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Knox, McGlon win school board seats

Incumbent Quinn advances in BOCC District 4

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Ruby Knox and Dennis McGlon will join the Gulf County School Board after Tuesday's primary voting, while Commissioner Sandy Quinn advanced to

November. Tuesday's results were unofficial until certified Wednesday, after press time, by the county canvassing board.

The turnout was 32 percent, roughly in line with a primary election in the middle of a presidential term.

Of the county's 10,097 eligible voters, 3,219 cast ballots.

More than third of those,

1,122, were cast during early voting.

Another 603 voters cast absentee ballots; the Supervisor Elections office mailed out nearly 900.

School Board races are non-partisan, therefore Tuesday's voting was the final say in campaigns to replace two retiring members, Danny Little in District 1 and John Wright in District 5.

McGlon and Knox each

won convincingly.

Knox beat Barbara Radcliff in the District 5 race, earning 67 percent of the vote, 677 votes, to Radcliff's 33 percent, 338 votes.

In District 1, McGlon's margin was even larger, taking 74 percent of the vote in a contest against Bernadette Hackett.

The vote difference was 385-138.

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County repeals RV ordinance, leaves LNT alone

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For most of those who turned out to the regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, Tuesday morning, and afternoon, were a decidedly mixed bag.

Commissioners, during a meeting that sprawled beyond four hours, repealed an ordinance pertaining to RVs, effectively returning to rules in place prior to 2015.

They also approved maintaining the status quo on a Leave No Trace ordinance,

The latter had been urged since commissioners last month signaled the possibility they would amend LNT.

Tuesday's public hearing followed an hour-long BOCC workshop last week and two prior community workshops.

Staff provided no proposed amendments Tuesday, leaving the discussion much as it was over the past three weeks.

During the workshops, with just one or two exceptions, speakers urged commissioners not to act in haste over LNT, which had boiled-up again as an issue during the height of a very busy summer season.

With Labor Day approaching, many urged, there was time to examine the ordinance and consider any fixes in time for the arrival of next summer.

And the board indicated quickly that it would support the idea.

Commissioner Phil McCroan, whose district includes much of the south Gulf County coastal areas, recommended that the board take no additional action.

"I recommend we peel back and leave it as it is at this time and let's move forward," McCroan said.

He said ongoing county efforts in support of the ordinance, an education approach and removal, at administrator discretion, of what County Administrator Michael Hammond said "abandoned items" would continue.

Further, McCroan said, he would push for the Gulf County Tourist Development Council to conduct workshops this fall, bringing in all stakeholders, to review LNT.

"We're not going to have a heavy-handed approach," McCroan added.

Enforcement has been the hot button this summer as several years of forward progress seemed to take a step back according to many who live and play along the beach.

And while Hammond emphasized that "abandoned" property was being removed by TDC parks and recreation crews, "unattended" property was not.

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LIGHTNING IN THE AIR



Ron Rudolph shared this stunning shot with the Cape San Blas Lighthouse in George Core Park in the foreground and in the background an electrical storm over Indian Pass.

Restoration project hits another roadblock

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So much for any luck for the proposed beach restoration project.

Deputy county administrator Warren Yeager sounded pessimistic the county would receive an okay from the U.S. Treasury in the next two weeks to spend \$2.8 million on a restoration project on St. Joseph Peninsula.

The dollars represent the first-year direct allocation to the county out of the federal RESTORE Act, which earmarked various pots of fine

money stemming from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill for distribution.

The dollars also represent nearly a third of the total cost of the project.

Under the provisions of that federal legislation, the \$2.8 million has been "in the bank" for the county for some three years, but the county has encountered a series of obstacles to accessing the dollars through an application and grant process.

The latest hiccup involved the Treasury, which is overseeing disbursement of the funds, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife. And the discussion comes back to a protest from Fish and

Wildlife over spending any federal funds in a designated a Coastal Barriers Resource Act (CBRA) zone.

The issue arose but was addressed during the initial application and grant submission, Yeager said, but after having to amend the multi-year spending plan due to changes in the scope of the restoration project, a letter from Fish and Wildlife has gummed the works.

Yeager said Treasury officials will not divulge the contents of the letter from Fish and Wildlife, but they also insist theirs is the final say.

But, Yeager said, Treasury appears unwilling to buck

Fish and Wildlife and potentially setting an unwanted precedent.

"This is your money, it should take this long," said a consultant working on the RESTORE plan with the county.

Treasury, Yeager added, is aware of where the county is in the process on the restoration project, the amended project bid out and a contract awarded.

The contractor has already had to move on to another project due to the delay in receiving an approval to spend the money from Treasury.

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Navy band concert Monday at Veterans Park

The United State Navy Band Country Current will be take the stage for a special Labor Day concert 6 p.m. ET Monday at Veterans Memorial Park at Beacon Hill.

The concert is free and open to the public. Tickets are available at the TDC Welcome Center and Piggly Wiggly and will also be available at the gate.

Country Current is the Navy's country-bluegrass ensemble, renowned, according to a release from the Navy, for versatility and phenomenal musicianship.

The band, comprised of professional musicians, perform a blend of modern country music and cutting-edge bluegrass.

The concerts are intended to be



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family-friendly events, entertaining to veterans, families,

individualsandthoseinterested in joining the Navy. — Tim Croft

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Another issue for the county is that during turtle season county crews can not access the beach each morning to fully enforce the times determining when property can be placed or must be removed.

Responses received during surveys sponsored by the CCA and two rental agencies indicated overwhelming support for the ordinance and for its enforcement.

As several speakers have noted, that will require a dedication of resources the BOCC has not yet been willing to devote.

"No enforcement is not an option," said Nick Vaughn, while supporting the motion to leave

the ordinance alone for now.

And a representative from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said the LNT has a direct link to the county's proposed Habitat Conservation Plan, a plan under which the county would assume a significant portion of the construction permitting currently taken up by the federal or state government.

The county and federal governments are currently on their fifth draft of the plan.

"It has been working," said Dr. Pat Hardman, president of the Coastal Community Association of Gulf County, of LNT. "Changing it now would be extremely detrimental for the environment ... for safety."

"Let a committee look at it ... We can be the model child for the state of Florida on Leave No Trace."

RV ordinance

As with LNT, there was early indication from the board on a direction as Commissioner Jimmy Rogers, before any public comment, motioned to repeal the ordinance.

Initially passed in 2015 and amended several times afterward, the ordinance, Hammond said, was not fully understood by the public, which was a large part of the issue.

The ordinance prohibits RVs in the coastal corridor, the boundary one mile from "open coastal waters" other than temporary permits.

However, the provisions did not take effect until January 2015; all existing property owners were "vested" or "grandfathered" in at that time.

That protection from the ordinance would be lost in the event of sale or other transfer of deed, save for a family descendant.

Hammond said of the 15,004 lots in the unincorporated areas of the county, 14,000 had not been impacted; they would operate under land development regulations that allow one RV per lot.

The county also tries its best to enforce provisions outlawing renting properties to place an RV on.

County attorney Jeremy Novak detailed the history of the ordinance, which was rejected once by the BOCC before later adoption, and said private property rights weighed heavily in discussions.

There was a reason a majority of property in the county was not impacted, he said.

Even with the ordinance, there was no outright prohibition on RVs in the coastal corridor, save for properties which have changed hands in the past nearly four years, Hammond said.

Further, there is nothing in the county's ordinances which prohibit a house trailer, mobile home or modular home in the coastal corridor.

The major issue, a safety one, was the lack of response by RV owners to evacuate the vehicles in the event of a declared local state of emergency due to a major storm.

In his remarks, resident Ron Schaeffer, who is in the insurance field, provided a vivid demonstration of how an RV can explode or become a rolling projectile in a strong storm.

But, as written, the ordinance is unenforceable, Hammond said.

Much like with the LNT discussion, speakers almost uniformly struck a chord of urging commissioners to stand down.

Several speakers decried the growing number of pole barns and RVs in the county and their impact on the future on the county's environment, property values and tax base.

Resident Dusty May said the decision came down to what residents the county wished to attract.

The single-family home owner or builder who pays

all required fees and taxes, or the property owner who puts down a concrete slab, erects a pole barn, parks an RV and avoids significant property taxes and has less invested in the community.

Gene BeHage presented a survey conducted by a nationally-recognized company indicating support for the ordinance and its enforcement.

"You have constituents that are adamantly opposed to the repeal of this ordinance," BeHage said. "Keep the ordinance and enforce it."

Jennifer Corbin, a Beacon Hill resident heavily involved in the original ordinance, said repeal seemed a "colossal waste" of time and effort.

"We need to look at the things in the ordinance that don't work and fix them," she said. "We have to find solutions, long-term solutions for Gulf County."

Commissioners were divided on repeal, with McCroan and Commissioner Sandy Quinn, Jr. dissenting.

PROJECT

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As a result, a project that was hoped to have been started early last year, now has no clear start date.

Yeager and the consultant said they had given Treasury a two-week deadline for an answer; Yeager expressed pessimism it would be a yes and in time.

Yeager told commissioners it was likely a special meeting will be called sometime in September to discuss options.

And, he pointed out, the problem underscores the county's push to overturn CBRA on the Cape and peninsula.

The county has spent thousands of dollars and years trying to overturn what it believes should never have occurred, the placement of CBRA boundaries.

Commissioner Phil McCroan noted the county lost \$15 million in reparations after Hurricane Gustav raked the beaches.

FEMA initially approved spending the dollars to replace the sand only to be overruled by Fish and Wildlife.

"If we had gotten that money we wouldn't be in this situation now," McCroan said.

Triumph

Yeager said after a

series of discussions with Triumph Gulf Coast staff and individually with some board members, it was hoped the county will be presented with a term sheet next month on a dry dock project.

The Triumph board, charged with disbursing some \$1.25 billion in BP fine dollars within eight Northwest Florida counties over the next 15 years, is due to meet again Sept. 12.

Yeager said Triumph would likely not fund the entire \$28 million requested for construction of a dry dock facility off the former paper mill site and the county has also applied for funds from the governor's Job Growth Fund.

He added that another meeting with Triumph staff was set for Sept. 7.

"We are ready to move the project forward," Yeager said. "We hope it will come up in September, we can get a term sheet and understand what we need to do ... and get the project moving."

Boat ramps, piers

Five years after being announced, two "early restoration" NRDA projects created in the wake of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill are moving in different directions.

A new boat ramp in Highland View should be fully funded, despite a spike in estimated costs, permitted and constructed by next spring,

Yeager said.

The original estimate of \$175,000 has ballooned to \$500,000, but the funding has been put in place, Yeager said.

Meanwhile, estimated costs of a new fishing pier at WindMark Beach have grown from \$1.24 million to \$3.3 million.

Yeager said the county could pursue other grant funding, use direct-allocation RESTORE dollars down in the line or resubmit the project to NRDA for full funding, a path Yeager recommended.

"I don't see construction on that one in the near future," Yeager said.

County Administrator Michael Hammond said the entire process reflected ineffective federal government.

"It is a sad commentary on a big government program that doesn't work," Hammond said.

Salinas Park

After a meeting with representatives from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Damage Assessment (NRDA), Yeager said work on the expansion on Salinas Park is imminent.

He said pickleball courts going in bayside would likely be completed in the next 90-100 days and permitting for the bayside elevated boardwalk is ongoing.

He said the hope was to have the project completed by next summer.

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County unemployment rate stable in July

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The county's unemployment rate was flat in July after a June jump, according to statistics from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

The county's unemployment rate in July was 3.9 percent, unchanged from June and the highest in the region which also includes Bay and Franklin County.

Gulf County's unemployment rate was 3.1 percent in May, the last of several months of positive news on the jobs front.

The unemployment rate in July 2017 was 4.0 percent; the same rate as in February of this year before moving down for several months.

The region's unemployment rate was 3.6 percent, with Franklin County leading the way with a 3.5 percent unemployment rate, up a tick from June; Bay was at 3.6 percent.

A year ago, the region's unemployment rate was 4.0 percent.

The unemployment rate in Florida was 3.7 percent in July, down from June and down 0.4 of a percentage point from a year ago.

This is the lowest unemployment rate in

Florida in over a decade. In Florida, there were 383,000 unemployed from a labor force of 10.2 million.

The national unemployment rate for July was 3.9 percent.

Out of a regional labor force of 105,233, which was up 2.8 percent year over year, there were 3,791 unemployed.

"We continue to see strong job growth year over year," said Kim Bodine, Executive Director of CareerSource Gulf Coast. "Our economy seems to be continuing to grow even in areas not related to our traditionally strong tourism industry.

A key economic driver

in Gulf County was the 106 percent jump in bed tax collections compared to May, according to CareerSource Gulf Coast.

In Mexico Beach, bed tax collection was up 111 percent compared to May.

In July, non-agricultural employment in the Panama City MSA, which also includes Gulf County, was 88,500, up 3,200 jobs, or 3.8 percent, over the year.

The Panama City MSA grew as fast or faster compared to the state average in the following sectors: professional and business services (up 4.5 percent); mining and logging and construction

(up 5.8 percent); education and health services (up 4.5 percent); and retail trade (up 4.8 percent) other services (3.4 percent); and government (0.7 percent).

Industries gaining jobs over the past year included goods producing (up 100 jobs); service providing (up 3,100 jobs); professional and business services (up 500 jobs); wholesale trade (up 100 jobs); retail trade (up 600 jobs); education and health services (up 500 jobs); leisure and hospitality (up 300 jobs); trades, transportation and utilities (up 700 jobs); government (up 900 jobs); and financial activities (up 100 jobs).

According to the DEO, the manufacturing industry (down 200 jobs) lost jobs and other business sectors were unchanged, year over year.

The unemployment rate does not reflect those unemployed who are no longer receiving unemployment benefits nor does it include those who have stopped seeking employment.

CareerSource Gulf Coast operates offices in all three counties.

Visit www.careersourcegc.com to learn more about professional workforce development and job placement services, all offered free of charge.

Farmers Market Saturday in PSJ



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Shop the SaltAir Farmers Market. The Port St. Joe SaltAir Farmers Market, in its 11th year, is held the first and third Saturdays of the month

at City Commons adjacent to Port St. Joe City Hall, at the intersection of Reid Ave. and Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd. The market is held 9 a.m. until

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Reunion season



Tim Croft

We are taught not to covet, but sometimes the green just turns from lime to emerald.

About this time every year comes a ritual that I remain completely ignorant about, but envy nonetheless.

And, I wonder, do the folks involved fully understand how fortunate, how lucky to live in a small town?

As the school year opens each year, Homecoming rises on the horizon and with Homecoming come the class reunions.

So far in the past month, we've had 1958, followed by 1968 and 1978, all classes from Port St. Joe High School, all planning their reunions.

My initial reaction when 1958 arrived a month ago or so was what?

Summer isn't over.

Every day my two-wheeled commute to work feels more and more like I'm in a convection oven.

Wasn't graduation yesterday?

Football season underway?

Let me lay down by the shade of a tree and rest.

Oh, wait, there is no shade; recliner will have to do.

There must be an adage to fracture about when you are young time can hardly go fast enough; as you age, well, it won't slow down one bit.

As school starts by my grand-youngins are another grade, another year older.

I hardly recognize the smiling little cherub in my wallet, now, eee gads, an adolescent.

Where once it was "Papa" with enthusiasm it has become, "hey, papa" lower-case all the way.

I digress.

So, these reunions.

I responded to one submitter of reunion news how fortunate they were to live in a small town, have such fond memories of high school and class camaraderie.

Ask Kesley, my good friend sharing this page's space, about the place on the map where I grew up, Toledo, Ohio.

"It was so big," Kesley said when I saw him recently after travels that took him through Northwest Ohio.

Now, for many of a certain generation, Toledo is connected to a song John Denver sang about being bored in Toledo, Ohio, where not much happens at night and the sidewalks rolled up after dark.

That was quite a stigma.

Quiet, bespectacled, squeaky clean John Denver was bored?

That was not exactly a TDC promotional slogan that screamed, "Hey, let's take our next vacation there."

But it was a fun childhood, I wouldn't trade it.

And it was far more crowded than childhoods in Gulf County.

Being from a large city, I attended mighty large public schools.

We lived just over two blocks from my elementary school, which I would guess, gazing back into hazy memories, had roughly twice the enrollment of Port St. Joe Elementary School.

My high school: well over 2,000 students, jutting up against 2,500.

I had more than 500, closer to 600 if I remember correctly, students in my graduating class, which is roughly the current enrollment, give or take a dozen or so, of Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School, which

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HUNKER DOWN

If the Class of '65 had been in charge



Kesley Colbert

Oh drats! They called off the parade. I was looking so forward to it. I've never seen a ninety-two million dollar parade! But can you just imagine! They must have been planning on giving away F-22s to the first five hundred adults that lined Pennsylvania Avenue.

I pictured gold sequined tanks and brightly painted nuclear warheads. Surely there would have been floats depicting the charge up San Juan Hill, General Pershing landing in France and our guys storming across the bridge at Remagen. And, if we were lucky, the whole parade would be led by an authentic American Revolution drum and fife corps.

I was hoping to see a genuine biplane from the First World War buzzing overhead. And maybe some left over P-38s from World War II. And I believe the Memphis Belle is operational. Listen, for the money they were planning to spend we could bring back every plane that ever flew a combat mission!

Instead of those little pieces of hard rock candy, Lieutenant Colonels on the last float could be tossing out thousand dollar bills. It would be worth traveling to Washington to see the Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles being fired off the railcars.

This parade was going to out Macy Macy!

For ninety-two million dollars every single member of every branch of our military must certainly be required

to march in this thing. While the Marine Band lined up on K Street, the 101st Airborne would be assembling across the river in Arlington. It was a Veterans Day Parade that stood a good chance of stretching into Thanksgiving! One knowledgeable old timer "Inside the Beltway" proposed it would be a lot easier to seat all the parade participants in the grandstands.....and let every citizen in America march by!

I'm not sure if the cease and desist order came from the Pentagon, White House or the New York Times.

Somebody sure called it off. And if the exit polls reveal canceling it was a good idea, they will all leap immediately into the "take credit" line. If it turns out the other way, we will never hear the end of the finger pointing and acrimonious rhetoric.

Any parade to honor our Veterans is a good idea. There is no debating that. I'm just not sure if this one would have been cost effective. And, to be perfectly honest, we have the only government in the history of mankind that could think up a way to spend ninety-two million on one single solitary parade.

I bet you Burundi couldn't do that.

The only parade I ever took part in was at Homecoming back in high school. In light of this 2018 rolling pageant revelation, I'm embarrassed to tell you what our projected cash layout was. But I will admit it was a tad under 92 million.

Mr. John Charles Sasser loaned us his flatbed wagon for nothing. And when our class finance committee came back with the cost of chicken wire, Billie Ruth Kirksey remembered there was an old pile of the stuff out behind their barn.

We scrounged up every piece of used lumber in town and stuffed red, white and blue napkins in the wire until they covered up the rust.

We absconded with cardboard from that big trash pile beside Junior's J&J grocery. Every class member was encouraged to bring any color paint they could beg, borrow or steal from home. It was safe to say we put more ingenuity than money in this project. We traded S&H Green Stamps for eleven boxes of napkins and some glue for the paper mache horse we hoped Diana Morris and LaRenda Bradfield could build.

We were going with a "Tame the Mustangs" theme but we couldn't come up with any brown paint. The Huntingdon High School mascot had a definite psychedelic look surrounded by three McKenzie Rebels meaning to "do him in" as the parade started up Stone-wall Street.

All of the judges agreed we could have finished a lot higher than fourth place if two of our Rebels hadn't fallen off when the float turned that curve in front of Raymond White's service station.

I figure we don't need a big expensive parade today to remind us of what we owe to every American Veteran that has ever suited up on our behalf. Maybe we all could find some old chicken wire and a few pieces of lumber and build them a tribute in our front yards.

And maybe our government could take some of the ninety-two million they saved on this parade.....and share it with the needy Veterans out there.

Respectfully,

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CRANKS MY TRACTOR

Fumbling the ball



BN Heard

With football season upon us, I enjoy reminiscing about my high school years and toting the football for my team. As the years go by, in my mind my prowess and accomplishments back then get better and more significant like a lying fisherman's stories of the size of the fish he caught and the ones that got away.

I struggle with saying "It was the best time of my life," because it wasn't, but it was a very fun time and I am very happy that I made it without doing too many stupid things.

Traveling to help one of my children move in for college one more time, I was driving back through the county in Alabama where I grew up and played high school football, I got this sudden urge to see some of the mementos of years past, and maybe take a look at the fields where I played.

My first stop was "out in the country" where our archrivals, the Wildcats, called home. Why in the world would I want to do that? I will tell you. I wanted to hold the "Golden Football" just one more time. The Golden Football was a trophy that was passed back and forth to the winner of the football game between our

schools each year.

The Wildcats got to keep the trophy back in the mid-80's because as the rules stated, "If a team won three times in a row, it was their trophy to keep forever." Rules are rules and they had the trophy and I wanted to hold it just one more time.

After sitting getting my picture made, my credentials kind of checked and talking to the secretary for about 15 minutes, a nice young man, who was one of the coaches at the school led me to the entrance to the gymnasium. He looked at the trophies and pointed to one of many and asked, "Is that the one you are talking about?"

I said, "It is, would be OK if I held it?" The coach laughed and said, "Absolutely." He slid the glass back from the unlocked trophy case and handed me the gold football trophy. It felt good to hold it once again, maybe even feel 16 again. He agreed to take a picture (actually many) of me holding the trophy.

We talked and I went back to the office to be officially checked out.

Being about 40 years ago, I was reminded that I actually was not part of a team that "lost" the coveted Golden Football. Fortunately, it was a team a few years later. I was part of one team in 1978 that actually kept our archrivals from keeping the trophy.

1978, was a great year for my high school's football program. It was the first undefeated season in my school's football

playing history, which had just begun in 1972.

Thinking about it, I remembered our big "Gold Football Trophy" that the school had made commemorating that undefeated season in 1978. It had been 40 years and I thought about how nice it would be to hold that trophy one more time and see my name etched in one of the gold plates that were stuck on the nice wooden base.

I traveled about 15 minutes to my alma mater, where the Falcons still play today. A nice young man was manning the office window and I informed him that "I was here to see the trophy." He had no idea what I was talking about, but the athletic director fortunately was just coming into the office.

The athletic director informed me that the football coach might know and that he was down in the gym teaching a yoga class. The yoga class business concerned me at first, but I have recently read where a lot of football players benefit from the stretching and contorting of the body involved in the ancient Indian practice. My football coach taught a cooking class where he taught the art of throwing spaghetti against the wall to determine if it was done - so I'm good with yoga.

Upon meeting this new football coach, I immediately liked him, but I also knew something was not right. None of these folks knew where "that" Gold Football Trophy was.

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LETTERS

Civic disengagement partially to blame for red tides, lost summers

By Katie Tripp, Ph.D.

Director of Science
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Special to The Star

Martin County, located along Florida's south-east coast, adopted the term "Lost Summer" in 2013 to describe the disaster caused by discharges from Lake Okeechobee into coastal communities. Posted signs warned against swimming, fishing, or otherwise coming in contact with the water that was covered in "guacamole-thick" algae. The moniker was unfortunately applicable again in 2016 and now again in 2018.

On Florida's west coast, red tide has killed nearly 1,100 manatees over the last 23 years, and because blooms now occur so frequently, they are no longer characterized as "unusual mortality events" for these protected marine mammals. The organism that causes red tide is naturally-occurring. The input of human-generated pollution into our coastal waters, which causes that organism to "bloom" and wreak havoc, is far from natural. The same is true for the various algae blooms that have occurred in the Indian River Lagoon in recent years, resulting in

the deaths of manatees, dolphins, fish, and sea birds, and the loss of tens of thousands of acres of vitally-important seagrass.

Florida's waters are in crisis, and we need leaders who will protect our natural environment. Too many of our decision-makers and residents continue to be in denial about our state's long-running addiction to growth at any cost and the toll it takes on our environment. Politicians have won election and re-election by campaigning on lower taxes and reduced oversight, but they have neglected the need to protect and invest in our natural environment. Too often, voters make decisions without having properly researched candidates, or they fail to vote at all. Until more citizens engage in their democracy and vote with the future in mind, Floridians can expect continued Lost Summers and lost opportunities to fix our ailing waterways.

Dr. Tripp has been Save the Manatee Club's Director of Science and Conservation since May of 2008. She received her Ph.D. in Veterinary Medical Sciences from the University of Florida, where she conducted research on manatee physiology.

Anti-fracking study combines old news/flawed science

By Regina Thomson
Special to The Star

Two environmentalist groups just released a scathing report which concluded that "fracking" — a technique for extracting oil and natural gas from underground shale rock formations — poses an unacceptable threat to human health.

The report is deeply flawed. It doesn't offer any original research. It simply compiles previously-published news stories, health reports, and academic papers, most of which have long since been debunked as biased.

If lawmakers and regulators act on this shoddy science and restrict fracking, they will harm — rather than improve — public health.

The report, conducted by the Concerned Health Professionals of New York and Physicians for Social Responsibility, attempts to link fracking to a wide range of ailments, from asthma to low birthweight to cancer. The 266-page document seems to provide a mountain of data in support of its position.

Peek inside, however, and it's clear the authors are more concerned with the quantity of evidence than its quality.

Throughout the document, the authors display information gleaned from partisan environmentalist media outlets like InsideClimate News alongside more

rigorous analyses published in academic journals — as if those sources deserve equal credence.

Even the academic research cited in the report is less-than-convincing. For the most part, the studies are epidemiological analyses that merely show a correlation between fracking and particular health conditions.

Rigorous investigations have failed to show any causal relationship between fracking and poor health. Last year, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment concluded that "Studies of populations living near oil and gas operations provide limited evidence of the possibility for harmful health effects." The Department added that these studies "do not indicate the need for immediate public health action."

A separate review of fracking studies conducted by Resources for the Future, an environmental policy think tank, reached similar conclusions. RFF's report found that all studies suggesting negative health effects "had shortcomings that were most often significant."

RFF also concluded that the analyses "reported contradictory results for each impact," meaning that some studies found an increase in certain ailments near fracking sites, while others found a decrease or no change at all.

In other words, strong scientific evidence that fracking causes serious

health conditions remains elusive.

Ironically, there's a great deal of evidence that fracking improves public health by increasing production and consumption of natural gas, which emits far fewer harmful pollutants than coal. A recent study from the National Bureau of Economic Research suggests that the shift from coal to natural gas in Turkey reduced mortality rates in that country between 2001 and 2014.

The fracking revolution also improves Americans' health by making them wealthier, and thus better able to afford nutritious food and medical care. By driving down the cost of energy for many Americans, the fracking boom increased the average household's disposable income by \$1,200 in 2012 alone. The natural gas and oil industry contributed roughly \$1.3 trillion to the economy and supported 10.3 million jobs around the country in 2015.

The biased anti-fracking report tries, and fails, to prove the drilling technique is a threat to public health. Let's hope lawmakers and regulators don't fall for it.

Regina Thomson is president of the Colorado Issues Coalition, a nonprofit supporting reform in state government, protecting civil liberties, and addressing issues that are timely and critical to the voters of Colorado. This piece originally ran in the Albuquerque Journal.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RV ordinance

Dear Editor,

This is to our county commissioners:

How many of you have recently driven 30A from Port St. Joe to Apalachicola. Let's mentally do it now. As we approach Simmons Bayou, there is a RV park on the right. As we continue, we notice a proliferation of RV's along the road, this proliferation continues until we reach the Franklin County line. From this point onwards, we experience a more pristine drive into Apalachicola. If we were to continue towards Carabelle, we would encounter several very large RV parks. At the conclusion of our drive, we have three questions. Are additional RV parks a business opportunity in Gulf County? Aren't there any hunters or fishermen

in Franklin County? Where is Franklin County's Oak Grove?

Let's again use our imagination to drive Bay County. Starting at Mexico Beach, we notice a RV park on the right, we then proceed through Tyndall and then take a slight left turn, which will take us along Bay County's coastline. As we proceed towards Panama City Beach, we notice this area is much more commercially developed with some residential buildings mixed along with a few small RV parks. At the conclusion of this trip, it is obvious that the proliferation of RVs that we experienced on 30A does not exist in Bay County. We again have a couple of questions. Do all of Bay County's hunters and fishermen park their RVs in Gulf County? Where is Bay County's Oak Grove?

In summary, is it possible

we could learn something by studying both Franklin and Bay counties' RV Ordinance? It should be obvious to all concerned that reverting back to the county's old rule of one RV per lot is not only antiquated when compared to our sister counties, it is a road to continued failure. We must not throw out the existing RV Ordinance because it is hard to enforce or because we were against it from the beginning, instead we must refine the existing ordinance to the point it is impossible to create another Oak Grove, that keeps Gulf County in the forefront of sound economic development, assists in the protection and safety of our residents when "the big one hits" and is not totally impossible to enforce.

Thank you for your time this morning.

Butch Kline, Port St. Joe

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includes two additional grades.

So, students were a mere number in the literal sense of the word.

I can tick off some of the names of the fellas I hung around with at the time.

I had yet to discover the beauty and wonder of girls until my senior season, though I did have a "girlfriend" as a senior though it was to be an entirely chaste relationship.

This will give you some idea of how far back in time we are traveling, though I will admit I was well behind the curve, even for that time, when it came to the opposite sex.

I am fairly sure I had not even kissed a girl at that point; a fourth-grade love letter spurned created scars.

What one's brain chooses to recall.

But, on the whole, memories are either faces or fragment of names and my memories are primarily dominated by happenings that had little to do with a classroom. And, reunions, perish the thought.

Ten years after graduation there was a mailing that went out about trying to come together for a reunion, but by that time I was in Florida and living, in reality, an entirely new life.

Additionally, the letter's tone was such that the writer understood they were up against long odds gathering any semblance of that high school class.

And by that time there wasn't even a high school to remember: Thomas A. DeVilbiss, named for the guy who invented the atomizer for perfume and other things, was no longer in existence.

I don't know if it was my graduating class, could've been, but I like to blame my brother's which followed two years later.

Either way, within a decade after graduating DeVilbiss and the Tigers were rendered to the picklocks of historians.

School consolidation is not strictly a rural phenomenon.

So, at the time of that 10-year milestone, I had scant interest in a gathering of people I likely didn't know or remember from a high school that no longer existed.

Made no sense to me.

But, time has a way of altering those realities and I have recently attempted to just look up some of those folks who made an impact during a formative time.

The search did not turn out so great, however, as the first two friends whose names I searched for had both passed away tragically young.

The search stopped.

Therefore, I say to those folks who will be gathering in October to celebrate a special time in their lives, give each an extra hug, and extra slap on the back.

Living, growing up, coming of age, in a small town carries with it a distinctly significant and impactful role in the friends and relationships made that can last a lifetime.

Some of us, on the other hand, just arrived too late.

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They were nice and I could tell that my school was still the academic powerhouse that it was when I was there, but through the years, some things lose their significance I suppose.

I met the principal, who was wonderful, a few other people in the office and even the maintenance fellow who proceeded to take me to every storage building and closet on the school campus. He rode me around in his truck and we talked. It's amazing what you can find out

talking to folks who fix things.

The bottom line was that they had "run out of room" for trophies a few years back and probably discarded many of the older ones.

I didn't get to hold it; I didn't even get to see it.

So, to the students who will suit up this fall to play football, cheer and play in the band, enjoy it while you can, because in 40 years, going undefeated won't matter that much, neither will losing them all.

My biggest trophy is stored in a trophy case in my head and it gets bigger every year.

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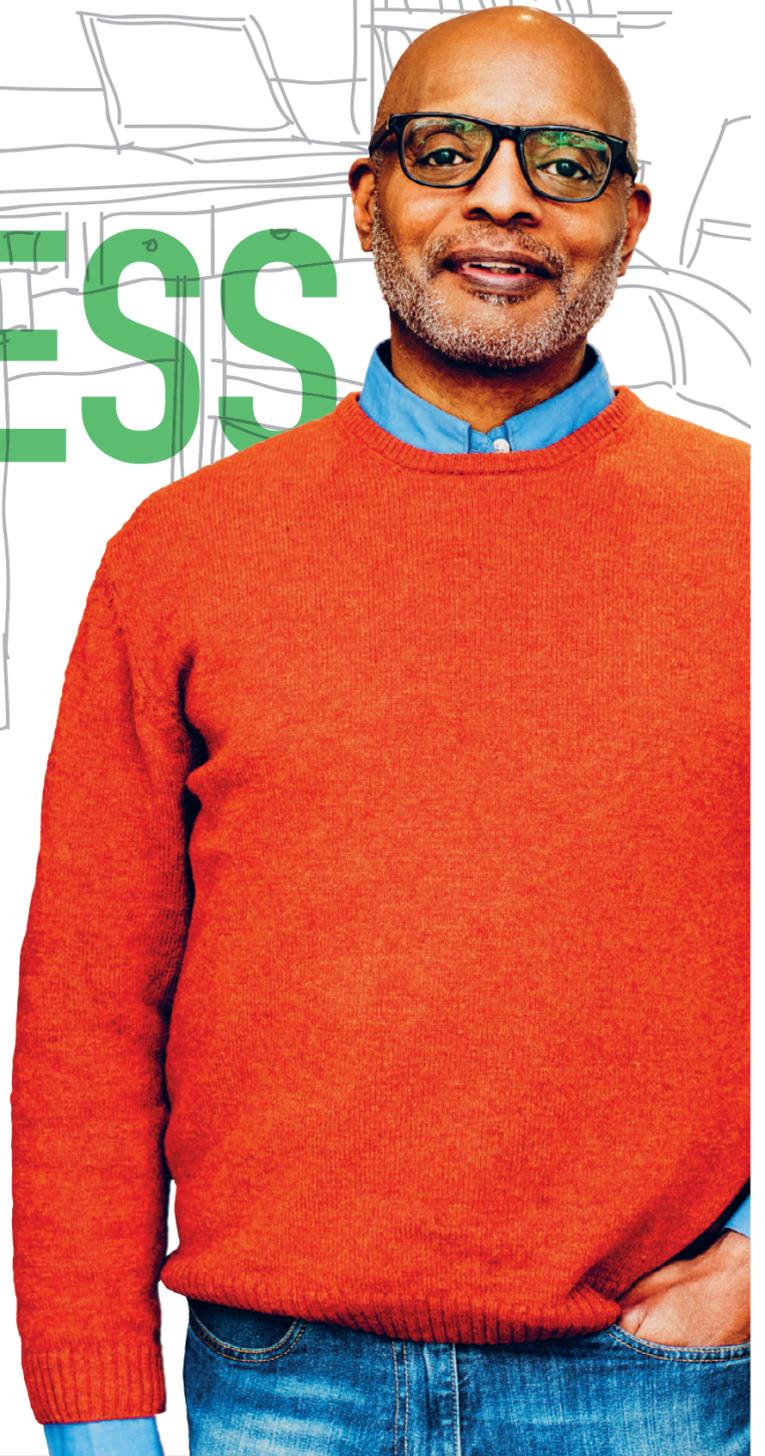
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September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month

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PANAMA CITY — During the month of September, the Northwest Regional Library System (NWRLS) is joining with libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-up Month, to encourage parents, caregivers and students to obtain a free library card that will save them money while reaping rewards in academic achievement and lifelong learning.

Your library card is the best back-to-school resource out there!

Disney's The Incredibles are Library Card Sign-up Month honorary chairs, helping to

promote the value of a library card and bring attention to the many ways libraries and librarians transform lives and communities through education. Early literacy classes spark a love of reading and learning at a young age to encourage school readiness. NWRLS branches offer free STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) programs for school aged students.

Select branches provide access to 3D printers, LEGOs, coding classes, and the ability to experience Virtual Reality through PlayStation VR or Oculus Rift headsets

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(Virtual Reality for ages 13 and up). Educational programming takes place throughout the year for children and adults.

"Throughout the school year, our library offers a variety of programs to stimulate an interest in reading and learning," said Nancy Brockman, Coordinator of Gulf County Libraries. "We have programs for all ages, from early literacy to continuing education. We teach technology skills, provide phenomenal children's classes, bring in guest

speakers on various topics, and inspire creativity through craft programs. It's an exciting place to be!"

Libraries are an essential part of the educational infrastructure of any community and we are here to assist you this school year.

Your library card allows you to check out up to 20 items at a time with access to books, audiobooks, eBooks, eAudiobooks, DVDs, ukuleles, dulcimers, eReader devices, and cake pans. You also have

access to online research databases, including Encyclopedia Britannica and the Florida Electronic Library. All branches have Wi-Fi and computer access available for your research and homework needs.

One incredible new service that NWRLS offers is ArtistWorks for Libraries. ArtistWorks provides unlimited access to online video instruction for music and art lessons. The lessons can be completed at your own pace from beginner to advanced skillsets. Music lessons include band instruments, piano, ukulele, and more.

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library card and internet access to begin free lessons today! This service has been generously sponsored by Bay Arts Alliance and the Ukulele Orchestra of St. Andrews. For more information about ArtistWorks for Libraries, visit <http://www.nwrls.com/artistworks.html>.

NWRLS has branches in Panama City, Panama City Beach, Parker, Springfield, Port St. Joe, Wewahitchka, Bristol and Hosford. For more information about how to sign up for a library card, visit any NWRLS location in person, online at www.nwrls.com, or call 850-522-2100.

Lighthouse holiday hours

Catch the best view around as the Cape San Blas Lighthouse in George Core Park will be open daily through Monday, Labor Day.

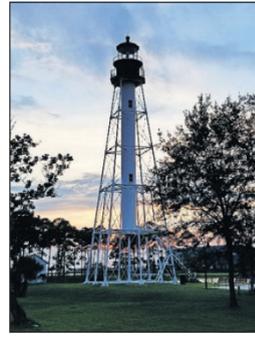
The lighthouse will be open 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. ET each day.

For adults 13 and over, the cost to climb is \$5 and for children under 12, but at least 44-inches tall, the cost for the climb is \$3.

Please, no flip-flops — climbers need sturdy shoes.

In addition, the lighthouse is open, by appointment, for groups of 5 or more.

The minimum charge is \$25. Contact 229-8261 to book an appointment for a group. --- Tim Croft



ELECTION

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"I'm excited," McGlon said. "I'm excited to be the voice for the people in District 1. They've stated they want me in there."

"The community has been great to me and my family. I want to give back to them by being their voice."

Quinn faced Tan Smiley, the man he beat four years ago for the District 4 seat on the Board of County Commissioners, in the Democrat primary.

Similar to the school board races, Quinn had a healthy winning margin, taking 61 percent of the vote, 249 votes, to Smiley's 39 percent, or 158 votes.

Emerging with the victory, Quinn moves on to November when he faces two challengers are running without party affiliation.

"I am relieved," Quinn said of Tuesday's results. "I'm excited and I am grateful."

County voting in the state and federal races was scattershot in predicting the final winners.

County Republican voters overwhelmingly supported Gov. Rick Scott in his race against token opposition for a U.S. Senate seat.

Ron DeSantis narrowly edged Adam Putnam (48-46 percent) in the county in the race to be GOP nominee for governor, a race DeSantis won statewide by a comfortable margin.

DeSantis will face surprise winner of the Democrat primary, Andrew Gillum, in November.

But Gillum, the only Democrat candidate to visit Gulf County during the campaign, was soundly beaten by Gwen Graham (48-26 percent) in county voting.

In the Democrat primary for the Congressional District 2 seat, Brandon Peters, who also recently visited Gulf County, easily outpaced Bob Rackleff (62-38 percent) in the county only to lose overall.

In the GOP primary,

county voters favored Ashley Moody, who won the statewide Republican vote to be Attorney General, but also supported Denise Grimsley, who lost statewide to Matt Caldwell for Commissioner of Agriculture.

It was another story on the Democrats side, as county voters supported the candidates who won statewide for Attorney General (Sean Shaw) and Commissioner of Agriculture (Nikki Fried).

The November ballot is set, local, state and federal races, with proposed amendments of Florida's Constitution joining the

ballot.

In the county, voters will decide the BOCC seats for District 1, 2 and 4.

In District 1, Commissioner David Rich, a Republican appointed by Scott following the death of Freddie Whitfield, will face John Nagy, running as a Democrat, and William Lawson, who has no party affiliation.

The election is for a two-year term as the seat returns to its typical rotation in 2020.

Incumbent Commissioner Ward McDaniel, a Democrat, will also face two challengers:

Tom Semmes, a Republican, and Josh Taunton, running with no party affiliation.

In District 4 it will be Quinn against challengers Ronald Pickett and Amy Rogers.

Voters will also cast ballots for U.S. Senate, Congressional District 2, Florida Governor, Attorney General and Commissioner of Agriculture.

There will be 13 proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution, dealing with issues ranging from expanding homestead exemptions to banning dog racing.

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State for Florida, do hereby give notice that the following proposed amendments and revisions to the Florida Constitution will be presented in each county on the 2018 General Election ballot.

The language for these amendments may also be found at FloridaPublicInfo.com, at DOS.Florida.com/initiatives, and at this newspaper's website.

NO. 1 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 37

BALLOT TITLE: Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption
BOLLOT SUMMARY: Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homesteaded property greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for all voters other than school district voters.

ARTICLE VII FINANCE AND TAXATION

SECTION 6. Homestead exemption.—(a) Every person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains therein the permanent residence of the owner, or another legal or naturally dependent upon the owner, shall be exempt from taxation thereon, except assessments for special benefits, to the assessed valuation of twenty-five thousand dollars and, for all voters other than school district voters, on the assessed valuation greater than fifty thousand dollars and up to seventy-five thousand dollars and up to one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars upon establishment of right thereto in the manner prescribed by law.

ARTICLE XII LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SECTION 37. Increased homestead exemption.—This section, and the amendments and revisions to Article VII, providing an increase in the homestead exemption, shall be subject to the approval of the voters of each county by ballot.

gaming) includes any electronic gaming devices, simulated gaming devices, video lottery devices, internet gaming devices, or any other form of electronic or electro-mechanical facilities of any game of chance slot machine, or casino-style game, regardless of how such devices are defined under IGLA. As used herein, "casino gaming" does not include real-money wagering on horse racing, dog racing, or pari-mutuel betting on horse racing, and does not include any other form of gambling.

NO. 4 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4

BALLOT TITLE: Voting Restoration Amendment
BOLLOT SUMMARY: This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The present effect of this amendment on state and local government costs cannot be determined, but the operation of current voter registration laws, combined with an increased number of felons registering to vote will produce higher overall costs related to the process in place today.

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4, DISQUALIFICATIONS

(a) No person convicted of a felony, or adjudicated in this or any other state, or mentally incompetent, shall be qualified to vote or hold office until restoration of civil rights or removal of disability, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any disqualification from voting arising from a felony conviction shall terminate and voting rights shall be restored upon completion of all terms of sentencing including parole or probation.

ARTICLE VII FINANCE AND TAXATION

SECTION 8. Eligibility.—No person shall be eligible for office of justice of any court unless the person is an elector of the state and resides in the territorial jurisdiction of the court. No justice or judge shall serve after attaining the age of seventy years except on temporary assignment to complete a term or hold of which has been served.

NO. 5 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE VII, SECTION 9

BALLOT TITLE: Super majority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize, or Raise State Taxes or Fees
BOLLOT SUMMARY: Super majority vote required to impose, authorize, or raise state taxes or fees.

ARTICLE VII FINANCE AND TAXATION

SECTION 9. Supermajority vote required to impose, authorize, or raise state taxes or fees.—(a) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO IMPOSE OR RAISE STATE TAXES OR FEES. No state tax or fee may be imposed, authorized, or raised by the legislature except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the Governor for approval pursuant to Article II, Section 8.

NO. 7 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE IX, SECTIONS 7 AND 8 ARTICLE X, NEW SECTION

BALLOT TITLE: First Responder and Military Member Survivor Benefits; Public Colleges and Universities
BOLLOT SUMMARY: Grants mandatory payment of death benefits and survivor of certain educational expenses to qualifying survivors of certain first responders and military members who die performing official duties.

ARTICLE IX DEATH AND BURIAL

SECTION 7. State University System.—(a) PURPOSES. In order to achieve excellence through teaching students, advancing research and providing public service for the benefit of Florida's citizens, their communities and economies, the people hereby establish a system of governance to support the State University System.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 20. Workplaces without tobacco smoke or vapor.—(a) PROHIBITION. As a Florida health initiative to protect people from the health hazards of second-hand tobacco smoke and vapor, tobacco smoking and the use of vapor-generating electronic devices is prohibited in enclosed indoor workplaces with exceptions; permits more restrictive local vapor ordinances.

NO. 8 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE IX, SECTION 4 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

BALLOT TITLE: Rights of Crime Victims; Judges
BOLLOT SUMMARY: Creates constitutional rights for victims of crime; requires courts to facilitate victims' rights; authorizes victims to enforce their rights throughout criminal and juvenile justice proceedings.

ARTICLE IX DEATH AND BURIAL

SECTION 4. Burial.—(a) BURIAL. A state tax or fee imposed, authorized, or raised under this section must be contained in a separate bill that contains no other subject.

ARTICLE XII LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SECTION 1. Counties.—(a) POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. The state shall be divided by law into political subdivisions called counties. Counties may create, alter, divide, or change their names by referendum, payment or appointment of the public trust.

ARTICLE XIII JUDICIAL BRANCH

SECTION 37. Increased homestead exemption.—This section, and the amendments and revisions to Article VII, providing an increase in the homestead exemption, shall be subject to the approval of the voters of each county by ballot.

NO. 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE XII, SECTION 27

BALLOT TITLE: Limitations on Property Tax Assessments
BOLLOT SUMMARY: Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to permanently retain provisions currently in effect, which limit property tax assessment increases on specified nonhomestead real property in certain school districts to 10 percent each year.

ARTICLE XII LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SECTION 27. Property tax exemptions and limitations on property tax assessments.—(a) The amendments to Sections 3, 4, and 6 of Article VII, providing a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property, providing an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption, authorizing transfer of the accrued benefit to a transferee, and the amendments to Section 3 of Article XII, and this section, if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at a special election authorized by law to be held on January 29, 2008, shall take effect retroactively to January 1, 2008, or if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election, shall take effect January 1 of the year following such general election.

ARTICLE XIII JUDICIAL BRANCH

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NO. 3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ARTICLE X, SECTION 29

BALLOT TITLE: Voter Control of Gambling in Florida
BOLLOT SUMMARY: This amendment declares that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling by requiring that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The amendment's impact on state and local government revenues and costs, if any, cannot be determined at this time because of its unknown effect on gambling operations that have not been approved by voters through constitutional amendment proposed by a citizens' initiative petition process.

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BALLOT TITLE: School Board Term Limits and Duties; Public Schools

BOLLOT SUMMARY: Creates a term limit of eight consecutive years for school board members and requires the legislature to provide for the promotion of civic literacy in public schools.

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ARBOR OUTLOOK

First Downs, Autumn Saturdays and Steve Earle



Margaret McDowell

“We got a pretty good team, good boys, strong boys; District champs the last three years.”

“No. 29” as performed by Steve Earle

Two years ago on an autumn Saturday I lowered my home decorating magazine and said across the room, “What’s a first down?” My husband stared in wonder and surprise. In 37 years, it was the first football related question I had ever initiated.

We talked about basic strategies and rules. Things evolved from there, and last year we purchased tickets and attended my first major college game in decades. I actually loved it.

The finer points and nuances of the game itself are still beyond me, though I cheer for our team. The winning and losing isn’t nearly as important to me as the quality of the evening. A spectacle under the lights on a college campus feels

like autumn should. Maybe it reminds me of my own collegiate years. Regardless, it’s an exhilarating and powerful experience: the sounds of pre-game and halftime band performances; the passion of the students and fans; the color and pageantry of the scene. It’s all captivating. And football means fall is around the corner.

It is typical of my timing that just when college football attendance is experiencing its first serious decline in decades, I have jumped on the bandwagon. Perhaps my long association with investing has created a contrarian’s approach to fandom. Investing is an activity which, by definition, rewards those who avoid following the crowd. If you buy a security when everyone else is doing the same, frequently it has been bid up and it’s likely that you’re paying too high a price for it. This is not always the case; sometimes large numbers of investors purchase a security and it continues to increase in value. But, as the late financial journalist Louis Rukeyser once said, “Trees don’t grow to the sky”.

The trick is to locate a good company, and then buy it during a downturn, or when other investors

are selling it.

In this sense, a good investor must understand the value of a company, and then trust that a decline in share price is temporary.

Market dynamics are changing, but many basic investing principles still apply. Simply stated, buy a good company, one which you’ll be glad to own three to five years from now as well as today. And buy it a fair or advantageous price.

To do so, you often must have the confidence to go against the grain and buy when others are selling. Then, during the next downturn, you must have the tenacity to hold when others are bailing.

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New UF/IFAS citrus production guide aids grower survival in age of HLB

By Tom Nordlie
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GAINESVILLE — Beginning earlier this month, Florida citrus growers have had an updated resource to help them keep groves productive despite the ever-present threat of Huanglongbing, the bacterial malady also known as HLB or citrus greening disease.

Experts with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences just completed a 180-page technical handbook, “Florida Citrus Production Guide 2018-2019.”

The guide covers all aspects of grove establishment and management in Florida’s current growing environment, said editorial team member Lauren Diepenbrock, an assistant professor of entomology with the UF/IFAS Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred.

“HLB has imposed many changes on citrus production, and our goal was to gather all of the most important current information into one place,” said Diepenbrock, one of three editors who coordinated the efforts of 42 contributing authors who wrote, revised and updated material for the 2018-2019 guide.

In addition to sections on grove establishment, nutrition, irrigation, pests and diseases, the

guide features two new chapters this year, concerning cold protection and the Citrus Under Protective Screen system used to grow high-value fruit for the fresh market.

Diepenbrock notes that the guide also covers the new federally mandated Worker Protection Standards, which took full effect in January 2018.

“Employers need to make sure they’re in compliance, so we included material on that topic,” she said.

The current guide evolved from a smaller handbook devoted to citrus pest management, which was prepared by UF/IFAS entomologists and had been in production since at least the early 1980s.

Revised editions of the pest management guide were issued annually, and assisted growers in coping with Diaprepes citrus weevil, citrus rust mite and many other challenges. With the emergence of the HLB crisis, it became clear that growers needed an expanded resource covering all factors relevant to successful citrus production when the HLB pathogen is found statewide and virtually all commercial groves contain infected trees.

Responding to this need, last year’s project team rolled out a more comprehensive handbook that included sections devoted to horticulture, plant pathology and soil and

water science, she said.

“This year, we not only updated the material, we joined forces with a new publisher, Meister Media,” Diepenbrock explained. “They were responsible for securing sponsors and printing the physical copies of the guide.”

The editorial team hopes to receive feedback from growers about the new edition so that they can make improvements for the 2019-2020 guide, expected next summer.

“We consider the guide to be a work in progress,” Diepenbrock said. “One question I’ve been asking myself is, ‘how we can make the guide more engaging and accessible?’ I’m hoping that growers will have some suggestions in that vein.”

Besides Diepenbrock, the editorial team included two of her colleagues at the Citrus REC: Megan Dewdney, a plant pathology associate professor, and Tripti Vashisth, a horticultural sciences assistant professor.

The contributing writers included citrus experts with the Citrus REC, the UF/IFAS Indian River Research and Education Center and Southwest Florida Research and Education Center, the UF main campus and the Florida Department of Citrus.

A digital edition of the guide is available free of charge at <http://www.crec.ifas.ufl.edu/extension/pest/>.

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Symbicort 160mcg/4.5mcg	360 ds	\$215.00	Dexilant 60 mg	90	\$340.00
Entocort 3mg	100	\$130.00	Onglyza 5mg	84	\$310.00
Januvia 100mg	84	\$260.00	Effexor XR 150 mg	84	\$40.00
Aggrenox 200mg/25mg	200	\$140.00	Boniva 150 mg	3	\$65.00
Abilify 5mg	84	\$140.00	Tricor 145mg	90	\$140.00
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Tarpon tale



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Star Staff Report

While fishing for sharks at the Port St. Joe Marina, Dalton Bensosn of Lebanon, TN, landed this Tarpon, which was released after a few photos were taken. The fish was roughly 6 feet long and weighed between 90 and 1,000 pounds and took about 45 minutes to land.



Chamberbitter
Phyllanthus urinaria



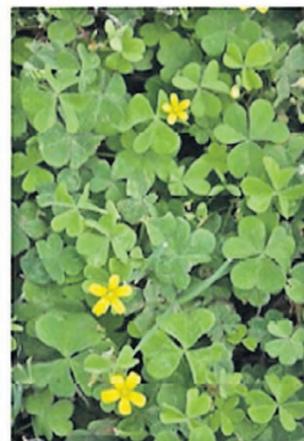
Pusley (largeflower)
Richardia grandiflora



Sedge (globe)
Cyperus globulosus



Kyllinga sedge (green)
Kyllinga brevifolia



Oxalis (Yellow Woodsorrel)
Oxalis corniculata

Examples of thriving summer weeds in the Panhandle. [STEPHEN H. BROWN, UF/IFAS EXTENSION LEE COUNTY]

Summer annual weeds thriving in Panhandle lawns

By Ray Bodrey
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Special to The Star

With daily rainfall for some time now, coupled with humid temperatures, summer annual weeds have had a mighty boost in growth. Chamberbitter, Florida pusley, sedge and oxalis are just some examples of the many weeds that are seemingly exploding across the landscape.

Chamberbitter (*Phyllanthus urinaria*) is found as north as Illinois and as west as Texas, but thrives in lower southeastern states. It's a headache for homeowners as well as pasture managers.

The foliage resembles that of the mimosa tree (*Albizia julibrissin*) and can be confused with the native mimosa groundcover, known as powder-puff mimosa (*Mimosa strigillosa*).

This plant grows upright and develops a long taproot. Wart-like seeds can be found on the underside

of the branch. Florida Pusley (*Richardia scabra* L.) also known as Florida snow or Mexican clover, have blanketed landscapes in the Panhandle of recent with white flowers. It's a persistent weed that moves quickly. The plant produces seed in just a few weeks from maturity.

Sedges and sedge-like plants, known as kyllinga, are species that emerge in late spring and thrive in summer months in warm, moist climates. Excessive irrigation or areas with poor drainage create a very hospitable environment for these weeds.

Sedges are annual grass-like plants have an elaborate flower bearing stems. Yellow and purple nutsedge are the most common species. Kyllingas have smaller leaves and are less vertical.

Sedges and kyllingas are fast spreading, and reproduce through seed and rhizomes, or underground tubers. Oxalis or yellow woodsorrel (*Oxalis stricta*) have heart-shaped lobes and have a bright yellow

Some cultural control methods are hand removal and mowing frequently to offset the life cycle, but these practices alone will most likely not solve the problem. There are many broad spectrum herbicides that can be used to control these weeds with good results, but you must be persistent. Some are season-long applied products.

flower. Oxalis reproduces by seed and have a narrow "okra-like" seed pod.

How do you control these species? Some cultural control methods are hand removal and mowing frequently to offset the life cycle, but these practices alone will most likely not solve the problem.

There are many broad spectrum herbicides that can be used to control these weeds with good results, but you must be persistent. Some are season long applied products.

However, most effective products need to be applied in cooler temps than we have now. Consecutive days of temperatures of less than 90 degrees would be optimal. Applying the chemical otherwise will most likely harm the turfgrass.

Be aware, some productions will injure or kill centipede and St. Augustine, but are safe to use on other turfgrasses like bermuda, bahia and zoysia. Be sure to read the label and follow the directions and precautions.

Another option is non-selective herbicides, like glyphosate, which can be used in thick patches or for spot treatment.

When using a selective herbicide, remember to protect turfgrass and other plants from spray drift or any contact, especially regarding ornamental plants and trees.

Contact Gulf County Extension at 639-3200 for more information.

Supporting information for this article is from the following online publications:

Clemson Cooperative Extension publication: "Chamberbitter", Bulletin HCIC 2314: <http://www.clemson.edu/extension/hgic/pests/pdf/hgic2314.pdf>

UT Institute of Agriculture document, "Nutsedge and Kyllinga Species" by Mathew T. Elmore, James T. Brosnan and Gregory K. Breeden: <http://www.tennessee-turfgrass-weeds.org/Lists/Fact%20Sheets/Attachments/23/W260up-dated2015.pdf>

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LAW ENFORCEMENT

Gulf County Sheriff's Office law enforcement summary

Aug. 20-26

On Aug. 20, Deputy M. Peek conducted a traffic stop in the 800 block of N. State 71. While speaking with the driver about the reason for the traffic stop, Deputy Peek was granted permission to search the vehicle. The search revealed pieces of broken glass in the passenger side floor board. A search of the passenger, who was identified as Anthony Thomas Hysmith (35), revealed a broken glass smoking device containing a crystalline substance inside it. A second glass smoking device with the odor of marijuana emitting from it was also found. Both pipes were found in Hysmith's boot. Hysmith was charged with Possession of Methamphetamine and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Aug. 21, Deputy C. Harvey conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle on State 71. The vehicle was observed speeding and it also had an expired tag. During the traffic stop the driver, who was identified as Robert Alan Cole (38), provided false information to Deputy Harvey as to his real identity. Deputy Harvey learned Cole was not being truthful about his identify. Cole was subsequently arrested for providing false identification to a law enforcement officer. A driver's license check of Cole's correct information revealed that Cole's driver's license was suspended and

had two prior DWLSR (Driving While License Suspended or Revoked) convictions. Cole was additionally charged with DWLSR (3rd Offense) and was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Aug. 22, Deputy J. Page conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Honey Hill Road and Highway 381 in Dalkeith. The driver, who was identified as Christopher John Girscht (39), was found to have a suspended driver's license. Deputy M. Peek arrived on scene and consent was provided to him to conduct a vehicle search. During a search, approximately 3.7 grams of methamphetamine was found into the car. Girscht was arrested for driving with suspended driver's license and Possession of Methamphetamine. Girscht was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility without incident.

On Aug. 22, Deputy C. Harvey responded to the 2600 block of Indian Pass Road in reference to a theft complaint. The complainant reported that after returning to their vacation home for the first time since late April of 2018, they discovered several tools were missing from the property. Tools reported missing included a Milwaukee Super Sawzall, Drill Bit Set, Router Bit Set, a work light (black and red in color), paint scraper and a knife sharpening stone. This investigation is ongoing, if you have any information please contact The Gulf County Sheriff's Office.

On Aug. 23, Investigator Shane Ferrell and Sgt. Paul Williams went to the 1000 block of Tupelo Street and arrested Austin Richard Hysmith (32) on a warrant for Violation of Probation. Hysmith was on probation for Resisting an Officer with Violence.

On Aug. 23, Deputy S. Sheline conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle at the intersection of S. State 71 and Johnson Lane in Wewahitchka. During the course of the traffic stop permission to search was granted. Deputy Sheline located two partially smoked marijuana cigarettes in the glove box and a plastic baggie containing marijuana under the passenger seat of the vehicle. The passenger, Regsheka Shawntavia Denis Brooks (18), admitted ownership of the marijuana and the two partially smoked "blunts." Brooks was arrested on the charge of Possession of Marijuana Less than 20 grams, and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Aug. 24, Deputy V. Everett responded to Laramie Drive in reference to a possible domestic dispute. The complainant, Laramie William Whitten (26), advised the incident took place between he and his girlfriend at a residence in the 3600 block of S. State 71. Deputy Everett travelled to that location and contacted the other party involved the disturbance, later determined to be the victim. During his investigation he could visibly see several red marks on the

face and back of the victim. Based on evidence collected, Whitten was arrested and charged with Domestic Battery and transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility.

On Aug. 24, Deputy Chase Harvey observed a small trailer stuck on a piece of property on Linton Road in Wewahitchka. The trailer had various items on it that he believed came from a nearby barn. Contact was made with the property owner and the items on the trailer were identified as items that did come out of the barn in question. It was determined that someone had attempted to steal the items from the barn but was unsuccessful. This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information please contact the Gulf County Sheriff's Office.

On Aug. 25, Deputy J. Page initiated a traffic stop on Gary Rowell Road in Wewahitchka. Contact was made with the driver, Michael Dwain Harrell (42). While speaking with Harrell, he advised Deputy Page that he did not possess a valid driver's license and he could not provide valid proof of insurance on the vehicle. Deputy Page could detect an odor of marijuana emitting from inside the vehicle. Harrell gave consent to search the vehicle and Deputy Page located a metal container containing four (4) white pills, a glass smoking device, a metallic grinder and a container containing Marijuana. Based on these findings, Harrell was placed under arrest

and charged with, DWLSR (Habitual), Possession of Controlled Substance without a Prescription, Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. He was transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility without incident.

On Aug. 25, the Gulf County Sheriff's Office assisted the Gulf Correctional Institution with a criminal interdiction operation. The operation was intended to target visitors smuggling contraband onto the grounds of the prison. Silvestre Hernandez Galarza (36) was arrested during the operation and charged with Possession of Marijuana, Possession of a Controlled Substance (Hydrocodone), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Concealed Weapon.

On Aug. 25, Deputy M. Manley was dispatched to a report of a physical disturbance on Patrick Street in Wewahitchka. When Deputy Manley arrived on scene he observed George W. "Trey" Simmons III (36) at the residence. Simmons was wanted for failing to pay child support so he was taken into custody transported to the Gulf County Detention Facility. Simmons was not involved with the disturbance that was reported.

If you have any information regarding the aforementioned cases, please contact the Gulf County Sheriff's Office at 227-1115, 639-5717, or remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at 785-TIPS.

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Wahoo (tournament record): Tyler Sansom (caught fish), Ryan Willis, Jinna Willis, Capt Darryl Carpenter [PHOTOS COURTESY OF MARIE STEPHENS PHOTOGRAPHY]

Wahoo weighing nearly 100 pounds caught

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Spanish: Capt Jackson Krause (not pictured), Harry Smith, Will Krause (caught fish).

The 22nd edition of the Mexico Beach Artificial Reef Association's Kingfish Tournament turned out to be a whopper.

The largest fish ever weighed-in in the history of the annual tournament was brought to the scales last Saturday.

Darryl Carpenter and his team on the Second Chance brought in a Wahoo weighing 97.88 pounds.

"That was the largest fish we've had in 22 tournaments and it brought the house down," said tournament director Ron Childs. "It was a real crowd-pleaser. There were all kinds of 'oohs' and 'aahs.'"

More than 100 fish were weighed during the four hours of weigh-ins, with 45 recorded for competition.

"In 15 years we have never had one-foot seas," Childs said, noting inclement weather has often been a tournament visitor. "This year we had one-foot seas; it was perfect for boating and fishing."

The weather for Friday's captain's party was also perfect, with attendance at Veterans Memorial Park at Beacon Hill exceeding 1,000, Childs said.

"We probably had the best tournament we've had in 15 years, weather-wise," Childs said.

There was also a medical emergency which caused a bit of excitement.

A Wahoo caught by Team Green Banana seriously injured Scott Urquhart in the leg as it was brought onto the boat.

Wahoos have sharp teeth and have a poison in their mouth which prevents blood from coagulating.

"He was in serious trouble," Childs said.

Anglers on the boat administered first aid and Urquhart was transported to a local hospital via Coast Guard helicopter.

Urquhart was treated and released and returned to the weigh-in in time for photos.

"He came back and he was fine, but it was scary," Childs said.

The Kingfish Tournament is the largest fundraiser each year for MBARA, a non-profit organization that builds artificial reefs in the Gulf of Mexico.

"Our volunteers really showed up," Childs said. "We can't do without them. We are an all-volunteer group."

"We want to say a big thank you to our volunteers and all our sponsors."

In addition to raising funds for artificial reefs, fishermen were encouraged to donate their mackerel.

Under a special permit with Florida FWC, and cooperation from Water Street Seafood, proceeds from the donated mackerel will benefit Franklin's Promise Coalition.

Among other community services, Franklin's Promise has been essential in helping dozens of families impacted by the Lime rock Fire in Eastpoint in June of this year.

Winners:

1st Place Kingfish, 37.24 pounds
Boat: Royal Flush
Captain: Todd Krause

2nd Place Kingfish, 36.87 pounds
Boat: Blackjack
Captain: Tuan Nguyen

3rd Place Kingfish, 14.55 pounds (slot target was 14.61 pounds)
Boat: Livin' 4 Reel
Captain: Kris Rosendahl

Wahoo, 97.88 pounds
Boat: Second Chance
Captain: Darryl Carpenter

Spanish Mackerel, 4.17 pounds
Boat: Flippin Out
Captain: Jackson Krause

Professional Kingfish, 47.37 pounds
Boat: Green Banana
Captain: Josh Bloodworth



First place Kingfish: Tom Crowley, Capt Todd Krause (caught fish), Glenn Smith.



Second place Kingfish: Back row, Marian Hoang, Nicole Nguyen, Capt Tuan Nguyen, Brandon Hoang, De Huang; Front row, Josh Nguyen, Bryce Hoang, Bien Hoang (caught fish).



Third place Kingfish, slot weight: Photo: David Smith, Jonathan Hill, Capt Kris Rosendahl, Shawn Carpenter (fish was a team effort).



Pro Kingfish: Capt Josh Bloodworth, Joe Rogers, Scott Urquhart, Miss Kingfish Cassie Studstill, Sean Wilkens, Andy Poe, Jimmy Rigdon, Jimmy McCarty (caught fish).

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, August 30	88°	75°	30%
Fri, August 31	89°	76°	60%
Sat, September 1	89°	76°	60%
Sun, September 2	89°	76°	40%
Mon, September 3	89°	76°	20%
Tues, September 4	89°	76°	30%
Wed, September 5	88°	76°	40%

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
30	Th	2:03a 1.1	2:12p 1.1	7:18a 0.9	6:48p 1.0
31	Fr	2:06a 1.2		9:33a 0.8	
1	Sa	2:30a 1.4		11:53a 0.6	
2	Su	3:08a 1.7		1:34p 0.3	
3	Mo	3:58a 1.9		2:44p 0.2	
4	Tu	4:57a 2.0		3:43p 0.0	
5	We	6:04a 2.1		4:37p 0.0	

APALACHICOLA BAY, WEST PASS

Date	Day	High Tide	High Tide	Low Tide	Low Tide
30	Th	6:20a 1.5	6:51p 1.4	12:11a 0.7	12:38p 0.7
31	Fr	6:45a 1.6	7:56p 1.3	12:37a 0.8	1:24p 0.6
1	Sa	7:14a 1.6	9:18p 1.2	1:07a 1.0	2:24p 0.6
2	Su	7:49a 1.6	11:10p 1.2	1:39a 1.1	3:49p 0.5
3	Mo	8:32a 1.6		2:15a 1.3	5:26p 0.4
4	Tu	9:27a 1.6		6:47p 0.3	
5	We	2:59a 1.4	10:38a 1.6	5:30a 1.5	7:52p 0.1

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FISHING REPORT



We have to talk about Scalloping again this week and give you an update on the feed back we have gotten. It was a tremendous opening week with many folks and boats in town to harvest our little jewels. Limits abounded and the meat this year has been large and plump in most cases. I heard someone state that if you could fall off a boat you'd find some scallops. I don't know if it's that easy but they are plentiful. Lets recap on limits, per person is 2 gallons whole in shell or one pint of cleaned meat. If you have multiple people on a boat you may harvest 10 gallons whole in the shell or one half gallon of cleaned meat. A Florida salt water fishing license is required of anyone harvesting Scallops. If you need gear for your Scallop outing please visit us at Bluewater Outriggers for all your needs. We'll even give you some pointers if your a first time Scallop. As always we stress care for our sensitive bay and grass flats so that we may have healthy Scalloping for many years to come. Until next week, Happy Fishing and Scalloping!

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SPORTS

Port St. Joe blanks Wewahitchka 35-0

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Port St. Joe opened the regular season last Friday with a convincing win over county rival Wewahitchka at Shark Stadium.

Port St. Joe smothered the Gator offense and used big plays to build an early and insurmountable lead to forge a 35-0 victory over an opponent that never matched its intensity.

Jasmin Thomas carried four times for a game-high 92 yards and two touchdowns to lead a Port St. Joe ground attack that featured eight different ball carriers amassing 247 yards.

Toss in a 43-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Josh Butts (45 rushing yards) to wingback Russell Russ (59 yards rushing) and Port St. Joe finished with 278 total yards in a game that went to a running clock with more than eight minutes remaining in the third quarter.

"Off the cuff, our defense played well and that is what we want to build our football program around, guys running to the football," said Port St. Joe coach Greg Jordan. "We still have some things to work out."

"We are building depth offensively and sometimes that doesn't always look that pretty. We are pleased and hopefully we came out without any injuries and we will be ready for a tough game next week (at Marianna)."

On the other side of the ball, the Gators simply could not get going, with just one first down in the opening half and 81 total offensive yards for the game.

At halftime, which arrived with Port St. Joe up 28-0, the Tiger Sharks enjoyed a 239-26 advantage in total yards.

"We've got some gut problems," said Wewahitchka coach Bobby Johns. "We have some problems execution-wise, but those you can fix."

"We played, but not with the intensity we have to have to beat a team like that."

Port St. Joe took the opening



Jasmin Thomas (11, in gold) had a game-high 92 rushing yards and scored two touchdowns. [COURTESY PHOTOS/WAYNE TAYLOR]

kickoff and needed just six plays and three minutes to cover 63 yards for the score, Butts' 40-yard keeper the big play to set up a dive from the 2 by Bubba Ash.

Joel Bogaert, who also mans the drums with the band at half-time, kicked the extra point.

After holding the Gators to three-and-out, the Tiger Sharks benefited from a 22-yard punt that put them at the Wewahitchka 48.

Thomas transformed a belly trap into a scoring dash up the middle of the field and

Bogaert made it 14-0.

Wewahitchka could not advance beyond its 38 on the ensuing drive despite its only first down of the half, Port St. Joe taking over after a punt at its 45.

Seven plays later, Kelvin Griffin managed to get outside the defense on a sweep right, received a seal block on the edge and cruised 21 yards down the sideline to make it 21-0 after Bogaert's extra point.

The teams exchanged punts over the next three series, the final punt returned 61 yards for a touchdown by Russ only to have the play called back on



Russell Russ stretches for the goal line on a 43-yard catch-and-run touchdown. Russ added 59 rushing yards.

a blindside block.

Two plays later, from the Gator 43, Russ wiped away the penalty on the scoring pass play from Butts, taking a short hook pass at the 35 and dashing across and around the defense for the touchdown.

Bogaert made it 28-0.

After holding the Gators to three-and-out on the first

series of the second half, Port St. Joe triggered the running clock when Thomas turned another run up the middle, this one starting at the Wewahitchka 21, into a touchdown.

Bogaert made it 35-0.

Wewahitchka is on the road again this week, traveling to Lighthouse Christian.

Coach's Corner

By **Coach Greg Jordan**
Special to The Star

A BIG THANK YOU to all the Shark Fans that showed up to support our boys Week 1. We had a great crowd and the atmosphere was great for our first home game of the year. The players really feed off the emotion of the fans who are the 12th man in the stands.

The Sharks played great defensively holding Wewa to 82 total yards on 30 plays. They had 72 rushing yards on 27 carries averaging less than 3 yards per carry. Defense is what we want to build our team around. It's going to be the corner stone of our program. Tough defense hopefully combined with a clock controlling ground attack will be a formula for success. Offensively the Sharks had an efficient night. We had 26 rushes for 247 yards averaging 9.5 yards per rush. We only attempted 3 passes on the night going 1-2 for 43 yards and we pulled it down and ran the other attempt. We only had 28 total snaps on the night running half of the plays we want to run on a normal night. The game was shortened because of the running clock and the style of game it was. Overall it was a good night and a great way to start the season.

This week the Sharks hit the road to Marianna to take on the class 4A Bulldogs. Marianna is coming off a tough road loss at Chipley Week 1. Marianna has size on the fronts with multiple skill players that will touch the ball. It's their first home game of the year and they will be ready to defend their home field. Marianna and St. Joe games have typically been low scoring affairs the last couple seasons with defenses dominating the game. Hopefully we can continue to play good defense again with a productive offense that will score us enough points to win the game. Defense travels.....that's what we preach to our players.

Our JV team has their first game of the season this Thursday, Aug. 30 at 7 p.m. at home vs Wewa. Come out and support our JV team as they kick off the 2018 season. Hope the see you in Marianna this Friday!! Kickoff is set for 8 p.m. EST!! GO SHARKS!!!

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PSJ baseball team receives title rings

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Championships do not happen every day, said Superintendent of Schools Jim Norton.

They are not created by happenstance, they are not solely a product of pure talent or pure luck, maybe a combination of the two with numerous other ingredients in the mix.

But, as it would happen, Gulf County is home to not just one, but two state titles, won roughly a week apart a 100 or so miles apart in the spring.

"They are very special," Norton said, noting no other county or community in Florida's Panhandle is home to even one, let alone two, state championship trophies.

"They are very rare."

So, when they are won, time for a celebration and some bling, in this case of Gulf County teams, courtesy of Centennial Bank.

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School baseball team handled the celebration part last Thursday and Friday and the bank provided the bling in the form of a ring for every player and coach as well as two very special fans.

"This is something they



The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School baseball team members received their 2018 state championship rings last week. [TIM CROFT | THE STAR]

will treasure 30 years from now," said Athletic Director Greg Jordan.

Coach Ashley Summerlin set a mighty high bar in his first months the school, Norton noted.

Summerlin arrived in January, replacing a coach who was a replacement for current Principal Josh Dailey as he moved into administration,

and had mere weeks to even get acquainted with his players.

"They are great kids, raised right," Summerlin said.

And despite summer struggles, including a six-game losing streak, the Tiger Sharks got red hot at the end of the season and into the playoffs, winning a weather-delayed state championship

game over Madison County.

The championship, Dailey noted, was the product not only of the team and student body, but a community.

Summerlin handed out each ring, including several to seniors who graduated in May.

Then it was time to show off a bit before the rings went back in the box.

SCENE AROUND



Just a lazy Cape day. [COURTESY OF KRES FARR]



The sun and palms of Old Florida. [COURTESY OF KELLY HOUK]



The sun sets as seen from under the Highland View Bridge.
[COURTESY OF RAYMOND MOORE]



Ellie meets her master on the beach. [COURTESY OF JOHN SELLERS]



A waterspout created a heart in the clouds before it disappeared
[COURTESY OF ALLISON HARDEN]



A dazzling sunset from new residents Carol and Joe. [COURTESY OF CAROL AND JOE]



Flying a drone over St. Joseph Bay.
[COURTESY OF KAREN GAINNIE]

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COMMUNITY

Port Theatre picks up the baton again

The Krickets, Billy Dean perform this month

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After darkening the stage for the month of August, the Port Theatre Arts and Cultural Center will have the marquee lit up again in the coming weeks.

First, on Sept. 14, comes a special concert as The Krickets celebrate the release of their second album, "Red Bird."

The following week, Sept. 20, the "Thursdays at the

Theatre" series returns with a performance from Billy Dean, known as "The American Troubadour."

The Krickets, Melissa Bowman, Emily Stuckey, Lauren Spring and Katrina Kolb, came together to play a cancer benefit and are now releasing their second studio album.

The album was recorded in Nashville with producer Sam Ashworth, the group recording 12 songs (of 20 written for the album), including a music video song series for Scenes Media.

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The Krickets return to the Port Theatre Sept. 14. [SPECIAL TO THE STAR]



"Hometown Heroes" arrives in November at the Port St. Joe Public Library. [SPECIAL TO THE STAR]

Library seeks input on Smithsonian exhibit

'Hometown Teams' to arrive in November

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Earlier this summer the Port St. Joe public library sought help from the community with sports photos.

Now, the library would like some input and expertise on how to make an upcoming exhibit, a traveling celebration of sports and community courtesy of the Smithsonian Institute, a touchdown.

Or, as they put it in soccer, a gggoooooaaaaalllllll.

Library officials and volunteers will hold an "interest" meeting 4 p.m. ET Wednesday, Sept. 5 as something of a kickoff (sorry) event aimed at making "Hometown Heroes" as successful as possible.

They folks at the library urge anyone with an interest in assisting in the staging of the exhibit to please attend and invite anyone they believe might have an interest.

The more the merrier, as they say.

"We can benefit from the expertise in marketing, fundraising and/or event planning," said Mimi Minnick, a volunteer helping coordinate the event, "and in soliciting sports memorabilia, photographs and stories."

"Sharing this exhibit is truly a team project."

Nancy Brockman, coordinator of Gulf County Libraries, put out the call earlier this year for photos of local athletics.

Those photos will become part of the exhibit's displays which celebrates the role of sports in a community.

"Hometown sports are more than just games," Minnick said. "They unite us and help us come together as Americans."

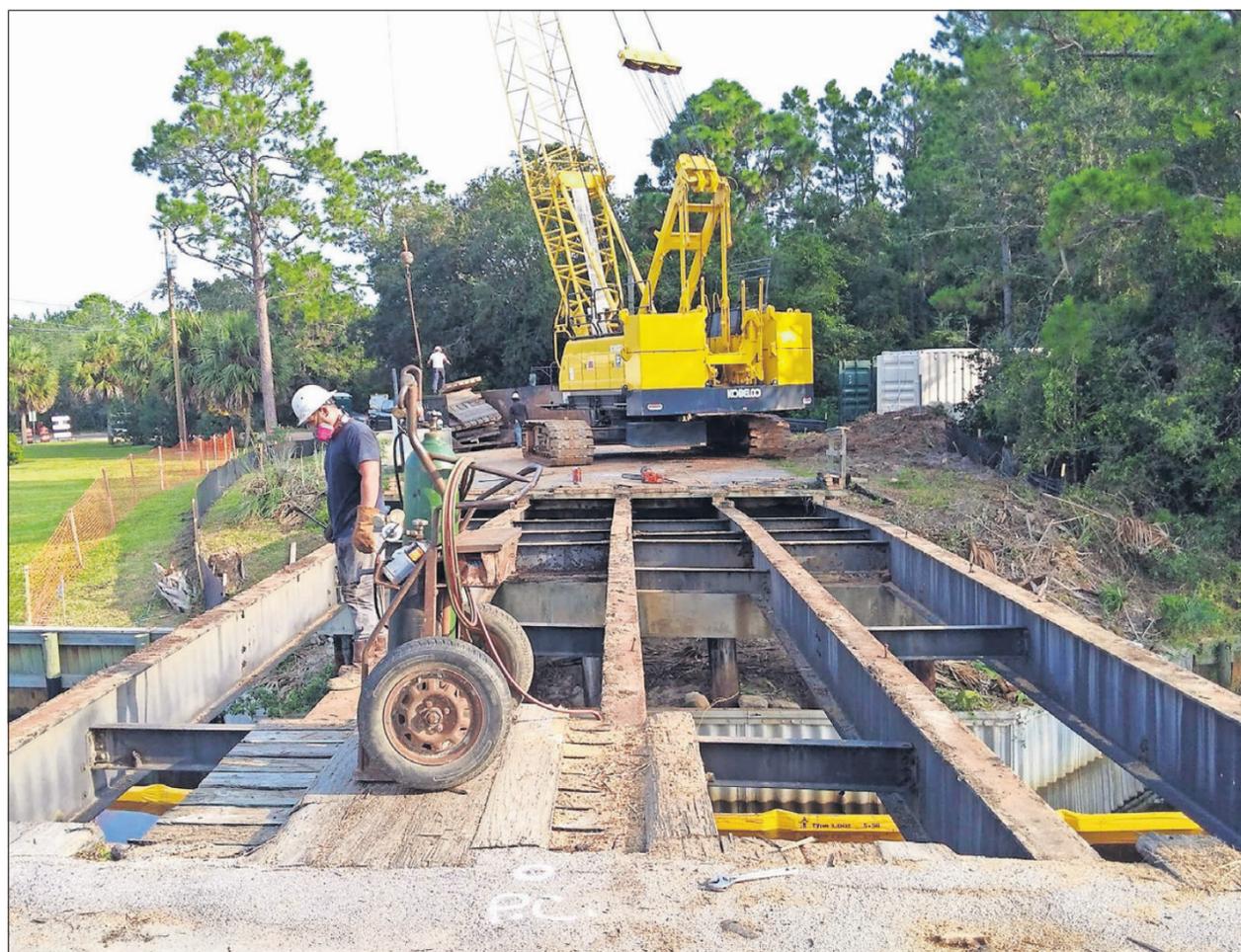
"If we're not playing sports, we're watching them."

The exhibit celebrates the atmosphere found at Shark Stadium or Gator Field during fall Friday evenings, or draped over the ballpark anywhere in the county during the summer.

"We need your help," Minnick said, urging public engagement with the exhibit. "Please join us as we bring the Smithsonian home."

"Hometown Heroes" is one of six traveling exhibits that comprise the Smithsonian Institute's "Museum on Main Street" program.

See EXHIBIT, B6



Workers taking down the wooden bridge over the Mexico Beach at 36th Street last week. [COURTESY PHOTOS/TRACI GADDIS]

Bridge of 'sighs'

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Maybe it was just a decrepit old wooden bridge badly in need of replacement.

To Traci Gaddis, however, the bridge over the Mexico Beach canal at 36th St. was her decrepit old wooden bridge badly need of replacement.

And, no, she didn't picket or toss herself in front of the crane or shout epithets at the construction workers, but still it felt like she was losing a trusty friend.

"I am sure I was the only one out there with a tear in their eye," Gaddis said. "It was just my little bridge,"

"Every day, my sister and I, that was the bridge we walked across going to and coming from the school bus."

At the time, the 1970s, there were "very few houses around."

The bridge became something more, a counselor, sounding board (pardon that pun), a place to vent, to offer the deepest of thoughts and ideas.

See BRIDGE, B6



Gaddis was given five planks from the deck of the bridge.

TRIVIA FUN

"Trivia Fun" with Wilson Casey, Guinness World Record Holder from Woodruff, S.C., is published in more than 500 newspapers across the country. Comments, questions or suggestions? WC@TriviaGuy.com

1. Who still owns the island

of Bermuda, as their citizens rejected independence in a 1995 decisive vote?

Spain, U.S., Brazil, United Kingdom

2. "Adversity makes a man, prosperity makes monsters" was among whose quotes?

Joseph Stalin, Victor Hugo, FDR, Will Rogers

3. Which president

ordered the Lewis and Clark expeditions?

Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson

4. What was Roger Bacon credited with inventing in 1250?

Magnifying glass, Gunpowder, Sextant, Ax

5. Reportedly, where was the first "hamburger" cooked?

New Jersey, Mexico,

Germany, Ireland

6. What does an ichthyologist study?

Skin rashes, Snakes, Sporting point spreads, Fish

ANSWERS: 1. United Kingdom, 2. Victor Hugo, 3. Jefferson (Thomas), 4. Magnifying glass, 5. Germany, 6. Fish



Wilson Casey

SOCIETY

Garden Club 'Meet-and-Mingle'

Special to The Star

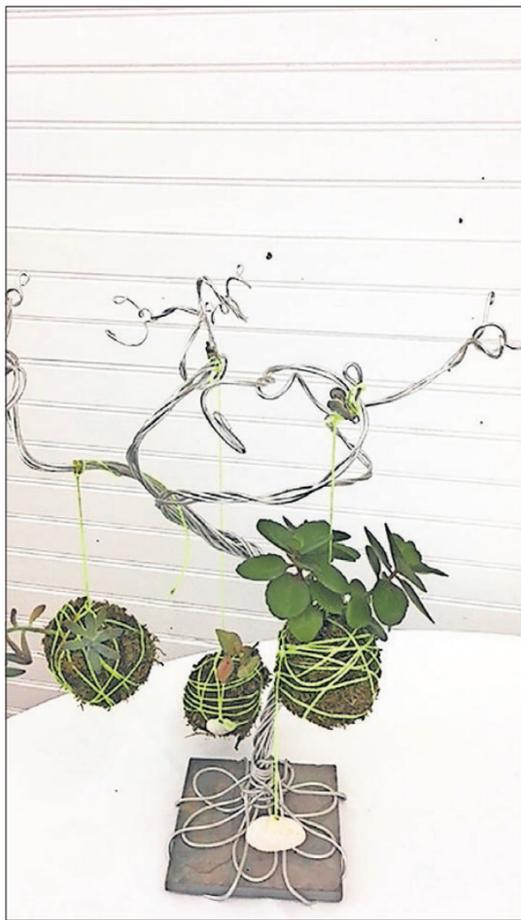
The Port St. Joe Garden Club kicked off its new year with a "Meet and Mingle" last Thursday night. The night was a chance to renew old friendships, meet new members and talk to those interested in joining the Club.

The coming year will be filled with programs pertaining to gardening and conservation, field trips, workshops and fundraising, community

outreach, renovating our facility with grant funding generously provided by the Jessie Ball duPond Fund, and hosting the District II meeting for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs in May. If you were unable to attend Thursday night's "Meet and Mingle" but are interested in learning more about the Club please email an inquiry to psjgardenclub@gmail.com. Our first meeting is Thursday, Sept. 13 at 216 8th Street.



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Local WoodmenLife Chapter food drive

Special to The Star

WoodmenLife Chapter 913 of Port St Joe, local residents and visitors helped fight hunger in our community by donating much-needed food for area families. The Food Drive was held on Aug. 11 at the local Piggly Wiggly. The food was given to the local Food

Pantry to help in their mission to distribute healthy meals to families across the region.

"WoodmenLife chapters across the country share a commitment to giving back to the community," said Carol Dixon, president of Chapter 913. "We made fighting hunger our National Community

Focus in 2015, and we continue to be dedicated to this cause. We are proud to partner with the local Food Pantry to help provide food for families in need."

About WoodmenLife

WoodmenLife was founded in 1890 as a not for profit. The

organization gives back to its nearly 700,000 members, who join together in a shared commitment to family, community and country. With a legacy of financial stability, WoodmenLife offers quality life insurance and retirement products. To learn more about the organization, visit WoodmenLife.org.

Finding a life of purpose explored at Lifetree Café

New time and setting

Special to The Star

How to find and live a life of meaning and purpose will be discussed at a new Lifetree Café lunch setting 11:30 a.m. CT Friday, Sept. 7. This is a total change from the previous Monday night schedule.

The program, titled "Living a Rich Life: Finding Meaning and Purpose," features a filmed interview with Christine Garde, a woman who left an influential political position to launch a gang diversion program by moving into an urban gang-infested neighborhood.

"It utterly changed my life. It was the hardest thing I ever did and the best thing I

ever did," said Garde. "Suddenly I was experiencing joy and passion for the first time."

During the program participants have the opportunity to discuss times they have felt fulfillment in their own lives. Admission to the 60-minute event is free. A simple lunch and beverages are available. Lifetree Café is located at 1602 U.S. Highway 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 livingwater@livingwateratthebeach.com.

Financial Peace University offers hope

Special to The Star

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — More than 5 million people have positively changed their financial future through Ramsey Solutions' Financial Peace University (FPU). Created by financial expert Dave Ramsey, the nine-week digital course provides families and individuals with practical tools to gain control of their finances and set themselves up for long-term financial success. FPU will be held in Port St. Joe at: Family Life Church located at 323 Reid Ave.

The classes will begin 6 p.m. ET Monday, Sept. 24. Go to www.fpu.com/1068219 for more information or to register.

Through common-sense principles, FPU gives people the tools they need to change their behavior and succeed financially. Along with Ramsey Personalities Rachel Cruze and Chris Hogan, Ramsey teaches lessons on budgeting, relationships and money, getting out of debt, saving for emergencies and

investing. On average, families who complete FPU pay off \$5,300 and save \$2,700 in the first 90 days. Following the class nearly 94 percent of those families budget regularly.

"FPU will not only transform the way you handle money, but also your marriage and other areas of your life," said Ramsey. "This isn't a boring financial class. We make learning about money fun and easy to understand so people in every situation can benefit from the information."

An FPU membership includes immediate access to online video lessons, financial coaching assistance, digital tools and a one-year subscription to the EveryDollar Plus budgeting tool.

Also included is the follow up course, Legacy Journey, which shows families and individuals what to do once they have control of their finances and helps them navigate their way through building wealth, so they can leave a lasting legacy. Go to DaveRamsey.com/FPU for more information.

Kiwanis Club thanks 'Shoes' sponsors

Star Staff Report

The Port St. Joe Kiwanis Club would like to extend its appreciation to the sponsors for the annual "Kids for Shoes" fundraising event. The program provides shoes for many children in need during the school year.

Thanks for all your help: Joseph's Cottage, Heavenly Sweets, Sharon's Café, PSJ Subway, Ronnie B's, Uptown Raw Bar, Joe

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PET OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph Bay Humane Society



Big ole Bear! He is a Shar Pei mix and weighs over 60 lbs. He is between 3-4 years old but thinks he is only 6 months. His big rolls will wrap your heart. Bear gives the best kisses and hugs. He doesn't realize how big he is but his heart is even bigger than he is! If you need someone to always make you smile, give you hugs and slobber on your pillow, you have to come meet Bear!

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 j.stricklandsjbhs@gmail.com or call the St. Joseph Bay Humane Society at 850-227-1103. Online applications and pet photos are available at www.sjbhumaneociety.org

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SCHOOL NEWS

Involving youth to attract the youth

High school students' efforts bring new dynamic

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The annual Juneteenth celebration has been anchored by, and largely attended by, adults since its inception a few years ago.

The North Port St. Joe Project Area Coalition, however, aimed for an event that survived generations and that meant reaching the younger generations.

So they tapped a younger generation.

The Port St. Joe Jr./Sr. High School Student Government Association was that youth anchor this past June, bringing some new ideas and energy to the celebration.

The result was a new dynamic.

"They embraced the historic elements as well as the family picnic theme," said Cheryl Steindorf, on the event organizing committee. "I'm extremely proud of them for stepping outside the school halls, opening their minds, and bringing youthful curiosity and enthusiasm to the event."

"I am thankful that we have 30 or more young people in our community who, when asked, can articulate the answer to, 'What is Juneteenth?'"

Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of slaves in Texas in 1865



[COURTESY PHOTOS OF PSJHS SGA]

and is widely celebrated in the African-American community, particularly in the South.

"It was something exciting for us," said SGA president Hannah Fulk. "It was a big event for us."

"We were kids interacting with kids. It was a fun day."

The high school students, as those younger folks might put it, represented well.

For starters, they got the word out as only those

of that generation can, with a steady diet on social media and a campaign to put flyers trumpeting the event on every space made available around the community.

Part of the point of extending an invitation to the SGA, through then-sponsor Sharon Hoffman, was about reaching the youth, bringing youngsters to the event.

And the SGA kids brought particular energy to the day's festivities at the

Washington Gym and outside covered playground.

There were games to be played, with a particularly glee rippling along with a game of water balloons: one doesn't have to be young of mind to conjure where that took the kids.

Another particular hit was imitation tattoos: by day's end, few youngsters weren't sporting at least one. Balloon animals were also a hit.

And the Cupid shuffle, a dance whose description escaped this reporter, also brought the kids up on their feet.

But there was also a reading tent, cake walk and other outdoor activities.

The SGA students live-streamed much of the activity on Facebook.

Judson Griffies also constructed a "boom box" which based on the description that followed

was anything but a typical "boom box."

"By the end of the night it was a big dance party," Griffies said.

But it was also something more.

The fun bundled in some lessons and connections.

"It was really eye-opening for me," said Sedona Focht, noting the history behind the June day. "I got to connect with community members I had never met."

The event, carried more weight than the typical SGA effort, whether a fundraiser car wash or a "sock hop" fundraiser with the local nursing home, said Bryson Lee.

"There was more history to this than other events we are a part of," Fulk said. "We really got to bond with the kids in that community."

And along with the bonding, maybe something more noble.

The goal, after all, was offering something for the benefit of others, expecting nothing in return.

"We were more servants for that than anything," Griffies said, a sentiment unanimously adopted.

Alas, there were not as many children to turn out as had been hoped, despite the heavy advertising campaign, but the aim was really a foundation, to build for the years to come.

"Hopefully we can build something with our involvement, going back every year," Fulk said.

Arnold earns academic achievement at Georgia Southwestern State

Special to The Star

AMERICUS, GA-- Kristiana Arnold, a resident of Port St Joe, made the Summer 2018 Academic Achievement List at Georgia Southwestern State University and was among 400 students recognized for scholastic achievement.

To be eligible for the Academic Achievement List, a

student must previously earn at least 12 credit hours at GSW, be enrolled in 3 to 11 hours of courses, and earn a 3.5 or higher GPA.

Georgia Southwestern State University, located in Americus, Ga., is a public, four-year unit of the University System of Georgia with more than 3,000 students. Georgia Southwestern offers

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PSJ Class of 1958 planning 60th Reunion

Special to The Star

The Class of 1958 cordially invites everyone who graduated in the class or those who might have been in the class then moved before graduation to join them on Oct. 20 to celebrate the Sixtieth Anniversary of this milestone.

Festivities will begin on Saturday with a Brunch at 11 a.m. ET at the home

of Sonny Chafin. There will lots of time to visit, remember all the funny and maybe not so funny times of attending Port St. Joe High School.

In the late afternoon or early night (yes, it's been 60 years so must start early), Frank Fletcher will cook a Low Country Boil. Frank is proficient in preparing these shrimp boils - Louisiana style! Yum! This event will

be held at the Chafin home also. If you must take a nap you just might miss out on something really fun!

For more information call Frank Fletcher at 850-527-6516, Melba Peak at 850-991-0083, Iduma Wingate at 850-648-2238, Kathleen Grace, or Sonny Chafin at 850-247-9491. We hope everyone will come and enjoy the day together!

S.O.A.R.-ers at PSJES



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BILLY FLEMING

Mr. Billy Fleming, 86, of Port St. Joe, passed away on Saturday, August 25, 2018 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born May 15, 1932 in New Brockton, AL to J.D. and Beulah Fleming. A graduate of Port St. Joe High School in 1949, Billy then attended Florida State University where he played football for two years. As a long-time member and faithful servant at First Baptist Church, he served in many capacities and will be dearly

missed. Billy is best remembered for his time at St. Joe Paper Company, where he worked for over 40 years, his love of St. Joe Athletics, and his love for cutting grass. As voice of the Sharks for 35 years, Billy was the original Number One Shark Fan. Known as "Papa" to his many grandchildren, Billy led his family with a strong loving hand. Billy was preceded in death by his parents and wife of 63 years, Betty Ruth (Wilder) Fleming. He is survived by



his children, Jan Nobles (Teedy) of Port St. Joe, FL, Jay Fleming (Diane) of Murfreesboro, TN and Ruth Mathews (Tad) of Palmetto, FL; siblings Jadine Ellis,

Donna Lee (Bobby) and Dewy Fleming (Jo); sisters-in-law, Irene Ramsey, Pat Hidalgo, Susan Wilder and brother-in-law Walter Wilder; grandchildren, Bobby Nobles (Kim), Missy Ramsey (Eric), Sunshine Mathews, Matt Mathews (Megan), Micah Mathews (Stephanie), Andrew Fleming (Treena), Amanda Rollins (Doug) and Alex Fleming; great-grandchildren, Katie, Austin, Lee, Rainey, Mattison, Erica, Maddox, Maybrie, Easton, Nate, Everlee

and Jaykob. Mr. Fleming is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., EST, Wednesday, August 29, 2018 at First Baptist Church of Port St. Joe. Interment followed in Holly Hill Cemetery. Mr. Fleming's grandsons and great-grandsons served as pall bearers. Honorary pall bearers were the Deacons of First Baptist Church. The family

sends out all of their love and thanks to Billy's grandson and granddaughter-in-law, Bobby and Kim Nobles for their love, care and sacrifice during his last few years. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Baptist Church of Port St. Joe Facility Update Fund, in memory of Mr. Fleming. Expressions of sympathy may be viewed or submitted at www.southerlandfamily.com. Southerland Family Funeral Home Panama City

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WYATT S. KEANE

Wyatt S. Keane went to be with the Lord on Friday, Aug. 17, 2018 after a life-long battle with several illnesses. Survivors include Patrick Keane, his father; Sheila Keane, his mother; Alexander Keane, his brother; Amber Keane, his sister; Sandra Mcardle, his maternal Grandmother; Steven Mcardle, his maternal grandfather; Christina Wall, his paternal Aunt; and several maternal aunts, uncles, and cousins. Viewing was held at Comforter Funeral Home on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 11 a.m. CDT with graveside service at Buckhorn Cemetery at 1 p.m. CDT. Services are under the direction of Comforter Funeral Home.

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an old friend or two. Will be thrown into a lake of fire, without Jesus, so will you. So accept Him as your savior now, keep eternity in mind. Thank God for the gift of salvation and leave your sins behind.
Billy Johnson

FAITH BRIEFS

Homecoming at Highland View Baptist

Highland View Baptist Church will celebrate its 38th annual Homecoming at 10:30 a.m. ET Sept. 9. We will be celebrating 67 years of

ministry and would like to extend an invitation to members, past members and everyone in our community to join us on this special day. The guest speaker will be Bro. Charles Scott, a former Interim Pastor,

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WHAT SOUTHERN FOLKS EAT

Your invaluable dinner table



Stephanie Hill-Frazier

"The dinner hour is a sacred, happy time when everyone should be together and relaxed."

- Julia Child

Your dinner table is a magical place; did you know? Whether it's a weathered family heirloom, a valuable antique, a card table from a discount store, or a Goodwill find, your table adds incredible value to your home. How? By bringing together, for at least a few short minutes each day, the people you care most about.

As Julia said in the quote above, dinnertime should be a cheerful, relaxed time for families of any size to be able to talk over what happened in the course of the day. It's a great place to plan what might be coming in the future, say an upcoming family vacation, or even just to sit quietly together. The key word is "together."

The dinner table is a place for traditions to be made, even if the tradition is as simple as spaghetti and meatballs on Monday nights, or pizza on Friday nights. The meal isn't as important as the people who are sitting there together, certainly, but it can be something to add to your family's memories. And when I say family, I am not just thinking of parents with children, but anyone who lives under a roof together; retired couples, roommates, newlyweds, pet parents, or anyone else you might live with from day-to-day. Everyone can benefit from some relaxed time breaking bread together.

The problem we seem to have these days, unfortunately, is getting people to sit still. Some of the issue is, obviously, how busy everyone seems to be. From after school sports and band practices to jobs, volunteering and other activities, we seem to be even busier now than when I was growing up in the '80s. Not only that, but because screens of all kinds....television, phone, laptop and tablet screens... seem to take much of our attention, even when we do manage to get together.

I am just as guilty as anyone of this, as I love to learn and write and explore the world, which the internet and tv allow us to do. Devices with screens are so helpful and interesting in some respects. So what do we do?

Well, we have to agree to set some boundaries, for ourselves and for the people who live with us. Start with something simple, like saying, "guys, this school year, no phones at the dinner table." And that goes for adults as well as kids. We



Steph's plum-perfect pork chops.

have to set the example. If they protest, and say "why now?" simply say that you are sorry you never thought of the idea before, but you have now, and you believe it will be a good thing for your family. And stick to it.

Adults, if your habit is to stare at a tv while your family is eating, you are missing a fabulous opportunity to connect with your people. Those days together are going to be gone before you know it, so take advantage of your time together by talking and laughing together. You will have plenty of time to watch television or look at a phone when your kids have moved away (which I have experienced) or your spouse is gone. The dinner table is a great place to connect. Don't miss it.

When you do manage to get your people together, whether there are two of you or 12 of you, you have a decision to make. What will you feed them? I hope you can avoid junk food as often as possible and, instead, cook something simple and delicious. If you can get them involved in the meal prep, even better!

I am happy to help with this part. Following are some recipes that you might enjoy trying out that don't take long to make and that your family will enjoy.

Steph's plum-perfect pork chops

Ingredients:

- 1 pound to 1 ½ pounds thin pork chops (or use a pork tenderloin, sliced thin)
- 4 fresh red plums, quartered
- 1 jalapeno (seeded if you don't want heat, or omit it if you prefer)
- 1 large red onion, peeled and thinly sliced
- ¼ cup balsamic or red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- salt and pepper



Pan-roasted chicken thighs with spicy blueberry sauce. [PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE STAR]

Method:

1. Salt and pepper both sides of the pork chops. Heat oil and butter in pan over medium to medium-high heat in large skillet. Add the pork, and brown on both sides. Remove to a platter.
2. Add the sliced onion, jalapeno, and quartered plums to the pan, and turn heat down to low-medium. Now you're going to caramelize the fruit and vegetables; the key is "low and slow." You can't let the pan get too hot, or it'll burn the sugars in the plums. Keep temperature closer to low than to medium, and push things around frequently with a spatula to avoid scorching.
3. After about 15 minutes, add the vinegar to the pan, and bring to a simmer. Add the meat back into the pan and allow it to heat through.
4. When ready to serve, consider using creamy cooked grits, as they are a great accompaniment to this. I'd place the meat right on the grits, then add some onion and plum mixture. You can do this with rice or mashed potatoes, too, of course. Enjoy!

Mediterranean Chicken and pasta

(This recipe is by my friend Les Ellsworth, who serves it at his restaurant, The Potpourri House. I love it and wanted to share it with you.)

Marinate Chicken breast in olive oil and Greek seasoning for about an hour and then grill or saute. (If time prohibits that, pick up a rotisserie chicken at the grocery store instead)

- 1 ¼ cup of artichokes, quartered
- ¼ cup of black olives sliced
- 1 tablespoon of capers (optional)
- ¼ cup of sun-dried tomatoes julienne cut
- ½ cup of good olive oil
- 2 tablespoons of finely chopped fresh basil
- 1 tablespoon of fresh minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon of Greek seasoning
- 4 tablespoons of Parmesan cheese, for topping

Dice cooked chicken to bite-size pieces and set aside.

Cook enough pasta for family of four (about 10 ounces dry pasta); drain and toss with a tablespoon of olive oil. Keep warm.

Place olive oil in a large skillet with deep sides, and set over medium-high heat. Add the artichokes, olives, capers, and tomatoes, and saute until vegetables are softened. Add the chicken, basil, garlic and Greek seasoning. Sprinkle generously with Parmesan, and toss well. Add the cooked pasta to the pan, tossing until the pasta is completely integrated into the other ingredients. Serve sprinkled with more Parmesan and with a nice salad on the side, if you like.

Pan-roasted chicken thighs with spicy blueberry sauce

- 4 to 6 boneless, skinless chicken thighs (I use these since they cook a lot faster than bone-in, skin-on thighs. If you're using those, you will need to cook longer)
- olive oil for pan
- poultry seasoning
- salt and pepper

For the sauce:

- 1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
- 2 Tablespoons honey
- 1 Tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- ½ to 1 full teaspoon red pepper flake, for the kick!
- 2 Tablespoons water
- ¼ teaspoon salt

Chopped parsley and grated Asiago or Parmesan, for topping, optional

Method:

First, make the sauce: Combine all sauce ingredients in a saucepan, and set over medium heat, stirring frequently. Bring to a boil, stir well, then turn down to a simmer, stirring frequently, and allow to cook down for 20 to 30 minutes. Sauce will thicken as it simmers.

For the chicken: Pour a couple of tablespoons of oil in a large skillet set over medium-high heat. Let pan get hot (not to smoking point; keep an eye on it!) and then add thighs to the pan. Sprinkle each with poultry seasoning, and salt and pepper. Allow to brown for about 3 minutes, then turn. Sprinkle the other side with seasonings, turn heat down to medium, and cook chicken until no longer pink in center. For my boneless/skinless thighs, this took about 8 minutes.

To serve: Place the chicken thighs on a platter. Drizzle several tablespoons of the sauce over them, then sprinkle with grated cheese and parsley. Place on the dinner table alongside your favorite sides (seasoned rice, and garlicky green beans, perhaps) and enjoy!

Stephanie Hill-Frazier is a writer, food blogger and regional television chef, whose on-air nickname is "Mama Steph." She grew up in Gulf County, on St. Joe Beach, a place she will forever call home.

She is married and has three young adult sons who are considerably taller than she is. You can find more of her recipes at whatsouthernfolkseat.com.

Kim Bodine awarded 2018 Pinnacle Award by 850 Magazine

Special to The Star

PANAMA CITY – 850 – The Business Magazine of Northwest Florida held a luncheon on Aug. 21 at Florida State University in Panama City. There, Kim Bodine, Executive Director for CareerSource Gulf Coast, was presented the 2018 Pinnacle Award.

The Pinnacle Award was established in 2013 and is

presented annually to 10 leading businesswomen who are making strides in Northwest Florida.

Award winners are recognized for holding themselves to high standards and their contribution to the betterment of the local community.

Kim Bodine has over 25 years of experience in workforce development and oversees the administration

of up to 45 funding-streams and programs with annual budgets of up to \$13 million. She has contributed to the development of many workforce programs assisting youth, veterans, dislocated workers, and disabled persons. Kim is also heavily involved in Alignment Bay County, a collective impact organization she worked to create that focuses

on providing health and education resources to Bay County's youth by aligning local community organizations and resources.

Kim Bodine currently serves as President of the Florida Workforce Development Association, leading CareerSource counterparts across the state.

She also serves many local organizations. She is the vice

chair of ARC of the Bay, the secretary of the Bay County Economic Development Alliance, a member of the UF/IFAS Bay County Extension Advisory Board, the Restore Council of Bay County, the Bay, Franklin, Gulf Healthy Start Coalition, the Bay Medical Sacred Heart Board of Directors, and the Gulf County Economic Development Council.

BRIDGE

From Page B1

About a fight with sis, about Ms. Biggs' upcoming test.

"My sister and I, we just thought that was our own private bridge," Gaddis said. "That bridge holds all my secrets from childhood."

She learned to drive, or not, over that bridge.

"Even to this day I pray I don't see another car coming," Gaddis said. "I won't go across if there is another car there."

"The bridge was always scary."

As an adult the bridge was canvas.

Every week that Port St. Joe High School celebrated

"Shark Week," Gaddis would decorate the bridge with her collection of Shark mascots.

And the bridge, most importantly, the first thing mentioned in conversation, was a spot for life passages, milestones: Gaddis and her husband, Garry, became engaged to marry on that bridge.

That was on an Aug. 31; 44 years ago Friday.

The construction crew taking down the structure, which will be replaced with a concrete bridge, came to understand the attachment Gaddis conveyed about "her bridge."

She brought seven of her eight grandchildren down to say goodbye to the bridge; we are talking conveyance.

So, one day, a member of the crew grabbed a saw and reached down to remove a

section of the oldest beam at the bridge's foundation.

He gave it to Gaddis.

The crew gave her five planks from the deck.

"They are my treasures," Gaddis said.

How long the bridge, which was indeed (don't tell Gaddis) beyond its expiration date, spanned the canal along that road is unclear.

Gaddis was 13, and the year was 1970, when she moved to Mexico Beach and it was already there and hardly had that new-bridge glow.

"As I understand it, from doing a little research, it was one of the oldest working wooden bridges in Florida," Gaddis said. "It has always been kind of rickety, rickety." But the tales it could tell.



Gaddis and grandchildren say goodbye. [COURTESY PHOTO/TRACI GADDIS]

THEATRE

From Page B1

The group described the "whirlwind" experience on their website, calling it "crazy wonderful."

"Red Bird" is the follow-up to the 2016 release, "Spanish Moss Sirens."

That debut, produced by Ben Tanner of the Alabama Shakes, showcased the "folk-harmony-driven" songs with "earthy acoustic instrumentation" that was labeled by Paste Magazine "a truly stunning one-of-a-kind sound."

The band was named the 2016 IMEA Folk Artist of the Year and received the 2016 Folk Singer/Songwriter Song of the Year at the Independent Music Awards.

The Krickets, as group, emerged from a benefit concert the four played to honor Cristina "Cricket" Russell, who passed away of breast cancer at a young age.

The group donates a portion of all album sales to The Cricket Fund and Beyond which provides women's health services to the uninsured.

Those who supported the new album, "Red Bird," at \$100 or above during the Kickstarter campaign will receive two free VIP tickets to the release concert next week at the Port Theatre.

Doors open for VIP tickets at 6 p.m. ET with a meet-and-greet and a free drink ticket.

Doors open for general admission at 6:45 p.m. with The Krickets taking the stage at 7 p.m. ET.



"Thursdays at the Theatre" returns Sept. 20 with Billy Dean. [SPECIAL TO THE STAR]

Tickets are \$25 for general admission, \$50 for VIP.

Dean was born in Quincy and now lives there with his wife.

Discovered on "Star Search" and signed by Columbia Records, Dean has released multiple gold records.

His first gold record, "Young Man" in 1990, included the song "Somewhere in My Broken Heart" which was nominated for a Grammy for Song of the Year and was the Song of the Year at the American Country Music Awards. Dean won a Grammy in

1996 for "Amazing Grace, A Country Tribute to Gospel" which featured Martina McBride, Allison Krauss, the Charlie Daniels Band and others.

He was inducted in the Florida Artist Hall of Fame in 2017 and has performed with stars such as the Judds, Kenny Rogers, Clint Black, Alan Jackson and Wynonna Judd.

Tickets to see Dean Sept. 20 are \$15 for general admission, \$30 for VIP.

As with The Krickets, VIP entry is at 6 p.m. ET and includes a meet-and-greet and free drink ticket.

Doors open for general admission at 6:45 p.m. with Dean taking the stage at 7 p.m. ET.

For tickets and more information about the upcoming shows visit www.historic-porttheatre.com.

EXHIBIT

From Page B1

"Museum on Main Street" provides the Smithsonian an avenue to extend its reach into smaller, rural areas, communities with an average population of 8,000.

"It's really to get Smithsonian quality exhibits out in rural areas," Brockman said.

The program has brought Smithsonian exhibits to more than 1,400 communities across the country since 1994.

The idea came out of a survey of humanities

councils and small cultural institutions which underscored that rural areas tend to be isolated from things such as the arts and museums.

Libraries and small museums, while lacking in financial assets, were perfect platforms for programs as they serve as community centers, according to the Smithsonian website.

The exhibit will fill the Florida History room in the library during its stay.

"It's really, really neat," Brockman said. "It all has to do with how sports are part of small towns."

"We can bring a local flavor to it."

Funding for the exhibit



The Smithsonian exhibit will fill the Florida History Room at the library. [SPECIAL TO THE STAR]

was secured through a grant from the Florida Humanities Council.

"They are a wonderful way for us to expand our offerings for the community,"

Brockman said.

Brockman and Minnick underwent training required to assemble, disassemble, understand and explain the exhibit.

The exhibit includes a series of panels pertaining to American hometown sports and there is a seat of bleachers from which folks can lift a seat cushion and learn about local or national sports.

The library will also add a slide show of local "hometown heroes" of the athletic fields as well as high school yearbook pages on sports.

Here's a video introduction to the exhibit: <https://museumonmainstreet.org/content/hometown-teams#ExhibitionDetails>



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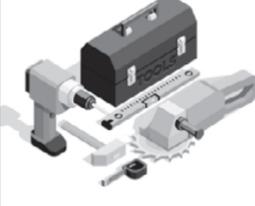
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212905
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MTAG as Custodian for Caz Creek Florida II, LLC., the Certificate Holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate, has filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Tax Deed Application number, Real Estate number, Certificate number, Date of Issuance and Name(s) in which it was assessed are as follows:

Application #2018-09 Tax Sale Certificate # 2016-659 Name in which assessed: Robert E. Welker R.E. No. 03793-001R Date of Issuance: May 31, 2016

Description of Property: COMMENCE at the Northeast Corner of Original Government Lot 4, in Fractional Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 11 West,

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an extend a line South along the East line of said Lot 4 for 649.72 feet; then turn 138 Degrees 32 Minutes right for 57.94 feet; then turn 89 Degrees 18 Minutes left for 278.1 feet, more or less, to a point on the Mean high Water Line of the Gulf of Mexico for the POINT OF BEGINNING, thence turn 180 Degrees and retrace the line last described above for 180 feet, more or less, to a point on the right of way of U. S. 98; then turn 90 Degrees left for 96 feet; then turn 90 Degrees left for 180 feet, more or less, to a point on the mean high water line; then turn 90 Degrees left for 96 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

LESS a portion conveyed to Jack and Doreen Levy, June 1, 1993. A cut-out of Gulf County Property Appraiser's RE#03793-001R A portion of Section 31, Township 6 South, Range 11 West, Gulf County, Florida, being more particularly described hereof:

COMMENCE at the Terra-cotta monument marking the Northeast Corner of Government Lot 4, of said Section 31; thence along the East line of said Government Lot 4, South 00 Degrees 11 Minutes 28 Seconds East, 812.70 feet to a point of intersection with the Southwesterly right of way line of U.S. Highway 98 (having a 100 foot wide right of way); thence along said right

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of way line, North 40 Degrees 21 Minutes 13 Seconds West, 298.14 feet; then turn 138 Degrees 32 Minutes right for 57.94 feet; then turn 89 Degrees 18 Minutes left for 278.1 feet, more or less, to a point on the Mean high Water Line of the Gulf of Mexico for the POINT OF BEGINNING, thence continue along said right of way line, North 40 Degrees 23 Minutes 53 Seconds West, 40.63 feet; thence leaving said right of way line, South 49 Degrees 49 Minutes 28 Seconds West 191 feet, more or less, to a point on the mean high water line of the Gulf of Mexico; thence Southeasterly along said mean high water line, 41 feet, more or less, to a point that is South 49 Degrees 38 Minutes 34 Seconds West of the POINT OF BEGINNING, thence North 49 Degrees 38 Minutes 34 Seconds East, 190 feet, more or less, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida, at 11:00 am E.T., Wednesday, 19th day of September, 2018.

DATED: August 13, 2018
REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY: Elaine Bland, Deputy Clerk
Pub August 16, 23, 30, September 6, 2018

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212985
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MTAG as Custodian for Caz Creek Florida II, LLC, the Certificate Holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate, has filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Tax Deed Application number, Real Estate number, Certificate number, Date of Issuance and Name(s) in which it was assessed are as follows:

Application #2018-11 Tax Sale Certificate # 2016-870 Name in which assessed: Nathan Peters III R.E. No. 05968-000R Date of Issuance: May 31, 2016

Description of Property:

The East Half of Lot 2, Block 1017, Port St. Joe, Florida, said lot being a part of that area shown as "not included in Plat" on the Official Plat of Millview Addition of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, Unit Number Two, as filed in Plat Book 1, Page 47, in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Gulf County, Florida.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf

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County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 am E.T., Wednesday, 19th day of September, 2018.

DATED: August 13, 2018
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY: Elaine Bland, Deputy Clerk
Pub August 16, 23, 30, September 6, 2018

215555
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY
CASE NO 232018CP00048

IN RE: ESTATE RONNIE LEE STANLEY Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of RONNIE LEE STANLEY, deceased, Case Number 232018CP00048 is pending in the Circuit Court for Gulf County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd, Room 148, Port St. Joe, FL 32456. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

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All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 23, 2018.

Attorney for Personal Representative
Greg Wilson
Greg Wilson Law, LLC
P.O. Box 986
ChIPLEY, FL 32428
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NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS
BID #1718-26
FPID NO. 438295-1-54-01

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Plans and specifications can be obtained at Dewberry Engineers Inc, 324 Marina Drive, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, (850) 227-7200. The bid must conform to Section 287.133(3) Florida Statutes, on public entity crimes. Cost for Plans and Specifications will be \$50.00 per set and is non-refundable. Checks should be made payable to DEWBERRY ENGINEERS INC.

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Bids will be received until **4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on September 24, 2018** at the **Gulf County Clerk's Office, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd, Room 149, Port St. Joe, Florida 32456**, and will be opened and read aloud at a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held in the Donald H. Butler Commission Chamber in the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, Gulf County Courthouse Complex, Port St. Joe, Florida on the following day, **September 25, 2018 at 09:00 a.m. Eastern Time.**

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
/s/ Sandy Quinn, Chairman
Pub: August 23, 30, 2018
216415
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 18000014CAAXMX

LAKE VIEW LOAN SERVICING LLC, Plaintiff,
VS.
DAVID RAY CAUSEY; MARILYN LEE CAUSEY, et al. Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
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concerning licensing registration and regulation of contractors doing business to the State of Florida.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in the best interest of Gulf County.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
/s/ Sandy Quinn, Chairman
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LOT 26 OF HONEY HILL, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCE AT THE NE CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89°56'03" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 19 FOR 990.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00°57'05" WEST FOR 705.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00°57'05" WEST FOR 165.0 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89°54'09" WEST FOR 132.0 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 00°57'05" EAST FOR 165.0 FEET; THENCE RUN, SOUTH 89°54'09" EAST FOR 132.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO

LOT 27 OF HONEY HILL, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCE AT THE NE CORNER OF SAID SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89°56'03" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 19 FOR 990.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00°57'05" WEST FOR 540.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00°57'05" WEST FOR 165.0 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89°54'09" WEST FOR 132.0 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 00°57'05" EAST FOR 165.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89°54'09" EAST FOR 132.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Dated this 16th day of August, 2018.

Rebecca L. Norris
As Clerk of the Court

By: BA Baxter
As Deputy Clerk

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Submitted by: Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L. Attorneys for Plaintiff Robertson, Anschutz & Schneid, P.L., Boca Raton, FL 33487
Phone: 561-241-6901
Fax: 561-997-6909
Pub: August 23, 30, 2018

21653S NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Capital One CtrI Assignee of FIG 2222, LLC, the Certificate Holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate, has filed said Certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Tax Deed Application number, Real Estate number, Certificate number, Date of Issuance and Name(s) in which it was assessed are as follows:

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Application #2018-12 R.E. No. 01238-000R Tax Sale Certificate #2016-213
Date of Issuance: May 31, 2016
Name in which assessed: Paul P. Gates

Description of Property:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Midway Park Subdivision, as per recorded Plat in Plat Book 1, Page 43, Public Records of Gulf County, Florida.

ALSO, a right of way for boat use only into the owners and their guest of Lots 1 and 2, in Block 1, of said Midway Park Subdivision, on the creek or branch flowing through said Lot 7, of Block 2, Midway Park Subdivision, for the purpose of ingress and egress from said Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, to the waters of Dead Lakes as given by Harry J. Leary to J. A. Sudduth and wife, Vera R. Sudduth, and recorded in Official Records Book 17, Page 982, and recorded in the First Addition to Shamrock Estates, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 51, Public Records of Gulf County, Florida.

ALSO, that part of Bass Street in Midway Park Subdivision which lies West of Lots 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, Block 2, of said Subdivision and which lies North, East, and South of the existing County Road, said parcel being approximately 30 feet in width and approximately 500 feet in length as recorded in Official Records Book 38, Page 641.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 am E.T., Wednesday, 26th day of September, 2018.

DATED: August 20, 2018

REBECCA L. NORRIS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Pub August 23, 30, September 6, 13 2018
21655S
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Application #2018-13 R.E. No. 06029-004R Tax Sale Certificate #2016-884
Date of Issuance: May 31, 2016
Name in which assessed: The Williams Development Co. LLC
Agent: Elaine Williams

Description of Property:
Lot Five (5), South One-Half of Lot Three (1/2 of Lot 3) and the North One Half of Lot Seven (N 1/2 of Lot 7), in Block One Thousand Twenty-Two (1022), of the Millview Addition of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, Unit Number Three (3) according to the plat thereof in Plat Book 2, Page 53, of the Public Records of Gulf County, Florida.

All of said property being in Gulf County, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder in the front Lobby of the Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida at 11:00 am E.T., Wednesday, 26th day of September, 2018.

DATED: August 20, 2018

REBECCA L. NORRIS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY: Elaine Bland, Deputy Clerk

Notice is hereby given that Best American Storage Manager LLC dba Americas Mini Storage located at 141 Commerce Blvd Port St Joe, FL 32456, intends to offer for sale the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed under the Self Storage Facility Act Statutes 83.801-83.809. Unit C00032, 10x20 unit, household goods, Arley Spoonemore, 7318 Hwy 98 Unit 4 Port St Joe, FL 32456. The auction will take place at 11am EST Sept 27,

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2018. The auction will be held online on www.storageauctions.com
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