

LIGHTHOUSE CLIMB B1

PSJ still in the game for Gulf Pines/land

By Tim Croft and Valerie Garman
Star Staff Writers

The City of Port St. Joe is not out of chances to gain title to the former Gulf Pines Hospital and land.

Though a bankruptcy court mandated deadline for taking title passed in September, there are indications that the Internal Revenue Service, the only litigant remaining with any claim to the land, may be willing to work with the city, said city attorney Tom Gibson.

"There is still some negotiating room with the IRS," Gibson said during last week's regular bi-monthly

meeting.

City manager Charlie Weston indicated that at the request of commissioners he is exploring with a contractor, at no cost to the city, the availability of any grants for asbestos clean-up at the former hospital.

Weston indicated the contractor believed the city could receive as much as \$200,000 in grant funding for asbestos abatement, which would lower the cost of taking possession of the property.

Weston said Monday that he was doing as instructed and noted that other costs associated with taking title

to the property, in particular demolition, remain.

"The grant dollars are for the removal of asbestos only," Weston said.

The hitch is that the city must have title to the land to apply for a grant from the federal Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield Cleanup Grant. Weston said commissioners would have to make a decision by their next meeting.

The city will hold a public hearing during its regular meeting on Tuesday.

"The decision will be whether to take the title of the property," Gibson said. "If we take the title, we can

apply for this grant."

In other business taken up during last week's meeting:

* The city has responded to a request from Waste Pro, the city's trash and recycling contractor, for a 3.6 percent increase effective Jan. 1, 2012. The city - commissioners agreed to a one-year moratorium on any rate increases when Waste Pro took over Emerald Waste earlier this year - wants Waste Pro to defer any increase until next year's budget cycle.

"We were under the impression we weren't supposed to have a waste increase," Weston said. "What

we're trying to do here is keep these rates from increasing."

The city has yet to receive a response from its letter.

* The city is waiting on complete plans for water line replacement, a \$2.3 million project to replace eight miles of the oldest, steel pipes in the city, part of a broader mission to replace some 20 miles of pipe in the water distribution system believed to be a culprit in the city's ongoing issues with water quality from the tap.

The hope is to kick the project off in early January. * Commissioner Bill Kennedy suggested the city ex-

plore options for building an aquatic center, in particular through a possible partnership with Gulf Coast State College.

"I think we need to put that back on the table," he said. "It's a huge undertaking, but we have a plan."

An aquatic center was at one time considered an option for the county/city recreational complex for which land has been earmarked across from the Gulf/Franklin Center.

"We've got all that land out there, and that was the plan," said Mayor Mel Magidson.

Bed tax collections finish up for the year

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

Tourism took a big leap forward in Gulf County for 2011.

With the final fiscal year numbers in hand, Gulf Tourist Development Council executive director Tim Kerigan said last week that bed tax collections for 2010-11 were up 14.4 percent from the prior fiscal year.

The fiscal year runs from the first of October to the end of September and the increase reflects a yearlong trend that has seen bed tax collections rise every month compared to the year prior.

"We've had a record month every month," Kerigan said. "Hopefully things will continue."

In terms of dollars, the increase for the year represented an additional \$107,000 in bed tax collections.

Those funds, Kerigan said, would be used to sustain and increase the momentum realized this year.

September 2011 collections were up by 51 percent, raising \$74,190 compared to the \$49,091 collected in September 2010.

Kerigan pointed to the PoJo Live Music Festival, a successful and extended scallop season and other events.

Tourism has become a cornerstone of the Gulf County economy with these numbers indicating a steady recovery since

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North Florida Child Development breaks ground on new school

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

Now rising near the end of Field of Dreams Avenue in Port St. Joe - a dream.

A vision six-years in the transformation to reality, ground was broken Monday on the new South Gulf County facility for North Florida Child Development, Inc.

And a bit on the tardy side, noted Richard A. Macheck, state director of U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development, as Cathey Construction was preparing to pour footers and foundation, the outline of the first new school in the county in 40 years

already constructed.

The facility, which will replace an existing facility at the old Highland View Elementary School, will be larger and will create new jobs in a county desperately in need of them.

"Dreams do come true," said Sharon Gaskin, CEO of NFCD. "This has been a dream of ours for six years." She later added that the day felt "surreal" and "I am privileged to be here."

The NFCD facility will be 17,800 square feet and will include 12 classrooms, a kitchen and a medical room that will provide both medical and dental services for the children aged 0-5 that NFCD - which operates Head Start

and Early Head Start among other programs - serves.

The latter service is new for NFCD, funded by a grant from the Jessie Ball DuPont Foundation.

"You must address the education of our youth to pave the way for a firm foundation and you can't do that unless those children are healthy," said keynote speaker Congressman Steve Southerland (R-North Florida), who noted the many children with hearing, vision, hygienic and nutritional deficits before walking into a classroom.

"I am thrilled with what you

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The tossing of the dirt was a symbolic signal that a dream was becoming reality. Gaskin and the NFCD board were joined by Congressman Steve Southerland in the ground-breaking.

Mexico Beach considering law enforcement options

By Valerie Garman
Star Staff Writer

In an effort to save taxpayers' dollars, the Mexico Beach City Council is exploring options for a new partnership in law enforcement.

Bay County Sheriff

Frank McKeithen addressed the council at a workshop Nov. 2 to answer commissioners' questions about a potential partnership with the city.

"With the economy like it is, our revenues aren't what they once were," said city manager Chris Hub-

bard. "The city council just wanted to look at options to save taxpayers money."

McKeithen was asked to complete an audit of the Mexico Beach Police Department back in September, and as a part of the audit, officials inquired about the cost of having the Bay

County Sheriff's Office patrol the area.

The council weighed the options at the meeting, noting the partnership would expend the city's \$482,000 law enforcement budget, but could provide the area with more resources.

"It would roughly

cost the same, if not a bit more," Hubbard said. "But because we are a small operation, we don't have the investigators, the crime scene technicians, the same resources that they have."

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Veterans Day events

Star Staff Report

Below are events being held around the county to commemorate Veterans Day.

* Port St. Joe High School will hold a community-wide Veterans Day Celebration honoring all who served defending liberty and freedom. The ceremony will be held at the school on Friday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. ET.

* Port St. Joe Elementary School will host a Veterans Day Program on Friday, Nov. 11 at 1 p.m. ET in the Port St. Joe Elementary Gymnasium. The program will feature Commander Marty Jarosz as the guest speaker. Refreshments will be provided following the ceremony.

* The Wewahitchka Elementary School third grade class will hold a performance titled "We Remember" in honor of Veterans Day on Friday Nov. 11. The program begins at 9:30 a.m. CT.

* The public is invited to an awards ceremony honoring Mr. Brooks B. Aitchison of Port St. Joe who has been appointed a "Chevalier" of the French Legion of Honor. The Legion of Honor was created by Napoleon in 1802 to acknowledge services rendered to France by persons of great merit. Aitchison will be honored for his courage and devotion to the great cause of freedom during World War II. Major General (Ret.) James E. Simmons will present this award on behalf of the French at VFW Post 10069 in Highland View at 1 p.m. ET on Friday, Nov. 11. A meal will follow the ceremony.

* VFW Post 8285 in Wewahitchka will host a dinner for veterans and their families on Friday Nov. 11 at 6 p.m. CT at the Senior Citizens building in Wewahitchka. All veterans are invited to attend. VFW membership is not required. The Port St. Joe High School NJROTC will be performing the flag ceremonies.



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Rocktoberfest a great success

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Emerson Cooling and Heating and Willis V. Rowan American Legion Post 116, Port St. Joe, thanks everyone who helped make this benefit a great success. It was a great night of rock 'n roll and delicious food, all to benefit Covenant Hospice.

Although a group effort, special thanks goes to Jim Emerson who spearheaded this event, providing the venue and countless

hours putting this concert together, with the help of some great volunteers. Too numerous to mention by name, and not wanting to leave anyone out, thanks go to the community businesses and special friends for their time and support in this worthwhile cause.

On Monday, October 31, at their regular meeting, the American Legion Post 116 was honored to present donations of some \$2,500 to Nanisa Anderson of Covenant Hospice.



Jim Emerson, First Vice Commander of American Legion Post 116 in Port St. Joe and Nanisa Anderson of Covenant Hospice



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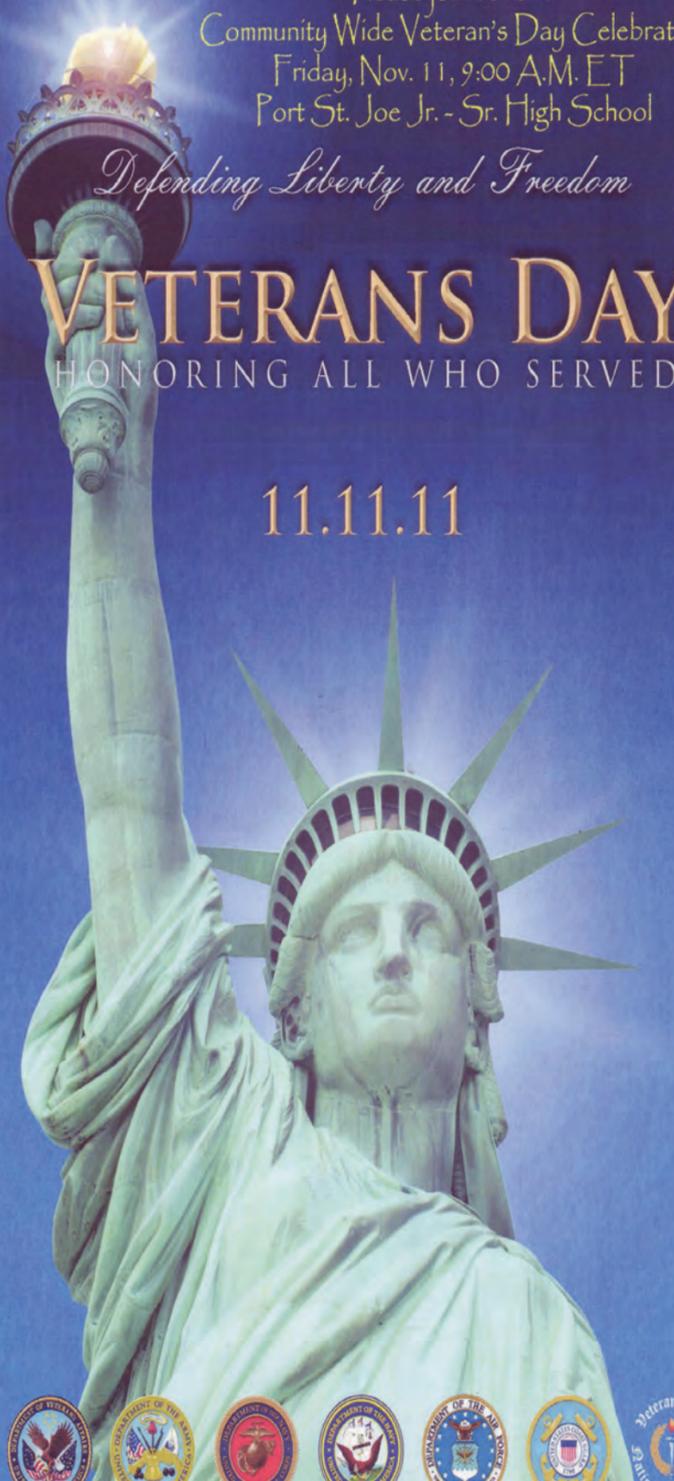
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Last month at "Dogs for Dogs", Richard and Jacque Hance met Sir Jackson Magnis. I must say it was love at first sight, between Jacque and Sir Jackson. Who can resist a black Labrador with big brown eyes! Richard and Jacque encourage everyone to come and meet the animals from the Port St. Joe Humane Society. They are all loving and need your family to consider sharing there home. Jackson is such a joy to have and he was trained by DAWGS in prison program. Sir Jackson like to pretend that he doesn't know what his commands are, but with some encouragement he responds and always gets a "Good Jackson". A pets love and joy is infectious. If you try it, you'll always be smiling. Be sure to come by the Port St. Joe Marina around lunchtime (11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) and enjoy a hot dog or chili dog (max. 2 hot dogs) lunch, (chips, and soda included for a \$5.00 cash donation. All proceeds will be given to the Humane Society.

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Shades of red

People often ask me, "Where are you from?" As the word rolls out of my mouth, I can see the first opinion folks have of me. I say it like it should be said and like you would think someone from "down there" would say it. When I say "Alabama," I watch the asking person's eyes.

Folks generally give away what they are holding (or thinking) with their eyes.

It's usually pretty easy to hone in on someone who is thinking, "This guy may be a redneck."

What most of the general public do not understand is that there are definite shades of red. If you are looking at the scale from left to right, you start with pink on the left and keep getting "redder" until you get all of the way to the right where you have this nice brown or mahogany red.

In the middle, you have your true or "genuine reds." These are the folks you can depend on and you want on your side when the time comes. These genuine reds also understand that sooner or later, the time will come.

Starting on the far left, those in the pink just dabble in what they think being a redneck is or what the general public thinks a redneck is anyway. Don't make the mistake of thinking this color of red only applies to women, there are more pink men than you can shake a stick at.

With "far-left rednecks," you have folks that have cowboy boots that have never gotten dirty, blue jeans that are starched, big rodeo belt buckles for no apparent reason, trucks that have never seen a dirt road and the younger generation plays a lot of paintball where they shoot at each other with little paint-filled balls.

These "pinkies" will play country music if they think it will impress folks, but they generally won't if they are alone. If they come up on a fellow having car trouble in the dark of night, they will generally call a few friends and discuss it with them, possibly their own mother, but they won't stop.

Let's go all the way over to the right, to the rednecks in the dark brown mahoganyish color. These are the rednecks that give the true rednecks (those in

the middle) a bad name. These are the rednecks that will get you hurt (quickly).

With "far-right rednecks," you have folks that have cowboy boots that have holes in the toes. These holes in the toes were caused by guns, chainsaws or possibly a butter knife. Everything becomes a weapon to the "mahogany redneck." Whereas a pinky redneck has never started their chainsaw, the mahogany red has torn up five in the last year and is proud of it.

The mahogany red has a big rodeo belt buckle that he or she not only wears, but displays at home in a nice mahogany case. Still, there is no apparent reason for these folks having a rodeo belt buckle; they probably get sick at the sight of a calf being born.

The trucks of mahogany reds are covered in dirt and mud and the only time they clean the dirt or mud off is so that you can see their bumper stickers declaring that they are truly rednecks. An FYI — if you have to yell and scream and put stickers on your truck that you are something, it is a dead giveaway that you are not.

Mahogany reds' boots are generally just like their trucks, covered in mud and dirt. However, the reason their boots are covered in dirt and mud is that they are all the time having to get their trucks unstuck from places they didn't need to be. They also play a lot of paintball, but prefer playing when they can get muddy or shoot each other at close range in the face.

These mahogany reds play country music loud with the windows down; they think every country song is about them. If they come up on a fellow having car trouble in the dark of night, they will generally do one of two things. They will either roll down the window and throw a half full-can of beer at them as they drive by or they will stop and try to help the person to no avail. Please note that you should stay very far away from a mahogany red if they are jacking up a car, trying to jump a car off or handling gasoline. *Bad things happen.*

So what about the rednecks in the middle

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Finding the path to thanks

My path to understanding has had some turns.

What young boy didn't covet ownership or the chance to play Army, whether with friends outdoors or within the coziness of your room, the "soldiers" measuring mere inches.

I sure did, without truly understanding what was at play beyond the television or movie screen, where everything that I knew about war and the military was abstract, from the rushing toward



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bullets to the deaths. On a black and white television, on shows like "Combat," reality always rested at arm's length.

The first reality of the military in memory, in fact, was negative. Like many of my generation, I came of age after the Vietnam Conflict had turned from a war against communism supported at home into a conflict with no clear end or objective and that was dividing the country.

I lived a few blocks from a college campus and in those days the green uniform of the military was cause for rage, for anger, because men, such as one of my older brother's best friends, were fighting and dying in a war seemingly without end.

It was a war captured starkly in photos — of an enemy soldier being executed in the streets with a shot to the head, a little girl running, naked and burned, her village aflame in the background, to the last helicopter, crammed with desperate people, lifting from the roof of the U.S. Embassy.

Vietnam also brought the first of what is now taken for granted in the information age — television reporting, by stalwarts such as Dan Rather, Morley Safer, Richard Jennings and many more, from the jungles where bullets screamed overhead and men fought for yards of ground.

At that time, Clifford Sims was not

even on my radar.

As peacetime reigned, my younger brother and I talked of going into the Marines under the buddy system, but I decided I liked the college life more — too dadgum fun — and he went off for four years, blacksmithing his body against the anvil of the military regimen, seeing the world and coming out with a career that has served him well.

As did mine, after college decided that, for the time, it was pretty much done with me.

I followed what I was pursuing in college and that led me to a career in security, first at Disney World and then, as security morphed into loss prevention, with Marriott and a string of hotels.

I thrived, but so too did my brother and I pondered with unfailing curiosity what the military had offered my brother, what had he taken away that so improved him as a — cliché-alert — productive and constructive person.

Those lessons did not seem to come as easy to me.

And in time, life interceded and I found this part of the world, went back to college, earned my degree requirements and an internship that was the launching pad for a second career that has spanned two decades and pointed me, ultimately, to this place and time.

And slowly, as a dripping faucet fills a bucket, my understanding and gratitude filled me.

I learned about the life of Clifford Sims and the sacrifices he made in those jungles I had seen on television and now watched on cable. I began to understand the "why."

I met Capt. Dave Maddox, the late George Core and other county residents who are part of the Greatest Generation and who fought in World War II. They surely existed throughout my journey but I certainly did not notice or appreciate them.

By meeting and interviewing them, suddenly history, particularly war history, was my main subject at the library and bookstore.

The "why" was becoming less murky, less opaque.

In the past few years, this community has welcomed the Semper Fi Sisters, moms, wives, sisters, aunts of loved ones in the military, who are a constant reminder that we have been a nation at war for a decade and men and women fight and die each day to protect our right to, for example, text message while driving.

The Wounded Warrior weekends I have been privileged to report on drive home the costs borne by what Tom Brokaw calls the real 1 percent — the 1 percent of our population that bears 100 percent of the current burden of wartime.

I came to cover annual Veterans Day events in this county that bring chills and moisten eyes. To hear Taps played now, to hear the ringing of the bell in remembering those who did not return, brings the "why" more into focus.

Because the "why" is really, I have found, pretty straightforward among those in uniform, who have sacrificed, who have lost limbs and buddies and too often carry unseen scars out of the fog of war.

The country called.

Yes, there are those for whom the military offers a positive passage into adulthood, the chance to learn a trade and fashion a career, but for a vast majority, at least in my experience, the "why," especially since 9/11, was as simple as a country in need.

In need of men and women willing to set aside the inevitable fear of the war zone and stand, fight, defend freedoms and tenets set down more than 200 years ago.

Maybe that is what my brother learned in the military, the tamping of ego for the whole, the discipline of sacrifice, the ability to rise above all-too-human frailties for a country born of a theory.

I have finally understood, from this community, the "why," and with it comes the humble thanks to the military we salute this week — and should each of the other 51.

My old girlfriend didn't call

The phone rang at 1:35 a.m. I wasn't surprised.... or alarmed. "Daddy, can you believe it! Can you believe it!" Josh, his voice ringing with excitement, was checking in just seconds after David Freese's homer cleared the centerfield fence in game six of the just-completed World Series. And no, I couldn't hardly believe it.

Our beloved St. Louis Cardinals were down by two runs going into the bottom of the ninth. The Texas Rangers led the series 3 games to 2. And they had arguably the best relief pitcher in the major leagues. I knew enough baseball to understand the difficulty, if not impossibility, of scoring two runs off a guy throwing 97-mile-an-hour fastballs. Yet the Cards managed to do it and send the game into extra innings. It was a near 'bout miracle for sure! When Texas scored two more in the top of the 10th, you knew it was over—you don't get two miracles in this game. But the Cards did! They tied it again in the bottom of the 10th on the best piece of hitting in the entire series by Lance Berkman. Freese's homer in the 11th won it. "Have you ever seen anything like it?" Josh was like a 10-year-old kid with a new bike. "And Dad, this series is over. The Rangers can't come back from a defeat like this. There is no way they can win game seven." I lay awake long after he hung up replaying game

six of the 1985 World Series. The Cards seemingly had that game won when umpire Don Denkinger blew a call at first base, which gave the Kansas City Royals the game. The Cards, with victory snatched from them, put up very little fight in game seven and were soundly defeated. Josh was right, this series was going to the Cardinals.

Baseball is an amazing game. No clock. No time limits. My mind instantly dialed up 1964. The Cards came from way back in the pack to win the pennant on the last day of that season, and beat the Yankees in the World Series. I was as excited as a ten-year-old with a new bike. I drifted further back to an old stand up Zenith radio that brought the Cardinal games into our living room before TV, Sputniks and microwaves. Daddy pulled his chair up close; we would gather around at his feet and hold our collective breaths as Stan Musial, Rip Repulski or Wally Moon battled Warren Spahn, Robin Roberts or Joe Nuxhall in the late innings of a tight contest.

You could walk to town on Saturday afternoon and keep up with the game. You wouldn't hardly miss a pitch. Each house had the game blasting away. If either team had runners on base, we might linger in a yard to see if anyone scored. Harry Caray, the venerable Cardinal announcer, kept us abreast

of score, inning, hitter, weather, fan activity, wind direction, cloud movement and how the rival Brooklyn Dodgers were fairing on any particular day.

Life wasn't complicated by "political correctness," scud missiles, Fannie Mae or Homeland Security alerts. Baseball was timeless. Symmetrical. Endearing. Constant. Seamless. I've seen life hang in the balance in that split second as we waited on a call on a close play at second. I've known grown men to leap for joy over a diving catch in right. I've seen little league mothers' hands at their throats, a prayer on their lips as their pride and joy toed the rubber or settled into the batter's box. I've rounded first base with the wind in my face....

I don't care how mad Leon, David Mark and I were at each other over whose turn it was to rake or mow or feed up. Put a baseball in our hands and all was forgiven. I wish I had a nickel for every hour we spent in that backyard throwing ground balls to each other. On this sleepless night, I thought of Jackie Burns, Bobby C. Melton and his little brother, Don. I thought of Chick King, Bobby Jack Cantrell and the Paschall boys, Buddy Wiggleton, Johnny Stoker, Deake Bradley and Roger Williams. Listen, a hundred names rolled over in my mind. Way more than just friends; we had played baseball together! We had pulled for the Cardinals together!

I thought of a long-ago

high school girlfriend who insisted I take her to the dance over at the Lexington National Guard Armory on Friday night instead of playing in a baseball game up in Murray, Kentucky. Listen, you talk about a short-lived romance! Baseball was serious business for us. And what a common denominator! A tie that binds forever.....

Jess called before sunup. I hadn't slept more than an hour. "Dad, was that not the greatest game you ever saw?" John Stewart sent an email congratulating ME on the Cardinal win. You think about that! Deake checked in. Chick called. Leon wrote a story on how God was a Cardinal fan that dwarfs my little effort here. Cathy's brother-in-law wore his Cardinal "Sunday" hat to the Arkansas-Vanderbilt football game. It's been a week now, and the calls and letters keep pouring in. It's way more than a St. Louis Cardinal World Series victory. It evokes a lifetime of memories, friendships, close plays, heartaches, triumphs and wonderful afternoons with the smell of leather in the air and the crack of the bat breaking the stillness. Baseball and best friends have intertwined down through the ages.

You realize it's not about one win. It's about the game. It's about the people along the way. A thousand faces that touched my life in some shape, form or fashion have flashed across my mind since Allen Craig caught the last out. And that, dear hearts, makes me a World Champion!

Respectfully,
Kes

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Dear Editor,
I know most of us now days have grown tired to listening to all the volatile political campaigning that has so saturated our culture these days. Nowadays, there seems to be a contagious kind of hate and rage aimed at anybody that has a different opinion. One in particular is the new federal Health care Act, often referred to as Obama Care. The misinformation out there is creating great harm to those most vulnerable. Yes, I am not comfortable with all the aspects of the act, but one part of it is already available to help people and is being silenced by all the rhetoric.

In this age of daily sound bites spun out by politicians, many things that are said are accepted as fact by the public. It also seems to me, in hindsight, that we learn many things have no basis of fact or have been presented with distortion. It seems the ones that spread like wildfire are often the ones that hurt the public the most because we accept these statements from our leaders and don't ask the pertinent questions our founding fathers expected us to ask of our elected leaders.

My ancestors settled in this country in 1632, and many became prominent leaders in creating our free society, and one was even involved in signing our Constitution. I believe they wanted to make sure we all have a right to free speech. They helped create a society "of the people, for the people" to protect all of us, at all levels of our society, and our politicians seem to

have forgotten that these days. I guess my heritage has taught me that if one person doesn't speak up when they see something wrong, then we have all lost our freedom. Over the years, I have paid the price for rocking the status quo, but that is the price of my freedom and yours. We are all one people, not Republicans or Democrats, liberals or conservatives, poor or rich. What has set us apart from the rest of the world is that we care about our fellow man. I offer the following information from personal experience in an effort to help my neighbors, with no political agenda - so please don't send the hate letters. Just pass this on to your neighbors and family in need.

We in the Panhandle have seen our share of financial of misery in the last few years. And how many of you had to drop health insurance coverage because of it and then develop a pre-existing condition? I was one of those people. Being diagnosed with cancer, and also being too young for Medicare coverage, I exhausted my savings and still needed surgery and further treatments. I spent many frantic days and sleepless nights getting no real direction or help from local agencies.

Some professionals, like hospital social workers, are aware of available health coverage under the Health Care Act, but are not allowed to discuss it with you unless you initiate the conversation. Yes, our government is already offering us health insurance, Congress okayed that under the new Health Care, but did not provide any money for advertising its existence and I find that shocking. It is excellent insurance and our politicians should

know, they are covered by it. I guess they just don't want to speak about it because it is a political hot potato in an election campaign.

But, it turned out I was lucky enough to find out about the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP) that is provided through the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services and administered by GEHA (Government Employees Health Insurance) in more than 20 states. It is very affordable for many people.

If you have a Pre-Existing condition, have not had health insurance for six months, provide a letter from your insurance agent that you have been denied insurance and are a citizen or national of the United States or are residing in the U.S. legally, you are eligible. It is an easy process to apply for. You can do it online at www.pciplan.com or by phone 1-866-717-5826 or read about all your options in clear everyday language.

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Please pass this information on to people you know that are ill and need coverage. It is what my grandfathers would have expected of me as an American.

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Marie Steele
Indian Pass

Happy Veterans Day

By Ed McAteer
Contributing Writer

It is that time of year again to pay tribute to the brave men and women who have given so much to pay for the freedom that we enjoy today.

We should all remember that freedom is not free, and we should never forget those veterans who have served this nation. Some served in peacetime and others during war.

There have been those who were prisoners of war, missing in action or killed in action. For those missing in action and unaccounted for, we should do everything as Americans to help bring them home. They deserve no less than to rest in, or stand on, American soil. Haven't they waited long enough?

May we always be humbly grateful to those American patriots who suffered and sacrificed for the glory of God and for the freedom of all Americans. For those who have served in peacetime, and to those who have seen the terror, the horror and inhumanity of combat, and to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Let it be said that our military members have always been there for America, defending the Constitution of the United States.

To all our veterans, I have a simple yet heartfelt message: thank you. Thank you for your unwavering service to this nation and throughout the world.

I want to share with you a letter written a few years back by a marine stationed out in San Diego. Enjoy.

"Dear Ma and Pa,
I am well and hoping you are too. Tell Walt and Elmer, the Marine Corps beats working for that old man Jones by a mile. Tell them to join up quick before all of the places are filled. I was restless at first because you stay in bed to nearly 5 a.m., but I'm getting used to sleeping in. Tell Walt and Elmer all you do before breakfast is smooth out your cot and shine a few things. No hogs to slop, feed to pitch, mash to mix, wood to split or fire wood to lay. Practically nothing. Men have to shave, but it's not so bad, there's warm water. Breakfast is strong on trimmings like fruit juice, cereal, eggs, bacon, etc., but kind of weak on chops, potatoes, ham, steak, fried eggplant, pie and other regular food. Tell Walt and Elmer you can always sit by the two city boys who live off coffee. Their food plus yours holds you until about noon. Then you get fed again. It's no wonder the city boys can't walk much. We go on long "route marches," which the platoon sergeant says are long walks to harden us. If he thinks so, it's not my place to tell him different. A route march is about as far as it is to our mailbox. Then the city guys get sore feet and we all ride back in trucks. The sergeant is like schoolteacher. He nags a lot. The captain is like the

school board. Majors and colonels just ride around and frown. They don't bother you none.

This next thing will kill Walt and Elmer with laughing. I keep getting medals for shooting. I don't know why. The bulls eye is near as big as a chipmunk's head and don't move, and it ain't shooting at you like them Hogget boys at home. All you got to do is lie there all comfortable and hit it. You don't even load your own cartridges. They come in boxes. Then we have what they call hand-to-hand combat training. You get to wrestle with the city boys. I have to be real careful though, they break real easy. It ain't like fighting with that old bull at home. I'm about the best they got except for that Tug Jordan from over there in Calhoun County. I only beat him once. He joined up the same time as me, but I'm only 5 feet 6 inches tall and 130 pounds. He is 6 foot 8 inches, and near 300 pounds dry.

Be sure to tell Walt and Elmer to hurry up before all the other fellows get onto this setup and come stampeding in.

Your loving daughter,
Alice."

May we always be humbly grateful to those brave American patriots who suffered and sacrificed for the glory of God and for the freedom of all Americans.

Happy Veterans Day!

Ed McAteer is a resident of Port St. Joe.

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of the shades of red? Well these are the folks that you do want to be around. They are "genuine reds."

With genuine reds, you can't tell by the shoes on their feet. They may be boots, they may be dress shoes, they may be tennis shoes or they may be high heels (women). So don't be concerned about the shoes on their feet.

If the genuine red has a chainsaw and/or a truck, the chances are he or she has had it a long time. It might even have been their father's. Genuine reds take care of things. If they have a four-wheel drive, it's because they need a four-wheel drive. If the genuine red has a rodeo belt buckle, he or she either earned it or it was earned by their Uncle Roy or Aunt Sally. The bottom line is that if a

genuine red didn't earn it, they don't want it.

Genuine reds play country music if that's their cup of tea, but they aren't afraid to listen to something else. They know Elvis is dead, but they will say "anything is possible," if it makes their mother feel better.

Being in the middle of the shades of red is about balance and about not having to put a bunch of bumper stickers on your truck or car to say who you are. These people show you who they are without "showing you."

If a genuine red comes up on a fellow having car trouble in the dark of night, they might ease up beside the fellow and crack the window, then offer to let them use their cell phone. Also, they might sit there

until someone else shows up. If they know what they are doing (and only if they know), they will help the fellow.

It takes all kinds, but you want a lot of genuine red friends to depend on, a few pinkies to feel sorry for and one or two mahogany reds for entertainment and to point at and say, "You give the rest of us a bad name."

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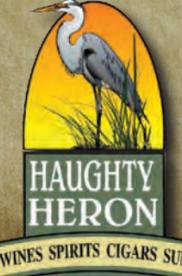


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are going to do here for caring for the youth. I commend the North Florida Child Development Board for having a vision. There is no vision more important than how we care for our children. I applaud the community.”

And it was a community effort, the community boundaries extending all the way to Washington, D.C., Gaskin noted.

The biggest piece of the puzzle was a \$2.1 million loan and \$180,000 grant from USDA Rural Development.

“Our agency starts with the ground work to build communities on their feet and moving forward. When this thing is finished this will be North Florida’s

shining example.”

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services chipped in \$867,000 in grant funds, the St. Joe Company, city and county worked together to provide the land, about two acres which is part of a hoped-for recreational complex.

The Florida Department of Community Affairs Community Development Block Grant of \$600,000 was used to create Field of Dreams Avenue and install other infrastructure, \$294,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development was used for planning and design and \$122,500 came from NFCD.

On top of that were several private sector contributors beyond the St. Joe Company and the Jessie Ball DuPont Foundation, and NFCD held several fundraising events



Photos by TIM CROFT | The Star

The new North Florida Child Development center, the first new school in the county in 40 years, is expected to be finished sometime in late 2012.

locally, the biggest being a golf tournament that raised more than \$5,000.

And noteworthy is that the project is coming in under budget and likely to return about \$400,000 to Rural Development, Macheck said.

“Without coordination of all these players ... there would not be the realization of this dream today,” Gaskin said.

While she deferred much of the credit to others who in turn noted her tenacity, passion and drive in seeing the project to fruition, it was Gaskin, said Damon McNair, chairman of the board of NFCD, who picked up the gauntlet the board had thrown down for a new Head Start center and ran.

Port St. Joe Mayor Mel Magidson recalled a phone call he got from Gaskin shortly after he was first elected to office in 2007.

Gaskin wanted a meeting to discuss what Magidson called “this hair-brained, cockamamie idea.” He invited her to his office.

“The more she talked the more interesting and inviting her idea was,” Magidson said. “That hair-brained, cockamamie idea, well, sometimes they work out.”

The new facility has long been touted by county economic development officials. Construction jobs will be created during the 12-18 month build-out and the center will create 10 new permanent jobs.

Further, local contractors, Cathey Construction, Preble Rish Engineering and GAC, were low bidders on various contracts to bring the facility from the ground.

Along Field of Dreams Avenue, where dreams are indeed coming true.



The new center, several speakers noted, would not have become reality if not for the vision and tenacity of Sharon Gaskin, CEO of NFCD.

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| East Pass | Minus 0:27 | Minus 0:27 |

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| Date | Time | Height | Phase |
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| 11/10 | Thu 05:48AM | 0.0 | L |
| 11/10 | Thu 08:30PM | 1.8 | H |
| 11/11 | Fri 06:37AM | -0.1 | L |
| 11/11 | Fri 09:07PM | 1.9 | H |
| 11/12 | Sat 07:33AM | -0.1 | L |
| 11/12 | Sat 09:47PM | 1.9 | H |
| 11/13 | Sun 08:31AM | -0.2 | L |
| 11/13 | Sun 10:29PM | 1.9 | H |
| 11/14 | Mon 09:23AM | -0.2 | L |
| 11/14 | Mon 11:11PM | 1.9 | H |
| 11/15 | Tue 10:06AM | -0.2 | L |
| 11/15 | Tue 11:52PM | 1.8 | H |
| 11/16 | Wed 10:41AM | -0.2 | L |

Apalachicola Bay, West Pass

| Date | Time | Height | Phase |
|-------|-------------|--------|-------|
| 11/10 | Thu 01:08AM | 1.5 | H |
| 11/10 | Thu 04:48PM | 1.3 | H |
| 11/10 | Thu 09:26AM | -0.1 | L |
| 11/10 | Thu 08:51PM | 1.3 | L |
| 11/11 | Fri 01:36AM | 1.5 | H |
| 11/11 | Fri 05:27PM | 1.3 | H |
| 11/11 | Fri 09:58AM | -0.2 | L |
| 11/11 | Fri 09:20PM | 1.3 | L |
| 11/12 | Sat 02:07AM | 1.5 | H |
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| 11/15 | Tue 08:07PM | 1.2 | H |
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| 11/16 | Wed 08:46PM | 1.2 | H |

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the oil spill in April of 2010, Kerigan said, adding that the Gulf County TDC believes these indicators will make for an even better 2012.

Kerigan said his focus is on building business during the shoulder seasons of fall and winter, eyeing a variety of possible events and marketing strategies.

"2011 has been a stand-out year for Pristine Properties Vacation Rentals," said Alyson Gerlach, owner of Pristine Properties.

"Thanks to the increased marketing by the TDC this year, we have seen a 42 percent increase in

revenue booked referred by (the TDC website) over the last year."

Not only has business been strong this year, bookings for next year are moving upward.

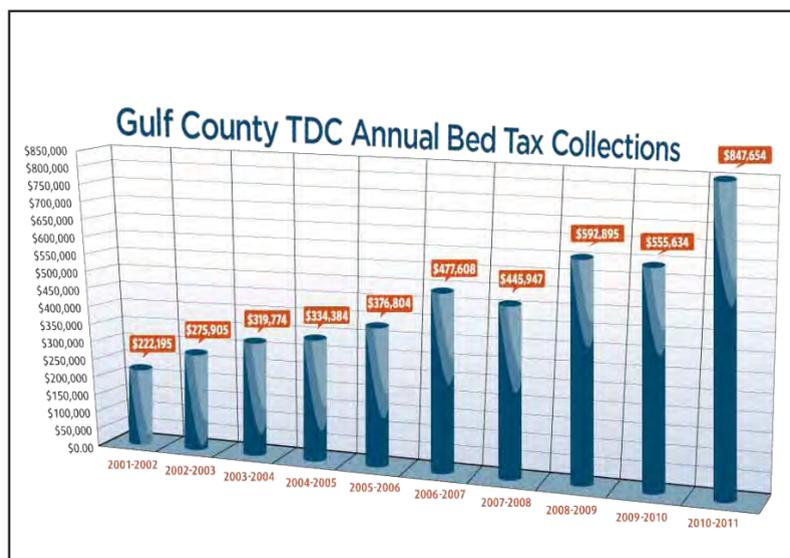
"Business has been very good and we are seeing homes booking for next year much earlier than in prior years," said Anne Anderson of Sunset Reflections Vacation Rentals. "A number of our homes are already booked for peak spring weeks and most of the summer 2012."

"We ask prospective renters how they heard about us and this year we

heard from more renters they had discovered the area through television ads and news articles in their local papers."

For the fiscal year ended Oct. 1, bed tax collectors reported total gross sales of \$22.1 million as compared to \$19.4 million the prior year, an increase of nearly \$3 million and a return on investment significantly higher than all BP and other marketing funds expended this year, according to Kerigan.

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Hubbard said the partnership would be similar to the contract the BCSO has with the City of Callaway, which partnered with the sheriff's office in 1992. He said the elected officials are using that partnership as a model for their inquiries.

Hubbard said the city will weigh the pros and cons of contracting with BCSO and examine the numbers more closely at its Dec. 13 meeting.

"Wednesday night's workshop was just to present the option," Hubbard said. "It was more of a fact-finding mission than anything."

Mexico Beach employs six full-time officers, who would all be required to re-apply through the BCSO to be considered for a position should the city contract with the sheriff's office.

Hubbard said he would like to reassure citizens that the fire and emergency services departments will not be altered no matter what the final decision.

"The fire and ESU departments have gone out and tried to drum up support from the community," Hubbard said. "Those are volunteer departments. There was never any discussion of eliminating fire or ESU."

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Panhandle fish head inland in cooler months



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

(Main) Redfish are one of the primary winter targets for winter anglers. They often enter back bays, coastal rivers and creeks and settle into deep, rocky holes where water is warmer than that they can find on the flats. **(Left)** Sand trout and the similar silver trout are also frequent winter catches, particularly in deeper channels. A small piece of fresh shrimp is usually the best bait. **(Right)** Live shrimp are the universally useful winter bait, available at bait shops when catching your own baitfish may be difficult. And nearly all fish that enter panhandle bays and creeks in winter readily eat shrimp.

By FRANK SARGEANT
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Fishing for sea trout, redfish and mangrove snapper in freshwater rivers and creeks seems an endeavor doomed to success because both are saltwater fish. But for a few months each year, there are many locations miles from the Gulf where the briny species are not only possible but likely catches.

No one is sure why the coastal species move into the rivers in winter. Some theorize that springs keep these flows warmer than the salt flats, and others suggest that the tannin stain of most Florida rivers acts as a heat sink on sunny days. There's also a theory that the cold-blooded fish move into the river to get away from warm-blooded bottle-nose dolphins, which can easily run down the lethargic fish during cold weather on the flats.

Whatever the reason, the fish do migrate to the rivers, usually beginning around the 1st of November and remaining there into March. The movement is

not limited to the Panhandle; coastal fish all the way down into the Everglades make the migration. But it's most pronounced from Tarpon Springs north and west because of the colder winters here.

Panhandle waters noted for producing good winter action, moving east to west, include the St. Marks River, Ochlocknee River and the Apalachicola River.

Off West Bay, Crooked Creek and West Bay Creek sometimes hold fish. And the long stretch of the dredged Intracoastal Canal all the way to Choctawhatchee Bay is all worth probing.

At Choctawhatchee Bay, the feeder rivers in the east end are all winter possibilities, including Black Creek, Indian Creek, Mitchell River and Choctawhatchee River. Farther west on the bay, Lafayette Creek and Alaqua Creek, Basin Creek, Rocky Bayou and Garnier Creek are worth checking.

And at Pensacola Bay, both Blackwater Bayou and Escambia Bayou are likely.

On all these waters, the fish tend to settle into deep,

rocky holes. They gradually push inland with succeeding cold fronts; the first hole near the mouth might be smoking hot after the first big November front but might be empty a few weeks later as the fish move farther upriver.

It's not uncommon for saltwater species to be found five miles or more from the nearest saltwater by Christmas, and there they'll stay until the first bright days of spring.

Dredged canals, spring seeps, ship turning basins and other deep holes also attract winter fish, as does the deep water under some residential docks. It's a matter of prospecting until you catch that first fish, then anchoring down to work the schools. On the bayous, the cuts where creeks flow in often produce.

Winter fish tend to be lethargic, and running down fast-moving artificial lures, as they will in summer, is not on the program. Live shrimp are the universal tender for winter reds, trout and snapper; tail-hooked on a size 1 or smaller hook, with a small split shot added

to get it to bottom, this bait is fished at a crawl.

Adding a sliver of fresh-cut shrimp to a quarter-ounce jig with a paddle-tail plastic grub can also work well. Keep the cut shrimp small, just enough to add scent; a piece about the size of a pencil eraser is all it takes, thus one shrimp can provide a dozen tips.

Shrimp imitations can also be effective. The DOA shrimp does the job when fished just like the real thing, as do many versions of Berkley GULP!, also fished dead slow so that the scent can reach the fish. The advantage of these lures is that they will not be nipped off the hook by the many pinfish and crabs also in the rivers in winter.

It's also possible to catch trout, sometimes very large trout, by fishing a slow-sinking plug like a 52M Mirrolure very slowly through the holes. Slow in winter is a whole new dimension, though. A slight twitch every 5 seconds or so, just enough to indicate life as the bait slowly drifts downward, is all it takes. It's a good idea to fish these lures on braid

with a two-foot clear fluorocarbon leader; the braid will help you feel the very faint "tick" that's all the indication you might get of a strike from these lethargic but hungry fish.

On Escambia and Blackwater bayous, some anglers do well on trout by fishing soft jerkbaits on lightly weighted hooks in the creek channels that cut through the bayou flats.

Winter fishing is a matter of prospecting until you strike gold. Once you're in the right spot, fishing is generally fast and easy, so keep moving, and eventually your bait will land in fishy soup.

Panfish of water

Silver trout and sand trout are species largely ignored for most of the year because there are larger and more prestigious species easily caught during the temperate months. In winter, though, silvers and sands can sometimes be the only game in town. Even on the day after an icy cold front blows through — a time when most species hunker down on bottom and seem to wait for the wind to stop blowing — these panfish continue to bite. And because there's no size limit and no bag limit, anglers who want a fish fry have good reason to target these little guys.

Silvers look much like a spotted sea trout without the spots. They are closely related to the sand trout, which also has no spots, and are sometimes found in the same areas in winter. Dr. Bob Shipp, author of "Guide to Fishes of the Gulf Of Mexico," notes that silvers are usually found in deeper water than sand sea trout and run a bit smaller — silvers rarely exceed 12 inches, while sand sea trout often reach 15 inches.

Silver or sand, they both eat shrimp like crazy, and both tend to school up in the bottom of dredged channels inshore — the deeper the better during winter. You can often find them on a depthfinder. They look like a ball of bait huddled close to bottom.

All it takes to catch them is a piece of fresh-cut shrimp, about an inch long, on a size 2 hook, plus enough weight to quickly get the bait to bottom. Some anglers hang three hooks on one rig and reel them up three at a time.

It's also possible to catch both species by vertical jigging with a Hopkins Shorty spoon, half-ounce or heavier; simply

drop it down into the fish, flip it up a couple feet, let it drop again and reel up your catch.

Cleaning these fish is a matter of a couple of quick passes with a fillet knife. Trim off the rib cage, strip off the skin by working the knife flat between skin and meat on the cleaning board and you're done.

They're usually just the right size to create instant fish fingers; dip them in seasoned meal and drop in hot cooking oil until they turn golden brown — they are tender, light and delicious, really one of the best-eating fish in the Gulf, and yet largely ignored by most anglers.

Dress for winter fishing

The coat you'll want most is the one you left at home. Dress in layers, and take along a lot more layers than you think you'll ever need if you go fishing the day after a cold front passes through the Panhandle; long Johns, insulated pants, a wool watch cap and a rain suit to break the wind will be much appreciated, as will insulated gloves and boots. Yep, it's Florida, but it feels like Maine when a 20-knot wind is blowing on a 30-degree morning. Dressing in layers allows you to strip off a few garments as the day warms — if it warms.

Sun-fishing

Occasionally, when the wind dies and the sun is bright the day after a cold front, you might luck into a school of "sunning" fish in coastal bayous and creeks. Redfish, in particular, are prone to this behavior; they'll stack up in water just deep enough to cover their backs and let the sun's rays warm up their chilly blood. Dark rock shorelines or black mud bottomed bays are the places to look for them; go slowly and quietly and wear polarized glasses.

If you find a school like this, finesse fishing is a must; an unweighted shrimp cast on light spinning tackle is the ticket; cast to the outside fish first, and hopefully you can pluck a few from the perimeter before the rest scatter back to deeper water.

The nice thing about finding sunning fish is that they will probably be there again tomorrow and the next day, so long as the sunny afternoons continue.

Autumn sunshine at St. Joseph Peninsula State Park

Special to The Star

Now that the nights have cooled down, a visitor to St. Joseph Peninsula State Park may see snakes and other reptiles warming themselves in the sun. The pavement warms quickly in the sunshine and provides warmth from underneath for the cold critters; therefore it is a favorite warming place for snakes, turtles and lizards. You may also see these animals on the trails and boardwalks.

Even though not everyone ap-

preciates these critters, please don't run over or harm them. We need to respect their place in the environment. A lot of people are afraid of snakes, but all snakes are afraid of people. Given the chance to escape from your view, snakes beat a hasty retreat.

Mice are a favorite food of owls, hawks and snakes. Hawks and owls can catch mice when they're out and about, but snakes can go where mice live. Snakes are a great defense against rodents, just ask any farmer.

Without the snakes at the park, you would be surprised at how many small rodents would be about.

So, the next time you visit St. Joseph Peninsula State Park and happen to see one of our beautiful snakes on the road, please admire them without harming them.

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Freshwater

Shari at the Fisherman's Landing reports this week from Howard Creek with good numbers of bass, but they are on the small side. Crappie, shellcracker, painted bream and channel cats are coming back to the dock in good number. Big sheepshead are still being caught in the big river on shrimp.

Inshore

Inshore fishing has slowed down. Most reports from the bay this past week were still big bull reds. Eagle Harbor and the tip of the cape have been hot spots for big bulls in the surf. A few pompano are around in the surf, and the whiting are starting to bite on Mexico Beach.

Offshore

Offshore fishing will soon be a memory for 2011. As gag grouper season comes to a close this weekend, anglers will resort to the smaller inshore species for the next 6 months. Black sea bass will make up most of the action and can be caught on most inshore wrecks to the east. Small pieces of cut bait and chicken rigs will produce not only sea bass, but b-liners and rubies as well.

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Liberty County runs past PSJ

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

As Liberty County trampled over Port St. Joe's waning play-off hopes, the visiting Bulldogs secured their own last Friday night at Shark Field.

Nine Liberty County backs gashed Port St. Joe for 384 rushing yards, and the Bulldogs shackled the Tiger Sharks, who managed just 137 total offensive yards, in a 41-6 demolition.

Liberty County improved to 8-2 overall, 3-1 in District 4-1A, with a Blountstown victory over West Gadsden Friday night ensuring the Bulldogs a playoff berth.

Port St. Joe fell to 3-6 overall and 2-2 in the district, its slim playoff dreams crushed by a turf-chewing offense that

did not punt all night.

In contrast, outside of a 60-yard touchdown pass from Trevor Lang to Ramello Zaccarro, the Tiger Sharks most consistent offensive weapon was the punting of Jarkeice Davis and, after Davis was hurt in the first half, Zaccarro, who were filling in for Daniel May.

"We were just way over-matched," said Port St. Joe coach Vern Barth. "They are a very good team that beat us in every area of the game. That is a playoff caliber team. That is where we hope to be in a year or two."

Quarterback Alex Marlowe and running back Terryal Jenkins set the tempo for the Bulldog attack.

Marlowe carried 11 times for 130 yards and two touchdowns and completed his only

pass for 18 yards.

Jenkins also ran 11 times, resulting in 135 yards and three touchdowns.

The Bulldogs' lone problem was holding onto the ball on several occasions. They fumbled deep in Tiger Shark territory in the fourth quarter and the first Port St. Joe kickoff of each half was an onside attempt recovered by the Tiger Sharks.

"We've been inconsistent on offense all year," said Liberty County coach Grant Grantham. "Sometimes we just could not get the first downs. Tonight we got the first downs, we got in a rhythm and we are tough to beat when we get in a rhythm."

"We have played good defense all year. Our offense has been explosive; just inconsistent."

Consistency characterized the Bulldog offense from the outset, their opening possession an eight-play, 72-yard march finished by a Marlowe sneak from the 1.

Roy Johnson, who converted all but one extra point, was through the uprights for a 7-0 lead.

The Bulldogs forced a Port St. Joe punt, took over at their 11 and two plays later Marlowe took an option left 84 yards unscathed and it was 14-0 late in the period.

Liberty County converted turnovers to score two quick touchdowns in the opening five minutes of the second period to assume total command.

A Lang pass that went through the hands of Joseph Love was intercepted and Liberty County took over at the Port St. Joe 34. Seven plays later Jenkins barged over from

the 5.

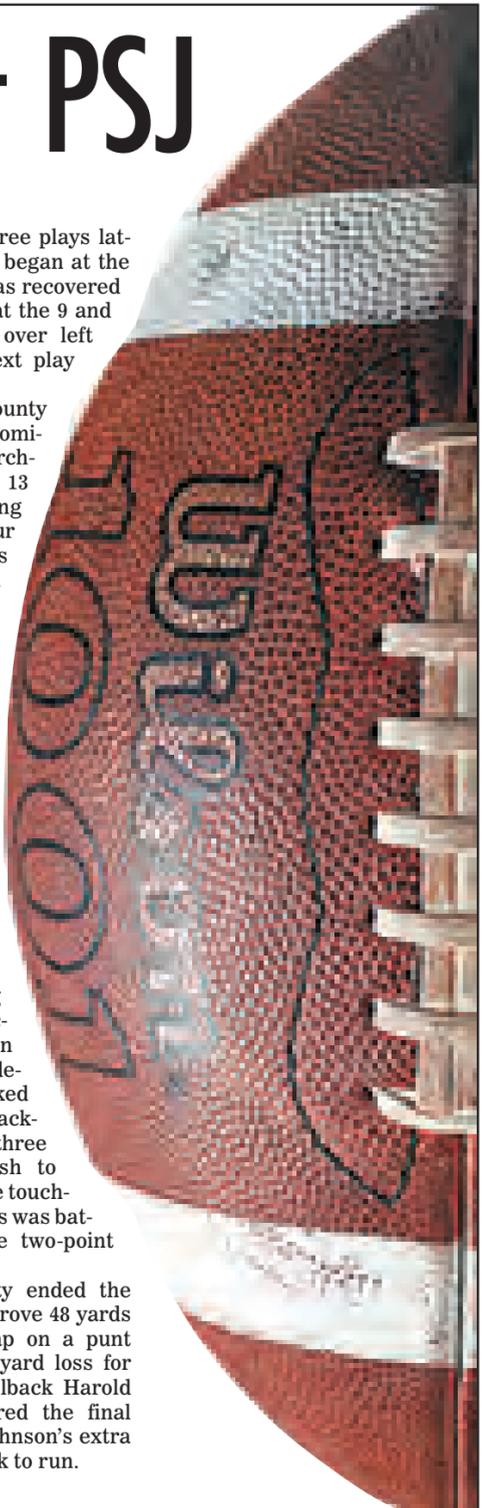
A bad snap three plays later on a play that began at the Port St. Joe 15 was recovered by the Bulldogs at the 9 and Jenkins dashed over left tackle on the next play for a 28-0 margin.

Liberty County punctuated a dominating half by marching 85 yards in 13 plays while melting away the final four minutes, Jenkins dancing in from the 2. Port St. Joe blocked the extra point and it was 34-0 at intermission.

Port St. Joe was out-gained 286-76 in the half and never penetrated farther than the Liberty County 49.

On the third play of the second half, Lang scrambled long enough for Zaccarro to get open along the left sideline. Zaccarro juiced away from two tacklers and shed three more in his dash to Port St. Joe's lone touchdown. Lang's pass was batted down on the two-point conversion.

Liberty County ended the scoring when it drove 48 yards after a high snap on a punt resulted in a 10-yard loss for Port St. Joe. Fullback Harold Armstrong covered the final five yards and Johnson's extra point set the clock to run.



Pryor makes impact felt in upset

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

Calvin Pryor has exchanged his No. 3 uniform number for 25 when making the leap to the next level, but the skills remain intact.

The former Port St. Joe High standout, making his third-straight start at free safety, had a bulging stat line after the University of Louisville's 38-35 road upset of West Virginia, ranked No. 21 in the country.

The Cardinals had not beaten West Virginia in Morgantown since 1997 and had not beaten their Conference USA foe since 2006.

Coach Charlie Strong lauded it a signature win for the program he is building at Louisville.

"That was a pretty big win for us," Pryor said during a phone interview. "Coach Strong kept telling us all week about how long it had been since we had beaten West Virginia, how long it had been since we won there, and it was a big challenge he put on us and we accepted that challenge and went out and made plays."

Pryor was exceptional on the day, recording six tackles, one quarterback sack, and one pass break-up while forcing one fumble and recovering a fumble.

Pryor is one of nine true freshmen now starting for the Cardinals, who are 5-4 overall and 3-1 in conference play. Coincidentally or not, the Cardinals are on a three-game winning streak with Pryor starting in the defensive backfield.

Pryor started with a chuckle, that his record was 3-0.

"It was a promotion," Pryor said of his rise to top of the depth chart. "I had some snaps in the game before



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Calvin Pryor, No. 25, filled up a stat line during the University of Louisville's upset of a ranked West Virginia last Saturday.

(the last three) and played pretty well and the coaches said they would see how the week went with practice and make a decision.

"I just kept working hard and moving up. Now I am going out and just trying to make plays."

That he is starting as a true freshmen, while at a FBS school, was all part of the plan when Pryor accepted a scholarship offer from Louisville.

"That was another reason I came here, was the chance to play right away," Pryor said. "Coach Strong told a lot of us freshmen that we are a young team and we would have a chance to contribute."

Pryor has grown, he said, in size, speed and strength, but also in his understanding of the game that is his passion.

"I really thought I knew about football at Port St. Joe, but (the coaches at Louisville) have taken it to another level with all the

film study, the weight room and work we do," Pryor said. "The coaches prepare us so well, we know what the opponent is going to try to do and we can just go out and make plays."

Pryor said he was also not surprised by either the demands on his time from football and school — this interview was balanced between class times — or the emphasis on personal accountability Strong brings to the equation.

"I pretty much understood that when I came here," Pryor said. "That is one thing the coaches really stress. You have to be accountable and responsible for yourself and your actions. (The coaches) try to make us better human beings."

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WHS Basketball Coach, Jay Bidwell, awards the championship trophy to Kim Hunter and his alumni team.

WHS ALUMNI BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Star Staff Report

Wewahitchka High School Basketball held a special fundraising event last Saturday at the WHS gymnasium. An alumni basketball tournament gathered three teams to compete. Alumni ranged from members of the Class

of 1964 to the Class of 2010. The day was fun-filled and entertaining, with the tournament championship being won by the alumni team put together by Mr. Kim Hunter from Wewahitchka.

In addition to the tournament games, a 3-point shoot-out was also

held and won by Lance Griffin, a 2009 graduate of WHS.

WHS Gator Basketball would like to thank all who participated in this special fundraising event for WHS basketball and plans on continuing this alumni tournament again next year.

PSJ Gene Raffield teams finish season unbeaten

Star Staff Report

In the 13-year history of the Gene Raffield Football League there have been many teams that have gone through the regular season undefeated. This year a new standard of excellence was established as all three Port St. Joe teams, the Dolphins, Jaguars and Buccaneers finished the season without a blemish on their record. Moreover, both the Dolphins and Jaguars were not scored on. That has only been done one time before, by the Jaguars in 2002.

Two of the undefeated teams have new head coaches. Last year Bucs head coach Jason Register was an assistant on the Jaguars. The new Dolphins head coach, Carl Hopper, was a first year Dolphins assistant in 2010. The Jaguars

are led by David Davis who has a remarkable record.

The games Saturday began with the Buccaneers dominating Blountstown 44-0. Jasmine Thomas had a 43-yard kickoff return to set the tone for the game. Trey Sanders went 65 yards for another touchdown and Jonathan Love had a 66-yard scoring run. The Bucs gained 330 yards rushing and 20 yards passing.

The second game of the day was a battle between the Jags and the Tigers with the Jags finishing on top 16-0. The Jaguar offense scored once in the second quarter when Cameron Harmon went around right end and turned on his speed for a 30-yard score. They got on the board again in the third period, this time from 15 yards out. Kendre Gant took a toss back and threw to a

wide open Jaden Grantland who made a great adjustment on the ball and tucked it away for the touchdown. The aggressive, disciplined defense held the Tiger offense to three first downs and no points. Outside line backer Jacob Kennedy made a touchdown-saving interception to preserve the shutout.

In the final game of the day the 7-8 year old Dolphins played an outstanding game beating The Tigers 20-0. The defense was lead by Keaston Hopper and De'marion Gray with three tackles each.

The big play Dolphin offense included a 65 yard score from Brenon Foxworth and a 40-yard touchdown run Josh Farmer. Quarterback Max Cargill finished the scoring with a 30-yard keeper.

PSJ Gene Raffield football teams host Super Bowl on Saturday

Special to The Star

The Port St. Joe Gene Raffield League teams, the 11-12 year old Bucs, the 9-10 year old Jaguars and the 7-8 year old Dolphins, will host and compete in the league championship games this Saturday at Shark Field.

The Bucs will play Chattahoochee at 10 a.m. ET to be followed by the Jags and then the Dolphins both playing Sneads.

All three teams are undefeated heading into this championship game but will be tested. The community is invited to watch future Tiger Shark players compete in Gene Raffield Football.



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Bunco group fishes for funds for the library

By Valerie Garman
Star Staff Writer

For this group of women, philanthropy and Bunco go hand in hand.

"It's a real diverse group

of women," Dana Boyer said of her Bunco group, which meets monthly at the No Name Café on Reid Avenue. "But the main thing about them is they're all community-minded."

What started as a monthly card game has morphed into efforts to preserve a community staple.

On Thursday, Nov. 17, Boyer's Bunco group, with help from a barrage of city

and county officials, will host a mullet fish fry to benefit the Gulf County Library in Port St. Joe.

Lunch will be served at Frank Pate Park in Port St. Joe from 11:30 a.m. until 1

p.m. ET and will consist of fried mullet, cheese grits, coleslaw and hush puppies for \$6. Deliveries can also be arranged throughout the day. All proceeds will benefit the library.

Boyer said the Bunco group has hosted three Bunco tournaments in the past to benefit the library, but with other area Bunco

See FISH B5

250 attend Bow Wow Bash

Star Staff Report

This year's Bow Wow Bash, held on Oct. 29 at the Centennial Building in Port St. Joe, was another success, with 250 in attendance to support the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society's biggest annual fundraiser.

The event raised about \$32,000 for the Humane Society, with auc-

tion proceeds at their highest ever at \$16,000.

The organizational committee would like to thank all of the sponsors and supporters that made this event a success, and many thanks to the hard-working auction committee headed by Sandi Christy. The Halloween decorations were set up by Wylie Petty with the El Governor Motel and the music kept everybody

dancing all night long.

Costume contest winners were as follows:

Best Male Costume - Bob Windolf as a Bavarian Woman

Best Female Costume - Nancy Leist as a Geisha Girl

Best Couple's Costume - Hobson and Bonnie Fulmer as ZZ Top

Most Original - Debbie Fountain as a crazy cat lady



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Hobson and Bonnie Fulmer won the Best Couple's Costume award for their impersonation of ZZ Top.



Rhonda Tull baked the Bow Wow Bash cake.



Costumes at the masquerade ranged from traditional to downright strange.



Sheriff: beware counterfeit bills

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

Gulf County Sheriff Joe Nugent said Monday beware of \$100 bills floating around the area.

On Monday, investigators with the sheriff's office took possession of a \$100 bill that would pass any initial testing but is as counterfeit as a three-dollar bill.

In fact, the bill taken into evidence on Monday, and will be turned over to the Secret Service, was rather ingeniously produced.

"We have counterfeit \$100 bills floating around, and they are actually pretty good," Nugent said.

The bill was used at a local store. It passed the pen test used commonly by merchants, in large measure because it was real United States currency — a \$5 bill converted, by methods unknown to investigators at this time, into a very beaten-up \$100 bill.

Each U.S. paper money bill has both a watermark that should be visible by holding the bill to a bright light as well as a vertical stripe that appears when a black light is shined beneath the bill.

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Full moon season in full force at lighthouse

Star Staff Report

Those aching for the resumption of full moon climbs at the Cape San Blas Lighthouse get ready — the climbs are back.

Beginning last month and continuing through next March, the full moon is worthy of calendar marking to climb to the top of the Cape San Blas Lighthouse.

The next full moon climb will be tonight. Gates open at 6 p.m. ET.

December's full moon falls on a weekend, so climbs will be Friday, Dec. 9, and Saturday, Dec. 10. All climbs begin at 6 p.m. and end at roughly 10 p.m.

No one under age 16 may climb the lighthouse. Climbers should wear proper footwear — please no flip-flops.

Only 25 people are allowed up top at one time, so it is first come, first served.

The cost is \$5 per person and includes the sunset and the view of a full moon (if weather is bad, the lighthouse will be closed).

For more information, please call Beverly at 229-1151 during the day at the lighthouse gift shop.



Bikes campaign under way

Give a child wheels, receive a chance to win a child's playhouse

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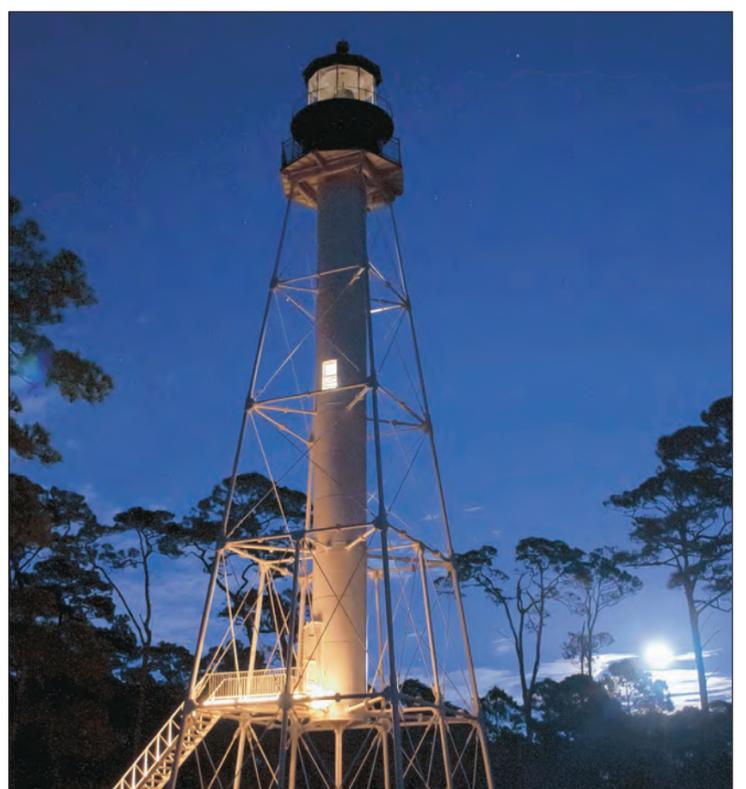
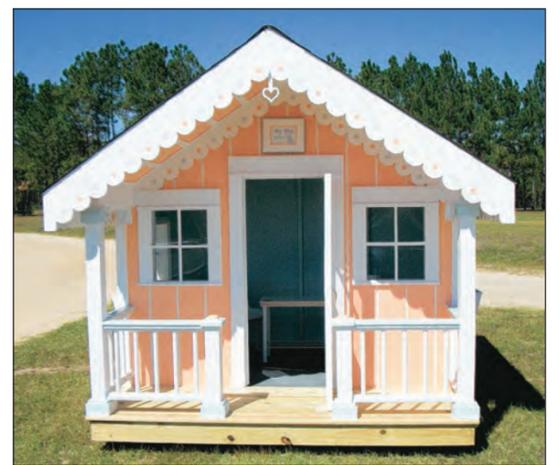
Gulf Correctional Institute's Warden Charles Halley and North Florida Child Development Inc.'s CEO, Sharon Gaskin, are pleased to announce a fundraiser for the "2011 Bikes for the Boys and Girls" in Gulf County program.

NFCD purchased the lumber for two playhouses that were constructed by inmate labor at GCI. This year there will be a chance to win a playhouse for a boy or girl if you have a winning ticket. The drawing will be held Dec. 17 after the evening Christmas parade sponsored by the City of Wewahitchka.

The funds raised through ticket sales for the raffle will pay to purchase tricycles and bikes for the needy children of Gulf County.

Tickets may be purchased in Port St. Joe at the South Gulf Early Child Development Center (call Terri Bird at 832-8275), the North Gulf Center (call Jana Miller at 832-8539), and at the central office located in the old courthouse in Wewahitchka.

For additional information, or if any organization would like to participate, contact Sebrina McGill at 639-5080, ext. 10 or email smcgill@floridachildren.org.

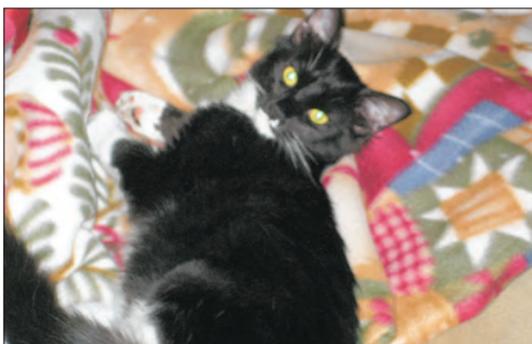


Rabies Vaccine Clinic at SJBHS

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The St. Joseph Bay Humane Society would like to announce its Rabies Vaccine Clinic on Saturday, Nov. 12. Please bring your dogs and cats for a rabies vaccination for only \$8 per pet. The vaccines will be available at the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society, 1007 Tenth Street in Port St.

Joe, from noon until 3 p.m. ET. Dogs must be leashed and cats must be in carriers. For more information please call the humane society at (850) 227-1103. The humane society welcomes everyone to visit and learn about their role in the community and spend some time walking dogs and playing with kittens!



REWARD FOR MISSING CAT

Star Staff Report

A large black and white cat has gone missing from the Eighth Street area in Port St. Joe. The cat's name is Shadow. There is a \$100 reward offered for her return. If found, please call 227-5123.

Kiwanis KORNER

By Johanna White

Here it is already November... Christmas right around the corner. October is a changing month for the Kiwanis Club; that is when all of the new Kiwanis officers take their post.

New officers are Barbara Radcliff stepping in as president; John Hanlon, vice president; Pauline Pendarvis, secretary; and Kathy Balentine as treasurer.

One of this month's program organizers was Ann Jarosz, who spoke to the club about Hospice and their "grief counseling" program. She told us about her personal

experience with the loss of her loved ones. She recommended Hospice for end of life counseling or grieving process of death of a loved one. She also recommended two books to read regarding end of life cycles; "Final Journeys" and "Final Gifts," written by Maggie Callahan (a hospice worker).

The other speakers we had was from A&A Home Health; Amy Miller and April McLemore. The ladies talked to us about home health issues especially the upcoming financial cuts to Medicare.

We truly appreciate those who come to share information with the

club; educating us on different issues going on in businesses.

We want to recognize the Key Club and Keyettes who attended the Kiwanis Club meeting(s) this month:

Key Club: Carver Clark, Blaine Bush, Jenny Miles, Alyson Harvey and Dallas Burke; Keyettes: Emerald Muniz, Kristina Furstenberg (two meetings) and Cara Gillespie.

Upcoming calendar: Nov. 15, Teen Court, Dianna Harrison and Pauline Pendarvis; Nov. 22, Thanksgiving Program, Dennis Geoghagan; and Dec. 3, Pancake Breakfast, all Kiwanis Members, Key

Club & Keyettes.

The annual Kiwanis Club "All you can eat" Pancake Breakfast, using Mark Haddock's special recipe, will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. ET on Saturday, Dec. 3 at Peppers Restaurant in Port St. Joe.

The breakfast includes all the pancakes you can eat, choice of bacon or sausage and juice, milk or coffee.

Tickets are \$5 from any Kiwanis member or contact Johanna White at 227-6268 to purchase tickets.

Your support is greatly appreciated. The Kiwanis Motto: Serving the children of the world.

Happy BIRTHDAY



CHASE VASILINDA IS 1

Chase Andrew Vasilinda celebrated his first birthday on Saturday, Oct. 22 at his home in White City.

Attending the festivities were his parents, Keith and Macie Vasilinda, his brothers Trenton, Sutton and Leelyn Rollins, his great-grandmother Toby Gay and Mr. Ben, his grandparents Ma-Honey and Papa Robert Daniels, Nana Karen and cousin Adam Rollins.

Chase would like to thank everyone, especially Ms. Shana, for the birthday love and wishes he received on his very special day.

Society BRIEFS

2011 Salvation Army Christmas Program

The application date for the Salvation Army to help families throughout Gulf County will be as follows: Port St. Joe- Nov. 8 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. ET at the STAC facility located at 610 8th St. in Port St. Joe. Wewahitchka- Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. CT at the Wewahitchka Library located at 314 N. 2nd Street in Wewahitchka. All applicants must bring the following identification: ID for you and everyone in your household, social security card, driver's license, picture ID for applicant, proof of custody for any minors. The following proof of expenses must be provided: rent receipt or mortgage payment, electric bill, gas bill, cable bill, car payment, phone bill and any other expenses. Applicants must also provide proof of income by bringing their most recent pay stub, Social Security check,

retirement pension check and/or child support check. The distribution date will be Dec. 9 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. ET from the STAC facility in Port St. Joe.

Wewahitchka Woman's Club membership social

If you would like to help make a difference in the lives of others and our community, please consider joining the GFWC Wewahitchka Woman's Club, Inc. This is an international club, with over 100,000 members around the world that are proud to say they are a GFWC member. There will be a membership social on Monday, Nov. 14 at 5:30 p.m. CT at Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church, 138 E. Orange Street, Wewahitchka.

If you have any questions about the club or the upcoming social, you may contact one of the following members: Patty Fisher, 639-9794; Dianne Semmes, 639-5345; or

Carolyn Watson, 639-3801. The members of our club look forward to receiving new members, and hope you will be one of them.

2011 Thanksgiving dinner planning meeting

There will be a meeting Thursday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. ET at the Oak Grove Church, 613 Madison St. in Port St. Joe, to plan the 2011 countywide Thanksgiving dinner.

The committee needs financial support from individuals and organizations to raise funds to purchase turkeys and hams so 850 dinners can be prepared, heated and delivered to needy people in Gulf County. Anyone who would like to make a donation is asked to mail it to the following address. Please call Jerry Stokoe at (850) 381-6122 if you have any questions. Volunteers are needed to make this project a success! Mail donations to: Oak Grove Church, P.O. Box 967, Port St. Joe, FL

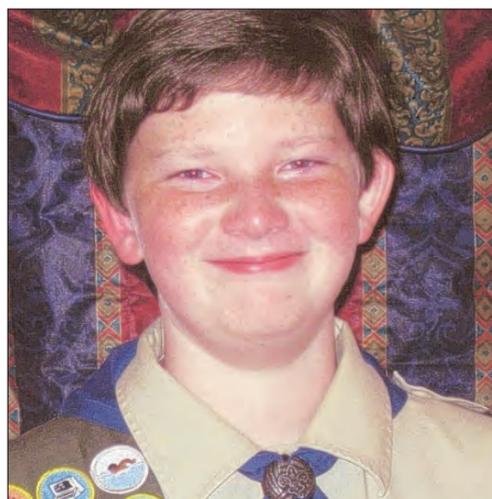
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Christmas toys and jacket drop off locations

The owners of the Pristine Pool & Supplies, Tim and Crystal DePue have made their business available as a drop off location for the 2011 Christmas Toys program for Gulf County children.

There will be a box for toys and coats and jackets available Nov. 11. Drop-offs can be made Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. ET. People Helping People will also be open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. ET on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to receive food, toys, and new coats and jackets. The items collected will be distributed to needy families in Gulf County. Please call Jerry Stokoe at 381-6122 or Erika White, executive director of People Helping People at 229-5262.

Pridgeon earns rank of Eagle Scout



Star Staff Report

Jonathon (Jon) Pridgeon of Boy Scout Troop 260 in Greer, SC received the rank of Eagle Scout on Oct. 25. The Eagle Scout rank is the highest in Boy Scouting. To earn the Eagle rank, Jon had to plan and carry out a service project to benefit an organization in his community. Jon's project involved the replacement of an entry gate and construction and installation of a message board for a pioneer farm owned by the Greenville County, S.C. school district.

Jon is a freshman at Bob Jones Academy in Greenville. He is the son of Brad and Rebecca Pridgeon of Greer, S.C., and the grandson of Ann Pridgeon of Port St. Joe.

PET OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society



MEET KODA!

Koda Oh Koda Boy How Can You Say No To This Boy? Meet Koda, a beautiful, sweet Great Dane Mix. He is a very attentive, intelligent, affectionate dog. He does very well with children and loves to play fetch. He also loves the water. Koda is playful and does well with most dogs. He weighs 68 pounds and is 18 months old. He is very toy motivated. Koda recently graduated from the DAWGS in prison program

and is available for adoption now. The DAWGS in prison program is an 8-week intensive training program in a work camp setting. Each dog has a handler, caretaker and trainer. All are inmates who are well trained themselves and dedicated to their dogs' success. Graduates of the program are crate trained, housetrained, walk well on a leash, and know many commands like sit, stay, come, and down. Dogs are temperament tested prior to admission and must get along well with other dogs and humans.

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society would like to announce our RABIES VACCINE CLINIC on Saturday, November 12th. Please bring your dogs and cats in for a Rabies Vaccination (\$8.00/pet). Vaccines will be available at the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society, 1007 Tenth St. Port St. Joe from 12 pm - 3pm. Dogs must be leashed and cats in carriers. For more information call the Humane Society at 850-227-1103!

PLEASE HELP US! If you are not able to adopt a pet then please help us save a life by sponsoring one today just Contact Melody at 227-1103 or Shelter Mom Melissa at 625-5676 for more information on how to help! You may also find more information about our other dogs and cats we have here on our website at www.SJBHumaneSociety.org. Our hours for the shelter are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 am-4 pm! Also Faith's Thrift Hut is in great need of donations also and all the proceeds go directly to support the animals in our care! Faith's Thrift Hut Has Expanded! We now have more furniture & appliances. Plus lots of other great thrift store treasures. 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!



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A lesson plan with a personal touch

Star Staff Report

Recently, 10th-graders at Port St. Joe High School had the opportunity to meet history in the flesh. After studying the novel "Night" by Elie Wiesel, a Jewish Holocaust survivor, the students got to hear a first-hand account of the service, capture and imprisonment of an America POW.

Glen Beville of Leesburg, Florida made the six-hour trip to Port St. Joe with one purpose, to inform a new generation about their country's history. Beville, a member of company K, 424th Regiment, 106th Infantry Division, began his Army service in 1943 at age 18. Little did he realize that by Dec. 16, 1944, he would be a part of the historic Battle of the Bulge. He was captured by German soldiers, and held until April 22, 1945 as a POW.

The room was completely silent for 55 minutes as Beville captivated the students with the real life details of his capture and imprisonment. Students fought tears as he told of spending Christmas night laying on the straw floor of a cattle pen, reminiscing with other prisoners about what they usually did on this night back home and



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Glen Beville and Port St. Joe High School teacher Kristal Smallwood.

eventually breaking into to an impromptu rendition of "Silent Night."

Student Jarrett Laluzerne, spoke of this particular event in Beville's story, saying, "When I think about Christmas time in my life it is impossible to imagine spending that day on the floor of a cattle stall while being held prisoner."

Beville also recounted the forced marches and

what he described as "the scariest part" of his ordeal, when he and his fellow prisoners were forcefully crammed into a windowless building which they believed to be one of Hitler's notorious gas chambers. After Beville told of the praying and crying of the prisoners while they awaited imminent death, he laughed a little as he said, "And then the water came on."

That part of Beville's story "really grabbed my attention," said student Miles Otwell. "I wondered if his life flashed before his eyes before that water came on."

After hearing about Beville's imprisonment and liberation the student's had many questions. One of the most moving answers of the day came following a question posed by Justin Hites.

"After being captured and tortured, were you ever angry about having had to go to war in the first place?" Hites wondered.

Beville's response touched everyone in the room when he said, "No. This was not a political war. This war was for our freedom, and we knew that if we lost you would all be speaking German right now." At the end of the hour

the students responded to this hero's humble tale with a standing ovation.

Finally, as the students were dismissed, all 60 made their way to the front of the room to ask questions, view and get an explanation of Beville's medals, and to shake his hand and thank him for his service and heroism for our country, to which this humble man replied, "I am no hero. I - we all just did what they asked us to do for our country."

These 15-year-old students and their teacher will be forever changed after this encounter with living history.

One student, Tanene Malone, said, "It meant so much more to hear this history from a real person who lived through it, than just reading about it in a book."

A few days after Beville's visit the students wrote him letters to express their gratitude and to let him know what had impacted them most. This Veterans Day is sure to carry new meaning for this young generation of Americans who understand, just a little better, the sacrifices that have been made in an effort maintain the freedoms that they may have taken for granted in the past.



Holiday friends treat students at WES

Special to The Star

The students in Mr. Brown's class at Wewahitchka Elementary School were surprised with a double treat on Oct. 21. Jackie Huft and Carol Vlahos from the Wewahitchka Woman's Club presented the students with an individual Fall Wreath Kit. With the help of the ladies, each child was able to create a beautiful wreath using materials

provided in each kit. And if that wasn't enough, the ladies read a story to the children and also provided a snack with a cup of apple cider afterwards.

Wewahitchka Elementary School is proud to have citizens that continue to give back to their community. If you feel a need to be loved and appreciated, call Jan Traylor at 639-2476 to set up a good time for you to volunteer in a classroom.



The Wilds: A place to get back in touch with God



The Lion's Tale

Special to The Star

The Wilds

By Kylie Skoda
Have you ever just wanted to get away from the stress of life and get to know Jesus better? If you do there is a camp called The Wilds in North Carolina. Recently the seventh- and eighth-graders made that trip to The Wilds. Being one of the lucky ones that went I found it amazing! If you think that you want to make the trip and get out of all the stress and



mayhem of life, make your next trip to The Wilds!

The Wilds

By Morgan Peiffer
The Wilds is the best camp you could ever go

to. They have an awesome zip line that takes you over the basketball courts, and it feels like you are flying. They also have a 75 foot super swing where you lay down in the harness; they pull you

up, then you free fall and swing. Another fun thing to do there is hiking to the top of the mountain and seeing the beautiful view, then swimming in the freezing waterfall water.

If you go to The Wilds a top ten must do is paintball, although prepare yourself for some major bruises. Of course meeting a lot of new people is great too, but the best thing to me was studying and learning new things about God. I witnessed a ton of other kids give their hearts to God and that is just an awesome thing to see happen. If you ever get a chance to go to The Wilds, you should take it. Have fun, but more importantly open your heart to learning more about God.



By Levi Finley and Spencer Raffield
General Information

Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Program at 9 a.m. ET in the gym;

The NJROTC wishes to thank Mr. George Duren and the staff of the Port St. Joe Piggly Wiggly for the opportunity to bag groceries on Saturday, Oct. 29. This fund-raising event earned over \$300 for our Cadet Fund, and for that we are truly grateful.

Clubs

- Nov. 9 - Keyette Pizza Palooza at 3 p.m. ET in Commons Area to raise money for "Toys for Kids";
- Beta Club Inductees - The following inductees were left off the list of new Beta Club members last week: Anna Frabel, Katie Nobles, Elizabeth Furstenberg, Dell Pickett, Lindsey Hightower, Kathleen Rish, Ashley

Kennedy, Ethan Sander, Rebecca Kerigan, Sarah Taylor, Brantley Lake and Kennedy Thacker;

- Nov. 14-18 - CFES will be holding a holiday canned food drive in all 1st period classes.

Sports

- Nov. 11 - Football, Sharks vs. Sneads at 7:30 p.m. ET;
- Nov. 19 - Varsity Cheerleaders will be attending their second competition of the season in Cantonment, Florida. Good Luck Cheerleaders;
- Nov. 14 - Jr. High Basketball vs. Cottondale, 6 p.m. ET;
- Nov. 15 - Jr. High Basketball at Wakulla 5 p.m. ET;
- Nov. 15 - Girls basketball at Rutherford 6:30 p.m. CT;
- Nov. 15 - Girls/Boys soccer at Bozeman, 6:30 p.m./8:30 p.m. CT. Go Sharks!



DAZZLING DOLPHINS

Pre-K-Gregory Dean, K-Thomas Duncan, 1st-Terry Lee, 2nd-Zoe Gerlach, 3rd-Alex Strickland, 4th-Brianna Butler, 5th-Kharisma Langston, 6th-Shad Tracy. Gee Wells was also a Dazzling Dolphin last week and his name was left off our list for the newspaper. Congratulations Gee!

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Obituaries

Martha Moses

Martha Moses, 92, of Apalachicola passed away Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, in Port St. Joe after an extended illness. She was born in Alabama and was a longtime resident of Apalachicola, where she worked in the seafood business, and she loved to fish. She was a member of the Highland Park Community Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband Jim Moses, and two sons, Jimmy and Lovett Moses.

She is survived by two sons, Lonnie Moses and wife, Sandra, and Eddie Joe Moses and wife, Wanda; two daughters-in-law, Oleta and

Glenda Moses, all of Apalachicola; one sister, Retha Adkins of Calhoun County; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday, Nov. 4, at 10 a.m. ET at Highland Park Community Church in Apalachicola with the Rev. Ray Creamer officiating.

Interment followed in Pleasant Rest Cemetery, Overstreet. The viewing was held at the church on Thursday, Nov. 3 from 5-7 p.m. ET.

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

Lorena A. Garth

Lorena A. Garth passed into the hands of our Lord November 5 at the Tucker Hospice Home in Concord, North Carolina.

Born Nov. 11, 1922 in Florence, Ala., she was a true Southern Lady in the finest sense.

Lorena is survived by her daughters, Leona Garth Fulghum and Margaret Garth Johnson; and son Jim Garth; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents Pearl and John Acton and her husband of 60 years

Hunter Garth.

Lorena was a member of the Concord Presbyterian Church but attended the Port St Joe Methodist Church for four years prior to relocating to North Carolina. Lorena lived in Florida for 22 years and was an artist, naturalist, expert gardener, taught art and oriental cooking. A devoted Republican, Army wife and mother; she influenced everyone she encountered in a positive manner.

She will be interred at Barrancas National Cemetery in Pensacola with her husband.

Carmi Birge Crutchfield Adams

Carmi Birge Crutchfield Adams (1917-2011) of Wewahitchka went to be with her Lord and Savior on Nov. 4, 2011. She was born, the youngest of 12, to Thomas and Cecelia Birge of rural Holmes County, Florida, Nov. 22, 1917. She was the beloved wife of her childhood sweetheart, the late Walter Crutchfield, also from Holmes County, for 35 years. They moved to Wewahitchka in 1943. She was cherished and loved by her second husband, the late James E. Adams, for 14 years. Carmi resided in the Honeyville community near Wewahitchka, for the past 68 years where she greatly enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and spending time with her many family members and friends. Her greatest pleasure came from having her grandchildren gather at her dining room table to enjoy a magnificent meal she had spent hours preparing for them.

She was a faithful member of Honeyville United Methodist Church for 65 years and a loyal member of Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter #229, for 52 years.

Carmi was preceded in death by her beloved eldest daughter, Carolyn Jean Strange and an infant daughter, Alice Cecelia Crutchfield. She was also preceded in death by three brothers and seven sisters.

She is survived by her sister, Esper Smith (101 years old) who resides in Newport News, Va. She is also survived by her daughter, Mary Louise Giddens and son-in-law, Herbert S. Giddens, Jr. of Monticello, Fla.; and nine grandchil-

dren: Rebecca C. Whittle of Tallahassee, Catherine and Everett Wilson, Teresa Boshell, David and Patricia Boshell, all of Deatsville, Ala., Charles and Peggy Dykes of Lawton, Okla., Lisa and George "Bubba" Stinson of Monticello, April and Jay Bidwell of Wewahitchka, Mary Beth and Dwight Smith of Thomasville, Ga., and Nancy and Adam Griffin of Tallahassee. She has been blessed with 19 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Honeyville United Methodist Church on Monday, Nov. 7, with David Taunton and Pastor Brian Turner officiating. Grandsons and nephews will serve as active pall bearers.

Honorary pallbearers will be other nephews, grandsons, and great-grandsons as well as members of Honeyville United Methodist Church.

Visitation with family and friends was held at the church Sunday, from 5-7 p.m. CT. Members of Eastern Star Chapter No. 229 conducted a short memorial service to honor her memory during the visitation. Interment was at Robert's Cemetery, Wewahitchka, Florida. Those who wish may honor her memory by making contributions to Honeyville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 917, Wewahitchka, FL 32465, or to Covenant House Hospice, Panama City, Fla.

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

Faith BRIEFS

Annual St. John the Baptist Church Bazaar

The annual St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. CT in Wewahitchka. Drive about six miles north on State Road 71 and look for the church with the red doors. This event goes beyond the average bazaar. Items for sale include handmade crafts, freshly baked goodies, homemade chili and chili dogs, and a huge yard sale.

Jean Ethridge, renowned fiddler, will entertain the crowd while Waynebow the Clown and Smokey the Bear provide enjoyment for kids of all ages. Flora Blackmon will give a floral arrangement demonstration and informational booths will be on display. Watch as local craftsman, John Chambliss, creates one of his famous Bea Be Baits, sold to fishermen all over the nation. Pony rides will be available. Children will have the opportunity to actually paint a live white pony. Youngsters will feed the hungry fish swimming in the stocked pond behind the church. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the fellowship surrounded by the beauty of thick woods lush with fall leaves. Come early and stay late!

Anniversary services at First Pentecostal of Wewahitchka

First Pentecostal Church of Wewahitchka will be having anniversary services Friday, Nov. 11 and Sunday, Nov. 13. The Evangelist will be Rev. Rick Ethridge from Paragould, Arkansas. Pastor Joey Ethridge invites everyone to attend. This is the 63rd anniversary for the church and the fifth anniversary for Pastor Ethridge.

Highland View Assembly of God welcomes guest Reverend

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In the last decade, his ministry has seen a tremendous increase in providing counseling and individual ministry to pastors and other ministry leaders. He lives a life of prayer so as to be ready in season and out. Brother Todd serves as the prophetic or apostolic overseer for a number of pastors and churches.

Pastor Gary White and the congregation of Highland View Assembly of God invite everyone to come and hear this anointed man of God. For more information, please call 229-7161.

St. James' Episcopal Bazaar/Bake Sale

St. James' Episcopal Church, located at 800 22nd Street (corner of Garrison Avenue and 22nd Street) in Port St. Joe, will hold a Seasonal Bazaar and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET on Saturday, Nov. 19.

The bazaar will include plenty of items suitable for Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas and the bake sale will offer confections galore as well as Fr. Tommy's lasagna.

Come and get your Thanksgiving "sweets" and your Christmas Gifts. Breakfast and lunch will be available.

For more information contact 227-1845.

New Horizon AA

The New Horizon AA Group's new schedule is Sunday mornings at 11 a.m. EST or 10 a.m. CST; call 639-3600.

Victoria Renee Strayer Hough

Ms. Victoria Renee Strayer Hough, 51, of Port St. Joe, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 at her home. She moved to the area 32 years ago from Columbus, Ga., and she enjoyed working as a CNA/cook, doing crafts and sewing.

She is survived by her father: Jack Strayer; her son: David Lee Griffin of St. Joe; her daughter: Tina Renee Griffin of St. Joe Beach; a brother: John Strayer and wife Pat; a sister: Shelly Knipe and husband John; four grandchildren, Michael Griffin, Ty Mason, Kelvin Griffin, and Garrett Mason; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Mickie Griffin (1994); her second husband, Ransom Hough (2008); and her mother, Letha Strayer.

Memorialization was by cremation. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Victoria Hough to Covenant Hospice, 107 W. 19th St., Panama City, FL 32405.

A memorial service will be held at sunset on November 12 at the home of her brother, John and Pat Strayer; at 481 Dolphin St, Port St. Joe.

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| Wednesday Night Supper | 5:00 - 6:15 pm |
| Children's Choir | 5:45 - 6:10 pm |
| Nursery | 6:00 - 7:30 pm |
| AWANA'S | 6:15 - 7:30 pm |
| Surrender Student Ministry | 6:15 - 7:30 pm |
| The Unshakable Truth Journey | 6:15 - 7:30 pm |
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tournament fundraisers going on this month, the women wanted to try something different.

In a plea to County Commissioner Carmen McLemore, Boyer asked him to please not cut the library's budget.

In response, McLemore offered to help host a fish fry to benefit the library.

"He said, 'I've got the nets and the boat,'" Boyer said. "When Mr. McLemore offered to do the fish fry, we jumped at the opportunity."

Boyer noted McLemore does have a backup plan in case he doesn't catch the fish.

In addition to McLemore, Port St. Joe city commissioner Bill Kennedy and Gulf County Sheriff Joe Nugent have offered to help cook and serve at the event.

"The people involved in government understand the need," Boyer said. "It helps to raise the public's awareness that this is indeed a worthwhile effort."

With less donations coming in and the cost of electricity and operations going up, the Port St. Joe Public Library has been forced to cut their hours down drastically, and Boyer prays they won't have to cut them further.

"The library is operating right now on a bare-bones budget," Boyer said. "Even though their budget wasn't cut this year, they're still just barely treading water. A library is such an important part of a community. It's just one of those basic elements."

"I don't think people understand how many people utilize that library."

Boyer said the community has really come together in the planning of the fish fry.

Half Hitch Tackle is providing a large red-and-white striped tent for the event, and Carol Dow, owner of the Fish House Restaurant in Mexico Beach, will be responsible for the side dishes. Gulf Coast Electric Cooperative in Wewahatchka is also loaning its large fryer for the day.

"Everyone has just been wonderful," Boyer said. "All these people have come in to help, making this truly a community event."

Boyer said they have already received a \$50 donation, a gesture she described as "truly amazing."

"It's going to be a lot of fun," Boyer said. "I hope everyone will come have lunch with us."

COUNTERFEIT from page B1

That stripe, which is in different positions on the bill depending on denomination, is also embossed with the denomination in letters. However, those letters are tiny and difficult to see even in a darkened room.

Many people shining a black light under the counterfeit bill, which had been pen tested by the merchant, would see the stripe and think nothing about a counterfeit, Investigator Jay Smith said, but upon closer inspection, with a magnifying glass to use, the lettering

was visible - "Five."

The merchant that accepted the bill only discovered it was fake when they put the bill, which they had questions about following the purchase and closer inspection of its condition, up to a bright light and saw the watermark - President Abraham Lincoln, the face of the \$5 bill, Smith said.

Any individual or business with questions about paper money they have accepted should contact the sheriff's office at 227-1115.



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A Public Hearing will be held at the Planning and Development Review Board (PDRB) meeting on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 8:45 a.m. EST, and at the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) meeting on Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. EST. Both public hearings will be held in the BOCC Meeting Room at the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida. The public hearings will be to discuss and act on the following:

1. Variance Application - by Kelli Newman - for Parcel ID # 03756-000R - Located in Section 31 Township 6 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida - Encroach 8' into the 20' road setback for W US 98 to comply with CCCL.
2. Public and Open Discussion
3. Staff

The public is encouraged to attend and be heard on these matters. Information prior to the meeting can be viewed at the Planning and Building Department at 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Room 312.

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Governor reshapes Port Authority board

By Tim Croft
Star News Editor

Gov. Rick Scott, who has championed the state's ports as economic engines, recently appointed to new members and re-appointed one veteran to the Port St. Joe Port Authority.

Johanna White, chairwoman of the Port Authority, was reappointed to another four-year term while Leonard Costin and Jessica Rish were appointed to seats previously held by Johnny Mize and Allen Cox, respectively.

"The new appointees bring new ideas and a different perspective," said Tommy Pitts, executive director of the Port Authority. "We appreciate the leadership of the former members, but the new members will bring a new perspective. They will bring enthusiasm to the board."

Costin will certainly bring that enthusiasm. During an interview, he rattled off a number of initiatives he would like to see the port undertake as well as a desire to form a citizens committee to advocate for the port.

"As so goes the port so goes Port St. Joe, that's the way I feel about it. I am very passionate about the port," Costin said. "The port is the greatest asset in Port St. Joe, and we need to get everybody in the community on board. We are moving forward."

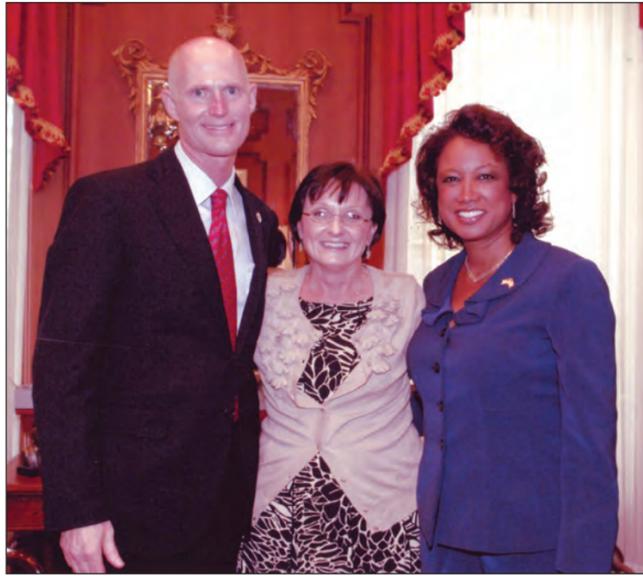
The Port of Port St. Joe is one of 14 deepwater ports in the state and the only one that has not been developed.

Costin, 69, has been a self-employed certified public accountant since 1972. He served in the United States Navy from 1962 to 1967 and received his bachelor's degree from Georgia State University. His term ends July 18, 2015.

"I'm real excited, but I am probably going to stir things up on the board," Costin said. "We've got to get out there and get some

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Leonard Costin
member, Port St. Joe Port Authority



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Johanna White had a lengthy interview with Gov. Rick Scott and Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll before her reappointment as chairwoman of the Port Authority.

that went nowhere.

At the same time, the Port of Port St. Joe has completed a barge bulkhead along the Intra-coastal Waterway and purchased the old Arizona Chemical site, which brings the port's acreage of ownership to roughly 100.

While the port returned the leased bayside land north of the old mill site back to St. Joe, the change of regime has the company marketing the mill site, which includes a deepwater bulkhead, and northern parcel to attract shipping and marine activities that will only help the port grow.

"St Joe has been great to work with," White said. "The new regime is great. A 180-degree turn. The Panama Canal expansion has increased inquiries and Gov. Scott is trying to get the red tape (that has hindered port development) out of the way."

"I'm excited. We have several good prospects. It's an honor (to be reappointed). I look forward to working with the new board members and the existing board members. And I look forward to getting jobs here."

That, White said, is paramount for the port, to begin the job creation that so many see as the county's best chance for sustainable, decent-paying jobs.

"We've got to create jobs," White said. "We have talked about it too long. I told Tommy I would like to see some kind of announcement (about a new port customer bringing jobs) by the end of the year. We are making progress."

White, 51, is vice president of business development for Vision Bank since 2008. Previously, she was president of Capital City Bank in Port St. Joe from 1978 to 2008. White has served as treasurer of the Gulf County Chamber of Commerce since 2010 and the Port St. Joe Kiwanis Club since 1998. Her term ends July 25, 2015.

people coming in and using the port. We have to let people know we are moving forward. We have a lot of irons in the fire."

Rish, 35, expressed the same kind of enthusiasm about her appointment and about the future for the port.

"I'm excited about the opportunity, about the opportunities the port offers and the opportunity it offers for the community," Rish said. "It can be huge. It is a great time, it's an important time for the port. I'm extremely excited because we are at a pivotal time for the port."

Rish said there is a decided learning curve, alluding to the volumes of documents — the port master plan, newspaper and magazine articles and research on past and current opportunities — but said the opportunities are there for the port.

"It has to be something that

doesn't hurt our beautiful natural resources; they have to co-exist, but there is a lot of opportunity," Rish said. "We definitely need to get any traction we can and make the right public/private partnerships. There is real opportunity."

Rish said she would like to see one such partnership with tourism stakeholders statewide, further noting that upon completion of the Panama Canal, there will be additional opportunities.

Rish is a real estate manager with Gulf Coast Real Estate LLC. She was a sales account executive for Zenith Labornet from 2006 to 2009, as well as a projects manager for Sandcastle Developers LLC from 2006 to 2008. Rish received her bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia. Her term ends Sept. 9, 2015.

White said years of discussions about the port are on the verge of paying dividends. She

said the importance of the port on economic development is evidenced by Scott's desire to speak with applicants individually, something his predecessors, former governors Jeb Bush and Charlie Crist, did not do.

She said after a conversation with Scott and Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll, she came away excited for the next four years.

"It felt good because this is my third term, and I am probably the longest serving member of the board," White said. "I feel like in the last less than two years we have made progress. We are getting a lot more inquiries."

Several factors are in play. One, the expansion of the Panama Canal due to be finished in two years and two, the more collegial working relationship with the St. Joe Company following years of visioning about the port

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36149S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

LNV CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

vs

RIVERFRONT PROPERTIES, INC.; GARY R. RHINEHEART; HARRY A. SCHULTZ; WINDMARK INVESTMENTS, LLC; GEORGIA COMMERCE BANK; WINDMARK BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.; and UNKNOWN TENANT, Defendants.

CASE NO. 2010-CA-000363CA

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in this cause on October 18, 2011, the Clerk will sell the Property situated in Gulf County, described as:

Lot 27, Windmark Beach, according to the map or plat thereof,

as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 1, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida.

(the "Property") at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. ET, on the 17th day of November, 2011, in the lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Boulevard, Port St. Joe, 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.

DATE: October 18, 2011. CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

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 immedi-

ately 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.

ROBERT W. BOOS Florida Bar No.0558079 DEBORAH H. OLIVER Florida Bar No.0485111 STEPHANIE M. MARTIN Florida Bar No.0030585 Adams and Reese LLP 101 E. Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 4000 Tampa, Florida 33602 Telephone: (813) 402-2880 Attorneys for Plaintiff November 3, 10, 2011

36189S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

JAMES B NUTTER & COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST MARGIE O. SMITH A/K/A MARGIE ODEAN SMITH A/K/A MARGIE D. SMITH A/K/A MARGIE SMITH, DECEASED, et al, Defendant(s).

CASE NO.:

23-2011-CA-000307 DIVISION:

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST MARGIE O. SMITH A/K/A MARGIE ODEAN SMITH A/K/A MARGIE D. SMITH A/K/A MARGIE SMITH, DECEASED

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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, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

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

in GULF County, Florida:

LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK D OF C. F. HANLON SUBDIVISION NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE(S) 42, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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 Florida Default Law Group, 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 thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Star.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 19th day of October, 2011. Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk of the Court By: BA Baxter As Deputy Clerk

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in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Gulf County Courthouse #850-229-6113 (TDD)

Florida Default Law Group, P.L. PO. Box 25018 Tampa, Florida 33622-5018 F11021934 November 3, 10, 2011

36205S

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

CENTENNIAL BANK, an Arkansas banking corporation, successor in interest to Coastal Community Bank, DBA Coastal Community Mortgage, a Florida Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

VS.

KENDALL D. CRAWLEY, and WATAPPO PRESERVE OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC. Defendants. CASE NO: 11-211-CA

NOTICE OF ACTION

the following real property in Gulf County, Florida:

Lot 143, Wetappo according to plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 36 through 42 of the 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 Barbara Sanders, Sanders and Duncan, P.A., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 157, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, on or before December 5, 2011, and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED on October 24, 2011.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk November 3, 10, 2011

36221S RE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FROM ACCOUNTING FIRMS To Whom It May Concern: The Port St. Joe Port Authority (Port) is currently requesting proposals from interested

and qualified Certified Public Accounting firms, registered and licensed under the laws of Florida, to provide auditing services.

The selected firm will be required to perform an annual audit of the Port's financial activities in accordance with generally accepted standards, with Government Accounting Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and with Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida.

The selected firm will be engaged for a term of three years. The proposal is to include the fee for the first year and the services will begin with the annual audit of the prior fiscal year of October 1, 2010, through September 30, 2011. In August 2012 and August 2013, the Port and the selected firm will review the scope of services and the fee for the second and third years respectively.

In addition to the fee for the first year, proposals are to include (1) statements of qualifications for the firm and its principals who will be responsible for providing the services and (2) statements of experience in providing similar accounting services to governmental entities. Proposals are to be

marked with "RFP Audit Services" and received by the Port by noon, Thursday, November 10th. After that deadline Port staff will open the proposals and assemble them for consideration by the Port Commissioners at the Authority's meeting on Wednesday, November 16th. The Port's address is 206 Monument Avenue, Port St. Joe, FL 32456. The phone number is 850-229-5240 should there be any questions. Thank you for your interest in providing auditing services to the Port St. Joe Port Authority. November 3, 10, 2011

36233S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF JAMES THOMAS McNEILL, SR. Deceased. File Number 11-13PR

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION The administration of the estate of JAMES THOMAS McNEILL, SR., deceased, whose date of death was July 4, 2010 and whose social security number is XXX-XX-XXXX, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gulf County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456.

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The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE BARRIED

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRIED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is November 3, 2011.

Personal Representative: BETTY L. MCNEILL, 1031 Indian Pass Rd. Port St. Joe, FL 32456 Attorney for Personal Representative: Charles A. Costin, Florida Bar No. 699070, Post Office Box 98, Port St. Joe, FL 32457 Telephone: (850) 227-1159, November 3, 10, 2011

IN RE: ESTATE OF Samuel Berkheiser Deceased.

File No. 2011-76-PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Samuel W. Berkheiser, deceased, whose date of death was January 21, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Gulf County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this

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court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRIED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRIED.

The date of first publication of this notice is November 3, 2011.

Personal Representative: Samuel W. Berkheiser, Jr., 40 5th Street Apalachicola, FL 32320 Attorney for Personal Representative: Max W. McCord, Florida Bar No. 28119, 105 West 5th Street Panama City, FL 32401 (850) 640-1131 November 3, 10, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to GULF STATE COMMUNITY BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHARLES HENRY GALLOWAY and MICHAEL TAD WARFEL Defendant(s)

CASE NO.: 10-000401-CA

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Gulf County, Florida described as:

Lot Three (3), HOG WILD SUBDIVISION as per official plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 19, 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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 27th day of October, 2011.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

Steve M. Watkins, III FBN: 0794996 41 Commerce Street Apalachicola, FL 32320 (850)653-1949 November 10, 17, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 11-135-CA

CAPITAL CITY BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

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BARBARA STOKES; VILLAGE GREEN BY THE SEA SUBDIVISION PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; and UNKNOWN TENANTS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Franklin and Gulf Counties, Florida, described as:

Franklin County Properties: Lot 41, VILLAGE GREEN BY THE SEA-PHASE II, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page(s) 17, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

Lot 40, VILLAGE GREEN BY THE SEA-PHASE II, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page(s) 17, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

Gulf County Property:

Lot 18 and a portion of Lot 19, Block 4, WARD RIDGE FLORIDA UNIT TWO according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 4, in the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the North corner of Lot 19, Block 4, WARD RIDGE FLORIDA UNIT TWO; thence along the North boundary line of Lot 18, N84°11'12"E, 127.87 feet to the iron rod and cap marking the Northeast corner of said Lot 18; thence along the East boundary line of said Lot 18, S20°58'22"E, 105.34 feet to an iron rod marking the Southeast corner of said Lot 18, said corner being on the Northern right of way line of Ramsey circle and a non tangent curve concave to the Southeast; thence West along said right of way line, along said curve, having a radius of 40.00 feet, a central angle of 116°30'41" for an arc length of 81.34 feet (chord to said curve bears S65°43'18"W, 68.03 feet); thence leaving said right of way line S87°53'39"W, 102.47 feet to a point on the West line of Lot 19; thence along said West line N00°00'00"E, 117.17 feet to the Point of Beginning.

at public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the steps of the Gulf County Courthouse, Port St. Joe, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. ET on December 1, 2011.

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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 27th day of October, 2011.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT BY: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

Steve M. Watkins, III FBN: 0794996 41 Commerce Street Apalachicola, FL 32320 (850)653-1949 November 10, 17, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor in interest to COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

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RAYMOND E. GOOD, FISERV TRUST COMPANY, as trustee for the benefit of DAVID L. GOOD, DAVID L. GOOD, individually, and JANET L. GOOD, individually, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

CASE NO. 2010-399-CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 25, 2011, and entered in Civil Action No. 2010-399-CA of the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein the parties were the plaintiff, CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor to COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK, and the defendants, RAYMOND E. GOOD, FISERV TRUST COMPANY, as trustee for the benefit of DAVID L. GOOD, DAVID L. GOOD, individually, and JANET L. GOOD, individually, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the 1st day of December, 2011, at the front door of the Gulf County Courthouse, Port St. Joe, Florida, the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

Lot 2, BLOCK 49, OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL MAP ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF 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 27th day of October, 2011.

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk Of The Circuit Court By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, P.A. 1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 Telephone: (954) 453-0365 Facsimile: (954) 771-6052 Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438 10-27041 November 10, 17, 2011

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RICHARD W TEETS, et al, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 25th day of October, 2011, and entered in Case No. 23-2010-CA-000265, of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC is the Plaintiff and RICHARD W TEETS, CHARLES SEYMOUR and UNKNOWN TENANT (S) 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 on the 1st day of December, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 2, BLOCK 49, OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL MAP ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF 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 27th day of October, 2011.

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk Of The Circuit Court By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, P.A. 1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 Telephone: (954) 453-0365 Facsimile: (954) 771-6052 Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438 10-27041 November 10, 17, 2011

363855 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

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:

BILLY JOE RISH PARKING LOT

This project includes approximately 9,400 S.F. of brick paver parking lot, concrete ribbon curb and stormwater facilities.

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This project includes approximately 9,400 S.F. of brick paver parking lot, concrete ribbon curb and stormwater facilities.

Completion date for this project will be 75 days 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 \$100 per day.

Please indicate on the envelope that this is a sealed bid for "Billy Joe Rish Parking Lot".

Bids will be received until 3:00 P.M. Eastern Time, on November 22,

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2011 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 3:15 P.M. Eastern Time.

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 \$50.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to PREBLE-RISH, INC.

The City of Port St. Joe reserves the right to reject any and all bids. All bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty days after the opening.

All bidders shall comply with all applicable state and local laws concerning licensing registration and regulation of contractors doing business in the State of Florida. November 10, 2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

FIRST STATE BANK OF BLAKELY, Plaintiff,

vs.

JERRY J. GLEATON, JR.; LUCIA ANN GLEATON; CENTENNIAL BANK, as successor by merger to APALACHICOLA STATE BANK, a Division of Coastal Community Bank; SURFSIDE ESTATES OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) I; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) II; and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) III, Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO DEFENDANTS:

JERRY J. GLEATON, JR.; AND LUCIA ANN GLEATON

YOU ARE NOTIFIED OF THE FOLLOWING:

The above-named Plaintiff, FIRST STATE BANK OF BLAKELY, has instituted the above-captioned civil action against you seeking, without limitation, specific performance of a mortgage contract or to foreclose a mortgage with respect to the following described property lying and situate in Gulf County, Florida:

Lot 29: Begin at the intersection of the West line of Government Lot 1, Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida and the South R/W line of County Road No. 30-E (having a 100 foot R/W); thence East along said South R/W line which is a curve concave to the South and having a radius of 2242.01 feet, for an arc distance of 122.46 feet, said arc having a chord of 122.45 feet bearing N81°11'37"E to the West R/W line of Moonrise Avenue n/k/a Polaris Drive; thence S00°51'50"W along said West R/W line for 90.22 feet; thence leaving said West R/W line S81°11'37"W for 122.45 feet to the West line of said Government Lot 1; thence N00°51'45"E along said West line for 90.22 feet to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING: Any portion of the following lots that may lie within the above descriptions: Lots 31 and 44, Surfside Estates, Phase 11, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 46 and 47, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida.

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED,

within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, to file written defenses with the Gulf County, Florida Clerk of the Courts, and to serve a copy of the same on the above-named Plaintiff or his or her attorney whose name and address are as follows:

MOORE, CLARKE, DUVALL & RODGERS, P.C. Attn.: Matthew E. Eutzler, Esq. 2805 N. Oak Street, Suite A Valdosta, Georgia 31602

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on October 28, 2011.

Judge, Circuit Court Gulf County, Florida Fourteenth Judicial Circuit Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk of the Circuit Court By: BA Baxter As Deputy Clerk November 10, 17, 2011

363955 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 4:00 PM EST, Wednesday November 30, 2011. Bids will be publicly opened and acknowledged, Wednesday November 30, 2011 at 4:05 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

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of Beginning.

Lot 35:

Commence at the intersection of the West line of Government Lot 1, Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida and the South R/W line of County Road No. 30-E (having a 100 foot R/W); thence S00°51'45"W along said West line for 541.32 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence N81°11'37"E for 122.44 feet to the West R/W line of Moonrise Avenue, n/k/a Polaris Drive; thence S00°51'50"W along said West R/W line for 90.22 feet to the North R/W line of Gulf Drive; thence S81°11'37"W along said North R/W line and the Westerly extension thereof for 122.44 feet to the West line of said Government Lot 1; thence N00°51'45"E along said West line for 90.22 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Lot 43:

Commence at the intersection of the South R/W line of County Road No. 30-E (having a 100 foot R/W) and the West R/W line of Beach Avenue n/k/a Pebble Beach Avenue (having a 66 foot R/W); thence S00°51'50"W along said West R/W line for 649.82 feet to the South R/W line of Gulf Drive; thence S83°30'17"W along said South R/W line for 203.80 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence leaving said South R/W line S00°51'50"W for 236.15 feet; thence S84°19'02"W for 50.86 feet; thence N00°51'50"E for 235.41 feet to said South R/W line; thence N83°30'17"E along said South R/W line for 50.95 feet to the Point of Beginning.

LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

ACCESS THROUGH LOT 35, SURFSIDE ESTATES PHASE II:

A portion of Lot 35, Surfside Estates Phase II, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 46 and 47, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the Southeast corner of said Lot 35; thence along the South line of said Lot 35, S80°20'12"W, 82.61 feet; thence leaving said South line N03°43'57"W, 32.88 feet; thence N83°32'15"E, 84.55 feet to a point on the East line of said Lot 35; thence along said East line S00°51'50"W, 28.46 feet to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

Any portion of the following lots that may lie within the above descriptions: Lots 31 and 44, Surfside Estates, Phase 11, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 46 and 47, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida.

Plans and specifications can be obtained at Preble-Rish, Inc., 324 Marina Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, (850) 227-7200. The bid must conform to Section 287.133(3) Florida Statutes, on public entity crimes.

Cost for Plans and Specifications will be \$500.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to PREBLE-RISH, INC.

The completion date for this project will be 365 days for Substantial Completion and 395 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 \$200.00 per day.

Please indicate on the envelope that this is a sealed bid, for the "Phase I Water System Improvements".

Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on December 15, 2011 at the City of Port St. Joe City Hall, 305 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, and will be opened and read aloud at 3:15 p.m. Eastern Time. The City of Port St. Joe is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Handicapped

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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, Lamar Faison Soccer Complex, 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.

BID NO: 2011-10

Copies of the Bid Package are available on the City website at 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.

363995 NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

The City of Port St. Joe is an Equal Opportunity Employer

This notice dated November 4, 2011 John Grantland, Public Works Director November 10, 17, 2011

363995 NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

The City of Port St. Joe will receive sealed bids from any qualified person, company or corporation interested in constructing:

PHASE I WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

The project consist of constructing approximately 24,100 LF of 6" PVC, 14,050 LF of 3" PVC water main, 25 fire hydrants, 2,900 LF of 2" PVC service line, and a s o c i a t e d appurtenances as shown on in the construction plans to provide water service for 610 existing residences in the Port St. Joe community.

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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.

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Nice Stuff!

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