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BACK TO SCHOOL

Principals in the house

Married school leaders create interesting dynamic at home

By BRIAN HUGHES 682-6524 | @cnbBrian brianh@crestviewbulletin.com

CRESTVIEW — When Laurel Hill School and Baker School's principals head home in the evening, it's not unusual for work to follow.

That's because they're married.

Laurel Hill's Lee Martello and Baker School's Mike Martello say having a fellow principal as spouse provides a sympathetic and understanding ear at home.

"We actually end up running things past each other, and 'What would you do?' kind of things," Lee Martello said. "He asks some things, and I'm able to exchange ideas of what kids say and do."

Lee Martello was appointed principal at Laurel Hill a year before her husband.

When Mike Martello moved up from being assistant principal upon long-time Baker Principal Tom Shipp's retirement, his wife provided plenty of practical advice.

Each spouse is the other's neutral sounding board as they work through concerns at their respective schools.

"It's neat to be able to understand each other," Lee said. "It gives a whole new level to our conversation in terms of empathizing with 'Oh, I've done that' or 'I've been through that.' He's real good with empathizing: he's a good compass."



MARTELO FAMILY PHOTOS | Special to the News Bulletin

Lee and Mike Martello, principals at Laurel Hill School and Baker School, respectively, say having a fellow principal as a spouse provides a sympathetic and understanding ear at home. Carson Martello, 15, a Baker School sophomore, says having two school principals for her parents means she can't get away with any shenanigans.

"It's neat to be able to understand each other. It gives a whole new level to our conversation in terms of empathizing with 'Oh, I've done that' or 'I've been through that.' He's real good with empathizing: he's a good compass."

Lee Martello principal, Laurel Hill School

PRINCIPAL PARENTS

One member of the family isn't so sure having two principals in the house is such a good thing.

"Our daughter, Carson, who is 15, says she can never

See PRINCIPALS A12



'A DREAM ... COME TRUE'

Sanders named Antioch Elementary School's principal

By MATTHEW BROWN 682-6524 | @cnbMatthew matthewb@crestviewbulletin.com

CRESTVIEW — During the summer, Kelli Sanders had been serving as Antioch Elementary School's interim principal.

Now, it's official: she is the school's new leader.

She replaces Wanda Avery, who's now principal at the Okaloosa STEMM—Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medical—Academy in Valparaiso.

Sanders has more than 20 years' experience in the Okaloosa School District, serving as an educator and administrator. The Laurel Hill School alumna recently served three

See SANDERS A6



MATTHEW BROWN | News Bulletin

Antioch Elementary School Principal Kelli Sanders says she's focused on the first week of school for now, but she plans to promote student tablet use and enhance the music program.

ELECTION 2014

MEET THE CANDIDATES

3 running for county commission

By BRIAN HUGHES 682-6524 | @cnbBrian brianh@crestviewbulletin.com

CRESTVIEW — Two candidates are challenging an incumbent for the District 4 Okaloosa County commissioner seat.

Now, they share their backgrounds and platforms with the News Bulletin.

DON AMUNDS (incumbent)

Personal: Wife, Joanna; two sons, Scott and Robbie. Worship at Navarre United Methodist Church; board member for Children in Crisis, Honorary Commander at the 33rd, Eglin Air Force Base; Air Force Enlisted Village, Horizons, Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida, All Sports Association, Emerald Coast Wildlife Refuge, American Heart Association, United Way, YMCA and Boys and Girls Club, Gum Creek Lodge in Baker.



DON AMUNDS

See CANDIDATES A12

Man in jail, allegedly robbed couple for good deed

From Staff Reports

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has charged a Crestview man with armed robbery and probation violation after he allegedly robbed a couple at knifepoint Tuesday night.

The victims told sheriff's deputies they were giving acquaintance William John Beatty, 46, a ride to a Shortwell Avenue home.

However, once they arrived, they say Beatty pulled a knife from his pocket, demanded money and threatened to cut one of them. The man said he handed over \$30 — all the cash he had.

The couple positively identified Beatty while the deputy interviewed them on South Ferdon Boulevard, according to an arrest report.

Beatty, who had \$20 in his pocket, said he'd been at a local bar drinking beer, deputies said.

He was arrested and charged with armed robbery and probation violation after a check revealed he was on felony probation for an original charge of possession of a controlled substance.



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Hobo Festival committee seeks vendors

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LAUREL HILL — A committee organizing this year's Hobo Festival seeks vendors for the Oct. 4 event at Gene Clary Park.

Organizers need food, commercial and arts and craft vendors for the 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. community festival. More than 60 spots are available at the park.

Twenty-one of the 20-foot-wide by 20-foot-deep booths allow for water and electricity usage. Vendors wanting to use electricity and water must pay a \$40 fee; otherwise, the cost is \$25.

The committee on

WANT TO GO?

WHAT: Laurel Hill Hobo Festival Committee meeting
WHEN: 6 p.m. Aug. 18
WHERE: Laurel Hill City Hall, 8209 N. Highway 85
CONTACT: debadams94@yahoo.com or 652-4441

ONLINE

See **www.crestviewbulletin.com** for a printable Laurel Hill Hobo Festival vendor application



FILE PHOTO | News Bulletin

The Laurel Hill Hobo Festival Committee seeks vendors for this year's event, scheduled for Oct. 4 at Gene Clary Park.

Monday decided to postpone a previously discussed talent show competition for the festival, due to time constraints and a lack of outside interest. The committee seeks local musicians to perform throughout the day. The Hobo festival is

returning in October after a one-year hiatus. Last year's festival was postponed due to a non-profit status issue. "A Day in the Country Life" Fall Festival, sponsored by Safe Haven Horse Rescue Center and the city's volunteer fire department,

replaced the event. In addition to seeking vendors, committee members seek sponsors and volunteers. Interested volunteers may attend the next festival committee meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday at Laurel Hill city hall.

BRIEFS

Flood insurance workshops scheduled for homeowners

Northwest Florida residents can learn about updates in the National Flood Insurance Program and coastal and inland flood zone insurance handling during one of two meetings:

- 6-7:30 p.m. Aug. 18, Navarre Visitors' Information Center
- 6-7:30 p.m. Aug. 19, Northwest Florida State College, Fort Walton Beach Campus, Building 8

Both workshops are free to attend. Contact Carrie Stevenson, ctstevenc@ufl.edu or 475-5230, to register.

5K run/walk to benefit Drew Barefield

Proceeds from a 5K run/walk — scheduled

for Sept. 20 at Davidson Middle School in Crestview — will benefit Drew Barefield, a 12-year-old boy critically injured in a June 28 boating accident.

The event starts with 7 a.m. registration. The race begins at 8:30 a.m.

Entry fees are \$20 per person for the 5K and \$10 for the 1-mile fun run for kids age 12 and younger.

The run begins and ends at the school. Pick up registration packets from 4-6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19 at the Davidson gym, 6261 Old Bethel Road.

Make checks payable to The Drew Barefield Donation Account. You may mail them to: 2260 S. Ferdon Blvd. #20, Crestview, FL 32536, Attention #RunforDrew.

No time or score will be kept on the kids' run. Walkers, strollers and baby joggers are welcome to participate.

'LOVE, TRUST AND RESPECT'

Crestview couple celebrates 60 years of wedded bliss

By **MATTHEW BROWN**
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CRESTVIEW — Successful marriages require more than one ingredient, longtime residents Jack and Barbara Drasko will tell you.

"There (are) a lot of things that go into it, but the main thing is love, trust and respect for one another," Jack, 83, said.

He and his wife are celebrating 60 years of wedded bliss.

Barbara, 76, shared a list of qualities that contribute to lasting relationships.

"You support each other," she said. "You never belittle one another ... you build each other up."

Also important? Working together to raise a family, communication and giving each other some space.

"The couple, who met on a blind date, married in 1954 and moved from Alabama to Crestview in 1965. Jack worked as an Okaloosa County supervisor and Barbara stayed at home to raise their four children and enjoy her arts and crafts hobby.

Now, the couple have 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Many family members, traveling from as far as Utah and California, attended an Aug. 9 anniversary celebration in their honor at Warriors Hall.

Crestview resident Miriama Devine, born in Hawaii, performed a couple of Hawaiian dances. Other family members and friends celebrated the occasion by singing heartfelt music.

They were just giving back to a couple who gave them so much, family members said.

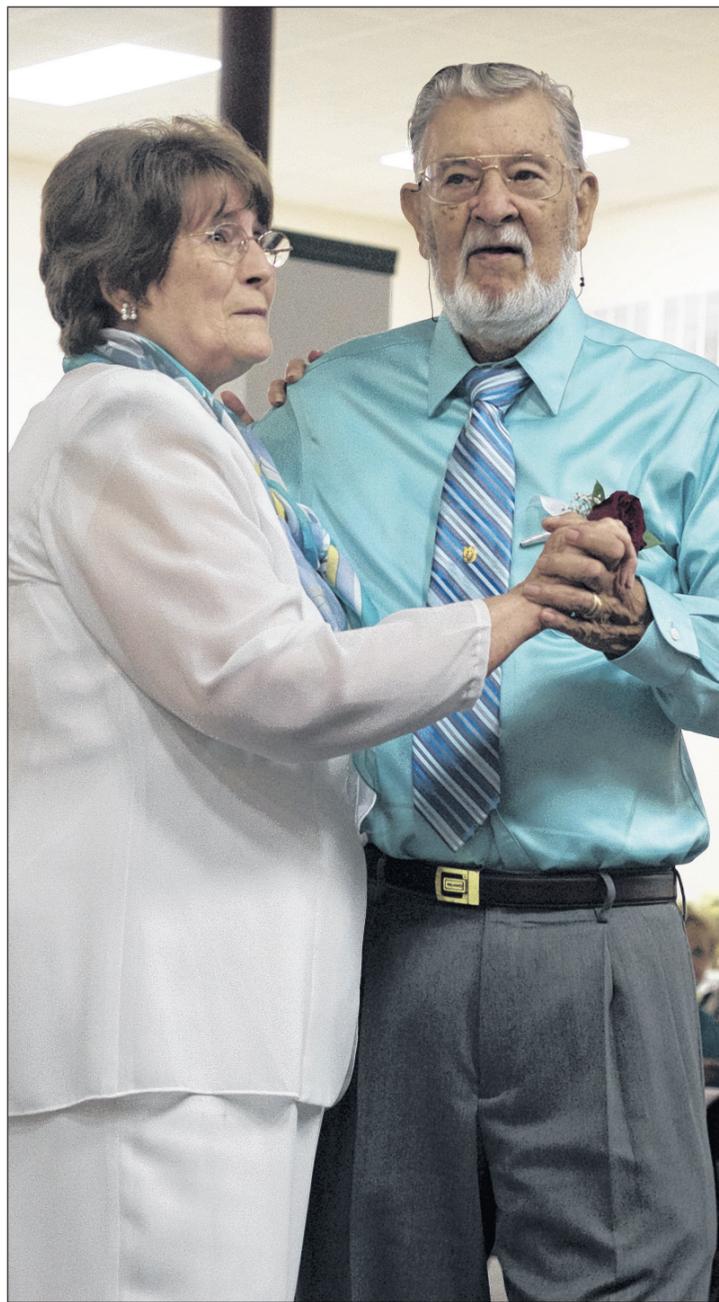
"My grandparents helped raise us," Devine said. "There would be many times when we would miss the bus and they would come and pick us up and take us to school."

Marcia Drasko-Fox, the couple's daughter, said she believes their commitment to family had something to do with their lasting relationship.

"I think the key to a strong marriage is a strong family," she said.

"You support each other. You never belittle one another ... you build each other up."

Barbara Drasko



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Barbara and Jack Drasko, who are celebrating 60 years of marriage, say a successful marriage requires love, trust and respect for each other.

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Crestview woman's giving spirit helps community grow

By KAREN ROGANOV
Special to the News Bulletin

CRESTVIEW — The Hub City's growth is due, in part, to one woman who is a part-time homemaker and part-time community volunteer, but a full-time giver.

Sharlene Cox, 69, is on the move each day, donating her time and talents so her community's youths can have the best opportunities possible. She's been at it for the past 40 years and is still going strong.

'A PEOPLE PERSON'

"I've logged in 800 steps so far," Cox said, referring to her pedometer, which tracks her daily activity including tending to her family and meeting with local residents. "On an average day I do a mile or over."

The type of energy she projects landed her as an honoree in the 2009 Okaloosa County Women's Hall of Fame, with her photographs on display at two key county buildings.

"I'm a people person," Cox said.

Cox, who began community volunteer work in Okaloosa County in 1974, could be considered for the who's who of Crestview movers and shakers; she's touched the city in many ways.

She is the Crestview Exchange Club's secretary and youth pillar. It is one of 30 Exchange Clubs providing community service to Florida cities and towns and 700 nationwide. The first one was founded in 1911 and is the country's oldest service organization operating exclusively in the United States.

"We develop the nation's



KAREN ROGANOV | Special to the Crestview News Bulletin

Crestview has been shaped partly through Sharlene Cox's community spirit and family commitment. In Cox's various clubs she's held titles including president, at the local and state level, and director, or she's been seated on the board of directors.

youth, serve senior citizens, promote Americanism — among other things — and our national project is to prevent child abuse," said Cox.

At a recent club meeting after pledging allegiance to the American flag and chanting the club's oath, Cox got down to business, providing assistance to the FamiliesFirst Network. The Gulf Coast-based organization provides emergency shelter, foster care and adoption services.

Carrie Queen of FamiliesFirst — who was on hand to display school supplies the Exchange Club provided through club donations — said Cox is someone she counts on in a pinch.

"As the community grows, if people don't do things to improve it, people don't want to stay here."

Sharlene Cox

At times, the organization needs to do emergency 24-hour placement to put children in a safe environment. Cox is a club catalyst to meet their physical needs.

"You can call her in the middle of the night," Queen said. "Formula, diapers and food — anything the children need to get settled for the night — she makes happen."

IMPROVING THE COMMUNITY

Not all of Cox's volunteer work involves mending broken situations. Much of it provides future opportunities for Crestview youth and overall community enhancements.

She was a substitute elementary and high school teacher from 1975 to 1985; became a back-up rural Crestview mail carrier, 1985-1987; has been a poll worker and trainer for local and county elections for a decade; and was a co-chairman of the Crestview Triple B Barbecue Festival for three years.

With the latter, Cox played a key role in bringing the event from Spanish Trail Park to historic downtown Crestview, which significantly increased its attendance, promoted tourism and economic development, and raises up to \$30,000 a year in the chamber's general operating funds, according to Wayne Harris, executive director of the Crestview Area Chamber of

Commerce.

"The Triple B Barbecue draws 15,000 people in eight hours and is the largest draw of people in the chamber's history," he said. "Sharlene was one of the impetuses to being the success it is today."

Recently, Cox helped local doctors organize the annual No Child Without Healthcare Fair. Once the school year starts, she will be on the move again; this time to meet with elementary and high school students and prepare selected candidates to advance to the national level and compete for Exchange Club scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$10,000.

Then, come Christmastime, Cox will log more miles on her pedometer during the annual Tour of Homes fundraiser as treasurer of the General Federation of Woman's Club of Crestview Inc.

She is a liaison to Crestview High School's Juniors, the youngest members of GFWC Florida Federation of Women's Clubs, which is the world's largest and oldest service organization of volunteer women and in more than 20 countries.

Together they serve as hosts to local homes with holiday decorating flair where the owners agree to allow the general public to take a tour.

Improving the community is important, she said.

After all, "as the community grows, if people don't do things to improve it, people don't want to

stay here," she said.

FAMILY FIRST

In Cox's various clubs she's held titles like president at the local and state level and director or she's been seated on the board of directors.

Devoting time to all these responsibilities requires prioritizing.

"My family comes first, but I enjoy working in my community," Cox said.

In 1965, she became the wife of a career civil service test design engineer who retired from Eglin Air Force Base in 1995.

"We'll be married 50 years in January," she said.

The two met on base, where Cox was a clerk. They left to raise a family with the addition of their first baby, whom they adopted in 1967, followed by their second child, adopted in 1972. She now has two grown grandchildren, all local Floridians and steadfast in the community as well.

Crestview has been shaped partly through one woman's community spirit and family commitment.

And if family genetics prove favorable — with Cox's mother living to almost 101 years old — there are many more decades for her to affect people's lives.

Because community service is Cox's passion.

"I enjoy the different activities, end results and the feeling it gives your heart," she said.



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WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT BENEFIT: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 23, American Legion Hall, 898 E. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. The all-day event will feature family-friendly activities, food and live music. Event organizer Michael Finn seeks additional volunteers; call 333-6034.

SEAT WEAVING WORKSHOP: 1-3 p.m. Thursdays starting Aug. 28, Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, 115 Westview Ave., Valparaiso. Cost: \$10 per day or \$8 per day for museum members, plus a one-time \$10 fee for materials and tool usage. Participants learn how to replace the seats on their own chairs using different weaving styles. Call 678-2615 to preregister.

NIGHT OF LAUGHTER: 6 p.m. Sept. 9, Crestview Community Center, 1446 Commerce Drive. North Okaloosa Medical Center Healthy Woman event features award-winning comedienne Etta May. Cost: \$30 per person. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Details: www.NorthOkaloosa.com/healthwoman or 689-8446.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

COUNTY

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL: 2 p.m. Aug. 28, Emerald Coast Convention Center, 1250 Miracle Strip Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach.

OKALOOSA COUNTY COMMISSION: first and third Tuesdays, alternating between the Crestview courthouse and Fort Walton Beach Water & Sewer Building, 1804 Lewis Turner Blvd. Morning meetings at 8:30 a.m.; evening meetings at 6 p.m.

OKALOOSA-WALTON TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION: 3 p.m. third Thursdays, Niceville Community Center, 204 N. Partin Drive. Call 1-800-226-8914 ext. 231 to confirm.

LOCAL

NORTH OKALOOSA FIRE DISTRICT: 6 p.m. third Thursdays, fire station 82, 5549 John Givens Road, Crestview.

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VFW HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT: noon third Saturdays, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5450, 2240 W. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. Details: Lynn Mobley, 682-5552.

AGAPE SQUARES: 6-7:30 p.m. Mondays, 214 S. Partin Drive, Niceville. Square dancing, \$3 per person.

HELP OTHER PEOPLE EFFECTIVELY: 6 p.m. third Mondays at Community of Christ, Crestview.

BAKER BLOCK MUSEUM: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and on third Saturdays, or by appointments, 1307B Georgia Ave. Free admission. The museum has exhibits, pioneer buildings from the 1800s and a research library with historical documents. Details: 537-5714.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY: three different meetings, listed below.

• 8 a.m. Tuesdays, First United Methodist Church, 599 Eighth Ave., Crestview. Details: Mary Cole, 683-1899.

• 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, First United Methodist Church, Crestview. Details: Brooke Bratton, 225-8197.

• 8 a.m. Fridays, Valley Road Baptist Church, 1018 Valley Road, Crestview. Details: Mary Ann Vincek, 682-5927.

See TOPS.org for more

information.

SENIORS VS. CRIME: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, except holidays, 296 S. Ferdon Blvd., Suite 8, Crestview. Call 306-3176 to report incidents. Details: okaloosacountysvc@yahoo.com.

CRESTVIEW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO: Quarterly games 4:30-6 p.m.; regular games 6-9 p.m. every Tuesday at 701 James Lee Blvd., Crestview.

NAVARRE OCEAN WAVES SQUARE DANCERS: 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays, Holley/Navarre Senior Center, 8476 Gordon Goodin Lane, Navarre. \$4 per person.

THE GREATER FORT WALTON BEACH CAMELLIA SOCIETY: 6 p.m. third Tuesdays, Okaloosa County Extension Service Building, 127 Hollywood Ave., Fort Walton Beach. Details: camelliafbw@cox.net.

NORTH OKALOOSA PATRIOTS: 6:30 p.m. third Tuesdays, 150 N. Woodlawn Blvd., Crestview. See www.panhandlepatriots.com for details.

KNITTING & CROCHET GROUP: 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Crestview Public Library. Details: Rae Schwartz, bakerny@yahoo.com.

CRESTVIEW KIWANIS CLUB: 11:45 a.m. Wednesdays, Coach-N-Four, 114 John King Road, Crestview.

SONS OF ITALY, CRESTVIEW CHAPTER 2865: 6 p.m. third Wednesdays, Foxwood Country Club, Antioch Road. All people of American-Italian heritage may join. Details: Contact group president Thomas Hughes, 682-3597, thomasjhughessr@hotmail.com.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: 10-11 a.m. Thursdays, 704 E. Robinson, Crestview. For info call 689-1842.

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MOUNTAIN DULCIMER GROUP: 2-4 p.m. Thursdays, First Baptist Church of Crestview. Listen or play; beginners welcome. Call 682-3165 for details.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: 5 p.m. Thursdays, Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, 424 Garden St., Crestview.

MAINSTREET CRESTVIEW ASSOCIATION: 6 p.m. third Thursdays, City Hall, 502 Wilson St., Crestview. Group improves and promote Main Street and Crestview Community Redevelopment Agency businesses.

FREE LINE DANCE LESSONS: 7-8 p.m. Fridays, American Legion Post 75 lounge, 898 E. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. Followed by live band music from 8 p.m. to midnight. Details: 689-3195.

STRICTLY WEAVERS MEETINGS: monthly, TBA. Details: Alice, 934-4403.

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR: North Okaloosa community organizations may list upcoming events on the Crestview Area Chamber of Commerce online events calendar to avoid scheduling conflicts. Free. Non-members welcome. Visit www.crestviewchamber.com and click on "Calendar of Events" under "News and Events."

HELPING HANDS

SERVICES

VA SUICIDE HOTLINE: 800-273-TALK (8255), or www.veteranscrisisline.net for confidential chat and self-check quiz.

BAKER SOUP KITCHEN: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays at Shady Grove Assembly of God. Details: 537-2774.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE AND SERVICES FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Tri-County Community Council, 290 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Crestview. Details: 306-1134.

WOMEN AND FAMILY INTERVENTION SERVICES AND EDUCATION: a Crestview-based Community Drug and Alcohol Council program that helps pregnant women with substance abuse. Details: 689-4024.

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE: Eligible low-income families can receive financial assistance through the Early Learning Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties. Details: 833-9330 or 833-9333.

FREE MEDICARE COUNSELING: By appointment, Crestview Public Library and Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Crestview. Details:

306-2240 or 1-866-531-8011.

NARCONON: Call 1-800-431-1754 for a free brochure on the signs of drug addiction, free screenings or referrals; or visit DrugAbuseSolution.com.

HELP NEEDED

5K RUN/WALK BENEFIT PLANNED FOR DREW BAREFIELD: 7 a.m. Sept. 20, Davidson Middle School, 6261 Old Bethel Road, Crestview. It starts with registration, followed by racing at 8:30. Entry fees: \$20 per person for the 5K and \$10 for the one-mile fun run for kids age 12 and younger. No time or score will be kept on the kids' run. Walkers, strollers and baby joggers are welcome to participate. Pick up registration packets Friday, Sept. 19 at the Davidson gym from 4-6:30 p.m.

Make checks payable to The Drew Barefield Donation Account. You may mail them to: 2260 S. Ferdon Blvd. #20, Crestview, FL 32536, Attention #RunforDrew.

DONATIONS WANTED: The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida is requesting donations (no clothing

accepted) for the annual Inside-Outside Yard Sale Spectacular, which is 7 a.m. to noon Aug. 30 at 115 Westview Ave., Valparaiso. Outside spaces available to sellers for \$10 each. Drop off donations during museum hours, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Details: 678-2615.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT BENEFIT: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 23, American Legion Hall, 898 E. James Lee Blvd., Crestview. The all-day event will feature family-friendly activities, food and live music. Event organizer Michael Finn seeks additional volunteers; call 333-6034.

MOTORCYCLE VENDORS WANTED for the Biker's Blast for the Past, set for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 20 at Heritage Museum, 115 Westview Ave., Valparaiso. Commercial vendors, artisans and craft vendors are welcome. Bikers will start and stop at the museum with an after party that includes food, beverages, music and prizes. Early registration discount through Sept. 14 available at www.heritage-museum.org. Details: 678-2615 or info@heritage-museum.org.



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North Okaloosa residents among NWF State College student ambassadors

The RaiderRep program is entering its fourth year

From staff reports

NICEVILLE — Ten students have formally signed their contracts to become the newest Northwest Florida State College RaiderRep student ambassadors.

The RaiderReps serve as the college's official hosts and hostesses. They are student leaders who represent the college at special events and activities, lead campus tours, and assist in recruitment efforts.

The new ambassadors are Taylor Brock of Crestview, Pixie Fluhrer of Crestview, Lauren Gordon of Laurel Hill, Ray Bolen of DeFuniak

Springs, Chase Knight of Fort Walton Beach, Austin Mallett of Niceville, Dacey McDuffie of Niceville, Alijah Veneszee of Fort Walton Beach, Hayley Woods of Fort Walton Beach and Collin Zeigler of Mary Esther.

They join returning ambassadors Alex Andrews of Crestview, Bethany Fralish of Niceville, Courtney Jones of Crestview, Patrick Palkowski of Freeport, Jennifer Paskell of Crestview, Angela Roy of Destin, Rani Simmons of Freeport, and Patrick Wallace of Niceville.

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Northwest Florida State College's newest RaiderReps are shown in front of the Student Services Center on the Niceville campus. Front row, from left, are Hayley Woods, Lauren Gordon and Chase Knight. Back row: Alijah Veneszee, Ray Bolen, Taylor Brock, Dacey McDuffie, Pixie Fluhrer, Collin Zeigler and Austin Mallett.



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Brooke Williams, a Florida Virtual School Full Time student, will earn her Bronze Award, a Girl Scout Junior's highest honor after removing litter along the route to Shoal River Middle School and Riverside Elementary School.

Crestview Girl Scout preps school route for open house

Special to the News Bulletin

CRESTVIEW — Brooke Williams, a Girl Scout Junior in Crestview Troop 738, is advancing to Cadette status on Oct. 1.

But this week, she was doing her part to make a difference in the community. On Monday, Brooke picked up litter along the route to Shoal River Middle School and Riverside Elementary School.

Brooke, who attends Florida Virtual School Full Time, wanted to make the area cleaner for students walking to school and for parents attending upcoming open houses at the schools. The cleanup also will help keep wild animals safe.

It was Brooke's last task required to earn the Bronze Award, a Girl Scout Junior's highest achievement.

Northwest Florida State College honors paramedic program graduates

Special to the News Bulletin

NICEVILLE — Northwest Florida State College recognized students who successfully completed the college's technical certificate program for paramedic during the 2013-2014 academic year.

Barry Reed, director of emergency services, said that the graduates are now eligible to take the Florida State and National Registry Paramedic exams.

Once they pass the Florida exam, graduates can work for a variety of employers, including

ambulance services, hospitals, fire departments, and military organizations.

Mike Snider, emergency services manager, stated that many of the students are working in emergency services fields, and their achievement will have an almost immediate

impact on services provided to their fellow community members.

The 2014 paramedic program graduates are: Charles Darr, TaCora DeVore and Jesse Johnson, all of

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Voters asked to consider business tax exemptions

By **BRIAN HUGHES**
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CRESTVIEW — Signs encouraging voters to “Vote yes for jobs” have joined those for political candidates along North Okaloosa roads.

The Economic Development Ad valorem Tax Exemption, known as EDATE, is up for renewal during the Aug. 26 primary election.

Okaloosa County voters first approved EDATE in 2003. It granted businesses \$638,000 in county ad valorem tax exemptions before it expired in March.

In exchange, EDATE generated \$34.5 million in business investment, including 402 jobs that pay, at minimum, 110 percent of the prevailing average local salary, according to Economic Development Council Director Nathan Sparks.

“Over the past 10 years, that tool has improved our competitive position,” Sparks said. “Businesses have a choice as to where they invest. They go to those counties that can partner with them in their economic growth.”

Crestview attorney Ashley Rogers, speaking Tuesday during the Crestview Area Chamber of Com-



“If we don’t vote and pass EDATE ... it’s like going into battle without your weapons.”

Ashley Rogers
Crestview attorney

merce’s Government Issues Committee meeting, said the county does not lose existing tax revenue when businesses qualify for EDATE.

Escambia, Santa Rosa and Walton counties, as well as neighboring Covington County, Ala., and other regional counties use similar incentives, Rogers said.

“If we don’t vote and pass EDATE, we know we’re giving up a tool that other people have,” she said. “It’s like going into battle without your weapons.”

Competition to lure high-paying jobs isn’t just nearby, Sparks said during Monday’s Crestview City Council meeting.

“We’re competing with other communities, other counties, other states and even other countries,” he

said. North Okaloosa businesses that have capitalized on EDATE savings are Advance Sawmill Machinery Equipment in Holt, and L3 Crestview Aerospace and North Okaloosa Medical Center in Crestview.

Bit-Wizards, a Fort Walton Beach IT company, also qualified for EDATE advantages.

The exemption is available for new businesses and existing businesses that want to expand. Businesses are strictly vetted using criteria such as stability, number of jobs and salaries.

The exemption doesn’t apply to taxes paid to the Okaloosa County School District or special assessments such as fire and water districts, and municipal taxes.

Main Street, Community Redevelopment Agency to share a director

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CRESTVIEW — Soon, the Community Redevelopment Agency and Main Street Crestview Association will share a director.

By splitting the new position between the CRA and Main Street, CRA board members — who are also sitting City Council members — will benefit from a full-time professional adviser, they said.

Meanwhile, the association can maintain its accreditation with the state Main Street program, which requires a full-time program manager.

Main Street President Ellis Conner hopes to have candidates vetted and a director in place by Oct. 1,

which starts the new fiscal year.

CRA members voted 4-1 Monday to hire a leader for both entities. Board members Joe Blocker, Thomas Gordon, Shannon Hayes and Mickey Rytman voted in favor of the proposal. Robyn Helt cast the lone dissenting vote.

It’s a triumph for Conner, a former city councilman who has tried for two years to get a full-time program manager for the association.

Job description

The CRA board, using Conner’s proposed job description as a starting point, will meet in a workshop to refine the position’s responsibilities. The workshop date has not yet

been set, City Clerk Betsy Roy said.

Rytman, a past Main Street president, said he wanted the position to report to the CRA to assure board oversight.

The previous Main Street director had a contract, “and they can come and go whenever they want to. If we’re going to spend the money, I want some control,” Rytman said.

The board agreed to fund the position as a city employee, as the Main Street program coordinator had been prior to the contract position.

Helt opposed the measure because she felt the request for the \$40,000 a year position was not properly phrased on the meeting agenda, and because she felt Ellis’ request did not represent the entire Main Street Crestview Association board’s consensus.



MICKEY RYTMAN
Community Redevelopment Agency Board

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years as Riverside Elementary School’s assistant principal.

In addition to teaching at Walker Elementary School for 18 years, Sanders served one year as a teacher on special assignment for the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice in Okaloosa County.

Sanders, now a first-year school principal, said she has found her ideal school.

“It’s a tough job, but it has been a dream for me and it’s come true,” she said.

Sanders said she’s focused on the first week of school for now, but she anticipates expanding the school’s music program with additional instruments. In addition, she’d like to boost tablet use among students.

While still getting to know many of the educators and staff, Sanders said she is already aware of the teachers’ dedication to student’s education.

“(The teachers) are awesome ... they have been very supportive and very welcoming to Antioch, which is what makes it great,” she said.

Serving as principal will have its challenges, namely the school’s increasing student population.

Although all teaching positions are currently full, Sanders said the school could

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Kelli Sanders

principal, Antioch Elementary School

need additional teachers because of the expected student enrollment.

“We are over the class size in some areas, and the (Okaloosa School) District is watching it real close,” she said.

An estimated 889 students are expected to attend Antioch this year. Sanders said the enrollment number could decrease by Monday’s first day back for students.

“Sometimes, (families) will leave the area and forget to say (their children) are not coming,” she said. “We want to see if we are truly over the class size limit, before (the district) commits to hiring a teacher.”

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Baker man elected to Military Order of the Purple Heart leadership

From staff reports

Baker resident William "Bill" Everett now is the Military Order of the Purple Heart's National Junior Vice Commander. He was elected for the position during this year's national convention in Denver, Colo.

Everett served in a distinguished 21-year Army career. He earned the Bronze Star for Valor and the Purple Heart for his bravery and wounds

received in 1967 while serving in Vietnam with the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. After the Viet Cong ambushed a convoy he was leading, despite his wounds, Everett provided covering fire that allowed wounded comrades to evacuate safely.

Everett served four tours in Vietnam, earning two more Purple Hearts, the Silver Star, two more Bronze Star medals for valor, the Soldier's Medal, and numerous other

awards and decorations.

Following his military service, Everett joined the Donald Trump Corporation, where he worked for 19 years as a facilities manager.

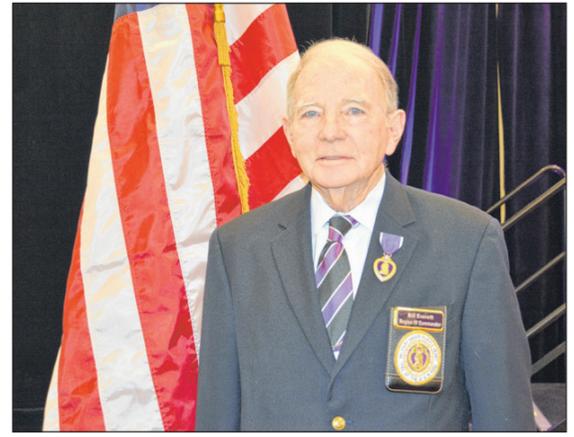
He joined the Military Order of the Purple Heart in 1984, and upon his second retirement, moved to Baker, where he has dedicated his free time to the organization.

He has served in numerous positions of responsibility in his local chapters in New

Jersey and in Florida, in the Department of Florida, and the Southeast Region.

In 2008, Everett was recognized as the MOPH Patriot of the Year and in 2013 he received the MOPH National Commanders Award in recognition of his dedication to the order.

The organization, now known as the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the U.S.A. Inc., was formed in 1932 for the protection and



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William "Bill" Everett of Baker has been elected the Military Order of the Purple Heart's National Junior Vice Commander.

mutual interest of all combat duty men and women who wounded veterans and active have received the decoration.

HEALTH

BRIEFS

From staff reports

5K run/walk to benefit Fisher House, Heart Association

Okaloosa County Public Safety's 3rd Annual Have a Heart 5K Run/Walk is 7:30 a.m. Aug. 23 at Northwest Florida State College's Niceville campus.

Early registration for the 5K is \$20 by Aug. 16; otherwise, registration costs \$25.

The first 200 entries will receive a T-shirt. You can download a registration form at

crestviewbulletin.com/health.

The race will start at the 911 Emergency Operations Center at NWF State College, 90 College Blvd., Niceville.

Proceeds benefit Fisher House and the American Heart Association.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer kicks off next week

The American Cancer Society will host a Making Strides Against Breast Cancer kickoff rally and informational meeting at 6 p.m. Aug. 21 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,

363 Miracle Strip Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach.

Attendees can learn more about the Oct. 18 Emerald Coast walk and learn more about Making Strides and how to help finish the fight against breast cancer.

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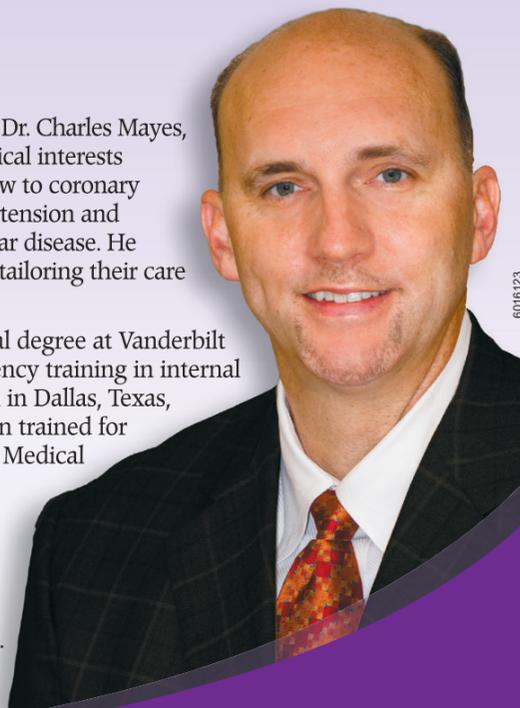
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Dr. Mayes obtained his bachelor's degree and medical degree at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. He performed his residency training in internal medicine at The University of Texas at Southwestern in Dallas, Texas, and served as chief resident from 1998-1999. He then trained for three years in general cardiology at Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C. He remained at Duke for fellowship training in interventional cardiology and congenital heart diseases.

Dr. Mayes has practiced for the past 10 years in Panama City, Lafayette, La., Hattiesburg, Miss., and most recently at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola.

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SPECIAL TO THE NEWS BULLETIN

Northwest Florida State College paramedic program graduates may now take Florida and national exams for varied employment eligibility. Front row from left: Charles Darr of Crestview, Matt Koenig, Thomas Woodcock, Nathan Hickingbottom and Corey Galloway. Back row: Brenden Bailie, TaCorra DeVore of Crestview, Samantha Diaz, Michael Hatfield, Jesse Johnson of Crestview and Eva Grumbir.

Laurel Hill ministry hosts Funfest for area youth

By **MATTHEW BROWN**
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LAUREL HILL — New Hope Ministries is bringing the fun — fest — to Gene Clary Park Aug. 30.

Youth Funfest activities will include a water slide, dunking booth, volleyball and basketball activities, face painting, an obstacle course, and a back-to-school fashion and talent show.

Several activities will feature cash prizes, organizers said.

No entry fee is required to attend, but the church will collect donations through food sales and game participation.

WANT TO GO?

WHAT: Youth Funfest

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 30

WHERE: Gene Clary Park, on the corner of New Ebenezer Road and Park Street in Laurel Hill

CALL: Jeanette Wade, 334-343-4554

Proceeds will benefit a future New Hope youth group trip to the Six Flags amusement park in Georgia.

The church couldn't raise enough funds for a youth trip this year, event organizer Jeanette Wade said.

"They didn't get to go anywhere this year," she said. "This is our way of giving them something fun to do."

Changing the venue should help, the Rev. Willie Williams said. The church usually hosts social events, but organizers hope that bringing the Funfest to Gene Clary Park will encourage more community involvement.

"In Laurel Hill, there isn't much to do," Williams said. "The purpose is to give these kids something to do."



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The Rev. Mark Broadhead is Laurel Hill Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Crestview's pastor.



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WITNESS my hand on 22 day of July, 2014.

Vicki Jackson
Deputy Clerk of Court,
Okaloosa County

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Legal # 20140660

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2012-CA-004225 F

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS COWALT, INC., ALTERATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-18CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, 2006-18CB; Plaintiff,

vs. SHERRY MOSELEY; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE

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HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.;

Defendants,

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, in accordance with the Trial dated July 17, 2014, in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.okaloosa.realforeclose.com, on October 17, 2014 the following

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described property:

LOT 3, WOODROW ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 88, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 308C WOODROW ST NE, FORT WALTON BEACH, FL 32547

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.

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Legal # 20140683

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 2013 CA 005289 F

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.;

Plaintiff,

Vs. JAMES BAXLEY; SHERRY BAXLEY, ETAL;

Defendants

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cash at www.okaloosa.realforeclose.com, on August 22, 2014 the following described property:

LOT 6, BLOCK F, GARNIERS HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2 PAGE 129, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH A PARCEL COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6, BLOCK F, GARNIERS HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION, THENCE SOUTH ALONG EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF BURTON AVENUE A DISTANCE OF 21.88 FEET TO A BOUNDARY LINE OF KENWOOD SECOND ADDITION, THENCE SOUTH 89°18' EAST ALONG AFORESAID BOUNDARY LINE A DISTANCE OF 149.48 FEET TO P.R.M., THENCE NORTH 00°33' EAST ALONG BOUNDARY OF KENWOOD SECOND ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 22.33 FEET TO LOT 6, BLOCK F, GARNIERS HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION, THENCE WEST ALONG SOUTHWEST CORNER OF AFORESAID LOT 6 A DISTANCE OF 148.47 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING (POB).

LESS AND EXCEPT:

THAT PORTION OF LOT 6 LYING NORTH OF A LINE STARTING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6 AND PROCEEDING GENERALLY EAST SOUTHEAST TO THE EAST SIDE OF LOT 6 TO A POINT 20.28 FEET SOUTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 6, BLOCK F, GARNIERS HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION, A SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 24 WEST, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2 PAGE 129, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA..

Property Address: 700 BURTON AVENUE, FORT WALTON BEACH, FL 32547-0000

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.

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WITNESS my hand on 22 day of July, 2014.

Vicki Jackson Deputy Clerk of Court, Okaloosa County

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Legal # 20140694

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 14 DR 2189 Division: _____

Nikolaus A. Wendling, Petitioner

and Amber A. Wendling, Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Amber A. Wendling 4861 295th Street, Toledo, OH 43611

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Nikolaus A. Wendling whose address is 304 N. McCarthy Ave. Ste. 117, Eglin AFB, FL 32542 on or before September 22, 2014, and file the original with the clerk of this Court

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at OKALOOSA COUNTY COURT-HOUSE ANNEX EXT., 1940 LEWIS TURNER BLVD. FORT WALTON BEACH, FL 32547 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: None

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: August 11, 2014.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Sherry Johnson Deputy Clerk

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Legal # 20140696

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Okaloosa County, Florida, will hold a public hearing on September 2, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter, at the request of Mr. David and Mrs. Janet Price, in the Okaloosa County Courthouse, Commissioners' Meeting Room, at 101 East James Lee Boulevard,

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That portion of Gibson Road lying in the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ and SW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 25, T-4-N, R-25-W, also that portion lying in the W ½ of the NE ¼ and the E ½ of the NW ¼ of Section 36, T-4-N, R-25-W, of Okaloosa County, Florida.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing and shall be heard.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at his hearing, such person will need to enstate that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Okaloosa County adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this hearing upon request. Requests may be made to the County Administration office noted above and must be made at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

CHARLES K. WINDES, JR. Chairman

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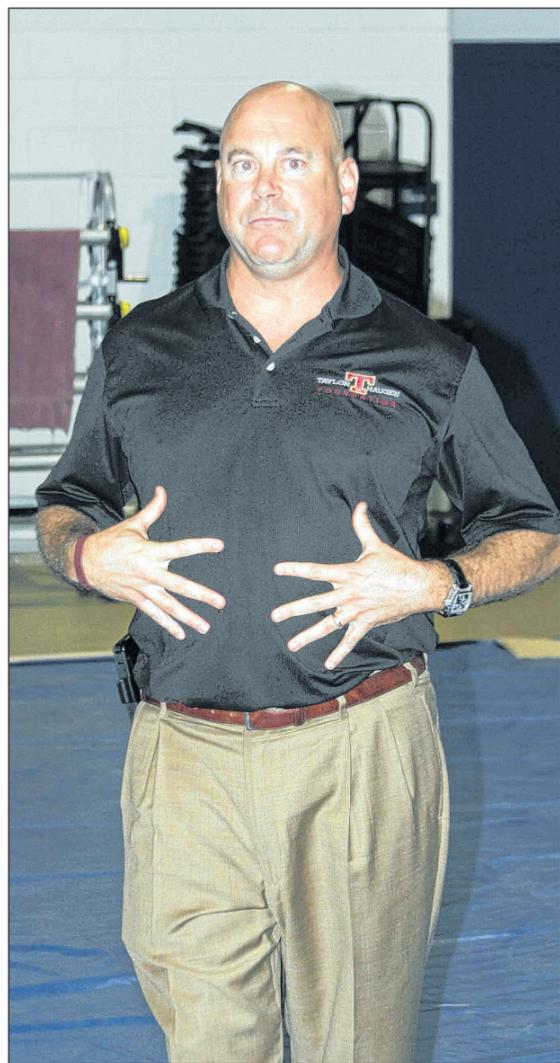
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'IT'S GOING TO KEEP KIDS SAFE'



Brian Haugen — explaining benefits of EvoShield rib shirts provided by the Dugas Family Foundation and the Taylor Haugen Foundation's YESS Program — says Shoal River Middle School's Mustangs will have an extra layer of protection on the field.

Haugen Foundation provides protective equipment for Shoal River football players

By RANDY DICKSON
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randyd@crestviewbulletin.com

CRESTVIEW — Shoal River Middle School football players will be a little safer this fall when they take the field.

Tuesday each Mustang received an EvoShield rib shirt thanks to efforts of the Dugas Family Foundation and the Taylor Haugen Foundation's Youth Equipment for Sports Safety Program.

Taylor Haugen was a 15-year old Niceville High School student who died following a hit to his spleen in August of 2008.

Since then, his parents, Brian and Kathy, have kept his memory and spirit alive through the foundation bearing his name.

The Haugen Foundation and the YESS Program have secured grants to pay for the \$90 piece of equipment that helps better protect players.

"We've supplied close to 25 schools and 2,000 players with the EvoShield," Brian Haugen said. "We have grant money to provide every high school and middle

school player in Okaloosa and Walton County with the shield.

"But we can't do it unless we know what to order. We want the coaches to aggressively look for the application and apply so we can get it on the kids."

While football equipment is created so one size fits many, the EvoShield rib shirt is made from a chemical polymer designed to fit the contour of an individual player's body size and shape.

"It's lightweight; it's 5/8th inch thick and it's breathable," Haugen said. The thing that makes it really unique is it feels like a part of your T-shirt. It doesn't feel like an extra pad or extra equipment or something that weighs you down."

Shoal River is the first school in North Okaloosa County to receive the EvoShield.

"It's crazy," Mustang Coach Ryan Gillis said. "First of all, they are giving them (the players) a \$90 present. The second thing is it is going to keep kids safe and that's the most important thing.

"It's an honor to be



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Shoal River wide receiver Levi Bess is fitted with an EvoShield rib shirt.

working with such a great foundation. Hopefully it's going to supply them (the

players) with a little more confidence (and) they can go a little bit harder."

'Basketball is one of my biggest passions'

Delaware native named Gators' basketball coach

"He's had experience playing basketball at the junior college and the Division I level. He's played at the professional level overseas. He's had head coaching experience overseas at the professional level as well. He's also experienced the high school (coaching). So he brings a well rounded resume to us so I'm excited to have him here."

— Baker School Principal Mike Martello speaking about new coach Janavor Weatherspoon

By RANDY DICKSON
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BAKER — Six months after stepping up from being Baker School's boys basketball coach, Mike Martello finally has found his replacement.

Former Oklahoma State player Janavor Weatherspoon is on the Baker campus and takes the reins of the Gator basketball program when the students return to school Monday.

Weatherspoon, a Delaware native, brings an impressive basketball resume to the job. He was a member of the OSU Final Four team in 2004.

The 2004 Cowboy team was coached by Hall of Famer Eddie Sutton.

He also had numerous stops as a player and coach.

Martello said it was the depth and diversity of Weatherspoon's basketball background that made him a strong fit for the job.

"He's had experience playing basketball at the junior college and the Division I level," Martello said. "He's played at the professional level overseas. He's had head coaching experience overseas at the professional level as well.

"He's also experienced the high school (coaching). So he brings a well rounded resume to us, so I'm excited to have him here."

Weatherspoon says he's a basketball junkie, but he tries to break things down into the basic elements as a coach.

"I love basketball so much," he said. "It's one of my biggest passions I have. The thing I think I bring to basketball is — first I would say is — simplicity.

"A lot of people get too caught up in all the different designs (of plays) and hoopla and things like that. The most important thing to me is to teach the kids how to play like a team."

Weatherspoon has no

preconceived ideas as to what kind of offense and defense his first Gator team will run. Like most good coaches, he said he will see what talent level he has and adjust his philosophy from there.

Weatherspoon played junior college basketball in Texas at Odessa College. He said it was through a friend in Odessa who had ties to the Okaloosa County community that he heard about the job.

"I've been applying for coaching jobs all summer — actually since the spring," he said. "I applied for high school jobs, junior college jobs and Division I coaching jobs also."

Weatherspoon's worldwide travels have taken him to communities of all sizes, so making the move to Baker School wasn't a big deal.

"To tell you the truth, I have a lot of experience living in different places," he said. "I lived in West Texas, in Odessa. I went to Stillwater to play at Oklahoma State.

"And then I flew over to Poland and lived in a very, very small town there too, like Baker. I'm used to the small towns and small city atmosphere."

Weatherspoon's wife, Ana, and children Nicola, Janavor Jr., and Naomi have already made the move to the area.

Weatherspoon is looking forward to working for Martello and using him as a resource for scouting reports on the teams in the area.

"I think Coach Martello is a great guy," he said. "It's a huge advantage having him here as my boss because he was the basketball coach for the last 10 years. I will always ask questions from him and what kind of pointers he can give me.

"He knows the area really well so that's an advantage for me."



RANDY DICKSON | News Bulletin

Baker School Principal Mike Martello, right, welcomes new boys basketball coach Janavor Weatherspoon to Gator Country.

CANDIDATES from page A1

Relevant experience: Certified county commissioner by the Florida Association of Counties including areas of HR, budgeting, growth management and ethics. Worked in county law enforcement for 18 years, development and rental properties management.

Other education/experience: Bachelor of Science in criminal justice with a minor in business administration from Troy University; served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army; and Emergency Management Certification classes.

Reason you seek this position: "I am service oriented and helping people is something I really enjoy. Being a commissioner allows me to help people in ways I could not otherwise do."

"I am fiscally conservative, and I believe we need to have good quality of life and an affordable life. I have always voted no on new taxes and have worked to keep Okaloosa with one of the lowest millage rates and lowest debt ratios in the state."

"I am a problem solver, and I want to be accessible. I believe in the common sense approach and working locally with the people of

Okaloosa County.

Biggest issues: Infrastructure, storm water and job creation.

"We need to work on our major roadways, especially the P.J. Adams Parkway four lane, roads in the north end of the county that keep washing out during heavy rains, and we need to work on ways to stabilize them from eroding and pave more roads."

"Storm water piping needs replacing under numerous subdivisions. We need to create jobs that diversify our area. We are very dependent on the military and tourism."

"I've worked to bring approximately 1,000 jobs into the area, and we need to keep working to attract new industries to our area."

TREY GOODWIN

Personal: Wife, Krystle, a Shalimar Elementary School teacher. Two children, Alexia (4) and Robert (1). Shalimar United Methodist Church members.

Relevant experience: "I am an attorney focusing in the areas of real estate, construction and probate law. Previously, I was a project manager for a large multi-

state construction company.

"I also served as a city council member for Fort Walton Beach, and am a past member of the Okaloosa County (Economic Development Council)'s Business Leadership Council."

Other education/experience: Bachelor of Science in building construction from the University of Florida; Juris Doctor from the Florida State University College of Law.

Reason you seek this position: "I want to be the next District 4 county commissioner to restore accountability to the District 4 seat, and (to) serve the people of Okaloosa County with integrity and fair dealing."

"I will be a common sense advocate for the taxpayers, making sure their hard earned tax dollars are wisely invested in our community."

Biggest issues: "One of the primary issues facing Okaloosa County will be how the county uses BP dollars. My goal is to make sure those dollars are not squandered



TREY GOODWIN

or wasted.

"Instead, I propose to use those funds to implement long term infrastructure solutions for roads, storm water drainage, and water quality."

"I believe that responsible spending should avoid any need to discuss tax increases."

HENRY KELLEY

Personal: The son of an Air Force sergeant, he has seven siblings and attended Edwins Elementary, Bruner Middle School and Fort Walton Beach High School before attending the University of Florida on an ROTC scholarship.

Upon graduation, he served as a field artillery officer including a tour in Desert Storm, where he was awarded a Bronze Star.

Relevant experience: "I have experience in each of our key economic drivers: military, tourism and medical."

"I have led and motivated

worldwide teams comprising more than 400 employees and managed overall profit and loss for business divisions exceeding \$30 million in revenue."

Other education/experience: MBA, Rollins College; BA University of Florida; adjunct professor, Florida Institute of Technology.

Reason you seek this position: "I am seeking this office to apply my experience to the county I grew up in and love."

Biggest issues: "Stormwater: If we don't have clean water, efficient runoff and backed up sewage, we don't have a community; we have a slum."

"When I see sewage back up in our neighbors' yards, it's time for good policy, not politics, to get involved and solve problems. I bring a problem-solving mindset and capability to the board, and look forward to using those skills for all residents and visitors to Okaloosa County."

"We need to work closely with our state delegation. Under Rick Scott, the budget has grown by \$9 billion since 2010: I think we can find \$50 million to address sewer, storm water and critical road needs."



HENRY KELLEY

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get away with anything because she has two principals for parents," Lee Martello said, laughing.

Carson attends Baker School, where her friends sometimes hope she can influence her father on school policies, such as the student dress code.

"Everybody says, 'Talk to my dad. See if he'll change this or change that,'" she said. "Then when I go home, (I learn) he's not in charge of the dress code."

Though the Martellos

support each other, act as sounding-boards and offer each other advice, there is one area where a bit of family dissension surfaces, Lee Martello said.

"Baker and Laurel Hill were in the playoffs for volleyball and (the game) was at Baker School," she said. "We walked in and said hello, and he said, 'You're not going to sit with me?'" I said, 'Absolutely not! I have to go over here and sit with blue and gold.'"

Sometimes, Lee and

Mike get to take off their principal hats and just be a typical mom or dad.

"It is neat that though I'm a principal of a school, I then get to go be a parent at my husband's school," Lee said. "Our daughter is a cheerleader and in Leadership."

"It's neat to get to see it from that view: not as an administrator, but as a parent who's married to that administrator," she said. "It's nice to enjoy it from that perspective."



While Lee and Mike Martello support each other, act as sounding-boards and offer each other advice, sports is one area where a bit of family disagreement surfaces, Lee Martello said. At left are Mike Martello and daughter Carson.

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