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Former police chief files grievance

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Former Crestview police chief Brian Mitchell filed a grievance letter April 20 over his termination from the city's employment, city officials said Wednesday afternoon. Following the city's personnel guidelines, Mitchell filed the grievance with City Clerk Betsy Roy, who said she turned the matter over to the city's labor attorney.

As head of Crestview's public safety departments, Mayor David Cadle had terminated

Mitchell from his post following investigations that led to charges of racketeering being levied against Mitchell's former operations head, Maj. Joseph Floyd. Mitchell was fired on April 17. Floyd's employment with the city was terminated March 26.

In his letter of grievance, Mitchell stated "he still had not been provided with specific complaints or violations as to the reason for my suspension." He also said he was not allowed to respond to the concerns in writing. Mitchell wrote that he had no reason to believe his performance had been in question.

"Mayor Cadle never expressed a concern of the management style of the police department," Mitchell wrote.

Roy said under the city's personnel regulations, an employee may file a grievance against his or her termination. After the city's labor attorney reviews Mitchell's grievance, the process can escalate to Mitchell taking his grievance before the city council.

"If he decided to pursue it, it will go before the city council now," Roy said.

Each step of the process has a specified time frame, Roy said. "They have a certain

amount time to file a grievance" after being dismissed, she said, "then we have a certain amount of time to get back to them."

Because Mitchell's letter was released Friday morning, close to the News Bulletin deadline, the full story about the content's of Mitchell's letter won't be available until next Wednesday's edition.

Right: Former Crestview Police Chief Brian Mitchell filed a grievance April 20 against his dismissal from the police department.

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Back in the saddle

Charter member recounts memories of first mounted posse

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Sheriff Larry Ashley recently resurrected the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Mounted Posse, consisting of volunteers and their horses. The group debuted at the Destin Commons Mardi Gras event in February.

Ashley doesn't remember the first mounted posse; he was born the year before the group

formed in 1967.

But 92-year-old F.E. Harrelson remembers the 1967 group well; he was a charter member. On a recent day, Harrelson sat at a table in the Blackman community store, sipping coffee and telling tales about the first sheriff's mounted posse.

"There was 10 of us to begin with," Harrelson said as he moved a coffee cup in a circle on the table. "The sheriff at the time, Ray Wilson, had to approve

"There was 10 of us to begin with. The sheriff at the time, Ray Wilson, had to approve of each one of us."

F.E. Harrelson
charter member of the first mounted posse

of each one of us."

"You had to have a horse, ride and work the horse good, and you had to have a horse trailer

to transport the horse to events like the parades we rode in, and

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This circa 1967 picture of the original Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office Mounted Posse was taken at the Okaloosa County Courthouse in Crestview.



Crestview rolls out the rouge carpet Sister city contingent, including 20 students, arrives this fall

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A contingent from Crestview's sister city in France is coming for a 13-day visit this fall, and the Hub City is preparing to roll out the red carpet — make that "le

tapis rouge" — with the community's customary Southern hospitality, said the local organizing committee's president, Jim Mills.

During the April 24 city council meeting, Mills briefed city leaders on his group's plans to entertain the 20 student and 15

adult visitors during their stay. While visitors from Noirmoutier, an Atlantic island off the west coast of France near Nantes, have visited on their own, a formal contingent hasn't come to Crestview since 2009. Mills said the group will arrive on Friday,

Oct. 26, and depart for home on Nov. 8. During their visit, the adult French guests will stay with members of the local sister city organization. Families of Crestview High School students, including members of the French Club, will host the French students.

Mills presented his organization's itinerary for the guests, which incorporates requests and suggestions made by members of the Noirmoutier sister city association. Their visit begins with a get-together hosted by Mayor David Cadle.

"On Saturday, Oct. 27,

the mayor will graciously welcome them with a picnic in Old Spanish Trail Park," Mills said.

Activities range from a two-night visit to New Orleans for adults to attending the Bulldogs football game against Niceville.

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What's HAPPENING

CAR WASH

A 9 a.m. car wash fundraiser is today (April 28) at Auto Zone, 2045 S. Ferdon Blvd., Crestview to support Herbert Baker with donations for treatment of cancer. He is traveling from Crestview (where he resides) to Gainesville to receive care. Herbert is married, with three children. Questions or donations can be directed to Herbert's sister, Charlotte, at 307-3732.

YMCA HEALTHY KIDS DAY is Saturday, April 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Crestview Family YMCA, Wilson Street, Crestview, and Niceville, Destin and Fort Walton YMCAs. Attendees can join for \$1. The free event includes class demonstrations, games, swimming, food and fun. Health vendors, the county Head Start and Health Department will also be on site. For details call 863-9622.

A MILITARY APPRECIATION RECOGNITION CELEBRATION is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 19, at Old Spanish Trail Park, Stillwell Boulevard, Crestview. Military members and their families are invited to attend. Free entertainment is planned, and there will be displays, food, games and music. Bring your lawn chair.

URGENT CARE REMAINS OPEN: The 1502 S. Ferdon Blvd. office of Crestview Urgent Care is still open for business, despite the "for lease" sign outside the building. The office will close for one day in June to move behind Dunkin' Donuts in Crestview.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT: At 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 8, Alzheimer's Family Services will host a support group for family members or friends of a loved one with Alzheimer's disease at Covenant Hospice, 370 W. Redstone Drive, Crestview. Attendance is free and respite care is available.

To register or for additional information, call 478-7790 or visit www.alzFamServ.org.

TREASURE

HUNTERS SHOW will be in Crestview May 1-5 at Country Inn & Suites, 235 Raspberry Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.



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REPUBLICAN TOUR: Okaloosa County Republican Executive Committee is hosting a whistle stop tour at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 5, at Twin Hills Park. Meet local Republican candidates for the Legislature, sheriff, and more. The tour will continue on to Niceville and end about 2:30 in Fort Walton Beach.

Bring a lawn chair. For details, contact Ramsey Chaplin at 897-0031 or rctide1@cox.net; or Richard Solt at 897-1814 or richdulce@aol.com. You may also visit the www.okaloosagop.com website.

HUNTER SAFETY: A free hunter safety course is on May 4 and 5 at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 5595 State Road 4 South, Baker. The class is limited to 25 people. Instruction is from 4-9 p.m. May 4 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 5.

The church will provide dinner Friday evening and lunch Saturday for those students attending the course.

Students who have taken the Internet course and wish to complete the classroom portion must bring the online-completion report and attend only the May 5 class from noon to 4 p.m.

An adult must accompany children younger than 16 at all times. Students are encouraged to bring a pencil and paper with them to take notes.

The course is required for people born on or after June 1, 1975, to purchase a Florida hunting license. The FWC course satisfies hunter-safety training requirements for all other states and Canadian provinces.

Register online and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at www.myfwc.com/huntersafety or by calling 265-3676.

SPRING CONCERT: Sweet Treble Children's Chorus will be holding their Spring Concert "Broadway Babies" on May 3, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the Florala City Middle School Auditorium in Florala, Ala. Song and dance from movies and musicals will be featured. Admission is free and open to the public. Call 951-5384 or visit lyndseyhand.com for details.

HAUGEN WINE TASTING: The time for the Crestview Chamber of Commerce Taylor Haugen Foundation wine tasting is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. May 10 at the Crestview Area Chamber of Commerce, 1447 Commerce Drive. The food will be provided by

Wild Olive, Fish Net, Mia's, Coach-N-Four, and Publix. Gulf Power and Hub City Ford are sponsors for the event.

SPRING REVIVAL continues at Red Oak Baptist Church in Baker, with services at 7 p.m. nightly. The Rev. Bill Prichett of Southside Baptist Church, Andalusia, Ala., is guest speaker. Pastor Dick Driskell and congregation invite you to attend.

FIRST TUESDAY: Brenda Smith of Okaloosa County -University of Florida/IFAS will present "My Plate: Fun & Food Prep" at 10:30 a.m. May 1 for the First Tuesday Series program at the Crestview Public Library. This fun, food-tasting session will

provide participants with an overview of the USDA's dietary advice based on the 2010 Dietary Guidelines and an introduction to MyPlate. Bring your favorite plate.

Coffee and cookies served starting at 10 a.m. The library is at 1445 Commerce Drive behind the post office in north Crestview. Call 682-4432 for details.

BIKER SUNDAYS: American Legion Post No. 75 will host a series of Biker Sundays from 1-4 p.m. at 898 U.S. Highway 90 East in Crestview to support the post and its veterans programs. Scheduled days and bands performing are as follows: May 6, band to be announced; May 20, Grey Wolf; June 10, Juke Joint Willie; June 24, Grey Wolf.

Hamburgers and hot dogs with baked beans and potato salad will be served for \$5 per plate. Pool use is free and there will be special happy hour prices. For details call 689-3195.

SKIP YORK MEMORIAL POKER RUN: The Deputy Skip York Memorial Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center Poker Run is Saturday, May 19, at Heritage Cycles Harley Davidson, 788 N. Beal Parkway, Fort Walton Beach. Registration is at 8:30 a.m., costing \$20 per rider or \$25 with a passenger. The first bike goes out at 9 and the last bike goes out at 10:30 a.m. The last bike will be in at 1:30 p.m. The first 200 riders will be given ride pins.

For more information, call Bruce Stewart at 200-3055 or email Blueknightsxxy@cox.net.

CLEAN UP DAY: The Community Outreach Committee is hosting Clean Up Day at Springhill Cemetery on Blakely Avenue in Crestview at 7 a.m. today (April 28).

Please come support this effort. For more

information call Joe Means at 682-0281 or Pearl Bess at 682-5733.

CAC DONATIONS: As part of Child Abuse Prevention Month, Lee Automotive branches and Cumulus Broadcasting are collecting items for the Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center, including the 5200 S. Ferdon Blvd. location in Crestview.

The center needs cash, gift cards, snacks and nonperishable foods, juice boxes, and therapy art supplies such as washable paints, thick paper and modeling clay. Items can be dropped off at any Lee Automotive location or Cumulus Broadcasting, 225 NW Hollywood Blvd., Fort Walton Beach.

For more information, call 243-2323.

THE USDA FOOD GIVEAWAY is from 9 a.m. until the monthly food allowance has been distributed today (April 28), at the Raymond Williams Mission Center, 404 W. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. For details contact Jimmy Smith at 398-6760 or 689-2988. New Beginnings Church is an equal opportunity provider.

REPUBLICAN CLUB FORUM: The Okaloosa Republican Club announces the last of its candidate forums. The forum for District 3 county commission candidates is May 24, and the forum for sheriff's office candidates is on July 26. For information regarding future forums or the Republican Club, call President Marvin Brigman at 609-3341.

BLOOD DRIVES:

Northwest Florida Blood Center is hosting the following North Okaloosa blood drives: May 1, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Laurel Hill School.

STAMP OUT HUNGER Saturday, May 12, by participating in the National Association of Letter Carriers food drive. Place nonperishable foods in a paper or plastic bag by your mailbox. Your letter carrier will pick up the donations and take them to local food banks. Please make sure the foods you donate have not exceeded their expiration dates.

For more information call 243-0315 or email events@united-way.org.

PATHFINDERS:

Young men and women ages 10-17 are invited to learn about nature, hiking, camping and God with the Crestview Pathfinders. Call 652-3631 for details.

CARVER-HILL MEETINGS:

The Concerned Citizens of Crestview group meets the first Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at Allen Park on McClelland Street, Crestview. The Carver-Hill

Memorial & Historical Society meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. at the park.

SONS OF ITALY: The Order Sons Of Italy In America has a chapter in Crestview. All people of American-Italian heritage are welcome to join. Meet new friends and make lasting friendships as you continue to enhance the cultural contributions Italians have made before and since their arrival on the shores of this wonderful experience called America. For additional information, call 585-3166.

TOASTMASTERS: The Crestview Toastmasters club meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 6-7 p.m. in Room 6 at Troy University, 650 S. Pearl St., Crestview. The club is a learn-by-doing workshop where members practice speaking skills in a relaxed atmosphere.

The person with strong speaking skills has an advantage in today's competitive job market. Call Clara Dunham at 803-4488 and join them in learning how to speak with confidence and say what you mean.

ZUMBA CLASSES:

Crestview Church of the Nazarene hosts Zumba every Thursday from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at 395 Aplin Road in Crestview. Taught by certified instructors, the class costs \$5 per person. For more information, please go to www.crestviewnazarene.com.

SENIORS VS. CRIME:

Okaloosa County Seniors vs. Crime is a special project under the Florida Attorney General's Office to assist senior citizens who believe that someone has taken advantage of them. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, except holidays, at 296 S. Ferdon Blvd., Crestview, in suite 8. For more information or to report a scam, call 306-3176. The organization's email address is okaloosacountysvc@yahoo.com.

DANCERS WANTED:

The Filipino American Association of Okaloosa County is looking for people of all ages to perform in their annual cultural folk art dance this September. For more information, call Annie Cameron at 586-1552.

GENEALOGY MEETINGS: The

Genealogical Society of Okaloosa County meets every second Saturday at Heritage Museum, 115 Westview Ave., Valparaiso, across from the city park. For details, contact Martha Trau at 259-4351.

FOSTER AGENCY IN NEED OF BEDS:

Lakeview Center's Families First Network is in need of beds for children in protective services. Bunk beds, twin beds and toddler beds are needed to help local families. Beds do not have to be new, just in good condition. If you have beds that you would like to donate please contact Elsie Green at 833-3840 or 585-1368.

MASON'S: Mt. Ewell Lodge No. 131 of Free and Accepted Masons meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month on State Road 189, Baker.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN: The Spanish Trail Republican Women Federated meets at 11:30 a.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Ryan's in south Crestview. New members are welcome. Details: Joan Hubers, 682-0817.

CRESTVIEW SOUP KITCHENS: Serving from 11 a.m. to noon except on Wednesdays, when the hours are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Mondays: Central Baptist Church, 951 S. Ferdon Blvd. (State Road 85), 682-5525. Tuesdays: Our Savior Lutheran Church, 178 North Ave., Crestview, 682-3154.

Wednesdays: LifePoint Church (former First Assembly of God), 400 S. Ferdon Blvd. (State 85), 682-3518. Thursdays: Community of Christ, 398 W. First Ave., behind Whitehurst/Powell Funeral Home, 682-7474.

Fridays: First Presbyterian Church, 492 N. Ferdon Blvd., intersection of State 85 and U.S. 90, 682-2835. Saturdays: First United Methodist Church, 599 Eighth Ave., behind Tom Thumb across from Goodwill, 682-2018.

Volunteers are always needed. Please call any church to volunteer.

Emmanuel Baptist Church members are in need of bikes, which they repair and issue to the homeless. Please call 423-0711 if you can assist with this service.

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when they needed us we'd ride the woods looking for escaped criminals," he said.

"We had some amazing things going on all the time — like Charles Cook, who was in the posse. His horse was completely blind but you would never know it by the way that horse worked and showed."

Harrelson said that the group was all work when they had to be and all fun when they could be.

"We robbed Red Feather on horseback," Harrelson recalled with a mischievous smile. "Red Feather was a special train for children that ran on State Road 85 going into Niceville out of Eglin. The posse rode alongside the train, like something out of a real western movie."

"And at the right time, we pulled the engine over — it was a real boogey looking steam engine — and we stole the treasure trunk off of this train. All the kids on board and their parents thought it was really something to be a part of a train robbery. Then the sheriff, Ray Wilson, rode up with a white hat on and saved the day and roped us all up in one big bunch of outlaws, and the kids on the train just loved the show."

Harrelson explained how his horse felt about the train robbery. "I was riding Blackjack and Blackjack knew that he could catch that engine, but that horse wasn't so sure about this

play," Harrelson said. "He poured the speed on and was so proud of himself coming to a halt with that steaming train. He just wasn't sure he could hold that train once we caught it."

Harrelson was captain of the mounted posse for several years, before turning it over to Everette Helms.

"When F.E. got tired of being the captain after about six years, he saddled me with it," said Helms, who worked for the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office from 1957 to 1993.

"I rode Tony, an old stud horse in the posse," Helms said. "It was the same horse I used to ride to church and tie him up there till the service was over. I grew up near Blackman store and that horse knew this area better than I did."

Harrelson and Helms exchanged memories over another cup.

"You remember that show saddle that Mr. Peaden had?" Harrelson asked.

"Yeah, but I remember that Mexican sterling silver saddle that I borrowed from Walt Ruckle for a parade better," Helms replied. "I think it was a homecoming parade back in '68. I put that heavy saddle on that palomino and I think that horse knew it was something fancy, cause he sure did strut his stuff that parade."

Harrelson had his left hip replaced last winter

and says that he doesn't think that he will ever ride horses again.

"I can't be thrown now," Harrelson said, dropping his face and peering into his coffee cup. "It would sure bust this hip up."

That doesn't mean he can't take part, however. James Wells, who spearheaded practice sessions for the newly formed mounted posse at the Baker Rodeo Association arena, arranged for Harrelson to watch the horses and riders during formations practice for the Baker Rodeo earlier this month. Harrelson, who entered the arena on a four wheeler, was given one of the new mounted posse shirts and was warmly greeted by Ashley.

Harrelson said he has had a full life. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol; has hunted elk and pheasant all across the country; has fished most of the Gulf of Mexico; and has been on numerous mission trips abroad to help build schools and orphanages.

"There just isn't too many things that I wanted to do that I haven't already done," Harrelson said. "Well, there was that one time that this big ole boy from the sheriff's department kept begging me to take him for a ride in my airplane — that little Cessna. I told him I would take him just as soon as those wing extensions came in."



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Okaloosa County Sheriff Larry Ashley, left, shakes the hand of F.E. Harrelson, one of the charter members of the sheriff's mounted posse.



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Seated, from left, Everett Helms and F.E. Harrelson were members of the original sheriff's mounted posse. They were joined by James Wells, who recently resurrected the posse. Elease Adkins serves coffee for the equestrians at the Blackman community store.

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WANT TO JOIN?

Any area resident interested in educational and cultural exchanges with Crestview's French sister city, Noirmoutier-en-l'Île, or hosting a visitor from Noirmoutier, is welcome to join the local sister city organization. For information email president Jim and Isabelle Mills, isajim1@cox.net, or treasurer Pam and Joe Coffield, jcoffield@cox.net.

Adults will be treated to a formal dinner at the Wild Olive restaurant, and the whole group will be feted at a reception hosted by the Friends of the Crestview Library to celebrate the opening of a library exhibit about Noirmoutier.

Attending the Friends of the Arts' Nov. 3 big band music concert and dance piqued the Frenchmen's interest. They are also looking forward to attending a gospel church service with a good Southern covered dish church lunch afterward.

Yellow River Vineyards vintners Crystal and Nathan Boyles will host a backyard shrimp boil during the visit. Nathan Boyles had been Cadle's emissary during a May 2010 visit to Noirmoutier by a contingent from the Crestview area. A Sunday afternoon picnic at the beach is also planned.

"I know we think it's a little cool at the beach in October, but they're from



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Symbols of nearly 300 years of friendship, the American and French flags fly side by side during the playing of "La Marseillaise," the French national anthem, at the start of a 2009 Crestview High football game.

Noirmoutier, which is in the North Atlantic at approximately the same latitude as Maine and the water is 60 degrees in the peak of summer, so they'll think it'll be wonderful," Mills said.

Exchanges between the two communities include educational, commercial, cultural and social components. Visitors stay with local families and experience their hosts' home life, including sharing favorite foods and activities.

The visiting French students, who are 15 or 16 years old, will be chaperoned by two certified



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Members of Crestview's sister city committee, (from left) Jim Mills, Isabelle Mills and Crestview High French teacher Chris Lanoue, discuss plans for the fall visit of 35 people from Noirmoutier.



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With cheers and French flags, student and adult hosts welcomed the 2009 contingent from Noirmoutier when they arrived at Northwest Florida Regional Airport.

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Back on the market City didn't buy Woodruff Avenue lot after all

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A quarter-acre lot at 378 Woodruff Ave. the Crestview City Council was considering for purchase is back on the real estate market.

Starting at its Oct. 10, 2011, meeting the council had showed increasing interest in purchasing the property from owner Billie Carter.

Carter had initially offered to sell the land to the city, but was told by Administrative Services Director Mike Wing, "We're not in the market to buy property." Council member

Robyn Helt saw potential for the property as a possible downtown parking lot, however.

The council debated purchasing the property at several subsequent meetings. Though Carter originally requested \$38,000 for the property, she agreed to accept a city offer to purchase the lot, across the street from the Crestview Fire Department's main station, for its appraised value of \$29,907. Mayor David Cadle counseled restraint.

"That seems to be a very small parcel," Cadle said at the Oct. 24, 2011, meeting. "That seems to be a lot of money for 26

parking spaces."

"The first step in determining what we want to do with it is, you gotta own it," Helt said during the meeting. "I see a value in the city acquiring this piece of property because of its close proximity to City Hall."

"Anytime we acquire anything off the tax roll, that's a loss," council member Ben Iannucci reminded his colleagues.

"I still have concerns about the city getting into the real estate business, buying property that we have no plans for," Cadle said at a subsequent meeting. "It's a slippery slope we're getting into, pur-

chasing property that we have no plans for. This is taxpayer money we're talking about."

Council President Charles Baugh Jr. said in addition to a parking lot, other uses for the property could be a branch library or a downtown skate park, two projects that had occasionally been raised during previous discussions. By a 4-1 vote, the council moved to authorize then-city attorney Ben Holley to prepare a contract to buy the land.

And that, Wing said, is apparently as far as the project got.

"It died. It never went any further," Wing said.



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A "for sale" sign sits in front of a Woodruff Avenue home sitting on a quarter-acre lot that the city almost bought earlier this year.

It never went any further from there."

Today a "for sale" sign is planted on the front lawn in front of the small one-story house.

Iannucci voted council president

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Crestview City Council member Benjamin Ian-

nucci was elected council president during the body's Monday evening meeting. Iannucci, who nominated himself when no other nominations

were forthcoming, was elected by a 3-1 margin, with outgoing council President Charles Baugh Jr. voting nay.

Council Vice President Tim Grandberry was re-elected to that position upon the nomination of council member Robyn Helt with a 3-1 vote, with Iannucci voting nay. When no second was received, Baugh passed the gavel to Grandberry to second Helt's motion, and Grandberry presided over the vote that continued his vice presidency.

Iannucci is serving out the balance of former council member Chip Wells' term, which expires at the end of March 2013. Because the council

president is generally selected in the last council meeting of April, unless Iannucci runs and is re-elected, Grandberry would have to finish out his term as council president.

On Monday the council will conduct a special 6 p.m. meeting at City Hall to interview candidates for an appointment to a council seat vacated when Philip Berezo resigned. The council could appoint a new member at the meeting.

In other matters, the council:

- Began by meeting as the Community Redevelopment Agency board and unanimously voting to rescind a vote made at its

April 16 meeting to award a contract for new Main Street lamppost banners to Signs Galore. The action was recommended by interim city attorney Jerry Miller to bring the city into compliance with its procurement policy.

- Agreed to place a quarter-page, \$200 ad for the city in the Florida League of Cities conference magazine.

- Agreed to allow the Bob Sikes Elementary School student council to attend the May 14 council meeting and observe how city government works.

- Received preliminary recommendations from consultant Jack Dorman on how to proceed with repealing the city's transportation and school impact fees. The council voted unanimous-

- Cadle reported the National Day of Prayer will be observed on the front steps of City Hall on the morning of May 3.

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During their "Rocking the FCAT" rally, Northwood Cougars get into the FCAT spirit led by members of the Crestview High School cheerleading squad.

Gimme an F-C-A-T!

By BRIAN HUGHES
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Schools throughout north Okaloosa County got into the FCAT spirit as the days ticked by leading up to the statewide standardized tests. After months of learning and weeks of preparations, faculty and administrators gave one more giant push to get their students into the right frame of mind to tackle a week's worth of testing.

The Northwood Cougars prepared with a "Rocking the FCAT" rally on April 13, a motivational pep rally to encourage the school's third, fourth and fifth graders. Teacher Danielle Vogel contributed her background as a cheerleading coach to organize the event.

The rally included performances by Northwood's very own 40-member cheerleading squad, which Vogel coached,

"Our mission with inviting the surrounding schools to come perform was to remind our students that 'We are all in this together.' We hope that they feel the support from every direction because being motivated and confident to be successful on the FCAT is half the battle."

Danielle Vogel
teacher and cheerleading coach

skits put together and coached by third grade teacher Erin Adams, and performances "by some very special guests from surrounding Okaloosa County schools," Vogel said.

Cheerleaders from Davidson Middle School, the Crestview High School Dazzlers, Meigs Middle School and Chocawhatchee varsity descended on Northwood

to help motivate the Cougars.

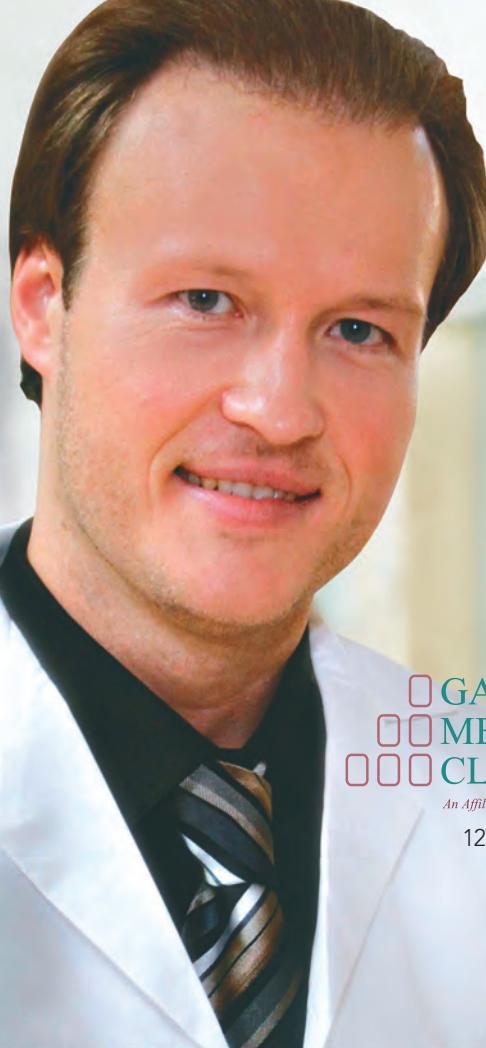
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Fishing for good grades

Shoal River students unwind with after-FCAT fishing

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After an intensive day of FCAT testing, what's a kid to do to unwind? If the kid is fortunate enough to be a Shoal River Middle School student, maybe he'd head over to the school's pond for a little fishing. That's just what a group of students, led by Teacher of the Year Dale Chavers, did.

"Mr. Chavers took a group of students on a fishing trip where they caught and released a sizable catch of the day," journalism and English teacher Pauline Buis reported in an email.

For several of the students, it was their first-ever fishing outing, and at least three of the newbies hauled in rewards for their efforts. Kiona Stewart, who broke her rod trying to reel in a big

bass, and Sierra Weaver were among the first-timers who hooked a fish.

"Freddy Johnson said, 'I can't fish; I've never fished!' and now Mr. Chavers says that you can't keep Freddy away from the SRMS fishin' hole," Buis stated in her email.

The fishing pond is part of a natural wetland on the school grounds purposefully left undeveloped for students' recreational and educational uses.



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Freddy Johnson, who insisted, "I can't fish," proved himself wrong during the Shoal River Middle School fishing trip after a day of FCAT testing.



Kiona Stewart, left, and Sierra Weaver both caught fish on their first attempt at the sport. Kiona broke her rod hauling in this largemouth bass.



A blue gill was Christopher Jensen's reward while fishing in Shoal River's fishing hole.

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Arts and crafts awards presented to charitable women

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Three women talked quietly in a room filled with 26 categories of arts and crafts on April 20. Their mission was to award ribbons to the first, second and third place winners for each category, with an occasional honorable mention ribbon when necessary.

The creative pieces were made by the ladies of the Okaloosa Council for Home & Community Education.

The council "was formed to give an educational, recreational and informational outlet to folks in Okaloosa County who have time and talent and want to use those skills to reach out in the community and teach their skills to others, or use those skills in a volunteer capacity," said Elaine Courtney, Family and Consumer Sciences agent for the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Services.

Courtney said that there are three clubs in Okaloosa County, with two in Fort Walton Beach and one in Crestview. The groups get together once a month for educational programs and to coordinate new projects for their crafts.

Programs are diverse and include topics from couponing and philanthropy without money, to scrap booking and cheese education.

In the past year, the groups have created and donated lap quilts to every resident of every skilled nursing facility in Okaloosa County. They have donated hundreds of crocheted hats for chemotherapy patients. They have made stuffed animals for children handed out by members of the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office. And they've made mittens and scarves and sent them to troops in Afghanistan.

"They want to use the skills and talents and hobbies to reach out into the community," Courtney said. "It's good to keep our minds and our hands busy, but passing a delicate skill on to another person, or another generation is a wonderful thing."

The crafts awards were for hand stitchery, paintings in all mediums, scrap booking, Christmas items, clothing, knitting, crocheting, machine embroidery, hardanger — a type of embroidery, candle-wicking and



With 26 categories the cultural arts show competition included entries full of imagination, like this flip-flop wreath and Christmas tree made from old jewelry.



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Joan Mosier won a blue ribbon for her machine embroidery denim shirt and jeans at an April 20 cultural arts show for the Okaloosa Council for Home & Community Education members.



An entry from one of the yarn categories was this shawl scarf in electric blue. The scarf took a first place ribbon that almost matched its color.

quilting. There were 26 categories in all and each member could enter three items in each category.

Joan Mosier, of the Crestview club, took home a blue ribbon for a denim shirt and pair of jeans that she

embroidered with her Bernina machine.

"I enjoy making things; I like sewing," Mosier said. "The two little dresses are for my granddaughter, Joeli Parker who is 6. She and her mother, Kristy, and I

picked out the fabric for them and they turned out so colorful that I thought I would enter them in the competition before I gave them to her."

Mosier said that she enjoys passing along homemade gifts to her family.

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Exhibits will start at the Caboose on Circle Drive and continue to the library. Entry is free.

Officials from Escambia County to Washington counties in Florida and from nearby Alabama counties are expected to attend, city of DeFuniak Springs account representative Cynthia Permenter said. The public throughout the region is invited as well.

Many hands-on activities and live demonstrations are planned and experts in the conservation field will be available to answer any questions.

Biodiesel production and use will be demonstrated at the expo, and a natural gas vehicle and a hybrid electric and gas-powered vehicle will be on display. Attendees will also be able

to learn about geothermal heating and cooling, solar technologies, wind turbines, recycling and many more innovative technologies, according to a press release. The Expo will also include composting, gardening in a bucket and examination of live organisms under a microscope.

There will also be activities for children and a farmers market.

Free document shredding for individuals (no businesses) will also be available. Attendees can bring up to five banker boxes of personal documents (checks, bank statements, credit card) they want shredded, a \$50 value.

There will also be an area available to drop-off electronics to be recycled, such as broken computers, cell phones or monitors.

For more information, call Permenter or Jason O'Daniels at DeFuniak Springs City Hall 892-8500.

Community

Women of Okaloosa County prepare for pageant

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The Distinguished Young Women of Okaloosa County scholarship pageant is set for Aug. 11. Young women involved in the pageant are working on an outreach program called "Be Your Best Self."

Pageant coordinator Carole Lee Byrd said the competition is more than a beauty pageant and that the contestants are more involved in the community.

"The Distinguished Young Women program is known for its outreach program," Byrd said. "Be Your Best Self encourages the girls in the competition to choose a group of young girls to adopt or mentor. Be Your Best Self can have a huge positive impact on their lives.

"It seems that every time this week occurs

that the pageant girls learn something new about themselves and they pass that on to their adopted group," Byrd said. "This is done through presentations, with information about being your best self and generally bonding with the group. These groups range from Girl Scout troops, to church groups, to athletic teams and arts-dance-music groups."

Each girl must include five focal points to her Be Your Best Self program. The points encourage the girls to be healthy, ambitious, involved, responsible and studious.

Byrd said contestants are accomplishing their presentations and documenting the experience.

"I really feel as if this program's goals are to focus on spreading positive influence of high standards and strong values through role

models as the girls have that positive impact on their peers thorough this worthwhile program," Byrd said.

Girls from Fort Walton Beach, Choctawhatchee, Laurel Hill, Rocky Bayou Christian and Niceville high schools, as well as home schooled students and those from the Collegiate High School are competing for the title.

"We are still accepting tax deductible donations for the scholarship foundation," Byrd said. "I am so glad that we are returning this pageant to Okaloosa County. It has been gone for too long. People who attend the pageant will catch the spirit of this prestigious program and it will continue to grow to support our county's future leaders by helping to see that they get a premier education."

Distinguished Young Women of Okaloosa County is the former

Junior Miss program. It is a national scholarship program for high school rising senior girls who compete in five categories for college scholarship money. Categories are talent, fitness, interview, grades and self-expression.

The pageant is judged by a panel of five out-of-state judges who evaluate the contestants based on a national ranking process. Scholarship money comes solely from donations made by businesses and individuals within the communities supporting the program.

The winner advances to the state competition. State winners advance to the national title competition in Mobile, Ala., in June.

For additional information telephone Byrd at (205) 886-5552 or visit the pageant's website at www.distinguishewyw.org.

BRIDGE



On Tuesday, City of Crestview Public Works crews completed construction of the deck for a new footbridge spanning the west pond at Twin Hills Park. The pedestrian bridge is expected to open within a couple of weeks, once new handicap ramps are installed, a worker said. The old 40-year-old bridge was torn down in December for safety reasons.

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Residents who want to dispose of expired, unwanted, or unused prescription medications are encouraged to bring them to the sheriff's office drop off points at the stores.

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Hunter safety course offered in Okaloosa County

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering a free hunter safety course in Okaloosa County.

The course will be at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 5595 State Road 4 South in Baker and is limited to 25 people. Instruction is from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. May 4 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 5.

The church will provide dinner Friday evening and

lunch Saturday for those students attending the traditional course.

Students who have taken the Internet course and wish to complete the classroom portion must bring the online-completion report and attend only the May 5 class from noon to 4 p.m.

An adult must accompany children under the age of 16 at all times. Students are encouraged to bring a pencil and paper with them to take notes. The hunter safety course is required for people born on or after June 1, 1975, to purchase a Florida hunting license. People interested in attending this course can register online

and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at www.myfwc.com/huntersafety, or by calling the FWC's regional office in Panama City at 265-3676.

Charter presentation

The Crestview City Council has set a 6 p.m., June 4, public presentation at Warriors Hall to explain the proposed new city charter to interested members of the public. Council members felt monthly meetings would help the public become better informed about the document before it appears on the November ballot.

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Car show winners

By BRIAN HUGHES
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Spanish Trail Cruisers club secretary Doug Faircloth has released the list of winners of the group's 2012 Average Joe Car Show in Crestview last weekend. Nearly two-dozen trophies were awarded in 11 categories, including the first Burn-Out Contest.

Trophy winners were:

First Place Class

George Helton, 1925 Ford Model T
Frank McCall, 1931 Ford AA
Mark Waggy, 1949 Ford F-1
Robert Maddox, 1956 Ford Fairlane
Chris French, 1961 Buick LaSabre
Earl & Sally Ice, 1937 Cadillac La Salle
Bill & Bonnie Clapper, 1965 Buick Skylark
Glen Freeman, 1932 Ford Hi-Boy
Penny Holcumb, 1968 VW Type 3 Square Back
Will & Rita Adams, 1966 VW Buggy
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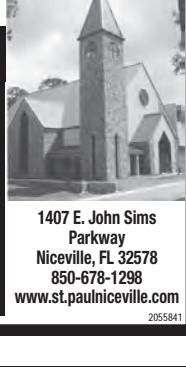
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The Americans with Disabilities Act trumps all

By CARYN M. CAMPBELL

Special to the News Bulletin

Mike Chesser recently faced a confusing situation involving a dog, a restaurant and a deputy. While this might sound like the beginning of a joke, it is something that is becoming more and more common and which deserves a bit of attention.

Mr. Chesser happened upon a member of a rapidly growing population of persons with disabilities enjoying the same access and benefits as the rest of the public. In Mr. Chesser's scenario, the restaurant owner encountered a patron with a service dog. The restaurant owner not only refused to serve the patron, but also called the cops. It is a good thing for the restaurant owner that there is an attorney so close at hand.

The restaurant owner might have been concerned about local or state laws or health codes restricting animals in restaurants. However, the Americans with Disabilities Act trumps all of these. Wherever the general public can go in a restaurant, the service animal can go, too.

Recently, new regulations and extremely detailed technical standards for Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility came into effect. These apply to a whole host of businesses that are open to the public, including hotels, restaurants, medical offices and the like which are deemed to be "public accommodations." One change is that the definition of "service animal" limits the animal used, with one exception, to dogs. No matter how helpful someone may find their service monkey, service snake, service parrot, service duck or service pig (all real-world examples), the Americans with Disabilities Act does not require businesses to allow these animals into their establishments.

If you are building or remodeling a business that serves the public, you should be aware of the new technical requirements for disabled access. Further, new rules affecting pools, spas, golf courses and other recreational features may require some degree of compliance regardless of when the facility was constructed.

Caryn M. Campbell is an associate with Chesser & Barr, PA.

728th Air Control Squadron helps kids at Children in Crisis

Special to the News Bulletin

The 728th Air Control Squadron, formerly of Eglin Air Force Base, helped the kids of Children in Crisis by donating food and other needed items.

Thanks to the generous donations from the members of the 728th and other community supporters, the kids at the CIC Children's Neighborhood received necessary supplies to make their new home even better.

Ken Hair, CIC president and chief executive officer, said, "The donation helped provide essentials that would not have been available without the 728th. This donation truly made a difference and we are very thankful."

To learn more about the nonprofit organization call 864-4242 or visit www.chilrenincrisisfl.org.



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Ken Hair, CIC President & CEO, receives donations of food and supplies from an airman with the 728th Air Control Squadron, formerly at Eglin Air Force Base.

JOB WELL DONE



BRIAN HUGHES | News Bulletin

Public Works Department employee Tim Glass, center, was recognized at the March 26 meeting of the Crestview City Council for five years of service to the city. "Tim is a master certified electrician," Public Works Director Wayne Steele, right, said. "He provides most of the maintenance on our control panels for things like lift stations." In the absence of Mayor David Cadle, Council President Charles Baugh Jr. publicly read the mayoral acknowledgement of Glass' "dedicated service rendered by this honorable employee."

Local real estate market shows signs of improvement

Special to the News Bulletin

compared to March of last year.

According to data released by the Emerald Coast Association of Realtors, area single family home sales in March increased by more than 5 percent over the previous year along the Emerald Coast.

Pending sales were up 16 percent, while the average time a property spent on the market decreased by nearly 6 percent. Furthermore, inventory of residential property for sale down 42 percent over the same time last year.

Sales for townhomes and condos show positive signs, as well, ECAR reports. Sales closings increased by 4 percent, while pending sales increased by 11 percent. The average days on market (DOM) decreased by almost 2 percent, and the inventory fell by 47 percent when

sign is when Okaloosa and Walton counties median prices are compared to statewide numbers, Okaloosa and Walton counties fare better with higher median prices. This holds true for both singlefamily homes and townhomes/condos."

Rutland said the real estate market, like the local economy, is showing improvement across the board.

"The path it takes may be slow and halting, with rough patches here and there, but improvement continues to occur," Rutland said.

The Emerald Coast Association of Realtors is a not-for-profit trade association with more than 2,300 members. ECAR's mission is to assist members in promoting their success through education, marketing and member services.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2012CP000155 DIVISION: PROBATE

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WINNIE CAROL BOYETTE, a/k/a CAROL K. BOYETTE, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Winnie Carol Boyette, deceased, whose date of death was September 27, 2011, and whose Social Security Number was XXX-XX-9625, file n u m b e r 2012CP000155, is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Okaloosa County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 101 James Lee Boulevard East, Crestview, FL, 32536. 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 the 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 THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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Signed this 20th day of April, 2012.

Co-Personal Representative: Keith Boyette 90 Martin Mill Road Baker, FL 32531

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 12 CP 241 Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF WAYMON GILBERT ST JOHN Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Waymon Gilbert St John, whose date of death was January 24, 2012, is pending in the Circuit Court for Okaloosa County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 6080 Bud Moulton Road, Crestview, Florida, 32536. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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Personal Representative Harry R. Vondra 4691 Lovegrass Lane Crestview, FL 32539

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Monday Middle school baseball

Baker at Pryor, 3:30 p.m.
Meigs at Davidson, 3:30 p.m.

Shoal River at Lewis, 3:30 p.m.

Middle school softball

Baker at Pryor, 3:30 p.m.
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Middle school golf

Davidson, Shoal River at Okaloosa County tournament at Fort Walton Beach Golf Club

Middle school tennis

Davidson, Shoal River at Okaloosa County tournament, Fort Walton Beach Tennis Center

Tuesday

Middle school tennis

Davidson, Shoal River at Okaloosa County tournament, Fort Walton Beach Tennis Center

Middle school track

Davidson, Shoal River at Okaloosa County meet, Etheredge Stadium.

Wednesday

Middle school baseball

Baker at Davidson, 3:30 p.m.

Bruner at Shoal River, 6 p.m.

Middle school softball

Baker at Davidson, 3:30 p.m.

Bruner at Shoal River, 6 p.m.

PREP ROUNDUP

Monday

Baseball

Baker 10, Northview 1: Bucky Locke struck out eight in six innings of work as the Gators (8-11) advanced to the semifinals of the District 2-1A tournament. Baker will play Holmes County tonight.

Josh Lawson, Brian Benoit and Kyle Davis each had two hits for Baker.

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WP: Bucky Locke

Healthy Kids Day at YMCA

The Crestview YMCA will be hosting a Healthy Kids Day at the Crestview YMCA today from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be a membership drive featuring \$1 down and no joiner fee or contract.

Registration also will be held for summer programs, including day camp tee-ball and summer swim lessons.

The day will feature fun and games with a kids zumba class, a 1 mile fun run/walk, face painting and more.

For more information call the Crestview YMCA at 689-2999.

Charity golf tournament

The GFWC Woman's Club of Crestview, Inc. is hosting the Third Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 5, at Foxwood Golf Club.

They are looking for teams, hole sponsors, and door prizes.

Entry fees are \$50 per player and includes cart, soft drink/water, lunch and dessert.

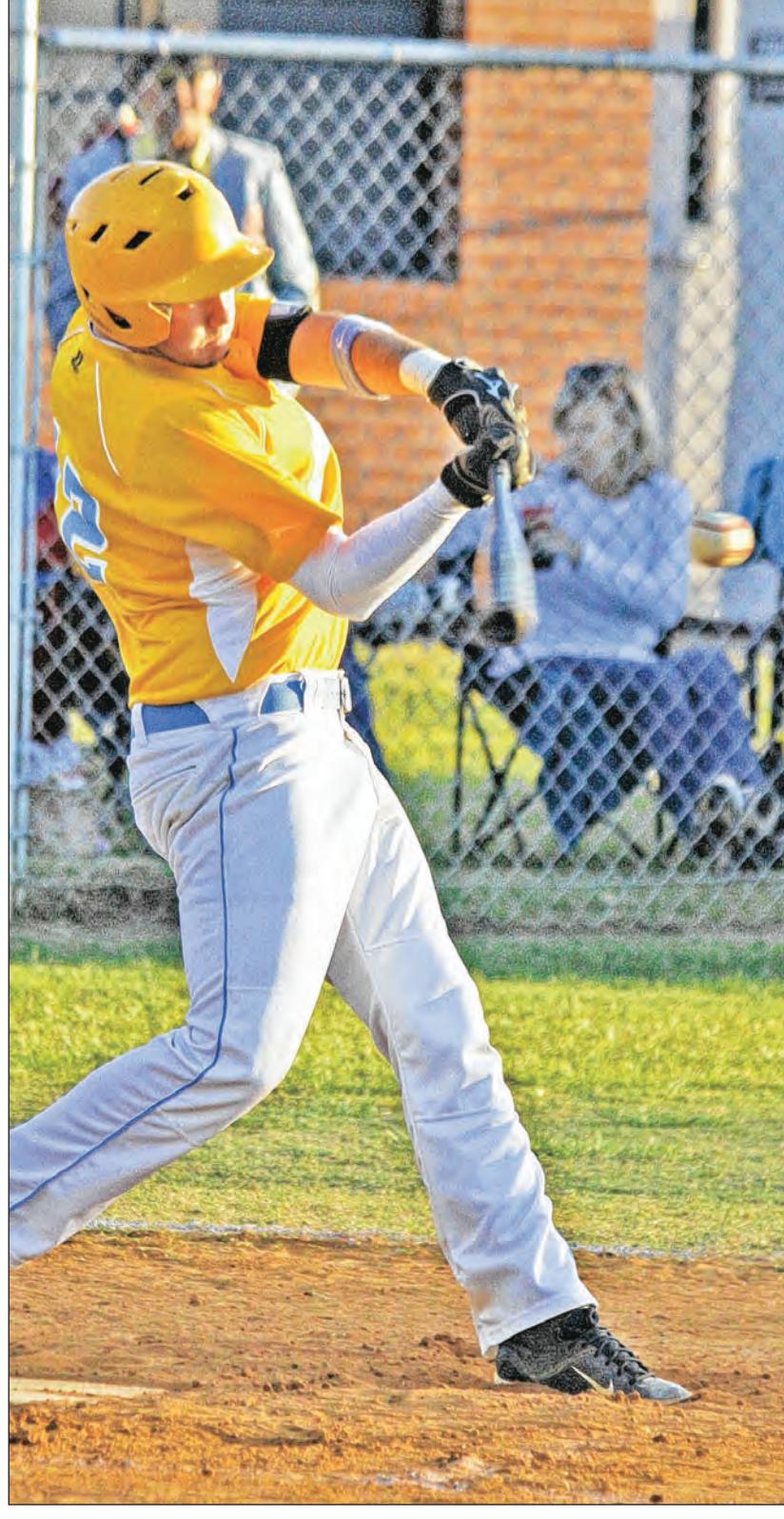
Hole sponsorships are available at \$50 per hole.

Sign in is at 7 a.m. and a shotgun start is at 8 a.m.

Proceeds from the event help support the charities of the GFWC Woman's Club of Crestview, Inc.

For further information please call Jeri at 217-5869.

Taking it to the plate

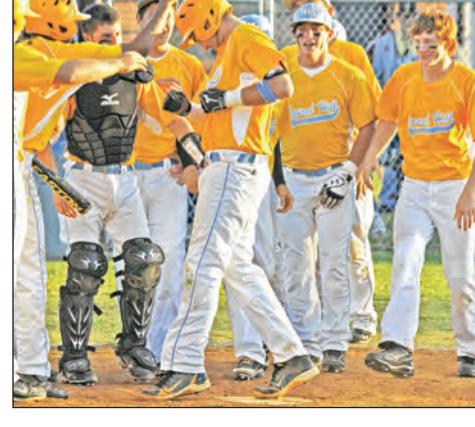


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Tyler Zessin unloaded on a Jeremy Hollobaugh pitch for a two-run homer in the third inning of Laurel Hill's

8-5 win over Bethlehem.

Right, Tyler Zessin is greeted by his Laurel Hill teammates as he touches home plate after his home run in the third inning.



DEVON RAVINE | Daily News

Crestview pitcher Roman Donofro had a tough night against Niceville as the Bulldogs lost to the Eagles.

RBI single in the first to score Tanner Zant. The big blow of the inning was a two-run base hit off the bat of Logan Meadows that closed out the scoring for Niceville in the first.

As was the case with Donofro

Zessin powers Hoboes past Bethlehem

By RANDY DICKSON

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LAUREL HILL — Tyler Zessin was a one-man wrecking crew for the Laurel Hill baseball team Tuesday in the District 1-1A tournament quarterfinals against Bethlehem.

The Hobo senior first baseman was 3-for-3 at the plate, with two home runs and six runs batted in to lead Laurel Hill to an 8-5 win.

Zessin also showed his versatility with his glove and his arm. In the first inning he made a nice play on a grounder and fired a strike to catcher Jeremy Grezlik to prevent the Wildcats from scoring. Zessin closed things out on the mound, coming on in the seventh inning to get the final out of the game and pick up the save.

"The boy stepped up big," Hobo coach Ronnie Smith said of Zessin's performance. "He had a couple of dingers and six RBIs. You love to have a senior have a big night in a district tournament."

"That's what they work for and I'm awfully proud of him and I'm proud of them. The way they have the tournament set up it was nice to have a win here in front of your home fans and then go into the semifinals on a positive note."

Zessin's big game at the plate started quietly enough when he drew a first-inning walk.

The Hoboes led 1-0 by the time Zessin came to the plate with one out in the third inning. Tyler Simmons, who had reached on a Wildcat error, was on first base when Zessin drilled a Jeremy Hollobaugh pitch over the fence in left field to up the Laurel Hill (11-8) lead to 3-0.

Bethlehem (6-17) had tied the game at 3-3 and Kyle Slingerland was on second base for the Hoboes when Zessin stepped to the plate in the fifth inning. Zessin singled to score Slingerland and the Hoboes led the rest of the way.

Zessin finished off his career game at the plate when he homered with Slingerland and Simmons on base. Zessin's 3-run shot came on the first pitch from Wildcat reliever Devin Miller and just moments after Slingerland doubled to score Boomer Simmons.

Zessin said he wasn't trying to do anything special at the plate.

"I was seeing first-pitch strikes and I was just throwing my hips (to start his swing) and getting my hands going," he said. "I wasn't trying to hit it hard, but it just went out."

Zessin led the Hobo attack, but was complemented by his supporting cast as Laurel Hill banged out nine hits on the night. Travon Calloway and Garrett Alford had two hits each to keep the pressure on the Wildcat defense.

It was a good thing that Zessin and the Hobo offense came up big, as starting pitcher Tyler Grezlik was basically feast or famine with five strikeouts and four walks while allowing just three hits. Grezlik also was called for two balks, one of which scored a Bethlehem run and was the victim of some poor fielding behind him.

Slingerland replaced Grezlik on the mound in the top of the fifth with two outs and a Bethlehem run. Slingerland, who picked up the win, was shaky, walking seven Wildcat batters and striking out five in two innings of work before being replaced by Zessin to get the last out of the game.

Crestview falls in district baseball tournament

By RANDY DICKSON
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FORT WALTON BEACH — Niceville scored five runs in the top of the first inning and pitcher Nick Junger overcame a shaky start as the Eagles opened the District 2-6A baseball tournament with a 9-4 win over Crestview on Monday at Fort Walton Beach's Daniel Bohannon Stadium.

"It has been a struggle for us this year so far," Niceville coach Cory Hamrick said. "We've had our ups and downs, but they calmed down a little tonight. They showed up against another great Tim Gillis team."

"We were going up against an arm (Roman Donofro) that beat us earlier. We minimized the mistakes and came away with a couple of big hits and we were fortunate to come away with the win tonight."

Niceville (10-15) had four hits in the first inning to go along with three walks by Donofro, the Bulldog starter, as the Eagles took a lead they would never relinquish. Junger helped his own cause with a

in the top of the first, Junger had trouble finding his groove in the bottom of the inning as he walked three Crestview (13-13) batters and hit another to allow the Bulldogs to score their first run of the game.

Derek Lovelace, who was hit by a pitch, scored Crestview's first run as Kameron Miller reached on a walk. Dakota Dean and Jimmy Croussore had reached on walks in front of Miller.

A base hit by Seth Thomason scored Dean, and Croussore scored on a Donofro sacrifice fly.

Dennis Gibbons led off the bottom of the second with a base hit down the third base line for Crestview. Gibbons later scored on a Dean sacrifice fly.

After giving up three hits in the first two innings, Junger only gave up one hit the rest of the way, a seventh inning double by Dean.

In the meantime, the Eagles steadily built their lead. Michael Haynes singled and scored on a Cory Eller base hit in the fifth. Tyler Kinard added a solo homer in the sixth. And Niceville scored a couple of insurance runs in the seventh as Kinard finished off a perfect day

at the plate with a two-run double that scored Eller and Zant off of Gibbons, who came on in relief of Donofro in the seventh.

Kinard was 4-for-4 with a walk, the solo homer and the double to lead the Eagle attack.

Junger's final line wasn't overpowering, with just four strikeouts to go along with six walks in getting the win.

Donofro had a tough day, giving up 11 hits and six walks to go along with five strikeouts in taking the loss.

"We fought back and got it back to 5-4, but we never really could get it over the hump," Gillis said. "And Nick Junger was able to settle down and they were able to add a couple of runs and kind of broke our back a little bit."

"I'm disappointed from a coaching aspect, but I'm proud of the effort. They (the Bulldogs) gave great effort all day. But you have to give Niceville credit, they swung the bats better than us and they got some big hits in two-out situations. We had some chances there but we hit some balls on the barrel right at them."