

# Scallop season starts Sunday

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Instead of seeking a meal this year, scallop hunters might consider a different spot on the table.

Researchers with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Research Institute in St. Petersburg have completed their surveys of the bay and the survey says scallop numbers are significantly off the stocks of 2011 and 2010.

The season, said Steve Geiger with the Research Institute, might be one in which hunters might want to aim to share the crop, the goal maybe a smaller take than last year.

"Instead of going out and trying to catch dinner, maybe they ought to think about going out for an appetizer," Geiger said. "What (researchers) are seeing is way down."

The scallop season begins Sunday and continues through Sept. 10.

Each year, researchers place 20 transect lines of 300 meters in length at stations around the bay.

The configuration works like this: The first station is just off the boat ramp at Frank Pate Park and researchers work in a horseshoe around the south end of the bay and up to T. H. Stone St. Joseph Peninsula State Park.

In all, about 12,000 square meters of the bay are surveyed, a diver dipping underwater at one end of each transect and counting

scallops along the length of the line.

Last year, on average, 155 scallops were found per transect line in St. Joseph Bay. This spring, the average per line was 10.9.

"There are less over by the park and by the town, which has been the trend in recent years," Geiger said. "The grass is more lush at the south end of the bay so you would expect to find more."

"When we came back for our fall surveys, there were stations that had 600-700 in the spring and

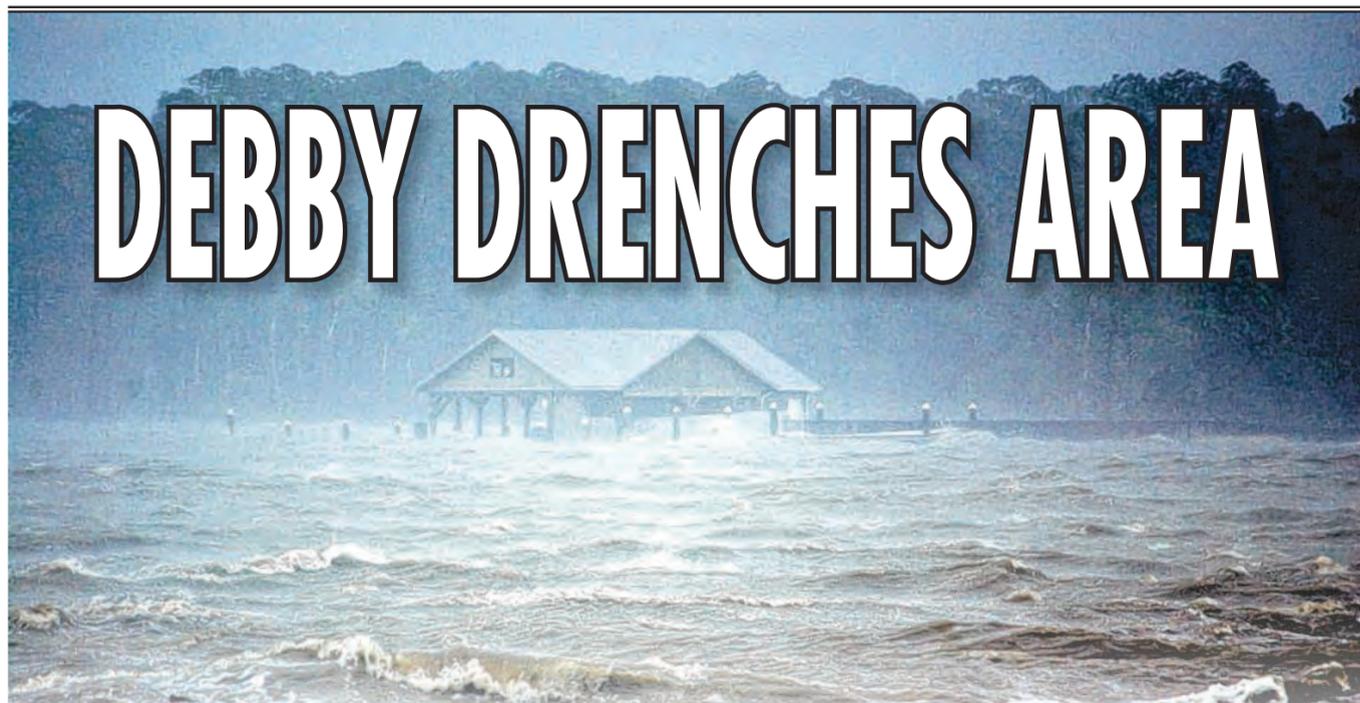
had zero, nothing."

Geiger said to attribute the drop-off to a single cause would be conjecture.

For example, he said any short-term effect from the 2010 BP oil spill would have been evident, and long-term effects, if any, would be years in assessing and quantifying.

Further, scallops, by nature, are not the easiest of animals to track, with relatively short life-spans.

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# DEBBY DRENCHES AREA

## Gulf, Franklin counties bear brunt of Debby

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It could have been worse. Tropical Storm Debby dropped copious amounts of rain on Gulf and Franklin counties, prompted evacuations and rescues in Franklin County and caused numerous power outages. But, in the words of Sheriff Joe Nugent, Gulf County dodged another bullet.

"We've been lucky, lucky, lucky," Nugent said after an emergency meeting Monday to discuss Tropical Storm Debby. "We've had some trees down, but that's about it."

Nugent, who has been in the area since 1980, said he has seen Gulf County dodge storm after storm in that time, and Debby is no different.

Despite Debby's weaken-

ing conditions Monday, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners declared a local state of emergency upon recommendation by Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson.

Indian Pass Road remained closed for most of the day Sunday because of flooding. At top, volunteer firefighter Vince Bishop shot this photo of the boat house on St. Vincent's Island from the boat ramp Sunday.

"Even though the threat has moved, we're definitely not out of the woods yet," Nelson said Monday. "We're feeling more confident that it will continue to drift east."

No evacuations were

issued for Gulf County, but mandatory evacuation orders were issued for St. George Island, Alligator Point and other low-lying areas of Franklin County on Sunday night after wind gusts reached 60 mph.

Debby was not kind to Franklin County, dropping almost a foot of rain on between Saturday and Monday.

The tropical storm, which was stationary for most of the day Monday south of Apalachicola, had winds of only 45 mph, little comfort to Gulf and Franklin Counties.

One of Debby's biggest effects came from loss of power. Progress Energy spokesman Rob Sumner reported 3,554 Franklin County customers, 737 Gulf County customers and 170 Mexico Beach customers still without power Monday afternoon.

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## Koran eyes seat for BOCC District 5

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Bill "Captain Black" Koran announced last week his candidacy for County Commission District 5 as a Republican. Bill has made significant investments in Gulf County for the past 35 years as a successful businessman and property developer of projects that today continue to provide jobs and homes for our citizens.



BILL 'CAPTAIN BLACK' KORAN

Koran is a graduate of Duke University with a degree in management science. After working as political coordinator in the successful 1976 U.S. presidential campaign, he was lured to Black's Island and St. Joseph Bay to create and operate the Boys Camp for the next 14 years, until 1991. Koran also was instrumental in formation of the St. Joe Marina and created the rental boat business still in operation there.

The Marina has since functioned as an anchor and inducement for development that has subsequently occurred all around it. Koran said he would like to help and plan for similar success throughout the county. He also designed and built Costin Airport and the Cape Plantation subdivision, as well as custom homes on the Cape.

An avid fisherman and scuba diver, Koran is personally invested in the protection of St. Joseph Bay. He was artificial reef director for 10 years and is a strong supporter of a clean and sustainable environment. Koran holds a U.S. Coast Guard 100-Ton Masters Ocean Operator License and a Transportation Workers Information Card, required for access to any port or airport under the new Homeland Security Act.

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## New Gulf County TDC director meets the board

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Jennifer Jenkins has hit the ground running.

In her first week on the job, Jenkins, hired earlier this month as the new executive director of the Gulf County Tourism Council, has immersed herself in Gulf County, how to brand and market it and, most of all, talked to residents and visitors alike about their experiences in the county

and with the TDC.

She is looking closely at marketing strategies, the board and Jenkins are reevaluating the special events grant process with an eye toward a leaner program and Jenkins is trying to establish and build a strategy for moving ahead.

And last Wednesday, Jenkins met her board in a free exchange of ideas and goals. After about 45 minutes, the agency, embroiled in controversy for months, seemed to have a different feel.

"This is like a breath of fresh air," said board member Alyson Gerlach. "With the BP money and all that, we did lose some of our identity. It looks like (Jenkins is) trying to get us back on the right track."

Jenkins comes to Gulf County with a background in tourism and marketing. She has worked for high-end resorts in North Carolina and for the Walton County TDC.

She said she understands both sides of the equation.

Priorities are several and varied.

"Branding is the first thing and we need to have a good system of branding," Jenkins said, noting the many monikers the area is stamped with, from Forgotten Coast to VistGulf to Discover Florida. "If we don't have unity of branding ... there is going to be a disconnect. There is a lot of messaging out there we need to fold in together."

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Surfers take advantage of Debby's swell Sunday afternoon in Mexico Beach.

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Many residents lost power as early as Sunday morning. By Tuesday morning, power to the majority of those customers had been restored.

Sumner said St. George Island could remain without power for several days.

"St. George Island is out completely," Sumner said. "We have three transmitter structures down in the sound."

Sumner said Progress Energy was in the process of replacing power lines on St. George Island when the storm hit. They were scheduled to switch over to the new power lines July 9.

Sumner said instead of repairing the down structures, Progress Energy will instead fast-track the replacement.

"When we get on the island, it will be a several-day process," he said. "It has to be safe for us to go in and repair."

In Gulf County, much of Debby's impact will come from a loss of beach on Cape San Blas.

Port St. Joe Mayor Mel Magidson reported a loss of about 10 feet of beach near the Cape San Blas Lighthouse on Monday.

"We're going to have a great impact as far as loss of beach on the Cape," Nelson said.

Gulf County Commissioners also reported issues with the Stump Hole area on Cape San Blas on Sunday; many of the



SYBIL KEMPER | Special to The Star

This tree fell Sunday on Lance and Paula Martina's house in Apalachicola. **Below**, Gene Hill with Port St. Joe attends to a storm drain to relieve isolated flooding Monday along U.S. 98.

barrier rocks were moved for a construction project before Debby made an appearance.

Commissioner Warren Yeager said rocks were replaced on the berm to avoid flooding and officials are working with the Florida Department of Transportation on the issue.

"We've got more rock coming in just to be sure," Yeager reported Monday.

Gulf County also experienced heavy flooding Sunday on Indian

Pass Road, causing the road to be closed for most of the day.

### Rescues reported in Franklin County

Debby churned up life-threatening rip currents throughout the Panhandle since Saturday, and on Sunday afternoon the Coast Guard rescued a family stranded on Dog Island, south of Carrabelle.

Watchstanders at Coast

Guard Sector Mobile received a call about 12:30 p.m. EDT from a man who said his family of five adults, four children and two dogs was stranded in a vacation house completely surrounded by water on a narrow sandbar at the southwest portion of the island. The man said the commercial vessel that brought the family to the island would not come back for them due to the weather conditions from the storm.

A MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter and crew from Coast Guard Aviation Training Center deployed to their location. The rescue crew hoisted and transported the family to Carrabelle Thompson Airport, where an ambulance from Weems Memorial Hospital examined the family and reported no injuries or medical concerns.

Rob Olin of St. George Island performed a heroic rescue of his own in the midst of Sunday's storm. He and his wife, Kay, had been watching a pair of ospreys raise a chick from their bayside island home when the nest fell from the tree and broke into pieces.

Olin ran into the deluge searching for the chick while the nestling's parents circled

overhead. After locating the bird, he placed it into a basket and raised it over his head.

"I wanted to give the mother hope," Olin said.

The Olins evacuated Sunday afternoon, taking the bird with them. It has been taken to the Florida Wild Mammal Association in Crawfordville. Olin said he plans to return it to St. George Island and will erect a substitute nest.



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# Tropical weather affects local golf course business

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Modern engineering and course design are of little help when a storm dumps as much rain as Tropical Storm Debby delivered Sunday and Monday.

St. Joseph Bay Country Club in Port St. Joe has been closed since the storm battered the area with high wind speeds and torrential rain. Dan Van Treese, the president on the board of directors at the club, said he recorded more than 14 inches of rain at his home.

"Certainly we had to close down, as you can well imagine," Van Treese said. "We have a lot of standing water. I went out today, and the trees have been trimmed by the wind. We've got a lot of clean up to do unfortunately. I'm thinking that at this point on Thursday or Friday we can reopen."

Van Treese said the middle of the fairways and greens are drying quickly, but the rough and sand traps remain water-logged. He said course officials had been keeping an eye on the storm as it approached.

"Just like at home, you put away every loose piece of equipment, every loose piece of furniture around the patio and pool. We put the carts in the cart barn and try to protect everything as best as possible. ... As far as preparation, that's about all you can do and hope for the best."

Longtime area residents are well aware that just a few miles separating locations where a storm makes landfall can make a huge difference in terms of conditions and damage. Bay County certainly didn't escape all harm when Hurricane Ivan hit the Panhandle in 2004, but the damage was considerably less than that in Pensacola, where the storm came ashore.

While Debby punished the Big Bend

region and other areas of the state, golf courses in Bay County fared much better.

"It disrupted play a little bit on Sunday and Monday," said Jim Carlisle, general manager at Holiday Golf Club in Panama City Beach. "Fortunately we got less than about 2.3 inches of rain. Actually, for this area, the golf courses avoided a lot of danger compared to the rest of the state. We were pretty lucky."

Carlisle said Holiday hosted "75 or 80" golfers Monday and "35 or 40" on Sunday.

"The only time we close is Christmas Day or unless there is a Category 4 or 5 (hurricane) bearing down on us," Carlisle said.

Many courses in the area have been constructed or upgraded in recent years. Carlisle said storms still can test their ability to drain off standing water.

"All the golf courses are built right, and it's the same thing at Holiday," he said. "We have drainage systems in place, but there's only so much they can handle. We do a good job as far as water run-off. But if it's an inch an hour or 5 inches in three hours it's hard to move out. We'll stay on the cart paths for a couple days, but I think we'll be off the paths by (today)."

Carlisle said course officials prepared for the storm, and they have a plan in place any time inclement weather encroaches on the area.

"A lot goes into it," he said. "When one comes up on radar, we have a list of duties we have to respond to. The main thing is to watch the weather and see which way it's moved. The closer it gets, the more we ramp up to the point where beforehand we get everything that can be blown away, tee markers, flags. We get everything secured and make sure the employees are safe. We really watch it the closer it gets."

"Something like this has more rain and wind. We got lucky it stayed off and went to the east of us."

# Top court won't hear tri-states' long-running water feud

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — The U.S. Supreme Court refused Monday to intervene in a water dispute between Alabama, Florida and Georgia that until a year ago threatened to severely restrict metro Atlanta's main water supply.

That decision means an appeals court ruling favorable to metro Atlanta will stand. Authorities in Florida, Alabama and even southern Georgia complain that Atlanta takes too much water from Lake Lanier, a federal reservoir on the Chattahoochee River, leaving too little downstream for wildlife, industry and drinking water systems.

The Chattahoochee flows south from Atlanta, forming part of the border between Alabama and Georgia. It merges with the Flint River at the Florida state line and becomes the Apalachicola River, which cuts south across the Florida Panhandle and empties into the Gulf of Mexico.

Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal called the Supreme Court's decision a victory for his state.

"We can now move forward with this issue behind us, have the governors work together and come to a long-term agreement that will provide for the water needs of all three states," Deal said in a written statement.

The governors of neighboring Alabama and Florida were not ready to concede. While the last ruling strengthened Atlanta's hand, it did not by itself address all the issues in a long-running dispute that dates to 1990.

"There are many critical issues related to reliable river flows still to be decided, and Alabama will continue to fight to ensure that downstream communities receive the amount of water to which they are entitled

under federal law," said a statement issued by Bentley's spokesman Jeremy King.

The dispute centers on how much water Atlanta can take from Lake Lanier. The city never contributed to the cost of building the dam, which was completed around 1960, because city officials did not believe water would be in short supply. Alabama and Florida officials have said Congress approved the dam so it could provide electricity, support navigation and control floods — but not supply drinking water.

Georgia officials maintain that Congress envisioned the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers would operate the dam so Atlanta could still get enough drinking water downstream from it. It currently supplies water to roughly 3 million people around Atlanta, more than half the metro area's population.

The fight became a legal crisis for Atlanta in 2009 when U.S. District Court Judge Paul Magnuson ruled that metro Atlanta had little right to the reservoir's water. He signed an order that would have severely restricted the region's withdrawals from the reservoir starting this summer to levels last seen in the 1970s — when the city was a fraction of its current size — unless the political leaders of Alabama, Florida and Georgia struck an agreement and got Congressional approval.

That decision spurred talks between the states but no deal.

Atlanta dodged its worst-case scenario last year when the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in favor of the city and tossed aside the looming water cutoff. The appeals court ruled that Atlanta had a claim to water from the reservoir and it instructed the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which operates the dam, to reevaluate a request from Georgia seeking more water.

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# 'I would call her anything'

Often, I am faced with difficult problems that are actually fun to solve. This happens at work, home and in a place in my mind that only I get to go.

For instance, I was listening to a song while driving the other day and said to myself, "She is dead on right." The singer, one of my favorites whose name was "Virginia" was talking about solving all sorts of problems. I think I even used the word "brilliant." I have this thing about talking to myself while driving in the car. Yes, I do have some issues.

My problem was choosing a title for this story/tribute to Virginia and the song she first sang in 1971. So many possibilities crossed my mind, some good, some not so good and some were plain stupid.

I considered many, but here are the five that just missed out.

- 1) "A Devil on Saturday Night"
- 2) "Better than Geritol"
- 3) "Curing Misery"
- 4) "Virginia was for lovers"
- 5) "Women Rule the World"

Let me stop and say I'm not preaching, I don't preach. I listen to music and talk to myself while driving, but I don't preach. If something is good, I acknowledge it. If something is worth remembering, I write about it.

What started this? I was driving to work with this feeling that I needed some Geritol. You know what I mean. A "logy, tired and blue" feeling hit me that is often caused by "Pale, weak blood." Mine wasn't caused by my blood. Having worked late for many nights in a row and being just plain tired was part of it.

Anyway, Virginia came on the radio and she

sounded happy and said everything was going to be alright. Having a gadget that allows me to record songs as long as they haven't ended yet, I recorded Virginia's song and played it over and over. I like her voice.

The song was actually written by the fellow who signed Virginia to her first record deal. Knowing that the song was written by a man opens up

a "wholenuther" can of worms that right now I'm just sticking my finger in.

What did Virginia have to say?

To start with she said: Good loving keeps a home together (and) good loving sure can make it right

If you never wanna be without him, it means loving everything about him

And that keeps your man around at night.

I told you she was brilliant. Some of you are worrying. Don't worry yet, stay with me.

Virginia then went on to give some interesting advice. She said, "You gotta be a saint on Sunday morning (and) a devil on Saturday night." She did this "nose twitching" thing when she said it (Mercy!). That advice is better than Geritol. Have you ever tasted Geritol? It is somewhat nasty.

Everyone wants to be loved, the devil part may be extra; I'm not sure. It's just the Southern twang in her voice and the way she rolls it out. It's definitely a "picker upper."

All of Virginia's advice probably goes both ways. Fortunately or unfortunately, I can only see in one direction (from the man side).

I'm a numbers guy, so all the time Virginia was singing, I was thinking about numbers. Was it 3, 4 or 5?

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This should be an election year where nirvana reins for county citizens and the right to vote.

With 35 candidates vying for 14 offices there is plenty of choice.

And that is just counting the local races, even Port St. Joe Harbor Pilot, which drew two candidates for an office most could not attest to even understanding.

But where there is choice, voters win.

That is what this messy thing called democracy, which we celebrate in part this coming week, is about and for those with the passion of citizenship to shape government,

here is the opportunity.

Actually it is the chance for all registered voters in the county to weigh in on how they believe things are going, providing the proverbial State of the County that can really only come from voters.

The right to voice an opinion on government, to state what is good and what is not so good about elected officials, begins with the right to vote.

It is the cherished ability to state a case and do so in private, away from pressures and special interests, for what is best for the county.

And once again, this election serves up an exhibit of why county-wide voting is needed, despite the reality that the Board of County Commissioners, in a time of austerity for governments, is unlikely to be setting aside money soon for court action to remove single-member districts.

Even a consulting attorney says such a case has a less than 50 percent chance of success.

But consider the slate of candidates and races and how the deep schism that 1982 federal decree establishing single-member districts nearly 30 years ago — a veritable lifetime — has brought to county government.

This is a year when two

## Keyboard KLATTERINGS

# The right to choose

constitutional officers are retiring, where two constitutional officers have been appointed and are seeking election by voters for the first time.

Those races, which include Property Appraiser, Judge, Supervisor of Elections and Superintendent of Schools, have drawn some of the largest fields of candidates.

Those races — along with that for Sheriff and Clerk of Courts as well as Gulf County's next State Representative and State Senator — are different, however, in substantial ways from the rest of the ballot.

Every voter gets a say. All 9,000-plus registered voters in the county will be able to have a say over some of the most important and powerful offices in the county.

Every voter in the county will be able to cast a ballot for the person they believe should be next to assess their property for taxing purposes, operate their elections, serve the county court system, provide law enforcement and a repository for all county records.

Given the events of recent years, from the oil spill to economic development starts and stops to problems with the Tourist Development Council — or, rather, the failure of the Board of County Commissioners to adhere to its policies and procedures when it came to the TDC — voters should have every opportunity to put their stamp, as only voters can, on county government.

But as to the most critical races in the county? That is entirely different matter.

Just 20 percent of the county population, one in five voters, has any say in the three BOCC seats and two School Board seats on the ballot.

The School Board seats, while important, can be categorized differently.

As long as the county operates with an elected superintendent — a relic that exists in only half of Florida's districts and just two other Southeast states in the nation — the ability of a school board member to render a

major impact is constrained.

School board members are also constrained by state policy which puts education funding overwhelmingly in the hands of state lawmakers each spring.

But those purse-strings point to the very reason county commissioners should be elected by all. They exercise, rightly or wrongly, near total control over how money is spent in the county.

Commissioners approve the budgets of constitutional officers, a dichotomy that remains astounding — five individuals each elected by just one in five voters determining the final budgets for elected officials who must answer to every voter.

This is the sort of fundamental right that fishermen have lobbied so hard and loud about for more than three years — the right to have a say in their everyday lives and livelihoods.

Somehow, wishing to have a say in how the county sets and implements tax policy and how commissioners spend those tax dollars seems an essential basic of citizenship. It did more than 230 years ago.

Through the years, voters, who overwhelmingly supported county-wide voting when most recently asked, have heard the minutia and legal arguments against redress in court. Voters have seen commissioners flop back and forth on the issue, voting to press ahead only to retreat.

There is scant doubt for many the number one issue this election in Gulf County is jobs.

In turn, a top reason that companies relocate to a given area, an expert told the Economic Development Council several years ago, is consistency in message and policy from county government.

At its foundation, in a county government divided into single-member districts, that consistency will never be achievable. Just look at a macro application of the system — Congress. And in a county of just 15,000, that lack of consistency is a disservice to the served.



**TIM CROFT**  
Star news editor

# What so proudly we hailed

I rode through town today. To honor the upcoming Independence Day someone had thoughtfully placed American flags strategically along the thoroughfare. I got a tingle at the mere sight of them. And I found myself suddenly on a hillside outside of Boston on the late afternoon of June 17, 1775.

Breed's Hill wasn't much of a knoll by anyone's estimation. Nor was its close companion, Bunker Hill, just to the Northwest. But both overlooked the busy port town of Boston. And if you were laying siege to any city no matter the cause, the high ground surrounding it was naturally prized property. More than a thousand colonial troops rushed to occupy this now famous piece of real estate. These "minute men" were, by any semi-intelligent observation, a rather rag tag group of merchants and farmers with a couple of local lawyers and doctors thrown in for good measure. George Washington, the newly appointed leader of this "continental army", had not yet reached the field. These hastily thrown together soldiers had not trained at West Point or honed their fighting skills on the legendary battlefields of Europe. Most had never aimed down the barrel of a long musket at anything other than a deer or a high stepping rabbit.

The approaching Redcoats had conquered so many nations that it was rightfully said at the time that the sun never set on the British Empire. General

Howe was about the best officer the King's Men could muster. He brought the full strength of his army against the "rebels" on that faithful June afternoon. Surprisingly, the first



**HUNKER DOWN**  
Kesley Colbert

assault was turned back. "Luck" the British general proclaimed! When the second attack was also repulsed, he declared "the sun was in our eyes"! The third attack successfully moved the colonists off of Breed's

Hill mostly because the stubborn Americans were out of ammunition.

The British claimed victory in the first pitched battle the colonials had ever fought. And if you count land taken, they were correct. But if you count dead and wounded, the story is vastly different. And if you delve a little deeper and consider the "rag tag" boys had stood heel to toe against the mightiest fighting force of the day without blinking, you have the coming of age of the American Army.

As I drove past the row of sparkling American flags on this late June afternoon in 2012, it occurred to me that those determined colonist who had pledged "victory or death" were fighting for our Flag BEFORE there was a Flag! They were wrestling for our independence BEFORE that famed Fourth of July when it was proclaimed!

It was a full year later before the Continental Congress jotted down our "unalienable rights" and adopted those thirteen rows of red and white strips with a blue field of white stars. It wasn't until 1814 as

Fort McHenry withstood another British siege that Frances Scott Key penned "O say does that star spangled banner yet wave....."

I knew there was something special about this flag in the first grade. I didn't, at the time of course, know Valley Forge from the Halls of Montezuma. I'd never heard of Paul Revere, Ben Franklin or Thomas Paine. If someone had said to me "we must all hang together or assuredly we shall all hang separately" I wouldn't have had a clue what they were talking about. The Battle of New Orleans, Gettysburg, San Juan Hill, Guadalcanal and General George S. Patton were way down the road on my learning curve. Here's what I did know, Miss Carolyn Blades wouldn't even call the roll before she had us stand, put our hand over our heart and reverently say, "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America....."

It was the next year, when I was in the second grade, they added "under God" and I had to relearn the whole thing all over again! Miss Booth was just as faithful as Miss Carolyn about that pledge. As a matter of fact we said it every morning before school for twelve years. I pray we are all still starting our day that a'way!

Hopefully there is a defining moment in each of our lives when "the light bulb comes on" about the flag, country, freedom, sacrifice, honor, respect and duty! For me it was a Fourth of July celebration up on the town square when I was maybe ten or eleven. We'd eaten our

barbeque and watermelon. I had run wild through town with Ruth Ann, Buddy, Yogi, Brenda like young'ins will do. We'd all gathered up for the small parade.

Me and David Mark were standing with Mom and Dad on the corner across from the Ben Franklin Store. Daddy was the toughest guy I'd ever known. He didn't take nothing from nobody! His word was law. I reckon that time in the South Pacific during World War II must've hardened him up some. 'Course, he never mentioned the war. I mean not a word! He was busy driving a truck for the Tri-County Stockyards and providing a living for his growing family. He dwelled pretty much in the here and now.

The high school band stopped just before they got to us and broke into the National Anthem. Daddy turned to the nearest flag, his back straightened to attention and his right hand flew to his heart. He wasn't going through the motions! He wasn't being polite! Miss Carolyn wasn't in charge here! For the first time in my life I saw tears well up in my Father's eyes. He would never say so, and I don't believe it ever occurred to him, but he, like those courageous men at Breeds Hill, Yorktown, the Argonne Forest, Normandy, Inchon and, more recently, the Tet Offensive and Operation Freedom had paid the bill so we could all be saluting on this Independence Day.

God would that we never lose Dad's passion for that flag.....and this country! Respectfully,  
Kes

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## Letters to the EDITOR

### An open letter to NMFS-Gulf Council on snapper season extension

Dear Editor:  
Please extend the snapper season due to the many missed days from unusually bad weather already this year. In our area many charter boats have missed nine days already and looks like three or four more the next few days. Smaller boats have missed up to 13 days already. I have been asked to write this representing all members of The Recreational Fishing Alliance along the Gulf Coast, my customers — who have missed trips and are hoping to go later in the season — and for myself.

These additional days need to be added on in July while families are still on vacation and school is out, for all to enjoy, rather than what was done on prior occasions - in the fall. We need everyone to call or write Steve Southerland who is pushing for an extension for us.

Local business leaders such as George Duren and Eugene Raffield as well as elected officials such as Port St. Joe Mayor Mel Magidson have sent letters or emails.

Please email Southerland at meliissa.thompson@mail.house.gov or call 850-785-0812, and you can contact the Gulf Council, Steve Bortone, at 888-833-

1844 or email info@gulfcouncil.org.  
Thanks,  
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### 'Only in Port St. Joe'

Dear Editor:  
I write this to call attention to some wonderful people who helped me during a recent stay in your area. Though I should say, my friends and I frequently laugh when talking about the great people in Port St. Joe and I know something like this, and those wonderful people, can only happen in Port St. Joe.

I was in the Piggly Wiggly on Saturday, June 16 doing some shopping. My keys are all that I carry because they are attached to a small wallet-sized carrying case for my credit cards, driver's license, photos, etc. Somehow I must have left the store without my keys. My husband was driving that day and I did not notice they were missing until Monday.

After mentally retracing our steps, I figured I must have left them at the grocery store and on Tuesday we went in to check. Lo and behold, they were already in the mail to me. The cashier who must have turned them in was not known to the staff, but Beata Wolf called the police, inventoried

everything and received clearance to mail the keys back to me at our home in Alabama. Vera Zick mailed the keys. I truly appreciate their kindness and integrity.

We left the area to return home on Wednesday — I had to go without my license and credit cards — and the keys and, well, my entire life, arrived in the mail on Thursday.

Thanks to all the employees at the Piggly Wiggly.

Also, thank you to Billy and Joan Chandler at the Radio Shack. Our weather TV was set for our home and Alabama and we had not way to tune it for Port St. Joe, but Billy and Joan helped us out, didn't charge a dime and were most kind.

As I said before, only in Port St. Joe.  
Sincerely,  
Julia Chandler  
Goshen, AL

### Whose holiday is the 4th of July?

Dear Editor:  
The City Commissioners of Port St. Joe were correct. Why spend money on a fireworks display that celebrates the recognition of someone else's triumph. July 4 celebrates The American Revolution that won American independence from England and culminated with the adoption of the U.S. Constitution that created the United States of America.  
The Southern

Christians were never really a part of the American Revolution. No Southern Christian signed the Declaration of Independence and only one was present at the Constitutional Convention. (A plantation owner from South Carolina who came to protect his property and voting rights so he could continue to control his plantation's white serfs and black slaves.)

I, too, have some graveyard references — I may be the only person living in Gulf County who is eligible for membership in The Sons of the American Revolution. I have a direct ancestor who was listed as a combatant in the American Revolution.

Southerners opposed the American Revolution on two counts -- 1) It violated a basic tenet of their Euro-Christian faith -- that the faithful should be "submissive to authority". 2) The Constitution contained principles of American Christians that imposed responsibilities and obligations on American citizens that the Euro-Christians were reluctant to accept. American Christians follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, unencumbered by Scripture.

The U.S. Constitution became the Bible for American Christians. The founding Fathers believed that the U.S. Constitution honored and respected an almighty God by demonstrating that the

"Children of God" had become adults who were capable and competent enough to govern themselves according to the teachings of his son, Jesus Christ.

I may be the only person living in Gulf County or in Florida, for that matter, who the Founding Fathers would consider a "Christian". After the Protestant Reformation, my ancestors were called "Christians" by the Kings of England and members of Parliament for their advocacy of the teachings of Jesus Christ. They called themselves a "Society of Friends". In America, they were called Quakers.

The resulting clash of ideologies between the American Christians, who followed the "teachings of Jesus Christ" unencumbered by Scripture, and the Euro-Christians, who faithfully subscribed to Scripture, led the Southern Euro-Christians to instigate a War between the States. A war that killed more Americans than all of the other American wars — combined. The U.S. Constitution survived. However, opposition to the U.S. Constitution continues in Florida and in Gulf County, today.

Today's opposition to the U.S. Constitution is being led by Florida Cracker-Christians (a.k.a., the good old boys). Florida Cracker-Christians use the opiate of Scripture to stifle any constructive compromise

between American Christian ideals and aspirations, as presented in the U.S. Constitution, and the indigenous residents of Gulf County, who faithfully subscribe to Scripture as presented in the King James Authorized version of the English Bible (1769).

The Gulf County "economy", which currently has no future, and the lack of options and opportunities for Gulf County Christians and their children to improve their lifestyle or standard of living is the direct result of Florida Cracker-Christians subversively continuing an inappropriate religious conflict to enhance their own self-interests.

Perpetuating religious difference in Gulf County results in "Blow-ins" being blown out by graveyard-based nepotism. For Americans, religious differences should not create zero-sum confrontations. Once upon a time there were better ways. There still are.

John M. Comer  
Port St. Joe  
PS. I buried a roommate and a couple of friends serving under the Flag to which Gulf County's political leadership and public employees pledge false allegiance at the beginning of their meetings, before they proceed to secretly serve the secular local interests of their mentors, the Cracker Christians (a.k.a., the good old boys).

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I just couldn't remember. She kept singing about morning kisses, being warmer at night and everything being alright. I was feeling better. Virginia gives a lot more advice in her song, but her main point was that "...a lotta good loving would've made everything alright."

I agree with her. She was an expert at singing, love and relationships. That was where the numbers kept coming in. I couldn't remember if it was 3, 4 or 5 times that she was married. It was five.

What puzzles me the most (looking from my direction) is how four men were so stupid as to let a woman who says such beautiful words get away from them? They were just stupid I guess. We men can be that way.

You probably have figured it out by now, but Virginia was "Virginia

Pugh" or "Virginia Wynette Pugh." The middle name gives it away. The fellow from Alabama who wrote the song, "Good Lovin' (Makes It Right)" helped her come up with the name most folks know her by, Tammy Wynette.

His name was Billy Sherrill and he was from Phil Campbell, Alabama. I'm not sure what him writing that song says about men from Alabama. The point being how is it a man writes a song for a woman to sing about what would make everything alright (and being a devil on Saturday night)?

I guess I answered my own question. I'm pretty sure he could have been from anywhere.

Tammy has been dead for going on fifteen years, but the girl from Mississippi who fixed hair in Birmingham, Alabama before making

it big, could sing. She was simply the best.

Tammy Wynette was married five times. In order they were: Euple Byrd (1959-1966); Don Chapel (1967-1968); George Jones (1969-1975); Michael Tomlin (1976-1976); and George Richey (1978-1998).

What's my point? What do you call a woman who has been married five times giving advice on love?

I don't know and I don't care. I would call her anything she wanted me to if she sang to me that way.

I will always love the music of Tammy Wynette (and George Jones); it just doesn't get any better in my opinion.

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# Fighting poverty in the Panhandle

## Registration has begun for Ruby Payne Conference

From staff reports

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The School and Community Success Conference is sponsored by Gulf Coast State College and will be July 17-18 at the Panama City Campus. The event is about helping those in schools and communities understand how to better

assist low-income people in overcoming and moving beyond their situation.

Payne's book and workshop by the same name, "Bridges Out of Poverty," provide innovation and training to help community leaders and agencies redesign programs to better serve people in poverty, with the goal always to increase the likelihood that those served will move from welfare to work.

The workshop, Raising Achievement with 9 Systemic Processes, equips educators with new, effective tools to help them improve their instructional methods, build better relationships with students, create a culture of excellence and more.

Payne has written K-12 curricula in all content areas, developed extensive

staff development programs for 1,500 staff members and written or co-authored more than a dozen books. She is known for helping students from all economic backgrounds achieve academic success. Payne has traveled extensively since the mid-1990s to present strategies based on her foundational work, A Framework for Understanding Poverty.

The practical, hands-on training in this upcoming local conference is focused on changing lives, because every life changed for the better leads to a better community. Register now to be part of these two powerful days.

Visit [GulfCoast.edu/ContinuingEd](http://GulfCoast.edu/ContinuingEd) for more information or call Jim Barr, Education Partners & Programs, at 873-3515 or email [jbarr@gulfcoast.edu](mailto:jbarr@gulfcoast.edu).

## KORAN from page A1

Koran also owned and operated Captain Black's Dive Center from 1986-2003, which he later expanded into Captain Black's Marine. During that same time, he purchased the St. Joe Motel and converted it back into the historic Port Inn, which he operated from 1992-2001 when it was sold to its current owners and operators.

Koran is passionate about the future prospects of Gulf County.

"We need private-sector jobs. We need more business. And we need outside investment in the county. Until we have an honest and stable whole-county government, few quality companies will relocate here. Until we have fair representation that is not controlled by personal or special interests, the

county as a whole will not prosper.

"I can help. I have the experience. Gulf County needs a new direction in government service. County-wide voting will bring us much closer to this goal. Open and honest government will bring about a level playing field that will attract established business as well as entrepreneurs. I believe we should develop our own economy and build upon our own strengths; we simply cannot continue to rely solely on government programs and grants to build our future. As your commissioner, I pledge to work diligently toward achieving these goals.

"Our community has natural assets that can be developed into a profitable and comfortable way

of life for each of us. I will use my experience to navigate through the issues and chaos that prevent us from responsibly managed growth. I pledge to set the foundation for the creation of real private jobs, with sustainable benefits to the entire community, without sacrificing our small-town character and healthy environment.

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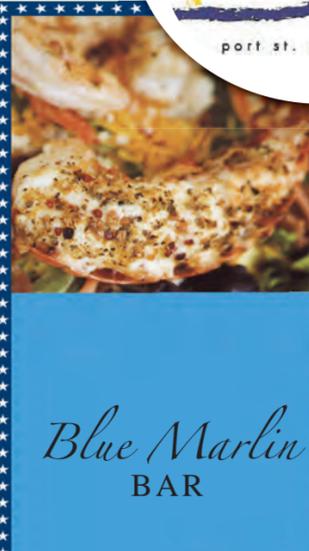
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Jamie has always believed in compassion with understanding and his community involvement is evident. He has helped raise money and supported projects of the local VFW Post in Wewahitchka. He has been the entertainment chairman for the American Cancer Society for the Relay for Life. He is past president of the Port St. Joe Kiwanis.

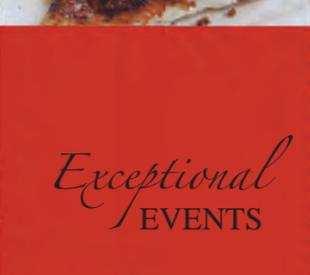
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● Bay scallops may not be harvested for commercial purposes.

● Bag limits are daily limits; it is illegal to take a limit of scallops in the morning and return later in the day and collect another limit of scallops.

● Unless otherwise exempt, a regular Florida saltwater fishing license is required when using a boat to harvest scallops. If folks wade from shore, a regular Florida saltwater fishing license or a free resident shore-based license is needed.

● Divers and snorkelers are required to display a "divers-down" flag (red with a white diagonal stripe) while in the water. Boaters must stay at least 100 feet away from a divers-down flag in a river, inlet or channel. In open waters, boaters must stay 300 feet away from a divers-down flag.

● More information on bay scallops, including management rules, dive-flag regulations and boating safety is available online at [MyFWC.com/Fishing](http://MyFWC.com/Fishing) (click on "Regulations" under "Saltwater Fishing"). Information about scallop research is available at [MyFWC.com/Research/Saltwater](http://MyFWC.com/Research/Saltwater) under the "Mollusc" section.

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"They are very variable and only live a year," Geiger said.

Numbers also can be very cyclical. The numbers from the 2012 spring survey are not much different from 2004 and 2008, but St. Joseph Bay has a way of rebounding, evident by plentiful scallops the past two years, which came after a steady climb from 2008.

"Generally, St. Joe will bounce back within a year," Geiger said.

The variability of numbers and difficulty pulling takeaway from them is evident by surveys around the state, Geiger said.

"Steinhatchee is also off a bunch this year, a quarter or so of last year," Geiger said. "But St. Marks is up and considered at healthy numbers. Homosassa didn't seem to decline as much as St. Joe. In St. Andrews, which we closed in 1994, numbers are up and are on an upward trend."

Geiger's theory is "harvest pressure" from the prior years.

In the past two years, in the aftermath of the oil spill, state and local tourist officials sought and were granted an extension of scallop harvest season — adding almost three full weeks to the season in 2011 — and there was much more media and marketing attention to trumpeting the scallop season to lure tourists back.

"I think part of what happened is not the extra season, necessarily, but there was a lot of attention and there was harvest pressure," Geiger said, explaining how one transect station could have 600-700 scallops in the spring and none in the fall.

"The really good stations were hit hard."

Geiger said an emphasis this year will be on data collection and feedback from the public. Researchers are speaking to law enforcement, boaters and scallopers about their pursuits for the tasty shelled critters and thoughts about the length of season.

There are mailers going out and surveys online at the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission website.

The surveys aim to assess the interest in extending scallop seasons and how much people take and how often during the season.

"We need to start assessing the harvest level," Geiger said. "There are concerns about the short season for scallops."

For 2012, Geiger said, there remains hope. There is a possibility, he granted, that researchers may have missed "a lot little ones" that will grow as the season progresses and bolster the population. There are also, Geiger said, suggestions that the "population has shifted."

And despite some less-than-stellar survey numbers, Geiger said people still will scallop and enjoy time in the bay.

"People are going to still harvest," Geiger said. "I encourage people to wait until the scallops are least two inches. Don't take them smaller than that. It helps the population and you have to work so much harder to get a decent amount of meat."



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## For the love of the blue-eyed scallop

By Herman Jones  
Special to The Star

I've scalloped St. Joseph's Bay for 38 years now; before that, as a boy on St. Andrew's Bay. I've seen good years and bad; storm-free summers when the bay would be crystal clear and scallops as big as a man's palm, and red-tide summers when nothing lived and the water stank like a cess pool. I remember the scallop drags that would scoop off all life on the turtle grass, much of it returned dead after the scallops were removed. The drag boats would have their decks stacked high with bushel bags of scallops. It's amazing the grass flats survived the onslaught. Eventually, the State became "enlightened" and put a stop to the destructive drags.

As St. Andrew's Bay scallop population began to decline due mainly to over harvesting, more and more people "discovered" our bay. Entire families would anchor on a grass bed and pluck up the tasty bivalve by the wash tubs full. Of course, we did the same thing since we had that false belief that there would be just as many as next year.

Many times we would erect a sunshade for grandma, who, due to her bad knees was content to sit in the boat and shuck. And shuck she could. Four of us would then spend most of the day supplying her with scallops. We took them home by the gallons.

Some years ago the State decided that the recreational scallopers were taking them by the billions and the populations couldn't support the slaughter. They were right, and now we have the pint-per-day-per-person limit.

In all our ignorance and bliss there was one unwritten rule most true scallop lovers abided by — we left them alone until around the first of August. There was no sense in collecting hundreds of adolescent scallops and shucking for hours in that hot sun for a muscle the size of one's little finger tip. If you read the scallop article a few weeks ago, even the scientists and Wildlife Commission want everyone to leave them alone until they are bigger.

So, you may ask, if the experts ask us to wait and true scallopers wait, why does the law permit scalloping in July. It's simple - tourist dollars. I believe now, in the 21st Century, there are enough tourist dollars spent on fishing, boating and beach fun to give the scallops a break in July. If you want to placate the tourists, do like they do in the Keys with lobster; have a mini-season from July 1 to July 5 and then close it until August 1 and leave it open until October 1. We'll all be better off in the future.

There are a few rules of etiquette a scalloper should follow:

Have a legal flag and put it on the highest part of your boat so it can be seen for 360 degrees. It won't do much good hidden by the outboard

or your canvas top. If you venture away from the boat, take a flag on a buoy tethered to your body. I've had several close calls with snorkelers swimming hundreds of feet from their boat with no dive flag on them.

Anchor in the sand next to the grass bed. If you anchor in the grass the anchor flukes will tear out the grass roots when you retrieve your anchor. Less grass means less scallop habitat.

When you see a boat anchored on a spot, nothing is more annoying than having another boat anchor next to him. Give him his personal space and scallop at least 100 feet away. Even if you did get scallops there yesterday, it's his place today.

If you're going in July, try to harvest those at least two inches wide. Anything smaller is a waste; let him grow up.

If you're anchored on a grass flat next to a deep water channel (there are several in the head of the bay) don't expect boats to slow down for you if they're over 100 feet away. They may be rude, but there's not much you can do about it.

Deep-water channels are made for running. I personally know of one individual who likes to anchor on a grassy point next to one of the Black's Island channels, and then rant and rave if a boat comes running by at full speed. If you anchor next to a channel you have to expect the wake that comes with it.

And please, buy a pair of polarized sunglasses so you can judge the water depth (they'll also save your eyes). If you run your motor aground, not only do you cause propeller and water pump damage, but you also scar the grass beds - and they take years to recover.

Finally, shuck your scallops in the bay. The "guts" become fish food (more pinfish for your bait traps) and the shells return to the calcium cycle for other shellfish. A personal tip: after shucking, get some clean bay water and rinse your scallop muscles only once while removing any black membrane that might be still on them.

Drain, bag and put on ice. Any further rinsing or soaking only dilutes their succulent flavor.

During my lifetime I've dived for and found Spanish treasure, shot big fish, explored countless shipwrecks, fed sharks underwater in Moorea and swam through stalactites in the Great Blue Hole of Belize. Still, one of life's greatest enjoyments is snorkeling over a St. Joe Bay grass flat, in crystal August waters and finding fat, blue-eyed scallops. With everyone using a little common sense and foresight, it is a thrill I would like to enjoy for at least another twenty years.

Remember, our neighbors to the West on St.

Andrew's Bay, can no longer enjoy the privilege of scalloping in their own backyard. Before they knew it, it was too late.



## FWC, DEP, DACS enhance service to state residents

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On July 1, officers and staff from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services (DACS) will be combined with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) in a move directed by the Florida Legislature and approved by Gov. Rick Scott.

The 145 new sworn officers will don FWC uniforms and integrate completely into the ranks of the FWC, resulting in more efficient service to Floridians and visitors.

"We will have more field-level officers available to respond to calls," said Col. Jim Brown, division director. "New and current FWC officers will be expected to patrol state forests, state parks, wildlife management areas and state waters as a more efficient and effective team."

The reorganization will save the state more than \$3 million over the next five years and \$1.28 million in recurring, annual savings.

"Through rearranging extra management and support posi-

tions, the consolidation will establish additional patrol and first-response capabilities and expand law enforcement coverage," Brown said.

The public can expect to see FWC officers in state parks and state forests and call upon them for help.

"We will continue to provide excellent resource protection, boating and waterways services and public safety protection," Brown said.

People should report fish and wildlife crimes, boating violations as well as environmental crimes and state park and state forest issues to the FWC's Wildlife Alert Hotline: 888-404-3922.

DEP's Bureau of Emergency Response (BER) will not move to the FWC, but will continue responding to emergency chemical spills and working with law enforcement on environmental crime matters at DEP. DEP's emergency numbers, #DEP or 877-2-SAVEFL should be used to report environmental emergencies, such as oil and chemical spills.

"The consolidation of officers will provide a more extensive net-

work of environmental crime law enforcement coverage throughout Florida," said BER Chief Gwen Keenan. "DEP's Bureau of Emergency Response will continue to work closely with its law enforcement partners on environmental crime issues as it has done in the past."

In 2011 the Florida Legislature created a Law Enforcement Consolidation Task Force, which met to develop work groups and evaluate functions of several law enforcement agencies. Ultimately, it recommended that DEP's Division of Law Enforcement be integrated into the FWC's Division of Law Enforcement. It also suggested that some personnel from the DACS Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement — the officers assigned to patrol state forests and the investigator responsible for commercial aquaculture violations — be incorporated.

"FWC officers in the field have been working alongside DEP and DACS officers for years," Brown said. "The consolidation simply provides an official, more efficient method of serving the public."

## Gag grouper harvesting opening to some

Special to The Star

Gag grouper will be open for recreational harvest in most Gulf of Mexico state and federal waters July 1. The same day, however, the season will close in state waters off the coast of Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties.

The gag grouper recreational harvest season in Gulf of Mexico state and federal waters, not including Franklin, Jefferson, Wakulla, Taylor and Monroe counties, will end Oct. 31. State waters off Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties reopened April 1 and close June 30. They will not be open during the July-through-October season everywhere else. Monroe County is also excluded from the July-through-October season because it is included in the Atlantic rules for gag grouper.

Gag grouper caught in state and federal waters during the July-through-October season may be taken ashore in Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties, but boats with gag grouper aboard may not stop in and must



have gear stowed while traveling through state waters in that region. (see map)

The four-county region includes all waters of Apalachicola Bay and Indian Pass, including those in Gulf County, and all waters of the Steinhatchee River, including those in Dixie County. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) manages marine fish from the shore to nine nautical miles in the Gulf of Mexico.

The FWC is working with Florida's anglers to rebuild gag grouper populations in the Gulf of Mexico to strong, sus-

tainable levels. The Commission established these seasons at its February meeting. The regional season was set for 2012 only and was established to provide fishing opportunities for private, recreational anglers when gag grouper are closer to shore and can be safely accessed by smaller boats.

The gag grouper recreational harvest minimum size and bag limits are 22 inches and two gag grouper per person. No more than four of any species of grouper may be kept.

To learn more about these management changes, visit [MyFWC.com/Fishing](http://MyFWC.com/Fishing) and click on "Saltwater." "Recreational Regulations" and "Gulf Grouper" for frequently asked questions and answers about the changes.

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#### Freshwater

As the tropical storm Debby moves on, we are left picking up the pieces. Rising water conditions on all rivers and streams in our area should improve the catfish bite, once the waters clear. Most creeks and ponds are the overflow stage, making fishing a real challenge this week.

#### Offshore

With less than 2 weeks left in the red snapper season, most anglers are still left at the docks. Hi seas and rough conditions have kept all but the biggest boats at home. With the storm surge decreasing this week, we all hope to get back on the water very soon!

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## Shark 100 Club donates \$3,000 as seasons change

By **TIM CROFT**  
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The Shark 100 club put down several hundred thousand dollars on Port St. Joe athletics on Monday.

Willie Ramsey and Ralph Roberson of the Shark 100 Club provided a check for \$3,000 to Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School athletic director Chuck Gannon, closing out one school year's fundraising as the club which has provided more than \$105,000 to Tiger Shark athletics since 1986 ramps up for another year.

The closeout check brings the amount raised in 2011-12 to \$7,592, an increase over the roughly \$6,000 the club has raised the past two years.

"Given the economy it was an excellent year," Ramsey said.

The money benefits all athletic programs at the



Shark 100 Club members Willie Ramsey, right, and Ralph Roberson, left, present a check for \$3,000 to Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High athletic director Chuck Gannon. The money, representing funds left over from fundraising during the 2011-12 school year, will benefit Tiger Shark athletic programs and signals the kickoff to another year of support for Port St. Joe High athletics.

high school. Those programs receive no funding from the Gulf County School Board and must rely on boosters to bolster the bottom line.

"We really appreciate

the Shark 100 Club and all they have done for Port St. Joe High School athletics," Gannon said. "During these times, this money is badly needed by all our programs."

The Shark 100 Club had a particularly successful barbecued chicken dinner fundraiser, the largest event on the calendar each year.

This year, in light of constrained budgets, coaches put extra emphasis on getting athletes out selling tickets for the dinner.

The dinner provides leverage for Shark 100 Club members' donations. The club funds the entire dinner, from chicken to the fixings to the plates, from member dues and the school ends up with all the money.

The result was a near-record turnout. The club sold 1,765 chicken dinners — almost three times the number from the prior year — and raised more than \$4,572.

Athletes from football sold 296; from boys basketball, 240; softball, 122; baseball, 66; and volleyball, 41.

"This is by far the best year the various sports have had selling tickets," Ramsey said.

The result of that effort was that, combined with the \$3,000 remaining in the Shark 100 Club account, the grand total raised in 2011-12 was more than the 41 members of the Shark 100 Club donated by some \$1,242.

Other than expenses such as game programs and T-shirts, 100 percent of money raised by the Shark 100 Club goes to the high school athletic programs.

"That is pretty good," Ramsey said with a smile.

The Shark 100 Club offers several levels of participation:

● **Sand Shark:** for a \$50 donation any parent of a Tiger Shark athlete earns a Shark 100 hat and recognition in the football program;

● **Tiger Shark:** for \$100 individuals, businesses and organizations receive one

Shark 100 hat, two reserved home football tickets, program recognition and reserved parking at football games;

● **Mako Shark:** for \$250 individuals, businesses and organizations receive two Shark 100 hats, two reserved seats at home football games, special program recognition and reserved parking at football games;

● **Bull Shark:** for \$500 businesses, individuals and organizations receive two Shark 100 hats, two reserved seats at home football games, two reserved seats at home basketball games, special program recognition and reserved parking at football games.

Checks should be sent to Shark 100 Club, P.O. Box 524, Port St. Joe, FL 32457. For more information on becoming a member of the Shark 100 Club, call Ramsey at 227-7468.

### Sports BRIEFS

#### PSJHS football seeking sponsors

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High football team is seeking sponsorship from local businesses, organizations and families. Purchase a field banner to show support to the young players this 2012 season.

The options are endless with a colorful 3- by 5-foot banner. Select the logo, layout, message and colors, and the banner will be displayed in a highly visible location at Shark Field. The cost of a 2012 football sponsorship is \$150. The banners are weather-resistant, with UV protection.

In the following seasons, sponsors will have the option to renew their sponsorship for only \$100. Individuals are encouraged to display a message to a special athlete in your life.

The school and football program thanks all sponsors for taking advantage of this opportunity to spread a message and support the athletes.

For information, call Chuck Gannon at 227-6951 or email [jdaily@gulf.k12.fl.us](mailto:jdaily@gulf.k12.fl.us).

#### PSJ volleyball hosts car wash, camp

Come out and support the Lady Tiger Shark volleyball team from Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School as they wash cars Saturday at Advance Auto Parts in Port St. Joe. The donations-only car wash will be from 9 a.m. until about 1 p.m. ET. Proceeds will help support the team's effort to attend a team camp this summer as well as other costs for the team.

Keep up to date with all the team happenings and news by visiting the team's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/TigerSharkVolleyball>.

Conditioning will begin at 8 a.m. ET Tuesday. Players must have a valid physical to attend conditioning. The gym will be opened about 9:30 a.m. after conditioning. All girls are invited to participate. The Florida State University team camp is scheduled for July 26-28. The fall schedule is available on the website. For more information, check the Facebook page or the Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School website at <http://psjhs-gcs-fl.schoolloop.com/volleyball>.

### MORRISON HITS HOME RUN



COURTESY OF RANDALL WALKER

Port St. Joe's Travis Morrison hit a home run, his second of the year, while the Port St. Joe O-Zone squad won the 4A District tournament recently in Wewahitchka. Brian Cox presents the ball to Morrison, whose blast cleared the right-center field wall.

### High school athletics physicals in 2 weeks

Star Staff Report

Sacred Heart Hospital on the Gulf and Tallahassee Orthopedic Clinic, with the assistance of Rick Williams, has combined to provide free physicals to Gulf County student/athletes.

The physicals will be offered beginning at 5:30 p.m. ET July 10 and July 12. Athletes from both Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. and Wewahitchka Jr./Sr. High Schools who plan on playing sports during the 2012-13 school year will be offered this free physical.

Athletes from the fall sports should plan to attend the July 10 session. On July 12, physicals for athletes in winter and spring sports, including basketball, baseball, wrestling, softball, soccer and track, will be offered.

If for some reason, an athlete can not show up on the assigned day, they are asked to please come to the other session.

Times will be assigned at a later date for the different sports so there will not be overcrowding at the hospital at one time.

Superintendent of Schools Jim Norton and athletic directors Dennis Kizziah of Wewahitchka and Chuck Gannon of Port St. Joe, thank Sacred Heart Hospital and TOC for their support to Gulf County Schools.

### WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, June 28	89°	76°	20 %
Fri, June 29	87°	77°	20 %
Sat, June 30	88°	78°	30 %
Sun, July 1	89°	78°	30 %
Mon, July 2	88°	78°	20 %
Tues, July 3	88°	78°	20 %
Wed, July 4	88°	77°	0 %

### TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

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

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

### ST. JOSEPH BAY

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
21	Th	1104am 1.8		925pm -0.3	
22	Fr	1138am 1.7		946pm -0.2	
23	Sa	1211pm 1.6		1000pm 0.0	
24	Su	1244pm 1.3		1003pm 0.2	
25	Mo	105pm 1.0		946pm 0.3	
26	Tu	629am 1.0		838pm 0.6	
27	We	552am 1.2		305pm 0.3	
28	Th	558am 1.4		347pm 0.0	
29	Fr	628am 1.7		442pm -0.2	
30	Sa	712am 1.9		541pm -0.4	
1	Su	803am 2.0		640pm -0.6	
2	Mo	857am 2.1		735pm -0.6	
3	Tu	950am 2.1		824pm -0.6	
4	We	1039am 2.0		903pm -0.4	

### APALACHICOLA BAY, WEST PASS

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
21	Th	707am 1.3	406pm 1.5	1115am 1.2	
22	Fr	729am 1.3	454pm 1.4	1210am -0.2	1159am 1.2
23	Sa	752am 1.3	546pm 1.3	1237am -0.1	1248pm 1.1
24	Su	815am 1.3	645pm 1.2	107am 0.0	144pm 0.9
25	Mo	840am 1.3	758pm 1.0	139am 0.2	251pm 0.8
26	Tu	906am 1.4	930pm 1.0	213am 0.4	407pm 0.6
27	We	936am 1.4	1130pm 0.9	250am 0.6	526pm 0.4
28	Th	1010am 1.5		328am 0.9	640pm 0.1
29	Fr	201am 1.0	1050am 1.6	411am 1.0	745pm -0.1
30	Sa	1136am 1.6		843pm -0.3	
1	Su	502am 1.2	1229pm 1.6	702am 1.3	936pm -0.4
2	Mo	538am 1.3	126pm 1.6	819am 1.4	1024pm -0.4
3	Tu	608am 1.3	224pm 1.6	921am 1.4	1108pm -0.4
4	We	634am 1.3	321pm 1.6	1016am 1.3	1149pm -0.3

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#### Candidates

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- Treasurer's Report

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- Fire Department
- Sheriff Nugent Report
- Widening of SR 30A-Dot
- Lighthouse Dilemma
- Other business

- Election of the 2012-2013 Board
- Adjournment

# TDC from page A1

"The second thing is partners ... I don't think the TDC should be putting on events. I think they should be working with other entities, with partners, to provide promotion and marketing. Joint marketing and promotion is better than putting on the events."

That begins, in part, by tweaking the special events grant process. Board chairman David Warriner said the board and Jenkins, in conjunction with the Board of County Commissioners, was reevaluating the grant process.

"We want to be a lot more focused on the right special events," Warriner said.

Gone are the days that event organizers could simply request funding from the TDC. Warriner said the agency was "too easy" in the past in handing out funds and should be more deliberate.

Beginning this year, with a

likely deadline of late July, there will be one grant application cycle. Next year, Warriner said, he would like the application period to be in April, with awards in May in order for the TDC board to properly budget for the coming fiscal year.

Jenkins said a great emphasis would be placed on event organizers to demonstrate how an event increases visitation, how it puts heads in beds.

"We want to help in promotion of continuing large events, not the one-and-off variety," Jenkins said.

As for branding, Jenkins said she saw Gulf County and Port St. Joe not as a commodity — such as Panama City Beach, a destination spot for many due to the high volume of rental rooms and condos — but as a "luxury product."

"It's a great opportunity if we can get a brand and unity be-

hind that brand," Jenkins said. "Rebranding is a two to five year process. (The TDC) is in a good position right now.

"I would not have come here if I did like it here and see an opportunity. Our family used to take day-trips over here and to come over that (George Tapper) bridge and not seeing that mill, that was something."

Jenkins said a key moving ahead would be aligning the TDC with "like brands," such as Coastal Living magazine, and added she does not believe in putting all advertising dollars in a single bucket.

A priority would be analytics of what has been, and has not been, successful in promoting the county in the past, and analyzing how various stakeholders market the county and area in order to avoid competing with each other and to streamline the branding process.

Jenkins said she prefers "visitor" to "tourist" and noted being less of a commodity and driving the "luxury product" concept fits the many amenities that be found in this area.

"People come here and don't feel they have to be competitive here," Jenkins said. She noted that when a visitor heads to Destin, there are certain spots they feel are on the bucket list. "We don't have that kind of thing here. People can have a lunch and stroll leisurely through the shops or they can go to the beach. It is not competitive. That is a real opportunity."

And the watery jewels threading and bounding Gulf County provide another selling point, particular for the eco-tourism sector.

"There is something to say about the water here and branding," Jenkins said. "The rivers, the lakes, the bay, the Gulf

of Mexico, there is so much there."

Jenkins said the TDC Welcome Center was an underutilized building and emphasized that the entire county, from Weahitchka to Port St. Joe, would be part of the branding by the TDC.

"Wewa and its fishing and other great amenities, that is part of the branding, no doubt," Jenkins said. "They must always be part of it, not an afterthought."

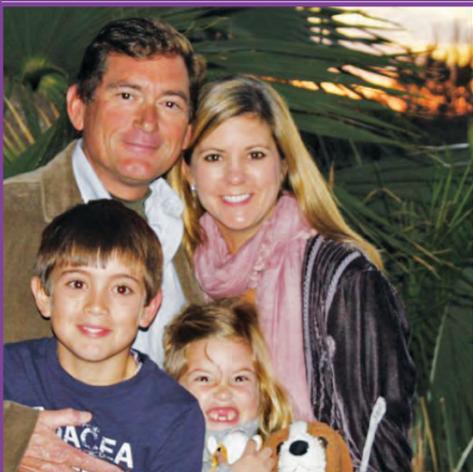
By the end of the question-and-answer portion of the meeting, the board came away feeling they were headed in a new direction.

"This all sounds like a different tack and a different direction," Warriner said.

Warriner suggested that after the current tourist season, Jenkins and the board sit down for an extended looking at strategic planning for the coming year.

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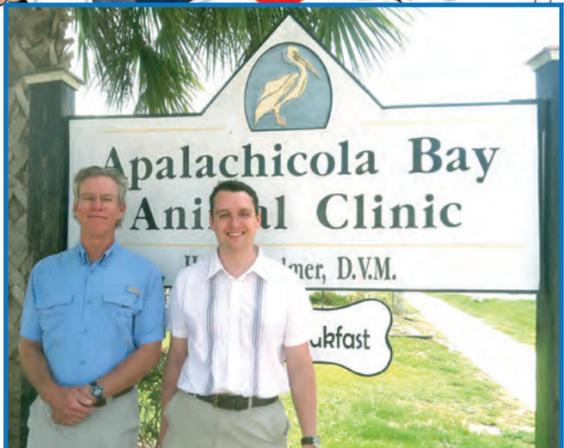
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## 'An old-fashioned Fourth of July'

By **TIM CROFT**  
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The Port St. Joe Downtown Merchants Committee will hold an "old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration" this coming Wednesday as the area celebrates Independence Day.

"We want to have a small-town old-fashioned Fourth of July," said Dana Boyer, chairwoman for the event. "This is being funded by the downtown merchants. When we all work together we do great things.

"The business community appreciates their patrons and wanted to give something back."

The festivities will begin at 2 p.m. ET at City Commons Park.

A special weekday version of the SaltAir Farmer's Market will open with fresh vegetables, fruits, organic grass fed beef and fresh lamb. While shopping at the many craft booths, sip on fresh lemonade or munch on cool watermelon slices.

At 4 p.m. there will be a karate demonstration and dance performance in the gazebo at Commons Park

and also starting at 4 p.m. will be a car show lined up on Reid Avenue, with everything from antiques to the unusual and vintage on display.

At 6 p.m. ET - lineup at 5:30 p.m. along First Street for those wishing to participate - there will be a red, white and blue-themed parade of bicycles and golf carts, led by the Port St. Joe Police Department, followed by a Port St. Joe fire engine and flanked by the color guard from Port St. Joe High School's NJROTC program.

Judging will take place at

the Commons Park gazebo, with prizes awarded to the best decorated bicycle and best decorated golf cart. There will be prizes for all children under 12 who participate.

Follow the parade from First Street down Reid Avenue to City Commons because up next will be a pie baking contest and auction, which will kick off at 6:15 p.m. (see entry form, B5)

Those wishing to enter the contest are asked to bake two.

First place will earn the winner \$100 (donated by Sunset Coastal Grill); sec-

ond place earns \$75 and third place \$50.

In addition, Steamers will be sponsoring a hot dog eating contest at City Commons, the event to begin at 6:30 p.m. (see entry form B5, B5)

There will also be lemonade sold and for the young at heart, a watermelon-seed spitting contest.

There will also be a dunking booth, a way to drench an elected official or candidate or two during the afternoon and evening as well as face-painting for the youngsters.

The George Boyer Band,

a.k.a. George, Cletus and Tom, will play at Commons Park beginning at 5 p.m. ET.

"This event will be giving visitors and residents a place to gather and have fun before the fireworks," Marie Todd of the Merchants Committee said.

The fireworks will be shot from the old paper mill site just after dark.

The Gulf County Chamber of Commerce, the Gulf County Tourist Development Council and the Board of County Commissioners provided support in various ways.

See **FOURTH B5**

## Saving the lighthouse goes viral



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A campaign to save the Cape San Blas Lighthouse has found a place on the Internet.

Last week, the St. Joseph Historical Society Inc. went live with a new website to shine a spotlight into the ether on the effort to save the lighthouse from near-certain extinction at the hands of Mother Nature.

And Mother Nature sent Tropical Storm Debby in the direction of the lighthouse this week as a reminder of how perilous

the battle has become.

The website, www.capesanblaslight.org, offers a panoramic view of the lighthouse and grounds. Visitors to the site may see a number of pictures, several provided by local photographer Debbie Hooper, of the lighthouse, keepers' quarters and grounds.

The website was created by Rick Lamberson and his team at Bluewater Inet.

The threat of the encroaching Gulf of Mexico is also spotlighted in a series of photos, old and new, as the visitor can also take a 360-degree virtual tour of the lighthouse



and its surroundings.

(One note on the tour, as experience shows: move too fast with the control

and it might seem equivalent to a roller coaster. Slow and steady wins the race and provides spec-

tacular viewing.)

There is also general

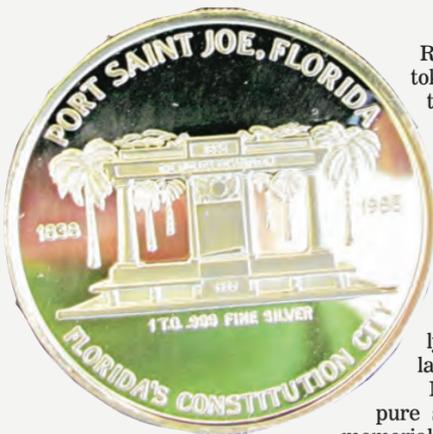
See **LIGHTHOUSE B5**

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**Above:** Over the years, thousands of dollars in state historic preservation grants have been poured into the lighthouse and grounds, which now includes a gift shop. The lighthouse attracts thousands of visitors each year.

**Left:** This photo from local photographer Debbie Hooper shows the extent of erosion threatening the Cape San Blas Lighthouse.

### A SILVERY BLAST OF HISTORY



Responding to a recent article in The Star regarding a token commemorating the 100th anniversary celebration of the signing of the Florida Constitution and the donation of it to the city of Port St. Joe, local historian, archaeologist and diver Herman Jones brought in the rare coin shown here.

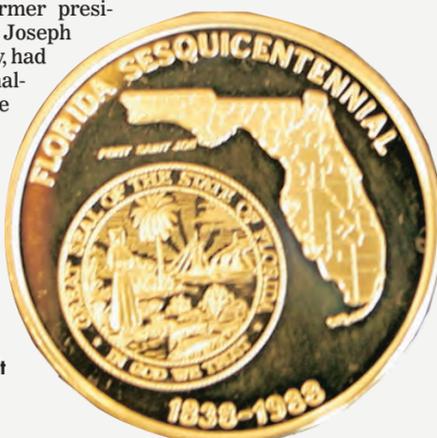
The coin was minted by Lenore Brown Clardy of Port St. Joe.

Clardy, a former president of the St. Joseph Historical Society, had 480 minted originally, though 20 were later melted down.

Made with .999 pure silver, the coins memorialized the sesquicentennial of the signing of the Florida Constitution, a celebration that took place in Port St. Joe in 1988.

The coins were sold for \$20, according to her nephew, Tyler Smith.

Jones had never taken the coin from wrapper until preparing it for a photo last week. — **Tim Croft**



## Funding available to assist elders with home energy crisis

Star Staff Report

The Area Agency on Aging for North Florida, Inc. has announced the availability of funds to assist eligible households with their home energy crisis in the following counties: Gulf, Franklin, Bay, Calhoun, Gadsden, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla and Washington.

To be considered eligible for this program, the applicant household must have at least one individual who is 60 years of age or older, the household income must be within 150 percent of poverty (\$18,755 maximum per year for an individual, \$3,960 for each additional household member) and

the utility bill for the applicant must indicate a past due or immediate threat of disconnection.

Other assistance may be provided, according to program guidelines, such as cooling unit repair and connection fees/deposits.

For more information or to determine eligibility for assistance, contact the Aging and Disability Resource Center/Elder Helpline at 800-963-5337.

The Area Agency on Aging in North Florida Inc. is a private non-profit organization charged with the responsibility of administering programs in 14 North Florida counties through Florida contracts with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

## ANDREWS, FARMER ENGAGED



Bryony Linton Andrews and Ricky Jermaine Farmer are happy to announce their engagement. They are planning a May 11, 2013 wedding.

## CLASS REUNION

Special to The Star

Port St. Joe High School Class of 2002: Mark your calendars for Labor Day Weekend 2012 for our 10 year high school reunion festivities. Activities include a welcome happy hour, family beach day and dinner reception. For more information, contact Maclain at maclainbenton@gmail.com or on her cell 227-5803. See you there!

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Adoption fees include our cost of spay/neuter and current vaccinations.

Our hours for the shelter are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 am-4 pm! Faith's Thrift Hut is always in need of donations also, and all the proceeds go directly to support the animals in our care! The hours for the store are Thursday-Saturday from 10 am-3 pm. Volunteers are always welcome at both our store and our shelter! Our store and shelter location is 1007 Tenth Street in Port St. Joe! Hope to see you all there soon! [www.sjbhumane.org](http://www.sjbhumane.org)

If you are missing a pet or want to adopt a new pet, please check with your local Humane Society or Shelter.

Follow us on Facebook: St. Joseph Bay Humane Society

# Iron Deficiency in Ornamentals

Most of us know that iron is an essential element in human health. But, it isn't so widely recognized that iron also is vital to plant nutrition. Plants depend on iron for deep green color and vigorous growth. Iron deficiency is one of the most common micronutrient problems affecting woody ornamentals in Florida. It's also the most difficult to correct.

In our sunshine state, most plant nutrient problems are due, in large part, to poor soil. Iron deficiency is no exception our over limed, acid soils, and alkaline sands fix iron in a form plants cannot use. Even though there's a lot of iron in the soil, most of it is unavailable to plants. This results in iron deficiency.

In this article we'll describe other causes for iron deficiency, and

explain why this particular nutrient is such a problem. We'll also discuss some treatments for correcting iron deficiency.



**ROY LEE CARTER**  
County extension director

As I said, iron deficiency is common in over limed, acid soils and alkaline sands. Another cause is an excess of heavy metal, such as copper, zinc, or manganese in the soil. These elements are needed by plants, but, too much of any one may produce iron deficiency. This is especially true of copper.

Usually, chlorosis of the leaves is the first sign of iron deficiency. But leaf chlorosis also is the initial symptom of many

other nutrient problems. So, you'll have to watch for additional clues to iron deficiency. If the iron problem is not corrected, new leaves will be smaller than normal, and most will have dead spots and burned edges. Leaf drop and dead wood are other indications of iron deficiency.

Adding some organic matter such as peat moss or compost before planting will help make the soil more acid. In already planted areas, you can acidify the soil with a mixture of three parts dusting sulfur and one part iron sulfate. Use this mixture at the rate of one pound per 100 square feet, and allow about two months between applications. Remember that acidifying materials should not be used more than three times a year.

Once you've made the soil acid, you can apply an appropriate treatment. For wood ornamentals, iron deficiency can be

corrected with iron chelates. The kind of chelate you need will depend on the species of plant, the pH of the soil, and the extent of the deficiency. Most chelates are designed to work on acid soils, and will give results within about a month. There are chelated which will work on highly alkaline soils. These compounds tend to be quite expensive, and may take as long as six months to work.

The names of these chelates are rather long and confusing. So, we won't mention any now. Just check with your garden supply center, a local nursery, or your County Extension Office for suggestions concerning the right kind of iron chelate for your specific soil problems. For more information on iron deficiency in ornamentals contact the Gulf County Extension Service @ 639-3200, 229-2909 or visit our website: [gulf.ifas.ufl.edu](http://gulf.ifas.ufl.edu).

## WEDDING



Congratulations to Walter and Mildred (Ann) Lewis on their wedding. They were united in marriage on May 4, 2012. The couple will be celebrating with family and friends on Saturday, June 30 at 6 p.m. ET at the Gulf County Senior Citizens building at 120 Library Road in Port St. Joe.

## Senior citizens needs your help

Star Staff Report

Gulf County Senior Citizens at 120 Library Drive in Port St. Joe are asking for donations of non-perishable foods for our low-income seniors such as juice, canned tuna and chicken, soup or vegetables. Small inexpensive bingo prizes are always needed for our clients that love to play bingo several times a week. We provide a hot nutritious noon meal Monday through Friday to seniors 60 and over. Transportation may be available to our meal sites. Anyone interested in coming to our sites in Port St. Joe or Wewahitchka for meals and activities or who would like to donate any of the items listed above may call Debbie at 229-8466.



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# GCSC nursing graduates get 100 percent job placement

## Largest Practical Nursing Class Graduated June 7

The demand for nurses keeps calling, and Gulf Coast State College keeps answering. On June 7, the largest class of graduates from the 12-year-old Practical Nursing Program at the Gulf/Franklin Campus will pause for their pinning ceremony—all on their way to new jobs.

"All of them are going to work, in either Bay or Gulf County," said Sharon Milner (RN, BSN), Assistant Coordinator, Practical Nursing and Patient Care Assistant Programs. She is also a proud teacher and cheerleader of these young nurses. "Usually we have classes of 24 to 27 or so to graduate, so to have 31 is amazing, and eight of them have perfect attendance. That's especially impressive."

Perfect-attendance graduate Javika King was equally impressed with the program. "I loved all my instructors. They were hard on me, but I know it was to make me a better person and a stronger nurse."

Perhaps King's place in this exceptional class was just meant to be.

"When I was younger, I had a lot of health issues and was in and out of the hospital all the time. I had major surgery in the ninth grade, and I noticed how the nurses cared for me. Since then, I knew I always wanted to be a nurse, too." King's dream remained strong, propelling the Panama City resident to class in Port St. Joe and training often there as well. "I've been really sick a few times, but still never missed a day of school or getting to the hospital. I was going to make it to class no matter what."

Milner noted the strenuous classwork the year-long program requires, plus the clinical time students split between Panama City and Port St. Joe.

"These students often aren't traditional," she explained. "They may be older, with families, children, and other commitments, plus they have the driving distance to the hospitals."

But the rigorous schedule pays off. These newest graduates will sit for their national exams in mid-July from the Board of Nursing, and the job outlook remains strong, close to home or away. These 31 new nurses are giving back to the community in valuable work, bringing a better quality of life to themselves, their families and their patients.

That spirit is part of King's life now and to come. "I'm so excited about being a nurse. Nothing could stop me because I had plans, and this program's meant so much to me."

King already has an Associate in Arts degree in Nursing and plans to earn her RN degree as well while she works, headed toward her ultimate goal of becoming a nurse in the U.S. Air Force.

Milner started this Practical Nursing program when she arrived 13 years ago, and the years haven't shaved an octave off the pride in her voice. "We had to write this program and present all the information to the Board of Nursing," she recalled of their efforts in the beginning. Through a selective admissions process, in June of every year, GCSC enrolls up to 36 students. A short 12 months later, the graduates are prepared to begin a whole new career and a promising future.

The Pinning Ceremony is 6 p.m. ET Thursday, June 7 at the Gulf/Franklin Campus.

The 2012 graduates of the GCSC Practical Nurs-

ing Program (\*perfect attendance): Rebecca L. Barnes, Heather D. Billingsley, Sophia J. Conerly, \*Lenka K. Doran, Victoria L. Dunn, Jessie D. Faircloth, Stephanie K. Gragg, \*Regina M. Henderson, Brandy N. Hicks-Lewis, James M. Hodges, \*Terrah M. Huckeba, Hellena L. Johnson, Karie M. Jones, Ariel N. Kemp, \*Javika K. King, Theresa A. Kunkel, Anna M. Martinez, Clarissa Joy McAlpin, \*Kim M. Nobles, \*Krystal M. Ramos, Vanessa R. Rhodes, Shelby D. Richards, Amanda C. Rotan, Courtney L. Shiver, \*Abricka S. Smith, Angelita T. Stephens, Morgan L. Swiech, \*Amber A. Tharp, Bernice M. Westfall, Ashley D. Zingarelli and Jordan L. Zingarelli.

# James Wiley earns degree

**HAYS, KAN--** James Wiley of Port St. Joe has graduated from Fort Hays State University with a B.S. in organizational leadership.

Wiley is one of 1,683 undergraduate and 261 graduate students who completed requirements for associate, bachelor and graduate degrees in the spring 2012 semester.

Fort Hays State University's announcement of degrees includes only graduates whose transcripts and records have been verified as meeting all requirements for the degrees listed. FHSU does not release the list until all the graduates have been verified, a process that takes several weeks after the end of the semester.

# Lacour awarded Pythian Scholarship

**Special to The Star**  
Katherine "Katie" Lacour, a graduating senior of Port St. Joe High School, is the recipient of the R.A. Driesbach, Sr. Lodge #77 Knights of Pythias Scholarship for 2012.

Katie, an honor graduate and inductee to the Port St. Joe High School Hall of Fame, is also a member of the Student Government Association, Keyettes, Senior Executive Board and Lady Shark volleyball, basketball and softball teams. Katie has met the admissions criteria and has been accepted to Southeastern Louisiana University in Hammond, La. as a beginning freshman for the Fall 2012 term.

In her essay entitled "Qualities of a Good Friend" Katie wrote, "In my opinion a good friend should have the following qualities: trust, loyalty, honesty, be supportive, helpful, and must be a good listener. Trust is the key to

any friendship, without trust a friendship will not work at all. . . . I have to admit that I am jealous of how strong a friendship Damon and Pythias have in the story. I don't have a friend that would put their life on the line for me like these men did, but I would love to have that much trust in someone and for them to have so much trust in me as well. After reading the story of Damon and Pythias I can honestly say that those men are the definition of friendship and are true friends."

R.A. Driesbach, Sr. Lodge # 77 Knights of Pythias - Port St. Joe, Florida Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding graduating senior of Port St. Joe High School entering a college, university or vocational school. Applicants are considered based on their leadership abilities, extracurricular activities, scholastic achievement, community



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Kenneth Monette presents Katie Lacour with the Pythian Scholarship during last month's graduation exercises at Port St. Joe High School.

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He healed the sick, the lame, and also raised the dead.

He fed five thousand men with two fish and five loaves of bread.

He made life easier for all He would touch.

He left a pattern for us. Why can't we do as much?

He took the place of all who believe, what love, what grace.

With a heart full of love and gratitude, I thank God He took my place.

Billy Johnson



## Gospel artists seek to advance careers in Atlanta

**ATLANTA (AP)** — Christian rapper Lecrae first came to Atlanta as a teenager for a youth conference in 1999, but what ultimately convinced him to lay down roots here was its thriving gospel music scene.

"Atlanta is just a musical hub," said the 32-year-old, who moved from Houston three years ago. "There are a slew of producers, engineers, artists and writers. There's a wealth of outlets here, and it's a community of artists who are here as well. That's a major reason why I came here."

Atlanta has become a key place of business for many of the heavyweights in gospel and

Christian music, like Marvin Sapp, Mary Mary, Kirk Franklin and Jason Crabb. They flock to the city known to some as "gospel's Hollywood" because of its flourishing R&B and hip-hop scene, an evolving television market, a variety of Christian and gospel record labels, and a plethora of mega churches. Some of the industry's best, such as Francesca Battistelli, the group Casting Crowns, Chris Tomlin and Dottie Peoples, reside in the city or in the suburban areas.

"Atlanta is becoming like the new Los Angeles," said Sapp, the chart-topping gospel singer from Grand Rapids, Mich.

"Everybody and their momma

are shooting all types of films here," he added. "It's becoming a regular hotbed for the entertainment field. And because of that, gospel is coming here as well. People are connecting. It's becoming a very viable place for gospel artists to excel and be successful musically."

Recently, the 43rd annual Dove Awards took place at the popular Fox Theatre in Atlanta for the second straight year. The show, which celebrates Christian and gospel music, had all the glitz and glamour of a high-profile awards show, with more than 250 media outlets on the red carpet.

The rising support of the genre in Atlanta is what

convinced Gospel Music Association organizers to move the Doves to the city in 2011. The ceremony started in Memphis and was held in Nashville, Tenn., for more than four decades.

GMA board chairman Mitchell Solarek said organizers felt Atlanta has a larger media reach with more radio and television outlets to support the show. With GMC — formerly the Gospel Music Channel — based in Atlanta, Solarek called the move a "no brainer." The network aired the awards in April.

"Even though Nashville is touted as the music capital of the world, the media is not as broad there as it is in Atlanta," he said.

## Faith BRIEF

### Revival services at Philadelphia Primitive

Revival Services will be held at Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church July 9-13, 7:30 p.m. ET nightly. The Elder Keith Cloud of Gretna, FL will be the evangelist for the week.

Pastor Jessie Hawkins and the Philadelphia Church congregation extend a cordial invitation to the Port St. Joe and other communities to come and be blessed through the power of God's holy word. The Church is located on Avenue D.

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Worship Service ..... 10:30 am  
Youth Groups ..... 5:30 pm

**Wednesday**  
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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 ..... 6:30 - 7:30 pm  
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information about the lighthouse and amenities, including gift shop, recent newspaper articles about the lighthouse and, most importantly, two numbers representing a current total of money raised and a goal.

That goal, just north of \$370,000, is what is estimated to be required to move the Cape San Blas Lighthouse to the bayfront in Port St. Joe.

"The website is to let people know what it is," said Charlotte Pierce with the St. Joseph Historical Society Inc. "We are trying to raise awareness, and we are trying to raise money."

Thus far, the effort has garnered a \$25,000 donation from the Florida Lighthouse Association as well as another \$452 in contributions from its board members.

Two board members donated \$100 each and the treasurer of the association, asked by his wife to clean out a closet of lighthouse memorabilia in order to make room for more, cleaned the closet and sold \$250 worth of items at the last association board meeting. He donated the cash to the effort to save the Cape San Blas Lighthouse.

"That was pretty special of them," Pierce said.

The effort also received \$2 in bunched up bills, provided, Pierce theorized, by either a very young child or a senior in the community.

The Historical Society donated \$5,000.

In addition, the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse Association, which has some expertise in the area, has volunteered to perform the moving and refurbishing of the lens within the Cape San Blas Lighthouse, greasing a significant wheel for any move.

"Hopefully we can generate interest and get something going on this," Pierce said of the website.

"If we don't, we are going to lose it."

Even if the money needed to move the lighthouse was in hand this week, however, there would be some governmental hurdles to overcome.

Though originally of the thought that Elgin AFB's decision to freely donate the lighthouse to the city of Port St. Joe would be a simple task, local officials have learned there is a bit of red tape to cut through.

The Air Force will have to declare the lighthouse and grounds "excess", or surplus, property to the General Services Administration, a step that had not occurred at press time.

The GSA must in turn issue a notice of availability on the property and the National Park Service of the U.S. Department of Interior, would then provide applications to any interested parties.

Ultimately, the Department of the Interior would submit to the GSA the party identified as most appropriate to take control of the property.

"We were hoping for a much easier solution," Pierce said. "We are dealing with time-sensitive issues, as far as the coast and the rapid erosion."

That erosion continued in earnest this week, as TS Debby and associated waves and winds lashed the coastal areas around the lighthouse, moving the coastline another 10 feet landward, according to Port St. Joe Mayor Mel Magidson. A real concern is becoming the narrow road that is the lone access to the grounds and is in threat of being undermined if the water advances much further.

"I'm hopeful," Pierce said of the effort to save the lighthouse. "I'm optimistic."

## STEAMERS HOT DOGS

First Annual "Fourth of July" Hot Dog Eating Contest

When: Wednesday, July 4, 6:30 p.m. After the Parade

Where: Gazebo at City Commons, Port St Joe

### ENTRY FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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All pies must be home baked and from scratch

Each contestant will donate two pies, one for tasting and one for auction. Proceeds benefit PSJ merchants.

I do certify that that no prepared products were used while baking this pie.

Signature of baker \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria for Judging

Presentation 20 percent

Taste 50 percent

Crust 15 percent

Originality 15 percent

First Prize \$100

Second prize \$75

Third Prize \$50

All pies delivered to City Commons for registration at 5 p.m. on July 4. For Info Dana Boyer 227-3777

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"This shows it is a community event," Boyer said.

For contact information on the pie baking contest, contact Boyer at 227-3777. For more information about the parade and other events, contact Gail Alsbrook at 229-6899. For those wishing to participate in the SaltAir Farmer's Market, which will run from 2-7 p.m. ET, contact John Parker at 404-906-2637.

### Mexico Beach

The folks at the Mexico Beach Special Events Com-

mittee have assembled a day of activities on the Fourth of July.

Things get started early with a 5K race that starts at Under the Palms Park on Seventh Street.

Those wishing to participate can pre-register at the Mexico Beach Welcome Center. The cost is \$10 to enter and includes a free T-shirt. Registration on July 4 will begin at 6 a.m. CT.

The cost on race day is \$15 and includes a free T-shirt while supplies last. The race will be completed

by 11:30 a.m.

A Kids Fishing Rodeo will begin at 9:30 a.m. CT at Canal Park.

The event, which will last until 11 a.m. CT, is free and open to all youngsters who wish to participate.

All those kids have to do is bring their own pole - bait will be supplied.

Registration is at Canal Park at July 4 and hot dogs will be sizzling for all the kids and their parents.

The fireworks will go off around 8:30 p.m. CT from the Mexico Beach City Pier.

### Wewahitchka

The City of Wewahitchka will conduct their Independence Day festivities two days later, on Friday, July 6.

The activities get started at 5 p.m. CT at T. L. James Park on the south end of town.

The Dixie Youth Baseball teams will be offering a range of activities for the young at heart of all ages.

The fireworks will go up and light the sky just after dark, roughly 8:30-8:45 p.m. CT on July 6.

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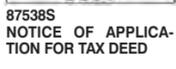
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87538S NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Wells Fargo Bank OBO Tax Liens the holder of the following Tax Certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Commence at a 4" square concrete monument marking the Southwest Corner of Oak Gardens Unit II, according to the official map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 20, in the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida; thence North 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 43 Seconds West along the West boundary line of Oak Gardens Unit II, 10.00 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 48 Seconds West, 105.00 feet; thence North 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 48 Seconds East, 50.00 feet; thence leaving said right of way boundary line, North 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 43 Seconds West, 105.00 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 05 Minutes 48 Seconds East, 50.00 feet; thence South 00 Degrees 00 Minutes 43 Seconds East, 105.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel having an area of 0.12 acres, more or less.

Name in which assessed: Taunton Development Inc.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 AM, E.T., Wednesday, the 18th day of July, 2012. Dated this 12th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA L. NORRIS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Donna L. Ray, Deputy Clerk June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 2012

87540S NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Wells Fargo Bank OBO Tax Liens the holder of the following Tax Certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Commence at the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida; thence run North 89 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds West, along the Northernly Boundary line of said Section 2, for a distance of 492.15 feet; thence leaving said Northernly Boundary line of Section 2, run South 00 degrees 28 minutes

Tax Sale Certificate No. 349 Application No. 2012-26 Date of Issuance: May 28, 2010 R.E. No. 01511-060R

Description of Property: Commence at the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida; thence run North 89 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds West, along the Northernly Boundary line of said Section 2, for a distance of 492.15 feet; thence leaving said Northernly Boundary line of Section 2, run South 00 degrees 28 minutes

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57 seconds West for a distance of 37.58 feet to the approximate Southerly Right-of-Way line of Kate Glass Road per County maintenance and occupation for the POINT OF BEGINNING. From said Point of Beginning, thence continue South 00 degrees 28 minutes 57 seconds West for a distance of 218.00 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 31 minutes 02 seconds West for a distance of 100.00 feet; thence run North 00 degrees 28 minutes 57 seconds East for a distance of 218.00 feet to the aforesaid approximate Southerly Right-of-Way line of Kate Glass Road per County maintenance and occupation; thence run South 89 degrees 31 minutes 02 seconds East along said approximate Southerly Right-of-Way line, for a distance of 100.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Said lands lying in and being a portion of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida and having an area of 0.500 Acres, more or less.

Name in which assessed: Harold C Lester & Robin L. Lester.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 AM, E.T., Wednesday, the 18th day of July, 2012. Dated this 12th day of June, 2012.

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Name in which assessed: Taunton Development Inc.

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HANNA A/K/A DEBBIE FOREHAND/ DROP; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JASON BRIAN WARD; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARTHA WARD; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale dated the 12th day of June, 2012, and entered in Case No. 08-00336, of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein TAYLOR, BEAN & WHITAKER MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and JASON BRIAN WARD, MARTHA WARD, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEBBIE FOREHAND HANNA A/K/A DEBBIE FOREHAND/ DROP; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JASON BRIAN WARD, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARTHA WARD, JOHN DOE, and JANE DOE AS 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 COURT HOUSE, 1000 5TH STREET, PORT ST. JOE, FL 32456, 11:00 AM on the 12th day of July, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

COMMENCE AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE OF CREEKVIEW DRIVE AND THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE GO NORTH 60 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 315.24 FEET; THENCE GO NORTH 39 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 151.92 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 39 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 88.61 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE, GO NORTH 42 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 431.13 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK; THENCE ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES; NORTH 03 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 24.49 FEET; SOUTH 46 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, 51.37 FEET; SOUTH 61 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, 31.82 FEET; SOUTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 58 SECONDS EAST, 24.27 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK, GO SOUTH 46 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 450.40 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL HAVING AN AREA OF 1.0 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

A/K/A 461 E CREEKVIEW DRIVE WEWAHITCHKA, FL 32465

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 in Gulf County, Florida this 15th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk Attorney for Plaintiff: Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, PA. 1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120 Telephone: (954) 453-0365 Facsimile: (954) 771-6052 Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438 June 28, 2012

87658S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 23-2008-CA-000045

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE TERWIN MORTGAGE TRUST 2007-4HE, WITHOUT RECOURSE, Plaintiff,

vs. LYDIA LONG, et al, Defendant(s).

JASON BRIAN WARD; MARTHA WARD; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DEBBIE FOREHAND

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated June 12th, 2012, and entered in Case No. 23-2008-CA-000045 of the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida in which Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, As Indenture Trustee, On Behalf Of The Holders Of The Terwin Mortgage Trust 2007-4he Asset-backed Securities, Series 2007-4he, Without Recourse, is the Plaintiff and Lydia Long, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Jane Doe, John Doe n/k/a Christopher Aaron Pitts, are defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the front lobby, Gulf County Clerk of Court office, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456, Gulf County, Florida at 11:00 A.M ET on the 12th day of July, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

COMMENCE AT A POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE OF CREEKVIEW DRIVE AND THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE GO NORTH 60 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 315.24 FEET; THENCE GO NORTH 39 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 151.92 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 39 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 51 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 88.61 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE, GO NORTH 42 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 431.13 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK; THENCE ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES; NORTH 03 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 24.49 FEET; SOUTH 46 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST, 51.37 FEET; SOUTH 61 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST, 31.82 FEET; SOUTH 88 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 58 SECONDS EAST, 24.27 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING THE CENTERLINE OF STONE MILL CREEK, GO SOUTH 46 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 450.40 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL HAVING AN AREA OF 1.0 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

A/K/A 461 E CREEKVIEW DRIVE WEWAHITCHKA, FL 32465

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 in Gulf County, Florida this 15th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk Attorney for Plaintiff: Law Offices of Marshall C. Watson, PA. 1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120 Telephone: (954) 453-0365 Facsimile: (954) 771-6052 Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438 June 28, 2012

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CASE NO.: 23-2008-CA-000045

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are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator by mail at P. O. Box 1089, Panama City, FL 32402 or by phone at (850) 747-5338 at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days. If you are hearing impaired, please call 711. The above is to be published in the The Star 135 Highway 98, Port St. Joe, FL 32456. June 28, July 5, 2012

87660S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 23-2011-CA-000266

FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs. NANCY L. O'ROURKE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NANCY L. O'ROURKE; MORRIS A. LINKINS, JR.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MORRIS A. LINKINS, JR.; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE N A M E D DEFENDANT(S); FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY; WHETHER DISSOLVED OR PRESENTLY EXISTING, TOGETHER WITH ANY GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, OR TRUSTEES OF SAID DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

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

Lot 3, Block E, PENINSULA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 11, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida.

A/K/A 7651 Robinwood Drive Port St. Joe, FL 32456

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at southern Cce of the courthouse, 1000 Cecil Consit Blvd, Port St. Joe, FL 32456 at 11:00 a.m., on July 12th, 2012.

DATED THIS 15th DAY OF June, 2012.

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 seal of this court on the 15th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk Attorney for Plaintiff: Daniel C. Consuegra 9204 King Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-1328

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administration at P.O. Box 826, Marianna, Florida, 32447. Phone number 850-718-0026, Email: ADARequest@jud14.flcourts. Hearing & Voice Impaired: 1-800-955-8771 at least 7 days before your scheduled court ap

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pearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. June 28, July 5, 2012

87704S NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of INVASSCON located at 701 Gulf Aire Drive, in the County of GULF, in the City of Port St Joe, Florida 32456 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Panama City, Florida, this 22nd day of June, 2012.

LOYD CHESSER Owner June 28, 2012

87711S NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Visionary Distributors LC, the holder of the following Tax Certificate, has filed said Tax Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Parcel number, Certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: 319 Date of Issuance: May 27, 2009 Application No: 2012-21 R.E. No. 01785-010R

Description of Property: COMMENCING at the NW Corner of the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 23, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, thence run East 402 feet to the South side of Old Panama City Wevahitchka Public Road; thence run 316.8 feet, more or less, Southeasterly along the Southern boundary line of said Public Road, for POINT OF BEGINNING, thence running due South to an Iron Pipe, which iron pipe is 135 yards South of the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence run East 85 yards, thence run South 85 yards, thence run West 85 yards, thence run North 85 yards to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 1 1/2 acres, more or fees. And being in the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 23, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida.

LESS AND EXCEPT: That Deeded to Odell Jones, as per Deed recorded in O. R. Book 81, Page 524, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida. (Now owned by Augusta C. Russ, as per Deed recorded in O. R. Book 361, Page 256, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida, Having a Parcel ID#01785-002R).

PARCEL NO. II: COMMENCE AT THE NW Corner of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 23, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, thence run East 402 feet, to the Old Panama City Wevahitchka Public Road, thence in a Southeasterly direction along the Southerly side of said Public Road 647.4 feet, thence run South 250 feet, for a POINT OF BEGINNING, thence West 75 feet, thence South 237 1/2 feet, thence East 75 feet, thence North 237 1/2 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. All in the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 23, Township 4 South, Range 10 West.

Name in which assessed: Gwendolyn Jackson

All of said property being in Gulf County, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 AM E.T., Wednesday, the 11th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 5th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA L. NORRIS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Donna L. Ray, Deputy Clerk June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2012

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Dated this 5th day of June, 2012.

REBECCA L. NORRIS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: Donna L. Ray, Deputy Clerk June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2012

87713S NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Nicole Seybold, the holder of the following Tax Certificate, has filed said Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Parcel number, Certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: 290 Date of Issuance: May 27, 2009 Application No: 2012-22 R.E. No. 01570-100R

Description of Property: A portion of Section 11, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCE at the NW Corner of said Section 11, thence along the North line of said Section 11, South 89 Degrees 57 Minutes 59 Seconds East for 1168.83 feet, thence South 00 Degrees 02 Minutes 01 Second West for 44.48 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, thence South 13 Degrees 25 Minutes 03 Seconds West for 560.00 feet; thence North 46 Degrees 34 Minutes 57 Seconds West for 560.00 feet; thence North 73 degrees 25 Minutes 03 Seconds East for 560.00 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO: A non-exclusive perpetual easement on, over and across the following description: A portion of Section 11, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCE at the NW Corner of said Section 11, thence along the North line of said Section 11, South 89 Degrees 57 Minutes 59 Seconds East for 1016.06 feet to a point on the Southwesterly R/W line of Stone Mill Creek Road, said point being on the arc of a non-tangent curve concave to the NE; thence Southeasterly along said Southwesterly R/W line along the arc of said curve, having a radius of 768.00 feet, a central angle of 02 Degrees 21 Minutes 18 Seconds, an arc distance of 31.57 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING (chord to said curve bears South 70 Degrees 58 Minutes 50 Seconds East for 31.57 feet) thence continue Southeasterly along said R/W line along the arc of said curve, having a radius of 768.00 feet, through a

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the clerk of this Court, BECKY NORRIS, Gulf County Clerk of Court, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, 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 this 8th day of June, 2012.

BECKY NORRIS Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk June 21, 28, 2012

87911S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 12-27-PR

IN RE: ESTATE OF MARIE BETTY CHISHOLM Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the estate of MARIE BETTY CHISHOLM, deceased, whose date of death was May 2, 2012 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. 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 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 BARRED.

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is June 21, 2012.

Personal Representatives: Michael Chisholm 1106 Long Avenue Port St. Joe, FL 32456

Attorney for Personal Representative: Charles A. Costin FL Bar No. 699070 P.O. Box 98 Port St. Joe, FL 32457 (850)-227-1159 June 21, 28, 2012

87931S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEEN JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO.: 2302011 CA 00311 CA

FLAGSTAR BANK FSB, Plaintiff,

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vs. DENNIS R. PARRISH; AMY L. PARRISH; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2, et al. Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 12, 2012 and entered in 2302011 CA 00311 CA of the Circuit Court of the FOURTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein FLAGSTAR BANK FSB, is the Plaintiff and DENNIS R. PARRISH; AMY L. PARRISH; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 are the Defendant(s). Benny Lister as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Lobby, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456, at 11:00 A.M. ET on July 12, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

PARCEL 1 BEGINNING AT THE SW CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST AND RUN NORTH 140 FEET IN C.W. ALDERSENS ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF WEWAHITCHKA; THENCE RUN EAST 105 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 140 FEET; THENCE RUN WEST 105 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 2 NORTH 11 FEET OF THE WEST 105 FEET OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, LESS ROAD RIGHT OF WAY. SAID LAND BEING AND LYING IN THE COUNTY OF GULF, 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 15th day of June, 2012.

Rebecca L. Norris As Clerk of the Court

By: B.A. Baxter As Deputy Clerk June 21, 28, 2012

87941S PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of the following amendments and Ordinances with the following titles:

- 1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF GULF, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO REGULATE AND CONTROL THE APPLICATION, REVIEW, PERMITTING PROCESSES AS WELL AS THE REGULATION AND ANNUAL EVALUATION OF ANY AND ALL HOMELESS SHELTERS; PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATE LOCATIONS FOR SUCH FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; ADOPTING A HEARING PROCEDURE, PROVIDING FINES AND PENALTIES FOR ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 2) AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF GULF, IN THE STATE

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OF FLORIDA AMENDING "NUISANCE" ORDINANCE 99-06, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE AND FURTHER DEFINITION OF NUISANCE AS ANY ACTIVITY CONDUCTED ON A PROPERTY WITHIN THE COUNTY REQUIRING THE PRESENCE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON FIVE OR MORE OCCASIONS OF ANY THIRTY DAY PERIOD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

\*Complete Ordinance on file in the Clerk's Office\*

A first public reading and introduction will be held during the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners' Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. est. in the County Commissioner's meeting room in the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, Gulf County Courthouse Complex, Port St. Joe, Florida.

A second reading in addition to a public hearing and consideration will be held during the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners' Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. est. in the County Commissioner's meeting room in the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, Gulf County Courthouse Complex, Port St. Joe, Florida.

All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the proposed Ordinances and referenced amendments. If a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the Gulf County Commission with respect to any matter considered at this hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings and that for such purpose he/she may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceedings made and which would include any evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

A copy of the proposed Ordinances and amendments are available for inspection on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. est., and 5:00 p.m. est. at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 C.G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida, 32456.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: WILLIAM C. WILLIAMS III, CHAIRMAN June 29, July 5, 2012

87957S PUBLIC NOTICE

Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority (NWFTCA) Meeting Notice. The NWFTCA recently commissioned HDR Engineering, Inc. to prepare a major update to their regional Master Plan, originally adopted in 2007. As part of the initial phase of the update, HDR is working with key stakeholders (Florida DOT, FHWA, city and county reps., etc.) and the Authority to help analyze future transportation projects by assessing their respective economic benefits, developing an investment plan and proposing viable funding strategies. As part of this process, workshops were held in March 2012. A second series of workshops will be held at two alternate locations: July 10, 2012, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Central Time at the Days Inn & Suites, Navarre Conference Cen-

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ter, Room D, located at 8700 Navarre Parkway, Navarre, Florida and July 11, 2012, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Central Time at the Florida State University Holey Academic Center, Panama City Campus, Room A301, located at 4750 Collegiate Drive, Panama City, Florida. Any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the Corridor Authority at least 48 hours prior to the meeting by contacting Alicia Stephen at (850) 429-8905 or by email Alicia.Stephen@hdinc.com. Please RSVP by July 6, 2012 if you plan to attend.

87981S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 23-2012-CA-000118 DIVISION:

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

vs. STEPHEN HELMS A/K/A STEPHEN BENNETT HELMS, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF STEPHEN HELMS A/K/A STEPHEN BENNETT HELMS LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 221 BRYAN SETTERICH WEWAHITCHKA, FL 32465-3103

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT (S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

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

LOT 2, BLOCK B: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 36, THENCE GO SOUTH 00 DEGREES 20 MINUTES WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.22 FEET TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE OF BRIAN SETTERICH ROAD (HAVING A 70 FOOT WIDE RIGHT OF WAY); THENCE GO SOUTH 88 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 04 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE OF A DISTANCE OF 446.35 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BE-

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GINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 04 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 177.00 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY LINE, GO NORTH 01 DEGREE 21 MINUTES EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 246.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

A/K/A LOT 2, BLOCK B, CRESTWOOD ACRES, UNRECORDED

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

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 14th day of June, 2012.

Rebecca L. Norris Clerk of the Court

By: B.A. Baxter

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

ADA Coordinator P.O. Box 1089 Panama City, FL 32402 Phone: 850-747-5338 Fax: (850) 747-5717 Hearing Impaired: Dial 711 Email: ADARequest@fld14.fcourts.org F12002310 June 28, July 5, 2012

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Publisher's Notice

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To avoid possible scams, it is recommended that consumers should verify caller information when receiving calls regarding credit card payments. Consumers should also contact the local company themselves instead of giving this information to individuals who are contacting them directly.



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Nursing Faculty, Associate RN Program 9-month (PC Campus) - Requires MSN with min. 2 yrs. experience in adult medical-surgical nursing + have current BCLS & an unencumbered FL RN license upon starting job. Teaching exp. preferred.

Nursing Faculty Practical Nursing and Certified Nursing Assistant programs, 9-month (Gulf Franklin Campus) - Requires MSN with a minimum 2 yrs. of general medical surgical nursing experience + a current FL RN license. Salary for above positions based on degree and experience. Positions Open Until Filled. Only those who provide all requested items (must be completed), legible transcripts & resume will be considered. Additional info: www.gulfcoast.edu/hr Women & minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. GCSC is an EA/EOM/IF Vet employer GCSC Equity Officer 850.872.3866 Web-Id 34214821



Medical/Health

Adjunct Nursing Instructor, Associate RN program (PC Campus) - Requires BSN with min. 2 yrs. exp. in nursing + have current BCLS & an unencumbered FL RN license upon starting job. MSN & teaching exp. preferred. Position Open Until Filled. Additional info: call Ms. Ruder @ 850.769.1551 ext. 5817 or www.gulfcoast.edu/hr. Women & minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. GCSC is an EA/EOM/IF Vet employer GCSC Equity Officer 850.872.3866 Web-Id 34214825

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BP Claims Program This communication includes new information and claims procedures for individuals and businesses who wish to file a claim with BP under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("OPA"). The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana has granted preliminary approval to the economic and property damage settlement between BP and plaintiffs in MDL 2179 concerning the Deepwater Horizon Incident ("Settlement"). If the Court grants final approval of the settlement, individuals and businesses falling within the Settlement's class definition will be bound by the terms of the settlement unless the class member timely exercises the class member's right to opt out of the settlement. Information concerning the Court-Supervised Settlement Program, including the right to opt out, may be found at www.DeepwaterHorizonSettlements.com or by calling 1-866-992-6174. Individuals and businesses that do not fall within the Settlement's class definition or that timely opt out of the Settlement may file claims under OPA with BP. This includes claims for interim, short-term damages representing less than the full amount to which the claimant may ultimately be entitled. Access to forms Effective June 4, 2012, claim forms for the BP Claims Program are available at www.bp.com/claims or may be requested by calling 1-855-687-2631. All claim forms for the BP Claims Program must be submitted in one of the following ways: By mail: BP Claims Program P.O. 330919 Houston, TX 77233-0919 By email: Scanned forms can be sent to: bpclaimsprogram@bp.com By fax: Faxed forms can be submitted to 1-866-542-4785 Additional information: Online: www.bp.com/claims By Phone: 1-855-687-2631 (toll-free, multilingual) TTY: 1-800-345-4039. For any claims under OPA that are denied or that are not resolved within 90 days after the date of submission to the BP Claims Program the claimant may, provided presentation and other requirements of law are satisfied, elect to commence an action in court against BP, or to present the claim to the NPFC, US Coast Guard Stop 7100 (ca), 4200 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1000, Arlington, Virginia 20598-7100 for consideration. The NPFC may be contacted at 1-800-280-7118.

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Engineering Faculty
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212 Hwy 98-Town Centre Building 1st, 2nd, 3rd floor suites avail; +/-1700-2250sf; \$6.75-\$8.75psf mod gross
202 Marina Drive Centennial Bank Bldg 2nd & 3rd Floor Spaces Avail; +/-491-5,000sf; \$12 psf mod gross
316 & 318 Reid Avenue Office /Retail; +/- 3,600sf; Can be subdivided; \$1250 per month
103 Reid Avenue Great office/retail location ready for occupancy; \$10 psf mod gross
219 Reid Avenue Office/Retail; +/-5400 sf; sub dividable \$7 psf mod gross (former Goodwill)
101 Reid Avenue Seven office suites avail starting at \$400 mo plus pro rata CAM
235 W. Gulf Beach Drive - St. George Island Office/Retail; +/-800sf-1800; \$14psfmod gross
401 Cecil G Costin Office; +/-2,000sf-5,250sf; high level of finish; move in ready, ask rate \$9.00psf-\$13.00psf mod-gross

WAREHOUSE / FLEX SPACE

110 Trade Circle West +/- 2500-7500sf suites, 14ft roll-up doors, dock high loading; inquire for terms
2790 Hwy 98 +/- 5,640 sf : Office / Warehouse; \$8 psf mod gross; Property also available for sale; Inquire for terms; 17 separate storage units available

FOR SALE

217 W. River Road - Wewahitchka +/-9,000sf; retail building; next to Rich's IGA; +/-1 acre; on-site; avail for lease; inquire for terms. \$500,000
223 Monument Avenue Four city lots fronting Hwy 98; \$375,000
Loggerhead Restaurant Cape San Blas, +/-3000sf, FFE incl., .47 ac, on site-parking, sewer, asking \$350,000. Short Sale
516 1st Street +/-11,400 sf office/warehouse : .09 acres; Four roll up and/or high clearance entryways; \$395,000
320 Marina Drive Corner lot entry to Marina Cove : .14 acres; High visibility site; Call for details
Marina Cove Lots 12, 13, & 14; \$375,000
PSJ Commerce Park +/- 6.5 acre site : \$119,900; owner financing available
235 W. Gulf Beach Drive - St. George Island Office/Retail; +/-5,335sf multi-tenant bldg St. George Island; Also avail for lease; \$399,000

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- Cold call and prospect new territory opportunities.
Introduce business owners to programs via presentation, answer detailed questions and maintain that relationship.

- Requirements
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Experience presenting advertising materials to a variety of businesses
Cold calling experience
Reliable Transportation
Experience handling warm leads and prospecting for new leads.
Field Sales, Business to Business Sales (B2B), Inside Sales, Outside Sales, or Outbound Sales experience ( Preferred)

- We Offer:
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The News Herald offers a competitive benefit package including medical, dental, vision and life insurance, 401(k) plan, vacation and sick leave, and six paid holidays per year.

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# **FIREWORKS FUN & FREEDOM**

**July 4th**

**Events & Celebrations**

## **WEWAHITCHKA**

**July 6th  
Fireworks at Dark  
T.L. James Park**

## **PORT ST. JOE**

**July 4th - 6 pm Parade  
(Reid Avenue)**

**\*\*See ad inside for more information\*\***

### **Fireworks**

**Friday July 6th  
The Gulf Alliance for  
Local Arts Presents  
First Friday's Music Series  
@ The Goat  
6PM - 11PM ET**

## **MEXICO BEACH**

**July 4th - Fireworks**

The City of Wewahitchka will be having

**- FIREWORKS -**

**July 6th, At Dark**

**T.L. James Park**

**Old Dairy Farm Rd, Wewahitchka, FL 32465**





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<p><b>MLS 247370</b> 491 Buddy Flore Rd, Overstreet 8.4 Acres 4/2 \$164,500</p>	<p><b>MLS 245726</b> 140 Goodwin St, Wewa River Front/Boat House 3/2 \$295,000</p>	<p><b>MLS 247060</b> 1301 Long Ave, PSJ Cottage Style 3/3 \$225,000</p>
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<p><b>MLS 244400</b> 231 Oak St, Indian Pass Gulf View 3/3 \$289,000</p>	<p><b>MLS 242139</b> 3537 Cape San Blas Gulf Front <b>NEW</b> 3/3 \$489,500</p>	<p><b>MLS 246238</b> 3617 Cape San Blas Gulf Front 5/4.5 \$799,000</p>
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<p><b>MLS 246498</b> 4000 Hwy 98 B3-103 MB Canal Front/Boat Slip 1/2 \$183,650</p>	<p><b>MLS 246624</b> 3606 Hwy 98 #207 MB Canal Front/Boat Slip 3/2 \$248,000</p>	<p><b>MLS 246657</b> 209 Water Dr MB Canal Front Boat House 4/2 \$279,800</p>
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<p><b>MLS 247094</b> 163 Court St SJB - Gulf View/Pool Short Sale 4/2 \$359,900</p>	<p><b>MLS 246756</b> 2004 Hwy 98 MB Gulf View/Pool 4/3.5 \$595,000</p>	<p><b>MLS 245072</b> 109 27th St MB Gulf Front 5/5.5 \$1,600,000</p>
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<p><b>MLS 243323</b> 800 Hwy 98 #203 - Gulf View <b>SOLD for \$215,000</b></p>	<p><b>MLS 239761</b> 964 Indian Pass Rd - Gulf Front <b>SOLD for \$533,000</b></p>	<p><b>MLS 243743</b> 2202 Hwy 98 #105 - Gulf View <b>SOLD for \$155,000</b></p>
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<p><b>MLS 246234</b> 704 Hwy 98 #9 - Gulf View <b>SOLD for \$185,000</b></p>	<p><b>MLS 246057</b> 436 Windmark Way Windmark - Gulf View w/Pool <b>SOLD for \$460,000</b></p>	<p><b>MLS 238966</b> 1305 Hwy 98 #2 MB Gulf Front <b>SOLD for \$500,000</b></p>
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