

## NPSJ line replacement begins in November

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The residents of North Port St. Joe should see work on water line replacement begin in November. During their regular bi-monthly meeting Tuesday, Port St. Joe city commissioners approved seeking grant funding to finish improve-

ments at the Chipola Pump Station as well as the purchase of materials to perform a second phase of line replacement in-house.

Clay Smallwood of Preble Rish Engineers said the bid process for the work on line replacement in North Port St. Joe should mean the awarding of the contract mid-October with work beginning within 30 days.

"You should see dramatic improvements in water quality early next year," said Bruce Ballister with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council during a meeting last month.

The North Port St. Joe section, which includes Avenues B-D, was pulled out of the first phase of line replacement, completed earlier this year, in order for the city to

pursue a Community Development Block Grant, administered by the ARPC, for the work.

That saved money from a grant/loan package from the State Revolving Fund.

The section of work was further delayed while the city sought a USDA grant for sidewalk improvements along Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. in the heart of

North Port St. Joe.

The sidewalk work and water line replacement will be performed simultaneously.

Commissioners approved spending \$64,172 on materials for the second phase of line replacement, which will be concentrated in residential areas of the city.

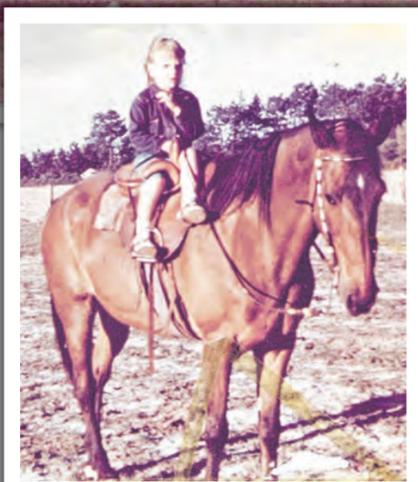
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## A HORSE TALE



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Wewahitchka became known around the Southeast due to the travels of the Saddlin' Seminoles. In front left is Dr. Harold Canning. At right, Tunnie Wade rides Mahogany Princess for the Port St. Joe Christmas parade.



### WANT TO GO?

The Saddling Seminoles will hold a reunion at 11 a.m. Oct. 5 at Parker Farm. Attendees are asked to bring any photos as well as a covered dish and drink or tea.

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## Saddlin' Seminoles to reunite Oct. 5

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As a child, the late Dr. Harold Canning wanted a horse badly. His family could not afford one.

In the sleepy town of Wewahitchka during the 1950s and '60s, the children of his new hometown would help fill that childhood void.

Canning passed away 43 years ago, having arrived in Wewahitchka in 1949 after meeting the late David Carl

Gaskin and a delegation from Wewahitchka in Jacksonville on a search for a town physician.

He and his wife fell in love with the small town after entering past the West Arm Creek and the "Sign of the Shiner" promoting a longtime local eatery, according to a story recounted years ago by Judge David Taunton.

Until his death from throat cancer in 1970, Canning established a legacy of outreach to the children of the town,

## Port Authority signs dredge permit grant

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Permitting for dredging of the Port St. Joe shipping channel got its official start last week.

With an agreement with the St. Joe Company addressing the local match on a state grant in place, the Port St. Joe Port Authority officially signed an agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation.

The agreement secures a \$1 million FDOT grant, with St. Joe agreeing to provide the \$250,000 local match, to fund the permitting for dredging the shipping channel to its authorized 35 feet.

Collecting the data for the permit already is underway with Hatch Mott MacDonald engineering the permitting for the Port Authority.

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## Mexico Beach votes on new city clerk

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The Mexico Beach city council decided on a new city clerk this week, even if the results weren't unanimous.

Adrian Welle of Pierz, Minn. will be offered the position this week.

Welle has experience working for the city of Upsala in central Minnesota, a city with a population of just over 400 people and received praise for his face-to-face interview with the council.

During a special meeting held on Monday the council gathered to discuss the candidates it had interviewed in the weeks since previous clerk Sharon McGhee's abrupt resignation.

The council narrowed  
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## School board denies union grievance on RIF

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A debate engaged in Florida for more than two years which had an airing in Gulf County this summer has been put to rest, at least locally.

The Gulf County School Board on Tuesday denied a formal grievance brought by the Gulf Education Association, the union representing teachers, concerning the process used in this summer's Reduction in Force.

In one sense, the arguments echoed a larger discussion in the state since the 2011 legislative pas-

sage of a sweeping education bill.

Among a host of other provisions, that bill include a prohibition for local districts undertaking a Reduction in Force from using seniority in any way in the process of identifying teachers to be laid off.

That provision was at the heart of the GEA grievance that the statute was in conflict with the teacher's master contract and the contract, not the statute should control until the expiration of the contract in 2014.

The union also argued that its grievance should carry because the district failed to respond in a timely fashion.

The union sought to force the district to use the master contract, which mandates that the least senior teachers be the first let go, in the RIF process.

Mark Powell, attorney for the union, argued that has the master contract, ratified initially in 2010 with an expiration of 2014, mandated the district use seniority in RIF decisions.

The Florida Constitution bars state statute from trumping an existing contract, so to not follow the contract was an error by Superintendent of Schools Jim Norton.

"The RIF was inconsistent with the contract," Powell told the School Board. "The law requires

you to follow the contract rather than the statute enacted after the contract was put in place.

"To follow the statute instead of the contract entered into by both parties is an incorrect action."

The relief he sought was for the district to return to the beginning and have a do-over on the RIF adhering to the dictates of the contract.

Board attorney Charles Costin said, however, that the board was unable to follow Powell's suggestion because state law barred them from considering seniority in any fashion — solely teacher evaluations instead

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# Port foreclosure lawsuit receives new hearing

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A Circuit Court Judge has requested a new hearing to consider arguments in a foreclosure lawsuit brought by Capital City Bank against the Port Authority of Port St. Joe.

Judge John Fishel, II has requested a new hearing to be scheduled so that he may hear more detailed arguments in the case.

Capital City Bank is suing to foreclose on a port-owned parcel which serves as a barge terminal, with bulkhead

and uplands. The parcel sits along the Intracoastal Waterway.

Capital City Bank is seeking to foreclose on a \$4.1-plus million mortgage taken out by the Port Authority.

"The judge wants to allow for more argument and new presentations of the arguments," said port attorney Tom Gibson.

Gibson theorized that Fishel, who just rotated into Gulf County within the 14th Judicial Circuit, was surprised by the complexity and importance of the case.

He suggested that the previous hearing held last

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month was compressed, scheduled for just 30 minutes, and Fishel would like to hear more detail on the case.

The Port Authority's defense team is arguing that the Port Authority lacked the authority to mortgage the 37-acre parcel.

"The question is

whether the port had the capability to mortgage public land without a referendum," Gibson said.

Under Florida law there must be a public referendum to approve the mortgaging of public land, Gibson said.

"The argument is we didn't have the power to enter into that

transaction," Gibson said, noting that the port, as a special district under Florida statutes, can borrow and issues bonds.

A date and time for a new hearing has not been set, Gibson said, adding he had no idea of a timetable.

The judge's ruling following the hearing, whenever it might come, would come down to one of three possibilities, Gibson said.

A win for Capital City Bank would enforce the mortgage and lead to foreclosure on the parcel.

A win for the Port Authority would mean the

mortgage was invalid on its face, Gibson said.

The judge could also rule that the mortgage was unenforceable but the note the Port Authority owes Capital City Bank remained a debt that must be paid.

The Port Authority sought a compromise with Capital City Bank prior to the previous court hearing. The Port Authority would add teeth to the enforceability of the mortgage in return for Capital City dropping the foreclosure process to allow the port time to develop and generate revenue.

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Port director Tommy Pitts said a pre-application meeting, originally set for this week, was pushed back to Sept. 30 to allow for a more complete collection of data.

The key for the pre-application meeting — during which state agencies will provide input and insight on the direction of dredging — is to have as complete an application on the other side as possible.

"We want to be able to confine the requests for

more information from state agencies to a minimum," Pitts said.

Additionally, researchers were "in the water" beginning two weeks ago conducting a seagrass survey. The hope is that the survey can be completed and reviewed by the end of the month.

### Outreach campaign

Port Authority board members put a sharper point on efforts to secure

*"We are trying to get the community involved. We are going broke. We've got to get some people to support us."*

**Leonard Costin**  
board chairman

support, particularly financial, as the bottom line shrinks and development appears poised for takeoff in the coming months and years.

Port attorney Tom Gibson reported that feedback from a tax attorney indicates donations to the Port Authority would be tax-deductible.

Gibson could not secure a written opinion due to cost, but board chairman Leonard Costin, a certified public accountant, said the information was identical to his understanding.

"I have no doubt in my mind it is tax deductible," Costin said.

Costin reported he had already secured \$2,200 in pledges to the Port Authority, which is trying to raise revenue to meet basic operational needs as a new budget year arrives the first of next month.

The Port Authority's "bare-bones" budget for the coming year earmarks \$2,640 per month for operations.

"We are trying to get the community involved," Costin said. "We are going broke. We've got to get some people to support us."

Costin received push-back from several board members about propos-

als to solicit funds in the community, including placing change jars at stores around town and seeking pledges from small businesses.

"The citizens here and the businesses here pay too much for the infrastructure here," said board member Eugene Raffield.

Board member Patrick Jones disagreed.

He noted that there are "big pots" of money available from the state and feds to undertake dredging and other activities, but no money available for operations.

The plan was to watch every penny spent and the board will prioritize how funds raised are spent. But community buy-in for the effort, to maintain a Port Authority, presence, was critical.

"It is up to people to decide if it is worthwhile to participate in this effort," Jones said. "To not ask is to not do everything."

Raffield said he is working with state officials and agencies to secure support for the Port

of Port St. Joe.

He said he has made inroads though was not in a position to outline specifics.

The focus, Raffield said, should be on soliciting help from state officials for two fundamental reasons: Funds exist, and port development represents a regional opportunity.

"We have infrastructure here that has been paid for in the tens of millions of dollars," Raffield said. "You have a major system here. We have been in a coma. We have to get out of the coma and walk together."

"It's not about us, it's about our future. We have a real chance, here. This is a regional issue."

The cost of doing nothing, Costin added, would be continued rising poverty in the county, declining enrollment and funding for schools and negative impacts to the business community.

"The cost of not doing anything, what a cost regionally," Costin said.

Raffield said Eastern Shipbuilding and the announcement from more than a year ago that the company would be coming to Port St. Joe to establish a ship-outfitting facility has "left a bad taste in people's eyes" as the company has yet to come to Gulf County.

He said the company is filling berths in Bay County and will need to expand, but the fact the company has yet to do so, while failing to communicate a clear timetable — the proposed arrival of Eastern has been pegged several times only to be pushed back — was a sore point.

"I don't know who the quarterback is on that without any update," Raffield said. "We don't know what is going on."

County Commissioner Warren Yeager, present for last week's meeting of the Port Authority, said Eastern continues to pay its lease with St. Joe and remains committed to moving into Gulf County.

"It is about timing," Yeager said. "At some point it is going to happen."

Yeager also suggested that the Port Authority speak to the Economic Development Alliance, Inc. about possible assistance the EDA could provide the Port Authority to meet operational expenses.

"It is critical to keep (local operations) going," Yeager said.

Yeager also noted that the Board of County Commissioners had conveyed a resolution passed in support of port development onto other counties in the region for passage.

"Everybody is trying to help the port," Yeager said. "They know this is a regional port."

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— in the RIF.  
 “If the law says the RIF can not be done by seniority, any timelines are moot,” Costin said, echoing one of the arguments from Jerry Copeland, who represented Norton’s interests in the hearing.  
 Copeland argued that the Senate Bill passed in 2011 that put in place the process for considerations during a RIF essentially wiped out that language in the master contract.  
 “You can not grieve language in a contract that no longer exists,” Copeland said.  
 And given the dictates from Tallahassee, “We are a little baffled why this grievance even exists.”  
 Copeland said the district had attempted to negotiate the impacts of the Senate Bill on the master contract after its 2011 passage but the union had countered it was not will-

ing to negotiate issues which were subject to litigation.  
 Further, Copeland noted that the Senate Bill and its application – specifically impacts on local collective bargaining contracts – had thus far been found constitutional in the courts, though cases remain on appeal.  
 “In my opinion this board has no other alternative except to dismiss this grievance,” Copeland said.  
 Powell contended that state law could not change a contract, but under questioning from Costin, a key point, at least for Costin and in turn the board emerged.  
 Copeland argued, though Powell disagreed, that the contract had been reopened in 2012, leaving salary schedules and language in place.  
 That he said constituted

a “re-adoption” of the contract.  
 Costin agreed and suggested to the board that this was a central point; as the contract had been in a form “re-adopted”, as noted in the Senate Bill, the contract language regarding the RIF was trumped by the statute passed in 2011.  
 “My concern is that the language has been re-adopted, then the statute controls,” Costin said.  
 During the RIF earlier this summer, the district reduced three positions at Wewahitchka Jr./Sr. High School, two at Wewahitchka Elementary School and one non-instructional position at WES.  
 Among the teachers let go, three had more than 30 years experience, one 26 years and another six.

**The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.**

**Last year’s property tax levy:**

A.	Initially proposed tax levy	<u>\$8,188,527</u>
B.	Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes	<u>\$(669)</u>
C.	Actual property tax levy	<u>\$ 8,189,196</u>

**This year’s proposed tax levy \$ 9,260,146**

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on:

**Tuesday, September 24th, 2013**

**At 5:01 P.M., E. T.**

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**Port St. Joe, Florida 32456**

**A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.**

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the list to three candidates before taking their official vote.  
 All members, with the exception of Mayor Al Cathey, voted to offer the position to Welle.  
 “I was impressed with Adrian,” said councilman Lanny Howell during discussion of the candidates. “He was my first choice.”  
 Councilman Jack Mullen agreed with Howell and said that he believed Welle to be an excellent candidate.  
 “He has hands-on experience working with a city,” said Mullen.  
 Cathey pled a case to his fellow councilmembers to consider Mexico Beach resident Christina Adams, a name he also brought up several times prior to McGhee being hired.  
 “I’ve known her for many years and she had an awesome interview,” said Cathey. “Welle doesn’t need Mexico Beach as bad. I think it’s just a stopover to

get where he really wants to go.”  
 Councilwoman Tanya Castro echoed Howell and Mullen and said that Welle was an “excellent candidate” and that he appeared to be a “quick study.”  
 Councilman Bobby Pollock seemed to agree with both choices but cast his vote for Welle.  
 “Christina had a wonderful interview,” said Pollock. “Adrian is my first choice. I think he’ll fit in good with our city.”  
 Cathey offered to reach out to Welle with a job offer as well as the other candidates to inform them of their application status.  
 Welle had previously told the council that if hired he would be available to start Nov. 1.  
 Provided that Welle accepts the position, the council will ask him to consider starting his new role as soon as Oct. 7.  
 The starting salary

for the city clerk position will remain at \$50,000 annually with a six-month probationary period.  
 McGhee was just a month into her tenure when the mayor made a motion to fire her and cited a slow learning curve as a reason.  
 McGhee said that she didn’t fully understand her job responsibilities and was given “conflicting information” by various city employees.  
 Leading up to the hiring of Welle, the council spent several meetings drafting a new job description for the city clerk and a contract detailing the role’s many responsibilities.  
 Castro had empathized with McGhee and wanted to ensure that the next clerk fully understood the council’s expectations.  
 “Let’s have the contract ready,” Castro said to her fellow councilmembers. “Let’s be more proactive this time.”

**BUDGET SUMMARY  
 GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014**

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	DEBT SERVICE FUNDS	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	DEPENDENT DISTRICTS	TOTAL
<b>CASH BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	\$7,823,748	\$3,932,888	\$2,151,000	\$26,059	\$335,694	\$14,269,389
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>						
<b>TAXES:</b>						
	<b>Millages</b>					
AD VALOREM: General	6.5608	8,838,197	-	-	-	8,838,197
AD VALOREM: St. Joseph Fire	0.4000	-	-	-	333,735	333,735
AD VALOREM: Tupelo Fire	0.5000	-	-	-	50,694	50,694
AD VALOREM: Overstreet Fire	0.5000	-	-	-	21,937	21,937
AD VALOREM: Howard Creek Fire	0.5000	-	-	-	15,583	15,583
AD VALOREM: Voted Debt Gulf Front MSTU	0.0000	-	-	-	-	-
AD VALOREM: Voted Debt Interior MSTU	0.0000	-	-	-	-	-
Sales, Use, and Fuel Taxes	446,853	1,527,288	317,437	-	-	2,291,578
Communications Service Tax	82,897	-	-	-	-	82,897
Licenses and Permits	210,100	-	-	-	-	210,100
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,080,652	500,657	912,852	-	-	3,494,161
Charges for Services	1,587,685	69,174	-	-	-	1,656,859
Judgments and Fines	4,250	-	-	-	-	4,250
Miscellaneous Revenue	3,780	5,150	815	14	-	9,759
Other Financing Sources	95,327	-	-	-	-	95,327
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>	<b>13,349,741</b>	<b>2,102,269</b>	<b>1,231,104</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>421,949</b>	<b>17,105,077</b>
LESS 5%	(662,721)	(86,092)	(61,555)	(1)	(21,098)	(831,467)
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES AND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$20,510,768</b>	<b>\$5,949,065</b>	<b>\$3,320,549</b>	<b>\$26,072</b>	<b>\$736,545</b>	<b>\$30,542,999</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES:</b>						
General Governmental Services	\$5,429,941	\$80,539	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$5,510,480
Public Safety	6,358,815	529,716	-	-	241,001	7,129,532
Physical Environment	784,752	1,137,193	-	26,072	-	1,948,017
Transportation	815,234	384,772	-	-	-	1,200,006
Economic Environment	263,135	1,653,510	-	-	-	1,916,645
Human Services	862,914	1,349,923	-	-	-	2,212,837
Culture and Recreation	365,856	-	-	-	-	365,856
Court-Related	118,755	9,046	-	-	-	127,801
Capital Outlay	556,822	378,045	-	-	361,852	1,296,719
Debt Service	-	-	987,709	-	28,325	1,016,034
Other Financing Uses	-	50,000	-	-	45,327	95,327
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES AND OTHER FINANCING USES</b>	<b>15,556,224</b>	<b>5,572,744</b>	<b>987,709</b>	<b>26,072</b>	<b>676,505</b>	<b>22,819,254</b>
Reserves	4,954,544	376,321	2,332,840	-	60,040	7,723,745
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES AND RESERVES</b>	<b>\$20,510,768</b>	<b>\$5,949,065</b>	<b>\$3,320,549</b>	<b>\$26,072</b>	<b>\$736,545</b>	<b>\$30,542,999</b>

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## Welcome to Frogeye

Being interested in a charity my cousin's husband does a lot of work with, I started doing a little research. After just a little while, I ended up in Frogeye or Frog Eye, Alabama. There are folks who spell it both ways. Therefore, if someone ever asks me, "How do you get to Frogeye?"

I will be prepared to honestly answer, "You do a little research."

This fellow, who is my cousin's husband, does a lot of work with the group, "Soles for Souls," who as you would guess collects shoes and clothes and sees that folks around the world who need them - get them. It's very admirable and I'm sure, a rewarding thing to do.

In addition to his "footwork," my cousin's husband drives a school bus and preaches. He does a lot of good stuff. He is the pastor of the Mountain Springs Baptist Church in Frogeye, Alabama. It seems like he is doing a pretty good job because he has been there for a number of years, having the privilege of being the 25th pastor since the church opened its doors in 1884.

Since he is technically "family," I would like to note that he was not around when they were having troubles with the congregation getting "a little wild." It's amazing what you can find on the internet. It seems that Frogeye had its share of folks who might "stray" every once in a while.

Specifically, back around 1900, some members of the Mountain Springs Baptist Church were turned out of the church for drinking liquor, dancing, taking the Lord's name in vain and cursing. Oh goodness gracious, this happened over a hundred years ago and an area newspaper reported in their October 21, 1903 edition, "this past Sunday there were 2 fights at the Mountain Springs Baptist Church." The paper noted that it was "just a fuss over some gambling at the

schoolhouse earlier."

The writer noted that law abiding God serving people should look into this. Well, I'd agree with that I guess. It always makes me feel better when I read or hear about troubles a long time ago, even in little places like Frogeye, Alabama.

I'm not sure how many folks live in Frogeye because the census doesn't keep up with the small community in Tallapoosa County's exact population. They do keep up with the population of Goldville, also in Tallapoosa County, which was noted as 55 in 2011. I would have to assume that the population of Frogeye is less than that.

On Sundays when my cousin's husband preaches, the population goes up. They get about 70 folks on Sunday mornings, that's a good thing.

We find some of the best and most interesting stories in small towns and communities. The heroes seem to be just bigger there. I'm pretty sure there are some good ones up north, also.

In Frogeye, you can find stories about the Hodnett family who still play an important part in the community, stories of the ferries that used to run across the Tallapoosa River and stories of the famous sorghum syrup made by "Mr. Joe."

One fellow who passed through Frogeye on a regular basis was Dr. James Thomas Clack, who was featured in Time Magazine and on Bob Ripley's "Believe It or Not" radio program in 1940. You see, Dr. Clack, or "Dr. Tom" as he was known went door to door helping sick folks and delivering babies.

Door to door doctors were not uncommon in those days, but there had to be a catch for Time Magazine and Ripley's Believe It or Not to be interested.

There was. Dr. Tom was blind.

See **CRANKS A5**



**CRANKS MY TRACTOR**  
BN Heard

## Oh yeah, we heard the crowd roar!

My football career started in the front yard. The south end zone was the front sidewalk. The north goal line stretched from the telephone pole out by the Como Road to the drain pipe under the driveway. The teams consisted of me and David Mark on one side and Leon on the other. We blamed the scarcity of players on Mom and Dad; that was all the children they had. And they moved to a remote area out on the edge of town.

The side boundaries were marked by a couple young maple trees that bordered Stonewall Street on one side and the house on the other. We didn't have white lines running across the grass so we had some serious rhubarbs as to exactly where a runner stepped out of bounds between those trees. It was a little easier on the house side. We just looked for the blood or the dent in the wall.

Leon was five years older than me and he had six and a half years on David. Those were light years in terms of growth, strength and power when Leon was ten and me and Dave hadn't entered kindergarten yet. We played "tackle" football, of course, and one of us had to snap it back to Leon and then turn and attack him.

Leon mostly ran over us and scored at will. But, listen, we didn't just stand there! None of us had actually seen a real football game. But the objective was crystal clear. David would dive at Leon's knees, I'd jump on his back. We couldn't spell teamwork but if we were going to get him to the ground, we had to do it together!

And I can still remember to this day how my little heart would beat with fear and trepidation when I tried to run around the right end with mighty Leon bearing down on me from his middle linebacker position! He knocked the wind



**HUNKER DOWN**  
Kesley Colbert

out of me so many times I showed up for the post game meal looking like a crumpled up sail.

I also remember how my heart would soar on those rare occasions when Dave would toss me a pass that Leon didn't deflect and I'd take off toward Como Street! The score didn't matter. The shellacking I'd been taking against the house, the trees and the ground forgotten. The blood on my shirt glistened as courage marks. I raced across the goal line in triumph!

Of course, the euphoric tide tuned in a nanosecond. We had to kick off to the giant! Football can lift you up to unbelievable heights one minute.....and humble you to a spot lower than a whale's belly the next. I never had a football coach that didn't compare the game to life. And those same coaches, in between yelling and blowing whistles at you, taught that it didn't matter how many times you got knocked down.....it was how many times you got up that counted!

Our games grew as Joe and Richard Gooch, Terry Kennon and the King boys moved to the neighborhood. We didn't know didley squat about social networking, playing by the rules or that grease paint you could put under your eyes. We chose up sides as to best enhance the game and went to playing. There were never any grown-ups in these back yard affairs. No officials. No timekeepers. No cheerleaders and no commercials. And very little arguing.....

We were playing a game. For fun. And excitement. And for the sheer joy of living! Listen, it sure beat the heck out of cleaning fence rows and pitching heavy bales of hay onto a slow moving wagon.

We took road trips to that "stadium" over on Forest Avenue between where Ricky Hale and

Jimmy Mabry lived. I near' bout broke my leg in the Gwaltney's side yard across from the Methodist Church. I knocked myself out running into John Ingram in that vacant lot beside Betty Scates' house. Our world was expanding!

Dad bought a TV. We learned to throw slant passes, "bring" an outside linebacker and double cover a dangerous wide receiver. We all went out for the junior high team and moved on to high school where the aforementioned coaches dispensed their life lessons in between "bull in the ring" and the grass drills.

Those were the days my friend.....

Another football season is upon us. We will hear chants of "We're Number One" till we all go stark raving crazy. Nike, Gatorade and Under Armor commercials will rule the air ways. We will tolerate prima donna quarterbacks and overpaid kickers because they might help us win. We will hear teeth whitened analyst give us way more information than we care to digest on why Texas A&M won't make it to the title game, what happened to Frank Beamer's special teams, can Alabama three peat and where will Tim Tebow land next. And that's just in the first week!

It all seems a little over the top for me. You talk about big business. Big money. And big egos. I can't figure out if we are playing a game or providing some type of frenzied mayhem to the masses.

I don't pretend to know much about football. But I hope it's still about young boys learning to get along, facing square up to adversity, accepting a few defeats, growing more than just a tad and, most of all, feeling that wind rushing against their faces in that special moment of individual triumph.

"It's all in the game."

Respectfully,  
Kes

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### A know-nothing, do-whatever BOCC

Dear Editor,

In case you haven't noticed over the past several months our County Commission has consistently voted to stay ignorant of facts and information which may help them make better decisions, govern more efficiently, spend our money more wisely, keep us better informed, and represent us more effectively.

It began when one Commissioner proposed changes to put discipline into the process of preparing the meeting agendas. The proposal would insure advance notice of topics to be discussed at meetings, thereby better informing the public before resolution. It would lead to more public discussion of complex issues before taking action at a subsequent meeting. It would facilitate better staff work and allow Department Heads to respond to questions and/or advise Commissioners. Four of the Commissioners quickly voted it down. One said he liked acting quickly, one said in effect he preferred flying by the seat of his pants, one said he knew everything and can make decisions on issues on the spot, one said he did not understand super majorities. Oh wow, really? Yes, look it up, 4-1 vote to limit information/knowledge and act hastily!

Next meeting: "County wide voting/redistricting" was the topic. The consulting attorney we taxpayers pay to advise the BOCC on the issues informed the Board that a study was needed to determine if minority populations are geographically restricted thereby disadvantaged

at the polls. The board voted 3-2 to pursue the information. That's right. Two commissioners voted not to find out, stay ignorant! Really? Yes, you can look it up!

Next meeting: A Commissioner brought up the subject of the County Jail, a 1.2-plus million dollar budget line item. Among the issues: true cost to farm out prisoners to Bay County and possible savings, invite a free courtesy inspection by experts to see how much liability we could be facing despite the million-plus dollars paid by taxpayers, can we afford our own jail? Are we running it well? Maybe we can run an effective program or save enough money to eventually run one well? What happened? You guessed it: a 4-1 vote on the spot not to consider the issues or invite experts to look. The STAFF wanted to deny even commissioners access. Really? Yes, a vote to stay ignorant and ill-informed while spending \$1,200, 000-plus. You can look it up!

Next meeting: A resident asked for information concerning stormwater damage despite an expensive past project he thought should have protected his property. Many aspects of this issue were discussed and some information brought the county bid selection process and possibly quality of work into question. Well, three of our enlightened commissioners immediately jumped ship and plead ignorance "not on the Board" when it happened. The fourth said he voted against it. The four and the new commissioner agreed something was amiss. It should not happen again and must be looked into so the process can be fixed.

Then, at the next meeting chaos reigned. Innocence claimed by several, the information provided by the STAFF was incomplete or inaccurate. Are they ignorant or complicit? No resolution, no real fact finding. Ok, no problem. Just continue to fact find, get to the bottom of it remember last meeting three of them plead total ignorance (what new). So what happened? You guessed it a 4-1 vote to stay ignorant and stop demanding information from the overworked STAFF paid by us taxpayers. No, really, yes a vote to stay ignorant, we no longer need to find out what happened. Instead embarrass (they hoped) the Commissioner who keeps seeking information and public knowledge. How dare she keep seeking facts, keep trying to inform the public, keep trying to govern effectively, keep asking questions, shut down the nosy woman!

My fellow residents this ignorance/stupidity/or maliciousness must stop. We must not tolerate bad governance as the norm. In addition to their ineptness, what should really anger you is they think you are stupid enough to fall for it. Next election is 2014 get ready. Two of them should be voted out!

Citizen T. Paine  
A 20 year resident / Gulf County taxpayer

#### What are they hiding and afraid of?

Dear Editor,  
An amazing display of insubordination, disrespect and obvious conspiracy by Mr. Don Butler and (shall we call them men?) of the Gulf County Commission

to suppress and stop Commissioner Bryan in her open and honest effort to obtain answers about contract procedures that has led to flooding issues in her district. Obviously, Butler is the key to how contracts were left with our tax dollars to unqualified vendors, and, on the surface, Butler appears quite concerned about looking in the rear view mirror. He uses the smoke screen of how busyness, sick employees and other lame excuses to lay the ground work for his attempt to make the public aware that they do not have the time to cooperate with Commissioner Bryan as he obviously does with the other commissioners. If Mr. Butler was in the corporate world and spoke to a board member like that, I assure you, he would be meeting with the board immediately after the meeting and handed his walking papers. He also seems quite assured of his position by his attack on Commissioner Bryan due to the fact he has direct communication with other commissioners prior to all meetings to protect his interest and orchestrate the circus performance we witnessed.

You would think if it is discovered that the county has a habit of allowing contracts to unqualified vendors resulting in huge liability exposure and unnecessary costs with our tax dollars that all five commissioners would be concerned instead of participating in what appears to be a cover up. If you really look into it, none of the current commissioners approved the Americus Ditch

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contract and one existing commissioner voted against it. So who are they protecting and why would they go to these extremes to try and shut down this request for information?

Could it be that the commissioners who oppose the request for information have Mr. Butler's interest higher than the people of the county coupled with their attempt to send a message to Commissioner Bryan that they will shut her down with anything she brings up as they have demonstrated in past meetings? You decide.

The Freedom of Information Act is something the commissioners cannot mess up or prevent as they do with their so called "home rules." If they interfere or prevent access to these records by public requests, they will expose themselves to severe repercussions. While they think they can bask in their futile attempt to prevent Commissioner Bryan from obtaining information and in effect take away her constitutional authority to represent District 3 as an elected official, I want Commissioner Bryan to know we do not agree with Mr. Butler and his cronies. So, Commissioner Bryan, if you need any documentation from our county records, please let me know and we will fund the cost required so that you can discover what is really going on.

Citizens Improving Gulf County

### Seeing but not perceiving

Dear Editor,  
As the media announced the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision validating homosexual marriage, many people expressed great joy with the decision. That court decision is now the law of the land. Throughout the United States, federal and states will pass pro-homosexual laws, some in the near future. The homosexual cause will expand.

The traditional marriage between one man and one woman has always been accepted as a union created by the God of Judaism and the Christian Church. However, Jesus Christ prophesied directly about marriage that would be a great sign of the end of the age.

The books of Matthew 24:37 and Luke 17:26 record the prophecy of Jesus. "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of man. They ate, they drank,

they married, and were given in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark." We must remember that the behavior of Noah's generation had degenerated to the point of God's destruction.

The expression of "marrying and giving in marriage" has taken on a prophetic fulfillment with the U.S. Court's mandate of marrying male with male and female with female that must be allowed under penalty of law. Those laws that prohibited the marriage of male with male and female with female became illegal administration under the guidelines of the court. In the absence of any other replacement to our traditional marriage other than this Supreme Court decision, the "Marrying" prophecy must be applied to homosexual marriage.

"Giving in marriage." A man and woman could become married using one of two authorities. One authority is a court magistrate; the other authority is the Church. Neither authority exercised marriage under threat of law. After the marriage ceremony, the church minister or magistrate would "give" the marriage notification to state government. State government basically served as a record keeper. By authority of the U.S. Supreme Court decision, the federal courts will be the monitor or "Giver" of authority for the bonding of homosexual marriage, and records keeper.

The prophecy of "marriage and giving in marriage" has not been activated. However, the homosexual cause will not cease. Government, both federal and state, will enact laws favorable to homosexual expansion. This behavior will become "politically correct." As the stratum of our political stations, media and academe abandons Christian belief, the void will be filled with legal codes and statutes that will encourage sensual desires and conduct.

As the generation of Noah's day had become engrossed in all activities despicable in the eyes of God, so shall our generation if we continue across the threshold of "the day of the Lord" dispensation. What happens now? You decide. It is your destiny. You are imputed to direct and control that destiny within your ability. Each of us must guard against "seeing but not believing."

Frankie Mills  
Wewahitchka

## TALE from page A1

founding, among other organizations, a local boxing club.

But Canning's most enduring legacy may have been the Saddlin' Seminoles, a traveling horse club comprised of local kids that would perform all over Florida and the Southeast and bring discipline and hard work to a generation of young folks.

For just the third time since Canning's passing, and the first time in 12 years, the Saddlin' Seminoles will reunite the morning of Oct. 5 at Parker Farm in Wewahitchka.

"We are just going to get together and tell stories and socialize," said Nellie Wade, Canning's nurse and right-hand in the Saddlin' Seminoles. "We have about 42 people confirmed and we will be remembering another 14 or so who have passed away."

"Dr. Canning was an amazing man. The Seminoles made a difference in a lot of children's lives."

Wade met Canning when he and his wife arrived in Wewahitchka following the encounter with Gaskin in 1949. Wade had been in the town for a few years, working for Dr. Anderson, who was about to enter the armed forces.

"I was on my hands and knees doing inventory," Wade said of the former office, a space now occupied by a beauty salon. "He came walking in there, this big man."

"I wasn't supposed to keep working because his wife came with him, but I never got out of there. I'm not sure his wife wanted to work."

Canning sketched out a business model early for Wade.

He would take care of his insurance payments, pay her and maintain a roof over his head, but beyond that his money, in a sense, belonged to the children of the town.

"That first day he came walking in and just started taking up with the kids," Wade said. "Everything he did, he said, was about the kids."

He told Wade that since he was a little boy in Georgia, working at a feed store, he wanted a horse but his family could not afford one.

"He was going to get some horses and start a club," Wade said.

Wade said her support of a program that would ultimately teach her own children a lesson or two was immediate.

"I was all with him," Wade said. Canning bought, fed and kept each horse he purchased, the number reaching eventually reaching 27, Wade remembered.

He kept the horses in a barn that had seen better days and called it "Hardly Able Stables."

He underwrote travel for his group, horses, children and all. If a truck or trailer broke or broke down, Canning would foot the bill.



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Above, the Saddlin' Seminoles appeared several times in Port St. Joe parades, including this Christmas parade. At left, the Saddlin' Seminoles line up for a performance at the Central Florida Fair in Orlando.



"He never asked for a dime," Wade said.

And the kids, Wade said, "Found us. We practiced every Sunday."

"He started taking kids and began issuing them horses," Wade said. "They had to go to church. They had to go to school. They had to go to Sunday School. They had to take care of their horses."

Since the kids had access to the horses, they could ride on their own.

But, Wade said, to ride and not rub down the horse afterward?

That was inviting Canning's wrath.

Not that many words were required.

"He had discipline, I'll tell you what," Wade said with a laugh. "He didn't have to tell you twice. He was a big man, a football player. The kids listened. You toed the line. We never had trouble with them."

"But he was never mean to them. The kids, they loved him."

Wade illuminated the point with a memory.

One year, the Saddlin' Seminoles traveled to the Native American settlement/museum in Cherokee, NC.

The folks in Cherokee, upon seeing the caravan pull up in the night, the kids sleepy and bit dirty, were not sure if they wanted to let those youngsters stay overnight, chaperones or not.

But stay overnight they did and when they arrived back home the folks in Cherokee had sent greetings.

"They wrote back with this beautiful letter about how they were the best bunch of kids they had ever seen and inviting us back," Wade said with a knowing smile.

The Saddlin' Seminoles would travel the region, Port St. Joe, Tal-

lahassee, Dothan, AL, Blountstown, Jacksonville, Thomasville, GA, New Port Richey, Apalachicola, Orlando, Panama City, Eglin AFB and others.

They were known for their racing - the club began as a racing club - costumes, pageantry and general horsemanship.

They were featured in publications ranging from the Tallahassee Democrat to "All Florida" magazine and "Western Horseman" magazine.

The horse club was, Wade noted, simply a branch of the giving tree that was Dr. Harold Canning.

He had arrived in Wewahitchka after spending three years as a physician in Africa, helping to build a hospital in one of the poorest locations on earth.

In Wewahitchka, he defined "community" doctor.

"He was something else," said Wade, his nurse. "He never turned anyone down. You'd come in there and he'd take the time to listen to what was wrong and give you the medicine you needed for \$3. He wouldn't have had any money if I hadn't worked for him. He would have never taken a dime."

Canning would also serve as a municipal judge and be elected mayor in Wewahitchka.

The Saddlin' Seminoles would ride no more after Canning became ill with cancer and, within a year, died in Dec. 1970. The horses were sold off.

He was eulogized throughout the area as a civic-minded man who left a giant shadow, a "Man of the Century" as one local publication characterized him.

On Oct. 5, surviving Seminoles will gather to bask in that shadow and legacy.

## CRANKS from page A4

Dr. Tom's lost his eyesight right after he started practicing medicine, but through the eyes of his wife he continued practicing medicine for many years. His wife Theresa or "Miss Resa" as she was known traveled with him and told him what she saw, and together they helped a whole lot of folks in Tallapoosa, Randolph and Chambers Counties - going door to door.

You have to ask, "Where did Frogeye or Frog Eye get its name?"

One lady, the "Froglady," notes that what she was told was that it had to do with a ceramic frog. The ceramic frog sat in a saloon that was in the area. The saloon sold both legal and illegal liquor. Honestly, I don't know the difference, but evidently there was. When the "state boys" were in town, the owner of the saloon would close one eye on the frog or have him winking at you. That was the clue not to ask for or talk about the illegal liquor: If the frog had both eyes

open, all was clear.

It makes perfectly good sense to me.

The Froglady also had a copy of Ms. Irene's Wash Day Instructions from 1916. Frogeye's Ms. Irene was one of the Hodnetts. The instructions were very thorough including things like "bild fire," "bilin water," sorting things into three piles and scrubbing hard. The list of instructions is a story by itself.

However, the way she put herself on the porch at the end of this wash day would make any man want to go to Frogeye, Alabama (where my cousin's husband lays down good sermons on Sundays).

From Ms. Irene's, Final Step - Step Number 12, "Turn tubs upside down. Go put on fresh dress. Smooth hair with side combs. Brew cup tea. Set & rest, rock a spell. And count blessings."

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## Coastal cleanup Saturday for 'Trash Free Seas'

**Star Staff Report**

The Mexico Beach Civic Association will again participate in the Ocean Conservancy's movement for "Trash Free Seas" when the 28<sup>th</sup> annual International Coastal Cleanup takes place Saturday.

The cleanup at Mexico Beach will begin at 8:30 a.m. CT on

Saturday, Sept. 21 at Sunset Park. The cleanup will continue until 10:30 a.m.

The Mexico Beach volunteers join hundreds of thousands across the globe who participate in this annual event. The International Coast Cleanup is the world's largest volunteer effort to help protect our ocean, lakes and rivers.

In Florida alone, 23,362 volunteers found over 450,000 pounds of trash in 2012. In Mexico Beach, 37 volunteers found almost 800 pounds of trash, 1,000 pounds in 2011, on the 3.1 miles of beach.

"Every piece of trash that is picked up during the Cleanup should be a challenge for change," Mallos said. "The trash that pops

our Top 10 list every year – things like cigarette butts, bags and bottle caps – include disposable plastics meant for one-time usage. These items simply do not belong in our natural environment."

The cleanup is part of a larger strategy for Trash Free Seas and is one of the many ways the Ocean Conservancy is helping to find answers and solutions to for

marine debris.

The data collected during the International Cleanup is also used to provide a baseline for the kinds of debris washing ashore.

For more information on the Mexico Beach cleanup or if you have questions, please contact Jane Mathis at 850.648.5900 or email her at [janemathis@mchsi.com](mailto:janemathis@mchsi.com).

### FISH REPORT SPONSORED BY



#### Inshore/Bay

Redfish have invaded our coast this week and the past weekend. Many good slot-sized fish have been caught under the George Tapper Bridge using all types of bait. However, tides will be a factor here. Scallops are still plentiful as we enter into the last month of the season. Presnell's channel, the pot holes and the dog end channel are all holding good sized shells right now.

#### Offshore/Bottom

Gag grouper are starting to show up in shallow water this week. Good reports from Mexico Beach and south of the cape are coming in daily. Live pin fish or now, live finger mullet are great baits and plentiful still. Kingfish are still hanging out around near shore structures and in the channels as well. A few flounder have been caught in 20 ft of water this week, so the fall feeding patterns are taking effect.

## Salt marshes of St. Joseph Bay

By TOM BAIRD  
Special to The Star

Late summer and early fall are a great time to explore our salt marshes. The marsh vegetation is flourishing and marsh critters abound. Areas of marsh ring St. Joseph Bay, forming a narrow fringe along much of the spit, but beginning to widen near Pig Bayou. The bay is home to approximately 762 acres of salt marsh, which coupled with the vast undersea turtle grass meadows, make this one of the most productive bays in the Gulf. The marshes are best viewed toward the south end of the bay at Stump Hole or Salinas Park or climb the observation tower at the St. Joseph Bay Buffer Preserve for a bird's eye view. To really appreciate expansive marshes, travel eastward to Carrabelle or St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge to witness salt marshes that are miles wide and offer fantastic vistas. Even those marshes pale in comparison to the huge and productive marshes along the Georgia coast.

Since marsh plants cannot root and grow where strong waves occur regularly, salt marshes are indicative of low energy coastlines. On the Florida gulf coast, marshes begin to flourish just north of Tampa Bay. Mangroves, which are tropical plants, dominate southward of Tampa Bay, although we have some cold stunted black mangroves growing and reproducing in St. Joseph Bay.

Whether wading, kayaking or bird-watching along the shoreline of the bay, you probably noticed two main kinds of marsh plants. In the spring and summer, the grasses next to the waters' edge or along tidal creeks are a bright yellow-green. This isn't because they get more water. This plant is smooth cordgrass (*Spartina alterniflora*) and it is found from Texas to Newfoundland. It can withstand a wide range of salinities.

Many people mistake cordgrass for sawgrass, which has serrated leaf margins. Sawgrass prefers a more freshwater situation. Cordgrass doesn't cut the fingers and tolerates salt water or high soil salt content by excreting salt through special salt glands on the leaves. They tolerate, but do not require salt. Look closely at a *Spartina*



plant and you may see salt crystals covering the surface of the leaves.

The plant that makes up most of the vast Florida marshes is needle rush or black rush (*Juncus roemerianus*). It typically grows on slightly higher ground, usually behind the cordgrass, and often looks dead and brown. Looking over a Florida salt marsh one mostly sees the dead brown tips of the needle rush. Yet looking closely at the single plant, the visitor sees the leaves are dark green and very much alive. This plant adapts to its salty habitat by transporting salt to the cells on the tips of the leaves which become hard and brown. This plant has a leaf that is round in cross-section and very sharp on the tip. Both of these adaptations serve to reduce water loss by the plant during dry periods in the marsh and protect against grazing plant eaters. The long, round leaf also absorbs wave shock better in storms.

For whatever adaptations these two plants have to survive in their salty world, they are powerhouses at producing food for near-shore marine life. The salt marshes of Florida's western and upper Gulf coast are giant solar collectors, absorbing the sun's radiant energy and converting it into food. It has been estimated that marshes produce about ten tons of organic material per acre per year, a rate of productivity as great as that resulting from our best methods of modern agriculture - and all without the addition of one ounce of fertilizer.

While a small part of the marsh grasses is consumed on the stalk by insects and other

terrestrial plant eaters, most of it is consumed by marine organisms in the form of organic detritus (finely divided particulate matter of plant or animal origin). This means that the cordgrass leaf becomes useful as food after it falls into the water and begins to decay. The tides carry this bounty out into the bay. Cordgrasses regularly shed their bottom leaves as the plants grow upward and flower. These perennial plants yearly give up their entire above-ground organic production to the dependent plants and animals forming the marine food web. If not eaten directly, submerged seagrasses also enter the coastal food web via the same detritus pathway.

Once considered valueless wastelands and swamps, scientists have researched and demonstrated the true economic value of salt marshes. Fish, birds, and shell fish, virtually the entire coastal ecosystem, relies heavily on salt marshes as a major source of nutrients, food, and for breeding and spawning grounds. Commercial and sport fisheries are dependent on healthy salt marshes. Just to list two examples, juvenile Gray Snappers (*Lutjanus griseus*) live inshore in tidal marshes, while the adults live in the Gulf around reefs. Striped Mullet (*Mugil cephalus*) cruise into marshes consuming detritus and algae, and are then consumed by osprey, dolphins, and people. The value of a healthy salt marsh far outweighs the short-term gain as real estate.

In 1990, the marshes around St. Josephs Bay began to show signs of stress and die off. Scientists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission studied the phenomenon and concluded it was caused by an unknown pathogen. However, that seemed to be linked to a drought that may have disrupted the delicate web of associations in the marsh. Marsh snails without sufficient algae on the leaves to scrape

off for food can attack the *Spartina* plant itself. The marsh snails are in turn kept in check by blue crabs, and anything that reduces their numbers can cause the snail population to increase, which causes damage to the marsh grasses. If we have learned anything about nature, it's that it is all connected.

Gradually many communities have come to realize the value of intact salt marshes as storm buffers, naturally absorbing storm surge and wave energy. This realization often came after their coastal marshes were dredged and filled for housing and shopping centers, and their seawalls crumbled in hurricanes.

At a meeting recently held at the St. Joseph Bay Buffer Preserve and conducted by staff of the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve, the components and importance of our marshes were discussed with an audience of researchers, agency personal, public officials, staff from conservation groups, and concerned citizens.

For instance, marshes are among the most productive habitats in the world, are important nurseries, and feed both terrestrial and marine life. They provide sediment stabilization, storm and flood protection, wildlife habitat, and filter pollutants from the land before they reach the bay.

One could also add that they provide beauty and recreation. The marshes of St. Joseph Bay are truly treasures deserving of our care and protection.

*Tom Baird has been a fisheries biologist, high school and community college teacher (oceanography and microbiology), director of a science and environmental center, teacher of science and principal in Pinellas County as well as an educational consultant. He retired from the Florida Department of Education and he and his wife divide their time between Tallahassee and Cape San Blas.*

### WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Sept. 19	88°	71°	30 %
Fri, Sept. 20	87°	71°	10 %
Sat, Sept. 21	86°	71°	10 %
Sun, Sept. 22	85°	70°	40 %
Mon, Sept. 23	87°	70°	40 %
Tues, Sept. 24	88°	69°	40 %
Wed, Sept. 25	86°	69°	10 %

### TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from these given for APALACHICOLA:

	HIGH	LOW
Cat Point	Minus 0:40	Minus 1:17
East Pass	Minus 0:27	Minus 0:27

To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from those given for CARRABELLE:

	HIGH	LOW
Bald Point	Minus 9:16	Minus 0:03

### ST. JOSEPH BAY

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
19	Th	1230pm 1.2	1043pm 1.3	433am 0.8	433pm 1.1
20	Fr	1056pm 1.6		604am 0.7	
21	Sa	1123pm 1.7		721am 0.6	
22	Su	1158pm 1.8		834am 0.4	
23	Mo			952am 0.4	
24	Tu	1239am 1.9		1117am 0.4	
25	We	126am 1.9		1238pm 0.4	
26	Th	220am 1.8		143pm 0.4	
27	Fr	321am 1.8		232pm 0.4	
28	Sa	427am 1.8		309pm 0.4	

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19	Th	423am 1.7	447pm 1.8	1040am 0.6	1110pm 0.8
20	Fr	440am 1.7	539pm 1.8	1121am 0.5	1135pm 0.9
21	Sa	458am 1.8	629pm 1.7	1201pm 0.4	1159pm 1.1
22	Su	519am 1.8	720pm 1.6	1242pm 0.4	
23	Mo	545am 1.9	815pm 1.6	1222am 1.2	124pm 0.4
24	Tu	616am 1.9	916pm 1.5	1249am 1.2	213pm 0.4
25	We	654am 1.8	1027pm 1.5	125am 1.3	313pm 0.5
26	Th	741am 1.8	1141pm 1.5	215am 1.4	425pm 0.5
27	Fr	840am 1.7		333am 1.4	540pm 0.5
28	Sa	1246am 1.5	955am 1.6	512am 1.3	644pm 0.5

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# Port St. Joe shuts out Bozeman

By **TIM CROFT**  
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*"We have said from the beginning that we have to take one game at a time, we have to stay healthy and get to the district games."*

**Chuck Gannon**  
PSJ coach

Maybe it is a tired cliché, but focusing on a game at a time has been Port St. Joe's mantra all fall.

The Tiger Sharks demonstrated that laser attention to the task at hand with a 35-0 whitewash of Bozeman last Friday night at Shark Field.

Showing little residual effects from a physically-bruising shutout loss at home to Bay High last week, the Tiger Sharks (2-1) rushed for 300 yards and held the Bucks (0-3) to 140 total yards and nine first downs in a commanding performance.

Much of the DNA of Port St. Joe was on display.

Eight running backs touched the ball as Port St. Joe melted the clock and moved the chains. The Tiger Sharks sacked Bozeman quarterback Bubba Thompson five times and made life miserable in the pocket.

They also turned key defensive plays into points and thwarted the only Buck possessions that threatened their goal line.

To add icing, Port St. Joe had just two penalties and won special teams, with Drew Lacour hitting all five of his extra-point kicks and the Tiger Sharks twice converting returns into offensive points.

"We really didn't know what to expect this week," said Port St. Joe coach Chuck Gannon. "We thought we worked and played our butts off last week against Bay and didn't win. We are young and you just don't know how the kids will respond."

"I thought we showed a lot of character and a lot of heart the way we played tonight."

The Tiger Sharks struck early courtesy of Dwayne Griggs, who left last week's game in the third quarter after a horrific sideline collision.

Griggs, wearing a new number after his No. 1 jersey was shredded by medical personnel last week, stepped in front of Thompson's first pass for an interception at midfield and sprinted through the Bozeman offense untouched for a touchdown.

The teams exchanged possessions, two turnovers and two punts helping, through the rest of the opening period before a short Bozeman punt put the Tiger Sharks in play at their 44.

Port St. Joe melted nearly 5:00 off the clock while punching seven plays to the end zone, Natrone Lee sweeping right and shedding four tacklers on his way to a touchdown and it was 14-0. Bozeman marched right back to the Port St. Joe 35, but could get no closer after a third-down snap went over Thompson's head for a 16-yard loss.

"We didn't do a very good job of executing the game plan, offensively and defensively," said Bozeman coach Loren Tillman. "We had a good game plan and just didn't execute."

"It's back to the drawing board; with district starting next week our preseason is over."

After a punt, the Tiger Sharks took over at their 37.

A first-down reverse ended up in the hands of Griggs (6 carries, his 91 rushing yards tied for team-high with Cole Cryderman).

Griggs dashed down the left sideline and cut back to the middle, out-running everybody.

Port St. Joe was in control at intermission 21-0. The Tiger Sharks enjoyed a 147-51 advantage in total yards.

"I thought Griggs really stepped up tonight," Gannon said. "We have good backs but it all starts up front. The line works hard every day and they gave us the creases tonight."

Aaron Paul, also praised by Gannon, spearheaded the Tiger Sharks assuming complete control as the third quarter opened.

Paul picked up a rolling second-half kickoff and returned it 20 yards to the Bozeman 44, then danced 19 yards around left end, changing directions twice, to complete a seven-play scoring drive that took more than 4:00 off the clock.

Bozeman, behind the rushing of Justin Parson, who entered the game in the third quarter and rushed for a team-high 50 yards, marched to the Tiger Shark 9 in the final minutes of the third quarter. Thompson, however, was again sacked, twice, and the Bucks turned the ball over on downs.

John Simpson, who added 28 yards rushing on the final drive, scored from the 6 to provide Port St. Joe its final touchdown.

"We've had tough opening games and it doesn't get any easier with Jefferson County and Chipley coming up" on the road, Gannon said. "We have said from the beginning that we have to take one game at a time, we have to stay healthy and get to the district games."

# PSJ volleyball wins tournament pool play

Star Staff Report

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School volleyball team won its pool during but settled for fourth place during a weekend tournament in Chipley.

The Lady Tiger Sharks won their first two matches, sweeping Holmes County 25-21 and 25-15 as well as host Chipley 25-20 and 25-19 in the opening rounds.

That advanced Port St. Joe out of pool play and into the Gold bracket for the first time in years, said Coach Wayne Taylor. The first opponent in the winner's bracket was Freeport which won in three sets, 25-20, 17-25 and 9-15, pushing Port St. Joe into the consolation game.

The Lady Tiger Sharks faced Walton High and lost 17-25 and 19-25.

"I am very proud of the team's performance," Taylor said. "It's the first time in the eight years I've been coaching here that we won the morning events and played in the winner's or Gold bracket."

"The loss to Freeport took a lot of energy from the girls and then to have to play a match immediately after the conclusion of that match was just too much, physically, for them. All in all, though, a very successful day. It shows we're headed in the right direction."

Leading up to the Chipley tournament, Port St. Joe played South Walton and Bozeman.

Against South Walton, the Lady Tiger Shark junior varsity split the first two sets, 25-21 and 18-25, before winning the third 15-12 to clinch the match and improve to 4-1.

The varsity fell in four sets, 25-23, 12-25, 24-26 and 21-25.

Callie Freshren was once again perfect from the serving line with 16 of 16 serves and three aces. Addison Rice and Shannon Pridgeon each had four kills. Alyson Johnson had 28 serve receives and 12 digs.

The Lady Tiger Sharks hosted the Lady Bucs of Bozeman two days later. The varsity and junior varsity each earned straight-set victories.

The junior varsity won 25-5, 25-5 to improve to 5-1 while the varsity won 25-11, 25-13 and 25-8.

Bozeman had trouble handling the Port St. Joe serving, Taylor said.

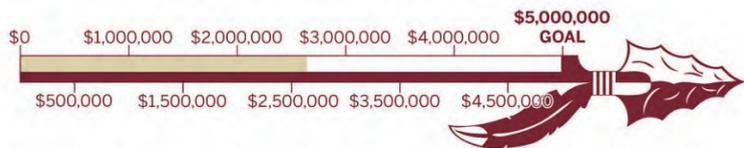
The JV had 28 aces with Shaye McGuffin providing 14. The same was true for varsity which had 20 aces and a team total of 33 kills.

Freshren had eight kills and Haley Wood had seven. Pridgeon had six aces and Stephanie Brinkmeier had five.

The Lady Tiger Sharks are now 7-4 overall and 1-1 in district play.

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# Mississippi man drowns at Cape San Blas

Star Staff Report

A Mississippi man drowned off Cape San Blas on Monday.

Wayne Timms, 45, of Corinth, Miss., was pulled from the water and pronounced dead at the scene.

Gulf County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a distress call in the area of Seahorse Land. A man vacationing with his wife started yelling for help after going swimming in the Gulf in what were described as very rough surf conditions.

Timms was just 100 feet out past the surf line when he began yelling for assistance.

Charles Seguy, a dive master, told deputies he heard screams and saw

the victim waving his arms in distress. Seguy entered the water and swam to the victim. After reaching the victim, Seguy reported he was unresponsive. Seguy attempted water rescue CPR, but the conditions were too rough for it to be performed.

Seguy pulled the victim to shore and began CPR.

Despite all efforts, rescue attempts failed and the victim was pronounced dead at the scene.

Another swimmer was pulled from rough surf off Cape San Blas on Tuesday.

Swimmers should be aware of current rough surf conditions, which increase the chances for riptides, which are extremely dangerous.

## WATER from page A1

The price was lower than projected, adding to the margin the city hopes to realize in savings by performing the work in-house with a crew out of Public Works.

The crew successfully performed a pilot project along Marvin Avenue earlier this year and will in the coming months be taking on the second phase, hoping to save the city on the projected \$1.2 million price tag for funding the second phase from the State Revolving Fund.

Public Works director John Grantland projected his crew could save the city as much as \$800,000.

"I think we will be able to complete the job faster and I think as well if not better than a contractor," Grantland said after Tuesday's meeting.

The city will also seek a grant from the Northwest Florida Water Management District to complete the renovation of the Chipola Pump Station, which feeds the city freshwater canal from the Chipola River, providing water to the city.

The grant would be for \$150,000. The water management district has advertised that it has grant dollars available for water projects in the region.

The funds would aid in replac-

ing one motor and upgrade the station.

"If we get that and the water study in we could be ready to sell water to anybody around," Commissioner Rex Buzzett said.

Smallwood informed commissioners that Virginia Tech will begin pilot testing water, attempting to identify a solution to chronic issues with discoloration, in about six weeks.

### Parks and recreation grant

The city will pursue two state parks and recreation grants as the Florida Recreation Development Program is again funded by the Florida Legislature for the upcoming year.

The city FRDAP committee recommended applying for a \$50,000 grant to construct a new ball field at Benny Roberts Sports Complex between Eighth and Tenth streets.

The grant would also help fund improvements to one set of restrooms, the basketball court and the playground behind the STAC House on Eighth Street.

The city, through the Port St. Joe Redevelopment Agency, will also seek grant funding for new playground and recreational equip-

ment for the Washington Recreation Complex.

Applications must be submitted next month.

### Debt refinance

Commissioners expressed frustration with the lack of progress on securing a refinance of the city's long-term debt, which is more than \$16 million.

Regions Bank, which currently carries the city's note, had provided numbers - interest rates, amortization terms - that the city approved, but has yet to submit the paperwork to formally ratify the refinancing, leaving the city still floating on its current interest rate.

Commissioner Bo Patterson wondered if commissioners should shop the note around to seek competing terms and said the city had "patiently waited" instead of going out for bids.

"They do need to get off the dime," said Mayor Mel Magidson.

City manager Jim Anderson speculated that the bank may be waiting for the city to approve its final budget, locking in utility rate increases and a decision not to dip into impact fees to lower rates, before finalizing the refinance.

## NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The City of Wewahitchka has tentatively adopted a budget for 2013-2014.

A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

Monday, September 23, 2013

6:15 pm Central Time

at

Wewahitchka City Hall

109 South 2 Street

Wewahitchka, FL 32465

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# BUDGET SUMMARY

CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA - FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA ARE 9.9205% LESS THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

### Millage per \$1,000

General Fund	6.0000
Voted Debt	0.0000

ESTIMATED REVENUES	GENERAL						TOTAL
	FUND	WATER	SEWER	GARBAGE	CEMETARIES	GRANTS	
TAXES							
Ad Valorem Taxes - 6.000 mills	\$326,771.00						\$326,771.00
Utility Taxes	\$205,300.00						\$205,300.00
Telecom Service Tax	\$76,000.00						\$76,000.00
Licenses & Permits	\$11,500.00						\$11,500.00
State Shared Revenue	\$213,850.00						\$213,850.00
Other Local Unit Revenues	\$22,551.00						\$22,551.00
Other Revenues	\$41,662.00	\$340,700.00	\$387,700.00	\$168,000.00	\$7,700.00	\$2,460,920.00	\$3,406,682.00
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$897,634.00</b>	<b>\$340,700.00</b>	<b>\$387,700.00</b>	<b>\$168,000.00</b>	<b>\$7,700.00</b>	<b>\$2,460,920.00</b>	<b>\$4,262,654.00</b>
Cash Carry Forward (from Reserves)	\$40,605.00	\$4,578.00	\$12,338.00	\$0.00	\$11,143.00	\$0.00	\$68,664.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$938,239.00</b>	<b>\$345,278.00</b>	<b>\$400,038.00</b>	<b>\$168,000.00</b>	<b>\$18,843.00</b>	<b>\$2,460,920.00</b>	<b>\$4,331,318.00</b>
Unappropriated Reserves (restricted)	\$240,288.00	\$60,489.00	\$232,112.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$532,889.00
Unappropriated Reserves (unrestricted)	\$714,000.00	\$72,957.00	\$64,994.00	\$0.00	\$41,241.00	\$0.00	\$893,192.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES AND UNAPPROPRIATED RESERVES</b>	<b>\$1,892,527.00</b>	<b>\$478,724.00</b>	<b>\$697,144.00</b>	<b>\$168,000.00</b>	<b>\$60,084.00</b>	<b>\$2,460,920.00</b>	<b>\$5,757,399.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES / EXPENSES</b>							
Administration	\$347,936.00						\$347,936.00
Fire Department	\$23,914.00						\$23,914.00
Health & Welfare	\$16,850.00						\$16,850.00
Parks & Recreation	\$97,469.00						\$97,469.00
Police	\$33,600.00						\$33,600.00
Streets & Roads	\$386,802.00						\$386,802.00
Water		\$340,009.00					\$340,009.00
Sewer			\$398,713.00				\$398,713.00
Garbage				\$168,000.00			\$168,000.00
Contingency	\$31,668.00	\$5,269.00	\$1,325.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38,262.00
Cemeteries (Jehu & Buckhorn)					\$18,843.00		\$18,843.00
Grants						\$2,460,920.00	\$2,460,920.00
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THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.

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## Store owner seeks pawn license from commissioners

By WES LOCHER  
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Estate Jewelry and Loan will soon open on Reid Avenue, but Port St. Joe city commissioner's reaction to the word "loan" raised questions regarding Nicholas DiLallo's business.

Because of an ordinance set in 1969 requiring pawn licenses to be issued only with approval by city commissioners, DiLallo went before the group last month and made his request, but the request was tabled.

Commissioner Rex Buzzett

*"There aren't going to be neon lights everywhere. It's not going to be lawnmowers and junk. I believe in my heart that Port St. Joe could use a jewelry store."*

**Nicholas DiLallo**  
owner of Estate Jewelry and Loan

and Mayor Mel Magidson Jr. were apprehensive about the pawn aspect of the business and wanted to discuss the addition with other business owners in the area.

The commissioners sched-

uled a hearing for Tuesday where a final decision will be reached (The Commission approved the license 5-0).

See PAWN B5



Estate Jewelry and Loan will open at 401 Reid Avenue near the end of October.

WES LOCHER  
The Star



## Celebrate a list-topping park

### St. Joseph Peninsula State Park hosts park appreciation events

By TIM CROFT  
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Enjoy and appreciate a park that ranks near the top of the list.

The Friends of St. Joseph Peninsula State Park will host Park Appreciation Day from 2-6 p.m. on Sept. 28.

The event is part appreciation and part membership drive for the Friends, a non-profit organization that provides support to a host of missions at T. H. Stone St. Joseph Peninsula State Park.

The day is also part of the National Public Lands Day celebration.

The day begins with a morning shoreline cleanup from 10 a.m. until noon, with free beverages provided to all volunteers.

Family activities include a sandcastle building contest, which begins at noon ET.

There will also be environmental displays and music from Sonic Tonic and entertainment beginning at 2 p.m. at Eagle Harbor, which can be enjoyed by boat or from the harbor beaches.

A low country shrimp boil will begin at 2 p.m. and is open to the public for a \$5 donation. The boil is free for current Friends members and park staff.

There will be free ice cream for kids provided by Scallop Cove.

Attendees can also learn about and



FILE PHOTOS

**AT TOP:** In naming St. Joseph Peninsula State Park the top state park in the country for 2012, a destination website noted the beauty of the park's sand dunes and formations. **ABOVE:** St. Joseph Peninsula State Park will celebrate Park Appreciation Day Sept. 28.

register to become a member of the Friends organization.

T.H. Stone St. Joseph Peninsula State Park is not only a local attraction but also a jewel that has been recognized in far broader ways.

In 2002, Dr. Beach, Dr. Stephen

Leatherman, arrived at the park to celebrate his naming the park home to the top beaches in the world, broadcasting the announcement live on the Today television show.

See PARK B5

## Sacred Heart to cut ribbon at Wewa location

Star Staff Report

Sacred Heart Medical Group will formally open a new primary-care office during a ribbon cutting ceremony at 7:30 a.m. CT Monday in Wewahitchka.

The opening of the Wewahitchka facility is the latest expansion of Sacred Heart Services for Gulf and Franklin counties.

The new primary care location in Wewahitchka is in the Florida Department of Health in Gulf County building located at 807 West State 22.

Primary care services will be provided by Nancy Anderson, ARNP, and will include women's health screenings, from 7-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4 p.m. CT Monday through Friday. Appointments will be available after the ceremony and can be made by calling 568-1053.

Anderson earned her master's in science of nursing from Northwestern State University in Shreveport, La. She subsequently completed her doctor of nursing practice from the University of Alabama in Birmingham. She is a Florida-licensed advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP) and has been practicing as an ARNP since 1995.

Advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNPs) are advanced practice nurses with extensive training, including a master's degree and clinical experience.

ARNPs diagnose and treat diseases, provide appropriate education for patients and prescribe medications. ARNPs often serve as a patient's primary health care provider and see patients of all ages.

Lab and X-ray services will continue from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT on Fridays. No appointment is necessary for lab and X-ray services.

The community is invited to attend the ribbon cutting and meet Anderson and other staff while enjoying coffee from 7:30-8:30 a.m. CT.



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**1) Studies have shown that cows, pigs, and goats may do or have what?**

Realize death, Know their kin, Bear grudges, Sense of humor

**2) Who generally drinks their coffee "instant" ten-to-one over freshly brewed?**  
Canadians, Mexicans, Scandinavians, British

**3) The International Space Station is about the same size as which sport's playing area or field?**  
Bocce, Basketball, Football, Polo

**4) What brand claims "Tooth Fairy"**

**as a registered trademark?**  
Old Spice, Michelin, Colgate, Motorola

**5) In M & M candies, what do the letters stand for?**  
Mars/Murrie, Melt/Mouth, Martin/Mills, Moore/Mental

**6) What does "supotsu" mean in Japanese?**  
Spanking, Spoon, Sports, Splash

**7) Of the original 13 colonies, what was the only one not to**

**border the Atlantic?**  
Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Virginia, Delaware

**8) Who went "on a mission from God" to cover an orphanage's taxes?**  
Harry Potter, Blues Bros., Soggy Bottom Boys, Anton Chigurh

**9) At 18 years 158 days who's been the youngest to start an NBA game?**  
Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, Moses Malone, Darryl Dawkins

**10) In 1971 what did the world's first e-mail message say?**  
Testing, Hello, QWERTYUIOP, ABCDEFG

**11) Which state has the "Six Flags Great Adventure & Safari" in its city of Jackson?**  
Georgia, Texas, Ohio, New Jersey

**12) Who was the first Major League Baseball team to represent an entire state, not a city?**  
Angels, Rangers, Twins, Marlins

**13) What's the world's most popular ending-domain name?**  
.com, .gov, edu, .in

**14) Where was Pepsi Cola invented?**  
NYC; New Bern, NC; Atlanta, GA; Rucker, TN

**ANSWERS:** 1) Bear grudges. 2) British. 3) Football. 4) Colgate. 5) Mars/Murrie. 6) Sports. 7) Pennsylvania. 8) Blues Bros. 9) Kobe Bryant. 10) QWERTYUIOP. 11) New Jersey. 12) Twins. 13) .com. 14) New Bern, NC.

## DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



## DAR to celebrate Constitution's birthday on Sept. 25

Star Staff Report

The St. Joseph Bay Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at noon ET Wednesday, Sept. 25 at the Coastal Grill for lunch and meeting. The birthday of the U. S. Constitution will be celebrated. To attend, call Sherrill Russ, 229-8574.

This is the first meeting with the new officers, pictured above: Regent Sherrill Russ, Vice-Regent Fran Walters, Secretary Colleen Burlingame, Treasurer Valerie Marcus, Registrar Betty Ann Owens and Chaplain Shirley Kinsey.

Historian Paula Boone and Parliamentarian Virginia Harrison are not pictured.



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

New Regent Sherrill Russ, Founding Regent Betty Fensom and Past Regent Virginia Harrison are members of the St. Joseph Bay Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

## DAR recognizes Betty Fensom

Star Staff Report

The St. Joseph Bay Chapter of the DAR in Port St. Joe is recognizing its Founding Regent's 98th birthday at the meeting Wednesday, Sept. 25, at the Sunset Coastal Grill.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ball

Fensom was a member of St. Andrew Chapter in Panama City when she started getting a group together to form a new chapter in Port St. Joe. The first meeting of the St. Joseph Bay Chapter was Oct. 23, 1975, with 25 members present. They selected the

chapter name of St. Joseph Bay because of the historical significance of the bay since 1492.

Mrs. Fensom turns 98 on Sept. 22 and enjoys her DAR friends and meetings. For the last several years, she has held the office of Parliamentarian.

## GAS CARD WINNER



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Wewahitchka Medical Center and Rich's IGA would like to congratulate LaWesla Matlock, pictured with Dave Rich of Rich's IGA, as the August winner of the monthly \$50 gas card drawing. Everyone is encouraged to stop by the Wewahitchka Medical Center at 255 West River Road in Wewahitchka to register for the monthly drawing.

## Society BRIEFS

Star Staff Reports

### 'Walk with Ease' program

The Arthritis Foundation and Gulf County Senior Citizens are proud to sponsor the Walk with Ease Program. Walk With Ease is designed for people with or without arthritis who would like to begin a walking program to gain the benefits of regular aerobic exercise.

Sessions will begin in October at the Port St. Joe and Wewahitchka Senior Centers. Groups will meet for six weeks, three times per week. Enrollment is limited to 12 people per center. Deadline for enrollment is Sept. 27. Call Debbie at 229-8466 in Port St. Joe or Faye at 639-9910 to enroll or for more information.

### Raffield Family Reunion to be Oct. 12

The 2013 annual Raffield Family Reunion will be Oct. 12 at the Gulf County Senior Center, 120 Library Drive in Port St. Joe.

The reunion will begin at 9:30 a.m. EST with lunch at 12:30 p.m. EST.

All friends and family are welcome.

For information, call Benny Raffield at 871-1649 after 6 p.m.



## Local artist to sign books at library

Star Staff Report

Sandra Bailey Lowery, a Port St. Joe artist, will present and autograph copies of her poetry collection "Touching All Walks of Life" from 3-5 p.m. ET Thursday, Sept. 26, at the Gulf County Public Library in Port St. Joe, 110 Library Drive.

Lowery is the wife of the deceased Kloskia Lowery and a mother and grandmother who has overcome many challenges in life. Her faith and belief led her to touch others' lives through her poetry.

She is a 1979 graduate of Port St. Joe High School. She is a member of 2nd Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church of Springfield, Rev. Rawlis Leslie, pastor. She is a former member of New Bethel AME Church, Port St. Joe.

## PET OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society

The Humane Society once again has several litters of kittens available. These sweet little kittens will be ready to go home soon. You need to come in now to make sure you do not miss out on the cutest kittens in the area. These little kits are potty training and use a lot of litter. If you want to donate to their potty training, drop off a bag or two. They will appreciate it. If you cannot adopt, perhaps you can foster. All supplies provided.



All pets adopted from SJBHS will be current on vaccinations and spayed/neutered. Please do not hesitate to email townsend.hsdirector@gmail.com or adoptbystjoe@gmail.com or call the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society at 850-227-1103 and ask for Melody or Debbie! Applications are available at www.sjbhumane.org We require all potential adopters to complete an application form. Adoption fees include our cost of spay/neuter and current vaccinations. Our hours for the shelter are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 am-4 pm!

Faith's Thrift Hut is always in need of donations also, and all the proceeds go directly to support the animals in our care! The hours for the store are Thursday-Saturday from 10 am-3 pm. Volunteers are always welcome at both our store and our shelter! Our store and shelter location is 1007 Tenth Street in Port St. Joe! Hope to see you all there soon!

If you are missing a pet or want to adopt a new pet, please check with your local Humane Society or Shelter. Follow us on Facebook: St. Joseph Bay Humane Society

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## STUDENTS WORKING AGAINST TOBACCO



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Wewahitchka Elementary School SWAT members, back row from left, are Aubrey Clayton, Kristin Thompson, Savannah Lister, Ashley Bennett, Gracie Price and Mrs. Melanie Hinote, SWAT adviser. Front row from left are Hayleigh Small, Serina Madrid, Tyler Hensley, Natalie Ake, Kaelin Mullen and Austin Webb.

## WES Students Working Against Tobacco

**Star Staff Report**  
SWAT is Florida's statewide youth organization working to educate Florida youth against Big Tobacco. SWAT is a united movement of empowered youth working towards a tobacco-free future. SWAT is made possible with the support of Tobacco Free Florida and the Florida Department of Health. Wewahitchka Elementary School SWAT members will meet Sept. 19 and Sept. 26 immediately after school until 3:15 p.m.

## Gulf School District NEWS

Special to The Star

Florida law mandates each school district to report to the public annually the following: Changes to the Student Progression Plan and the Code of Conduct, the number of students promoted for good cause in grade 3, and FCAT assessment results. The 2013 Legislature mandated all but one of the changes to the Student Progression Plan:

ACCEL Options are educational options that provide academically challenging curriculum or accelerated instruction to eligible public school students in K-12. District Eligibility Criteria: Scores ranging from the 95th to the 99th percentile in reading and/or math on a NRT or Level 5 on the reading and/or math portion of the FCAT or the equivalent of Level 5 on a CCSS assessment. There must be a student contract for performance. The contract is executed by the student, parent and principals and requires student compliance with attendance requirements, student conduct requirements and the ACCEL options established by the principal.

The ACCEL 18 credit option rescinds the College Prep and Career Prep 18 credit options and instead requires the 15 core courses plus 1 performing or fine art or 1 practical arts course and 3 electives.

Middle grades students who enroll in Algebra I must take and pass the statewide EOC assessment to earn high school credit. Middle grades students who enroll in Biology I or geometry must take the statewide assessment which constitutes 30 percent of the student's final course grade and earn a passing grade in the course. Students do not have to pass the EOC to earn high school credit.

Students entering grade 6 in 2012-2013 must take at least a semester course in Civics and beginning in 2013-2014, each student's performance on the statewide EOC assessment in Civics must constitute 30 percent of the student's final course grade. Pass or failure of the EOC does not affect promotion to high school.

High school students enrolled in geometry or Biology I must take the EOC assessment that constitutes 30 percent of the student's final grade, but passing the EOC is not required to earn credit. Beginning with the 2010-2013 ninth grade cohort, there will be two standard

diploma designations, Scholar and Merit. To earn the Scholar designation on the standard diploma a student must pass all required state assessments, earn one credit in Algebra II and pass the EOC when implemented, earn one credit in statistics or an equally rigorous math course, earn one credit in physics or chemistry, earn one credit in a course equally rigorous to chemistry or physics, earn two credits in the same foreign language and at least one credit in dual enrollment, AP, IB, AICE or an approved industry certification. To earn the Merit designation on a standard diploma the student must pass all required state assessments and attain one or more industry certifications.

Students who transfer into the school system toward the end of high school have to take and pass the EOC's to receive the scholar designation. Middle school students transferring into the 8th grade and who did not take Civics previously, must take Civics and the EOC.

Beginning with the 2013-2014 cohort, kindergarten grading will reflect the state's grading scale of 90-100 A, 80-89 B, 70-79 C, 60-69 D, grades below 60 are not passing.

FCAT reading data for grades 3-10 are reported county-wide by number and percent for Levels 1 and 2:

Grade 3 Level 1- 24 (18 percent), Level 2 - 30 (23 percent); Grade 4 Level 1 - 25 (18 percent), Level 2 - 37 (27 percent); Grade 5 Level 1- 19 (14 percent), Level 2 - 47 (35 percent); Grade 6 Level 1- 13 (9 percent), Level 2 - 40 (28 percent); Grade 7 Level 1-18 (11 percent), Level 2 - 51 (32 percent); Grade 8 Level 1 - 20 (13 percent), Level 2 - 40 (26 percent); Grade 9 Level 1 - 29 (20 percent), Level 2 - 34 (23 percent); Grade 10 Level 1 - 25 (17 percent), Level 2 - 42 (percent).

Third Grade Promotion for Good Cause: NRT - 1; Portfolio - 6; ESE - 4; Other - 5

For more information about your child's school, you may access the Florida Department of Education at [www.fldoe.org](http://www.fldoe.org) (School Grade) or the district's webpage via [www.gulf.k12.fl.us](http://www.gulf.k12.fl.us). Look under documents for the Student Progression Plan, code of conduct, the Title I Parent Involvement Plan, School Improvement Plans and other documents of interest. The School Public Accountability Report is available on the district's webpage as well as at each school upon request.



Special to The Star

**Tiger Shark football:** The Tiger Sharks are on the road this week visiting Jefferson County on Friday, Sept. 20. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

JV is pitted against Shanks Middle School at 6 p.m. on Oct. 19.

Come out and support our Junior Tiger Sharks!

**Tiger Shark volleyball:** The Lady Tiger Sharks are on the road this week with matches against Franklin County and Bozeman on Tuesday and Thursday, respectively, with 6 p.m. starts.

**Cross Country:** 9:30 a.m. running start at Calloway Park on Saturday, Sept. 21.

**Port St Joe Homecoming:** Time is running out to sign up for a spot in the Port St. Joe Homecoming Parade being held on Friday, Oct. 4.

Any group or business interested in participating in the parade can contact LCDR Jarosz at [mjarosz@gulf.k12.fl.us](mailto:mjarosz@gulf.k12.fl.us). Be ready to provide the group or business name, type of participation

(float, walking, golf cart, etc.) and number of participants. Information on start time and positions will be sent at a later date. If any classes are celebrating anniversaries, we would love to have you as part of our celebration.

**Homecoming Bonfire:** A bonfire will celebrate PSJ Homecoming at 7 p.m. ET on Thursday, Oct. 3. The bonfire will be constructed on the field between Shark Stadium and Port St. Joe Elementary School. Come out and support the team and our alumni.

**Senior Class News:** Don't forget your cap and gown payment is due by the end of September. Please turn your payment in to Coach Taylor in Room 718 by the end of this month.

**Junior Class News:** Help support the Junior Class and efforts to raise money for this year's prom by visiting the concession stand at every JV & Varsity home game.

**Yearbook News:** There are about 15 books leftover from the 2012-2013 school year. They are \$55 and first come, first served. Reserve your 2014 yearbook now for \$45. That's 20 percent off the regular price. This low price will only be available until mid-October.

See Coach Taylor in Room 718 to reserve yours now before the price goes up to full price.

## DAZZLING DOLPHINS



Dazzling Dolphins at Port St. Joe Elementary School are, front row, Alissa Lee, James Ward and Karis Whicker, and back row, Shauna Flowers, Tristan Doran, Bryson Lee and Caitlin White.

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## Secrets of satisfaction revealed at Lifetree Café

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How to live a satisfying life, even in difficult times, will be explored at Lifetree Café at 7 p.m. CT on Monday, Sept. 23.

The program, titled "Secrets of Finding Contentment: Live a

Satisfying Life," features a filmed interview with Justin Mayo, who organizes proms for senior citizens.

"I'd say it's the most incredible dance you'll ever go to," Mayo said. "We've learned that when you love and focus on others,

the most empowering, incredible experiences really do happen."

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available. Lifetree Café is at 1602 U.S. 98 in Mexico Beach across from El Governor Motel.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual coffeehouse-type setting. Questions about Lifetree can be directed to Gary Grubb at 334-806-5667 or lwlifetreecafe@fairpoint.net.

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### Faith BRIEFS

#### Zion Fair annual revival

Zion Fair Missionary Baptist Church will be holding its annual revival the week of Sept. 16-20.

Deacons Ernest Gant and Raymond Rogers invite everyone to the prayer meetings on Monday and Tuesday night beginning at 6 p.m. ET. Worship services will be Wednesday through Friday nights at 7 p.m. ET. The speaker will be the Rev. Wilson Hall.

Zion Fair Missionary Baptist is at 208 Avenue C in Port St. Joe.

#### Zion Fair hosts Unity Day celebration

The Zion Fair Missionary Baptist Church Family cordially invites the community to attend and participate in their first Unity Day Celebration. Our goal is to come together as a diversified group to build a stronger community through fellowship with Gulf County citizens, religious groups, government agencies/elected officials and business leaders. The event is at noon ET on Sept. 28. The church is on 280 Ave. C, Port St. Joe. Points of Contact: Sister Margaret Hall, First Lady (850) 425-2862; Deaconess Amy Rogers, (850) 229-8515; Sister Tammy Welch, (850) 896-4505.

#### St. Joseph Catholic Church Men's Club holds 6th annual spaghetti dinner

A fabulous spaghetti dinner, entertainment, sing-along fun, door prizes and a cash bar featuring Italian beer and wine await you at the sixth annual SJCC Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner. The dinner is from 5-7 p.m. ET on Oct. 5 at the church hall. The hall is just east of the church (20th Street and Monument Avenue) on 20th Street in Port St. Joe.

In addition to the spaghetti dinner, diners will get a salad, garlic bread and delicious desserts. Also, enjoy Italian accordionist Tony Minichello and vocalist and sing-along leader Marty Jarosz. You can win one of the many door prizes as well.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children age 5-12. Children younger than 4 will be admitted free of charge. Tickets will be \$10 and \$5 if purchased the date of the event at the door.

Get your tickets from any Men's Club member, by stopping by the church hall office (227-1417), at Hannon Insurance, the No Name Café or by calling Men's Club President Dan Van Treese at 227-8138. Only 200 tickets will be sold. Diners can also get dinners to go.

### Obituaries

#### Beverly Ann Hammock

Beverly Ann Hammock, 90, was born in Lafayette, Ind., on August 30, 1923, to parents Margaret Morrow Yuill and Dewey Andrew Yuill, now deceased.

She leaves behind her husband of 67 years, Hilliard "Bill" Hammock. She also leaves one son and two daughters — Alan Hammock, Bradenton, Fla.; Jan Smith (Dean), Atlantic Beach, Fla.; Suzanne White (Gary), PSJ. Her grandchildren include Laura Hammock, McKenna Hammock, Andy White (Kristen), Erin White and one great-grandson, Eli Colt White. Ann graduated from

Purdue University's nursing school in the '40s. She then served as a U.S. Navy nurse during WWII. She then married Bill, and they moved to Port St. Joe.

The family would like to express their love and appreciation to the wonderful caregivers. Special thanks also to Emerald Coast Hospice, Sacred Heart Hospital and many others.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the charity of your choice. Graveside services were held at Holy Hill Cemetery at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 15.

All services are under the direction of the Comforter Funeral Home.

#### Teresa Purswell Lucas

Teresa Purswell Lucas of Wewahitchka, Fla., beloved daughter of Joe Mac and Linda Purswell, went home to be with the Lord on Friday, Aug. 30, 2013, after a lengthy illness.

Born June 21, 1969, and raised in Port St. Joe, she attended and graduated school there. She worked all her life at various jobs and at Woods Fisheries. She was of the Pentecostal Faith and attended Highland View Assembly of God Church most of her life and most recently New Harvest Fellowship Assembly of God Church in Wewahitchka. She loved her family and friends, enjoyed life, and loved fishing and crabbing.

Teresa is survived by her daughter, Amanda Lucas and T. C. Robison, and her son, Travis Lucas; one

granddaughter, Bryanna Robison; her parents, Joe Mac and Linda Purswell; two brothers, Joe A. Purswell and James (Jamie) Purswell, all of Wewahitchka; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. C.D.T. Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2013, at New Harvest Fellowship Assembly of God Church with Pastor Eddie Causey and brother Tracey Sanders officiating. Visitation was at the church for an hour prior to the service.

Those who wish may make donations to Covenant Hospice or to the family for assistance with funeral costs.

All services are under the direction of the Comforter Funeral Home, Wewahitchka Branch Chapel.



#### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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Morning Worship - 10:30  
Evening Worship - 5:00

**WEDNESDAY:**  
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Worship Service..... 10:30 am	AWANA.....6:00 - 7:30 pm
Choir..... 6:00 pm	Surrender Student Ministry.....6:15 - 7:30 pm
	Prayer/Bible Study.....6:15 - 7:30 pm
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• **PROTECTING ASSETS:** Learning about insurance, identity theft, scams, fraud and credit management will help you identify, evaluate and develop a plan for protects your assets.

• **INVESTING BASICS:** Learning how to manage your money and how to invest will likely help your money grow.

• **ESTATE PLANNING:** Developing an estate plan helps ensure your wishes are carried out.

• **DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATION:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. CST on Oct. 1, 8 and 15 at the UF/IFAS Extension Gulf

County Office (Old Health Department).

The three-part series costs \$20 per person; which covers the cost of all materials. You may register at the Gulf County Extension Office by Sept. 27 via phone, email or in person. Pre-registration is necessary to make sure enough supplies, etc. are provided. Space is limited. First Come, First Served. Educational resources for the program are provided through University of Florida/IFAS Extension. (Scholarships may be available based on need. Contact the Extension Office directly to make this request.)

For more information, contact Melanie Taylor, metaylor@ufl.edu or call 639-3200.

## PAWN from page B1

"My concern was that it appeared we may be approving something so rapidly that other businesses may not find out what he's doing," Buzzett said. "We wanted to make sure it was compatible with what Reid Avenue has done over the past few years with the facade program."

According to DiLallo, his business will be focused on jewelry and hard-to-find collectibles that include sports memorabilia, bronzes and paintings.

With the permission of commissioners, he plans to offer discreet loan services for those in need.

"There aren't going to be neon lights everywhere. It's not going to be lawnmowers and junk," said DiLallo, who moved to the area last month from Miami. "I believe in my heart that Port St. Joe could use a jewelry store."

"I collect older things that people look for. I go to watch shows all over the country. I can get things that people are going to want, and if they're looking for something in particular, I want to be their local guy."

DiLallo said there hadn't been a stable jewelry store in town since 1970 and aimed to remedy that.

Since DiLallo purchased the building on Reid Avenue that he will share with Joseph's Cottage, there

has been an air of mystery around the shop.

The windows have been covered with brown paper and very few people have been inside.

DiLallo said he's not hiding anything, but rather is proud of the renovations he completed on the storefront and wanted to build anticipation for the grand opening.

"If locals want to buy a nice piece of jewelry or watch for a birthday present or anniversary gift, I can do that for them," he said. "Right now, if they need to buy a watch battery, they have to go all the way to Panama City."

Patrick Jones of Talcor Commercial Real Estate sold DiLallo the building in January and praised the owner for the upgrades he made to the space.

"It will blend in with everything else we have on Reid, and tourists will see its value and quality," Jones said. "(DiLallo) has invested money into the community and that's a positive aspect."

The business owner and his wife, Theresa, vacationed to Gulf County three times a year for the last eight years. Like many of those who visit the area, they fell in love with the beaches, weather and community that was smaller and tightly knit.

"It's where we want

to retire," DiLallo said. "People here go to church on Sunday. Not everyone's rushing around like in Miami."

Since 1992 DiLallo has worked in the Miami pawn business. Over the years, he has accumulated rare jewelry of all types, interesting collectibles and antiques. He said he enjoyed making the deal and having fun in the process.

"It's my thing," DiLallo said. "People will be able to get second-hand goods at a great deal."

After saving for 25 years, DiLallo sold his Miami store last month and bought a home in Mexico Beach.

He plans for Estate Jewelry and Loan to be open by the end of October, in time for the annual Ghosts on the Coast event.

"I want to serve the locals and the tourists," DiLallo said. "I want people to see that we're there and a part of it."

Despite the initial tabling of the application for a pawn license, Buzzett seemed supportive of DiLallo's endeavor.

"It's a quality-looking place, and I think it'll be fine, but we have to be careful about what we allow," Buzzett said. "The next guy may not have the quality vision that Nicholas does. We don't want to open a can of worms."

## PARK from page B1

Last summer, a destination website America's Best Online, named St. Joseph Peninsula State Park the top state park in the country.

America's Best Online has been ranking the best places to see and the top destination spots in a host of categories since 1996.

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The website noted the park's "striking dune formations, miles of white sand beaches a heavily forested interior and a favorable climate for year-round outdoor recreation."

The park is 2,516 acres at the very edge of St. Joseph

Peninsula, surrounded by St. Joseph Bay and the Gulf of Mexico.

The park offers RV and tent camping, cabins, a public boat ramp and marina as well as a series of dune walkovers for easy beach access.

Activities noted by the website include fishing, biking, kayaking, stand-up paddle-boarding and hiking the eight-mile trail through the interior forest to the end of the peninsula, cradled in sugary sand beaches.

The park's website can be found at [www.floridastateparks.org/stjoseph/](http://www.floridastateparks.org/stjoseph/) with cabin rentals and camping at [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com).

Pets are allowed in the family camping areas overnight but not in the cabins, cabin areas or on the beaches.

Additional information is available through the Gulf County Tourist Development Council at [www.visitgulf.com](http://www.visitgulf.com) or by calling 850-229-7800.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA. CASE No. 23-2011-CA-000278

RBC BANK (USA) F/K/A RBC CENTURA BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.  
BELSER, CHAUNCEY, et al., Defendants.

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 23-2011-CA-000278 of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein, PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO RBC BANK (USA) RBC CENTURA BANK, Plaintiff, and, BELSER, CHAUNCEY, et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the FRONT LOBBY OF THE GULF COUNTY COURT HOUSE, at the hour of 11:00 AM ET, on the 3rd day of October, 2013, the following described property:

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LOT 2, BEACON BY THE SEA, PHASE III, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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 5th day of September, 2013.

REBECCA L NORRIS  
Clerk Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter  
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:  
GREENSPOON  
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92442 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 23-2008-CA-000135

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR DEUTSCHE ALT 2006-AR5 Plaintiff,

SHARON TRACEY WELLS; ROBERT E. BERRY; KATHERYN D. BERRY; Defendants.

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 3, 2013, and entered in Case No. 23-2008-CA-000135 of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida. HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR DEUTSCHE ALT 2006-AR5 is Plaintiff and SHARON TRACEY WELLS; ROBERT E. BERRY; KATHERYN D. BERRY; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN THE FRONT LOBBY OF THE COURT HOUSE, AT 1000 CECIL COSTIN BOULEVARD, PORT ST. JOE IN GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA 32456, at 11:00 A.M. ET, on the 3rd day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

START AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN WEST 660 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH TO WHAT IS KNOWN AS

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A 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 5th day of September, 2013.

REBECCA L. NORRIS  
As Clerk of said Court

By: BA Baxter  
As Deputy Clerk

This Notice is Provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator by mail at P.O. Box 1089, Panama City, Florida 32402 or by phone at (850) 747-5338 at least (7) seven days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing impaired please call 711.

Submitted by:  
Kahane & Associates,  
PA.  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 12000174CAAXMX

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.  
SHAO CHANG LIN; XIU LAN LIN; et al., Defendant(s).

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Summary Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on August 27th, 2013, in Civil Case No. 12000174C AAXMX, of the Circuit Court of the FOURTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein, JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff, and SHAO CHANG LIN; XIU LAN LIN; EMERALD COAST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 N/K/A MATHEW FITZGERALD; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 N/K/A DIANE DENNIS; are Defendants.

The clerk of the court, Rebecca L. Norris will sell to the highest bidder for cash in the lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe,

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FL 32456 at 11:00 A.M. ET on the 26th day of September, 2013, the following described real property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to wit:

LOT 11, BLOCK E, FOREHAND'S SECOND ADDITION TO HIGHLAND VIEW, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL MAP THEREOF ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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 28th day of August, 2013.

Rebecca L. Norris  
CLERK OF THE COURT

Deputy Clerk  
BA Baxter

Aldridge Connors, LLP  
Attorney for Plaintiff(s)  
7000 West Palmetto Park Rd., Suite 307  
Boca Raton, FL 33433  
Phone: 561.392.6391  
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IMPORTANT IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT COURT ADMINISTRATION, P.O. BOX 826, MARIANNA, FLORIDA 32447; PHONE: 850-718-0026; EMAIL: ADAREQUEST@JUD14.FLCOURTS.ORG

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AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED CALL 711. September 5, 12, 2013

#### 92400S PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION

The Department of Environmental Protection gives notice of a FDEP Environmental Resource Permit Number 23-0315467-001-EI has been issued to Alexander Jacobs, located at 7640 Robinwood Drive, Cape San Blas, Gulf County, Florida, Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 12 West.

The purpose of the permit is to authorize construction of a 4' X 244' single family dock extension with a 6' X 20' terminal platform to an existing 4' X 100' and existing 6' X 12'. The extension includes a 20' x 10' boat lift on the western side of the terminal platform and along the northern side of the extended access pier. The existing terminal platform includes handrails to prevent mooring. The decking will be of Bay Decking or similar maximum light penetrating materials. The activities described above are located within the landward extent of St Joseph Bay, a Class II, Aquatic preserve. A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative hearing under Section 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statute. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received by the clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to re-determine final agency action on the application, the filing of a petition for an administrative hearing may result in a modification of the permit, or even a denial of the application. Accordingly, the applicant will not commence construction or other activities under this permit until the deadlines below for filing a petition for an administrative hearing, or request for an extension of time, have expired. Under subsection 62-110.106(4) of the Florida Administrative Code, a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, before the applicable deadline. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon. If a request is filed late, the Department may still grant it upon a motion by the requesting party showing that the failure to file a request for an extension of time before

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tions 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statute. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed (received by the clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.

Intervention will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205 of the Florida Administrative Code. In accordance with subsection 28-106.111 (2) and subparagraph 62-110.106(3)(a).4, Florida Administrative Code, petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed within 14 days of receipt of written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60 (3) of the Florida Statute, however, any person who has asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of such notice, regardless of the date of publication. The petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of those rights. A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Department's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency

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the deadline was the result of excusable neglect.

In the event that a timely and sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is filed, other persons whose substantial interests will be affected by the outcome of the administrative process have the right to petition to intervene in the proceeding. Intervention will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205 of the Florida Administrative Code. In accordance with subsection 28-106.111 (2) and subparagraph 62-110.106(3)(a).4, Florida Administrative Code, petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed within 14 days of receipt of written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60 (3) of the Florida Statute, however, any person who has asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of such notice, regardless of the date of publication. The petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of those rights. A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Department's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency

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affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;  
(b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the agency determination;  
(c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;  
(d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;  
(e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;  
(f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;  
(g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.  
A petition that does not dispute the material facts on which the Department's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.301, Florida Administrative Code. Under Sections 120.569(2)(c) and (d) of the Florida Statute, a petition for administrative hearing must be dismissed by the agency if the petition does not substantially comply with the above requirements or is untimely filed.  
This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition is filed in accordance with the above. Upon the timely filing of petition this order will not be effective until further order of the Department.  
This permit, when issued, constitutes an order of the Department. The applicant has the right to seek judicial review of the order under Section 120.68 of the Florida Statute, by the filing of a notice of appeal under Rule 9.110 of the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000; and by filing a copy of the notice of the appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate district court of appeal. The notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date when the final order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.  
Requests for review before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission and served on the Department within 20 days from the date when the final order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.  
The application for this permit is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, at the Northwest District office, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd MS 55, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000.  
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he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 15, BLOCK 42, OFFICIAL MAP OF PORT ST. JOE, FLA., ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGES 16-18, INCLUSIVE, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before October 14, 2013, (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at Gulf County, Florida, this 4th day of September, 2013.

REBECCA NORRIS  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: BA Baxter  
Deputy Clerk

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, AND SCHNEID, PL ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF  
6409 CONGRESS AVE, SUITE 100  
BOCA RATON, FL 33487  
Sept 12, 19, 2013

**92426S PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA  
NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for City of Port St. Joe Landscaping and Grounds Maintenance will be received at City Hall, 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456 up until 3:00 PM EST, Friday September 27, 2013. Bids will be publicly opened and acknowledged, Wednesday September 27, 2013 at 3:05 PM EST, in the City Commission Room.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, plainly marked with bidder's name, address, date and time of opening, and bid number for "City of Port St. Joe Grounds Maintenance".

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK:** Work consists of landscape, grounds, and sports field maintenance of the following sites: James "Benny" Roberts Sports Park, Centennial Building, Buck Griffin Lake, Pony League Ball Field, Washington Recreation Center, Port St. Joe, FL 32456. The landscaping services required include weeding, cultivating, trimming, pruning, mowing, edging and baseball and softball field prep and maintenance. A more detailed description of the work requirements is available in the bid package.

**RFP: 2013-08**

Copies of the Bid Package are available on the City website at [www.cityofportstjoe.com](http://www.cityofportstjoe.com) and at City Hall, 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456. The documents may be examined at this address or obtained free of charge.

The City of Port St. Joe reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Statements of Bids in whole or in part, to waive informalities in the process, to obtain new Statements of Bids, or to postpone the opening pursuant to the City's purchasing policies. Each Statement of Bid shall be valid to the City of Port St. Joe for a period of sixty (30) days after the opening.

**NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE**

TO: AVA JORDAN SOWELL AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF AVA JORDAN SOWELL

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**92428S PUBLIC NOTICE**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS  
RFP 2013-07

The City of Port St. Joe will receive sealed bids from any qualified person, company, or corporation interested in providing construction services for the following project:

**2012 CDBG WATER SYSTEM/USDA MLK SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS**

This project consists of constructing approximately 4,800 LF of 6" PVC, 6,000 LF of 3" PVC, fire hydrants, and North associated appurtenances to provide water service for 175 existing residences in the Port St. Joe community. The project also includes three blocks of sidewalk, stormwater, and parking improvements as shown on the construction plans. The water improvement portion of this project is being funded by CDBG Grant Number 3DB-01-02-33-02-N07. The sidewalk portion of the project is being funded by a USDA RBEG grant.

Plans and Specifications can be obtained at Preble-Rish, Inc., 324 Marina Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, (850) 227-7200. Cost for Plans and Specifications will be \$100.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to PREBLE-RISH, INC. The bid must conform to Section 287.133(3) Florida Statutes on public entity crimes.

Completion date for this project will be 120 days for Substantial Completion and 150 days for Final Completion from the date of the Notice to Proceed presented to the successful bidder.

Liquidated damages for failure to complete the project on the specified date will be set at \$500 per day.

Please indicate on the envelope that this is a sealed bid for "2012 CDBG Water System/USDA MLK Sidewalk Improvements".

Bids will be received until **3:00 PM, Eastern Time, on October 10, 2013** at the City of Port St. Joe City Hall, 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456, and will be opened and read aloud at **3:05 PM, Eastern Time**. The City of Port St. Joe is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Handicapped Accessible/Fair Housing Jurisdiction.

The City of Port St. Joe reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in their best interest. All bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty days after the opening. A **mandatory** Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the office of Preble-Rish, Inc., 324 Marina Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida (850) 227-7200 at **10:00 a.m. Eastern Time, on September 26, 2013**.

All bidders shall comply with all applicable state and local laws concerning registration and regulation of contractors doing business in the State of Florida.

If you have any questions, please call Clay Smallwood at (850) 227-7200.  
Sept 12, 19, 2013

**92472S**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION:  
CASE NO: 2013CA0036

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.  
SHELLY L. PERSAUD; FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB; SUNIL T. PERSAUD; UNKNOWN TENANT, IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 27th day of August, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2013CA0036, of the Circuit Court in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and SHELLY L. PERSAUD; FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB; SUNIL T. PERSAUD and UNKNOWN TENANT; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT LOBBY OF THE GULF COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1000 5TH STREET, PORT ST. JOE, FL 32456, 11:00 AM ET on the 3rd day of October, 2013,

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the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Commence at the West corner of Lot 6, Block 17, YON'S ADDITION TO BEACON HILL, in Section 5, Township 7 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 45, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida; thence North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along the North-east right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 98 for 580.00 feet; thence South 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 100.00 feet to the Southwesterly right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 98; thence North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along the Southwesterly right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 98 for 111.94 feet to the iron rod and cap marking the Point of Beginning; thence continue along said right-of-way line, North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 16.02 feet; thence leaving said right-of-way line, South 44 degrees 59 minutes 41 seconds East, 249 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

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.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator by mail at P.O. Box 1089, Panama City, FL 32402 or by phone at (850)747-5338 at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing impaired, please call 711.

Dated this 10th day of September, 2013.

Rebecca Norris  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter  
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:  
Choice Legal Group, PA,  
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Suite 120  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY  
CASE NO.: 2013-45-CA

HANCOCK BANK, a Mississippi banking corporation, as assignee of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Peoples First Community Bank, a Florida banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.  
STEVEN GRINSLADE and ANGELIA M. GRINSLADE, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida, pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure, entered in this cause, will sell the property at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, except as set forth hereinafter, on October 17, 2013 at 11:00 am Eastern Time in the lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse located at 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, the following described real property lying and being in Gulf County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 1, Block A, Unit Number 1 of Red Bull Island, Gulf County, Florida, further described as follows: Commence at the Southeast Corner of U.S. Government Lot No. 2 of Fractional Section 30, Township 4 South, Range 9 West, Gulf County, Florida; thence run North 145.4 feet along the Lot line; thence run N85°05'W 137.0 feet along the South right of way line of Red Bull Island Drive; thence run S25°46'E 225.4 feet; thence run N40°02'E 60.0 feet along the Northwest Bank of the Chipola River to the Point of Beginning.

This Notice dated this 11th day of September, 2013.

Rebecca Norris  
Clerk, of Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter  
Deputy Clerk  
Sept 19, 26, 2013

**92498S Public Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Commission of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, at a Special Meeting on the 30th day of September, 2013, at 5:01 P.M., EST, in the regular Commission meeting room at the Municipal Building, Port St. Joe, Florida, will have the 2nd reading and consider for final adoption an Ordinance with the following title:

Copies of the Ordinance are available for public inspection at City of Port St. Joe City Hall, located at 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida.

**ORDINANCE NO. 496**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 AS THE FINAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA FOR FISCAL

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YEAR 2013/2014 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Transactions of the public meeting will not be recorded. Persons wishing to appeal any decision made during the meeting will need a record of the proceeding and should ensure a verbatim record is made, including the testimony on which the appeal is based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact Charlotte Pierce, City Clerk, City of Port St. Joe, at City Hall, telephone number (850) 229-8261 Ext 129. September 19, 2013

**92500S Public Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Commission of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, at a Special Meeting on the 30th day of September, 2013, at 5:01 P.M., EST, in the regular Commission meeting room at the Municipal Building, Port St. Joe, Florida, will have the 2nd reading and consider for final adoption an Ordinance with the following title:

**ORDINANCE NO. 495**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA LEVYING THE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2013 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014, STATING THE PERCENTAGE BY WHICH THE MILLAGE LEVIED IS 32% MORE THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Copies of the Ordinance are available for public inspection at City of Port St. Joe City Hall, located at 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida.

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**95289S NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BID #1213-19**

The Gulf County Tourist Development Council (GCTDC) will receive proposals from any company or corporation interested in providing the following:

Services to Design, Manage, and Maintain the Gulf County Florida TDC website: [www.visitgulf.com](http://www.visitgulf.com).

RFQ Deadline: Friday, September 27, 2013 no later than 4:00 PM ET and will be opened on Monday, September 30, 2013 at 10:00 AM ET.

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Responses to this RFQ must include one (1) original and five (5) copies and be delivered to: Gulf County Clerk of Court  
Attn: Kari Summers  
1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd, Room 148  
Port St. Joe, FL 32456.

Please indicate on the envelope YOUR COMPANY NAME, that this is a SEALED RFP and include the BID NUMBER.

This RFQ is available for response from all interested firms who can demonstrate the necessary experience, and the capability to handle a program of the size, scope and complexity of the website and communication services of the Gulf County TDC.

Finalist will be chosen based on overall qualifications and experience with development of successful consumer websites in preferably in travel industry. Upon acceptance of the finalist by the BOCC, the GCTDC Executive Director will work with the selected contractor to develop a project schedule, scope of work and project budget.

All questions should be directed to the T.D.C. Executive Director Jennifer Jenkins at 850-229-7800.

Tynalin Smiley  
Chairman

Rebecca L. Norris  
Clerk of Court  
Sept 12, 19, 2013

**95337S PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice for Interested Contractors/ Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Single Family

Capital Area Community Action Agency has federal funds for weatherizing residential homes in Leon, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jefferson, and Wakulla counties. Weatherization includes air infiltration reduction, insulation, repair/ replacement of doors and windows, low-flow showerheads and compact fluorescent light bulbs repair/replacement of heating/cooling systems and water heaters. Work will begin October 1, 2013 and must be performed under the supervision of a state licensed contractor. Current contractors must re-apply. A Pre-BID conference will be held on Wednesday, September 25, 2013, 1:30am-3:00am at the Franklin Promise Community Room, 192 14th Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320. The RFQ is due no later than 5:00pm, Tuesday, October 1, 2013. To attend the Pre-BID conference, request an RFQ, or for more information, contact Debbie Mabry, (850) 222-2043 ext. 309, fax (850) 942-2090, or debora.mabry@cacaainc.org September 19, 2013

**95365S**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO.: 2012-000248-CA  
Civil Division

HANCOCK BANK, a Mississippi Bank, Plaintiff,

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vs.

FORGOTTEN COAST PROPERTY, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, ROBERT B. LINDSEY, an individual, and JOSEPH D. ADAMS, an individual, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated on or about August 20, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2012 CA 000248 in the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein Hancock Bank is Plaintiff, and Forgotten Coast Property, LLC, Robert B. Lindsey and Joseph D. Adams, are the Defendants.

The Gulf County Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456, at 11:00 a.m. EST in accordance with § 45.031, Florida Statutes, on the 3rd day of October, 2013, the following described property, as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, in Gulf County, Florida, commonly known as 104 Sunray Court (a/k/a 110 Sunray Court), Port St. Joe, Florida, 32456, and described more particularly as:

LOT 16

Commence at the concrete monument marking the Northwest corner of Lot 3, of the Block Northeastly of Palm Street, as shown on the plat of BEACON HILL, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 41-A of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida thence along the North-easterly right-of-way line of said Palm Street South 45 degrees 14 minutes 23 seconds East, 112.62 feet, thence North 47 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds East 93.80 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence continue North 47 degrees 24 minutes 00 seconds East, 96.00 feet, thence South 44 degrees 46 minutes 12 seconds East 124.10 feet, thence South 45 degrees 13 minutes 48 seconds West, 95.93 feet, thence North 44 degrees 46 minutes 12 seconds West, 127.73 feet, to the Point of Beginning. Said lands being a portion of Lots 1 and 2 of the Block Northeastly of Palm Street and the 25 foot vacated alley between said lots of said plat of BEACON HILL and a portion of Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 11 West Gulf County, Florida and containing 0.277 acre, more or less. Said lands being subject to an Ingress and Egress Easement over the Northwest 12.50 feet of the above described lands and also subject to a 5.00 foot wide Utility Easement over the Southeast 5.00 feet of the Northwest 17.50 feet of the above described lands.

Real Property Tax Identification Number 03761-085R.

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 date of

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sale.

If you are an individual with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator by mail at P.O. Box 1089, Panama City, Florida 32402, or by phone at 850-747-5338, at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing impaired, please call 711 or email ADARrequest@jud14.flcourts.org

REBECCA L. NORRIS  
Clerk of Court  
Gulf County, Florida

By: BA Baxter  
Deputy Clerk  
Published:  
Sept. 19, 26, 2013

**95371S PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Gulf County will hold a public hearing on September 24, 2013 at 8:30 a.m., E.T. The sole purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the County's application for a grant under the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) during the 2014/2015 funding cycle. The applications are due September 30, 2013, and this grant application is being submitted for proposed improvements to Honeyville Park (Phase III).

Gulf County will hold the meeting in the Commission Board Room which is located in the Robert Moore Administration Building, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd, Port St. Joe, Florida. The public is encouraged to attend. Individuals with disabilities wishing to attend, who will need special accommodations, should contact Towan Kopinsky at 229-6144.

/s/ Tynalin Smiley  
Chairman  
September 19, 2013

**95391S PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice to Receive Sealed Bids

The City of Wewahitchka in Gulf County Florida will accept seal bids from asphalt companies that are approved by the State of Florida to remove asbestos material from a building.

Bids must be sealed and marked Asbestos Removal.

A scope of services can be picked up at the City Annex located 318 South 7th St.

All bids must be turned in to the City Clerk before 12 noon CT October 7, 2013 at 318 South 7th St.

All bids will be opened on October 7, 2013 at 1pm CT at the old City Hall located at 109 South 2nd St.

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right to reject any and all bids.
Connie Parrish
City Clerk
Sept. 19, 26, 2013

954055 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 23-2013-CA-000026 DIVISION:
JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.
DOROTHEA GALE PITTS A/K/A DOROTHEA G. PITTS A/K/A DORTHEA G. PITTS, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: DOROTHEA GALE PITTS A/K/A DOROTHEA G. PITTS A/K/A DORTHEA G. PITTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 724 COUNTRY CLUB ROAD PORT SAINT JOE, FL 32456

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE 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, GRANTEE, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in GULF County, Florida:

UNIT C: A PORTION OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 36 FOR 1265.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH AT A RIGHT ANGLE TO SAID SECTION LINE FOR 1010.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 10 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 42 SECONDS EAST 434.43 FEET; THENCE NORTH 69 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 28 SECONDS EAST 1124.09 FEET; THENCE NORTH 54 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST 520.68 FEET; THENCE NORTH 10 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST 619.66 FEET; THENCE NORTH 38 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST 127.44 FEET; THENCE NORTH 40 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 75.04 FEET; THENCE NORTH 10 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 37 SECONDS WEST 551.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 5 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST 560.24 FEET; THENCE NORTH 27 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST 283.56 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 17 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 1292.44 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 07 SECONDS WEST 168.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, 22.47 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 4919 Memorial Highway, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 24th day of June, 2013.

Rebecca L.Norris
Clerk of the Court

By: B.A. Baxter
As Deputy Clerk

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954095 PUBLIC NOTICE

The Port St. Joe Redevelopment Agency will hold a public workshop to discuss the addition of playground equipment and potential playground improvements to the Washington Gym Complex. The meeting will be held at 6 PM on Tuesday, September 24, at the WIG Center, 401 Peters Street, Port St. Joe, FL. For information, call Gail Alsobrook at 850-229-6899. September 19, 2013

954175 PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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/s/ Tynalin Smiley
Chairman
September 19, 2013

954255 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY CASE NO.: 2013-45-CA

HANCOCK BANK, a
Mississippi banking

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Rebecca Norris
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By: B.A. Baxter
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Sept. 19, 26, 2013

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Mail resume and application to: 2121 Lisenby Ave, Panama City, FL 32405, or fax: 850-769-0855. Obtain application at www.anchoragechildrenshome.org
Close date: September 30, 2013
EEO/DFWP
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Professional

Anchorage Children's Home Family Counselor
The focus of this position is to provide individual, family and group counseling to adolescents age 6 to 17 years, and their families. Client contact will be established in a variety of settings including, but not limited to, the home, school, office and residential youth shelter. On-call rotation is a requirement in this position; annual base salary \$28,000. Bachelor degree in counseling, social work or related fields plus relevant experience or a Master's degree and experience in related field. All degrees must be from accredited institutions

Mail resume and application to: 2121 Lisenby Ave, Panama City, FL 32405, or fax: 850-769-0855. Obtain application at www.anchoragechildrenshome.org
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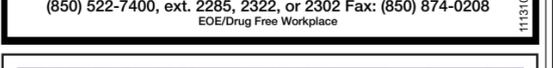
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