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## Port Authority seeks closure with Capital City

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One way or another the Port Authority of Port St. Joe wants to put foreclosure litigation with Capital City Bank in the rearview mirror.

Port Authority members met in a public meeting last Friday

and decided to see, as attorney Tom Gibson characterized it, "if there is anything they would want from us" that might be worth some dealing to close the case.

If there is not, Port Authority members decided, they would let the so-called Parcel B mortgaged through Capital City Bank be auctioned on the steps of the Gulf County Courthouse April 10.

Since a circuit court judge ruled in favor of Capital City Bank and subsequently signed a final order in the foreclosure litigation, some Port Authority members have expressed an interest in seeing the case closed, rather than appeal the ruling.

The perception surrounding seeking tens of millions from the Florida Legislature to dredge

the federally authorized shipping channel while battling foreclosure litigation in court had provided pause for some Port Authority members.

"We should vote to walk away and have a meeting with Capital City Bank," board member Jason Shoaf said during the last regular monthly meeting. "We should be putting this to bed immediately.

And separate the port from the foreclosure."

There is also the reality that the Port Authority, currently in the midst of a community capital campaign aimed at raising basic operational fund, lacks the resources for a protracted legal fight.

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Pepper and Ryan, both adopted from the DAWGs program, enjoy their new home Torrington, Conn.



Cooper, adopted in 2010, quickly adapted to living in New Jersey.

## BOCC formally takes back economic development

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The Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday again formally assumed the point on economic development in the county.

At the recommendation of the board of the Gulf County Economic Development Alliance Inc. and the BOCC-appointed EDA advisory committee, the BOCC is back in charge of economic development under a model that has yet to be crafted.

County staff, with input from the EDA board and advisory committee, will come back to the BOCC with recommendations on the model.

According to county attorney Jeremy Novak, the board and advisory committee examined several models, with a five-, seven- or nine-member advisory board and a county employee, hired by county administrator Don Butler, to serve as executive director.

Tuesday's move put an end to the most recent configuration for a county agency addressing economic development.

The EDA was formed just over a year ago after the BOCC had taken back control of economic development during fall 2012.

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## DAWGS years

### DAWGS in Prison celebrates 5 years

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This seems an appropriate time to "paws" for a retrospective.

The Developing Adoptable Dogs With Good Sociability (DAWGS) program, operated through a partnership among the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society, the Florida Department of Corrections and the

Board of County Commissioners, will celebrate a milestone on April 2.

Not only will the 32nd class of pups graduate from their eight-week training regimen and be in search of good home, but it also marks the five-year anniversary of the program.

The program is based out

of the Gulf Forestry Camp, where rescued dogs are paired up with teams of inmate trainers for a program during which the animals will be crate-trained, house-trained and learn basic obedience.

After graduating, the pups

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PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE STAR

The 32nd class of the DAWGs in Prison program attends graduation. More than 330 dogs have been trained and adopted through the program.

## Mexico Beach city administrator resigns

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At a workshop on Tuesday, Mexico Beach city administrator Chris Hubbard announced he would be resigning his position effective next Friday, April 4.

"Mexico Beach was a great place to work," Hubbard said. "We accomplished a lot of positive things in my seven and a half years.

"We did what's best for the city and citizens, and I'm still planning to stay involved in the community."

Council members Jack Mullen and Gary Woodham wished Hubbard the best of luck in his future endeavors and Mayor Al Cathey thanked him for his years of service to the city.

"I appreciate Mr. Hubbard's decision to step down and to allow our city to move forward," Councilwoman

Tanya Castro said. "If you consider the Parker House debacle and our stormwater issues among others, I believe the people of Mexico Beach clearly recognize the fundamental failure of leadership.

"This is about personal choices leading to professional missteps and whether a city administrator has the skills and experience necessary to do the job the taxpayers are paying him to do."

A special meeting will be

scheduled to tie up any loose ends and discuss how the city will move forward to find Hubbard's replacement.

### City Hall

People's South Bank of Georgia will move forward in purchasing the building that currently houses city employees. The closing date on the building is set for mid-

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## James Taunton announces for School Board District 2

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A lifelong resident of Wewahitchka, James Taunton is the son of Judge David and Abigail Taunton. Adopted at birth, Taunton was raised at the Taunton Family Children's Home in Wewahitchka. He has been married to his high school sweetheart, Ashley Taunton (kindergarten teacher at WES), for 10 years, and they have two children, Noah, 8, and Lillie, 4.

Taunton graduated from Wewahitchka High School in 1999 and then attended Chipola Jr. College to obtain his A.A. in business/accounting. From there, he went to the University of West Florida where he earned a B.S. in engineering/construction technology.

After college, Taunton moved home and went to work with Taunton Truss as the licensed contractor and purchasing agent.

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# Mosquito Control encourages early mosquito prevention

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The mosquitoes are getting an early jump in Gulf County.

With heavy rains pounding the county to start spring and temperatures slowly on the rise, mosquitoes are seizing the opportunity to hatch anywhere and everywhere possible.

Don't panic just yet!

With cooler temperatures coming back this week, Gulf County residents will have time to fight the bugs before they can start their summer visit.

Last year, mosquitoes that hatched in the flood waters in Wewahitchka caused the Board of County Commissioners to declare a state of emergency for the north end of the county.

Mark Cothran, director of Mosquito Control for Gulf County urged residents to be proactive this season when it comes to doing their part to prevent the spread of the insects.

"Area residents should police their yard and look for any standing water in containers and dump it out," Cothran said.

Each year, Cothran encourages those in the county to follow the three D's of protection: Dress, Defend and Drain.

This early in the season, the emphasis is on draining.

Tires, a breeding mecca for the insects should be disposed of properly. Residents should drill holes in the bottoms of outdoor recycling or plastic trash containers.

They should keep gutters clear of debris, clean pet water dishes regularly, repair leaky outdoor faucets, turn over boats and canoes to prevent them from collecting water and empty any liquid that has collected in tarps.

As standing water along roads and in yards continues to evaporate and seep into the ground Cothran said that it would be up to residents to ensure that their properties weren't providing places for mosquitoes to hatch.

Traps around the county have been set which will allow Cothran and Mosquito Control to gauge numbers of the pests but due to incoming winds and lower temperatures throughout the weekend, crews have pushed back spraying until the end of next week.

There are more than 3,000 different species of mosquitoes throughout the world and currently 176 species are recognized in the United States. Mosquitoes can carry illnesses including West Nile virus and Malaria and preventing them from hatching is the best way to combat the pests.



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

More than 40 students from University of Wisconsin-Madison performed volunteer work in Port St. Joe last week.

# Spring breakers from Wisconsin lend a helping hand in PSJ

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Spring break continues to bring out the best.

Last week more than 40 students from the University of Wisconsin-Madison came through Port St. Joe and spent two days working on community service projects during their spring break.

The students, part of the "Students Today, Leaders Forever" organization, work on a "pay-it-forward" mindset to do good deeds wherever they may be.

Upon arriving, the students split into three groups and assisted the Public Works department with construction on the dugout roof at the softball field across the street from the Centennial Building.

Students also helped clean the facility and resurfaced the infield.

Another group settled in at the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society where students helped care for the animals, walked and socialized with dogs and assisted with cleaning around the property.

A third group worked with the Gulf Coast Workforce Board in restocking the food pantry along with performing

maintenance and cleaning of the Washington Gym in North Port St. Joe.

Students were treated to lunch cooked by staff from the Workforce Board and served by city employees for their hard work.

The trip was part of a week-long tour that took the students across Northwest Florida.

Prior to arriving in Port St. Joe the group had been volunteering in Fort Walton Beach.

Since 2004, STLF have completed 552 Pay It Forward tours accumulating in more than over 300,000 volunteer hours. The program has had 21,981 participants who have gone on tours all over the country.

"Port St. Joe was a town I saw as perfect for the type of work that STLF does, and was in the perfect spot for the route that we took to Jacksonville," said group leader Riley Egan.

"Everyone was so hospitable and we really enjoyed our stay.

"It is truly an amazing organization that I am proud to be a part of."

Port St. Joe was the final stop on the tour and after camping overnight in the Centennial Building, the group departed for Jacksonville to get in some last minute rest and relaxation before returning home.

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# MEXICO BEACH

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May, and the buyers have expressed an interest in moving in as soon as possible. City hall employees have been asked to vacate the property by June.

Several vacant buildings were explored as temporary options but were tossed out because of size or rent costs. Top choices include moving into the Civic Center or the recently completed Public Works building.

Hubbard said if the city chose to use the Civic Center, the structure would need to be outfitted with the proper wiring to allow access to the city's network, and an alternate location for meetings would need to be explored.

The Public Works building already has the necessary network connections, but size restrictions could make it difficult to house all employees under one roof.

Police Chief Glenn Norris offered up the training room inside the old police station.

Norris said it would be large enough to accommodate the city employees, and the network connections already exist. Because the room operates on a different air conditioning and heating system, it was free of the mold that infects the rest of the structure.

Cathey discussed the possibility of writing a letter to People's South to ask for an extension in leaving the property. He said the end of October was more realistic, and if the bank declined the request, they should counteroffer for the end of July.

He asked members of the council to brainstorm ideas and said they could discuss further at next week's pre-agenda meeting.

Castro encouraged her fellow councilmembers to make an immediate decision on where to move rather than wait a week and lose valuable time.

Hubbard said he would investigate the logistics behind moving into either of the city buildings, and the council agreed it would decide on an extension date and send the letter after deciding which destination would make the most sense.

"If we're going to move

pronto, we don't want to ask for an extension we don't need or we'll be obligated to pay the rent," Cathey said.

## Parker House

An executive session planned for the end of the month to discuss final numbers on the new city hall has been canceled in favor of a public meeting.

The meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. CT Monday, March 31, at the Civic Center.

The cost of the planned 3,200-square-foot city hall will be made public, and discussion will be held with attorney Dion Moniz and Brian Cathey, who currently holds the construction bid.

Woodham believes the insurance company owes additional money on the claim despite a \$174,000 settlement offer and sought legal counsel with Moniz.

According to the insurance policy, if two appraisers can't agree on the value of the claim, a third will be hired by a court, and the two appraisals that have the closest results would prevail.

This step would have to be completed before starting any type of litigation.

Until now, the cost of the new city hall had not been made public despite outcry from citizens.

"Nobody's trying to hide anything," Woodham said. "We want you to have everything the council has."

"It will be presented on the 31st, and you'll all know what we know."

The damaged Parker House still stands despite the council voting to proceed with demolition. According to Woodham, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection required a permit, which delayed demolition by 10 days. Demolition is now expected to be complete by April 2.

## Public Works open house

An open house for the recently completed Public Works building will be 9-11 a.m. CT Wednesday, April 2. The public is invited to tour the facility located at 114 N. 22nd St. in Mexico Beach.

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The new model will be the third under which economic development has been handled in the past three years. This is the sixth time since 2002 that the model for economic development has been changed by the BOCC.

Commissioner Joanna Bryan was the lone dissenting vote in taking back operations for economic development.

"I am opposed to taking the designation back," Bryan said. "It is moving backward and in the wrong direction."

"I do not think the solution is to turn economic development into a county department with a county employee running it."

The proposal to create an operational model similar to the Tourist Development Council, with an advisory council and an executive director who answers to the BOCC, Bryan said, was misguided.

She said attracting tourists was a completely different animal from attracting businesses to the county.

"The EDA has a good board, and we have not supported them or funded them as we should," Bryan said.

But Commissioner Ward McDaniel said the EDA board was asking the BOCC to take back the economic development function.

The EDA, which has an all-volunteer board of five, has been hamstrung much of the past year because of the absence and ultimate resignation of executive director Barry Sellers due to health issues.

With the BOCC withholding funds because of the uncertainty surrounding the EDA, the EDA board wanted to return the responsibility to the BOCC.

"The board is wanting to put this back under us," McDaniel said.

In addition to formally taking back economic development, the BOCC also approved the return to the county of some \$68,000 in EDA funds and Novak will draft a letter releasing the EDA from its contract with the BOCC.

## St. Joseph Shores

Commissioners discussed at some length ongoing stormwater issues in St. Joseph Shores, which have been repeatedly chronicled by this newspaper.

Through a presentation of aerial imagery, Butler highlighted how the home of Betty Price, who has sustained the most influx of water in recent years, was in a low area, and the county, while it had a right-of-way through the development, did not own land.

Bryan said she wanted to clarify whether the county had a responsibility and how to address the issues.

"It is very frustrating to have the flooding we are having," Bryan said. "We have had an inordinate amount of rain. But I do not see where there is anything the county is doing on this property."

She said the problem was related to Mother Nature or an issue not directly tied to the county.

However, Stan Price, Betty's son, took issue with several assertions and directly tied the ongoing problems — during recent rain Price had anywhere from 9-15 inches in her backyard and under her home — to the construction of WindMark Beach by the St. Joe Company.

He said the home was built in the 1970s, and her mother purchased the home in the early '80s. She did not have problems with stormwater, Stan said, until recently.

"(The property) is a hole now that WindMark has been put in," Stan Price said. "What the county allowed St. Joe to do with their land — and they should have the right to do what they want with their land — was raise the water table."

He likened it to a wet sponge — as St. Joe developed the property at one end the water flowed to the other, St. Joseph Shores.

Whether the issue was permits or faulty engineering Stan could not say, but his mother's home and yard have been transformed into a "muddy mess."

In addition, Betty Price has lost her flood insurance because of claims in recent years related to the stormwater inundating her property.

Another resident of St. Joseph Shores, Gail Alsobrook, said mosquitoes are more of a constant threat because of the standing water and said the source of concern among homeowners was the parcel of land St. Joe developed for Miraval, which was substantially raised.

Bryan repeated that she did not think the county bore responsibility and said commissioners should be careful with temporary solutions — a pump, for example, when significant rain arrives — because of stormwater issues around the county.

"We need to determine what is the county's responsibility," Bryan said. "This is taxpayer money, and we have to treat everybody fairly."

## Habitat Conservation Plan

Commissioners heard another round of presentations from companies wishing to serve as technical adviser as the county embarks on crafting a state mandated Habitat Conservation Plan, a plan funded under a grant from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Having heard the top three firms, based on recommendations from a technical advisory committee at the previous meeting, and ranking those firms based on presentation, Bryan opposed allowing the two remaining firms to make presentations to commissioners.

She said that would provide an unfair advantage of firms that could view the previous presentations.

Novak said that because of some issues in how the advisory committee scored the firms in the initial ranking, the BOCC should hear the presentations, at the recommendation of the committee, in order to ensure no later bid protest.

This is the latest of several instances this year that issues with initial ranking or scoring from staff on a bid has resulted in altering the process.

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## 'I do not like the Cone of Shame'

If you haven't seen the animated movie, "Up" from 2009, you need to see it. It is a bit silly, but it is a good tale of life and dreams. The hero is a senior citizen named Carl, who is off on the once-in-a-lifetime journey he has always dreamed of taking.

Carl is traveling with an eight year-old wilderness explorer/Boy Scout named Russell and a dog named "Dug."

Dug, the dog is originally part of a bad pack of dogs. However, Dug ends up not being bad. He is a bit goofy and has a talking collar (where he gets his orders from the bad dog leader).

This character, Dug, at one point in the movie is threatened with having to wear "the cone of shame." The cone of shame being the funnel-like collar that veterinarians often put on dogs and cats to keep them from biting or licking wounds and other postoperative incisions.

Other names for the "cone of shame" include the "E-collar" in reference to the fact that it looks like an Elizabethan collar, the "lampshade" and the "satellite dish."

There are various videos and pictures of dogs having to deal with the "cone of shame" that are supposed to be funny.

As Dug notes when threatened with the funneled collar, "I do not like the cone of shame."

I'm with Dug. My dog, Doolittle, came home from the veterinarian's office with the cone of shame the other day. He had to have a liver biopsy so they could perhaps figure out what is causing some of his health problems.

In addition to being drugged and having his stomach cut open, he had to manage with this funnel thing on his head. He was getting hung up on the armrests of chairs, door frames and the tops of tables.

It just wasn't funny, being my dog and knowing that he already felt bad from being sliced



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open and his insides poked.

I like dogs. I like mine a lot.

Therefore, the next time I see a person walking their dog with this cone of shame thing on their head, I'm going to look at it a little differently.

differently.

We often think things are funny, when we shouldn't. I know we don't do it on purpose; we just don't take the time to look at it from the viewpoint of those being collared.

In the movie, Up, the little boy, Russell, makes a pretty good quote I find to be very meaningful. Russell's parents are separated, but Russell points out some of the normal things that he and his father did just spending time together. After Russell recounted these events, he noted, "That might sound boring. But I think the boring stuff is the stuff I remember the most."

I liked that a lot. It is the stuff that others think to be boring we often remember the most. Things we did with our parents, grandparents and friends that seemed to be so mundane at the time end up being memories we cherish.

The other little part of the movie that I really enjoy is when Carl finds the note his deceased wife, Ellie, left him. She thanks him for the time they spent together and their many adventures.

Carl was thinking he had never really been on an adventure and his wife's note reminded him that his life with her had indeed been a wonderful adventure.

There was no need for regret.

My points being, an animated film from five years ago and a silly looking funnel collar for a dog will end up being great memories for me.

Don't miss out on the little things in life.... (And hug your dog while you can).

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## You Talk About A Memorable Ride!

I wrote my first "newspaper story" for the March 8, 1984, edition. It doesn't take much ciphering to figure that to be thirty years ago. And if you multiply thirty times fifty-two weeks in a year, you've got an idea how many of these little blurbs I have perpetrated on an unsuspecting populace for over a quarter of a century.

This story today is not about me. It's not about perseverance. It is certainly not about writing ability. It's about how do you get off this treadmill! My goodness gracious, I'm tired of jotting these things down! I can only imagine how worn-out you must be from having to listen to all of them!!

Mr. Wesley Ramsey, the owner of "The Star", apparently enjoyed my "yarns" about growing up in a time and place where the druggist knew your name, where the doctor could sign your football physical without even looking at you and where, if you messed up over at Kenny Butler's house, Mr. Butler whipped Kenny first ... and then everyone else in his yard that had not lived up to the standard expectations of the day!

Or maybe, that shrewd editor-in-chief just needed a little free "filler" for his newspaper. Here's the most important sentence in today's article; I do not, and have never, considered myself a writer. I think about something that happened "back home" and I try to scribble it down right fast—as close as I can to the way Mr. Jack Cantrell or Mr. Willard Brush would be telling it from those waiting chairs up at Gene's Barber Shop.

McKenzie, Tennessee, is the bona fide star of my "weakly" efforts. Everywhere I go someone will ask me if Buddy Wiggleton is a real person. They think I can make up

names like Graylene Lemonds and LaRenda Bradfield. They want to know if Bill Argo really owned the Gulf Station there. I got up once over at the capital in Tallahassee to give a detailed report on Property Values in Gulf County before a state senate hearing committee. I hadn't hardly cleared my throat yet when a distinguished senator from Northwest Florida said, "Kes, tell us about the time Leon jumped off that bridge over the Tennessee River."



**HUNKER DOWN**  
Kesley Colbert

You figure I lived in McKenzie from birth till going off to college. If you calculate in I've got to be five or six before I really start remembering things; that leaves a window of about twelve years to weld all of this stuff into my mind. I've been writing about my childhood for over twice as long as I lived it! It's like that "M\*A\*S\*H" TV show lasting longer than the Korean War it was portraying.

It's about time for me to helicopter off into the sunset.

As I'm working on an exit strategy, let me tell you what these stories have meant to me. If you just "remember" the Tri-County Stockyards, it's an old building on the outskirts of town. If you go to write something down about the place, well, that's a whole new ballgame entirely! You've got to "feel" the railroad tracks as you come up the hill and turn into the parking lot. You've got to "see" the concrete cafeteria and office on the left and the big, sprawling holding pens and auction area looming in front of you. You need to "smell" the best hamburger in three counties cooking on the grill ... mixed in with the aroma of manure, hay, diesel fuel and chewing tobacco. You've got to "hear" the pigs squealing from

the far back side of the giant barn and the auctioneer singing his way through lot after lot of horses, cattle, hogs, sheep and goats.

And you've got to do the same with the elementary school, J. A. Abernathy's Hardware, U'tot'em Grocery and a hundred other places in town ... well, ok ... maybe twenty other places in town.

If you're going to tell the story, you can't just watch the homecoming parade, you've got to jump aboard. You don't just cruise the Dairy Bar, you've got to "taste" the shake and onion rings. You don't vaguely remember "The Coasters" blasting out of those big speakers at the swimming pool; you've got to squint a little from the sun bouncing off the water. You've got to feel the Baby Oil greased into your skin, the faint chlorine smell lingering in the air and, of course, you've got to be singing "Fe-fe, fi-fi, fo-fo, fum; I smell smoke in the auditorium."

I've made a career out of writing about the people I grew up with. I've poked fun, shed a tear, revealed a few secrets and, thankfully, have NOT told "all I know" in some instances. I hope my love for them has shown through more than anything else. My best friends in high school ... are still my best friends in life. I write about them often ... because I think about them often. Whatever the story, it makes me dig deeper into my memory bank. You will never know how grateful I am for that.

If I misspeak or exaggerate at times that because it's the way I remember it. I do know this for dead certain positive; the town, the old buildings, each and every single person, even writing about them ... has certainly given me much more than I have given back.

Respectfully,  
Kes

## Florida's retirement system doesn't need 'fixing'

### Special to The Star

From the Florida Education Association

Legislators are once again proposing to alter the Florida Retirement System (FRS), even though it is considered one of the best and most well-funded in the country and recent polling conducted for the Florida Education Association (FEA) shows that nearly 70 percent of registered voters believe the Legislature should leave the retirement system for teachers alone.

The latest proposal is called a "cash balance plan," which House Speaker Will Weatherford says will only apply to new employees and won't impact those currently in the retirement system. But if new employees aren't going to replenish the system, it will ultimately

threaten the financial stability of the retirement fund that 375,000 retired teachers and other public workers rely on now and 620,000 more currently paying into the system will rely on in the future. As a result, many believe any changes will adversely impact the viability of the Florida Retirement System and could harm current



**ANDY FORD**  
FEA president

school employees enrolled in the system.

"We don't understand why some political leaders in Florida continue to seek to dismantle a retirement system that is considered one of the best and most well-funded in the country," said FEA President Andy Ford. Investment earnings do most of the work in funding retirement for teachers and other school employees, law enforcement officers,

firefighters and other workers in the Florida Retirement System. Contributions made by workers and employers are invested, and the earnings are compounded over time — funding over two-thirds of retirement benefits.

Furthermore, the system provides important support to the state and local economies. In 2011, the Florida Retirement System paid out nearly \$7 billion in retirement payments. These dollars support retirees and circulate throughout the Florida economy, paying for food, clothing, housing and other necessities and supporting thousands of jobs spread throughout every community in the state.

Studies show that every dollar paid in public retirement benefits in Florida creates \$1.64 in total economic activity. About two-thirds of money paid out comes from

investment earnings, so every dollar invested in retirement plans from taxes supports \$4.47 in total economic output.

The Florida Retirement System is in good financial condition, and is consistently ranked among the top 10 state systems in the nation and the Legislature already made significant cost saving changes to the FRS in 2011.

They mandated a three percent employee contribution, suspended cost-of-living increases, increased the vesting period and reduced the DROP accrual rate.

Oponents of the planned changes worry they will only shift more of the burden to those currently in the state retirement system while denying new teachers, bus drivers and cafeteria workers the option to participate in a plan that could provide them with real retirement security.

## Letter to the EDITOR

### Questions about PSJRA

Dear Editor,  
*Ed. Note: this letter was sent to each Port St. Joe city commissioner, but was addressed to Commissioner Bo Patterson.*

Dear Commissioner Patterson,  
I am directing this letter to you in questioning the recent events by the Port St Joe City Commissioners to take over the Port St Joe Redevelopment Agency.

This vote I might add came to be under questionable timing with very short notice and took place while the Executive Director of the PSJRA, Gail Alsbrook was known to be out of town.

Commissioner Patterson, can you shed some light on how this topic was first discussed and why it was deemed so important that it had to occur while the Director of the PSJRA was out of town? I am sure as an elected politician you can see the odd timing of this

vote and can understand why so many people are suspicious of your claims and actions, one resident even calling it a 'cowardly act'.

Commissioner Patterson, on a couple of occasions you have stated that many voters called you in support of this take over. Do these people that you claim support this vote offer ideas of what should be done differently? If so, what are they suggesting? As I understand the City Commissioners already have final say over the

board's actions and you have previously stated that 'the board does a great job', so what further do you seek to benefit by dissolving the board? If they do a great job, why dissolve it?

I have read a considerable amount of responses against dissolving the PSJRA Board and know of none in favor. Are all these people that you claim call you in support willing to speak up in favor of your actions? Please help us understand as these actions and statements cause me to believe there is a hidden agenda at work.

Sincerely,  
Mike Smith

PSJ Property Owner/Taxpayer

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*“We had visions of creating a long-lasting program ... We didn’t realize it would be this successful.”*

**Sandi Christy**

DAWGS in Prison program director

## DAWGS from page A1

are available for adoption immediately. The dogs are up to date on all vaccines, are spayed or neutered and are heartworm negative.

The mission of the DAWGS program is to provide training and education for both inmate and canines, resulting in permanent homes for the dogs, viable job skills for the inmate and a productive and law-abiding life upon release.

More than 330 dogs have been trained and adopted through the program. Those dogs now represent family pets in 19 states, predominantly in Florida and New England.

More than 320 inmates have acted as trainers since the program’s inception, and by participating, inmates develop skills that can assist them upon release from the camp.

Potential jobs include kennel tech, unlicensed veterinarian assistant, working at a boarding facility, becoming a trainer for an existing business or even starting their own.

Though the program will celebrate its fifth anniversary next week, the idea came to fruition almost seven years ago when members of the SJBHS heard about similar prison-based programs throughout Florida and thought it would make a great addition to Gulf County.

After putting a basic plan together, program director Sandi Christy took the idea to the BOCC to seek approval to align with a prison in the area. Christy and the board of directors then met with the warden of the Gulf Forestry Camp to discuss the possibility of getting the program started.

“We had visions of creating a long-lasting program,” Christy said. “It took a while getting it off the ground while setting a firm foundation.

“We didn’t realize it would be this successful.”

According to Christy, the warden was very excited by the idea, and soon a program was being designed alongside Jay King’s Dog Academy out of Tallahassee, a company that had designed curriculums for other prison programs.

Once it was time to implement the program, Christy, along with program supporter Gary Gibbs, picked up co-director Judy Miick and Forestry Camp officer Donna Haddock as coordinator, and the first class launched in June 2009.

“The people I’m lucky enough to work with are like-minded,” Christy said. “They do everything we need to do in order to succeed.”

Of the 334 adopters each has their own story of how they found the DAWGS program and how it has changed their lives.

Brenda Sherer from Torrington, Conn., lost her family hound, and after two years, in February 2010, she felt the call for a new companion. She and her husband knew they didn’t have the energy for a puppy, and getting a rescue pet was important.

Sherer scoured the local shelters, but after not finding the perfect pet, she went to the Pet Finder website, which took her to American Lab Rescue and ultimately to the DAWGS in Prison website.

There, she and her husband fell for a three-inch photo of Ryan, a black lab mix.

Sherer filed her application through the website on a Sunday and the following day received a call from Christy, during which they completed a set of interview questions to see if Ryan might be a good fit for the family.

After passing the prerequisites for adoption, Sherer learned that Ryan was still in class and there would be a short wait. Six weeks later, Ryan was being transported to Connecticut with his “Top Dog” award, given to the dog in each class that thrives in the program and shows a high learning aptitude.

After getting Ryan home, it didn’t take the canine long to become a member of the family. Ryan was so well behaved that the Sherers became involved in local pet therapy classes, taking Ryan to a reading program for special needs children along with physical rehabilitation centers.

Ryan became more than a new dog; he exposed his family to new opportunities in the community.

“I can’t express to you how DAWGS has changed our life,” Sherer said. “It brought me to volunteerism. It was a godsend that brought a whole new world to us.”

After the positive experience with Ryan, it was time for the Sherer family to expand once again, and in 2012, the family brought home Pepper, also through the DAWGS program.

Sherer said since adoption, both dogs have been doing wonderfully, and they are grateful for everyone involved with DAWGS for the positive experiences.

“There’s nothing like giving a dog and a prisoner a second chance,” Sherer said. “It’s two-fold.”

Carol Parillo from New Jersey shared a similar story. In 2010 she lost the family pooch, and even though she believed she was too heartbroken to ever get another pet, she found herself scouring the Internet just a month later.

After running across the DAWGS program, Parillo fell in love with a terrier mix named Cooper and immediately reached out to Christy.

After passing the interview and being cleared to adopt, Parillo had a six-week wait while Cooper completed the program. After graduating, Cooper was transported to Jersey to meet his new family.

“The fact that Cooper was trained was wonderful,” Parillo said. “He was mellow, calm and great — he’s a couch potato.

“It’s so beyond what I had hoped for.”

Sherer and Parillo have made lifelong friends with their pets and take every opportunity to talk up the DAWGS program. Each time a new class begins training, Parillo prints out photos of the dogs and hangs up a flyer at her local Starbucks coffee house with tear-away tags that list the DAWGS website address.

As the canines are adopted, she goes back to cross them off the flyer. She said she’s developed great relationships with four other adopters in her immediate area.

“It’s such a great program for everyone involved,” Parillo said. “Why go to a puppy mill when you can get a perfectly adoptable dog?”

Those interested in adopting can visit [www.dawgsinprison.com](http://www.dawgsinprison.com), and those who might be interested in volunteering with the DAWGS program or with the Humane Society can call 227-1103 to get involved.

“It’s amazing to me the wonderful network we have working for the good of the dogs and the inmates,” Christy said. “It’s a partnership.

“There’s no reason why the program can’t continue to go forward — it’s not dependent on an individual for success.”

# PSJ commissioners amend sign ordinance — again

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Port St. Joe commissioners are hoping this last amendment to the city’s sign ordinance will be, literally, the last.

Commissioners last week again amended the ordinance, first created some six years ago, to address issues that remained after most recently amending the ordinance earlier this year.

Specifically, commissioners dealt with 14 signs in town that were deemed nonconforming after the sign ordinance was amended in January and that led to considerable debate and protests since.

Commissioners left those signs alone, allowing them to be grandfathered into the updated ordinance until such time as the nature or name of the business changes, regardless of whether ownership changes.

In addition, those signs grandfathered in can not be replaced by another nonconforming sign, enlarged or extended or reconstructed and can not be re-established if at least 50 percent of the sign is damaged or it has been removed or abandoned.

After amending the ordinance in January to tighten up language on the size and height of signs, commissioners heard protests from businesses as disparate as Five Star Collision, Emerald Coast Credit Union and McDonald’s.

Though the amended ordinance provided a process to receive a waiver, the process brought fees, which also came under fire.

Matt Scoggins of Five Star said the city would be without his \$1 million in annual revenue if the problem with existing signs was not properly addressed.

Harry Lee Smith came before commissioners twice on behalf of Emerald Coast Credit Union and the family that owns the McDonald’s protested having to change the Golden Arches sign.

Signs for a host of businesses were grandfathered into the ordinance, including those for Sunset Coastal Grill, Bayside Florist, Tyndall Federal Credit Union, Family Dollar, Waterfront Autos, Auto Zone, Capital City Bank and Duren’s Piggly Wiggly, to name a few that were rendered non-conforming when the sign ordinance was amended earlier this year.

The amended sign ordinance also addressed setbacks on state highways — the city adopted Florida Department of Transportation rules — and definitions of roof signs.

The amended ordinance passed 3-2 with Commissioner Rex Buzzett and Mayor Mel Magidson dissenting. Buzzett and Magidson have dissented the two times the Commission has taken up the sign ordinance this year, arguing January’s amendments were unnecessary and counter to the intent of the ordinance.

Commissioner Bo Patterson has championed the revisions and been joined by Commissioners Phil McCroan and William Thursbay.

## Gulf Pines Hospital

Attorney Tom Gibson told commissioners the Internal Revenue Service would like the city to resubmit all documents pertaining to its attempt to clear up liens off the deed for the Gulf Pines Hospital property.

Commissioners have put back on the burner a proposal to demolish the hospital and plat the land to sell for single-family homes.

The hiccup for commissioners is tax liens, the major one held by the IRS in addition to three years of property tax certificates/deeds.

Last year, when commissioners were examining options, the IRS indicated a willingness to work with city officials provided the local property tax issues were cleared up, otherwise cleaning up the Gulf Pines Hospital deed.

The issue has taken on additional urgency with the continued decay of the building.

City workers were on the property recently to clean and remove debris where possible.

## Boat launch fees

Commissioners continued to discuss, but take no formal action, on implementing launch fees at the city boat ramp in Frank Pate Park.

Thursbay said, “I want to get the ball rolling” while providing a bit more detail on how a fee schedule would look.

Under the current proposal, city residents would pay nothing to use the boat ramp; county residents would pay \$5 per day or could purchase a season pass for \$25; and out-of-county residents would pay \$10 per day or purchase a season pass for \$50.

The goal is to raise funds to maintain the boat ramp.

Resident Tim Nelson said municipalities up and down the coast charge to use boat ramps.

The sticking point is implementation.

Thursbay has proposed an “honor” system as well as a box or machine to collect money and spit out tickets. The city and possibly some local businesses would sell daily or seasonal passes, depending on proposal.

And though there is consensus on the board for boat ramp fees, how to go about it has lacked a clear consensus.

“We really need to sit down and talk about it to see the best way to do it,” Buzzett said. “We want to make it as smooth as possible.”

Thursbay asked commissioners to bring ideas for discussion at Tuesday’s regular bi-monthly meeting with an eye on implementation in time for the summer season.

## Water woes

Commissioners will have a 5 p.m. ET workshop Tuesday to discuss a report from a recent water study, recommendations from the report and a path forward for addressing chronic water quality issues.

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“We just don’t have the money to fight it,” Port Authority Chairman Leonard Costin said. “Also, our focus is on dredging the ship channel.”

A carrot with Capital City that might be in the Port Authority’s possession is a railway easement through the Arizona Chemical property, which is owned free and clear by the Port Authority.

The rail easement, which was discussed by board member Jason Shoaf during the prior board meeting, would be of significant value, Gibson said.

The value, Gibson noted, arrives when an operational port, after rail line improvements, can offer rail access from bulkhead attached to a dredged shipping channel with connection to Chattahoochee, I-10 and points north.

“That will have real value to whoever ends up owning that property,” Gibson said.

A deal with Capital City for an easement could help the Port Authority in two ways.

If a deal could be brokered, it would prevent the possibility of a deficiency judgment against the Port Authority should the Parcel B property not bring at auction what is owed Capital City Bank, recently estimated at north of \$5 million.

The Port Authority has never had the property — which is the barge terminal land, 60-some acres along the Intracoastal Canal — formally appraised, leaving as unknown how much the property is worth.

Gibson noted that the Arizona Chemical site, which is smaller, was appraised at \$2 million when donated to the Port Authority by International Paper several years ago.

The former Materials Transfer Industries site just up the canal was appraised at \$7 million when under a purchase agreement with a company



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Leonard Costin, chairman of the Port St. Joe Port Authority, receives a \$500 donation from the corporate headquarters of Buy-Rite Drugs as the Port Authority embarks on community capital campaign. The donation was presented by Yvonne Guillot, Jonathan Knight, Linda Littleton, Donna Lucas, Jena Hogan and Guy Sweazy. Costin anticipates the port to be operating by mid-summer 2015.

that intended to bring a biomass electric generating plant to Port St. Joe.

The value of the easement also could be sufficient to warrant an additional cash payment from Capital City, Gibson said, to help the Port Authority defray attorney’s fees related to the litigation, which now stand at more than \$40,000, money the Port Authority does not have.

Gibson said Port Authority members want some say in an easement, specifically a right of first refusal in the event Capital City would sell the easement, and control over where on the Arizona Chemical site it would be drawn.

Gibson and Shoaf are to meet with

Capital City Bank officials this week.

The Board of County Commissioners is also a party to the litigation.

The BOCC has a second mortgage on Parcel B, linked to a \$200,000 loan from the BOCC to the Port Authority out of federal economic development dollars.

That mortgage would go away if the property is auctioned on the courthouse steps.

The BOCC, unlike Capital City Bank, however, has a vested interest in seeing the Port Authority succeed in dredging the shipping channel to create an operational port.

“We are working together on the port,” Costin said.

## TAUNTON from page A1

During this time, his responsibilities included the concept and design of multiple homes and subdivisions throughout Gulf, Bay and Franklin counties. He was also responsible for scheduling, contracts, sub-contracts and working closely with homeowners during the building process. For the last three years, Taunton has owned and operated James Taunton Construction as a state-certified licensed general contractor.

Taunton is a firm believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. Along with his family, he is a member of the Community Church in Honeyville. Taunton has supported the local Upward Sports by coaching and refereeing soccer

and basketball. Also, Taunton has supported and coached Dixie Youth Baseball in Wewahitchka.

Taunton commends the outstanding service that Mr. George Cox (retiring) has contributed to our school system over the years, not only through the Board and the classroom, but through his unending support of after-school programs and, put simply, “making things work.” With two children in our schools and a wife who is a teacher, Taunton believes that he has a unique understanding of the different aspects of making our schools the best they can be, not only for our children, but their mentors, which we call teachers.

“With my background in business/construction and determination never to give up, I believe that I am the best fit for Seat 2 on the Gulf County School Board,” Taunton said. “One of my goals is to strive towards an increase in the vocational programs that will better prepare students towards finding local work so they can remain in this beautiful area that they have grown to love. I will lead with honor and dignity for my constituents. I will work extremely hard to be the voice of our children and teachers and to give them both the support and tools they need.”

Please feel free to contact Taunton at any time at 348-3376.

## BIRDS OF A FEATHER



SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Marie Romanelli captured these images of ducks swimming past her porch during a gorgeous day and "beach vultures" flocking along Indian Pass.



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## WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Mar. 27	63°	60°	10 %
Fri, Mar. 28	68°	61°	70 %
Sat, Mar. 29	70°	55°	40 %
Sun, Mar. 30	69°	56°	0 %
Mon, Mar. 31	73°	53°	- %
Tues, Apr. 1	73°	53°	- %
Wed, Apr. 2	74°	53°	- %

## TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

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

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

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

## ST. JOSEPH BAY

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
27	Th	9:06pm 1.1		4:40am 0.0	
28	Fr	11:52am 0.4	10:37pm 1.0	5:05am 0.2	2:09pm 0.3
29	Sa	10:38am 0.7		5:05am 0.4	4:16pm 0.3
30	Su	12:17am 0.8	10:26am 0.9	4:24am 0.7	5:44pm 0.1
31	Mo	10:43am 1.1		7:04pm 0.0	
1	Tu	11:12am 1.2		8:22pm 0.0	
2	We	11:47am 1.4		9:40pm -0.1	
3	Th	12:25pm 1.4		10:56pm -0.1	
4	Fr	1:05pm 1.4			
5	Sa	1:47pm 1.4		12:02am -0.1	

## APALACHICOLA BAY, WEST PASS

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
27	Th	12:29am 1.1	2:49pm 1.1	8:22am 0.0	8:24pm 0.6
28	Fr	1:54am 1.2	3:12pm 1.1	9:09am 0.1	9:12pm 0.4
29	Sa	3:05am 1.2	3:33pm 1.1	9:50am 0.3	9:57pm 0.2
30	Su	4:06am 1.2	3:53pm 1.2	10:25am 0.4	10:40pm 0.1
31	Mo	5:00am 1.2	4:14pm 1.2	10:55am 0.6	11:22pm 0.0
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2	We	6:43am 1.1	5:05pm 1.3	12:03am 0.0	11:48am 0.8
3	Th	7:36am 1.1	5:36pm 1.3	12:46am -0.1	12:17pm 0.9
4	Fr	8:33am 1.0	6:13pm 1.3	1:32am 0.0	12:52pm 1.0
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Poster for Open House

# St. Vincent Island Open House Friday

### Special to The Star

The most popular happening on St. Vincent Island will be held this month. The annual Open House on St. Vincent Island will take place 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. ET on Friday. This is your chance to experience the beauty of St. Vincent Island and learn more about what goes on at this wildlife refuge and other nearby natural areas. Free transportation to and from the island will be provided by the refuge barge. The barge will pick up visitors at the USFWS barge dock which is located a short distance northeast of the Indian Pass boat ramp. This year there will be a limit of 250 visitors on the island for this event.

There will be guided walks and tours, educational presentations, and guided wagon tours. Visitors can sign up for the wagon tour and other guided events when they reach the island (visitors may only sign up for themselves) or they can explore the island on their own. Some of the guided activities include birding walks, beach walks, photography safaris, and hiking tours. In the outdoor amphitheater - created by placing folding chairs under one of the island's huge live oaks - there will be educational presentations about the history of St. Vin-



Tours of the island will take place during Open House.

cent Island and "The Plants Around Us".

The Supporters of St. Vincent Island will be providing hot dogs and drinks at a booth right beside live musical entertainment provided by Neil Jones. There will be informational booths set up by the St. Marks Refuge, Panama City Fish and Wildlife, Riverkeepers, Florida Park Service, Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve, St. Joseph Peninsula Turtle Patrol and the St. Vincent Supporters. Susan Richardson will be our visiting on-site artist. Come prepared to enjoy the day on St. Vincent Island - wear your walking shoes and a smile. Volunteers will be at the Indian Pass boat ramp to guide you to the barge that will take you to the island.

Turtle nesting season will be here soon and you can help support the turtle program on St. Vincent National

Wildlife Refuge by participating in our "Adopt-a-Nest" program. For a small fee of \$25 you will be able to name the turtle whose nest you adopt and you will receive the following:

- adoption certificate
- photo of adopted nest
- activity/hatchling report
- recognition in Supporters' newsletter

Proceeds from nest adoptions help offset refuge costs for the turtle monitoring program. These costs include fuel for the survey vehicles and materials to construct cages to protect nests from predators. Turtle adoptions make a wonderful gift for people of any age who care about turtles and wildlife preservation. With so many turtles choosing to nest on St. Vincent Island last year we are hoping for another active year. That means we will certainly need an in-

crease in turtle adoptions. To adopt a nest or learn more about the program, email us at [supportstvin@hotmail.com](mailto:supportstvin@hotmail.com) or leave a message at 229-6735 and thank you for your support!

There are only two more monthly island tours before the summer heat and bugs arrive and the tours are discontinued until the fall. All tours are on the second Wednesday of each month - April 9 and May 14. Our enhanced website will give you details about the tours plus a convenient place to sign up. Just click on "Island Tour Sign Up". The tour is free, but participants must make a reservation on the web at [www.stvincentfriends.com](http://www.stvincentfriends.com).

Seats are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a small charge for boat transportation to and from the island. You can also visit the island on your own. Do remember that the island is primitive - bring everything you need, including drinking water - and leave only your footprints behind.

This monthly column is provided by the Supporters of St. Vincent National Wildlife Refuge. Please visit our web page for more information and volunteer opportunities - [www.stvincentfriends.com](http://www.stvincentfriends.com) - and never miss an opportunity to visit St. Vincent Island.

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### Inshore/Bay

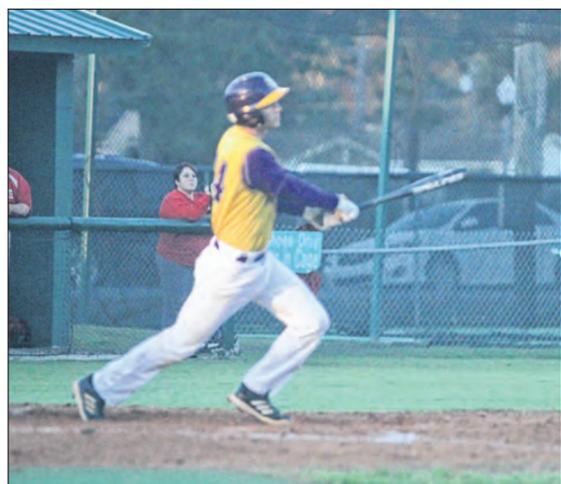
Fishing conditions are starting to improve since we have started to dry out after months of constant rain. The ICW canal in St. Joe is full of small sheepshead and some redfish this week. Live shrimp drifted by the old pilings and the new sea wall will produce fish. Some Spanish Mackerel are still close to shore and are eager to bite this week.



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Port St. Joe beat Wewahitchka in 11 innings prior to Spring Break.

## Tiger Sharks baseball season picks up steam

### Star Staff Report

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School baseball team comes out of Spring Break as the schedule picks up with three district tilts next week.

The Tiger Sharks, 2-3 in District 4-1A after losing to South Walton just before the break, host Liberty County 6 p.m. ET Monday before hosting Franklin County 6 p.m. ET the following day and finish next week on the road against South Walton on Friday.

Port St. Joe hosted EMAC out of Alabama and Covington High School out of Tennessee on Wednesday and host Jefferson County for a doubleheader Saturday. Game times are 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. ET.

The Tiger Sharks came into the break off a split of Wewahitchka and South Walton.

They beat the Gators in 11 innings on Tony Yowell's base hit in the bottom of the inning and lost 5-2 to South Walton in a district contest.

## Lady Tiger Sharks take 2 of 3

### Star Staff Report

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School softball team remained unbeaten in district play and improved to 11-5 on the season after taking two of three games the past week.

The Lady Tiger Sharks beat South Walton 3-2 in 10 innings to run their record to 7-0 in District 4-1A play.

Stephanie Brinkmeier went the distance, facing 36 batters, walking three, striking out nine and allowing two runs on three hits as she won her ninth of the season.

Shannon Pridgeon had three hits, Brittany King rapped out two and drove in the winning run and Ashley Babcock and Haley Wood each had a hit.

In the Spring Classic, the Lady Sharks beat Bay 10-0 in five innings. Brinkmeier tossed all five innings for her 10th win, striking out three, walking one and allowing just two hits.

Callie Fleshren, Addison



COURTESY OF STEVE WHEALTON

Brittany King had two hits and drove in the winning run as Port St. Joe remained unbeaten in district play.

Rice and Pridgeon had two hits apiece for Port St. Joe. Wood, Kesley Miles and Christian Laine each added hits.

In the second game of the Classic, the Lady Tiger Sharks lost 5-1 to Sneads.

The game was tied 1-1 in the seventh, Sneads plated four runs to win.

Brinkmeier pitched all seven innings, facing 31 batters, striking out five, walking one and allowing seven hits.

Pridgeon had two hits and Wood, Miles, King, Laine and Brinkmeier all had hits. Laine drove in the lone Port St. Joe run.

The Lady Tiger Sharks are at Wewahitchka at 7 p.m. ET Friday.

## SUMMER SOCCER CAMP

### Star Staff Report

All-Pro Soccer, will be once again be holding a Summer Soccer Camp in the area, on Monday-Thursday, June 16-19. On those dates, the Callaway Youth Soccer Club will be hosting the camp from 5-7 p.m. (CT) at the Callaway

Sports Complex. The camp will be supervised by former professional player and coach Gary Hindley. Coach Hindley, a five-time Coach of the Years selectee, has recently been named Head Coach of the Pensacola City FC team of the National Premier Soccer League and has been the Head Coach of both the

girls and boys teams at Port St. Joe High School for the past five years. At the camp, there will be individual instruction for both field players and goalkeepers, from ages 7-17. Spaces will be limited. For Questions or to obtain a registration form, contact Coach Hindley at 276-6353 or gjhallpro@aol.com

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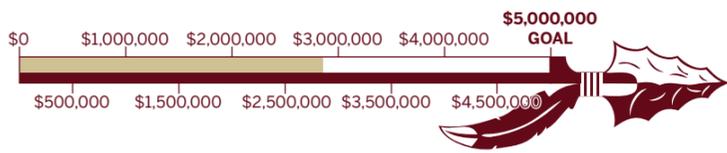
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# Hotel stay highlights Halifax All-Star Classic giveaways

By BRAD MILNER  
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**PANAMA CITY** — What do a two-night hotel stay, gift cards to area retailers, Miracle Strip tickets and a skateboard have in common?

They're all up for grabs at the 10th annual Halifax All-Star Classic on April 5 at Gulf Coast State College.

This year's Panhandle senior basketball showcase features giveaways for the first time, and the list already is impressive. A grand prize will be announced later this week.

Prizes tentatively are set to be given away during halftime of the boys and girls games and between each tipoff. The girls game begins at 11 a.m., and the

boys follow at 1 p.m.

Spectators will be entered into the drawing by paying the admission price of \$5. Additional tickets may be purchased to increase chances to win. Winners must be present to retrieve their prize.

The current list of prizes is highlighted by a two-night stay at LaQuinta Inn and Suites in Panama City Beach. The certificate is good until Feb. 28, 2015, for any day, excluding holidays and special events.

Gift cards range from local entertainment, sports apparel and area department stores. There will be four \$15 gift cards to the Nike Factory Store in Pier Park. The store also is providing players with discount certificates for a grab-bag, which also includes an

event T-shirt, a full-sheet program page and more.

A \$75 gift card to Wal-Mart and a \$50 gift card to Target also will be in the drawing. That is in addition to 10 sets of 12 ride tickets, valued at \$40, to Miracle Strip Pier Park and a new skateboard provided by Surfside Pawn in Panama City Beach.

Halifax Media Group and its two Florida daily newspapers, The News Herald and the Northwest Florida Daily News are lead sponsors along with GCSC. Additional sponsorship is provided by the Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau, Dairy Queen of PCB and Lynn Haven, Tyndall Federal Credit Union, Beef 'O' Brady's of Bay County, Domino's Pizza of Bay County and Amavida

Coffee and Tea.

Anaconda Sports and Baden Sports are again supplying MVP game balls for the top performer chosen from each team. And Gulf Coast Regional Medical Center is the sports medicine provider for the event.

Apparel decorating specialist Shelley Harvey is this year's shirt supplier and has provided the more popular dri-fit moisture wicking material. T-shirts will be given to players and coaches and also will be on sale in the Billy Harrison Field House lobby during the games. Harvey will be on hand for screen printing for event shirts with a range of options and fees.

## Military personnel, area teams get free admission

All active duty and retired military personnel will be admitted free to the Classic.

Active and retired military and their families will receive free admission provided they have appropriate identification.

Area basketball teams also will receive free admission. Area youth, middle and high school teams will gain admittance through the pass gate provided coaches email a complete roster to sports@pcnh.com. The rosters must have first and last names and also list assistant coaches. The initiative does not include the parents of players, unless they also happen to be a coach.

Anyone who is not active or retired military, not listed on the rosters or otherwise on a pass list must pay the regular admission fee of \$5 for adults and students ages 6-up. Children 5-under are free.

Those admitted free will not be entered into the drawing for giveaways. Anyone wishing to be entered may do so by purchasing a ticket.

## PRIZES AHOY

Paid spectators will be entered into a drawing to win these prizes and more at the 10th annual Halifax All-Star Classic April 5:

- A two-night stay at LaQuinta Inn and Suites in PCB
- Gift cards to the Nike Factory Store, Wal-Mart and Target
- Miracle Strip Pier Park ride tickets
- A new skateboard
- And a yet to be announced grand prize

All players and coaches are encouraged to wear team colors. Military members also are encouraged to display their branches' insignias or don fatigues for recognition during the event.

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Ray Brownworth, CEO  
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No doubt you have heard it before but we would like to join the chorus of Snowbirds who have needed medical help while in your area and had the best of experiences at Weems Memorial.

Mrs. Gearhart recently had several visits at the Carrabelle facility to deal with a problem that would not qualify as a medical emergency but certainly acted like one to her and was treated as such by your fine staff.

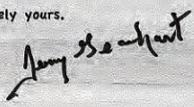
Sharon Putnal, who first received us, was beyond courteous and extremely well organized. Cecilia Carter gave the impression she actually enjoys her job. I hope she does. Miss Betty, who took the necessary xrays, could not have been nicer to Mrs. Gearhart.

Our highest praise must go to Dana Whaley, a person to be admired. In addition to doing a more than hoped for professional job she exhibited all the skills you must already know she possesses. She is clearly a good listener. She projects a great sense of empathy and confidence. Perhaps most importantly Dana does not hide behind the veil of medical mystery that many people fall back on.



Thank you, Mr. Brownworth, for keeping such a staff on board and please know it is appreciated.

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## Forgotten Coast Relay for Life coming in April

By WES LOCHER  
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Residents of Gulf County can join the fight against cancer right in their own backyards.

Each year, more than 1 million people in the U.S. are diagnosed with cancer and this year, Port St. Joe, Wewahitchka and Franklin County will come together for the Forgotten Coast Relay for Life event on April 11.

The event, held at the Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School Shark Stadium, is a 12-hour effort to raise money for the American Cancer Society and build awareness to help fight the disease. Money raised will help treat those with cancer and fund research against the illness.

"It's a family-oriented event," said survivor chairman Kim Kurnitsky "It's a great way to show support for survivors and honor those who have lost their



FILE PHOTO

The Forgotten Coast Relay for Life event will be April 11 at Shark Stadium in Port St. Joe.

lives. By combining Port St. Joe, Wewahitchka and Franklin County, it's a way to bring the community together, rather than compete against one another."

Kurnitsky said the relay is an event that's close to her heart. She lost her father to melanoma,

and her mother is a survivor.

Relay For Life is held overnight as individuals and teams camp out at an athletic track, park or other gathering area, with the goal of keeping at least one team member on the track or pathway at all times

throughout the evening.

The events are held overnight to honor and mirror a cancer patient's journey through treatment.

The event will begin with a survivor lap in which cancer survivors and their caregivers will take a walk around the track to the applause of gathered spectators and team members.

At dark, the Luminaria Ceremony is held, during which candles are lit inside white paper bags, emblazoned with the names of loved ones who have lost the fight to cancer and those who continue to fight.

Last year's 24-hour relay in Wewahitchka, which utilized the theme "Carnival of Hope," raised \$15,000 for the ACS while Port St. Joe's Monopoly-themed event brought in an additional \$39,500.

This year's theme is "Birthdays," which is meant as a positive look into the future of

those who are battling for their lives.

"This community has lost a lot of people, and there are lots more fighting this horrible disease," Kurnitsky said. "Hopefully, we can all celebrate more birthdays."

A wine tasting fundraiser will be 7-9 p.m. ET April 5. Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds will benefit the ACS.

Entertainment will be provided by the Bo Spring Band. Food will be provided, and a silent auction will be held.

Limited tickets are available by calling 227-4093.

The Forgotten Coast Relay for Life will begin at 7 p.m. ET April 11.

Volunteers, walkers, cancer survivors, caregivers, community leaders and anyone wanting to make a difference can sign up by contacting Kaci Rhodes at 348-7798 or Doris Carmichael at 229-243-4449.

## First Fridays return in April



By WES LOCHER  
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Let the celebration commence.

The First Fridays Art and Music series will return in April at The Thirsty Goat in Port St. Joe.

The monthly celebrations, held on the first Friday of April through September, feature fundraisers alongside local art and entertainers from around Gulf County.

Guests of the event, founded in 2004 by Kim Henderson and the Gulf Alliance for Local Arts, are treated to complimentary beer, wine, food and conversation with others looking to kick off their weekend.

"It's a great event that exposes our community to a little culture," said GALA member and former organizer Steve Kerigan.

During the season's inaugural event, a fundraiser will be held for students from Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School who have qualified to represent the Northwest region at the Odyssey of the Minds state finals in Orlando on April 12.

Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students ranging from kindergarten through college.

Participating students apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. They then bring their solutions to competition on the local, state and world level. Thousands of teams from throughout the U.S. and from 25 other countries participate in the program.

Students from both qualifying teams will perform skits for attendees starting



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School students Sydnee O'Donnell, Grant Whiten, Rebecca Kerigan, Janel Kerigan, Cailyn LaPlante and Jimmy Cummings are one of two teams to qualify for the state finals at the Odyssey of the Mind competition in Orlando. **Below,** Coach Sara Hoffman, Celeste Creamer, Coach Sharon Hoffman, Dell Pickett, Steven Kerigan, Katie Nobles and Emma Doran are the second team going to the state finals.



at 6:30 p.m. ET, and music provided by Bo and Lauren Spring will start at 7 p.m.

"First Fridays is an event that provides locals and visitors the opportunity to enjoy a variety of different

types of music and art," Kerigan said. "It's also about connecting with others within our community, locals and visitors, to create a casual atmosphere to share in the experience."

The First Friday celebration will kick off at 6 p.m. ET April 4 at The Thirsty Goat inside the Port Inn. Donations will be accepted to help the students with their travel expenses.

## Archaeology Days return to Gulf County

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Time to dig up some dirt on Gulf County.

The annual Archaeology Days will be March 28-29 at the St. Joseph Bay Buffer Preserve, St. Joseph Peninsula State Park and the Constitution Convention Museum.

The events, held in conjunction with the Florida Public Archaeology Network, will kick off 6 p.m. ET Friday, March 28, at the Buffer Preserve Center with a presentation by Florida Public Archaeology Director Jeff Moates.

Among items to be discussed will be the wreck of the side-wheel steamer the SS Florida.

The seminar, "East Bound and Down" will discuss the vessel's fatal collision with the RMS Republic in January 1909 and give participants a better understanding of how underwater archaeology works.

"Florida is full of history and archaeology sites," said Mark Knapke, park manager at St. Joseph Peninsula State Park. "This program allows folks to gather info and gain education on why these archaeological sites are important and why they shouldn't be disturbed."

Saturday, March 29, has been dubbed Discover Archaeology Day. Two educational sessions will offer historical displays, and attendees are encouraged to bring artifacts that they've found locally to be examined by on-site archaeologists.

The first session will run from 10 a.m. to noon ET at St. Joseph Peninsula State Park and the second from 2-4 p.m. ET at Constitution Convention Museum State Park in Port St. Joe.

"This will be a great weekend for those who are interested in artifacts, archaeology, shipwrecks or just the history of the area," Knapke said. "It's sure to be an interesting few hours."

Based in Pensacola, FPAN has archaeology programs all around the state of Florida. The Archaeology Days event is free and open to the public.



### Trivia Fun

Wilson Casey

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"Trivia Fun" with Wilson Casey, Guinness World Record Holder from Woodruff, S.C., is published in more than 500 newspapers across the country and is a weekly feature in The Star.

1) From a "Seinfeld" episode, on what TV

show did Jerry agree to wear the "puffy shirt"? Oprah, Tonight, Today, 60 Minutes

2) What's all of these: a chess piece, a card game, and a member of the crow family? Pawn, Rook, Bishop, Knight

3) A typical bed usually houses over how many dust mites? Hundred thousand, Half million, 3 million, 6 billion

4) When was

the peace symbol created as a nuclear disarmament symbol? 1945, 1950, 1958, 1968

5) Of these, which does not border the state of California? Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington

6) What's the largest city in Scotland? Glasgow, Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Dundee

7) When did the Daytona 500 become the season opener for

NASCAR? 1962, 1972, 1982, 1992

8) Which state's license plates include it's "The Natural State"? Arkansas, Delaware, New Hampshire, Arizona

9) What city is the European headquarters of the United Nations? London, Rome, Geneva, Madrid

10) What was the last name of Arnold, the pig on older TV's "Green Acres"?

Douglas, Ziffel, Haney, Kimball

11) Where in Russia is the world's largest art gallery? Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kazan, Perm

12) Which margarine has utilized the slogan, "It's not nice to fool Mother Nature"? Chiffon, Parkay, Country Crock, Imperial

13) Though shot and killed in 1928, what was the notoriety of

Arnold Rothstein? Politician, Gambler, Writer, Pilot

14) What was the highest single reward ever offered for the capture of Billy the Kid? \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$8,500

### ANSWERS

1) Today. 2) Rook. 3) 6 billion. 4) 1958. 5) Washington. 6) Glasgow. 7) 1982. 8) Arkansas. 9) Geneva. 10) Ziffel. 11) St. Petersburg. 12) Chiffon. 13) Gambler. 14) \$500.

# American Legion Post 116 meets today

## Special to The Star

A regular general meeting of American Legion Post 116 will be at 4 p.m. ET today, March 27, at VFW Post 10069, Trout Avenue, Highland View. This will be a general business meeting including nominations of officers and a discussion of our annual Good Friday fish fry/chicken

barbecue fundraiser at Veterans Memorial Park. All members are urged to attend this meeting and participate in this important fundraiser.

Eligibility for membership and benefits can be found on the American Legion website, [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org). We invite all eligible veterans to join our organization. For God and Country.



# Hunger exists all year long; help stock pantry Saturday

## Special to The Star

The Gulf County Republican Party is once again teaming up with the folks at the Piggly Wiggly to make sure no one in our community goes hungry this spring.

A food drive will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET Saturday, March 29, at the Piggly Wiggly in Port St. Joe.

The grocery donations will help fill the shelves at the Gulf County Senior Center, the Gulf Coast

Hope Center and the Food Pantry in the WIG building.

Pre-bagged groceries in the amounts of \$5 and \$10 will be available for your convenience. Or you make your own selections of nonperishable grocery items or make a cash donation to convert to gift cards for perishable items.

Together we can make a difference. Thank you for your generosity!



# It's time for routine landscape pruning

In the next weeks, before warm weather arrives for good, you should do the routine pruning on your landscape ornamental. Pruning isn't the most complicated thing in the world, but it is an important part of good cultural care in your landscape, so it's important that you do it right.

Pruning is the removal of plant parts — typically shoots, branches, fronds and flowers — to improve health, control growth or influence fruiting, flowering or appearance. A variety of specific situations call for pruning, and if you don't do it, your landscape won't look as good as it should.

Obviously, if a plant has dead, weak or damaged wood or wood that's infested with insects and plant disease, prune to remove it.

When transplanting, prune to foliage to balance the top of the plant with the root system. Rejuvenate older plants in your landscape by pruning away some of the old stems and branches. This will stimulate new, more vigorous growth. Prune to make a plant look like you want it to. If you want a certain size and shape, pruning is essential. Finally, prune to make a plant produce more flowers or fruit.

Deciding when to prune can be confusing. In Florida, we can grow so many different plants with direct pruning requirements that it's impossible to pick one right time to prune everything in the landscape. You can do light trimming and corrective pruning any time of the year. But the best time for pruning depend on the kind of plant you have.



**ROY LEE CARTER**  
County extension director

Most of the flowering plants in the landscape should be pruned right after they flower. Deciduous plants, plants like dogwood, crape myrtle and jacaranda, which go dormant during cold weather, should be pruned during the winter or early spring. Most evergreens in this category includes plants like Podocarpus, Ligustrum, hollies and wax myrtle, can be pruned anytime, but it is best to prune before growth starts in the spring.

Shrubs that bloom in summer and fall things like hibiscus, roses and oleander should also be pruned before the first flush of growth in the spring.

There is one very important exception to these recommendations, pruning to remove cold-damaged limbs and branches. For this, wait until after new growth starts in the spring.

If you do heavy pruning now to cut away serious damage to main branches and trunks, you end up losing more of the plant than you have to. By waiting until new growth begins, you can tell how much of the plant has been killed and how much of it will recover from the cold. Even the small branches that have obviously been killed should be left on the plant until spring. They might be unsightly, but they can help protect the plant against further damage if we get more cold weather. Use hand shears and loppers, not hedge clippers, for smaller branches. Shears will crush and mangle larger branches instead of cutting them cleanly, so get a pruning saw for these. Undercut large branches so they don't tear away long sections of bark when they fall. Make sure all cuts are smooth and flush with the remaining branch or trunk. Jagged edges invite insect and disease problem.

Information in this article was provided by Emeritus Professor of Horticulture Dr. Robert J. Black, of the University of Florida's Institute of Foods and Agricultural Sciences. For more information on growing pruning landscape plants, contact the Gulf County Extension Service at 639-3200 or visit <http://gulf.ifas.ufl.edu> and see Publication ENH 1190 & Publication ENH 971.

# PET OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society

Benny is a 2yr 37lb Beagle/American Foxhound Mix. He walks well on his leash and is very attentive. This handsome boy is friendly and outgoing and he loves to be petted and praised. Benny would do well with an active owner. If you are unable to adopt at this time, perhaps you could foster or make a Donation. All pets adopted from SJBHS will be current on vaccinations and spayed/neutered. Please do not hesitate to email townsend.hsdirector@gmail.com or adoptbaystjoe@gmail.com or call the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society at 850-227-1103 and ask for Melody or Debbie! Online applications and pet photos are available at [www.sjbhumane.org](http://www.sjbhumane.org) Adoption fees include our cost of spay/neuter and current vaccinations.



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

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



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## Society BRIEFS

### Star Staff Reports

#### Oldies but goodies at Senior Center

Gulf County Senior Citizens, 120 Library Drive in Port St. Joe, would like to invite all to join the center from 10 a.m. to noon ET Tuesday, April 1, for Dancing to the Oldies by D.J. Frances Markham. They will be listening and dancing to music from the '70s, '80s and '90s, plus current hits.

This is open to the public and donations are needed and appreciated. For more information, call Debbie at 229-8466.

#### VFW Relay team hosting yard sale

From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. CT April 4 and 8 a.m. to noon April 5, the Relay for Life team of VFW Post 10069 will be having a yard sale. The sale will take place at 500 15th St. (the old church on the corner)

in Mexico Beach. Many members and friends have been donating treasures — it's going to be big. The best part of it? All proceeds from the sale will go directly to American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Come on out, browse around — you just might find that treasure you have been looking for!

#### Port St. Joe Garden Club news

The Port St. Joe Garden

Club will have its April meeting at noon April 10 at the Garden Center on Eighth Street. Our program will be "Fairy Gardens," presented by Dena Frost of Frost's Pottery Garden.

Anyone wishing to attend should leave a message on the Port St. Joe Garden Club Facebook page. The Garden Center is available for private functions and is on both national and state historic site lists.

# Real Estate Picks

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# Gulf Coast Electric Cooperative hosts youth tour contest

Special to The Star

Gulf Coast Electric Cooperative recently held its annual Washington, D. C. Youth Tour Contest at the Honeyville Community Center in Wewahitchka.

Each year, the Cooperative sponsors the contest for high school juniors whose parents or guardians are members of Gulf Coast Electric. Contestants are interviewed by a panel of three judges from the electric cooperative industry, and two winners are chosen to travel on an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D. C. in June, where they join other eleventh-grade students from all over the United States to tour our nation's capital.

Local civic organizations and high schools play an important role in the contest, as they nominate the students who vie for the trip.

This year's contestants were: Justin Barrier, representing the Overstreet Volunteer Fire Department; Larson Bozeman, representing Wewahitchka Search and Rescue; Kenny Bradley, representing Port St. Joe High School; Briana Demunck, representing the Stone Mill Creek Volunteer Fire Department; Colby Gay, representing the White City Volunteer Fire Department; George Glass, representing the Scotts Ferry Volunteer Fire



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Left to right, Lori Price WHS Principal; the Wewahitchka High School juniors who participated in the contest: Cheslee Williamson, Ashelyn Paul, Brett Satterfield, Colby Gay, Briana Demunck, Justin Barrier, Breanna Clemmons, Larson Bozeman, Faith Owens, Kenny Bradley, and McKenna Waters; WHS Guidance Counselor Karen Turner and PSJHS Guidance Counselor Pam Lister.

Department; Faith Owens, representing the Wewahitchka Ambulance Service; Ashelyn Paul, representing the Wewahitchka Woman's Club; Trey Trzaska, representing Mosley High School; McKenna Waters, representing Wewahitchka High School; Jessie West, representing the Kinard Volunteer Fire Department; and Cheslee Williamson, representing the

Wetappo Creek Volunteer Fire Department.

This year's winners are West and Water. The alternate is Bradley.

In addition to the Washington, D. C. trip, Gulf Coast Electric takes all of the students nominated to compete in the contest on a two-day trip to Tallahassee. There they tour various sites in Tallahassee with other 11th-

grade participants representing electric cooperatives across the state. While in Tallahassee, the students visited the Challenger Learning Center, where they observed an electromagnetic demonstration and watched an IMAX 3D movie. They also participated in a mock Supreme Court hearing and a mock session in the House Chambers. The students also enjoyed dining at various restaurants

and a visit to Fun Station.

Also traveling to Tallahassee with GCEC's Youth Tour group were Breanna Clemmons and Brett Satterfield, both juniors at Wewahitchka High School. Breanna and Brett are grandchildren of GCEC board members/employees and are therefore ineligible to compete in the local contest. Instead, they submitted essays in a statewide contest for children and grandchildren of cooperative employees and board members. In Tallahassee, it was announced that Breanna Clemmons was the winner of the contest, and she will also be traveling to Washington, D. C. this summer.

"The Youth Tour Contest is a great opportunity for us to reward local students for being outstanding leaders in their communities," GCEC CEO/General Manager Michael White said.

The Washington, D. C. Youth Tour Program has been in existence since 1957 when co-ops sent students to Washington, D. C. to work during the summer. By 1964, the program was catching on, and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association began to coordinate the efforts of the co-ops. Since then, thousands of young people have experienced this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to visit our nation's capital and learn about our government.

## WEWAHITCHKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRE-K ...ON A BEAR HUNT!

Ms. Darlene Ake's Pre-K class visited the Dead Lakes State Park for a nature walk during their study of habitats. The students went on a bear hunt and found Smokey the Bear!

He enjoyed the class as they sang for him as well as telling him all about fire safety. Smokey rewarded the class with goody bags full of Jr. Ranger items. Thanks Smokey for a fun filled day of learning!



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## FIELD DAY FUN



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On March 14, students from Faith Christian School enjoyed Field Day.

This day is full of fun games and activities. Thank you to Ms. Brandy Bailey the PE teacher, Miss Amber Miller, and all of their wonderful parent helpers for a fun-filled day.



Faith Christian School is accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year. Call 229-6707, drop by the office at 801 20th St. in Port St. Joe or visit [www.faithchristianpsj.net](http://www.faithchristianpsj.net) for more information.

## Davida Byrd Foundation awards scholarships

Star staff report

The Davida Byrd Foundation Inc. recently awarded three \$500 scholarships to college students Arnisha Harris, Allyssa Parker and Decorian North.

DBSF's provide funding to help Port St. Joe High School graduates. The organization requires that students being their college career and awards the scholarships during the second semester of study. Every student the

foundation helps attend college is one less person in prison, one less hanging on a street corner and one less participating in drug-related crimes, said foundation President Taylor Jenkins.

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## Secrets of friendship considered at Lifetree Café

### Special to The Star

The secrets of lasting friendships will be explored at 7 p.m. CT Monday, March 31, at Lifetree Café.

The program, "Friends for Life: 10 buddies. 38 years. 1 week a year," features the filmed story of a group of guys who have remained friends 20 years after graduation from middle school.

"Our lives have gone lots of directions," said Rodney Stewart, one of the original group of middle-school buddies. "Marriages, divorces, addictions, the death of family members, successes and failures — we've walked through them together. We have what many people wish

they had: longstanding friendships."

Participants in the Lifetree program will have the opportunity to discuss the factors involved in making and keeping friends, as well as the benefits of longtime friendships.

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

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

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When storms arise each day. Lord hold my hand and guide me as I try to lead the way.

Help me keep my eyes on Jesus, It's a must to win this race.

Help me show what true love is, When a person is saved by grace.

I will honor you each day Lord, For this grace you've show to me.

Let me be a living pattern, Lord, that others might see thee.

Billy Johnson

## Obituaries

### Candace Blosser Sowell

Candace Blosser Sowell, 41, of Port St. Joe passed away Monday, March 17, after a 10-year battle with kidney disease and dialysis.

Candace was born in Fort Gordon, Ga., May 21, 1972, the daughter of the late William R. Blosser, Sr. and Karen Blosser White. She is survived by her husband, Doug Sowell; daughter Toni Elaine Boring; stepfather Buddy White; aunt Ada Mills; stepson Christopher Michael Sowell; brother-in-law George Sowell; mother-in-law Ava Sowell; and numerous other relatives.



**CANDACE BLOSSER SOWELL**

She was preceded in death by her father-in-law Dick Sowell.

Candace will be lovingly remembered by family and friends as "Pooh Bear." She was always so upbeat and happy, never wanting

anyone to know if she was not feeling well, always ready to go fishing and hunting with Doug, and she was an avid Florida Gator Fan.

Interment will be by cremation at Heritage Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life Memorial will be held at a later date.

### Frederick Wayne Taylor Sr.

Frederick Wayne Taylor Sr. was born Sept. 2, 1939, and passed this life on March 22, 2014. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Sonja Blount Taylor of Port St. Joe; his daughter, Cristie Taylor (Morris) of Panama City; his son Rick Taylor (Libia); and grandson Alex



**FREDERICK WAYNE TAYLOR SR.**

family business, and together they owned and operated St. Joe Furniture Company, following in the footsteps of her father, John Blount.

Wayne was a Christian by faith and was committed to a life of service in his professional

as well as his private life. He was president of the Port St. Joe Downtown Redevelopment Agency at the time Reid Avenue was revitalized. He had also been a long-time member of the Port St. Joe Rotary Club. Wayne taught Sunday school all of his adult life until ill health did not permit. He was an active member of the First United Methodist Church Port St. Joe, where a memorial celebration of life will be at 2:30 p.m. ET Saturday, March 29, conducted by Dr. Geoffrey Lentz. Visitation will be prior to the service at 1:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

Those wishing to make contributions in Wayne's memory may do so to Faith Christian School "Scholarship Fund," 801 20th St., Port St. Joe, FL 32456, or First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 266, Port St. Joe.

Southerland Family Funeral home is entrusted with arrangements.

## Faith BRIEFS

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### Women's luncheon at New Life

New Life Christian Center Church would like to invite you to attend its annual Women's Luncheon at 11 a.m. ET Saturday, March 29. The speaker of the hour will be Apostle Shirley White of Love Center Ministries of Apalachicola. Please join us for a day of fellowship and food.

### Victory Temple Holiness old-fashioned dinner

Temple Holiness invites everyone to its old-fashioned dinner at 11:30 a.m. ET Sunday, March 30, on the church grounds.

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Nursery.....6:00 - 7:30 pm

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# Gulf County Sheriff's Office LAW ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

Special to The Star

## March 17-23

On Tuesday, March 18, Deputy K. Starnes assisted the Port St. Joe Police Department and served a warrant on Randall S. White (28) for Violation of Probation. His original charge was Introduction of Contraband into a County Detention Facility. White was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On March 18, at approximately 2:40 a.m. while on patrol Deputy K. Starnes observed a vehicle in the ditch on State Road 71 south of White City. While on scene a vehicle, driven by Steve V. Burke (56), arrived. Burke appeared to be intoxicated as he walked across the highway to Deputy Starnes. He informed Deputy Starnes he was there to pick up his vehicle, which had been abandoned in the ditch. Based on Deputy Starnes' observations he was asked to preform field sobriety assessments, which he refused. Burke was placed under arrest. Burke was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility. After refusing to submit to a test of his breath, he was charged with DUI (Refusal) and Refusal to Submit to Approved Chemical Test. Burke was first appeared and given a conditional release.

On March 18, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) executed a transport order and traveled to the Bay County Jail. Tammy J. Melton was transported to appear before the Circuit

Judge. She was later returned on the same day with the assistance of the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On March 18, Lennon H. Britt (52) was served with a warrant from Calhoun County. Britt was taken into custody during court proceedings at the Gulf County Court House.

On March 18, the GCSO received a complaint of criminal mischief. Deputy J. Oquendo responded to the call in the 300 block of Bob Little Drive, in Wewahitchka. The complainant noticed pry marks on the doors to the residence and shed where it appeared someone attempted to gain entry. No items were discovered missing from the property and entry was not gained.

On Wednesday, March 19, Chelsea R. Sandifer (21) turned herself over to the GCSO. Lt. T. Wood served Sandifer with a warrant for Contribution to the Delinquency of a Minor out of Franklin County. Sandifer posted a \$500 bond and was released.

On March 19, Deputy S. Ferrell served a warrant to Adam J. Brobeck (22). Brobeck was already in custody at the Gulf County Detention Facility. Brobeck's warrant was for Violation of Probation, with his original charge being Possession of Controlled Substance.

On Thursday, March 20, Deputy P. Williams arrested Gary L. Hudson (44) in the 7300 block of Highway 98 on St. Joe Beach. The GCSO

had an active warrant for Hudson for Harassing Phone Calls. Hudson was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility where he was first appeared the following day and released on a \$1,000 bond.

On March 20, Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the report of a theft in the 400 block of Jehu Road in Wewahitchka. The victim reported she had approximately \$140 stolen.

On March 20, Investigator L. Dickey arrested Charles D. Williams (41) of Beacon Hill. The GCSO received information during a criminal investigation regarding the location of a stolen ATV from Calhoun County. At the conclusion of the investigation a warrant for Dealing in Stolen Property, Tampering with Evidence, and False Information to a Law Enforcement Officer. The stolen ATV, valued at \$10,000, was recovered. Williams was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility where he was later first appeared and released the following day on a \$7,000 bond.

On March 20, the GCSO received a complaint of a theft in the 600 block of West River Road in Wewahitchka. Deputy S. Ferrell responded to the call. The victim reported the theft of an extension cord. The offense occurred between March 18th and March 20th.

On Friday, March 21, Deputy G. Desrosier responded to the 100 block of Woodpark Drive

in Honeyville regarding a simple battery. The investigation revealed the offense occurred the night before. Deputy G. Desrosier continues to investigate. Criminal charges in the case are forthcoming.

On March 21, Sgt. J. Williams took a report regarding credit card fraud. The complainant in the case discovered several unauthorized charges which were made to their credit card account. The transactions appeared to have occurred online.

On March 21, David M. Rich, Jr. (50) turned himself into the GCSO. Sgt. J. Williams served Rich with a Writ of Bodily Attachment (Child Support). Rich was booked into the Gulf County Detention Facility where he was released after he paid a \$2,000 purge.

On March 21, the GCSO received a complaint regarding a theft in the 200 block of State Road 22 in Wewahitchka. The victim reported the theft of a cellular phone and \$3.50 which was taken out of their unsecured vehicle.

On March 21, Sgt. M. Herring and Deputy S. Ferrell arrested Sandra D. Kelsoe (25). Kelsoe was arrested on a warrant for the Sale of Cocaine. The case stems from an investigation conducted by the GCSO Narcotics Unit. Kelsoe was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility where she was first appeared the following day. She was released on a \$7,500 bond.

On Saturday, March 22, the GCSO received a 911 call regarding a suspicious person at in the 2100 block of State Road 30-A in Simmons Bayou. Deputy K. Starnes responded to the call and investigated the complaint. Daniel A. Peacock (35) was arrested and charged with Disorderly Intoxication. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

From March 17-23 the Communications Division at the GCSO logged a total of 28 calls for the Port St. Joe Police Department, 52 calls for EMS, 17 calls for other departments/agencies and 8 calls for Animal Control.

The GCSO logged the following department activity: Traffic Stop, 59; Civil Paper Service, 37; Field Contact, 19; Suspicious Person, 8; Abandoned Vehicle, 7; Warrant Arrest, 7; Information, 6; Alarm, 5; Reckless Driver, 5; Request for Security Check, 5; Unknown Disturbance, 4; Disabled Motor Vehicle, 3; Theft, 3; Welfare Check, 3; Agency Assist, 2; Noise Disturbance, 2; Prisoner Transport, 2; Prowler/Trespass, 2; Stolen Tag, 2; Suspicious Vehicle, 2; Traffic Accident, 2, Simple Battery, 1; Burglary of Auto, 1; Citizens Assistance, 1; Criminal Mischief, 1; Domestic Disturbance, 1; Drunk Pedestrian, 1; Funeral Escort, 1; Vehicle Fire, 1; Fraud, 1; Mentally Ill, 1; Death Investigation, 1; Harassing Phone Calls, 1; Sexual Offender Reregistration, 1; Stolen Vehicle, 1; Suicide Attempt, 1; and Suspicious Activity, 1.

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TO: CLYDE J. MELVIN, Residence Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an Administrative Complaint has been filed against you seeking to revoke your CORRECTIONAL Certificate in accordance with Section 943.1395, F.S., and any rules promulgated thereunder.

You are required to serve a written copy of your intent to request a hearing pursuant to Section 120.57, F.S., upon Jennifer C. Pritt, Program Director, Criminal Justice Professionalism Program, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489, on or before May 20, 2014. Failure to do so will result in a default being entered against you to Revoke said certification pursuant to Section 120.60, F.S., and Rule 11B-27, F.A.C.

Dated: March 20, 2014

Susan Benton - Chair  
 CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

By: -s- Ashley Hegler, Division Representative  
 March 27, 2014  
 April 3, 10, 17, 2014

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CIVIL ACTION  
 CASE NO. 09000250CA  
 DIVISION: CIVIL

NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE, Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 LEAH M. HEYSER N/K/A LEAH M. CARTER; CAPITAL CITY BANK; CAPITAL CITY BANK; CAPITAL CITY BANK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LEAH M. HEYSER N/K/A LEAH M. CARTER N/K/A SCOTT CARTER; UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Clerk of Court of GULF COUNTY, will on the 3rd day of April, 2014, at 11:00 am pm, ET offer for sale and sell at The Gulf County Courthouse lobby, 1000 Cecil Costin Blvd., Room 148, Port St. Joe, FL 32456 to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situate in GULF, Florida:

ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF GULF AND STATE OF FLORIDA, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 7, GARRISON PLANTATION AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 9.

pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in Case No. 09000250CA of the Circuit Court of the FOURTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for GULF COUNTY, Florida, the style of which is indicated above.

WITNESS MY HAND and seal of this Court on March 5, 2014.

Rebecca L. Norris  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter  
 Deputy Clerk

\*\* See Americans with Disabilities Act\*\*  
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the

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Court ADA Coordinator at 407-836-2303 or 1-800-955-8771 (T.D.D.), no later than (7) seven days prior to the proceeding.  
 March 20, 27, 2014

94392S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 CASE NO.: 2012-204-CA

CAPITAL CITY BANK, Plaintiff,  
 v.  
 THE PORT ST. JOE PORT AUTHORITY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida created by Special Act of Florida Legislature; and GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, a political subdivision of the State of Florida; Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment dated March 6, 2014 and entered in Case No. 2012-204-CA of the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein CAPITAL CITY BANK is the Plaintiff and THE PORT ST. JOE PORT AUTHORITY and GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS are the Defendants, the Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Steps of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Boulevard, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, at 11:00 a.m., E.T., on Thursday, the 10th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**Property**

A. All of the land in Gulf County, State of Florida, described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, to have and to hold the same, together with each and every building, structure, tenement, hereditament, open parking area improvement, easement, right, power, privilege, immunity and appurtenance thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining and the reversion and

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reversions, remainder and remainders, and also the estate, right, title, interest, homestead, right of dower, separate estate, property, possession and claim whatsoever in law as well as in equity of the Authority of, in and to the same in every part and parcel thereof unto the Bank in fee simple.

B. Fixtures now or hereafter affixed to or located on the property described in paragraph A hereof which is deemed to be fixtures and a part of the real property under applicable law.

C. All rents, leases, sublease, lettings, licenses, issues, profits, revenue, royalties, income, proceeds, and other benefits flowing or derived from the property described in paragraphs A and B hereof.

D. All unearned premiums, accrued, accruing or to accrue under all insurance policies now or hereafter obtained by the Authority, and all insurance policies and proceeds, both cash and non-cash, thereof and all condemnation proceeds, awards, damages and claims relating to or derived from the property described in paragraphs A, B and C hereof.

**Exhibit "A"**

Commence at the Northwest corner of Government Lot 6, Section 35, Township 7 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida. Thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 02 seconds East along the North line of said Government Lot 6 for 560.62 feet to the Northerly right of way line of State Road No. 382, which is a curve concave to the South and having a radius of 1181.29 feet; thence Northeasterly along said curving right of way line for an arc distance of 107.36 feet, said arc having a chord of 107.33 feet bearing North 67 degrees 40 minutes 31 seconds East to the Point of Beginning. Thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 36 seconds West along the East boundary of the McClellan and Dickens Subdivision for 289.32 feet to the center of Alma Avenue, thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 02 seconds West along

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said center of Alma Avenue for 330.00 feet to the center of Jefferson Street, thence North 26 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds West for 699.33 feet, thence South 63 degrees 41 minutes 42 seconds West for 924.47 feet to the Easterly right of way line of State Road No. 30, thence North 26 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds west along said Easterly right of way line for 253.10 feet, thence North 63 degrees 43 minutes 18 seconds East along said Easterly right of way line for 15.04 feet, thence North 26 degrees 17 minutes 49 seconds West along said Easterly right of way line for 356.25 feet, thence North 63 degrees 42 minutes 45 seconds East along said Easterly right of way line for 24.99 feet, thence North 26 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds West along said Easterly right of way line for 371.80 feet, more or less, to the mean high water line of the Gulf County Canal, thence Northeasterly along the edge of said canal for 1450 feet, more or less, to the center of Chicken House Branch, thence Southeasterly along said center for 2408 feet, more or less, to the Northerly right of way line of state road No. 382, which is a curve concave to the South and having a radius of 1181.29 feet, thence Westerly along said curving right of way line for an arc distance of 530.77 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on March 12, 2014.

RECCA L. NORRIS  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: BA Baxter  
 Deputy Clerk

KENNETH R. HART, Fla. Bar No. 192580  
 GERALD C. THOMAS, Fla. Bar No. 0185884  
 Ausley & McMullen, PA.  
 Post Office Box 391  
 Tallahassee, Florida 32302  
 (850) 224-9115  
 Attorneys for Plaintiff,  
 Capital City Bank  
 March 20, 27, 2014

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feet, said arc having a chord of 30.69 feet bearing South 64 degrees 19 minutes 38 seconds West; thence South 63 degrees 34 minutes 58 seconds West along said Northerly right of way line for 199.25 feet to the beginning of a curve in said right of way line concave to the North and having a radius of 2829.92 feet; thence Southwesterly along said curving right of way line for an arc distance of 622.33 feet, said arc having a chord of 621.08 feet bearing South 69 degrees 52 minutes 58 seconds West; thence South 76 degrees 10 minutes 58 seconds West along said Northerly right of Way line for 141.75 feet to the Easterly right of Way line of State Road No. 30; thence North 26 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds West along said Easterly right of way line for 1000.00 feet; thence North 63 degrees 41 minutes 42 seconds East for 924.47 feet; thence South 26 degrees 18 minutes 18 seconds East, for 699.33 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Jefferson Street with the centerline of Alma Avenue, according to McClellan and Dickens Subdivision; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 36 seconds East along the centerline of said Jefferson Street for 330.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on March 12, 2014.

RECCA L. NORRIS  
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: BA Baxter  
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94412S  
**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AMERICA'S MINI STORAGE AND OFFICE, INC., INTENDS TO DISPOSE OF OR OFFER FOR SALE THE PERSONAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW TO ENFORCE A LIEN IMPOSED ON SAID PROPERTY UNDER THE SELF STORAGE FACILITY ACT STATUTES SECTION 83.801-83.89, AMERICA'S MINI STORAGE AND OFFICE, INC., WILL DISPOSE OF SAID PROPERTY NO LATER THAN THE DATE OF FRIDAY, APRIL 04, 2014. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 141 COMMERCE DRIVE, PORT ST. JOE, FL. GULF COUNTY.

SALE DATE: April 4, 2014

Stacey Ryan Garrison  
 1903 Juniper Avenue  
 Port St Joe, FL 32456  
 #B-6, 5x15 unit

Bid on Unit - HIGHEST BID TAKES ALL.  
 Sale Time Starts @ 9:30 am to register, March 20, 27, 2014

94476S  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Commission of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, at its meeting on the 15th day of April, 2014, at 6:00 P.M., EDST, in the regular Commission meeting room at the Municipal Building, Port St. Joe, Florida, will have the 2nd reading and consider for final adoption Ordinances with the following titles:

ORDINANCE NO. 502

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 42 OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROHIBITING THE SALE OF E-CIGARETTES WITHIN THE CITY TO PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE, PROHIBITING THE USE OF E-CIGARETTES WITHIN THE CITY WHERE SMOKING IS PROHIBITED, PROHIBITING SELF-SERVICE MERCHANDISING IN THE SALE OF E-CIGARETTES AND LIQUID NICOTINE WITHIN THE CITY, AND FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING

FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

And  
 ORDINANCE NO. 503

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 274 AND SECTION 42-8 OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Interested persons may attend and be heard at the public hearing or provide comments in writing to the City Commissioners, City of Port St. Joe City Hall, 305 Cecil G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida. Transactions of the public hearing will not be recorded. Persons wishing to appeal any decision made during the hearing will need a record of the proceeding and should ensure a verbatim record is made, including the testimony on which the appeal is based. Any person who wishes to attend and requires assistance may call the City Clerk's Office at (850) 229-8261, Ext. 114.

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA  
 BY: MAGIDSON, JR.  
 Mayor-Commissioner

Attest:  
 Charlotte M. Pierce,  
 Clerk  
 Pub: March 27, 2014

94488S  
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY FLORIDA  
 CIVIL DIVISION:  
 CASE NO.: 23-2009-CA-000114

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, Plaintiff,

vs.  
 MICHAEL B. RUSSO; AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER; BARRIER DUNES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; MICHELLE RUSSO; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 18th day of March, 2014, and entered in Case No. 23-2009-CA-000114, of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP is the Plaintiff and MICHAEL B. RUSSO, AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER, BARRIER DUNES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., MICHELLE RUSSO, UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT LOBBY OF THE GULF COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1000 5TH STREET, PORT ST. JOE, FL 32456, 11:00 AM ET on the 17th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

UNIT 41, BARRIER DUNES, AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA AT ORB 107, PAGE 227, AND AS AMENDED IN ORB 110, PAGE 805 AND ORB 128, PAGE 118, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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,

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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...

REBECCA NORRIS Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter Deputy Clerk

Submitted by: Choice Legal Group, PA, 1800 NW 49th Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309

DESIGNATED PRIMARY E-MAIL FOR SERVICE PURSUANT TO FLA. R. JUD. ADMIN 2.516 ervice@celegalgroup.com

945025 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., SERIES 2002-C ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,

vs. SUELLEN FLEMING, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 18, 2014 and entered in 2009CA000254CA of the Circuit Court of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Gulf County, Florida, wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS FOR AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., SERIES 2002-C ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, is the Plaintiff and SUELLEN FLEMING, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY are the Defendant(s).

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

199-foot overall height monopole telecommunication structure off of Olive Avenue, Port St. Joe, Gulf County, Florida, Tax Parcel ID 03664-000R. Datapath Tower invites comments from any interested party on the impact of the proposed undertaking may have on any districts, sites, buildings, structures or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering, or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

HANDYMAN

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POINT OF CURVE; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE RIGHT WHICH HAS A RADIUS OF 11415.15 FEET AND A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 05 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 49 SECONDS FOR 1058.64 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY OF SAID CURVE; THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST FOR 2813.88 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE RUN SOUTH 69 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST 574.11 FEET TO A RE-ROD FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 69 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST 319.00 FEET TO THE APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE GULF OF MEXICO, THENCE RUN NORTH 15 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 03 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID APPROXIMATE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE 59.78 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 69 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 52 SECONDS EAST ALONG A PARTY WALL AND A PROJECTION THEREOF 314.00 FEET TO A RE-ROD, THENCE RUN SOUTH 20 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST 59.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SUBJECT TO AN IN-GRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE SOUTHEASTERLY 18.00 FEET AND THE SOUTHWESTERLY 12.00 FEET OF THE NORTHEASTERLY 74.00 FEET THEREOF.

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 21st day of March, 2014.

Rebecca L. Norris As Clerk of the Court

By: BA Baxter As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact 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...

Datapath Tower is proposing to construct a 199-foot overall height monopole telecommunication structure off of Olive Avenue, Port St. Joe, Gulf County, Florida, Tax Parcel ID 03664-000R.

945065 PUBLIC NOTICE

Datapath Tower is proposing to construct a 199-foot overall height monopole telecommunication structure off of Olive Avenue, Port St. Joe, Gulf County, Florida, Tax Parcel ID 03664-000R.

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ration of America, ATTN: Dina Bazzell, 1375 Union Hill Industrial Court, Suite A, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004. Ms. Bazzell can be reached at (770) 667-2040 ext. 111.

98217S PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS BID #1314-14

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids from any person, company, or corporation interested in providing the following:

A NEW FORD F-250 OR EQUIVALENT

Please place YOUR COMPANY NAME, SEALED BID, and the BID NUMBER on the outside of your envelope, and provide three copies of your proposal.

Specifications may be obtained from the Clerk's Office in the Gulf County Court-house, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr., Blvd, Room 148, Port St. Joe, Florida, 32456.

Bids must be submitted to the Gulf County Clerk's Office at 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Room 148, Port St. Joe, Florida, 32456 by 4:30 p.m., E.T. on Friday, March 28, 2014.

Any questions concerning this bid should be directed to Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson at (850) 229-9110.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/Ward McDaniel, Chairman

Attest: /s/ Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk March 20, 27, 2014

98223S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: ESTATE OF: GREGORY SANFORD GRICE, a/k/a GREGORY S. GRICE, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The ancillary administration of the Estate of Gregory Sanford Grice, a/k/a Gregory S. Grice, deceased, whose date of death was May 9, 2012, and whose Social Security Number is xxx-xx-7753 is pending in the Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 14-14 PR, the address of which is Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk of Court, Attention: Probate Division, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Boulevard, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER

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THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD 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 March 20, 2014.

Ancillary Personal Representative: s/Russell Taylor Grice 702 Cedar Street Fairhope, AL 36532

Attorney for Ancillary Personal Representative: s/Frank E. Bondurant FRANK E. BONDURANT FL Bar No: 0520330 BONDURANT & FUQUA, PA. 4450 Lafayette Street Post Office Box 1508 Marianna, FL 32447 (850) 526-2263 Email: fbondurant@bflorida.law.com March 20, 27, 2014

98283S PUBLIC NOTICE

GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

RFP NO.: 1314-15

SOLID WASTE SERVICES

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners, Gulf County, Florida (the "County") is seeking solicitations from vendors to provide solid waste services.

RFP DEADLINE:

Submitted on or before April 11th, 2014 no later than 4:30 PM (EST) and will be opened thereafter on Monday, April 14th, 2014 at 10:00 AM (EST) consistent with County policy.

LATE PROPOSALS RECEIVED AFTER THE AFOREMENTIONED DEADLINE DATE, EITHER BY MAIL OR OTHERWISE, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AND RETURNED UNOPENED. THE TIME OF RECEIPT WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE TIME RECEIVED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE.

Proposals submitted must be in a sealed envelope or package, clearly marked with the Proposer's name, address with the name of the proposer, and the RFP number and title "SOLID WASTE SERVICES" so as to identify the enclosed proposal. Each submittal shall include two (2) originals and five (5) copies of the proposal as well as one copy in digital format placed on a flash drive or CD (ie. in pdf format). Proposals received later than the date and time as specified will be rejected.

The Proposer may obtain the specifications and details of this RFP from the Gulf County Clerk's Office and must also submit in a timely manner or have delivered its final RFP proposals to the:

Gulf County Clerk of Court 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd. Port St. Joe, Florida 32456

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Any questions concerning this RFP must be submitted in writing no later than 10:00 a.m. EST, on April 3rd, 2014 and should be directed to Lynn Lanier, Deputy Administrator at llanier@gulfcourtfl.gov and a copy of your correspondence to ksummers@gulfclerk.com.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/ Ward McDaniel, Chairman

Attest: /s/ Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk March 27, 2014

98285S 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 Ordinance with the following title:

AN ORDINANCE WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S POWERS AND DUTIES, PROVIDING FOR NON-INTERFERENCE BY THE BOARD IN DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS, PROVIDING FOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY AND MODIFICATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM CONSIDERATION AT PUBLIC HEARING, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

A public reading, introduction and public hearing will be held during the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners' Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 8th at 9:00 a.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 Ordinance. If a person desires 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 Ordinance is 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.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court this 21st day of March, 2014.

Rebecca L. Norris Clerk of Circuit Court

By: BA Baxter As Deputy Clerk Mar 27, Apr 3, 2014

98311S IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. F/K/A FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK Plaintiff,

vs. ROBERT RAY WOODHAM A/K/A ROBERT R. WOODHAM A/K/A ROBERT WOODHAM, ET AL Defendants.

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NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment in Foreclosure dated March 18, 2014, and entered in Case No. 11-000236 CA of the Circuit Court of the 14th Judicial Circuit in and for GULF COUNTY, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A. F/K/A FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK is Plaintiff and ROBERT RAY WOODHAM A/K/A ROBERT R. WOODHAM; MELODY WOODHAM; EDITH LILLY HOMAN; TAMMY SUE CANNINGTON; ROLAND SHERMAN FOSTER; ELAINE CAROLINE COX; AS THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ELAINE CAROLINE COX, IF ANY N/A LAWRENCE COX; AS THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TAMMY SUE CANNINGTON, IF ANY NAVA HOWARD CANNINGTON; AS THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROLAND SHERMAN FOSTER, IF ANY; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES AND CAPITAL CITY BANK; AS UNKNOWN parties claiming by, through, under or against the named defendants, whether living or not, and whether said unknown parties claims as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or in any other capacity, claiming by, through under or against the named Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the FRONT LOBBY, OF THE COURTHOUSE OF THE GULF COUNTY Courthouse, in GULF County, Florida, at 11:00 AM ET on the 17th day of April, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to wit:

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT 'A'

Lots 3 and 4, Rochelle Estates, an Addition to Oak Grove Subdivision, being a portion of Section 13, Township 8 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida, according to the official map on file in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of Gulf County, Florida, in Plat Book 3, Page 12.

1995 HOMETTE CORPORATION MOBILE HOME VIN#FLHML2P104613274 A/TITLE#69358448 VIN#FLHML2P104613274 B/TITLE#69358446 VIN#FLHML2P104613274 C/TITLE#69358447 Street Address: 541 WELTON DRIVE, PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA 32456

2100 - PETS

2100 - Pets: Free to Good Home 2120 - Pet Supplies 2130 - Farm Animals/Supplies 2140 - Pets/Livestock Wanted 2150 - Pet Memorials

6110 - APARTMENT RENTALS

6110 - Apartment Rentals

3110 - APPLIANCES

Whirlpool Washer & Dryer for Sale \$400 850-227-8024. Text FL83897 to 56654

3220 - FURNITURE

Lane Leather Sofa and over-stuffed chair. Excellent cond. Our home had no smoking or pets. Dark, copper color. Sofa \$675; Chair \$375. Cash only & pickup - Apalachicola. 813-298-9602. Text FL83787 to 56654

6100 - BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL RENTALS

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