June 13, 2013.
**SUMNEER,** Clyde William, Sr., 74, died June 15, 2013.
**THOMAS,** Brenda, died June 11, 2013.
**THOUROT,** Charles Antonio, 53, died June 11, 2013.
**TOOLEY**, Ida Mae, 89, died June 11, 2013.
**TYSON,** Joseph Warren, 54, died June 9, 2013.
**WALKER,** Virginia, 79, died June 14, 2013.
**WASDIN,** Thomas Arnold, 88, died June 13, 2013.
**WASHINGTON**, Samuel J., Jr., died June 11, 2013.
**WEBB**, John S., 53, died June 15, 2013.
**WILLIAMS,** Marvin E., 87, died June 16, 2013.
**WILLIAMS**, Renata Renee, died June 10, 2013.
**WILLIS**, Dr. La'Rine Davis, 69, died June 16, 2013.
**WIRT,** Stephen Dares, 60, died June 13, 2013.

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## GEORGIA DEATHS

**BROWNING**, Fred Byron, 71, died June 16, 2013.
**ELLER,** Jimmy D., 82, died June 17, 2013.
**PALMER**, Earnest, Jr. 58, died June 17, 2013.
**TOOTLE**, Susan, died June 13, 2013.
**WILEY**, David, died June 18, 2013.

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## The Church Directory
*"Come and Worship With Us"*

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Sunday School ….....……..9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning
Intercessory Prayer.....….10:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .....11:00 a.m.
Youth Church
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Tuesday - Pastoral Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.
**Rev. Dr. Marion A. Wise, Senior Pastor**
**Rev. Joe Calhoun, Pastor Emeritus**
**(904) 764-5727 - Church**

**Historic Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church**
**Sunday**
Church School . . . . . 8:30 a.m.
Worship Service . . . . . 10:00 a.m.
**Wednesday**
"Glory Hour" Bible Study . . . . . 10:00 a.m.
"Jehovah Jireh" Bible Study . . . . . 6:30 p.m.
2nd & 4th **Thursday** "Young at Heart Ministry . . . . . 10:00 a.m.
**Friday**
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Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Tuesday.....Prayer Meeting & Bible Study,7:00 p.m.
Thursday.....Joy Night,7:00 p.m.

**"Email: Gospell75@aol.com**
**Website: Greaterelbethel.org**

**Central Metropolitan C.M.E. Church**
**4611 North Pearl St., Jacksonville, FL 32206**
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Tues Eve Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 12 Noon
Wed Feeding Ministry - 2:00 p.m.

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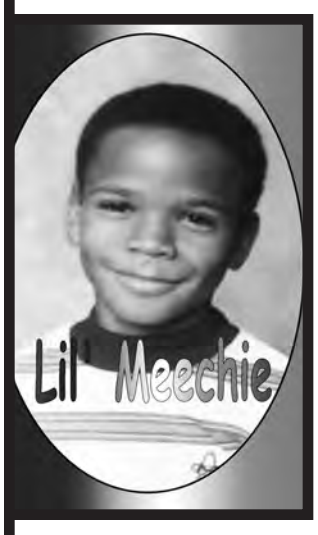



**Little Meechie knowing he was having prob lems in school but also knew that his grand-parents had a lot of faith in him. One day, he said to them, "I am going to go down in histo-ry." They were delighted and decided it was best to not ask questions about his future plans just wait and continue to encouraage him. About two weeks later, his report card came. He not only went down in his tory, his score went down in math also.**

**After he handed the report to them and observed the look on their faces, he said: "I told you so."**

# AARP vows to protect Medicare, Discusses Juneteenth

By Vincent Jacobbi

You've paid into Medicare your entire working life. That is why now it is more important than ever that our elected leaders take responsible, common-sense action to keep Medicare strong for current beneficiaries and generations to come.

Join AARP Florida volunteer radio hosts Melvin Wooden and Billie Holmes on WCGL-AM 1360 at 2:00 p.m. June 26 for "News You Can Use, From AARP," as they discuss Washington's plans to cut Medicare benefits and updates you on what AARP is doing to fight these cuts.

AARP fights for issues that are important to you and your family. That's why AARP is urging Congress to find sensible solutions for Medicare beneficiaries. AARP opposes Washington's proposals to raise the eligibility age for Medicare beneficiar-ies, as well as other reductions in benefits.

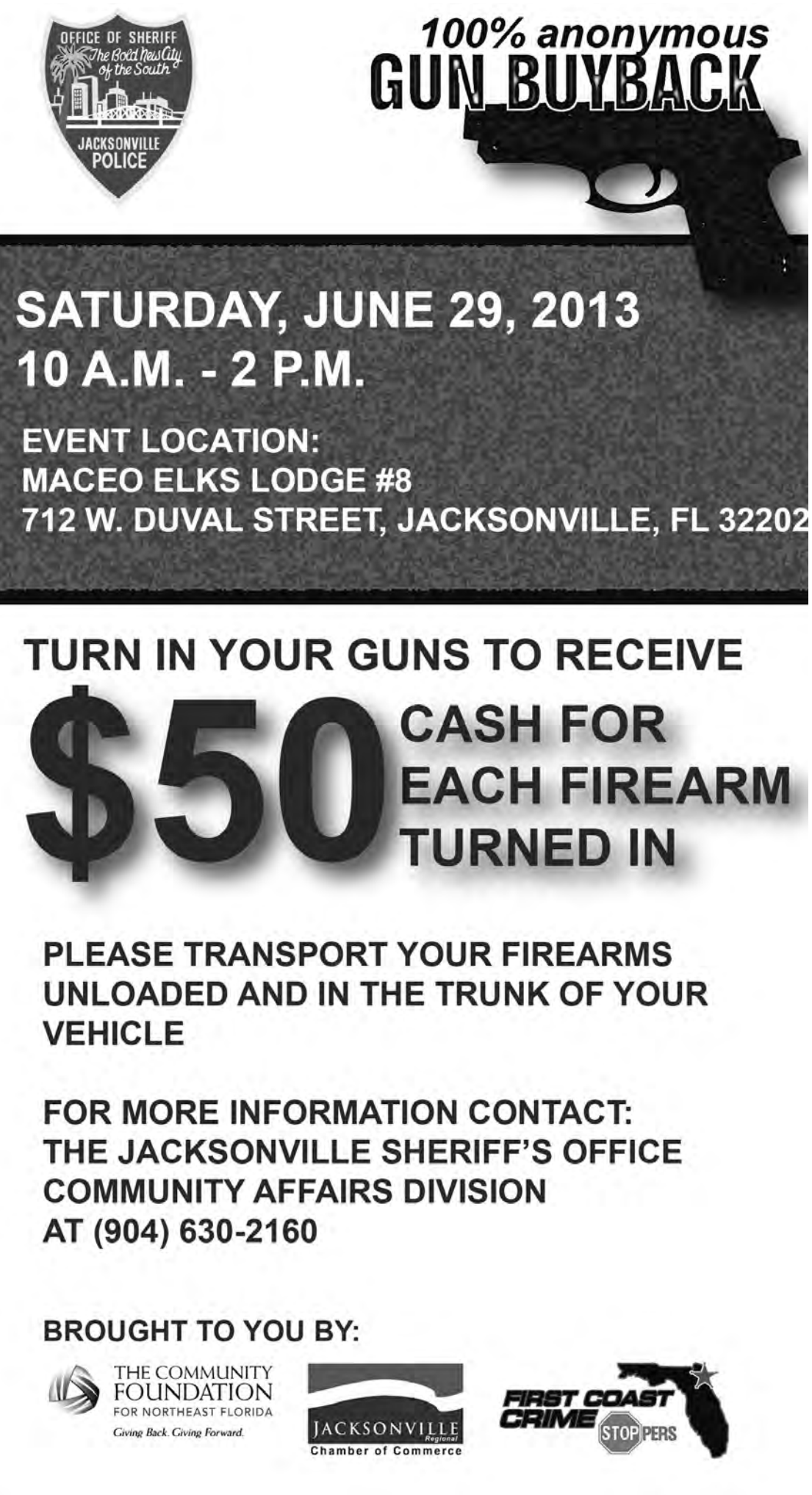
Instead, AARP is fighting for common-sense solutions that will strengthen Medicare while also reducing the nation's budget deficit. Wooden and Holmes will be joined by AARP FL Communications Manager Dave Bruns, who'll update listeners on the latest information on Medicare.

Also on June 26, Wooden and Holmes will be joined by AARP Florida Executive Council Member Dr. Brenda Jarmon, a professor at Florida A&M University, to dis-cuss Juneteenth, the holiday in the United States that commemorates the abolition of slavery at the close of the Civil War.

Dr. Jarmon will reflect on the significance of this holiday today, after so much time has gone past, and also discuss her forthcoming book on heritage and identity. Tune in to WCGL-AM 1360 radio at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday June 26 to cover these topics and more with Wooden, Holmes, and guests.

Tune in every month on WCGL-AM 1360 on the second and last Wednesdays of the month for "News You Can Use from AARP" to learn about issues affecting older African-Americans in Jacksonville and surrounding areas. To volunteer for AARP Florida in the Jacksonville area, please call (866) 595-7678 and ask for Associate State Director Nancy Stanton.

Vincent Jacobbi is an AARP communications intern.

# It's Big, It's Great, it's worth waiting for the day, Brunswick, July 4th

## Study Shows Black Teens Use Social Media Differently Than Whites

A new study shows that teen selection of social media is frequently becoming a Black or white choice.

African-American teens are less likely to disclose their real names on their social-media profiles (95 percent of white social-media-using teens do this versus 77 percent of African-American teens).

White teens are less likely to be social friends with celebrities, athletes or musicians than Blacks. (48 percent of black social-media-using teens report celebrity friends while only 25 percent of white ones do).

• Twitter is the preferred social network of African-American teens compared to white teens (39 percent of African-American teens reported using Twitter while only 23 percent of white teens preferred it).

African-American teens are more likely to post fake information to their profiles than whites (39 percent of African-American teens report doing this compared with 21 per-cent of white teens).

# Talk of the Town!

by Frances Bradley / Photos by Volume Burks

***E kaabo (eh-kah-bow). Welcome.***

## ASALH NEWS

**Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH)**, **James Weldon Johnson Branch** invites the public to its 10th Annual Membership Luncheon on June 29, 2013, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., at Bethel Baptist Institutional Church. The keynote speaker will be **Dr. Daryl Michael Scott**, president of ASALH's national organization. For ticket information contact (904) 487-5707.

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**HOLD THE DATE, October 2-6, 2013.** ASALH will convene its 98th Annual National Convention at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, Jacksonville, Florida. For more information visit the organization's website at *www.asalh.org*

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### Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Gamma Rho Omega Chapter, Inc.
### Scholarship Recipients

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Gamma Rho Omega Chapter, Inc. presented over $10,000 in college scholarships to six graduating seniors. The awarding of scholarships is the result of a complete recruitment process coordinated by the chapter's scholarship committee. The scholarship application process begins annually in August/September for Duval County School students.

Qualifying applicants participate in an interview and scholarship awards are determined based on academic performance, SAT/ACT scores, essay submission, school and community service, and financial need.

The 2013 scholarship recipients are: **Cristin Lynch, DeMia Moffett, Brandy Andrews, Dionysia Sutton, Nala Holmes, and Courtney Lynch.**

For additional information on future scholarship opportunities, please visit the Gamma Rho Omega website at *www.groaka.com*, or the guidance services link on the Duval County Public Schools website, *www.duvalschools.org (about DCPS/Departments/Academic Programs)*.

Proceeds from the community support production of The Chocolate Nutcracker and provide local and international service projects, including the scholarship awards.

The Chocolate Nutcracker, a professional stage play, is a collaborative sponsorship of Gamma Rho Omega Chapter, Inc. and Alpha Jax Foundation Inc.

Row 1 seated: Estelle McKissick, Lois Prime, Norma S. White, Mary Brown, and Evelyn Tukes
Row 2 standing: Gwendolyn Flanders, Shirley Ealey, Valarie Williams, Cristin Lynch, DeMia Moffett, Brandy Andrews, Dionysia Sutton, Nala Holmes, Courtney Lynch, Donna Cobb, and Shola Smith. *Photograph courtesy of Sharwonda Peek.*

**If it's June, it must be African-American Music Appreciation Month! Here are more faces at the 2013 Jacksonville Jazz Festival.**

*Jazz man Elisha Parris*

*Velma Rounsville, 2013 Ms. Senior Jacksonville contestant, and husband, Will*

*Film and video producer, Gerald Jackson, Jr. of Five Alive Films*

*"The Voice of Jazz," Renee Ebaloroza (right) and sister Velitia Gaines*

*Jazz chanteuse Ms. Linda Cole with Ron Galvin*

*Poncho Sanchez and His Latin Jazz Band*

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# Our Youth

## Three Ways to Give Back to Your Community

(StatePoint) These days, many of us lead busy lives that are short on two things: time and money. And while this may pose a challenge when it comes to supporting local nonprofit organizations, there are ways you can give back to the community, no matter what your schedule or financial situation looks like.

Here are three simple ideas for making a positive contribution, whether you're strapped for time, resources or both:

**Use Your Work Day**

You're probably pretty busy juggling family and work obligations. Chances are you really want to volunteer in your community but may not always have the time to do as much as you'd like. This doesn't mean that lending a helping hand is out of reach for you.

Consider starting a Volunteer Day initiative at your workplace, where the whole team offers their time to local nonprofit community service projects one afternoon every few months.

Your boss may love the idea if you remind him or her that such an effort will be great for team building.

Or check with your human resources department about the possibility of paid time off to volunteer in the community. There may be opportunities at your company of which you are not aware.

**Nominate a Nonprofit**

You don't need to be a big donor to help secure substantial support for organizations doing great work. For example, a program called "50 States for Good" enables people to nominate their favorite community organizations to help gain funding for grassroots community programming. It is designed to make it easier for regular folks to give back, and is funded by Tom's of Maine, a leading natural products company focused on oral and personal care.

Anyone who is heartened by the work of local nonprofit organizations can nominate their favorite for a chance to share in $150,000 in funding. A panel of independent judges then determines 51 finalists, one from each state and the District of Columbia.

Fifteen organizations will be awarded $10,000 each, as determined by a public vote in September.

In past years, Tom's of Maine has funded "50 States for Good" projects that have built community playgrounds, maintained sustainable nature trails, provided shelter and food for the homeless and cared for animals, among many other initiatives. Now in its fifth year, "50 States for Good" celebrates and rewards nonprofit organizations committed to meaningful change and work that addresses local needs.

To nominate an organization via a short essay, visit www.50statesforgood.com through July 8, 2013.

**Multitask**

Walking the dog? Taking the kids to the park? Consider combining your stroll with a mini cleanup. Bring a plastic bag, wear gloves and pick up litter as you go. Not only will you be beautifying the neighborhood, you'll be helping to prevent harmful garbage from entering local waterways.

Get the kids involved to teach them an important lesson about how their behaviors can make a larger impact.

You don't need to be Bill and Melinda Gates to make a meaningful impact. There are creative ways that make it possible for anyone to give back to their community.

## FAMU Signs Memorandum of Understanding to Assist with Military Vet Recruitment

*Caption*— Florida's State University System Board of Governors member Matthew Carter II (standing), VetPower LLC Founder Kevin Humes and Dean of the Florida A&M University (FAMU) College of Agriculture and Food Sciences Robert Taylor look on as FAMU Interim President Larry Robinson signs a Memorandum of Understanding. The memorandum of understanding with VetPower LLC will create a partnership that is intended to provide training and job opportunities to military veterans and other students, specifically in the area of agriculture. The agreement will further allow the university to recruit military veterans and increase support to veterans and their families. The partnership allows the College of Agriculture and Food Sciences to conduct collaborative research, training and extension/outreach programs in areas to include aquaculture and other agriculture related programs.

## Congratulations Graduate!

**A gre**at father's day celebration, with my daughter. Dr. Tiffany Carla Hill from Nova Southeastern University.

It was a esteemed pleasure to Hood her on th his auspicious occasion. Ft Lauderdale, Florida.


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# Crime and Justice

*A Publication of the Florida Star and Georgia Star*

***As an African - American newspaper, we basically report on offenses committed by African - Americans. Please note that in our observations, weekly reports show that African - Americans DO NOT commit the largest percentage of criminal offenses in this area.***

## Two Men Use Juveniles for Fundraiser Scheme

*Kendy Senat*

*Terrence Holiday*

Police were dispatched in reference to juveniles that were soliciting door to door, attempting to sell food goods and other items. While soliciting at one home, one of the juveniles asked for a drink of water.

The juveniles told residents that they were working with a non-profit, youth organization called "Aware and Active Youth Corp." The organization was supposed to be designed to offer extracurricular activities to its members.

When police arrived on scene they located two juveniles in the area. The juveniles appeared to be very thirsty. They had been left in the area with no food, water, or means of communication and they did not even know where they were. The police took custody of the juveniles to further investigate.

Detectives were called in to continue the investigation. Investigation revealed that nine juveniles, ranging ages from 12 through 15, were transported far from home to sell items door to door. The juveniles had been dropped off at 1 p.m. and were walking unsupervised until 6 p.m. when the resident called police.

Detectives learned that two young adults, Kendy Senat, 22, and Terrence Holiday, 21, were responsible for the juveniles. They were the ones behind operating the solicitation scheme. The juveniles were given cue cards to read to "customers"regarding the "non-profit organization"and funding the youth group.

In reality, the group was pocketing all of the money, with the juveniles turning over most of the earnings to Senat and Holiday. Each item that was sold $8.00, the juveniles were given $2.25, and the rest went to Senat and Holiday. The juveniles told detectives they would normally work 8-12 hours per day and would earn between 5 and 50 dollars per day. They all advised that they did not know where they were or any of the street names where they had been left to work.

Detectives contacted the parents of each juvenile as well as the Department of Children and Families (DCF). Each parent was advised that his or her child was at a youth convention with Senat and Holiday. They were also that their children were lied to as well.

Detectives determined that the group collected nearly $500 from numerous residents in. They were purchasing items from the dollar store and then selling the items for $8 each. As a result of the investigation and multiple interviews, probable cause was developed for Kendy Senat and Terrence Holiday for organized fraud. With the assistance of DCF, a second charge was developed on both individuals for nine counts of child neglect.

Please be cautious when purchasing items from someone that you do not know or from anyone claiming that they are representing a charity.

## Elderly Woman Unknowingly Hires Repeat Criminal to do Housework

*Joseph Schum*

A man was hired by a 92-year-old woman to do yard work and odd jobs around her home. The victim said she hired Joseph Schum, 45, but after a few months, she realized she was missing numerous items of "International" sterling silver dinnerware, "Minton" china, a gold necklace with a rare silver Spanish coin, and possibly cash.

Detectives say that Schum stole several thousand dollars' worth of household items and jewelry and learned that he had pawned some of these items in January and February of this year.

He was arrested and charged with exploitation of the elderly, and three counts each of dealing in stolen property and providing false ownership information to a pawn broker.

This is Schum's 20th arrest for similar crimes as well as burglary, aggravated assault and possession of crack cocaine. He is being held without bond on two charges and $150,000 bond on the remaining counts.

## Man Flees As Others Help Him Hide

*James Beasley*

*Kieron Lewis*

At approximately 1:30 a.m., police responded to an address to serve active felony warrants on James Hendrix Beasley, 19, for three counts of felony violation of probation for 2 counts of grand theft of a firearm and one count of burglary of a dwelling.

Police arrived and knocked on the front door and answered by Kieron Jamal Lewis, 22, and another man. When police asked for Beasley, both men indicated Beasley had left several hours earlier.

One deputy recognized that the other man standing behind Lewis in the doorway was Beasley from previous arrest. Police took custody of Beasley and began handcuffing him. Beasley began violently resisting and struck one officer with his forearm. Beasley was able to break free from the officer's grasp and fled on foot with a set of handcuffs dangling on one arm.

After detectives began searching Beasley's friends, family, and associates, ended up locating him at another address about 5 hours later. Beasley was charged with battery on a law enforcement officer, escape and petit theft in addition to Beasley's previous list of criminal charges he faced.

Lewis was also arrested and charged with obstruction or opposing an officer.

Detectives will continue with this investigation with expectation of arresting additional individuals who participated in assisting Beasley avoid apprehension.

Beasley is currently being held without bond.

## MISSING CHILDREN

**Name:** Hope Austrie
**Age:** 14
**Weight:** 145 lbs
**Last seen:** 6/10/13

**Name:** Derrick Depalma
**Age:** 16
**Weight:** 180 lbs
**Last seen:** 6/04/13

**Name:** Tyleah Evans
**Age:** 17
**Weight:** 140 lbs
**Last seen:** 5/01/13

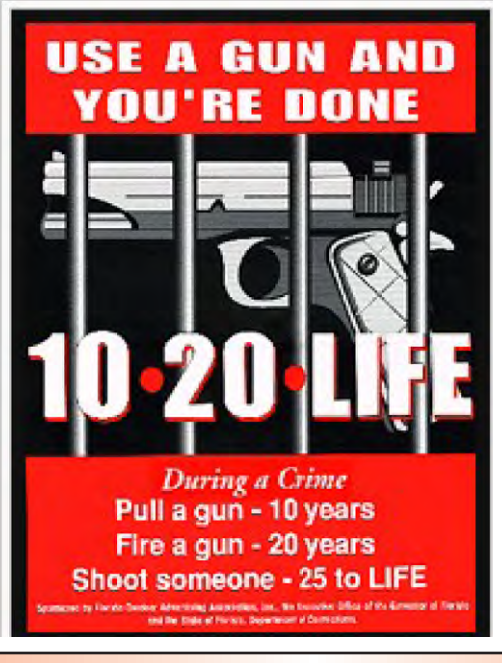
**Name:** Rayquawn Little-Riles
**Age:** 17
**Weight:** 130 lbs
**Last seen:** 5/30/13

## MOST WANTED

**Name:** Bolanle Adebowale
**Offense:** Grand Theft

**Name:** Crisey L. Allen
**Offense:** Carrying Concealed Firearm, Aggravated Assault w/Weapon

**Name:** Antoya Mercedes Bellamy
**Offense:** Credit Card Fraud




## Safety

### Gangs

Learn About Gangs

- Gangs can be organized around race or ethnic group, money making activities, or territory.
- Gangs usually claim a particular area of town which they call their "turf." They spend much of their time fighting rival gangs to keep them out of this territory.
- Most gang members are males ranging in age from 8 to 22 years old.
- Females, especially Asian and Hispanic, are moving away from the traditional role of being merely girlfriends of gang members and are forming their own gangs.
- Gangs wear particular items, styles, brands, or colors of clothing.
- Some gangs wear bandannas of a certain color or baseball caps of a specific team.Some gangs mark their bodies with tattoos with their gang symbol or name.
- Gangs often use special hands signs or handshakes to tell others the gang to which they belong.
- "Gangsta" rap paints a realistic picture of daily gang activity. The lyrics glorify violence, abuse of women, and disrespect for authority, especially the police. Contrary to what you may think, gangs are not around to help you. These groups of young people break the law, beat up people, and murder.

What causes some teens to join gangs? Among the most common reasons are to:

- belong to a group
- receive protection
- earn money
- end boredom and seek more excitement
- be with friends and be more popular.
- For some it is even a family tradition.

What Does the Future Hold:

- Gang members may be killed or injured.
- Many put themselves in danger of disease, prison, and death.
- Many become dependent on alcohol and drugs.
- Gang members usually drop out of school, limiting their chances for higher education or good employment.
- They are likely to be involved in crime throughout the rest of their lives.
- They may commit serious and violent crimes that lead to lengthy jail time.

Your Children:

- If threatened by gangs, tell them to let you know and possibly contact the police or school officials.
- Tell them don't be a "wannabe" by dressing or acting like they want to be in a gang.
- Make sure they hang out with other kids who are not involved and don't want to be in a gang.
- Encourage them to get involved in activities that are not gang-related, such as organized sports, summer jobs, community organizations, volunteer groups, faith groups, or arts and drama groups.

***Citizens with tips are encouraged to call Crime Stoppers at 1-866-845-TIPS. You can remain anonymous and become eligible for a reward.***

# Florida LOCAL

## YMCA's First Coast Games Opening Ceremonies

*Photos courtesy of COJ.net*

## Thank you for a hard, gritty job well done

Work gloves on and safety goggles fastened, Mayor Alvin Brown got his hands dirty on a collection route with members of a city Solid Waste crew on Monday.

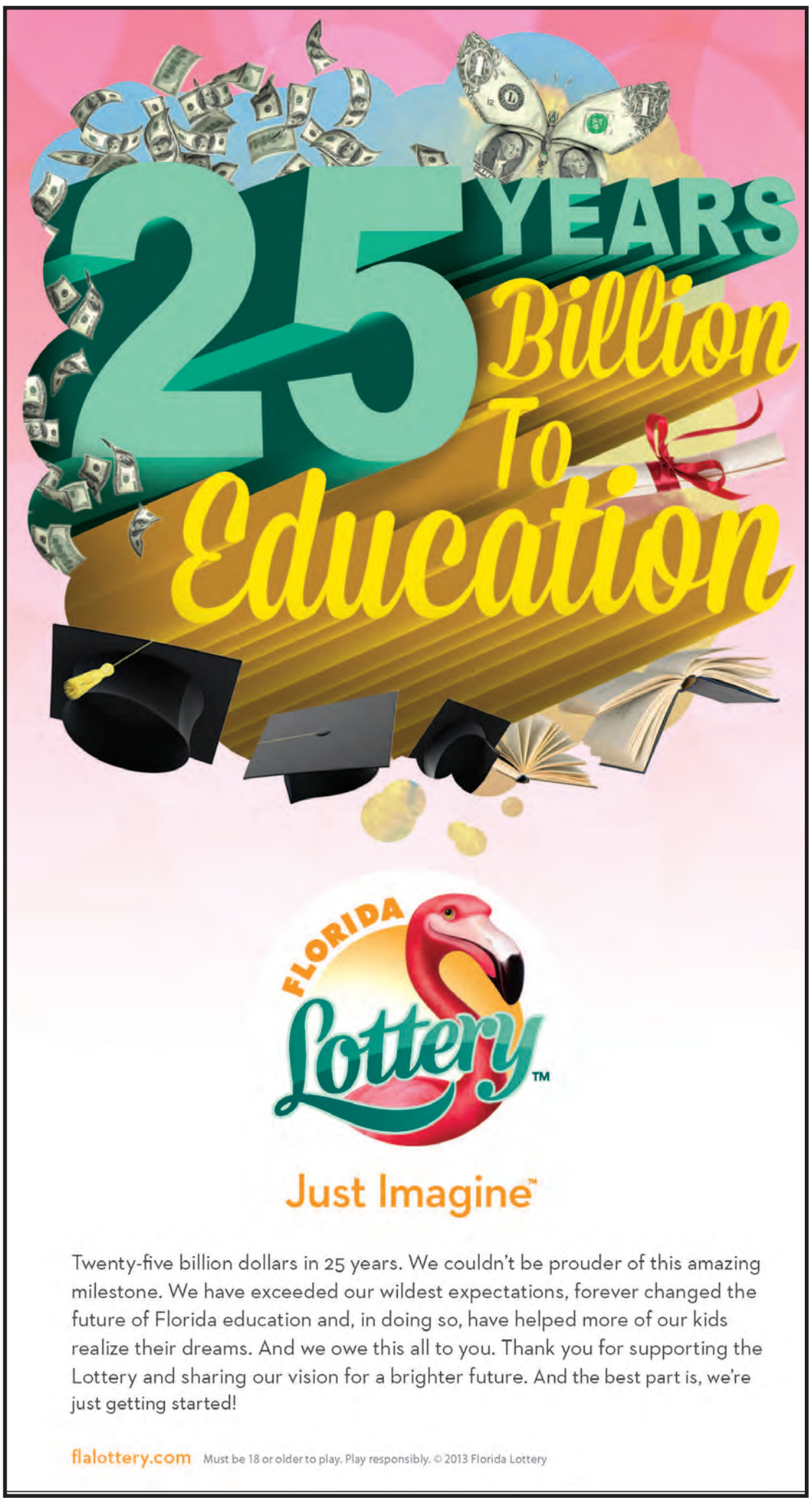
To acknowledge National Garbage Man Day, Mayor Brown praised all city employees for their enthusiastic work to keep Jacksonville clean, day in and day out.

“It’s important to celebrate the hard work these men and women do for our quality of life in Jacksonville,” said the Mayor. “We need to recognize the efforts of these public servants that keep our streets and neighborhoods clean and help to foster a greater sense of pride in our community.”

The mayor said that respecting valued city employees is about more than simple rhetoric or symbolic ceremony. True recognition is about genuine involvement; rolling up your sleeves, taking off your tie and breaking a sweat with some of Jacksonville’s hardest working men and women.

“It means a lot for him to come out in the hot sun and see our work life,” said garbage collector Kenneth Buchanan, a city employee.

“It really shows he cares about our community and the City of Jacksonville,” said Cory Smith.



# GEORGIA LOCAL SECTION - B

## Dix-Ville Family Reunion Brings Generations Together

By Denise Noble-Williams

A little bird planted the reunion seed and our small tree is still growing.

My Name is Denise Noble-Williams born and raised in the heart of Dix-Ville.

A place we call home. Dix-Ville is a small community where everybody knows everybody. The difference between Dix-Ville and other communities is that we have always stood together in good as well as bad times. We were born to different parents but yet raised as sisters and brothers. Dix-Ville is the most talked about neighborhood in all of Brunswick. We've had Dix-Villians from all over to come home this year... From New York, Miami & Texas. Included in the group was Wil Ellis Williams, the middle son of Inez Williams from whom the park was named after. Mrs. Williams was called, "The Mayor of Dix-ville" because of her giving spirit, helping the residents. To those in attendance, Dix-Ville will always be home.

I could have not put this reunion together without a good friend, Mrs. Andrea Austin West who was the only one to show up to every meeting with lots of ideas. I thank the ladies of Dix-Ville who always step in where needed...Regina Hobbs-Daniels, Clarissa Davis, Terry Ward Pinkney, JoAngela Buggs, Pam Norman, Anita Norman, Katie Woodard, Naomi Speakman and my mom Ms. Anna Noble. The men of ILA, Michael Staley, Jody Foster, Leon Armstrong, James Patterson, Cleve Noble, Spencer Scott, Edward Pitts, Joe Francis and BRC Signs

# SPORTS

## Foundation awards 11 college scholarships to Andrew Jackson HS grads & unveils "Jaguars Reading Den

At the unveiling of the newly renovated "Jaguars Reading Den" at Andrew Jackson High School, Jaguars owner Shad Khan announced the awarding of 11 scholarships by the Jaguars Foundation totaling over $25,000. These students will be attending various colleges including the University of Florida, University of North Florida, Florida State College at Jacksonville and Bethune-Cookman University. The college scholarship program was established as a part of the Jaguars corporate partnership with Andrew Jackson High School to assist students at the school who successfully completed the Jaguars Foundation's Honor Rows program.

The Jaguars Reading Den at Andrew Jackson High School is a multi-purpose meeting room for students, teachers and staff. The Jaguars Reading Den features two lounge areas, interchangeable study centers, hundreds of books and magazines and signed team paraphernalia including a game day ball signed by Shad Khan and a new Jaguars helmet signed by Jaguars Head Coach Gus Bradley. The team invested nearly $25,000 to renovate the room.

"Shad Khan is a champion of education, and scholarships from the Jaguars Foundation will help these students take the next steps needed for their successful futures," said Jaguars Foundation President Peter Racine. He added, "We are so pleased to provide this refurbished room to the school. One of the unique aspects of the Jaguars Reading Den is that through our partnership with FIRSTBOOK, the students are free to take any book they like home with them to incorporate into their home libraries."

The Jaguars Foundation and team have a strong commitment to education and provide grants exceeding $1 million annually to support youth and families and other NFL and team initiatives in the community.

## Suns Begin Second Half With 9-4 Win

By Matt Leland / Jacksonville Suns

Kyle Jensen and Danny Pertusati each hit home runs for the Jacksonville Suns (1-0, 35-33), who began the second half of the 2013 season with a 9-4 victory over the Huntsville Stars (0-1, 29-40) at Bragan Field in game one of a five-game series.

Jensen's two-run shot was his Southern League best 16th home run of the season, while Pertusati's third long ball of the campaign was a three-run blast gave the Suns a five-run cushion in the seventh inning.

"We came out swinging the bats tonight," said Suns manager Andy Barkett following the game. "Just had some energy in the dugout. There's always optimism in the second half. It's a new beginning."

A sour note for Jacksonville came in the eighth, however, when outfielder and Marlins number four prospect Jake Marisnick was hit on the hand by a pitch and had to be removed from the game. The pitch struck the same hand that Marisnick injured during spring training.

On the mound, Adam Conley earned the win for Jacksonville despite allowing a two-run home run to Brock Kjeldgaard and a two-run single to Hector Gomez. Conley picked up his team-leading seventh victory with five and two thirds innings on four-run ball, striking out five and walking four.

The Suns, who struggled offensively over the final several weeks of the first half of the season, pounded out 11 hits, including three for catcher J.T. Realmuto. Shortstop Danny Black also finished with two hits, two runs scored and an RBI.

## NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE: Recap of NBA Finals

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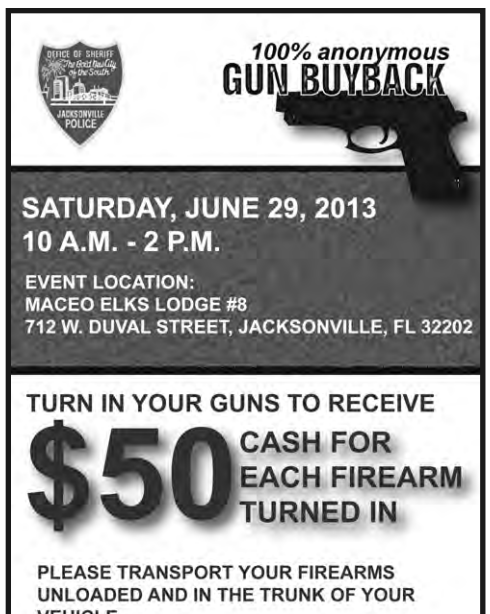

## ALUMNI CONVENTION COMING SOON

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**Agenda:**

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*** Friday ----July 26**
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*** Saturday---July 27**
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*** Sunday---July 28**
Morning Worship--11:00am TBA. Convention Adjourns Come celebrate with us as we look back over the years. All alumni are invited along with descendants, friends and anyone else who attended and roamed the halls of dear OLD RALPH BUNCHE and CAMDEN TRAINING SCHOOL.

For further information, please contact Adell James at (912) 409-7559, J.Moses at (912) 552-4243 or A.Brown at (912) 227-3692.

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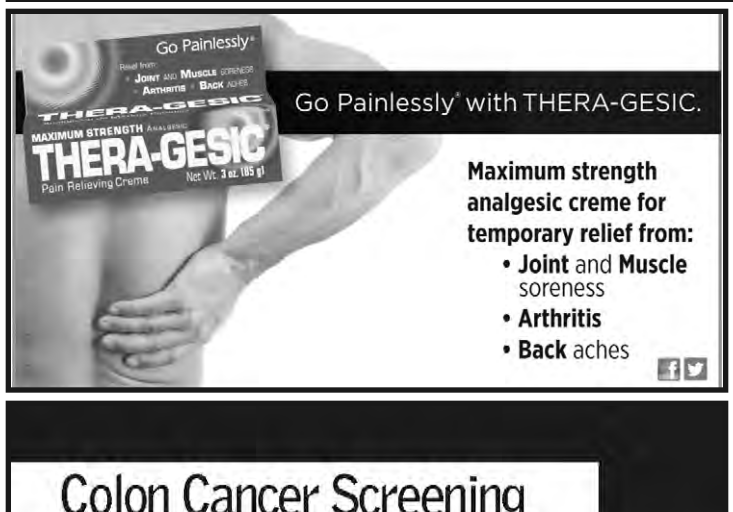

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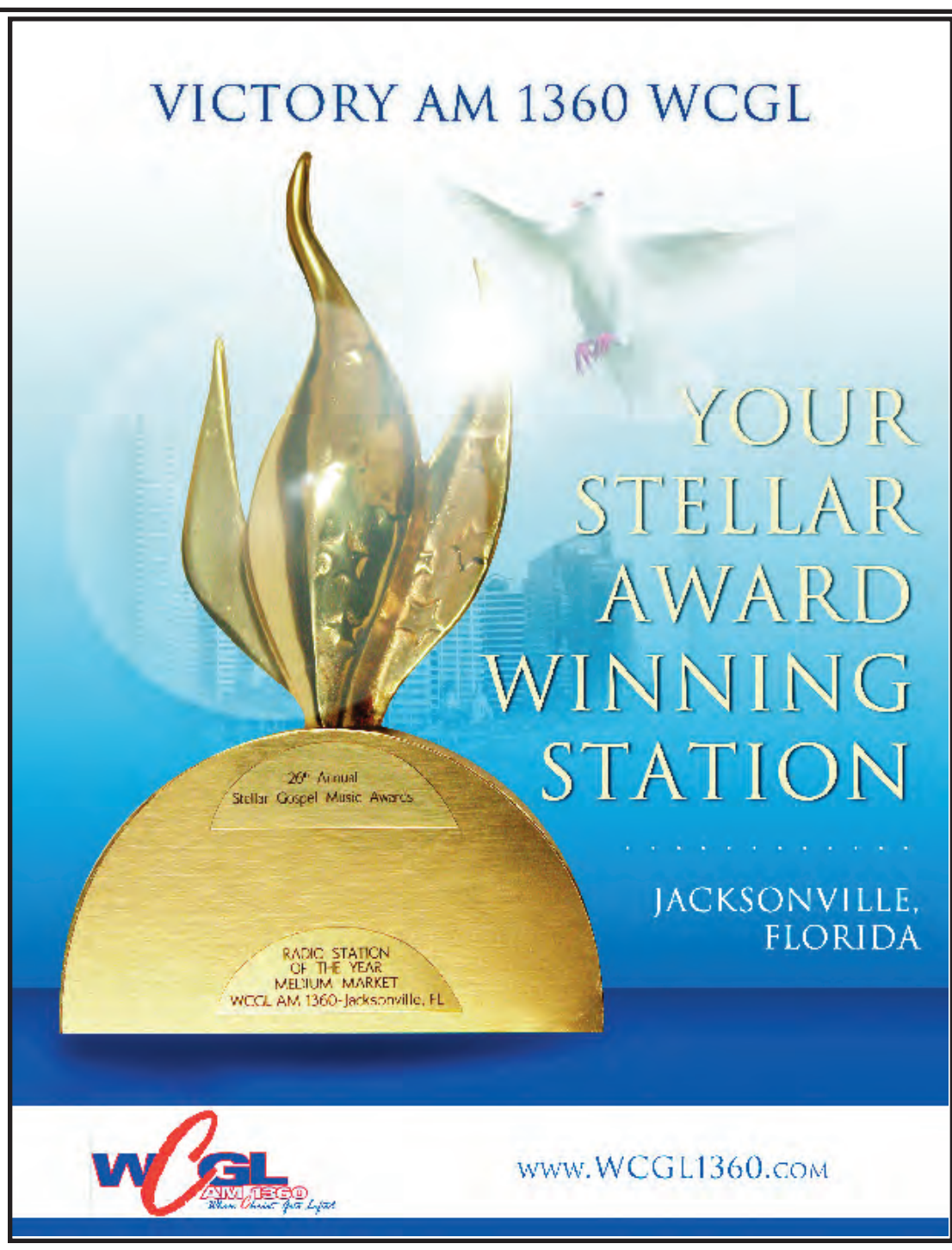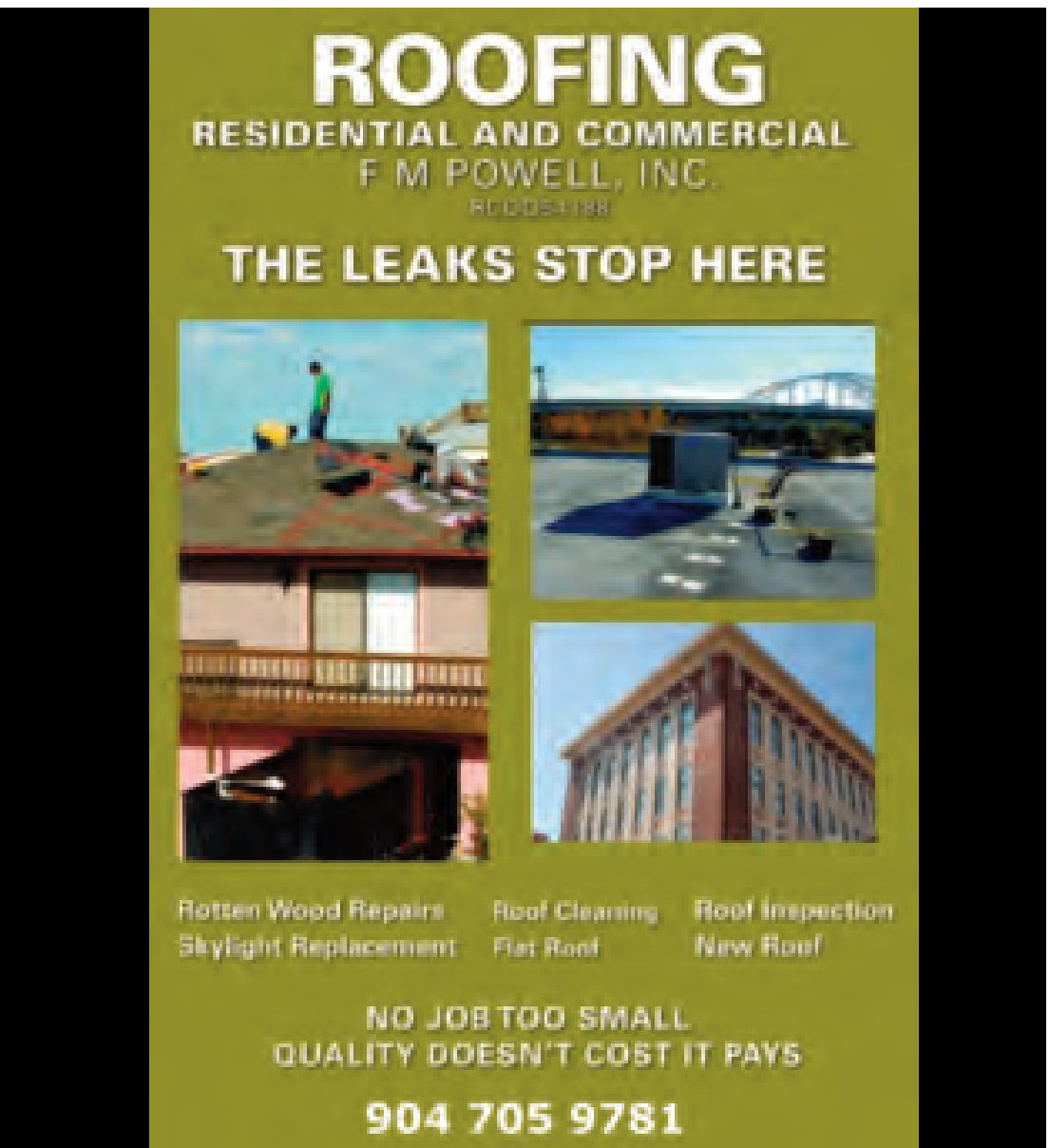
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