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## Crestview's homegrown commissioner

**Nathan Boyles**  
wins District 3 by  
almost 3,000 votes

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Main Street attorney Nathan Boyles handily won his first bid for public office with a landslide vote Tuesday evening, trouncing his closest competitor by almost 3,000 votes, according to the final, but not yet official, vote tally. For Boyles, it was the culmination of a

long road to election that began in July 2011.

The youngest candidate of a field of four, Boyles, who recently turned 29, impressed many voters and supporters by his youthful enthusiasm tempered by a keen grasp of hot-button north county issues.

"He is wise beyond his years," said Amy Linares, marketing development executive for Peoples Home Health.

Linares and Boyles are both active members of the Crestview Area Chamber of Commerce and have worked together on several projects.

### THE FINAL TALLY

According to Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections Paul Lux, the final unofficial tally of votes in the county commissioner District 3 race was:

Candidate	Percent	Votes
Nathan Boyles	34.89%	11,238
Bill Smith	25.92%	8,348
Dennis Reeves	20.01%	6,444
Clint Aden	19.18%	6,178

"I prayed really hard, and I think he's going to win," Linares said early Tuesday evening before results started rolling in. "We need him representing us."

County Commissioner Wayne Harris also stopped by Boyles' office to wish him well and likewise sensed a victory in the air.

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Supporter Roslyn Baugh observes as Nathan Boyles updates a tally of election-night votes at his Main Street office.

### LAUREL HILL SCHOOL EMBRACES CLASSROOM TECHNOLOGY



**'An amazing person with an amazing story'**

**Elizabeth Smart visit sells out Healthy Woman event**

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The ninth annual Healthy Woman anniversary event was sold out Thursday night at the Crestview Community Center. Many packed the hall to hear Elizabeth Smart speak.

"Overcoming Adversity with Elizabeth Smart" was part of the event presented by North Okaloosa Medical Center in Crestview.



ELIZABETH SMART

Smart took the stage to share the story of her kidnapping, which garnered national media coverage in 2002.

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## Books out, iPads in

**Laurel Hill School chosen for pilot digital learning program**

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The digital age is rapidly changing the way teachers teach and students learn. When high schoolers begin class Monday morning at Laurel Hill School, one of the devices many have already embraced in their personal lives will now make

their academic life easier.

"Our students in grades nine through 12 are all going to be issued district iPads," Principal Susan Sexton said.

Sexton said the north county K-12 school was selected by Okaloosa School District technology administrator Eric Mitchell for a pilot digital learning program.

"We got the announcement last spring," Sexton said. "It's going to be a historic redesign of the way we've been teaching and learning. We're going to be in the forefront of education here at li'l old Laurel Hill School."

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**At top,** Laurel Hill School math teacher Lena Steele, left, and science teacher Joan Mitchell discuss the potential of their new district-issued iPads earlier this week. **At right,** Mitchell consults an e-textbook on her iPad for one of her science classes.

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**Yards, crops suffering after rains**

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Numerous thunderstorms in August have provided relief to Okaloosa County's extensive dry spell, but the rainy weather has led to fungal issues.

"The area is a couple of inches below the average amount of rainfall," said Don Shepherd, a forecaster for the National Weather Service in Mobile. "However, it is nowhere near drought conditions."

Although many in Okaloosa County have welcomed the rain, some are ready to see more sunshine.

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## What's HAPPENING

**AN EVENING IN BLACK**

CULTURE is at 7 p.m. Aug. 25 at Carver-Hill School building on School Avenue, Crestview. Guest speaker is Margaret Larose-Pierre, the dean of the FAMU Rural Diversity Healthcare Center. Space is reserved for FAMU alumni. For details call Tonsiaweda Hayes at 682-4186 or Shannon Hayes at 398-8844.

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE:**

Come celebrate as St. Mark United Methodist Church (2250 P.J. Adams Parkway, Crestview) hosts a special worship service Sunday, Aug. 19, to honor area children, teachers and administrators as they go back to school. Both the 9:30 traditional and 11 a.m. contemporary services will have special elements for children. There will be special seating for children up front with supervision, so parents may enjoy the service as well. For details call 682-5280.

**BACK TO SCHOOL BASH:**

The Crestview Concerned Citizens Group's Back to School Bash is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today, Aug. 18, at Allen Park, McClelland St., Crestview. School supplies will be distributed to area children for the 2012-2013 school year. Donations are being accepted. Call Catherine Dorch at 682-6287 to donate or for more information.

**BLOOD DRIVES:** OneBlood Inc., formerly known as Northwest Florida Blood Services, is hosting a blood drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 22 at North Okaloosa Medical Center in Crestview. Call 862-4216 for details.

**THE USDA FOOD GIVEAWAY** begins at 9 a.m. Aug. 25, and continues until the monthly food allowance has been distributed at the Raymond Williams Missions Center, 404 W. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. For details, call Jimmy Smith at 398-6760 or 689-2988. New Beginnings Church is an equal opportunity provider.

**POST 75 EVENTS:** The American Legion Post 75 events are at 898 E. James Lee Blvd., Crestview, and are open to the public:

- Every Friday night from 7-8 p.m. the group has free line dance lessons in the lounge, followed by great bands from 8 p.m. to midnight. Bands are Grey Wolf (Aug. 24); and Rusty Gritts (Aug. 31).
- Karaoke is 8 p.m. to midnight Saturdays.
- Steak Night is at 6:30 p.m. first Fridays. Cost is \$14 per person and includes T-bone steak, baked potato, salad, bread

and dessert. It is open to the public.

- The next Biker Sunday is at 1-5 p.m. Aug. 26. Ride in and enjoy great food, always a live band and great friends. Open to all; you don't even need a bike.

- Open Mic Night is 8 p.m. to midnight today, Aug. 18. Contact Kecia at 850-826-1187 for more info.

- A \$6 Swedish meatball and noodles dinner sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary is at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 31.

**THE DOGWOOD GARDEN CLUB**

meets first Mondays of each month, except for September. The public is invited to attend for great times and interesting talks. For details or the location of the next meeting, call 683-0839 or 682-3639.

**ACT/SAT WORKSHOP:** The deadline to register for the September ACT/SAT workshop is Wednesday, Aug. 22, for Okaloosa County high school students who will be taking the Sept. 8 ACT and Oct. 6 SAT. The workshop is 2:15-4:15 p.m. Sept. 4, 5, 6, 10, 11 and 12 at Fort Walton Beach High School Media Center, 400 Hollywood Blvd., Fort Walton Beach.

Students will need to bring calculators. All materials, snacks and drinks will be furnished.

Registration forms have been mailed to area high schools. For more information, contact Alice Hart at Amhart1966@aol.com or 615-585-2401 or your high school guidance department.

**OKALOOSA BUDGET**

**REVIEWS:** The fiscal year 2012-13 proposed budget is posted online and can be accessed from the home page at www.okaloosaf.com. The performance-based budget and a line item budget are available there.

The entire budget will be presented to the public at the budget hearings. Constitutional officers and departments present budgets to the board of county commissioners during the reviews.

The meetings at the Crestview Courthouse, 101 E. James Lee Blvd., are the 6 p.m. Sept. 4 board meeting and the 6 p.m. Sept. 6 budget public hearing.

Fort Walton Beach meetings are in the third floor commission conference room at 1804 Lewis Turner Blvd. They include the 6 p.m. Aug. 21 board meeting; the 8:30 a.m. Sept. 18 board meeting; and the 6 p.m. Sept. 18 final budget hearing.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY

**BEREAVEMENT VOLUNTEERS**

**WANTED:** Emerald Coast Hospice staff has many ways you can help, including visiting patients for companionship, caregiver relief, performing light household chores, running errands, varied administrative work around the office and helping with bereavement. For details, call Ann O'Connor, manager of Volunteer Services, at 689-0300.

**INDIANHEAD DIVISION:**

The Second (Indianhead) Division Association is searching for anyone who served in the 2nd Infantry Division at any time. For information about the national association and its annual reunion in Reno, Nev., from Aug. 23-26, go to www.2ida.org or contact Secretary-Treasurer Bob Haynes at 2idahq@comcast.net or 224-225-1202.

**LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

"Dog Days" with Jan Jimmo and her licensed therapy dog Jada is at 7 p.m. Aug. 28. Kindergarteners through adults are invited to attend. Jan will share some dog-related facts, such as how to approach a dog, what to do if you get lost to help a dog track you, and more. Registration is not required for this free event. Crafts and snacks will be given to the first 40 people to sign in. Call Heather at 682-4432 for details.

Tom Haugh with the Northwest Florida Astronomy Association will be at the Crestview Public Library from 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21, and every third Tuesday to answer astronomy questions and help beginners get started stargazing. For more information visit www.nwfastro.org. The library now has a telescope available for one-week checkout.

Free one-on-one beginning computer skills tutoring is available in for senior citizens who want to learn how to use the Internet and email. One-hour appointments are available throughout the week. Visit the library at 1445 Commerce Drive or call 682-4432 to schedule your tutoring session. A library card is required. There is no charge for an initial card to any Okaloosa County resident. Just bring in a picture ID and proof of street address.

**AARP DRIVER SAFETY**

**DISCOUNT:** A Crestview class on driver safety is Aug. 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

at Senior Circle, North Okaloosa Medical Center, 127 E. Redstone Ave. (689-8409). Early registration is advised, because this is the last day of the promotion. If the class fills up, participants can call 729-3468 for earlier classes at alternate locations.

Sign-up is \$5 for school employees who have worked for a school district or university in any capacity as part of AARP's Educator Appreciation Promotion through Aug. 30. This includes custodians, secretaries, aides, preschool teachers, college professors,

guidance counselors, band directors, school nurses, Sunday school teachers, cafeteria workers and parents who home-school their children. It does not matter how long someone was an educator or has a teaching degree. No documentary proof is required.

**FALL FESTIVAL SIGN-UP:**

Planning for the 3-8 p.m., Oct. 27 Downtown Fall Festival on Main Street in Crestview has begun. All vendors, businesses, artists, churches and civic organizations to help create a carnival-like atmosphere downtown.

The public can look forward to live music, food, family-friendly games, bounce houses, treats for the kids and a costume contest. Visit www.mainstreetcrestview.org for a registration form, due by 5 p.m.

Oct. 12. Preregistration is necessary for all participants so event organizers can plan where to place everyone along Main Street. For details call 689-3722 or email manager@mainstreetcrestview.org.

**THE NORTH OKALOOSA PATRIOTS**

meet at 6:30 p.m. third Tuesdays to address concerns regarding American freedom at 150 N. Woodlawn Blvd., Crestview (the Woman's Club meeting house). For information, visit www.panhandlepatriots.com.

**TRI-COUNTY CLOSED FRIDAYS:**

The Services Department of Tri-County Community Council, at 290 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Crestview, is closed on Fridays. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Low Income Energy Assistance applications are still taken on Tuesdays. All other services to low income families are provided Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Call 306-1134 if you need assistance.

**MISCELLANEOUS**
**MILLER GUEST SPEAKER:**

Congressional Rep. Jeff Miller will speak at the Okaloosa County Republican Club on Aug. 23 at the American Legion Hall on Hollywood Boulevard in Fort Walton Beach. Miller will discuss topics being debated in Washington with emphasis on sequestration and the future of Eglin Air Force Base. He also will address the upcoming elections and the future of taxes and the national debt.

It begins with social hour at 6:15 p.m. and seating at 7 p.m. Dinner reservations may be made by calling Jane Dale at 651-5049. All are invited. The price of the meal is \$12. For information, call club president Marvin Brigman at 609-3341.

**VENDORS WANTED:**

Niceville United Methodist Church's World Bazaar and Benefit organizers are seeking quality home-craft vendors for our 36th annual bazaar on Oct. 27. For information and entry forms, go to www.nicevilleumc.org/women/bazaar.html or call 865-4796.

**FLORIDA TRAIL SCHEDULE:**

For more information on Florida Trail Association activities, visit http://choctaw.floridatrail.org.

- Saturday, Aug. 25, 9 a.m.: Bring your canoe or kayak for a paddle trip on Blackwater River in Okaloosa County. Details: 683-0803 or 865-7075.

- Tuesday, Aug. 28, 6 p.m.: Monthly meeting at Ed's Hometown Seafood & Steaks in Niceville. Visitors welcome. Details: 654-1172.

**CHIROPRACTIC ASSOCIATES**

at 705 W. John Sims Parkway, Niceville, is offering a spine check fundraiser through Aug. 24. For a \$40 donation of school supplies, get checked via a consult, scan and exam. Call 678-8048 to schedule an appointment. Supplies will be donated to Sharing & Caring.

**HAVE A HEART 5K:**

Okaloosa County employees are organizing the "Have a Heart" 5K Run Walk on Sept. 1, at the 911 Emergency Operations Center, Northwest Florida State College, 90 College Boulevard E., Niceville. Early registration through Aug. 20 is \$15, and late registration is \$20. T-shirts will be presented to the

first 200 entries. Download a registration form at www.okaloosaf.com, www.active.com or www.nwftc.com/racecalendar. For more information, email Ken Wolfe at kwolfe@co.okaloosa.fl.us.

**OKTOBERFEST ARTISTS:** The 18th annual Oktoberfest and Arts & Crafts Festival at Winn Dixie Plaza in Bluewater Bay is looking for artists and craftsmen interested in selling their work. The festival will be 5-10 p.m. Sept. 28 and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sept. 29. Cost is \$75 per artist. Call Bert at 897-3190 to obtain an application.

**ADVENTURE CLUB:** For more information on club activities, call Clarice Hebinck at 581-4591 or email freklz100@cox.net.

**NORTH LIGHT SEMINARS:** Events begin at 6 p.m. in November, December, January, February and March, and at 7 p.m. the rest of the season. All seminars are hosted by North Light Marina in Niceville with free food one half hour before the seminar starts.

Subjects are Sept. 19, sharks; Oct. 17, flounder; Nov. 14, bull redfish; Dec. 19, winter bottom fishing.

**WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE:**

A free women's self-defense class, Rape Aggression Defense Systems, is 5-9 p.m. Aug. 28-30 at Walton County Sheriff's Office, 133 Sheriff's Drive, Santa Rosa Beach. The comprehensive course includes basic self-defense training, awareness, prevention, risk reduction and risk avoidance. It is designed for the average woman with no previous experience or background in physical skills training. Females age 13 and up may attend. Visit www.waltonso.org/community/rad for more information and to register.

**A NEW DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN COLONISTS CHAPTER** is being organized in our area. The volunteer nonprofit organization promotes interest in the history and deeds of the American colonists prior to 1776. Women interested in patriotism and American history who can document lineal descent from an ancestor who provided service to the colonies prior to 1776 are eligible for membership.

For more information, call 897-1278.

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## SMART from page A1

From the initial kidnapping to her eventual rescue nine months later in 2003, Smart recalled the emotional roller coaster ride she experienced after being kidnapped from her Salt Lake City bedroom.

"I honestly couldn't believe that this was happening to me," Smart said. During the ordeal, Smart often thought of the children who had been killed after being kidnapped.

"I just remember thinking that my life was over," she said.

She even questioned whether her parents would ever love her again after what had happened

to her. While being held captive, she remembered the many conversations she had with her mother and father.

"My mother told me that no matter whatever happened, they would always love me," she said.

That was evident on the day of her return.

"It was the happiest day of my life, next to getting married," Smart said.

Smart got a standing ovation from attendees and stayed to take pictures with members in the audience.

Angela Brown and her daughter, Hannah, of Pace, attended

the event. Angela Brown said Smart's words inspired her.

"It just amazes me how she was able to overcome the position she was put in," she said. "It seemed like her faith never wavered. I think everyone can learn from her story."

"The best part of her story is not what happened to her, but what she has done with it," said David Fuller, chief executive officer of North Okaloosa Medical Center. "She is a living, breathing example to us that what happens to you doesn't have to own you."

Crestview City Council member Robin Helt, an event sponsor,

was one of many women on hand to see the featured speaker.

"Elizabeth Smart is an amazing person with an amazing story," Helt said. "It's really nice to see the North Okaloosa Medical Center working so hard to bring valuable information to our community."

After the speech, Smart said she hoped women in the audience realized she is no different from them.

"I have my problems like everybody else," she said. "We can overcome whatever is put in our way."

Smart, who hadn't visited

Crestview before, said she loved the people in the area, but wasn't a fan of the humidity.

Smart expressed hope that local women would take advantage of the Healthy Woman program.

"I think it's a great program; it's essential for women — especially mothers — to take care of themselves," she said.

The evening started with opening remarks from event organizers followed by a catered dinner.

Women also could get their blood pressure taken at the event by specialists from the North Okaloosa Physician Group.

## iPADS from page A1

Teachers received district-issued Apple iPads before the end of the spring semester and have been learning how to incorporate the computer tablets into their curriculum.

"Our teachers have been training under people from Apple and district personnel," Sexton said. "They'll be pretty much on our campus the first two weeks of school, supporting teachers and students."

Teachers who are new to the devices said they also have received plenty of practical help from their students.

"I have 27 apps (applications) already loaded on my iPad," science teacher Joan Mitchell said. "The kids got hold of it. I don't know what half of them do yet, but we were instructed, 'Don't let a teacher be caught playing Angry Birds,'" she said, referring to a popular computer game.

"The kids are used to technology," technology and business teacher Wanda Cooper said.

"Yes, they're going to be teaching us," Mitchell said.

"We'll have to try to get technical with our teachers here," sophomore Bridget Zessin agreed. "They're not so familiar with it."

The teachers were enthusiastic about the potential the iPads bring to their students.

"Now they will have all these resources at their fingertips," Cooper said. "They will be able to do more critical thinking."

Sexton said the initiative comes in advance of a recent Florida statute that requires all school districts to spend half their instructional materials money on digital copies of textbooks. The requirement must be met by the 2014-15 school year.

"E-textbooks will be good for students and good for schools' budgets," Sexton said. "The big publishing companies have taken the initiative to make state textbooks available electronically. So instead of costing \$100 each (for a traditional textbook) they cost \$14.95, and the good thing is they're interactive."

Plus, iPads weigh less than

2 pounds, a welcome relief for kids used to toting increasingly heavier book bags.

"It will definitely lighten the load in more ways than one," Mitchell said.

"It's going to be cool because we won't have to lug around 10-pound books everywhere," said eighth-grader Jessianne Fortune, who will use an iPad in her advanced math class.

Her math teacher, Lena Steele, said she already is finding ways to incorporate the iPad technology into her lessons.

"I have found many math apps I've downloaded," Steele said. "There's tons of stuff out there. The graphing calculator app is free. That sure beats \$100 for a graphing calculator."

Students who are issued iPads will be allowed to take them home if they pay a \$50 insurance premium and agree to the district's conditions-of-use agreement governing what content can be downloaded to the tablets and what websites can be accessed. Embedded technology will help enforce the rules, Sexton said.

"Isn't that wonderful for our homes in the community?" she asked. "It is going to be transformational."

"Especially for students who don't have access to computers at home, it will definitely give them an advantage," Cooper said.

Some Laurel Hill School students already have some good uses in mind for their iPads.

"We're going to use them for books, but I guess I'll play games on it," Jessianne said. "I might as well if I have one."

"I want to get on Facebook," Bridget said. "But it's mainly a study guide. It will be better than taking notes all the time. I think it will be good."

"We're just so ecstatic to have been chosen for this," Sexton said. "I'm just in awe we have this chance for our students. Just think of what this does for their self worth, too. They will be ready for the future."

## RAINS from page A1

"It's either feast or famine," said Larry Williams, the county extension director for the University of Florida. "The rain has definitely been beneficial, but it can also lead to plant disease problems."

Williams, also a horticulture agent, said too much rain causes fungal diseases in crops, gardens and grass. Williams even dubbed the wet conditions a "fungal heaven."

Williams said one of the most common fungal diseases found in yards is gray leaf spot. The fungal disease primarily has been affecting St. Augustine grass, commonly found on local lawns.

"We have had several people contact us or come by the office asking us about the fungus," he said.

Williams suggested using fungicides that can be purchased at most retailers that sell garden supplies or contacting a pest control service. He said buyers should use caution and read the instructions on the product before using.

"They need to make sure that they follow directions on the product," Williams said. "Some of the products may be suited for grass and not vegetable gardens."

"Too much rain can cause the

peanuts to get diseases," Marshall said. However, he insisted the abundance of rain has in no way caused problems.

"We are still playing catch-up from last year," said Wildfire Mitigation Specialist Joe Zwierzchowski of the Florida Forestry Service.

As of Aug. 14, Okaloosa County is in the 200 to 299 range on the Keetch-Byram Drought Index, which measures the amount of moisture in the soil, which means Okaloosa County is in good shape.

Zwierzchowski said the KBDI can quickly change after months or even weeks without rainfall.

"Typically this time of year, the weather is very dry, but we will take rain anytime we can get it," Zwierzchowski said. He said the recent storms have caused some problems in the area but nothing of major concern.

"We have had some minor problems with erosion and flooding, but other than that, nothing significant," Zwierzchowski said.

Interested in keeping track of the KBDI drought scale in Florida? Visit the Florida Forestry Service website at [www.floridaforestservice.com](http://www.floridaforestservice.com).

## COMMISSIONER from page A1

"I have to wish him well now. As soon as he wins tonight I can't talk to him about any county business anymore," Harris said, referring to restrictions imposed by state Sunshine laws.

Boyles' election adds the first Crestview-area member to the Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners from District 3 since Ronald Reagan was president and Sam Brunson was elected in 1988.

Boyles lives near Holt and attended Baker School, where he played football. He married his high school sweetheart, Crystal Booker. They have one son, Beau, who was born amid his dad's campaign.

"You've got to have family support," Boyles said. "Fortunately, Crystal has been very supportive through the whole process, and you could say Beau was born on the campaign trail."

As election results rolled in Tuesday night, Boyles edged further and further from competitors Bill Smith, Dennis Reeves and Clint

Aden. Supporters feasted on barbecue from Hub City Smokehouse and enjoyed live music by guitarist and vocalist Aaron Overton.

As the final announcement from Supervisor of Elections Paul Lux drew close, pulled pork was abandoned as the crowd gathered around the radio and the whiteboard.

Whoops, cheers and applause filled the room, with Sabrina Boyles embracing her son and repeating, "He won! He won!" There was a pause in the merriment as Crestview City Councilman Charles Baugh Jr. offered a prayer of thanksgiving, beseeching God to "Give him wisdom and give him strength."

"This has been an amazing, amazing process," Boyles told his supporters. "Now we can safely celebrate, and tomorrow, we can go to work."

The celebration continued with food and refreshments.

Boyles later identified two is-

sues he would like to address when he takes office in November.

"One of the things I want to focus on would be transportation planning," he said. "We need to take a long-term view of transportation. You can't be looking at four-year election cycles. If we're going to figure out how to move people through Okaloosa County, we need to start planning on how to do that now and look 20 years down the road on how to achieve it."

"The second thing would be trying to make it easier for small businesses to get started and succeed," he said. "That, in the long run, would bring more restaurants, more shops, more commerce to the north end of the county."

"My wife and I have opened small businesses, and we've been surprised how difficult it is. I'm an attorney and she's a CPA and we've been able to figure it out, but you shouldn't have to be an attorney and a CPA just to open a small businesses."

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A men's prayer breakfast is at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 25 at Ryan's Restaurant, South Ferdon Blvd., Crestview. For more information, call Dennis Moore at 496-9248.

An 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. adventure trip for active-duty soldiers is Aug. 25, with the van leaving the parking lot at 8 a.m. The \$10 cost includes canoeing, kayaking, zip line riding and lunch. Reservations are limited; call to reserve your space.

## Obituary

### Ervin Grice

Ervin Grice, age 65, of Holt, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2012.

He was born May 5, 1947, in Andalusia, Ala., and was a lifelong resident of Okaloosa County.

Mr. Grice was a veteran of the United States Army. He took pride in his job, family and friends. He was a member of the Liar's Club of Holt and an avid gardener who shared with people in the community.

His wives, Norma Jean McClantoc and Shirley Nelson, preceded him in death.

Three children, Huey Randolph Grice, Jeannie

Evans and Michelle Morie; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and his precious companion, Gabby, survive him.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. today, Aug. 18, in the chapel of Brackney Funeral Service. Burial will follow in the Old Holt Cemetery, Holt. The family received friends on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Brackney Funeral Service of Crestview provided arrangements.

Sign, leave a remembrance or view the guest book for Ervin Grice online at [www.crestviewbulletin.com](http://www.crestviewbulletin.com).

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## Teachers say arts education must begin in elementary school

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*Editor's note: This is the second of a three-part series on the importance of arts education in our schools.*

A strong visual and performing arts education is proven to improve students' academic performance in other classes. Providing arts instruction as early as possible is vital, north Okaloosa County educators say. It's in elementary school that teachers recognize which students have latent artistic talent and can start to develop it.

Students who discover an affinity for music and other art forms generally are eager to continue honing their talents in middle school, said retired Northwood Elementary music teacher Glen Neese.

"One of the reasons we try to start music ed from kindergarten is to work with and support the middle school in what they're doing," he said.

Middle school arts programs serve as proving grounds for high school programs. Both Crestview High School band director Jody Dunn and choral music director Kevin Lusk rely on their counterparts at Davidson and Shoal River middle schools to feed their classes.

"Those middle school programs form the foundation for our program," Lusk said.

Once in high school, arts students often decide to continue their arts education at the college level.



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merly a teacher at the Northwest Florida Ballet Academie, will instruct visual arts classes at all grade levels this fall.

"We thought we were not going to have any arts," Principal Jeanine Kirkland said. "The end of the (academic) year was looking bleak but things worked out. We have kids who are talented and they were missing out. Now they can shine."

"We were very fortunate over the last years to have a principal that wanted to have the arts," Baker School's former drama teacher Roger O'Neal said of Principal Tom Shipp. "He provided every opportunity to make the arts flourish in our school. It allowed students to experience live theater, to perform in front of live audiences and recognize individuals for their talents."

Dunn said he doesn't envy the decisions principals have to make when balancing budget concerns with academic needs.

"Often our principals are left with such horrible choices to make," he said. "Every time we get another unfunded mandate from the government, it turns those screws even tighter. There is such a disconnect between what is going on in Tallahassee and what's going on at the community level."

With a former educator in the state Senate, however, perhaps funding for school arts will improve.

"It's not like we can either have the arts or you can have a 'relevant education,'" said Sen. Don Gaetz, a former superintendent of Okaloosa County schools, said. "You can have both the arts and relevant education."

In Wednesday's edition, find out how our schools' arts programs are student motivators.

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Starting arts education at the elementary school level is imperative, said Dr. Glen Neese, shown demonstrating violin techniques to a class of fourth-graders at Northwood Elementary School before his retirement.

## STARTING OFF YOUNG



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# Bypass takes baby steps

## P.J. Adams-Antioch-Arena Road scenario is recommended

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The long-discussed southwest Crestview bypass took a tantalizing baby step at Monday evening's meeting of the city council when engineer Cory Wilkinson of HDR Engineering briefed attendees on several alternative routes. The briefing was in advance of next week's public hearing on the recommended proposal.

"The need is capacity improvement between Highway 90 and 85," Wilkinson said.

The first alternative, utilizing Old Antioch Road to begin the bypass, was quickly abandoned because of the low-lying county road's notorious flooding problems.

"We eliminated that alternative because of flood plain impact," Wilkinson said.

Engineers then studied incorporating P.J. Adams Parkway into the bypass, using the P.J. Adams-Antioch Road route to its current intersection with U.S. 90. A third alternative would link P.J. Adams-Antioch with Arena Road,

then add a new spur from Arena to U.S. 90 at Old Bethel Road. Old Bethel eventually would be widened as well.

The alternative recommended by HDR is a slight variation of that scenario.

"Alternative 3 was modified primarily at the intersection of Arena Road to avoid impact to a residence at that location," Wilkinson said. "The cost of that right-of-way is actually less."

Though the recommended route requires the purchase of more right-of-way than the first two alternatives, at an estimated \$94.3 million, it is the least costly of the options.

The second alternative requires flood plain mitigation as it approached U.S. 90, and noise mitigation because of its proximity to several neighborhood developments.

HDR survey crews have been studying P.J. Adams Parkway most of the year. When widened, the road would have four 12-foot-wide travel lanes, a 22-foot-wide median, 6-foot-wide sidewalks, and 4-foot-wide bike lanes.

The "rural" section, including Arena Road improvements and the new

road to U.S. 90, would not have sidewalks, but would have a 5-foot-wide paved shoulder that also would be an undesignated bike lane. Arena, now a dirt road, would be paved for the length of the project section.

Wilkinson said the project is in the second of the five phases.

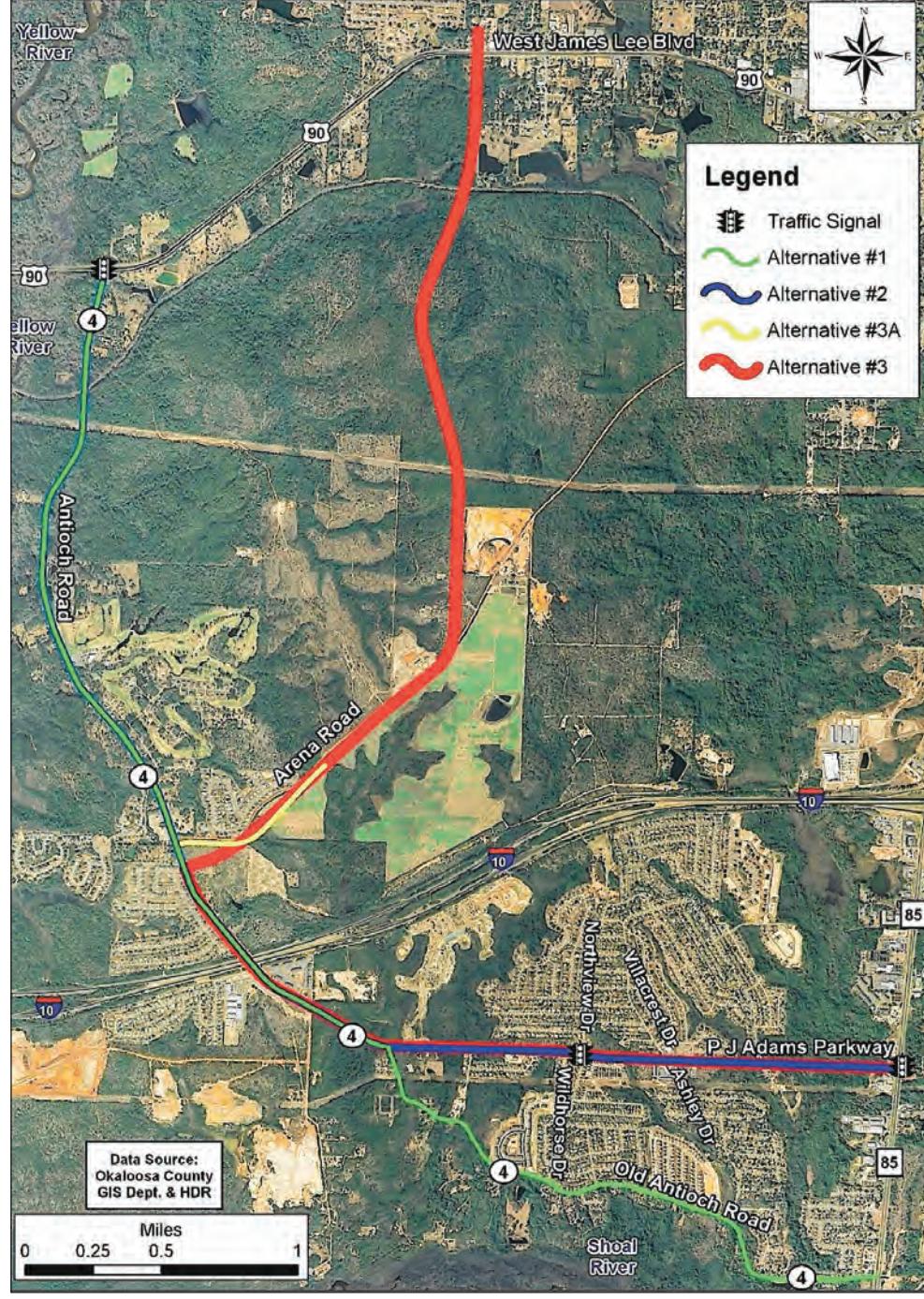
The planning phase is finished and now it is in the project development and environmental study phase. Next will come the design, right-of-way acquisition and construction phases.

"We're in the public comment period right now," Wilkinson said. "It closes Friday, Sept. 7."

Wilkinson invited interested residents to attend the public hearing on the project from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at the Crestview Community Center.

The hearing begins with an open house and continues with a formal presentation at 6 p.m.

In advance of the hearing, the project's environmental assessment can be viewed at the Crestview Public Library or online at [www.co.okaloosa.fl.us/cc\\_public\\_notices.html](http://www.co.okaloosa.fl.us/cc_public_notices.html).



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This map shows the four alternatives for a southwest Crestview bypass network. Alternative 3A was recommended by consultants HDR Engineering.

### P.J. ADAMS/ANTIOCH ROAD BYPASS HEARING

Okaloosa County Public Works, the Okaloosa-Walton Transportation Planning Organization and consultant HDR Engineering will hold a public hearing on a proposal to create a southwest Crestview bypass using P.J. Adams Parkway, Antioch Road and a future link to Old Bethel Road. The hearing will be 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at the Crestview Community Center, 1446 Commerce Dr., with a formal presentation at 6 p.m.

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# EDC: Crestview attractive to relocating businesses

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The Crestview City Council received a quarterly report from the Economic Development Council at its Aug. 13 meeting.

Although Kay Rasmussen, vice president of community and economic development for the EDC, couldn't provide specifics, she assured the city several businesses seeking to relocate are interested in the Hub City.

"We have three projects that are pending for development in the Crestview area," Rasmussen said, reminding the council that nondisclosure restrictions prohibit her from naming the companies.

An additional four projects are in the works, she said, that would bring a combined 610 jobs to the area, offering average salaries of \$60,000 a year. Sixteen other projects focused on Crestview and together would create more than 6,000 new jobs, she said.

There is still no definite word on Project Pill, Rasmussen reported. That project, if successful, would see Southern Pharmaceutical relocate its factory to Crestview. At her last appearance before the council, Rasmussen said she is "99.9 percent certain" the project ultimately will succeed.

Rasmussen expressed a desire to tour Crestview's industrial-zoned areas and has been in discussions with city planner Eric Davis about arranging visits to them.

"I want to go see those areas and get my feet on the ground," she said. "I want to walk through those industrial zones. I see that that is an asset that you have."

Finally, Rasmussen encouraged the city council to resume consideration of a tourist development tax, also called a bed tax. The council had been in discussions about establishing the tax earlier this year with former Tourist Development Council head Mark Bellinger until he was embroiled in a scandal involving misuse of tourism funds.

"This is an excellent avenue for the city to continue at the right time," Rasmussen said. "There is a pot of gold that the city can tap into. It would not cost you anything. It is a very small tax that would be placed on guests in lodging in the city."

"With bringing in all these jobs and business, which is absolutely fantastic, are there any hiccups or issues that you see about why businesses do not come to our area?" Council President Ben Iannucci III asked.

"Yes. That's a big question," Rasmussen acknowledged, explaining that luring a large company is a very competitive process, with other Florida counties and neighboring states competing.

"A neighboring state will offer them free land, as an example. That reduces a business's expenses greatly. Florida won't do that. If we're no longer competitive, it doesn't matter how nice our quality of life is."

"If we narrow it down to local government, it also holds true. Anytime you can reduce an upfront expense to a company, it can be turned around to be an incentive. If a company thinks it is too expensive to open a business, they can go down the road."

"Quality of life is a huge factor. Crestview actually has a very good quality of life. As

long as you maintain that, you are very competitive."

In other business, the council:

- Unanimously accepted a recommendation by Public Works Director Wayne Steele to increase the operating hours at Crestview's parks to 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. The change would reduce overtime costs while increasing service to citizens, Steele said.

- Received a report from Mayor David Cadle on Mobile city leaders' efforts to encourage Amtrak to restore Gulf Coast passenger rail service from New Orleans to Jacksonville, including a stop in Crestview. "I would love to see it come back, but I am very pessimistic about seeing this happen," Cadle said.

- Received a report from Cadle that Deborah Jemison is the new chair of the city's Veterans Day parade committee and has begun contacting service organizations to encourage them to sign up. The committee also is considering holding the parade in the morning instead of the afternoon of Nov. 10.

- Unanimously moved to ask the Public Services department to consider creating a "Wall of Honor" for city employees who have gone above and beyond their duties, including those who died while at work. Councilman Tom Gordon cautioned that criteria must be established to assure uniformity when nominating someone to the wall.

- Unanimously appointed resident Landrum Edwards as Crestview's representative to the Okaloosa-Walton Transportation Planning Organization's citizen advisory committee.



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Members of a cleanup crew work in the kitchen area of a residence on Shell Drive that was struck by lightning on the afternoon of Aug. 10. The lightning strike caused major fire damage in the interior.

## Lightning strike damages Crestview residence

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The Crestview Fire Department was called to a residence on Shell Drive in Crestview after a lightning strike caused extensive fire damage to the home on the afternoon of Aug. 10.

According to a press release from the department, the incident was called in at 12:58 p.m., with crews from both the Crestview Fire Department and the North Okaloosa Fire District on scene.

The fire department estimated the total damages are \$150,000. No one was home at the time of the strike.

Paula Murphy, who lives in the home with her husband and three teenage children, said a nearby neighbor noticed smoke coming from the residence.

The fire marks the second time in the past eight years that lightning has struck the Murphys' house. In August 2006, a lightning strike caused major damage to the roof.

This time the damage was inside the home. Murphy said every room inside the home had interior roof damage and that numerous



A lightning strike on Aug. 10 burned a large hole in the ceiling at a residence on Shell Drive.

electronic devices were damaged.

Murphy said she is better prepared this time around in dealing with the insurance companies and contractors.

"It really keeps things in perspective," Murphy said. "As much as you think you have a hold on things, you really don't."

The family is using a nearby mobile trailer during the day and staying with relatives at night.

She said she hopes to have her family in temporary housing before school starts Aug. 20.

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Legal # 160150

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 46 2010 CA 000510

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Defendants.

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IN THE COUNTRY COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2012 CC 000207 F

Legal # 160157

TOWN & COUNTRY PLAZA OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JACK D. YEISER, II, and SHERYL L. YEISER, Husband and Wife, Defendants.

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Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

DATED this 13 day of July, 2012.

DON HOWARD CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: K Sims  
Deputy Clerk

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Legal # 160158

IN THE COUNTRY COURT, FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2012 CC 000208 F

TOWN & COUNTRY PLAZA OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

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DATED: August 8, 2012

Don W. Howard  
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By: K Sims  
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# SPORTS

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## News & NOTES

### AREA SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday

##### Middle school football

Shoal River vs. Davidson, Kickoff Classic, at Jack Foster Stadium, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

Middle school football Okaloosa County jamboree At Niceville: Davidson at Ruckel, Shoal River at Lewis, 6:30 p.m.

Friday

High school football Kickoff Classic, Jay at Baker, 7 p.m.

Kickoff Classic, Pace at Crestview, 7 p.m.

### BRIEFS

#### Anderson pulls out of Crestview job

Matt Anderson has decided not to take the job as Crestview boys basketball coach and will remain at Graceville.

Anderson originally accepted the job at Crestview expecting to make \$17,000 more than he was at Graceville, but that wasn't the case as his years as an educator in Jackson County wouldn't transfer to Okaloosa County.

Crestview principal Bob Jones said he offered Anderson extra classes and other opportunities that would have put the salary within \$7,000 of what he was making at Graceville, but Anderson declined.

Jones said he has reopened the search for a new coach and hopes to have one in place as soon as possible. He would like to have someone that can fill one of the math or chemistry openings he has on the Crestview faculty.

#### Crestview season tickets

Crestview football reserved season tickets remain on sale Aug. 22, 23 and 24 from 8 a.m. – noon in the school lobby.

General admission season tickets as well as parking passes will also be sold during these times.

Cost is \$75 for reserved season tickets, \$50 for general admission season tickets and \$25 for reserved parking.

Parking is limited to about 40 spaces.

#### Baker Area Youth Association sponsorships

The Baker Area Youth Association is looking for sponsors for the 2012 baseball, softball and tee ball season. The association is under new management and is experiencing an increase in cost and participation.

Sponsorship can be made via donations of any amount; a \$100 banner renewal (for those who bought a previous year's banner); a \$150 3x5-foot banner based on your business card; or a \$300 team sponsorship, where your business name will appear on team uniforms/banner.

To participate or for more information, call 537-4549.

#### YMCA football, soccer

The Crestview Family YMCA is holding registration for youth soccer and flag football through Sept. 1. Soccer is open to boys and girls ages 3-14 and the flag football is for ages 5-10.

Play will start the week of Sept. 10. Cost is \$40 for YMCA members and \$55 for those who aren't members of the YMCA.

For more information, contact Troy Donofro at 689-2999 or tdonofro@eymca.org.

#### Reporting news, calendar items and story suggestions

We welcome announcements for our sports calendar and youth league stories. If you would like to submit a story, or a photo with information about those pictured, please email it to Randy Dickson at randy@crestviewbulletin.com.

## Crestview volleyball cranking it up

By RANDY DICKSON  
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Expectations are on the rise for the Crestview volleyball team as the Bulldogs head into their second season under the direction of veteran coach Kathy Combest, who came to the Hub City from Baker School.

"We've got a little more training and we've been letting them play with the open gym, beach volleyball and some have played club ball for the first time," Combest said. "They've got a little more experience and that experience is going to help."

Combest said most of the players have gone out of their way to take their game to the next level.

Molly Kitchen has established herself as the setter on the team through hard work and determination. Brittany Pase also earned high praise from Combest.

"Molly Kitchen has changed tremendously,"

Combest said. "She played club all summer and went to some camps on her own and just changed a little bit."

"Brittany Pase played beach (volleyball) and club. (Last year) I would have never put her on the back row and now I'm tempted to put her all the way around."

Some of the other returning players that Combest thinks could have a big year are hitters Jasmine Middleton, Haliagh Hollinhead and Malia Gandy. Kerrie York will be a defensive stopper and Molly Woodward will handle the libero position.

There will be a new face on the bench with Combest this year. Longtime Combest assistant Lisa Harrison has stepped down and has been replaced by Sam Nimpchaimanatham.

Combest said "Coach Sam," as everyone calls him, has brought an understanding of the quick offense.

"I had never run the quick offense because

at Baker you don't have the athletes we have," Combest said.

Combest said Nimpchaimanatham also brings the athleticism and youth that allows him to do more hitting and the physical side of coaching.

Nimpchaimanatham, who played internationally as a member of the All Armed Forces team while in the Air Force, has worked with most of the volleyball programs in the county. He sees himself as a coach who specializes in helping do the groundwork needed for success.

"I kind of like to go to a program that wants to develop," he said. "I know the main goal is to try and change the program. We are trying to change the way people feel about the program, especially the kids."

"We want to be a team that has respect and when people play us, they think we are playing Crestview rather than a stepping stone and to change that mindset to the program in



RANDY DICKSON | News Bulletin

Members of the Crestview volleyball team assume a defensive position as they wait for the ball to come over the net.

the north side."

Combest said her first season coaching at the 6A level taught her some things.

"I learned that it is a faster game and we have to pick our game up," she said. "And to pick our game up we have to get better familiar with the game. We had to get them

playing a lot.

"Any time they weren't playing on the beach or in a club we had an open gym and just let them play. They've got that one more year of experience. We hit a lot, we pass a lot and we serve a lot, so we are getting more familiar and comfortable playing the game."



## Bulldogs right on schedule

By RANDY DICKSON  
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A week and a half into fall practice, Crestview football coach Kevin Pettis wasn't prepared to say the Bulldogs are game ready, but he did give an indication they are getting there.

"I think the defense right now is way ahead of the offense, which is typical," he said. "On defense, we are trying to find those strikers. We are trying to find those 11 kids that will lay it on the line every play and play with a warrior's heart."

Any concerns Pettis might have about the offense have

to be eased as the Bulldogs came out of their recent camp with Dakota Davis atop the quarterback depth chart. Having Micah Reed at tailback also should make the job of calling plays easier for offensive coordinator Thomas Grant.

Pettis is excited about what he sees in Grant, a 2001 Crestview graduate, who was named offensive coordinator in the spring.

"(For) the offense, we've got to get some things more fine-tuned and Thomas Grant, our offensive coordinator, has been doing a fantastic job in identifying who we are as a football team on offense,"

Pettis said. "He's done a fan-

tastic job so I'm excited to see him get out there and get his chance to coach.

"He's one of the great young coaches in this area. I'm excited to watch him do his thing in that Kickoff Clasic and stay true to who we are."

Pettis said the mild weather the area has experienced the last couple of weeks is both a blessing and a curse.

"We've been (in) luck with the heat, but I'm afraid when we get to the season in late August and early September the heat may come back and get us," he said. "I'm not concerned about our conditioning, but I am concerned about the heat."

Pettis said the starters are pretty much in place and now the focus is turning to developing some depth on both sides of the ball as the Bulldogs prepare for Friday's Kickoff Classic and the regular season opener against Milton on Aug. 31.

"I think we are pretty good one deep," Pettis said. "Our first 22 (players) are pretty good. It's just that second 22 that we have to work on and who is going to be there and who is going to do what."

"So depth right now is my number one concern. Every time a kid gets hurt, I cringe. Every time a kid goes to the trainer, I cringe because we just don't have a lot of depth."

**Above:** Kevin Pettis coaches his team during a recent practice. **Top Right:** Crestview football players run tackling drills during

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## Mustangs, Panthers to meet in Kickoff Classic

By RANDY DICKSON  
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Davidson and Shoal River middle schools will kick off the 2012 football season Tuesday with a preseason Kickoff Classic at Jack Foster Stadium. Game time is set for 6:30 p.m.

In previous years, the cross-town rivals have

played each other twice during the regular season, but that went out the window when the county decided to add a two-game playoff at the end of the regular season. Middle school teams will play a seven-game regular season and the top four teams will meet in the playoffs to determine a champion.

Davidson coach Chris

Small and Ryan Gillis agreed that the playoff system is a positive change for the middle schools. Neither expects the rivalry to diminish because Tuesday's game is a preseason game.

"We are going in there and trying to win, and so is coach Small," Gillis said. "The difference is we are going to have an

opportunity to see some kid in situations that, if it was a real first game, we wouldn't be able to see them in.

"We are going to be able to get some kids in some situations and see if they will perform and if they will stand up. We will see how they are going to react and if they will be able to do it (rise to the situation) or not."

Small is all in favor of the game as well.

"I like it," he said. "It gives both of us a chance to kind of see what we've got. We haven't played anybody else, but we can test the waters right there."

"We are tired of beating on ourselves. This will give us a chance to look at some kids and to get a feel for where we are."