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CRIME FRONT

A Keys woman, a pill mill, homicide and a bike gang

■ Beverly Augello allegedly picked up payment for the killing of a doctor's wife. Prosecutors say he was trying to cover up his drug ring.

BY GWEN FILOSA
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A Summerland Key artist was arrested last week after prosecutors in Atlantic City, N.J., said she is connected to the 2012 murder of a woman allegedly ordered by her doctor husband when she threatened to expose his pill mill-dealing ring.

Beverly Augello, 47, a native of Orange, N.J., who had been living in the Florida Keys, is accused of picking up the payment for her ex-husband, a Pagans motorcycle club member who was arrested for recruiting the hit man.

She is charged with first-degree racketeering and was arrested Jan. 9. The arrest warrant's notes read, "illegal distribution of narcotics and a murder," according to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office.

Tuesday, Augello remained locked up without bond at the Stock Island Detention Center awaiting extradition to New Jersey.

Dr. James Kauffman, 68, would rather have his wife murdered than go through an acrimonious divorce, prose-

cutors said.

"Ultimately, James Kauffman made the decision to kill April Kauffman and, based on information and belief, Kauffman told Augello that April threatened to expose the illegal [oxycontin] distribution network they had established," according to a lengthy statement released Jan. 10 by Atlantic City Prosecutor Damon G. Tyner.

The allegations against a group of people reads like it was torn from the pages of a crime thriller as prosecutors said James Kauffman made sure his wife, April, was shot dead to keep her from spilling to police about the prescription pill-dealing arrangement he allegedly had with the Pagans.

Eight people have been arrested and charged with taking part in the murder and also conspiracy and racketeering: James Kauffman and Ferdinand Augello, 61, who is Beverly Augello's ex, are charged with pulling off the murder.

Ferdinand Augello is also charged with conspiracy to murder James Kauffman, although prosecutors offered no details on the plot.

"Prior to 2011, James Kauff-

man and Ferdinand Augello had a relationship which centered on James Kauffman's medical practice," prosecutors said. "In the summer of 2011, James Kauffman solicited Ferdinand Augello to murder Kauffman's wife, April Kauffman. This appears to be for numerous reasons largely centered on April Kauffman's threats of divorce. James Kauffman stated he would sooner kill April than grant the divorce and lose 'half his empire.'"

April Kauffman was fatally shot twice inside her Linwood, N.J., home on May 10, 2012, and the case ended up with a Keys connection.

The alleged hitman, Francis Mullholland, had said he received approximately \$20,000 in cash for his role, though this number has been speculated at being higher, Tyner's office said. Mullholland has since died.

The murder payment was picked up on the day of the murder by Beverly Augello, along with additional scripts that were used to obtain drugs that day, and the money was given to Ferdinand Augello, prosecutors said.

Tyner's office decided to put the pieces of the puzzle together.



Augello



Ferdinand Augello



Kauffman

SEE AUGELLO, 2A

LESSONS FROM IRMA

County official: Defying evacuation order is 'Russian roulette'

■ Debris removal, communication and housing issues dominate a Big Pine Key meeting with county officials.

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Re-entry after a Category 4 disaster like Hurricane Irma can affect public safety in the form of homes being looted and also hinder efforts to restore utilities, said Monroe County Emergency Management Director Marty Senterfitt.

Senterfitt stood his ground on the mandatory evacuation order that was in place before the Sept. 10 Category 4 storm hammered Big Pine Key and other spots in the Florida Keys. Those who survived unscathed were lucky, he suggested.

"That's like putting a gun to your head and when you win you say, 'I'm smart,'" Senterfitt told a crowd of more than 100 Lower Keys residents at a two-hour meeting Monday night at Keys Community Church.

"No, you're not. You shouldn't be playing the game," he said. "You need to listen to what we're telling you."

A woman in the back said in 50 years on Big Pine, Irma marked the first time she fled the Keys pre-storm.

"I promise I won't do that again," said the woman, who wouldn't give her name to a reporter.

Senterfitt's comments came after the woman's show of defiance.

Issues such as housing, post-storm communication with the public and debris removal dominated a meeting that at moments turned emotional.



Gastesi

When County Administrator Roman Gastesi said of debris removal, which remains an issue in the Lower Keys, "It's more frustrating to us than it is to you," the crowd roared back, "No."

The meeting was among several the county held to elicit feedback about the storm and officials' response. The goal, officials said, is to form a Monroe County emergency reserve corps of sorts, perhaps 50 to 100 people who, like in the days of all-volunteer fire departments, could step up when dangerous storms arise and help officials steer the response.

Asked what they liked about the post-Irma response, several people

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OUR ENVIRONMENT

Reservoir plans won't save bay, Keys guides fear

■ Florida Keys and mainland fishing guides contend proposals for freshwater storage area near Lake Okeechobee fall short of restoration goals.

BY KEVIN WADLOW
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Proposed designs for a costly freshwater reservoir south of Lake Okeechobee won't get the job done for Florida Bay, many Florida Keys fishing guides agree.

"We need to do this the way it's supposed to be done," Steve Friedman, commodore of the Florida Keys Fishing Guides Association, said Tuesday.

"Our livelihood depends on it," Friedman said. "We know the condition of [Florida] Bay. We want to see it improve and we know we have to get involved to make it happen."

More than 100 guides from the Keys and Southwest Florida's Captains for Clean Water group met with conservationists Jan. 9 in Islamorada to review plans for the storage-and-treatment reservoir newly forwarded by the South Florida Water Management District, the state agency overseeing Everglades system restoration efforts.

"What the Water Management District is talking about is one of the most disturbing things I've seen," Friedman said. "It's really scary.... When you look at the models of existing and future water flows into Florida Bay, to the naked eye you can't see a real difference for the bay."

The guides signed an open letter to Gov. Rick Scott asking him to intervene in the process to ensure the reservoir achieves its intended environmental function.



BENNY BLANCO Captains for Clean Water

Fishing guides meeting Jan. 9 in Islamorada sign a letter to Gov. Rick Scott seeking his support in upgrading a reservoir plan deemed critical to protecting Florida Bay and coastal estuaries. Current designs won't do the job, guides contend.

Thomas Van Lent, a Key Largo resident who serves as chief scientist to the nonprofit Everglades Foundation, said at the meeting that current proposals to build a smaller but deeper reservoir "were untenable and specifically would not allow adequate cleansing for stored water before being sent to the Florida Bay," according to the Florida Keys guides group.

"We need sheet flow," Fried-

man said. "We need cattails to serve as the cleaning agent for the water, and cattails can't grow in water 14 feet deep."

Some of the proposed models would go as deep as 23 feet, according to a Water Management District summary issued this week. A larger, shallower reservoir is critical, conservation-group scientists contend.

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LOWER KEYS

Police: Car thief expands his crime spree

■ **Adrian Diaz faces a host of charges, including theft of a car and handguns, and so does his friend.**

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The Monroe County Sheriff's Office caught a Big Coppitt Key man the agency says pulled off a crime spree, complete with a car chase and stealing guns, on Jan. 7.

Adrian Diaz, 20, was arrested Monday on multiple felony charges, having been wanted on a warrant that only begins with grand theft of a silver Lexus stolen from a home on Cudjoe Key and fleeing and eluding police.

"Diaz was spotted numerous times driving the car and each time, man-

aged to elude deputies, refusing to stop and driving dangerously when he fled from them," said Deputy Becky Herrin, spokeswoman for the Sheriff's Office.

Detectives obtained incriminating videos Diaz had taken of himself with the stolen Lexus, the agency said. His bond is set at \$140,000.

In addition to being charged under the warrant with auto theft and fleeing and eluding, Diaz faces additional charges related to vehicle burglaries that took place between Rockland Key and Bay Point overnight between Sunday and Monday.

Detectives found video from a video surveillance system at a residence on Calle Uno Drive on Rockland Key, where two hand-



Diaz

Gartenmayer

guns were stolen from two of the burglarized vehicles. The video shows a vehicle and a suspect in the case entering the two vehicles, the Sheriff's Office says.

About noon on Monday, some of the items stolen were found in a Dumpster at the Chevron Station on Big Coppitt Key, along with some other items from other vehicle burglaries that took place in other locations.

About 1:30 p.m., one of the victims from the burglaries on Calle Uno Drive called detectives to report

the same vehicle caught on video burglarizing his vehicle had just turned around at the end of his street and drove past him, almost hitting him. He said a male was driving and a female was a passenger.

The vehicle was spotted at 3:30 p.m. southbound on the Boca Chica Bridge.

Detective David Cruz got behind it as it entered the city of Key West. He tried to stop the vehicle, which used "evasive maneuvers, turning multiple times and running several stop signs," Herrin said.

The vehicle was finally stopped on 1st Street. The driver was 20-year-old Priscilla Gartenmayer, of Key West. The vehicle was hers and the passenger was Diaz. Both of them jumped out of the car and ran, Herrin said, but were soon

caught.

Diaz was carrying a backpack. Inside, detectives found three handguns, one of which was stolen from one of the vehicles burglarized on Calle Uno Drive overnight, the agency said. Also in the backpack were more than 250 grams of marijuana.

Herrin said Gartenmayer admitted to detectives that she had driven Diaz around the night before, dropping him off in several locations. Those locations coincided with some of the vehicle burglaries that took place overnight, including on Bay Point.

A search of her vehicle turned up numerous items stolen in vehicle burglaries reported to the Sheriff's Office including a number of debit and credit cards and some house keys,

police said.

Diaz faces additional charges including grand theft, two counts grand theft of a firearm, theft, two counts armed burglary of a vehicle, burglary of a vehicle, three counts possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, and sale and possession of marijuana.

Gartenmayer faces charges including fleeing and eluding police, burglary of a vehicle, two counts armed burglary of a vehicle, burglary of a vehicle, grand theft, two counts grand theft of a firearm, theft, and two counts use or possession of another person's identification without their consent.

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UPPER KEYS

Two hurt in Key Largo motorcycle crash

■ **Local residents airlifted to Miami in 'serious but stable' condition, FHP reports**

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Two Key Largo residents suffered serious injuries after a motorcycle crash

Monday near mile marker 96, the Florida Highway Patrol reports.

Mark S. Pidbirny, 55, and Sandra C. Cardenas, 54, both were flown by hel-

icopter ambulance to Ryder Trauma Center in Miami after the 1:38 p.m. accident. The two both were described as being in "serious but stable" condition.

They were headed north on U.S. 1 riding a 1998 Honda 650L motorcycle, a lightweight dual-sport vehicle, when it "veered onto the northbound bike

lane" and crashed onto its left side, the FHP reported.

Cause of the crash remains was not immediately apparent. No charges were filed at the scene. It was unknown whether the riders were wearing helmets.

BEACH ADVISORIES

The Monroe County Health Department tests Keys beaches every two weeks for the presence of enteric bacteria. There currently are no health advisories against swimming at Keys beaches.

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KEYS WEATHER

Keep your sweater handy, cold is coming

■ **It'll dip into the mid-50s in the Keys tonight and warm up later in the week.**

BY KATIE ATKINS
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It's not a cold front, but a "reinforcing surge of cooler air" headed for the Florida Keys tonight and Thursday.

Senior forecaster Chip Kasper with the National Weather Service in Key West said temperatures will dip into the mid-50s tonight throughout most of the islands, lasting through Thursday.

"We won't make it out of the mid-60s Thursday," he said.

There's a large pool of

cold arctic air over much of North America, Kasper said, and winds blowing out of the north are kind of rooted in the air mass.

It will be sunny but windy and cool then warm up gradually later this week with a 20 percent chance of rain Saturday and Sunday.

"It's going to stay breezy, too, for the mariners.

We're looking at pretty breezy north winds with a little lull on Friday," he said. "It's really going to average between 15 and 25 knots and may lull on Friday a little bit near 10 to 15 knots, but we'll be right around 20 into the weekend."

There aren't any big storm systems in the fore-

cast, and the lower temperatures seen this month are far from record territory, he said.

"Records this time of year are in the 40s," he said, adding in 2010 there was a record cold outbreak for about two weeks. "That's when iguanas start falling out of trees."

The record high Tuesday was 90 degrees in 1877, he said.

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At least 100 people attended a county meeting on officials' response to Hurricane Irma on Monday night on Big Pine Key.

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LOWER KEYS

quickly mentioned faith-based groups who showed up to clear debris and help residents dig out from the hurricane's wrath.

"People forget their differences and our amazing community works together," said Giancarlo Espinosa.

Plenty of those attending had criticism for the county, particularly when it comes to debris removal.

"Why is the hardest-hit area the last one to get picked up?" asked Tommy Ryan. "Six months of the year is hurricane

season. You can't tell me you weren't prepared."

Senterfitt said finding sites to store both land and marine debris proved difficult in the land-strapped Florida Keys. Sites reserved for marine debris were quickly filled up with vegetation, he said.

"We're not happy about it," Senterfitt said. "They really thought they had a good plan in place, whoever wrote the plan the last time. We want to do better next time."

Lenore Baker told officials that next time

bring in rolling Dumpsters and put them in every neighborhood so people can dispose of debris near home.

"Instead of taking their trucks and going to the edge of the wetlands and doing it," Baker said. "Whoever's dumped that stuff should be prosecuted." She said paint, Styrofoam and insulation materials have been illegally dumped.

The last input session for residents is Jan. 22 at Sugarloaf Fire Station, 17175 Overseas Highway, Sugarloaf Key. It goes from 6 to 8 p.m.

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AUGELLO

"The investigation was sort of dormant," Tyner said in an interview with Headline News, adding the case was initially a mystery. He was appointed in March 2017 and ordered his staff to identify homicides that could be solved. His team decided the April Kauffman murder was one of them.

"Basically, we had some assistance with the local field office of the FBI who had been investigating pill mills and some other illegal drug operations," Tyner said. "It was believed at the time Dr. Kauffman had some involvement."

James Kauffman had an arrangement with certain Pagans in which he would give free prescriptions for oxycontin to whoever they sent his way. Those people would either fill them or

sell them. Ferdinand Augello allegedly received \$1,000 per script or a pre-determined number of pills once a script was filled.

Kauffman remains in custody at the Atlantic County Justice Facility, where he has been detained since June 13, 2017

Following the murder, the drug enterprise continued for five additional years, prosecutors said: "Those receiving pills did change during that time; however, every person to be involved in the drug enterprise was a Pagan, former Pagan or an associate of a Pagan. The enterprise folded in June of 2017 with the arrest of James Kauffman."

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FLORIDA BAY

Senate Bill 10 in the 2017 session, which authorizes work on the storage reservoir. Estimated costs could run from \$1.3 billion to \$1.7 billion, reports indicate. The state and federal governments are expected to share the costs. Planning will continue through 2018.

"Harmful Lake Okeechobee discharges have plagued the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie Rivers for decades," a Captains for Clean Water statement released Monday says. "Meanwhile, Florida Bay has been starved of freshwater, which resulted in a 40,000-acre seagrass die-off in the summer of 2015.

The SFWMD did not give SB10 a fair chance. They designed concepts for a reservoir that are simply too small, at the expense of America's Everglades, our jobs and our economy."

The "reservoir will significantly reduce harmful Lake Okeechobee discharges, improve flow to the Everglades and achieve state water-quality standards," a statement from SFWS board chairman Dan O'Keefe says. "These alternatives ... are built on a foundation of sound science."

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IRMA'S AFTERMATH

Debris count: 2.3M cubic yards

■ Also, there have been nearly 20,000 appliances hauled out due to Hurricane Irma.

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Since Category 4 Hurricane Irma struck on Sept. 10, more than 2.3 million cubic yards of hurricane debris, both vegetative and construction/demolition, and 19,250 large appliances have been removed along roads throughout the Florida Keys.

The deadline to put hurricane debris along Monroe County and private roads from mile marker 16 to 28 for guaranteed collection was Sunday so the final pass has begun in that area. County information officer Cammy Clark said Tuesday it "will take a few weeks to complete."

There is not a deadline yet to put hurricane debris along county and private roads from mile marker 28 to 40, but now is the time to get your eligible debris onto the rights of way.

The county's debris contractor just completed final passes of county roads on Conch Key and Duck Key (with the exception of

four large stumps that will be picked up with different equipment). That contractor now is completing the final pass in the city of Layton, which contracted with the county to manage its debris collection.

The Florida Department of Transportation is currently underway of its fourth and final pass along U.S. 1.

Now it is illegal to put hurricane debris anywhere in the Keys except on county and private roads from mile marker 28 to 40.

For residents in areas of the Keys where hurricane debris collection has concluded, hurricane debris can be taken to one of the county waste transfer stations for disposal or put what fits into your regular solid waste or yard waste bins for collection by your regular hauler.

The breakdown of debris collection as of Tuesday, according to Clark:

- Unincorporated Monroe County (along county and private roads) and along Layton municipal roads: 1,406,729 cubic yards of hurricane debris and more than 8,456 white goods.

The county's contractors

collected 937,825 cubic yards and 6,806 white goods of that total and DOT contractors collected 468,904 cubic yards and 2044 white goods. In the hardest-hit area between mile marker 16 and 40, county and DOT contractors have combined to collect more than 900,000 cubic yards of hurricane debris and more than 3,500 white goods.

- Along U.S. 1: 277,919 cubic yards of hurricane debris and about 1,000 white goods. This was collected by DOT contractors. So far it has collected nearly 40,000 cubic yards during this final pass.

- Marathon municipal and private roads: 286,106 cubic yards of hurricane debris and 7,409 white goods. This was collected by the city of Marathon's contractor.

- Islamorada municipal roads, as well as final collection along U.S. 1 in village limits: 214,146 cubic yards of debris and 1680 white goods. This was collected by Islamorada's contractor.

- Key West roads: 146,688 cubic yards of hurricane debris and 309 white goods.



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IN THE TORTUGAS

Arts residency turns into Irma cleanup

■ New Mexico couple completes time on Loggerhead Key.

BY MICHAEL ABATEMARCO
Santa Fe New Mexican

Each year in September, the National Parks Arts Foundation offers a month-long residency on a small, remote island in Dry Tortugas National Park 70 miles from Key West.

Artist Matthew Chase-Daniel and his wife, Julie Chase-Daniel, a writer and poet, were awarded the residency in 2017 and looked forward to spending September off the grid on the island to work together on a potential book. But Mother Nature had other plans.

The Chase-Daniels had been in the Florida Keys, awaiting transport to Loggerhead Key, when they were forced to evacuate due to the approach of Hurricane Irma, a Category 4 storm that struck Sept. 10.

After being sent back to Key West, the husband-and-wife team spent the night in Park Service housing and then were given a truck, which they drove inland to the vicinity of Orlando.

When or if they would be able to stay at Loggerhead Key and complete the residency was an open question. Park Service volunteers were slated to occupy the island in October and for a while, the residency seemed unlikely, at least for the full term of their award.

Matthew and Julie lucked out when, because of the hurricane, the volunteers slated to come in October changed their plans. The Chase-Daniels'



National Park Service

Loggerhead Key, like other places, took hits from Hurricane Irma but mostly in terms of vegetation debris.

month-long adventure turned into two when the National Parks Arts Foundation agreed to extend their stay.

Loggerhead Key is small enough that one can walk its circumference in less than an hour and a half, and the couple walked it two or three times per day. Two sea-grape bushes and an interior thicket of thorny shrubs and prickly pears are among its limited vegetation, but the island attracts various species of migratory birds, including swallows, egrets, and rap-

tors. "One day the swallows came, and there were maybe 40 swallows flying around," Matthew said. "Then the peregrine falcons and the kestrels came in and started eating the swallows. Then we gradually saw less and less of the swallows and more of the raptors."

"Everything that's there is countable: six egrets, four peregrines, one osprey," Julie added. "Then, of course, there's the marine sanctuary."

"The island is this microcosm of the equilibrium of

land and sea. The sea life is very abundant, but less knowable than what you see on land." Their daily circumambulations were meditative, the landscape marked only by small changes like something new brought ashore by the currents. "You see something go by, and you know you're going to see that same thing go by tomorrow, and the next day, and that's even on the level of seashells or sponges that wash up," Matthew said. "It creates an intimate relationship with those

things."

Part of their time was spent cleaning up after Irma, since they were the island's only occupants. Doors from an outhouse disappeared, the crumbling walls of an old boathouse were washed away, and boards from the dock were blown off, scattered and half-buried in the sand. A 200-pound air conditioner was blown 100 yards down the beach, attesting to the severity of the storm's winds.

"Luckily, the buildings weren't damaged," Julie

said. "The lighthouse has been there since 1858. At the little caretaker's cottage we stayed in, one shutter had ripped off, but there was not a lot of building repair work needed, just a lot of green-debris cleanup to do."

The result of Matthew's photographic project is something akin to old marine and botanical illustrations of the 16th through 19th centuries, cataloging different parts of specimens. It's still taking shape at his home studio in Santa Fe, N.M.

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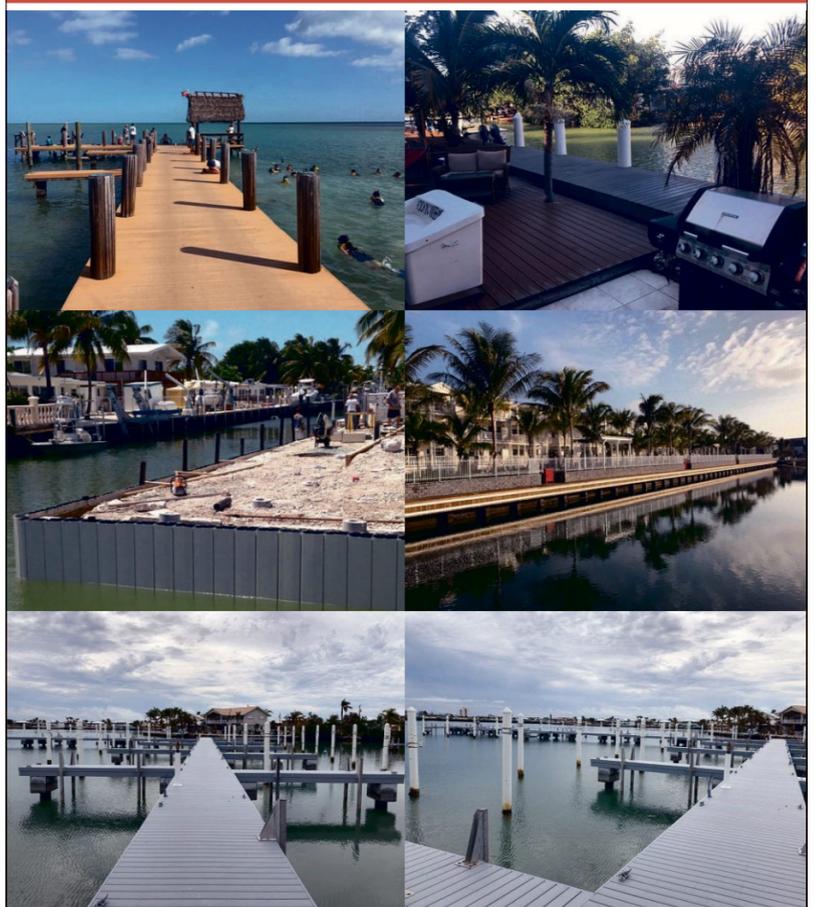
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LESSONS FROM IRMA

Hurricane committee focuses on seniors and power grid

■ **'We tried to balance some of the short-term needs alongside the long-term recommendations...'**

BY JOE REEDY
Associated Press

Florida's first major hurricane in 12 years has spawned 78 recommendations from state lawmakers seeking to improve the state's readiness before the next big one.

The 21-member House Select Committee on Hurricane Response and Preparedness, of which state Rep. Holly Raschein (R-Key Largo) is a member, approved its final report

Tuesday. It says strengthening the power grid, better management of shelters and increased care for seniors should be the top priorities.

The committee was formed by Speaker Richard Corcoran after Hurricane Irma caused widespread damage from the Florida Keys to Jacksonville. The first major storm to hit Florida since Wilma in 2005, Irma, which slammed the Keys as a Category 4 on Sept. 10, knocked out power to much of the state, affecting millions, including a South Florida nursing home where 12 people died after electricity and air conditioning went out.

"We experience changes from each storm that hits each area. Irma is different because it hit everyone and we all had those lessons at the same time," said Rep. Kristin Jacobs, a committee member.

Committee Chairwoman Jeanette Nunez said the report is not a comprehensive and exhaustive list but the best starting point for various House committees to pursue. Nunez also notes that the list includes most of the recommendations are long-term projects.

"We tried to balance some of the short-term needs alongside the long-term recommendations not only because of the fiscal

considerations but also things are going to take time for study and analysis," she said.

Both the House and Senate have bills in committees that would make backup generators mandatory at nursing homes and assisted-living facilities. Both chambers are getting closer to finding common ground on proposals to help pay for the generators, such as increasing Medicaid reimbursement rates or using state money or tax breaks.

The committee also thinks that the state can do more to better train county and local officials in managing storm shelters before the next hurricane season

starts on June 1.

"We're making sure that locals are better prepared," Nunez said.

POWER GRID

The process of restoring and hardening Florida's power grid will take longer, such as installing more underground lines. More than 6.7 million residents were without power during Irma and many faced prolonged outages. The committee's recommendations stopped short of recommending underground power lines but did recommend the state's Public Service Commission study all feasible measures as well as funding some storm hardening projects.

Jacobs, a Democrat from Coconut Creek, said he welcomes any steps to improve power infrastructure but was concerned he hadn't see the issue of more underground power lines being addressed yet.

"I am confident the issue

will be addressed but I don't know the timeline," he said.

After a record 6.5 million people were evacuated because of Irma, there are recommendations to establish petroleum distribution centers throughout the state and provide residents with a real-time, web-based evacuation route tool.

Nunez, a Republican who represents a Miami district, said she was proud of the committee's work in trying to provide a framework for as many issues as possible.

"I believe that we did get a little comfortable in our planning and resiliency efforts since we had not been impacted by a storm in over a decade," she said. "Human nature is you move on to next big issue. From the Legislature's perspective we need to keep bringing it to the forefront and not ever get comfortable again."



AL SEIB Los Angeles Times/TNS

A line of oil rigs sits in the Santa Barbara Channel off the California coast. A Trump administration plan to expand oil drilling included Florida, surprising industry analysts. But Florida was withdrawn after Gov. Rick Scott raised concerns.

OIL DRILLING

Atlantic would likely not pan out for drilling

■ **Even if the feds allowed it, history shows there's no money in it off Florida and the Keys.**

BY JENNY STALETOVICH
Miami Herald

The offshore drilling rigs that pepper the central Gulf of Mexico off Louisiana and Texas tap some of the nation's richest oil and natural gas reserves.

That proven and profitable productivity is why the energy industry has pushed for decades to open vast Gulf waters off Florida's West Coast to exploration and drilling.

But it's far less likely for rigs to rise off Miami Beach, Islamorada or anywhere else along Florida's heavily populated Atlantic coast — and that was the case even before the Trump administration last week pulled state waters "off the table" after a Tallahassee meeting that seemed intended to boost Gov. Rick Scott's rumored run for U.S. Senate.

There is one big reason why: Money.

Even industry experts see little chance of making much of it plumbing the depths of the Florida Straits and Atlantic coast, at least barring the discovery of some unexpected mother lode or a skyrocketing upturn in oil and gas prices.

"I've been involved in the oil and gas industry a long time, but even I am sitting back scratching my head," said David Dismukes, head of Louisiana State University's Center for Energy Studies. "If you look at where crude is trading now, we're not in a favorable environment for high-cost risks."

Florida's Gulf waters have long been considered the next offshore frontier for the energy industry. It's a thoroughly studied region that could be easily and economically connected to

an existing network of pipelines, supply ships and refineries. Florida's Atlantic coast, on the other hand, represents an expensive gamble in a region with a history of losing bets.

KEYS DRILLING

The last time the shelf along the nation's east coast was explored was in 1984, and most previous drilling efforts, including some off the Florida Keys more than a half century ago, were shut down and classified as "dry holes." Florida's east coast — packed with hotels and condos — boasts no pipelines or refineries to support offshore projects.

While the Trump administration's proposal would potentially open much of the nation's offshore waters to exploration, the energy industry has to calculate the payoff before pulling the trigger to actually drill. Exploration is expensive and developing a new area can take years or decades. There has to be enough of a resource to cover the massive costs of producing oil or gas offshore.

"You don't just snap your fingers and say we're going to be energy dominant," Dismukes said. "These are decisions that run 40 years, not four years."

Exploration in Florida waters has not been fruitful in the past. Only 11 leases have ever been purchased off the state, most in the Gulf of Mexico and the last in 1985. In 2005, then-Gov. Jeb Bush settled a lawsuit from an Apalachicola oil company looking for natural gas by buying its leases for \$12.5 million.

For decades, objections from state politicians and overwhelming public resistance also have helped keep the state out of play, a line-in-the-sand reinforced after BP's Deepwater Horizon rig exploded in 2010, killing 11 workers and dumping nearly 3 million barrels of oil.

Off Florida, the Bureau of

Ocean Energy Management estimated in 2016 that the Blake Plateau basin, a 38,000-square-mile Jurassic formation, may hold an average of about 330 million barrels of oil and about 460 billion cubic feet of gas. The South Florida Basin, which includes the Florida Straits, could hold about 250 million barrels and 238 billion cubic feet of gas. But that's just a fraction of the more lucrative Gulf, which holds 10 times more oil and nearly four times more gas than the entire Atlantic.

There is also significant doubt about those numbers among energy industry analysts. Those federal assessments are based on decades-old data from previous drilling, they say, or models using information from geologic formations with similar architecture. They were also completed under the Obama administration.

"I don't know of anyone who has done a comprehensive analysis that would really give you a true understanding of what's out there right now," Dismukes said.

CUBA EFFORTS

That's why ongoing activity in Cuba has drawn so much interest. Cuba opened up its waters in 2013, and so far a handful of companies have sunk wells. None has scored a significant find yet.

"You have some of the most relevant information coming in," said Kevin Book, managing director of ClearView Energy Partners. "Companies operating in those waters are not being horribly successful, but they're looking and drilling exploratory wells and why they're doing it is because geologists, when they reassembled the Pangaeon jigsaw puzzle, they thought it could be a thing, that it could be a simulacrum of West Africa and Nigeria."

To translate the oil tech talk, that means geologists suspect the continents that were once joined share the same vast oil reserves. So what's true of Africa's west coast could be true of America's east coast. But without more data, it remains a risky gamble.

"If you don't know what the rocks have in them,

there's a decent chance of spending a lot of money for nothing," Book said. "And the history of that area is spending a lot of money for nothing."

The only time oil was explored off the Atlantic coast was between 1976 and 1983, when the U.S. auctioned off nine areas. Nearly 400 leases were purchased that covered more than 2.3 million square miles. Of those, 51 wells were drilled. Only natural gas was discovered in 450 feet of water off the northeast coast in the Baltimore Canyon, according to the BOEM. The wells were ultimately abandoned because production would have required numerous wells with not enough production.

Florida has only had three lease sales off its east coast and eight, including the state's first lease sale off the Florida Keys in 1959, in the Gulf. So far, only natural gas has been found in the Destin Dome off the Panhandle. But the state blocked drilling, which landed it in court and eventually resulted in Bush's settlement.

Still, old wells that turned up dry might now be considered productive with advances in technology, said David Mica, executive director of the Florida Petroleum Council. That's why the industry wants clearance to take a new and more sophisticated look.

It's not clear how much of the eastern Gulf will be opened to drilling. While Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, after a brief meeting last week with Scott, said he was taking Florida "off the table," he has not released details.

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These are damaged homes on Big Pine Key three days after Hurricane Irma hit.

HURRICANE RELIEF

Irma by the latest numbers

■ \$172 million-plus doled out to renters and homeowners in the Keys.

CONTRIBUTED

Monroe County homeowners and renters impacted by Hurricane Irma have received more than \$172.4 million in federal funding for housing, flood insurance claims and other recovery needs from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, a county official says.

Monroe County has helped facilitate some of FEMA's programs. Here is the latest since Hurricane Irma struck the Keys as a Category 4 on Sept. 10:

FEMA has provided \$59.8 million in grants to more than 16,400 Monroe County homeowners and renters. FEMA grants can include money for temporary rental assistance, home repairs and other needs not covered by insurance, such as replacing destroyed personal property.

The National Flood Insurance Program, which is part of FEMA, has paid \$112.6 million in flood insurance claims to Monroe County policyholders, according to preliminary data.

To date, the U. S. Small Business Administration had approved nearly \$147 million in low-interest disaster loans for residents, business owners and non-profits in Monroe County. This includes 1,901 home loans totaling \$101.9 million, 380 business loans totaling \$39.1 million and 87 Economic Injury Disaster Loans totaling \$5.6 million.

To date, 231 Monroe County households have received temporary housing supplied by FEMA. This includes 203 households that have been licensed into temporary travel trailers and 28 households living in FEMA direct-lease properties.

Part of the FEMA license agreement for a travel



This GOES-16 satellite image taken Sept. 8 shows Irma two days before the hurricane pounded the Keys.

trailer requires the applicant to search for long-term housing options. Every 30 days FEMA evaluates each applicant's eligibility to remain in the trailer.

Survivors do not apply for a travel trailer or direct-lease property. FEMA will call survivors if they are eligible for direct housing.

As of Jan. 8, members of 270 Monroe County households who have uninhabitable primary residences and have encountered difficulty finding an appropriate place to rent were staying in hotels under FEMA's Transitional Sheltering Assistance program. That number is down from a cumulative high of about 2,860.

This temporary hotel program deadline has been extended more than once, based on survivor needs and rental property availability. Continued eligibility for each household is determined on a case-by-case basis, so the program's check-out deadline may or may not apply to a specific household.

Monroe County is working with charitable organizations on case management for the households in the temporary hotel program and other people who are displaced to help them find housing.

FEMA has conducted more than 21,735 home inspections in Monroe County for assistance eligi-

bility. About 99.9 percent of the eligibility home inspections have been completed. As more inspections are done, more FEMA grant money for uninsured losses, such as for home repairs, may be approved for survivors. This process can help more people move back home or find alternative housing.

By law, FEMA cannot duplicate insurance payments. About 29,000 insurance claims have been filed in Monroe County, according to the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation's Hurricane Irma webpage.

Another program activated in Monroe County is called Sheltering and Temporary Essential Power. Monroe County is receiving up to \$10 million for this program that provides up to \$20,000 in temporary emergency repairs, so survivors can remain in their homes while more permanent repairs are made.

The deadline to register for this program has passed.

For the STEP program, 318 households registered with 201 right-of-entry forms completed by the deadline. As of Jan. 8, 154 inspections had been completed. Construction has been completed for nine homes and another 18 have construction in progress.

CRIME FRONT

Tennessee couple traveled to the Keys in stolen truck, deputies say

■ They find what appears to be cocaine, along with paraphernalia inside the Nissan Titan.

BY DAVID GOODHUE
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Gowan



Reese

A Tennessee couple was arrested in the Lower Keys Sunday afternoon in a pickup truck police say was stolen from Highlands County earlier that day.

In addition to grand theft charges, Crystal Reese, 33, and Neal Gowan, 44, will also likely face felony drug charges after Monroe County Sheriff's Office deputies found an unmarked prescription pill bottle containing what appeared to be cocaine.

Deputy Becky Herrin, media relations officer for the Sheriff's Office, said the drug charges are pending further testing of the suspected cocaine.

Deputy Seth Hopp spotted the Nissan Titan truck Gowan was driving at mile marker 30 on U.S. 1

around 1:15 p.m., and he found out it was reported stolen after calling in the license plate. Hopp pulled the vehicle over at mile marker 14. Reese initially provided deputies the bogus name of Crystal Brooks when asked for identification.

Both Gowan and Reese told deputies they had permission to take the truck, but a check with the Highlands County Sheriff's Office confirmed it was stolen, and the vehicle's owner said Reese took it without permission.

"The victim said Reese and Gowan had been staying at his house and when he woke up, they and the truck were gone," Herrin wrote in a press release.

Reese finally told Hopp

her real name. After entering her name in his squad car computer, a warrant from Coffee County, Tenn., turned up for Reese. She's wanted for failure to appear in court on drug-related charges, Herrin said.

Along with the suspected cocaine, deputies found in the truck a glass pipe and a grinder usually used to prepare illegal drugs, Herrin said.

"Most of these illegal items were found on the passenger side of the vehicle, where Reese had been sitting," Herrin said.

Gowan was arrested on one count of grand theft of a motor vehicle and is being held on a \$10,000 bond. Reese was booked on grand theft auto, providing a false identification to law enforcement and drug equipment possession charges. She's being held on a \$15,000 bond.

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STATE LEGISLATURE

Bill would waive storm-supply taxes

■ There would be two one-week windows to stock up.

NEWS SERVICE OF FLORIDA

Floridians would be able to buy hurricane supplies without paying sales taxes during two weeks in June and July under a bill approved Tuesday by a key state Senate committee.

The Finance and Tax Appropriations Subcommittee unanimously backed the proposal (SB 620), which would create

tax "holidays" from June 1 through June 7 and from July 6 through July 12.

The bill includes numerous items that would be exempt from sales taxes during the periods, such as portable radios costing \$75 or less; tarps costing \$50 or less; gas or diesel fuel tanks costing \$25 or less; cell-phone chargers costing \$40 or less; carbon-monoxide detectors costing \$75 or less; and portable generators costing \$1,000 or less.

The annual six-month hurricane season starts

June 1. Finance and Tax Chairwoman Kelli Stargel (R-Lakeland) said the two tax-free periods would cover the start of hurricane season and a later period when people start becoming more aware of hurricane threats.

"We all wait until we get the notice that the hurricane is upon us, and we all go and line up at Home Depot and there's nothing left," bill sponsor Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples) said. "So I think, having this in the back of our mind, we're saving money, people will go ahead and buy the items ahead of time."

The proposal is now slated to go to the Senate Appropriations Committee.



The arresting officers show what they seized from the boat.

MIDDLE KEYS

Four charged with 165 short lobsters

■ They face a boatload of misdemeanors, plus felonies.

BY LARRY KAHN
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Four Marathon men face dozens of charges each after state marine officers found 165 short lobsters and three out of season and undersized hogfish on their boat around midnight Saturday.

Arrested on the bayside of Marathon were the *Perseverance* captain Alfre-

do Gonzalez-Tapia, 48; Frank Gonzalez, 20; Yordany Rodriguez Mormol, 26; and Fernando Garcia, 47. Each is charged with one count of felony violation of conservation rules.

Gonzalez-Tapia is also charged with 334 misdemeanor counts. The other three also face two misdemeanor charges each, according to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

FWC Keys spokesman Bobby Dube says four officers were patrolling when they saw the boat

and stopped it. The commercial lobster boat was escorted back to a dock by the officers and once on land, another inspection was performed on the vessel and the remaining lobster traps that were aboard.

All 173 of the traps had trap and buoy violations that resulted in more charges. The vessel was seized along with the GPS units. The four were taken to jail and then released on their own recognizance the following day.

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EDITORIAL

Watch out: The Legislature's in session

The Florida Legislature officially got back to doing the people's business on Jan. 9. As always, there are tons of issues that will have an impact — for good or for ill — on Floridians' quality of life.

HURRICANES

Although Florida and its leaders generally received high marks for getting the state through fickle Hurricane Irma, the storm's lessons cannot be ignored.

The horrific, and wholly unnecessary, deaths of more than a dozen residents in the Hollywood Hills Rehabilitation Center who languished in the hot facility long after it lost electrical power must lead to requiring nursing homes

to install back-up generators. This is the main issue in dispute. Lawmakers should ensure nursing homes have the wherewithal to comply — tax breaks could help — and ultimately, legislators must keep the health and well-being of nursing-home residents top of mind.

Still, lawmakers seem loath to tackle the weaknesses in infrastructure, but must put new limits on construction in high-risk areas on the table.

The Miami Herald's "Fight Club" investigative series exposed the brutal conditions at some juvenile centers where guards encouraged youths to dish out punishment to fellow

detainees, sometimes with fatal results. The series provided an impetus for lawmakers to seek reforms and accountability to protect young people the state is charged — or should be charged — with helping find a straighter path. It should also ensure any adults culpable for initiating deadly fights are criminally punished.

TEXTING

Support is growing to make Florida the 46th state in which texting while driving is a primary offense, not a secondary offense. In other words, police would pull over a driver simply for texting.

This is the goal of HB 33, sponsored by Reps.

Jackie Toledo (R-Tampa) and Emily Slosberg (D-Boca Raton). But not so fast. Some members of the legislative black caucus are unwilling to give police more power, fearing that it could encourage more racial profiling. It's not an unfounded fear.

HARASSMENT

Already rattled by the sexual misbehavior of Florida lawmakers who have been forced to resign, two Broward Democrats have filed legislation to create new penalties for sexual misconduct by public officials and establish a permanent task force to break the code of silence in Tallahassee. Kudos to bill sponsors,

Sen. Lauren Book (D-Plantation) and Rep. Kristin Jacobs (D-Coconut Creek).

ENVIROMENT

Ever since Floridians overwhelmingly approved Amendment 1 in 2014 to pump new life into the Florida Forever land-buying program, lawmakers have, instead, been starving it to death. They have siphoned the money for other uses, including salary increases for parks employees.

This runs directly counter to what their constituents wanted when they approved Amendment 1 with 75 percent of the vote statewide. The amendment's intent is to help the

state buy and protect environmentally fragile and natural places. This hasn't happened, thanks to lawmakers who go loony when there's a big pot of money around.

Sen. Rob Bradley (R-Fleming Island) is seeking \$100 million for Florida Forever. Bravo. Gov. Rick Scott is only asking for \$50 million. Bradley's request needs to be supported. Otherwise, lawmakers better explain why they prefer to let their constituents wade knee-deep onto streets that flood on a sunny day rather than preserve wetlands that can serve as a sponge.

— MIAMI HERALD

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

UNPLUG YOUR KIDS

Today's young children have some competition.

Thanks to the increased use of mobile devices and social media, attaining mom or dad's full attention is a lot more challenging today than it was for my generation. Cellphones and tablets, while useful, have become obstacles to families spending quality one-on-one time together. Parent interaction is key to building memories as a family, but also for a child's personal and educational growth.

As a mom of two young children, I'm committed to my role in their development as my children's first teacher. As we approached the new year, I made a resolution to spend less time on my mobile device and more quality time at home talking, reading and singing with my boy and girl. I invite parents across the Keys to join me and take the Early Learning Coalition's pledge to Unplug and Connect at www.unplugconnect.com.

Sharing quality time together at an early age is not only vital to a child's success, it's fun.

— Heather Carruthers, Key West

NO TO HOMES PLAN

Developer Joe Walsh recently said he's going back to the drawing board with his efforts to turn the environmentally sensitive former Shrimp Farm prop-



Keynoter

The letter writer says hang up the phone to get closer to your kids.

erty on Summerland Key into a high-density residential complex. But according to Matthew Fowler and Caron Balkany, attorneys for a group of Summerland Key residents opposing this development, the project has so many legal and regulatory obstacles, would cause so many traffic problems and is so unsuited to the environmentally sensitive property in a rural community that it's virtually impossible to fix back at the drawing board.

● It isn't restricted to worker housing, despite the developers' claims.

The developers claim the project is worker housing for two wage-earner em-

ployee households. But the application doesn't say this. Given the history of developer boondoggles with projects claiming to be for affordable housing which weren't, no one should listen to a claim about affordable housing or worker housing until it's in writing, and binding.

● It would push out other projects designed for land that isn't environmentally sensitive like Shrimp Farm.

Perhaps the worst thing about this project is that it would use up a large portion of the county's last remaining affordable housing building permit allocations and taxpayer-funded tax credits to build a high-density project on envi-

ronmentally sensitive lands, contrary to all existing zoning laws and land-use requirements, when there are other affordable housing projects in the pipeline in areas that are properly zoned for them and near the employment areas and thus have reduced traffic impacts. Projects which need those building allocations and tax credits.

● It's on environmentally sensitive land, critical habitat for endangered species, part of a wildlife corridor, and surrounded by state conservation lands.

The developers struggle to have the property rezoned "disturbed uplands" so they can fill ponds and build a massively out of scale project nine large buildings, four stories with one level of parking and three levels of 115 apartments units and 230 parking spaces. But the property has intact critical habitat for endangered species, coastal mangrove fringes and mangrove fringes around existing ponds as well as saltmarsh. It's environmentally sensitive and part of a wildlife corridor, surrounded by state conservation lands.

● It faces so many regulatory and legal obstacles designed to prevent exactly what the developers are trying to do that it's unlikely to ever be approved or to withstand legal challenge

The Shrimp Farm devel-

opers site plan requires locating the driveway on adjoining land owned by the State, not by the developers," said Matthew Fowler, an architect for Shrimp Farm opponent. "The developers first would have to acquire the adjoining parcel (unlikely because it would allow a private for-profit development to benefit from state-owned public lands and because it is state conservation land).

"If developers somehow were able to acquire it, they still would have to obtain a permit from the Army Corps of Engineers (unlikely because of the wetlands and the fact that there is an alternative, the existing driveway) and receive approval from the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Economic Opportunity, which is opposed to re-zoning of native land for high-density development. And then also get approval to build a driveway on the state-owned property, which allows no driveways and requires 100 percent open space, and which the state just spent a great deal of taxpayer money restoring to functioning wetlands," Fowler added.

"It's really very very wrong of these developers to try to push ahead of the thoughtfully planned affordable housing projects already in the pipeline and in planning which need the limited building allocations and tax credits available

for real worker housing," said Caron Balkany, another attorney for opponents. "Mr. Walsh has been actively exploring development of the Shrimp Farm as an aquaculture project. The community would wholeheartedly support that because the zoning is proper, the environmentally sensitive character of the property would be maintained and there would not be a significant increase in traffic.

"We respectfully request that he pursue that as an appropriate development and not use up so much of the remaining affordable housing building allocations the county desperately needs on this ill-suited, ill-sited and over-built project. The proposed high-density development stinks like old shrimp."

— Don DeMaria, Summerland Key

YOUR OPINION

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COUNTY COMMISSION

County staff warns against getting used FEMA trailers

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A possible donation of used trailers for Florida Keys residents made homeless by Hurricane Irma may come with too many strings, Monroe County staff plans to advise county commissioners today.

"While the donation of used travel trailers may provide an option for additional temporary housing opportunities, there may be issues with the county accepting the travel trailers," says a Planning Department agenda report to county commissioners, meeting today at the Marathon Government Center.

State emergency-relief officials in November asked the Federal Emergency Agency about the

possibility of acquiring travel trailers previously used for temporary housing for possible use in Monroe County and three other Florida counties battered by Irma Sept. 10.

"In particular, housing resources in Monroe County are extraordinarily limited due to strict growth restrictions, floodplain management requirements, lack of affordable housing and competition with winter vacation and spring-summer tourist season timelines and rental pricing," says a FEMA response.

However, a Monroe County staff advisory to commissioners "does not recommend accepting used travel trailers due to the potential risks, maintenance and liability issues."

Those issues include the need for additional staff to oversee trailer transportation, finding suitable sites, installation, potential repairs, legal liability, and determining who would be allowed to occupy the units.

In other issues at today's session, commissioners:

● Will hear progress on a proposed ordinance requiring mandatory metal roofs, and whether a state-law change is needed to enact it.

"The limits imposed by current law have made it impossible for the county to adopt an ordinance requiring the use of metal or other roofing materials which performed better than other types materials during Hurricane Irma," says a report from the county attorney's

office. Commissioners will be asked if they wish to seek legislative approval to "support legislation that would provide local governments located in an Area of Critical State Concern with the authority to regulate by local ordinance the use of certain types of building materials..."

● Consider a proposed development agreement with Quarry Partners LLC for a 208-unit workforce housing project on Big Coppitt Key.

A development agreement outlines what may be done with a property, but additional building permits would be needed. Commissioners also will be asked to waive about \$616,000 in permit fees so proposed rents would be made more affordable. Developers also have asked for help with a planned access road, estimated to cost more than \$1 million.

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KEY WEST

Commissioner Romero making a run for mayor

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Key West City Commissioner Margaret Romero says she will run for the city's mayoral office this fall, giving up her District 5 seat one way or the other.

Romero, elected in 2015, calls herself a "steadfast voice of reason" on behalf of the entire community and a "smart professional woman who maintains her composure under pressure."

Romero says she works for the entire city and not for what she calls special interests. On the dais, she has often clashed with Mayor Craig Cates, a longtime political rival, by asking lots of questions about many items during one meeting.

A retired IBM executive consultant and Key West native, Romero lost to Cates in the 2014 mayoral election, garnering 43.66 percent of the votes to Cate's 53.13 percent.



Romero

Sloan Bashinsky received 3.21 percent of the votes.

Romero and Bashinsky had previously run for mayor.

Romero, a longtime outspoken critic of government who used to haunt Monroe County School Board meetings, is the highest-profile candidate in the race to succeed Cates, who has been mayor since first elected in 2009 and is now term-limited.

The other six candidates, who unlike Romero have filed the paperwork with the Monroe County Supervisor of Elections Office, are David Bethune, Rick Brown, Bill Foley, Danny Hughes, Mitchell Jones and Darrin Smith. A primary will be held Aug. 28. If necessary, a runoff will be held during the general election Nov. 6.

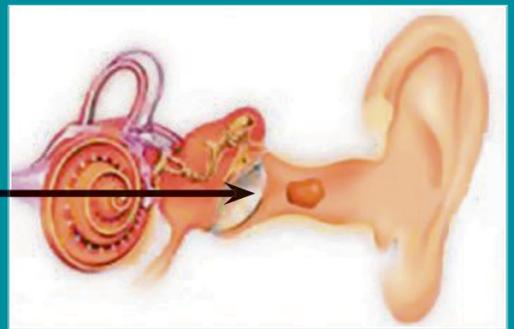
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Bill Amirault (left) and Robbie Ladd run by the Southernmost Point during the Key West Half Marathon Sunday. Amirault, from Colorado Springs, suffered ardiac arrest during the 2017 race and Ladd helped save his life.

DOLPHIN SPORTS

Marathon soccer boys end 'tough week' with a loss

■ Friday at home, the Dolphin boys lost 3-2 to Miami Community Charter.

BY KATIE ATKINS
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It was a "tough week" for the Marathon High soccer boys (3-9) after their third loss at home Friday against the independent Lions of Miami Community Charter, said coach Jeff Cox.

Earlier in the week, the boys lost 4-2 to the District 16-1A opponent Bulldogs (3-5) of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll High School last Wednesday and 3-0 to the county rival District 16-2A Conchs of Key West the day before.

Friday's 3-2 loss against the Lions was a hard pill to swallow, but the boys have made some strides as a

team, Cox said. "We learned from the losses we suffered this week," he said.

Miguel Avena scored on a header in the box. Rodrigo Avena scored on a penalty kick that was shot perfectly in the right corner of the goal, Cox said, adding the Avena brothers played multiple positions and did everything in their power to help the team.

"Our defense was again led by Luke Hoffman, who's relentless play really set the tone," he added. "Robert Gonzales also played his heart out on the defensive side of the ball."

Tuesday, the soccer boys were set to host the independent Hurricanes of Coral Shores High at the Marathon Community Park at 6 p.m. with results too late for press time.

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No. 8 Rodrigo Avena hustles to the ball Friday night for the Marathon High Dolphins against the Lions of Miami Community Charter.

CORAL SHORES

Brito scores big as Lady Canes get eighth win

■ Coral Shores High sophomore rings up 34 points in first two games of 2018.

BY KEVIN WADLOW
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Lexy Brito tore into the first Coral Shores High's girls basketball games of the new year with 34 points in a two-game span.

Brito notched a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds as the Lady Canes beat Braddock High, 53-36, in Miami last Wednesday. The sophomore also picked off five steals against Braddock (5-8) and hit three shots from behind the arc.

Natalie McCormick scored 12 points as the Canes improved to 8-4,

pending a game earlier this week against Princeton Christian. Freshman point guard Lucia Rodriguez delivered a nice stat line with nine points, five steals and four assists.

Brito also led the Canes in scoring with 14 points in a close 50-48 loss to Palmer Trinity (4-4) Jan. 9. She also grabbed 11 boards. Rodriguez added 11 points while Karina Betancourt and McCormick each scored seven points. Bella Oliver and Riley Dobson combined for 16 rebounds.

Head coach Pat Meyers' Lady Canes play at Ransom Everglades today, and at Florida Christian on Thursday.

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A year after collapse, runner and nurse reunited

■ The two are among participants in a Key West 5K.

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A Colorado man completed a 5-kilometer race Sunday with the nurse who helped save his life last year in the same competition.

Bill Amirault ran with Florida nurse anesthetist Robbie Ladd in the 5K division of the Key West Half Marathon. The 45-year-old Colorado Springs man made a Facebook video last year to find

the man and two women who had helped him when he suffered a cardiac arrest and collapsed in the race last year.

The group was reunited in an episode of Harry Connick Jr.'s syndicated talk show last April.

Robert Pedroza of Key West won the 5K (3.1 miles) with a time of 17 minutes, 45.2 seconds. He was followed by Edward Clarke of Key West (19:45.6) and Michael Krause (19:56.8)

In the half-marathon Peter Hawkins of Malverne, N.Y., beat all comers with a time of one hour, 12 minutes, 1 second. Matt Bell of

Medford, N.J., was right behind him in 1:13:28. Gene Reale of Jacksonville was third in 1:18:38.

Amirault's time in the 5K wasn't immediately available.

Keynoter staff contributed to this report.

Participants in the Key West Half Marathon cross the start line Sunday. The event attracted 4,362 runners who competed in two distance categories including the half marathon and 5K divisions.



AP

FISHING THE FLORIDA KEYS

The cold is keeping the pelagics here



BY CAPT. CHRIS JOHNSON
SeaSquared Charters

The cold fronts Florida is experiencing this month have plummeted the water temps along the central coast into the 60s, thus

forcing the wintertime pelagics down to the Keys to hang here for the season.

We're talking about king mackerel and sailfish primarily, but there is also an abundance of blackfin tuna on the wrecks just off the reef. Live baits are key to attract bites from these pelagic species. Live pilchards and cigar minnows are currently getting the most bites.

As a side note, there has been a scattering of dol-

phin offshore, but most have been picked up by anglers fishing for swordfish and other deep dwellers. January is typically not the time of year to target dolphin in the Keys.

On warmer days when the weather is stable, head to the deeper areas of the reef in the 60- to 90-foot depths to target yellowtail snappers. These fish tend to get fussy in cooler waters, so don't waste your time and resources on nasty days. Although cut

baits will work, fresh shrimp is the ticket to success with the yellowtails.

The reef is also holding plenty of kings plus some very large cero mackerel. For greatest success use live pilchards or a shrimp-tipped jighead worked back through your yellowtail slick and quickly retrieved.

Hawk Channel is delivering its usual wintertime bounty of fun-catching and good-eating fish. Variety is

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SeaSquared Charters

Jack Schmidt wanted to catch something different from what he can get back home in California. Capt. Wayne Burri and SeaSquared Charters delivered with this nice mutton snapper.

PREP BASKETBALL

Key West tops Coral Shores in the 2018 hoop opener

Hurricanes show progress heading into Thursday home game against Palm Glades, says coach.

BY KEVIN WADLOW
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Coral Shores High's boys basketball Canes went into this week's games looking for their first 2018 win.

The Hurricanes were 4-8 before Tuesday's home game against Palm Glades Prep (8-5). Results were pending.

Coral Shores stay home to host South Dade High (7-7) at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Tavernier, following a 5:30 p.m. JV start.

Key West High (6-6) beat the Canes in a 79-59 game Friday in Key West, a day after Coral Shores fell to visiting Schoolhouse Prep, 64-59. The back-to-back games in the return from holiday break took a toll, Coral Shores head coach Jarrod Mandozzi said. "You could see some

of our guys really didn't have their usual legs," said Mandozzi. "Being a little banged up and short-handed, I was concerned it might catch up to us."

"Give Key West credit," Mandozzi said. "They've got a good team."

Conch junior Lamont Woods scored 15 points, while Trevon Brown had 14 points to go with his 10 rebounds. Elijah Jefferson hit for 11 points. Coral Shores got 18 points from forward Connor Rhyne, 15 coming in the second half when the Canes mounted a rally.

"Connor was a beast offensively, just out-working and overpowering guys," Mandozzi said.

Hurricanes Juan Fleita and Elijah Woods each connected on treys to narrow the Conch lead but Key West kept up the pressure and pulled away.

Against Schoolhouse, Hurricane bench players helped keep the game

tight after the visiting Wolfpack turned Cane turnovers into a 20-point opening quarter. Coral Shores answered, led by Brandon Rowland's 10 first-half points to go into halftime down 34-29.

Robbie Prosek and Zech Rock turned in strong games, Mandozzi said.

Led by senior point guard Woods' late scoring surge, the Canes cut the gap to one point with a minute left. Coral Shores had to commit fouls to avoid a stall but the Wolfpack made the free throws.

"Elijah did a great job of controlling the pace of the game throughout and keeping us playing our game," Mandozzi said. "He was keeping his head in the game to deliver the way he did down the stretch."

Coral Shores travels to Brito Private on Monday.

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BERT BUDDÉ

LOPSIDED LOSS

Lady Conch Jada Waldon puts in two points Saturday for Key West High against the Westminster Christian Warriors. The Warriors went on to win the game, 45-16. The Conchs travel to Marathon High Thursday for a 6 p.m. game.

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JOHNSON

the name of the game in this venue. You'll catch lane, mangrove, yellowtail and even keeper-size mutton snappers. Mixed in are delicious porgies and loads of throwback hogfish and grouper. There's even mackerel, with mostly Spanish and cero and only a handful of kings.

For the snappers, a shrimp-tipped jig fished on the bottom will load up your fish box in a hurry. And for the mackerel, use the same baits as suggested for reef fishing.

The fishing in Florida Bay has slowed drastically due to the plunging water temperatures in the low-

mid-60's. With a warming trend predicted for the weekend, the water should warm up and the fish respond accordingly. Florida Bay waters cool quickly but also rebound rapidly, and it doesn't take long for the fishing to bounce back.

THE WEEK'S BEST

Snappers and mackerel dominated the catches on the SeaSquared boats last week. Lanes, yellowtails, large mangroves and im-

pressive muttons came back to the dock along with the mackerel trífecta of king, Spanish and cero. The smokers are full! There were also loads of throwback hogfish and groupers. Some quality blackfin tuna were mixed in along with a couple of sailfish landings.

Yellowtails and kingfish dominated the catches for Capt. Kevin Wilson and his guests with Knee Deep Charters out of the Geiger

Key Marina. Dan Flickstand from Winter Park caught a 25-pound king, while the O'Harriz group, from Miami, landed a pair about the same size. Limits of yellowtails completed the catches.

FREE SEMINARS

Capt. Chris Johnson hosts a series of free fishing seminars at the Hyatt Place/Faro Blanco, mile marker 48 bayside, this season. The third in the

monthly series takes place Feb. 6 with the topic "Yellowtailing 101." It runs from 6:30 to 8:30 pm and there will be prizes and giveaways.

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Puzzle by Benjamin Kramer

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- 21 Stop working
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- 26 Org. concerned with reactions
- 28 One with a beard
- 31 Option at many a fast-food restaurant
- 34 Fáiil (Irish coronation stone)
- 37 Reddit Q&A session, briefly
- 38 Old Swedish coins
- 39 Child's Christmas wish
- 40 Producer of horizontal shadows
- 44 Rodrigo de Vivar (El Cid)
- 45 Exclaim
- 46 Dance with a percussive effect
- 49 "Family Guy" daughter
- 51 Nabokov novel
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- 55 Arrive with fanfare ... or what the shaded squares do?
- 59 Not strict
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TODAY'S SOLUTIONS

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AVERAGE GAME 235-245 PTS
JUDDS TOTAL = 368

4th DOWN = 77
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WORD SCRIMMAGE SOLUTION BY JUDD HAMBROCK
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WORD SCRIMMAGE

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3rd DOWN: A2 R2 S2 E1 R2 C6 D3 (3rd Down + 40 PTS)

4th DOWN: U3 A2 E1 L2 M6 T2 E1

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CORAL SHORES

Canes soccer team seeks to avenge only loss

■ Coral Shores High sets sights on Miami rematch with St. Brendan.

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A narrow Coral Shores High soccer win over local rival Key West High last Friday was satisfying, but this week brings a chance for sweet pay-back.

The 8-1 Hurricanes travel to St. Brendan on Friday, aiming to even the score against the only team to beat the Coral Shores boys this winter.

"We're looking forward to this one," head coach Jorge Bosque said Monday. "This is the game we want to win."

St. Brendan (5-3-1) edged the Hurricanes in a 2-1 decision Dec. 15 in Tavernier, the only blemish on the Coral Shores record going into Tuesday's scheduled game against Marathon High (results pending).

Coral Shores held off Key West, 4-3, Friday in Tavernier, the score and result matching a Dec. 11 game. The Conchs dipped to 3-10.

"Key West played well," Bosque said. "We were able to play better."

Senior Bryan Placencia scored two goals for Coral Shores, including the final shot from about 35 yards out that gave the Canes a 4-2 edge. That proved to be the game-winner after the Conchs scored with about eight minutes remaining.

"We held on but we

had some defensive breakdowns that shouldn't have happened," Bosque said.

Cane Tom Nelson scored on a header off a corner kick, and Alex Jordan booted Coral Shores' second goal.

Coral Shores travels to Westland High of Hialeah on Tuesday.

GIRLS GET TIE

Coral Shores' girls soccer team ended its Friday home match against Key West in a scoreless tie.

"It was a hard-fought, typical classic battle with Key West and Coral Shores," said Cane head coach Pat Fazio. "Both teams had their chances to take the game."

Goalie Madeline Chilton made several key saves to preserve the shutout, including a stop on the goal line.

"With our multiple injuries, we didn't have the bodies," Fazio said.

The Lady Canes (6-6-1) had "a few great [scoring] opportunities" on attacks by Emma Lovell, Kyla Catarineau and Lexi Gautier, the coach noted.

Results from a scheduled Tuesday game at Marathon High were pending. Coral Shores will play in the District 16-2A Tournament, beginning Monday. First-round match sites will be decided by the higher seeds.

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UP AND OVER

Key West High's Odelton Page shoots over Westminister Warrior players Saturday evening at Bobby Menendez Gym. Key West lost the game 62-37. The loss made Key West 6-4 on the season

BERT BUDDÉ

KEYS FISHING

Fort Myers angler wins Keys tourney

■ Beach lands a 65.2-pound kingfish in the Kingfish Mayhem.

CONTRIBUTED

A 65.2-pound kingfish catch earned the Beach Marine team top honors at the Key West Kingfish Mayhem Tournament that ended Jan. 14.

Teddy Beach of Fort Myers caught the winning fish Sunday aboard the *Proress* captained by Billy Delph of Sugarloaf Key. Other Beach Marine team members were Travis Holeman and the captain's sons Daniel Delph and David Delph, all of Sugarloaf Key.

"We ran probably about 100 miles on the first day trying to find clean water," Beach said. "It was an incredible day — a battle all day because the fish were hard to find."

On the second day, the team was on the reef about 40 miles off Key West when Beach found the winning fish.

"We had a certified scale on the boat and it bottomed that scale out," Beach said of his catch. "And that had all our attention — we knew we had something to compete with."

The Xtended Play team, led by angler and captain Ozzie Fischer of Fort Myers, took second place with a 62.4-pounder. Fischer boated the kingfish on the tournament's first fishing day, leading the field until Beach Marine reported its larger catch.

Third-place honors went to Team Tuppens, skippered by Steve Sprague of Lake Worth, who caught the team's 59.2-pound kingfish.

The tournament's top junior angler was John Searcy of Key West, who landed a 31.2-pound kingfish while fishing on *Lightly*, captained by his father Jeff Searcy of Key West.

Top female angler was Bri Palaniuk, who scored a 40.4-pound fish. Palaniuk was a member of Team Preferred Marine from Pompano Beach alongside Capt. Kirk Beattie and Kody Beattie.

The tournament attracted 243 registered participants and 31 registered boats.

PREP BASKETBALL

'Complete team effort' leads to win for Lady Fins

■ The Marathon basketball girls (5-7) win 44-4 against the Bulldogs of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll High Friday night.

BY KATIE ATKINS
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Great leadership and an all-around effort led to the Marathon High Lady Dolphins hoops team winning at home Friday night by 40 points, said coach Teresa Konrath.

The girls went up against the District 7-4A Bulldogs of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll High (0-10) and won 44-4, ending the game early due to a Florida High School Athletic Association rule that there be a running clock when there is a difference of 35 points in the second half.

Sophomore Leta Ricart led the scoring with 22 points, six steals, three blocks and four assists, followed by Aliyah Headen with 13 points and three steals.

"This game was definitely a complete team effort. We ran fast breaks the first half and ended the game with set offense play," Konrath said. "We need to work on the inside game and discover how to play the post area."

She said the girls did a good job of "feeding the inside" and allowing post players to make neces-

sary plays.

"We had great leadership from Leta Ricart on the court and we look forward to seeing more from her," Konrath said, adding every girl had playing time and gave 110 percent effort.

Thursday, the Lady Fins play the county rival District 16-5A Conchs of Key West (1-9) at Marathon High School starting at 6 p.m., a team the Lady Fins defeated at the start of the season, 37-25.

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DOLPHIN BASKETBALL

Qualls scores 33 in Marathon hoops win

■ The boys win by 36 points at home Friday against Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll High.

BY KATIE ATKINS
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Marathon High's basketball boys topped off Friday night with their third win of the week, beating the District 7-4A Bulldogs of Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll High (2-9), 73-37.

"Offensively, we got off to a great start for the third game in a row and led 20-10 at the end of the first. In the second quarter, we didn't score as well but our defense played well forcing lots of turnovers and only held them to six points in the quarter," said coach Kevin Freeman, adding the Marathon boys led 36-16 at halftime.

The Dolphins "exploded in the third quarter," he said, scoring 31 points.

Jamal Qualls scored 20 points, including four three-point shots in a span of about 90 seconds, and adding in a two-handed dunk.

"Our defense played well and denied the ball a lot better than we have been, led by Thad Goodwin, Dequian Youngblood and Steven Hernandez," Freeman said.

Protecting the basket were Jackson McDonald, Randy Culmer and Cameron Leonard.

A running clock in the fourth quarter due to a Florida High School Athletic Association rule al-

lowed everyone to get playing time. The running clock happens when there is a difference of 35 points in the second half.

Qualls finished with 33 points, seven rebounds, three steals and a block. Hernandez added 12 points, seven rebounds and four assists, while Youngblood added 11 points and eight rebounds.

Friday, the boys will head to Lake Worth Christian School in Boynton Beach for a matchup against the District 7-3A Defenders (6-8).

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KEY ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT THIS WEEK

THEATER

Divorces and beheadings: This man had a bad time of it when it comes to women

■ A man named Henry ties 'The Regina Monologues' together.

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Six women. One man. This is "The Regina Monologues," a play staged in Key West through this weekend.

Catherine of Aragon was 24 when she married the 18-year-old Henry. She gave birth to a daughter, Mary. Twenty years (and some serious political she-nanigans) later, Henry had their marriage annulled.

Anne Boleyn was 24 when she caught the interest of the (very married) 34-year-old Henry. She refused to be his mistress and they were eventually wed. She gave birth to a daughter, Elizabeth, followed by three miscarriages. Anne was beheaded at age 35 when Henry's interest wandered elsewhere.

Jane Seymour was 28 when she married the 45-year-old Henry (just 11 days after Anne's execution). She was an advocate for her stepdaughter, Mary, to be restored to the line of succession. She gave birth to a son, Edward, but died only days after at age 29. Henry did not remarry for three years.

Anne of Cleves was 25 when her marriage to the 49-year-old Henry was

arranged sight unseen. The marriage was reported as non-consummated and rumors ran wild as to just why. The couple amicably divorced soon after the wedding. Anne lived out her life as Henry's "be-loved" sister."

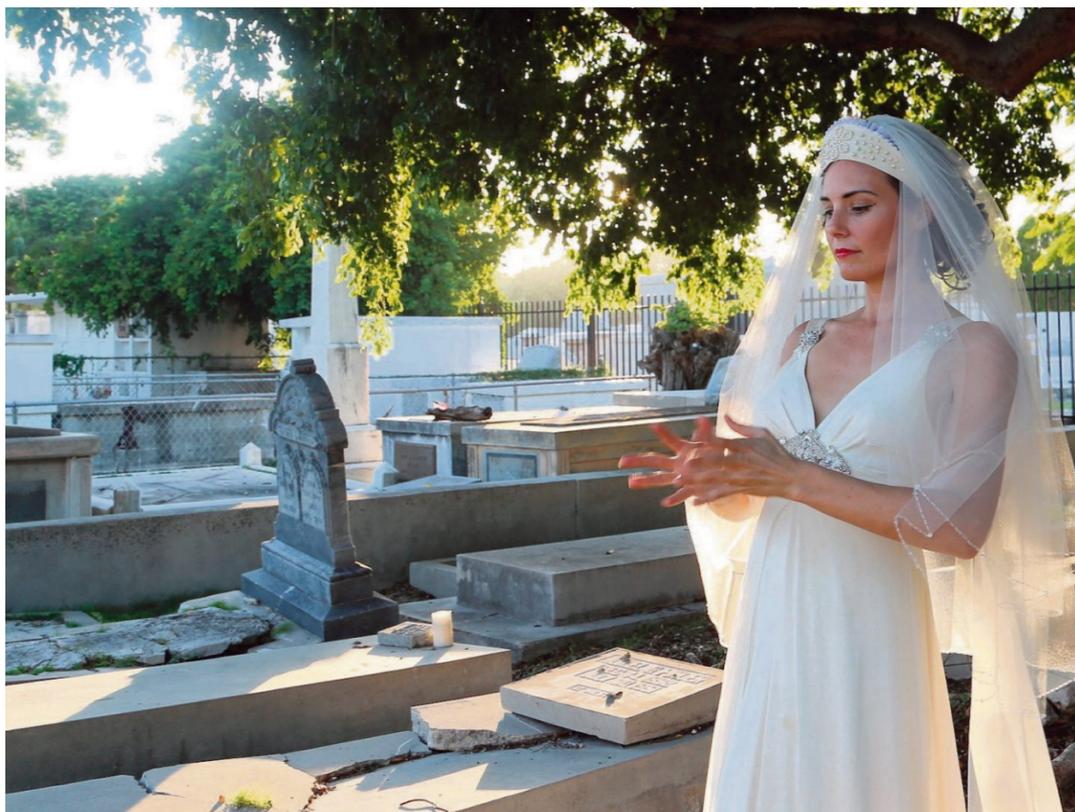
Kathryn Howard was 15 when the morbidly obese and almost 50-year-old Henry took a fancy to her. Her family was English nobility but also poor. She was beheaded for "failing to disclose her sexual history to the king within 20 days of their marriage." The law was six days old. Kathryn was 19 years old.

Katherine Parr was 31 and twice widowed when she married the 52-year-old Henry. She was a published author and a capable regent when Henry was out of the country. She played a key role in restoring Mary and Elizabeth to the line of royal succession. Henry died at age 55. Katherine remarried and died in childbirth a year later.

"The Regina Monologues, starring Diane May, Erin McKenna, Lisa Elena Monda, Melody Moore, Jade Williamson and Ellen Rickert, is sold out for some performances but there are still tickets available. Performances are at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 401 Duval St., Key West. Go to www.fringetheater.org.



"The Regina Monologues," a play staged in Key West.



Amber Good portrays Elena Milagro Hoyos in the musical "Undying Love," which premieres in Key West on Feb. 14

'Undying Love' tells a perverse story of obsession

A musical based on the strange life and one-sided love affair of Count Carl von Cosel premieres Feb. 14.

BY GWEN FILOSA
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When author and songwriter Ben Harrison stumbled upon the perverse love story of



Harrison

Count Carl von Cosel, who stole a woman's corpse from the Key West Cemetery in the 1930s and kept her body in his home for years, he had only one thought. "This is the weirdest thing I've ever read in my life," said Harrison, learned of the story in the 1980s. "He's a nut case, what can I say? It was totally strange and bizarre and crazy and all that stuff."

The Key West resident's musical "Undying Love" premieres at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St., on Valentine's Day, of course, and will run for 10 shows through March 3.

It's the stuff Key West folklore, however macabre, is made of. Harrison was struck by the sympathy the faux count received at the time and that he was never tried for any crime for keeping his a woman's decaying body inside his Flagler Avenue home for seven years.

Tanzler gave her glass eyes and reconstructed her body, Harrison writes in his book "Undying Love," which came out in 1997 and has been reprinted five times. He saw some grotesque photos of the evidence.

But the public in the 1930s, wracked with the



Elena Milagro Hoyos

Great Depression and the 1935 hurricane that destroyed the Flagler railroad, saw Tanzler as a tragic figure who was simply lost in love.

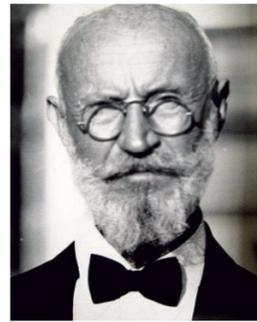
"It was a love story, that was the way people perceived it," Harrison said. "There were people who wrote letters to him in Key West. He was a sympathetic character."

Von Cosel wasn't even a count. He made it up to sound better, he thought, so when Karl Tanzler, originally from Germany, landed in Key West, - at the time an island of about 11,000, circa 1930, he was presenting himself as royalty. He had also abandoned his real family.

Tanzler became obsessed with a beautiful woman named Elena Milagro Hoyos after he X-rayed her while working at the local hospital. They were never romantically involved.

"And it goes downhill from there," Harrison laughs.

Harrison, 72, who was born in San Antonio and raised in Corpus Christi, landed in Key West in 1979. He's been playing guitar since he first saw



This is Karl Tanzler, a.k.a. Count Carl von Cosel.

Elvis Presley on TV at age 14.

"I never reached his status but it was at least a noble ambition," he said.

He doesn't have a cell phone and his living room is filled with art pieces and several guitars.

Harrison started out in Key West playing local watering holes, singing a

song about Elena. Now his repertoire includes a ballad about with the opening line: "It was the strangest of times in the strangest of places." Since 1986 he and his wife Helen have run the Harrison Gallery, 825 White St.

Asked if Tanzler would like his musical, which is darkly funny and remarkably accurate from his studying of files and interviewing people who lived through the era, Harrison said no.

"Probably not," he said. "It does make him out to be a bit of a fool."

Opening night is sold out, but tickets for the other performances are on sale at \$55 VIP, \$38 general admission, \$30 members and can be purchased at tskw.org or by calling (305) 296-0458.

Gwen Filosa: @KeyWestGwen

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by Tim Banfell

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CAROL TEDESCO

OPENING NIGHT

Under the watchful eye of a John Martini steel avian work, Roman and Tanya Campbell of Key West take in a Helen Harrison wood sculpture at Friday's opening of 'On the Waterfront: Truman Annex Artists' at the Custom House Museum. Running through April 1, the exhibit spotlights a period of time between 1974 and 1986 when artists rented spaces for use as studios in decommissioned naval warehouses, machine shops and residential facilities on present-day Truman Annex. Some 350 people attended the opening.

TO YOUR HEALTH

Foods to help you fight the flu

■ **Fish and poultry are among them.**

KAREN D'SOUZA
The Mercury News

The flu has hit hard this year. What can you do to protect yourself?

Some are advising that in addition to the usual rules about getting your flu shot, washing your hands more often and getting enough sleep, you should also think about shifting your diet towards foods that may boost your immunity. Some nutritional experts suggest stocking up on foods that may help keep you healthy during the peak of flu season. Now, we all know that chicken noodle soup is a go-to elixir and not just for emotional reasons. It's also a powerhouse of anti-inflammatory properties.

"When we're sick, we don't want to eat and don't want to drink, but you need to continue to eat and give your body the nutrients and energy you need for the immune system to function properly," Michael P. Angarone, assistant professor of infectious diseases and medical education at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine, told Fox.

But here are some foods you may not have thought about in terms of helping shield you during what is being called a deadly flu season. Try increasing the probiotics in your menu,



TNS

Research says consuming flavonoids found in such food as blueberries made adults 33 percent less likely to catch a cold than those who did not eat flavonoid-rich foods.

because that boosts the health and wellness of your gut, which may aid your immune system. It's pretty easy to do, too. Why not have some Greek yogurt at breakfast and dress up your hot dog with sauerkraut?

Another good immune booster is ginger tea, a zesty and soothing choice for cold weather. In a review published in the *International Journal of Preventative Medicine*, as "Today" noted, researchers found that ginger's potent anti-inflammatory properties were key in the root's power to combat a cold or flu.

Another easy pick is blueberries, which are bursting with antioxidants that may help treat and prevent coughs and colds, advised Today. According to research conducted by the University of Auckland, consuming flavonoids, the

kind of antioxidants found in blueberries, made adults 33 percent less likely to catch a cold than those who did not eat flavonoid-rich foods. You can also tuck into some oranges with their famed Vitamin C, the traditional anti-oxidant.

You might also want to stock up on salmon, chicken, lamb, spinach, sesame seeds, lentils, and chickpeas, all of which have loads of zinc. While the jury is still out on how effective zinc is in terms of reducing cold symptoms, some studies have showed promise. As "Today" touted, the *Journal of Family Practice* published a study examining the effects of zinc on the common cold in children ages 1 to 10 years old.

Researchers found that zinc, in comparison to a placebo, significantly reduced the severity and

duration of symptoms when taken within 24 hours of the onset of cold symptoms. They also found that children who took 15 mg of zinc daily for seven months were a lot less likely to catch a cold during flu season.

UPPER KEYS

Baseball vet lands on his feet

■ **Upper Keys' Mientkiewicz gets a new job managing in minors.**

BY DAVID BRIGGS
The Blade, Toledo, Ohio

He played hockey before he could see over the boards and tagged along with his dad to Goaldiggers games, his face pressed against the glass in their regular front-row seats at the old Sports Arena. Loved hoops, too.

"Doesn't that freaking kid know it's 7 in the morning!?" a half-annoyed neighbor roused by his dribbling once told his parents.

But for little Doug Mientkiewicz, nothing came so naturally as baseball.

Before the new manager of the minor-league Mud Hens baseball team, affiliated with the Detroit Tigers, went on to hit the game-winning home run in an Olympic medal game and catch the last out of the World Series, he was the big-bopping prodigy of Point Place.

The Mientkiewicz family — Len and Janice and their two kids, Doug and Andrea — lived in a ranch house on the tree-lined corner of 104th and 290th.

His family moved to Miami when he was 7 and Doug kept hitting all the way to a 12-year career in the big leagues. But it proved only to be the long road back home.

I caught up with Mientkiewicz by phone the other day from his home in the Upper Keys, where, as he learned this offseason, baseball can work in funny ways. Well, maybe funny isn't the right word.

After Hurricane Irma walloped the Keys in September, Mientkiewicz, 43, regained his cell service just in time to learn he was out of work. The Minnesota Twins dismissed him after five

successful seasons managing in their system.

"I'm out here working my rear end off, dealing with the remnants of the hurricane, and they call to tell me I'm fired," he told the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* at the time.

"You think they will ever do something professional as an organization?" Shortly thereafter, though, the lifeline from Toledo arrived.

In Miami, Mientkiewicz was a prep teammate of Alex Rodriguez but became a star of his own, drafted by the Twins in the fifth round of the 1995 draft. He made his major-league debut in September 1998.

Mientkiewicz went 0 for 3, batting eighth in a Minnesota lineup that included an old Paul Molitor and a young David Ortiz. But better days beckoned. He later starred on the the gold-medal-winning U.S. team in the 2000 Olympics, won the Gold Glove in 2001, and played first base for the Twins' AL Central championship teams in 2002 and 2003 under Ron Gardenhire, now the manager of the Tigers. You might also remember him as the guy who — after a mid-season trade to the Red Sox — caught the exorcising last out of the 2004 World Series.

After retiring, Mientkiewicz, a fiery but respected clubhouse pillar as a player, began his second act on the other side of the lines. Four of his five teams in the Twins system made the playoffs, including his Hi-A club in Fort Myers.

He has since cooled over his firing. "It's only human nature to wonder why," he said. "If I'm not doing the job correctly, tell me during it and I can adapt on the fly.... But every year is a learning experience."

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Exhibit "A"

TO MEMBERS OF FLORIDA KEYS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOC., INC.



NOTICE OF ELECTION OF TWO DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. (FKEC) has set the following dates for the District Elections for two positions on the Board of Directors:

District 1 March 19, 2018	Key Largo area northeast of the section line common to Sections 6 and 7, TWP-62S, R. 39E, southerly of Mandalay Subdivision - Dade/Monroe County Line on U.S. 1 (including Ocean Reef) to Mile Marker 97.7
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District 2 March 22, 2018	Tavernier area southeast of the section line as established southerly of Mandalay Subdivision and northeast of Snake Creek
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The incumbent directors of the two districts have decided to stand for re-election. In the event only one qualified member from a district for each position is so nominated, that member shall be declared elected.

Elections will be held on the above dates between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in each district. Polling locations for the District 1 election are at the Key Largo Lions Club and, for the convenience of our members living in northern Key Largo, at the Ocean Reef Academy. The polling location for the District 2 election is at the FKEC Tavernier Headquarters.

Directors elected at the district elections shall serve for a period of three years, and will take office at the first regular or special meeting after the Annual Membership Meeting to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018.

Members interested in becoming candidates and placing their names in nomination for membership on the Board of Directors are hereby notified of the qualifications and election procedures prescribed by the Bylaws of Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

A candidate for director must be a member of FKEC and bona fide resident of the district he/she represents and have 12 months residency in the area served by the Cooperative. The candidate must not be a minor. No candidate may in any way be employed by or have a substantial financial interest in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to FKEC; or be the incumbent for an elective public office in connection with which a salary or compensation is paid.

Candidates must submit a nominating petition with fifteen (15) or more signatures of members residing in the voting district no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the district elections specified above. Nominating petitions for District 1 must be received by FKEC by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 2, 2018, and petitions for District 2 must be received by FKEC by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 2018. (Please allow time for verification of signatures).

Nomination petition forms may be obtained from the FKEC Tavernier Headquarters. A copy of the FKEC bylaws may be obtained from FKEC offices.

The election will be given widespread publicity prior to the election date.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

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MICHAEL NAGLE Bloomberg

PERSONAL FINANCE

Tax experts: Online best way to file

■ **The Internal Revenue Service starts accepting 2018 tax returns on Jan. 29.**

BY CLEVELAND TINKER
Gainesville Sun

Tax season will soon be in full swing, and if you're expecting a refund, how you file your taxes will likely determine how much you actually deposit into your bank account.

The tax season will officially begin Jan. 29 when the Internal Revenue Service begins accepting tax returns, and there are several things taxpayers, especially those expecting a refund, can do to file as efficiently as possible, said Jorge Ruiz-Menjivar, an assistant professor in the Department of Family, Youth and Community Sciences at the University of Florida.

Employers must provide employees with wage and tax statements no later than Jan. 31, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

Taxpayers should file electronically because it's a fast, safe and easy way to get returns processed compared with mailing returns. Also, using direct deposit almost guarantees you will have your refund in three weeks or less, and it's crucial to gather records ahead of time to make sure you claim credits and de-

ductions you are entitled to, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

"The IRS issues more than nine out of 10 refunds in less than 21 days," Ruiz-Menjivar said.

He also encourages people to view the tax-time tips list on the IRS's website.

It's important for taxpayers to know the difference between two popular tax-refund related products: Refund anticipation checks and refund anticipation loans, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

Refund anticipation checks are sent to financial institutions that disburse fees to tax preparers and the balance to the taxpayer, while refund anticipation loans are funds borrowed from a lender based on the taxpayer's anticipated tax refund, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

Refund anticipation loans became popular after electronic filing was established, and featured high interest rates and/or fees. They were commonly offered by tax preparers prior to 2010, and are still offered, but without the high interest rates and fees, he said.

Though the refund anticipation check method currently is the most popular way tax preparers file returns for clients, it's important people understand those checks aren't re-

turned any faster than when using the direct deposit method, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

Charging interest and fees on refund anticipation loans has been banned since 2010. However, people should beware of tax preparers who still offer that method of tax filing and try to make profits by offering services clients may not need, such as acquiring credit scores and reports and audit protection services, Ruiz-Menjivar said.

People who hire tax preparers to file their taxes using the rapid refund method are usually charged between \$25 to \$60 for the preparer to set up the federal refund anticipation check, he said, citing the National Consumer Law Center.

RAPID REFUNDS

The ban on tax preparers charging high fees and interest rates has no bearing on how much financial institutions can charge for rapid refunds, said Michael Perkins, owner of Perks Family Tax Service in Gainesville.

"The rapid refund process allows selected financial institutions to fund expected refunds prior to the IRS actually processing and releasing an expected refund," said Perkins. "Financial institutions take on

the risk of the IRS not releasing the funds, and therefore they assess a significant premium for assuming that risk."

The rapid refund process is primarily used by those who can least afford it, and will be used by more of those kinds of people this year because the IRS won't begin releasing refunds until Feb. 27, Perkins said.

If taxpayers use the direct deposit system, they can save themselves a lot of money — as much as \$1,000 for some taxpayers who expect to get large refunds like \$8,000 or so. In those cases, people are charged exorbitant interest rates by banks that offer rapid refund checks because of the risks they take offering the service.

Some people may show they expect to get an \$8,000 refund, but may owe the IRS more than that, and won't receive the refund. In order to help make up for those cases, the banks charge high interest rates, Perkins said.

To avoid paying those high interest rates for rapid refund services, people should have the IRS directly deposit their money into their bank accounts, Perkins said.

"In recent years, the IRS has processed and released some returns within approximately 10 days," Perkins said.

TO YOUR HEALTH

Quitting smoking can add years and quality of life

■ **Doctor says the best way to quit is to make a plan and stick to it.**

MAYO CLINIC
NEWS NETWORK

As resolutions go, quitting smoking could be the most important choice on a smoker's list.

Smokers are more likely to develop diseases like lung, throat and mouth cancer. And they're more likely to die earlier than are

people who don't light up.

Dr. J. Taylor Hays, director of the Mayo Clinic Nicotine Dependence Center, says it's never too late to quit the habit.

To younger smokers, those younger than 40-years-old, Hays asks, "Do you want to add 10 years to your life?" He says, if the answer is yes, quit smoking.

"Do you want to avoid all of the ill health effects — chronic lung disease, heart disease, lung cancer?" he



Quitting smoking takes a great commitment.

asks. "Stop smoking."

Hays says those diseases are intimately associated with smoking, and, if people stop at a young age, they'll avoid virtually all of them. "And they'll add years — not just length of life, but quality of life," says Hays.

As for older smokers, Hays says it's never too late to stop.

"Make an attempt," he says. "You still can avoid a

lot of the ill health effects of smoking, stopping whenever. So if you've tried and failed, try again. It's never too late to quit."

Hays says the best way to quit is to make a plan and stick to it.

"And that plan should include some counseling and behavioral therapy, and medications that will reduce withdrawal and help maintain abstinence," he says.

ture tours and more? Training is from 10 a.m. to noon.

● Jan. 24: Wild Wednesday. Guided bike ride through refuge lands on Big Torch Key. Flat, easy pace. 10 miles, bring hydration and your own bike. Meet at the visitor center at 9:30 a.m.

● Jan. 27: Photography field trip to No Name Key. Bring your camera, tripod (not required) and hiking shoes. Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m.

● Jan. 31: Wild Wednesday. Sketching in nature, no artistic talent needed, just a desire to deepen your connection with nature. Travel to a secluded site on No Name Key for some nature therapy. Materials supplied. Meet at visitor center at 9:30 a.m.

For more information, send an email to kristie_killem@fws.gov.

HOW TO HELP YOUR PLANTS POST-STORM

Michelle Leonard-Mularz, the new horticultural agent for the Monroe

County Extension Service, is the speaker to the Big Pine Key Botanical Society when it meets Thursday.

The 7:30 p.m. session is at Lord of the Seas Church, 1250 Key Deer Blvd. Big Pine Key.

Leonard-Mularz became the commercial horticulture program assistant for the Broward County Extension Service in 2005. Her topic will be "How to Help Your Plants Recover After the Hurricane." Refreshments and a plant raffle follow the meeting. All are welcome.

CAR SHOW SUNDAY ON SUGARLOAF KEY

The Florida Keys Southernmost Car Club holds its next monthly car show from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Sugarloaf Lodge, mile marker 17.

It's for lovers of classic, custom and street-rod automobiles of all years and makes. There will be prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and food and beverages available for purchase.

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COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION / PUBLIC MEETING / BID OPENING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS THAT the Monroe County School District will be receiving bids for the following:

- ITB 2018801 SUGARLOAF SEWER PHASE III
- ITB 2018802 FENCING

ITB 2018802 MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING – January 23, 2018 @ 9:00 AM, Upper Keys Annex, 90050 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier, FL 33070 and/or 2:00 PM, Sugarloaf School, 255 Crane Boulevard, Sugarloaf Key, FL 33042. Contractors are required to attend at least one meeting in order to bid.

BID OPENING – February 16, 2018 @ 1:00 PM, MCSD Administration Bldg, 241 Trumbo Road, Key West, FL 33040. Submissions for both ITBs will be opened and read with review by committee to immediately follow.

Bid Documents may be requested from Demandstar by calling 1-800-711-1712 or by going to www.demandstar.com or by going to <https://fl02202360.schoolwires.net/Page/5593>. The public record document is available at the Purchasing Department, 241 Trumbo Road, Key West, FL 33040.

All bids must be received on or before dates specified in the bid documents. The Monroe County School District reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive informalities or irregularities when it is in the best interest of the Board to do so.

Please contact Jessica Bailey, Buyer, with any questions regarding this bid. Jessica.Bailey@KeysSchools.com or (305) 293-1400 Ext 53352.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

Auction to be held on 01/31/18 at 8:00am at All American Towing & Tire, Inc., 711 Largo Rd., Key Largo, FL 33037 in accordance to FL statute section 713.78 for unpaid towing & storage.

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LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 44-2017-CA-211-P

CHRIS SANTE,

Plaintiff,

versus

FREDERICK D. REED, LAWRENCE ANTHONY KREIT, JEROME E. LACEY, MARIAN CATHERINE DAVIS BRODNARICK, MARY KREIT BOWERS, GEORGE JOHN KREIT, KATHLEEN LACEY DOWLING, and all heirs, assigns, and personal representatives claiming under or through them,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: FREDERICK D. REED, LAWRENCE ANTHONY KREIT, JEROME E. LACEY, MARIAN CATHERINE DAVIS BRODNARICK, MARY KREIT BOWERS, GEORGE JOHN KREIT, KATHLEEN LACEY DOWLING, and all heirs, assigns, and personal representatives claiming under or through them,

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to partition the real property in Monroe County, Florida:

Lot 10, Block 24, KEY LARGO TRAILER VILLAGE, FIRST ADDITION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 55 of the Public Records of Monroe County, Florida (240 W. First Ct., Key Largo, Florida)

has been filed against you and you are required to served a copy of your written defenses, if any to it on Jack Bridges, Esq., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 1714, Tavernier, Florida 33070, on or before February 16, 2018, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED on January 12, 2018.

KEVIN MADOCK, CPA
Clerk of the Court

By: Jennifer Zemmell
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF SALE

Tenant name followed by space number.

David Wilson
201 County Rd. Lot 53
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Unit 42

Geroldine Russell
30360 Palm Dr.
Big Pine Key, FL 33043
Unit 7

Stefan Washington
29720 Journeys End
Big Pine Key, FL 33043
Unit 11

Jenny Rodriguez
31568 Ave. D
Big Pine Key, FL 33043
Unit 34

Maureen Carson
29132 Palm Ave.
Big Pine Key, FL 33043
Unit 117

Sale to be held at: Lively Properties 75 Industrial Road Big Pine Key, FL 33043

Items believed to be household and garage items will be disposed of at this site at 9:00 A.M. on February 1, 2018 ; or as posted to satisfy owner lien for rent due in accordance with State Statutes 83.801 to 83.809. Seller reserves the right to overbid. All items or spaces may not be available on date of sale.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: ARNOLD'S AUTO & MARINE REPAIR, INC gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 02/07/2018, 9:00 am at 5540 3RD AVE KEY WEST, FL 33040, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. ARNOLD'S AUTO & MARINE REPAIR, INC reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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DISTRICT I ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DAC I) (Encompasses the city limits of Key West) of the **MONROE COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL** has an opening for a **LODGING INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE – shall be owners or operating/general managers of motels, hotels, recreational vehicle parks or other tourist accommodations which are subject to bed tax in the tax collection district for which they are applying.**

Any person wishing to participate on the **District I Advisory Committee** of the Monroe County Tourist Development Council within the district so noted above, may request an application from the Administrative Office by calling **(305) 296-1552** and submit an application to the address shown below:

Department DAC
Monroe County Tourist
Development Council
1201 White Street, Suite 102
Key West, FL 33040
Fax #: (305) 296-0788

Deadline for receipt of application at the above address is Friday February 16, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. A resume may be attached to the application.

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DISTRICT II ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DAC II) (From the city limits of Key West to the west end of the Seven Mile Bridge) of the **MONROE COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL** has an opening for a **LODGING INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE – shall be owners or operating/general managers of motels, hotels, recreational vehicle parks or other tourist accommodations which are subject to bed tax in the tax collection district for which they are applying.**

Any person wishing to participate on the **District II Advisory Committee** of the Monroe County Tourist Development Council within the district so noted above, may request an application from the Administrative Office by calling **(305) 296-1552** and submit an application to the address shown below:

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Monroe County Tourist
Development Council
1201 White Street, Suite 102
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 17-CP-260-K Division Lower Keys

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOAN EDNA POVEY CORNELL Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Joan Edna Povey Cornell, deceased, whose date of death was November 18, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for MONROE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 500 Whitehead Street, Key West, Florida 33040. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is January 17, 2018.

Personal Representative: Stephen Wood Cornell III
1519 Florida Street
Key West, Florida 33040

Attorney for Personal Representative: RICHARD E. WARNER
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FICTITIOUS NAMES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **The Pelican Poop** located at **1327 Hudgins Drive** in the **County of Monroe**, in the city of **Summerland Key, Florida 33042** intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Daniel Moshier, Owner

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 18DR5K
Division: Family

Alexander Tabares,
Petitioner
and
Dianelis Martin,
Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Dianelis Martin
Address: Unknown

YOUR ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Alexander Tabares whose address is 5 Habana Lane Apt #1, Key West, FL 33040 on or before 2-15-2018, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 500 Whitehead St., Key West, FL 33040, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: NONE

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the address(es) on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: January 8, 2018

Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Kathi L. Graham
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Kevin Madok, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe County, Florida, will, on the 24th day of January, 2018, at 11 o'clock a.m., at 500 Whitehead Street Monroe County, in the City of Key West, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for CASH the Following described property situated in Monroe County, Florida, to wit:

Unit 5634, Week 51, Annual Year Windward Pointe, a Condominium ("Condominium"), according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof recorded in Official Records Book 1803, Page 844, Public Records of Monroe County, Florida, and all amendments thereto (the "Declaration"). (Contract No.: 2-15838)

Pursuant to FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AFTER DEFAULT AS TO COUNT(s) V, UNIT 5634, WEEK 51 AGAINST DEFENDANT, STEVE HEADDEN YOUNG, BROOKE INCHAUSTEGUI entered in a case pending in said Court, the 13TH day of NOVEMBER, 2017

Style of which is:

WINDWARD POINTE II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,
Plaintiff

VS.

STEVE HEADDEN YOUNG, BROOKE INCHAUSTEGUI, et.al
Defendant,

And the Docket Number of which is Number **44-2016-CA-606-K**

WITNESS my hand and the Official Seal of Said Court, this 14th day of November, 2017

KEVIN MADOK
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Monroe County Florida

By: Shonta McLeod
Deputy Clerk

Florida Statute 45.031: Any person claiming as interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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Unit 5613, Week 49, Odd Year Biennial of Windward Pointe, a Condominium ("Condominium"), according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof recorded in Official Records Book 1803, Page 844, Public Records of Monroe County, Florida, and all amendments thereto (the "Declaration"). (Contract No.: 2-14096)

Pursuant to FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AFTER DEFAULT AS TO COUNT(s) III, UNIT 5613, WEEK 49 AGAINST DEFENDANT, PETER JOSEPH JANKOWSKY entered in a case pending in said Court, the 13TH day of NOVEMBER, 2017

Style of which is:

WINDWARD POINTE II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,
Plaintiff

VS.

PETER JOSEPH JANKOWSKY, et.al
Defendant,

And the Docket Number of which is Number **44-2016-CA-606-K**

WITNESS my hand and the Official Seal of Said Court, this 14th day of November, 2017

KEVIN MADOK
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Monroe County Florida

By: Shonta McLeod
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Florida Statute 45.031: Any

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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Kevin Madok, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe County, Florida, will, on the 24th day of January, 2018, at 11 o'clock a.m., at 500 Whitehead Street Monroe County, in the City of Key West, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for CASH the Following described property situated in Monroe County, Florida, to wit:

Unit 5614, Week 30, Odd Year Biennial of Windward Pointe, a Condominium ("Condominium"), according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof recorded in Official Records Book 1803, Page 844, Public Records of Monroe County, Florida, and all amendments thereto (the "Declaration"). (Contract No.: 2-18759)

Pursuant to FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AFTER DEFAULT AS TO COUNT(s) II, UNIT 5614, WEEK 30 AGAINST DEFENDANT, DALTON BUSTAMANTE, KATHY BUSTAMANTE entered in a case pending in said Court, the 13TH day of NOVEMBER, 2017

Style of which is:

WINDWARD POINTE II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,
Plaintiff

VS.

DALTON BUSTAMANTE, KATHY BUSTAMANTE, et.al
Defendant,

And the Docket Number of which is Number **44-2016-CA-606-K**

WITNESS my hand and the Official Seal of Said Court, this 14th day of November, 2017

KEVIN MADOK
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Monroe County Florida

By: Shonta McLeod
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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Unit 5423, Week 20, Annual of Windward Pointe, a Condominium ("Condominium"), according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof recorded in Official Records Book 1803, Page 844, Public Records of Monroe County, Florida, and all amendments thereto (the "Declaration"). (Contract No.: 2-15228)

Pursuant to FINAL JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE AFTER DEFAULT AS TO COUNT(s) I, UNIT 5423, WEEK 20 AGAINST DEFENDANT, DALE KAY CHANDLER entered in a case pending in said Court, the 13TH day of NOVEMBER, 2017

Style of which is:

WINDWARD POINTE II, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company,
Plaintiff

VS.

DALE KAY CHANDLER, et.al
Defendant,

And the Docket Number of which is Number **44-2016-CA-606-K**

WITNESS my hand and the Official Seal of Said Court, this 14th day of November, 2017

KEVIN MADOK
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Monroe County Florida

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By: Shonta McLeod
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

CASE No.
442016CA000262A001MR

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NA, SUCCESSOR TO THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, NA, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE CHASE MORTGAGE FINANCE TRUST MULTI-CLASS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-A3,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

JENEEN CATANZARO,
ET AL.,

DEFENDANT(S).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 8, 2017, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Monroe County, Florida, on 30th day of January, 2018, at 11:00 AM, at courthouse steps - 500 Whitehead St., Key West, FL 33040 for the following described property:

PARCEL 7, OF THE VILLAGE AT 12399 OVERSEAS, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF THE VILLAGE AT 12399 OVERSEAS, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS 2290, AT PAGE 1420, OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.

Date: January 5, 2018

Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Lisa M. Pierce
Deputy Clerk of the Court

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Cheryl Alfonso, ADA Coordinator for Monroe County at 305-292-3423, 302 Fleming Street, Key West, FL 33040 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 16TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: CA K 14 0000968

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-HE3,
Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY AND THROUGH UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RICHARD MITCHELL; KEY WEST GOLF CLUB HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; WILLIAM MITCHELL; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2 IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 29th day

of November, 2017, and entered in Case No. CA K 14 0000968, of the Circuit Court of the 16TH Judicial Circuit in and for Monroe County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH MORTGAGE INVESTORS TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-HE3 is the Plaintiff and KEY WEST GOLF CLUB HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF RICHARD MITCHELL A/K/A RICHARD L. MITCHELL WILLIAM MITCHELL A/K/A WILLIAM L. MITCHELL UNKNOWN TENANT(S) #1 N/K/A KATRINA WAITE, and UNKNOWN TENANT(S) #2 N/K/A RONALD GERMAN A/K/A RICHARD L. MITCHELL IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. KEVIN MADOK, CPA as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the, KEY WEST COURTHOUSE (ALL SALES), 500 WHITEHEAD STREET, KEY WEST, FL 33040, 11:00 AM on the 25th day of January, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

TOWNHOME UNIT 223 OF THE KEY WEST GOLF CLUB DEVELOPMENT, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS, AND EASEMENTS OF THE KEY WEST GOLF CLUB, A TOWNHOME PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 1377 PAGE 750 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO. MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEING A PART OF LAND LOCATED ON STOCK ISLAND, MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT COORDINATES OF WHICH ARE N 87,107.701 AND E 251,328.207 BASED ON THE UNITED STATES COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY'S MERCATOR GRID COORDINATE SYSTEM WHICH HAS FOR ITS ZERO COORDINATES A POINT AT LATITUDE 24°20'00" NORTH AND 500,000 WEST OF LONGITUDE 81°00'00" WEST, SAID POINT BEING THE INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF JUNIOR COLLEGE ROAD AND THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 1 (STATE ROAD NO.5), AT THE WESTERLY END OF JUNIOR COLLEGE ROAD, THENCE N 70°58'03" E ALONG THE SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 1, FOR 1392.13 FEET; THENCE N 19°01'57" E AND LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR 337.65 FEET; THENCE N 25°00'00" E, A DISTANCE OF 600.00 FEET; THENCE N.15°30'00" W., A DISTANCE OF 67.19 FEET; THENCE N. 80° 05'29"E., A DISTANCE OF 171.18 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SPOONBILL WAY AND A POINT ON A CIRCULAR CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHWEST AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 80° 05'29"E., AND LEAVING THE SAID NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SPOONBILL WAY A DISTANCE OF 73.36 FEET TO A POINT ON A CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 580.19 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 02°36'41", A CHORD BEARING OF N. 11°34'02"W. AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 26.44 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, AN ARC LENGTH OF 26.44 FEET TO THE END OF SAID CURVE; THENCE S.77°07'37"W., A DISTANCE OF 73.43 FEET TO THE SAID NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SPOONBILL WAY AND A POINT ON A CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 422.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 03°04'29", A CHORD BEARING OF S.11°45'31" E. AND A CHORD LENGTH OF 22.64 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF SAID CURVE, AN ARC LENGTH OF 22.65 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Dated this 30 day of November, 2017.

KEVIN MADOK, CPA
Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: Shonta McLeod
Deputy Clerk

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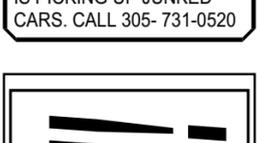
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