

# The Bay Beacon

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COMING**

**Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.**



**Story time** for ages 3-5 has started up again at the **Niceville Public Library** Youth Services Program room. The first theme will be "Be Unique." The program will be repeated the same time Thursday. Each session lasts about 30 minutes.

**Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.**

An information session for 2012-13 admissions to the **Collegiate High School** at Northwest Florida State College will be held Jan. 12, 5:30 p.m., at the **Crestview Public Library**. Admissions packets are available at [nwfc-collegiatehigh.org](http://nwfc-collegiatehigh.org) or by contacting the school. Info: 729-4949.

**Thursday, 9:30 a.m.**



The **Bluewater Bay Garden Club** will feature "Invasive Animals," a talk by Sheila Dunning. Dunning has been with the University of Florida Extension Service in Okaloosa County for 10 years as a Commercial Horticulture Agent. Her background also includes 22 years of nursery experience in a variety of settings. Info: [bluewaterbaygardclub.com](http://bluewaterbaygardclub.com).

**Tuesday, 6 p.m.**



**Relay For Life** team captains, volunteers, cancer survivors and potential sponsors are invited to attend the team meeting Jan. 17, 6-7 p.m., at **St. Paul Lutheran Church**, Hwy. 20, Niceville. The Relay is scheduled for May 4-5.

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## Teachers vow continued fight for pay hike Next step: arbitration

By Mike Griffith  
*Beacon Correspondent*

The union representing Okaloosa County public school teachers says it will continue to fight a school board decision to cancel scheduled pay raises this year.

The president of the Okaloosa County Education Association (OCEA), said the union had filed a labor grievance that could result in an arbitrator ruling on the dispute as early as March.

But a school district lawyer

said there is no appeal from the school board's final ruling last week freezing most teachers' pay for the 2011-12 academic year.

Emotions ran high during a public hearing at Niceville High School last week, during which members of the Okaloosa County School Board heard presentations for and against "step" pay raises for teachers.

The school board reaffirmed its earlier decision to not grant previously routine 3-percent

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A large crowd of people, many wearing red as a symbol of solidarity with the teachers union, gathered at last week's public hearing on teacher pay.

Beacon photo by Mike Griffith

## Viva la piñata



Max Harris and Genesis Jimenez attack a candy-filled piñata Monday as part of Rocky Bayou Christian School kindergarten's "Around the World" study theme. This week, the students are studying Mexico. The next segment will be about Japan.

Beacon photo by Kenneth Books

## High schools near top in state rankings

By Del Lessard  
*Beacon Staff Writer*

Niceville's two public high schools remain at the top of their class with "A" report card grades.

The Florida Department of Education Jan. 4 announced grades on 474 graded public high schools, including combination schools serving high school grade levels, in the state

**Collegiate ranked No. 1, B-1.**

Niceville High School, as well as Collegiate High School, a charter school for advanced students, were two of the five high schools in Okaloosa County designated "A" schools. Fort Walton Beach and Choctawhatchee high schools and Baker School also received A report cards.

Crestview High and Laurel Hill each received

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## Valparaiso sets forum for election

By Del Lessard  
*Beacon Staff Writer*

The city of Valparaiso will sponsor a televised political forum Jan. 19 for candidates for city commission.

The forum will allow citizens to submit questions to candidates, although not directly.

Announcement of the forum was made at a Valparaiso City Commission meeting Monday.

In other business, the commission appointed two men to the city planning commission and gave tentative approval to an agreement to support a new airport police department being formed by Okaloosa County.

Five candidates are running for two seats on the Valparaiso City Commission. The are: Kay Hamilton, Joe Morgan, Keith Randall Roberts, incumbent Tom Miller and incumbent Neal Shermer. The election will be Jan. 31, with early

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## Man soaks house in gasoline, sets it alight, police say

Woman and her son flee flames; suspect sorry for fiery death of cat

By Del Lessard  
*Beacon Staff Writer*

A Niceville man was arrested on charges of arson and domestic violence after he allegedly poured a can of gasoline inside his girlfriend's house and set it



Andrew K. Denton

**Arson guts bathrooms, A-3.**

afire, destroying it, according to police.

Andrew Kyle Denton, 31, of 109 Cadillac Ave., Niceville, was arrested by Niceville police Jan. 3 on charges of arson and domestic violence battery.

Firefighters received an alarm at 11:33 p.m. Jan. 3 and were on the scene four minutes later at 109 Cadillac to find the

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Candice Potter surveys her arson-damaged home on Cadillac Avenue, Niceville, with Assistant Fire Chief Tony Lohrman the morning after a gasoline-fed blaze raced through the structure Jan. 3. Police arrested Andrew K. Denton and charged him with setting the fire, which killed a pet cat.

Beacon photo by Del Lessard

# As lawmakers convene, Rep. Gaetz sizes up issues

By Del Lessard  
Beacon Staff Writer

The three top issues for the just-convened 2012 Florida Legislature are the cash-strapped state budget, legislative reapportionment and a bill to expand gambling, said District 4 Representative Matt Gaetz, R., Fort Walton Beach.

Rep. Gaetz, whose district includes the Twin Cities of Niceville and Valparaiso, as well as Bluewater Bay, said legislators have a "\$1.7 billion hole to fill" because of lower revenue projections for 2012.

The legislature on Tuesday began its annual 60-day regular

session in Tallahassee.

Gaetz said the House will eye spending cuts to the state's health care system. However those cuts will have to be "fully vetted," he said, so that patients still get the care they need but in a less costly manner. Without cuts in health care, legislators will have to look for cuts in the state's transportation services, economic development or other areas, he said.

House legislators will approach Gov. Rick Scott's call for education to receive an extra \$1 billion in spending this year with a "can-do" attitude, Gaetz said, although it is far from certain which programs can be cut

to provide the requested amount.

Because the legislature is meeting two months earlier than usual, Gaetz said he is optimistic that Florida's slowly improving economy may result in improved revenue forecast later in the year. That would allow legislators to restore some of the services they may be forced to cut during this year's early session.

The redistricting process will add an extra layer of tensions that could roll over onto other issues, said Gaetz. Proposed redistricting bills in the House would cut Gaetz's District 4 from covering portions of Okaloosa and southern Santa Rosa, to the district being confined to just portions of one county, Okaloosa County south of I-10, plus Crestview. That's could be a minus, he said, giving him a less

broad based reference on issues.

Bills to expand casino gambling in the Miami Beach area are expected, if passed, to increase pressure to allow slot machines and perhaps table games at existing gambling venues, such as dog tracks in Pensacola and Ebro, Gaetz said. Legislators from Northwest Florida are united in their opposition to the expansion of gambling, he said, but they may be outnumbered.

The gambling issue, Gaetz said, has split legislators along



Matt Gaetz

geographic, rather than party lines. One example, he said is that Orlando area legislators generally oppose gambling because of its possible effect on family entertainment venues in their areas, while the Miami area has more support for gambling.

Gaetz said he will also work on his "pet project," a bill to repeal a state mandate that gasoline contain up to 10 percent ethanol. He said many of his constituents have complained that the additive causes problems in boat motors, in small-engine machines and results in reduced miles per gallon in automobiles.

Gaetz said people have also asked why they are still paying a toll to cross the Mid-Bay Bridge. The governor's efficiency in government task force recently recommended that the Mid-Bay

Bridge Authority (MBBA) be consolidated under the Florida Turnpike Enterprise, Gaetz said, a move he calls as a "pro-consumer."

By using the state's higher bond rating the MBBA could have saved \$40 million in borrowing costs, he said. However, he said much of the House leadership is from the Orlando area, and they are not warm to the idea of consolidating regional toll authorities, including those in Orlando and Tampa.

Gaetz said another major goal for legislators from Northwest Florida this year is to repeal that section of statute that would mandate additional regulation and inspections of septic tanks. Action taken by the delegation last year succeeded in delaying action, he said.



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## RANKINGS

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grades of "B" report cards and one school, Emerald Coast Career Institute (North) a small, new alternative school for at-risk students, received a failing grade of F.

"Okaloosa County ranked in the top five districts in the state of Florida for the highest percent of A's," said Okaloosa County Schools Superintendent Alexis Tibbetts. "We are very proud to have five A and two B high schools."

High school grades are calculated differently than elementary and middle schools, which received their grades last summer, Tibbetts said. Elementary and middle school grades are based entirely on Florida Comprehensive Assessment Tests (FCAT) performance and learning gains, as measured by the tests.

High school grades are calculated 50 percent on FCAT and 50 percent non-FCAT components that include; graduation rate, accelerated course work (AP, IB, AICE, dual enrollment), industry certification, postsecondary readiness (based on ACT, SAT, and PERT exams), and at-risk graduation rate.

The Okaloosa graduation rate for the 2010-2011 school year was 90.7 percent, compared with a state average of 81.2 percent. Okaloosa's dropout rate is the lowest in the state at 0.2 percent, versus a state rate 1.9 percent.

Okaloosa earned the highest high school reading FCAT passing rate in Florida, at 75 percent (state average: 60 percent), according to Tibbetts. The Okaloosa district math 10th grade pass rate was an astonishing 91 percent, she added. Okaloosa students also outperformed the state on the new algebra 1 end-of-course exam, earning the highest average scale score of 55 (state average: 49).

"More Okaloosa County high school students are proficient in math and reading than any other school district, keeping us the best in Florida," said Tibbetts. "Having our students college- and career-ready can be attributed to our outstanding teachers and administrative staff and the support of our parents and community."

But Tibbetts added, "Of concern to our district is the failing school grade received by ECCI (North)." Emerald Coast Career Institute, which is operated by the school district in Crestview, has 108 students in grades 4-12.

Under state rules, the F received by ECCI appears to preclude the school district from any move to start the 2012-13 academic year prior to two weeks before Labor Day, according to Steve McLaughlin, a district administrator.

## School grades

Okaloosa County high schools

School	2009	2010	2011
Niceville	B	A	A
Collegiate	A	A	A
Fort Walton Beach	A	B	A
Choctawhatchee	C	A	A
Crestview	A	B	B
Laurel Hill School	A	A	B
Baker School	A	A	A
ECCI (North)*			F

\*New school for at-risk students  
Source: Okaloosa County School District

The scores show that Niceville High School earned the top ranking in all areas when compared to the Okaloosa School District's other five traditional high schools, NHS officials said in a statement.

In mathematics, 94 percent of NHS students tested scored at Level 3 or higher. (A student who scores at a Level 3 or higher is considered proficient in that subject area.) In reading, 74 percent of students scored at Level 3 or higher. Science scores show that 68 percent of NHS students scored at Level 3 or higher. In writing, 84 percent of students scored at Level 3 or higher.

"Once again the school grade scores prove that NHS provides a quality education for all students in our community," said Becca Childress, NHS math teacher.

NHS officials said that NHS is ranked 21st in Florida in the state point system used to arrive at school grades (1,370 total out of a possible 1,600). However, if all schools which scored higher than NHS and have an application process of some kind for entrance were removed from the list, NHS would rank second. The current enrollment at NHS is 1,872, of which 99 percent of all 9th, 10th

and 11th graders were tested. NHS has no application or admissions requirements, other than an attendance zone, for entry.

"Being ranked number two in Florida among schools that admit any and all students is exceptional," said Patricia Mixon, NHS language arts teacher. "I also feel our outstanding scores are a direct result of our rigorous curriculum."

The Collegiate High School at Northwest Florida State College, a public charter school not operated by the school district, is the top scoring "A" high school in the state of Florida for the third time in the school's 11-year history, according to a statement from school officials. Collegiate High, which is a charter school within the Okaloosa County School District, received 1,511 of 1,600 possible points to place first in the state, according to the school.

"We're thrilled that the fine work of our students and teachers is so evident by our top placement again," said Anthony Boyer, Collegiate principal. At Collegiate, students may earn their two-year associate of arts college degree simultaneously with their high school diploma.

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# Night arson fire destroys bathrooms

*Doors were not locked after hours*

By Del Lessard  
Beacon Staff Writer

Niceville's second arson fire since Jan. 1 destroyed public bathrooms at the city's softball complex late Thursday.

Firefighters received the alarm at 11:32 p.m. Jan. 5. They arrived five minutes later to find heavy fire showing from the roof of a bathroom and storage building on Campbell Drive, less than a quarter mile from the city firehouse and police headquarters, said Niceville Fire Chief Tommy Mayville.

The fire was extinguished in less than 20 minutes, Mayville said. After dousing the flames firefighters had to pull down parts of the wall in order to reach wooden roofing members that were smoldering under the metal roof.

The concrete block building was declared a total loss, with an



A fire that destroyed public bathrooms at the Niceville softball complex Jan. 5 was deliberately set, according to authorities.

Beacon photo by Del Lessard

estimated value of \$65,000.

"It was definitely arson," said Mayville. He said investigators with the State Fire Marshal's Office determined that the blaze originated in the women's bathroom and that an unspecified accelerant in a spray can was believed to be involved. He said vagrants may have started the fire inside the bathrooms, although there were no suspects as of Tuesday morning.

Responding to the blaze were

firefighters from the Niceville, East Niceville, Eglin and North Bay fire departments.

The now-destroyed concrete building was insured, according to Jim Baughman, the city's recreation chief and city officials were already discussing details with their insurer. The doors to the bathrooms had been left unlocked said Baughman because in the past vandals had broken down the doors when they had been locked, and because

there are generally a lot of people in the vicinity.

Baughman said other city park bathrooms, such as the new bathroom building at Lions Park and the facilities at Turkey Creek park are kept locked after hours.

Niceville firefighters responded to another arson fire Jan. 3 in which a single-family home on Cadillac Avenue was destroyed and a suspect arrested and charged with setting the fire (story, Page A-1).

# Firehouse gets a new bay door

By Mike Griffith  
Beacon Correspondent

Monday's monthly meeting of the East Niceville Fire Commission lasted only 15 minutes, allowing fire commissioners and other attendees to get home in time for the kickoff of the national college football championship between the University of Alabama and Louisiana State University.

During the brief meeting, which began at 7 p.m. Monday, fire commission chairman Mike Marcolongo informed fellow commissioners that a recent change from one health insurance company to another by the fire district has gone smoothly.

Fire Chief Michael Wright said that during 2011, the East Niceville Fire Department responded to 410 calls for help, most of which were medical emergencies of various kinds. He said that the first days of 2012 had been busy. As of Monday, every firefighter shift had responded to at least one

call, he said.

The chief also said that a new overhead door has been installed on the easternmost vehicle bay at the fire station, ending a months-long problem with the previous door, which used to get stuck in a partly open position, allowing water, wind and high or low temperatures to enter the fire station, raising air conditioning costs and potentially exposing the station to damage from severe weather.

Wright thanked fire commissioners and firefighters who helped obtain and install the new door. "It is a quality product and we got it at a good price," he said.

There was no other business discussed during the meeting. The next fire commission meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Feb. 13 at the East Niceville firehouse on 27th Street.

Monday's brief meeting ended at 7:15, 15 minutes before kickoff. As the meeting was adjourned, one fire commissioner was heard to exclaim a prophetic, "Roll Tide!" Alabama won, 21-0.



Beacon photo by Mike Griffith

A troublesome bay door has been replaced at the East Niceville Fire District firehouse on 27th Street.

## FORUM

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voting starting Jan. 21.

Mayor Bruce Arnold said that the city has contacted the candidates and offered to stage a forum Jan. 19 at 7 p.m. in the city commission chambers. The forum will be taped by the city's cable television personnel and broadcast three times a day the week before the election, Jan. 23-30, at 8 a.m., 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., the mayor said. It will not be broadcast live.

Terry Fedonczak of Valparaiso Realty has agreed to act as moderator of the forum, the mayor said.

The moderator will ask all questions of the candidates, Arnold said, with each candidate getting a different question. Each candidate will also be given a couple of minutes to recap his position, he said.

Although members of the public may attend the event, they won't be allowed to ask questions directly, the mayor said. Instead, Valparaiso residents were asked this month, in a mailout of the city's newsletter, to submit general written questions to ask the candidates. The moderator will select the final questions.

In other business at the city commission meeting Monday:

—Commissioners appointed two city residents to be members of the city's Planning Commission, Clark "Tom" Browning and John Miller. Their terms expire Sept. 30, 2014.

Browning is a military contractor, a network support engineer. Miller is a self-employed building contractor.

—Commissioners also voted 3-0 to approve a new Interlocal Mutual Aid Agreement that would allow Valparaiso police officers to provide law enforcement services for the county's new airport police department.

In December Greg Donovan, Okaloosa County's airports direc-

tor, asked police chiefs in Valparaiso, Niceville, Fort Walton Beach, Crestview and Shalimar to sign a mutual aid agreement that would allow city police officers to help the start-up airport police department by sending officers for scheduled shifts at the airport between Feb. 1 until May. The airport would pay the city's \$40 an hour for each officer, while the city would shoulder any liability and other expenses such as retirement and workmen's compensation. Donovan said the airport should have its own officers hired and trained by May.

For the past several years the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has been providing law enforcement services at the airport with 11 deputies. However, the county commission last year agreed to Donovan's request to form its own airport police department at a lower cost. The sheriff's office agreed to honor its previous contract to provide those services after the old agreement expired Oct. 1. The extension was until Feb. 1.

Police Chief Joe Hart told commissioners that attorneys for the county and attorneys for Okaloosa County Sheriff Larry Ashley had differing legal opinions about the legality of city police officers providing law enforcement services outside their own city jurisdictions. Because the start-up airport police was in need of manning, Hart recommended the agreement be approved with the caveat that the county's attorneys support the move.

Separately, the city commission's approval became moot late Monday when the county and sheriff's office agreed that sheriff's deputies, rather than city police officers, would provide the interim manning support at the airport beyond Feb. 1 and until the county can complete hiring its own personnel.

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# Police Blotter

The following accounts of the activities of police are according to records of the Niceville and Valparaiso police departments, the Okaloosa County and Walton County sheriff's offices, other law-enforcement agencies, and the Okaloosa County and Walton County jails.

## Arrests

Pernell C. Thomas, 31, of 177 W. Walnut Ave., Crestview, was arrested by Niceville police, subsequent to a traffic stop for speeding in which Thomas was a passenger, Dec. 31, on a charge of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, cocaine.

Justin Leveugene Perkins, 26, of 304 Reeves St., Lot C-14, Niceville, was arrested by Niceville police Dec. 30 on a charge of criminal mischief, over \$1,000 damage, which allegedly occurred Nov. 11.

Dennis Lee Tappan, a sheet metal worker, 27, of 215 Palermo St., Fort Walton Beach, was arrested by Valparaiso police Jan. 1 on a charge of battery, domestic violence.

Stephen Jacob Mesiner, unemployed, 23, of 403 Evans Road,

Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 21 on a domestic violence charge of aggravated batter, offender knew or should have known victim was pregnant

Lawanda Dette Sullivan, 34, of 1413-D 29th St., Niceville, was arrested by Niceville police Jan. 3 on a charge of retail theft that allegedly occurred July 9.

Mark Wade Triplett, 29, of 203 Minger Sta, #2, Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies, in Shalimar, Dec. 31, on charges of battery and resisting an officer without violence.

Downard Wayne Moss, a business owner, 41, of 173 Wright Circle, Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 27 on a charge of battery.

Keiko Marie Kopp, a cook, 22, of 154 Westview Ave., Apt. 5, Valparaiso, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 27 on a charge of criminal mischief, less than \$200 damage. Kopp allegedly carved her initials, "KMK," into the bench in the cell of a the county courthouse annex extension detention facility Dec. 27 while being held before being transported to the county jail on an unrelated contempt charge.

A 13-year-old Niceville boy, a student, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 25 on a charge of domestic violence battery. The boy allegedly struck his 16-year-old sister subsequent to a verbal dispute. The boy, who now has a mandatory court appearance Feb. 8, was released to the custody of his mother.

Brian Daniel Dottaviano, 27, of 1616 Myrtlewood Lane, Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 28 on a contempt of court charge on original charges of domestic violence battery and possession of controlled substance without a prescription.

Yolanda Clara Lee, unemployed, 20, of 203 Bay Drive, Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Jan. 2 on a charge of falsely identifying herself to a law enforcement officer, a first degree misdemeanor. During a narcotics investigation at 660 Anderson Drive, Fort Walton Beach, in which an arrest was made, Lee allegedly provided a false name and date of birth. After investigators determined Lee's true name they checked a law enforcement database and determined that Lee had an active warrant in Lake County for conspiracy to traffic cocaine and making a false police report. Lee was arrested on the Lee County warrant Jan. 3.



Yolanda Clara Lee

Brandon Edward Zembsch, unemployed, 21, of 1506 27th St., Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 30 on a violation of probation charge on the original charges of burglary, grand theft auto, grand theft and criminal mischief.

Wendell Keith Miller, unemployed, 44, of 64 5th Ave., Shalimar, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 29 on a charge of petit theft. On Oct. 3 Miller

# Fire Department Reports

## Niceville

The Niceville Fire Department responded to the following calls from December 30, 2011 through January 8, 2012.

2 Structure Fire	24 Emergency Medical Calls
0 Vehicle Fire	3 Vehicle Crash
0 Other Fire	0 Vehicle Crash with Extrication
2 Illegal Burn	11 Other Emergency Calls
0 False Alarms	1 Hazardous Conditions

Street	Situation	Date	Time
SR85N @ MM#16	False Call	12/30/11	08:38
Edge Avenue	Medical	12/30/11	11:48
E. John Sims Pkwy	Medical	12/30/11	21:00
Azalea Drive	Medical	12/31/11	10:55
Buddy Phelps Drive	Service Call	12/31/11	18:45
N. Partin Drive	Medical	12/31/11	20:00
Riley Road	Service Call	12/31/11	22:46
Everglade Drive	Medical	01/01/12	15:33
N. Partin Drive	Medical	01/02/12	09:30
E. John Sims Pkwy	Medical	01/02/12	14:02
Woodlow Road	Medical	01/02/12	18:40
Meigs Drive	Medical	01/03/12	00:38
N. Partin Drive	Medical	01/03/12	06:15
N. Partin Drive	Medical	01/03/12	07:37
Biscayne Lane	Bomb Scare	01/03/12	11:32
Darlington Oak Dr	Service Call	01/03/12	11:46
Rum Still Circle	Medical	01/03/12	12:41
Cadillac Avenue	Structure Fire	01/03/12	23:30
Niceville Avenue	Cancelled	01/04/12	08:50
Niceville Avenue	Cancelled	01/04/12	08:54
Lincolnshire Drive	Service Call	01/04/12	09:14
SR123	Vehicle Crash	01/04/12	12:25
N. Partin Drive	Medical	01/04/12	12:39
Everglade Drive	Medical	01/04/12	14:53
Weeden Island Drive	Medical	01/04/12	16:20
Peachtree Way	Medical	01/04/12	16:52
Cape Lane	Illegal Burning	01/04/12	17:06
Kelly Road	Medical	01/05/12	00:25
Reeves Street	Medical	01/05/12	12:50
W. John Sims Pkwy	Vehicle Crash	01/05/12	17:34
SR85N	Vehicle Crash	01/05/12	21:03
Campbell Drive	Structure Fire	01/05/12	23:30
Azalea Drive	Service Call	01/06/12	14:41
SR85N/SR123	Cancelled	01/06/12	17:12
Hillside Drive	Medical	01/06/12	20:33
23rd Street	Medical	01/07/12	00:57
Island Lane	Medical	01/07/12	04:45
Alaqua Creek Cove	Illegal Burning	01/07/12	17:03
Dana Pointe	Smoke Scare	01/07/12	21:54
E. John Sims Pkwy	Cancelled	01/08/12	04:23
Corbin Court	Medical	01/08/12	07:51
W. John Sims Pkwy	Medical	01/08/12	11:05
E. John Sims Pkwy	Medical	01/08/12	14:27

Weekly Safety Tip: Install smoke detectors on every level of the home in rooms, stairs, landings and passageways. Test smoke detectors at least once a month and change batteries twice a year.

## North Bay

The North Bay Fire Department responded to the following calls from January 1, 2012 through January 9, 2012.

Street	Situation	Date	Time
N. White Point Road	Medical assist EMS	1/1/12	08:16
Pine Street	Medical assist EMS	1/1/12	15:33
Evans Court	EMS excluding vehicle	1/2/12	11:05
White Point Road	EMS excluding vehicle	1/2/12	13:33
White Point Road	EMS excluding vehicle	1/2/12	16:46
Highway 20	Dispatched canceled	1/3/12	12:56
Cadillac Avenue	Building fire	1/3/12	23:31
Ida Coon Circle	Dispatched canceled	1/4/12	09:31
Vinings Way Blvd	Dispatched canceled	1/4/12	10:16
N. White Point Road	EMS excluding vehicle	1/4/12	10:25
Olde Post Road	Rescue EMS incident	1/5/12	03:12
Ida Coon Circle	EMS excluding vehicle	1/5/12	08:18
East Hwy 20/Freeport	No incident found	1/5/12	19:50
Flange Road	Steam vapor fog or dust	1/5/12	21:21
Wright Circle	EMS excluding vehicle	1/5/12	22:35
White Point Road	Dispatched canceled	1/5/12	23:03
Campbell Drive	Building fire	1/5/12	23:32
White Point Road	EMS excluding vehicle	1/6/12	06:25
Boca Drive	EMS excluding vehicle	1/6/12	11:52
N. White Point Road	Medical assist EMS	1/6/12	13:20
William Faulkner Drive	Medical assist EMS	1/6/12	17:44
Hwy 20 & White Point	Motor vehicle accident	1/6/12	21:43
Wren Way	Medical assist EMS	1/7/12	14:39
N. White Point Road	Medical assist EMS	1/7/12	17:35
Hickory Street	EMS excluding vehicle	1/8/12	17:07
Aruba Way	EMS excluding vehicle	1/9/12	04:47

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allegedly stole a \$60 bottle of vodka from a Niceville liquor store, 4530 E. Highway 20.

Kenneth Jason Baker, 37, of 1104 Fifth Terrace, Barling, Alaska, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Dec. 31 on a charge of domestic violence battery that allegedly occurred at a Niceville address in the 1300 block of Highway 20 East.

## DUI arrests

William Rhys Macbeth, 58, of 1141 Ruckel Drive, Niceville, was arrested by Valparaiso police for DUI at a parking lot, 143 N. John Sims Parkway, Valparaiso, Dec. 28 at 2:50 p.m.

Robyn Anna Riley, 24, of 1643 Samos Cove, Niceville, was arrested by sheriff's deputies for DUI at 205 Benning Drive, Destin, Dec. 27 at 12:56 a.m.

## Thefts

A man reported Dec. 29 that unknown person(s) stole a magnetic sign honoring a military unit off his vehicle while it was parked on John Sims Parkway, near Palm Plaza, Niceville.

A Niceville resident from the 100 block of Wright Circle reported that unknown person(s) entered his vehicle while it was parked in the driveway sometime Dec. 29-30 and stole jewelry from a jewelry box, a video game, \$20 in cash and a Florida scratch-off ticket valued at \$40. Total value of the stolen items was \$572.

A Niceville resident from the 500 block of Oak Avenue reported Dec. 22 that someone had stolen a video game system and three games from his residence.

A Niceville resident from the 300 block of Reeves Street reported that sometime Dec. 13 when there were several people at the residence someone stole a \$448 laptop computer.

## Other

Christopher B. Russano, a landscape worker, 23, of 1366 Windward Lane, Niceville, was issued a criminal summons by sheriff's deputies Dec. 23 on a charge of battery that allegedly occurred outside a Destin business, 34876 Emerald Coast Parkway.

Ashley M. Stephens, unemployed, 19, of 4268 Shadow Lane, Niceville, and Samantha L. Engesther, a student, 18, of 1714 Pine Ave., Niceville, were issued criminal summons by sheriff's deputies Dec. 31, each charged with retail theft. Stephens and Engesther were allegedly observed concealing a pair of shoes and a watch, valued together at \$65, at Sears, 300 Mary Esther Cut-off, Mary Esther.

On Jan. 2 deputies located a small bag of marijuana near a residence in the 500 block of 23rd Street, Niceville, but were unable to locate any suspects. The marijuana was submitted into evidence and will be destroyed.

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## Street closures

Sewer work in Niceville will result in intermittent closures of McKinley Street from North Cedar Street to the softball complex for about two weeks starting Jan. 12, according to the Niceville Department of Public Works. Also affected will be the intersection of Cedar and McKinley. Information: 729-4064.

# TEACHERS

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annual "step" raises to most teachers this year. Such increases would cost at least \$1.2 million a year, according to the district.

The step raises are usually granted to teachers based on their time in service, but are not included in this year's pay package because, according to school administrators, the school district does not have the funds for such raises.

The OCEA, a branch of the Florida Education Association and National Education Association that represents 1,815 Okaloosa teachers, disagreed, resulting in an "impasse" in recent negotiations, and to the "quasi-judicial" public hearing in Niceville Jan. 4, in which elected school board members heard from both sides before voting unanimously against granting step pay increases this year. The pay of Okaloosa teachers, fifth highest statewide, is mainly based on a combination of time in service and the level of each teacher's degree attainment.

During the hearing at Niceville High, which was attended by many teachers, the position of the school district administration was presented by Mike Mattimore, a labor-relations lawyer for the district. Mattimore showed budget figures indicating that the school district has lost revenue during the last several years from local property taxes, state aid to education, and federal economic stimulus programs, while costs for such things as utilities, insurance, and school operations have steadily increased. He said the district cannot sustain the recurring costs of the proposed step pay hikes.

Also presented were figures showing that Okaloosa teachers last year were the fifth highest-paid among Florida's 67 school districts. The figures showed the average Okaloosa teacher was paid \$51,082 for about nine months' work, behind only the high-cost counties of Monroe, Sarasota, Collier and Dade.

If pay were raised further, Mattimore said, it would probably force the district to take other, more-painful cost-cutting measures such as across-the-board pay cuts, or furloughs or layoffs of some teachers. He said the contract between the district and the union permits the district to move teachers up to higher pay "steps" based on time in service, but without actually adding to their pay at this time.

OCEA Executive Director Greg Butler spoke next, presenting the union's position, with a different interpretation of the numbers. He said the school district has routinely budgeted more money for teacher pay than it has actually spent each year, and has about \$14 million available to cover teacher pay hikes. He said that the contract between the teachers union and the school district mandates step pay increases, and that the district is obligated to live up to the labor contract.

OCEA President Karen Peek also spoke, saying she is "proud to represent Okaloosa teachers," whose hard work has made the Okaloosa district the best in Florida year after year, and who deserve to be rewarded for their

District Number	District Name	Average Salary	Rank
44	Monroe	\$57,798.00	1
58	Sarasota	\$55,994.00	2
11	Collier	\$52,320.00	3
13	Dade	\$51,408.00	4
46	Okaloosa	\$51,082	5

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An Okaloosa County School District briefing slide presented at a Jan. 4 public hearing on teacher pay showed the county's teachers are the fifth-highest paid among Florida's 67 districts. Figures are for nine-month employees.

excellent performance. Peek said she knew the district faces a tough financial situation, but "it is time to get creative, to plan and work together" to find the money needed for the step increases.

Peek said the union and its members have done their best to help the district cut costs by using more associate rather than regular teachers, using cheaper computers, and other measures. "Did you forget the sacrifices we made?" she asked.

Peek also reminded the school board that at a previous meeting she had promised them that if the time came to withhold pay raises for teachers, she and other OCEA members would understand. But, she said, "This is not the time, and we do not understand!" and displayed a briefing slide to emphasize her statement.

OCEA member and Destin Middle school teacher Patrick Cole gave an emotional speech, during which he disputed what he said is a stereotype of "lazy, greedy teachers," and asked his fellow teachers to raise their hands if they had given more than ten hours a week of unpaid time to help their students, and again if they had spent \$200 or more of their own money to buy supplies for their classrooms. Most raised their hands. The hands dropped, however, when Cole asked how many had become teachers in order to get rich.

Rita Scallan, the school district's chief financial officer, also spoke, answering questions from school board members. She said that although some budget figures may have given the impression of extra money budgeted for teacher pay or reserve funds available for pay hikes, that in fact most such money is restricted to specific purposes such as buying equipment or for special educational programs, and cannot be diverted for salaries. Scallan also said much of the reserve funds are gradually being depleted as revenue has decreased, and could not support recurring expenses like salary hikes.

The audience at the hearing appeared to consist mostly of Okaloosa teachers, many of whom wore red shirts, scarves, or other red apparel in what some said was a visual display of solidarity with their union. The crowd stood to clap and cheer several times dur-

Mayville said, while Valparaiso firefighters moved to the Niceville fire station on standby. Niceville police arrested Denton at the scene.

Police arrest reports gave the following account:

Denton and Potter, his girlfriend, got into an argument when she accused him of taking \$5 from her purse. Denton, who had been drinking, allegedly grabbed Potter by the scarf around her neck, dragged her to a bedroom and threw her on the bed.

Then he poured gasoline on the bed, on the floor, in the hallway and throughout the living room. He lit the gasoline at the front door.

Under police questioning, Denton allegedly stated, "I feel badder about her cat than her and her son."

# MAN

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house engulfed in flames, said Niceville Fire Chief Tommy Mayville. The fire was declared under control at 11:55 p.m.

Gasoline-fed flames engulfed the middle of the house, from the front door to the back door, Mayville said. The fire chief said the home was destroyed, estimating damage at \$75,000.

Everyone living at the address—Denton, its owner Candice Potter, and Potter's teenage son—was outside when firefighters arrived, Mayville said, but a pet cat perished in the flames.

Firefighters from Niceville, Eglin, East Niceville and North Bay responded to the alarm,

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An Okaloosa County Education Association slide at the hearing proposed possible uses for what the union described as a \$14 million surplus in the school district's budget this year. The district said the money is earmarked for other purposes.

30 days, and with the arbitrator getting 30 days to decide the case, it could be mid-May before a decision is reached, he said.

Mattimore, the school district's attorney, said there is no way that an arbitrator can reverse what the school board decided last week. He said that state law gives the board the final say on pay issues.

Okaloosa County Schools Superintendent Alexis Tibbetts, reached for comment later, said, "I feel just sick" that the union and administration have been unable to resolve their differences.

"This is very difficult for me," said Tibbetts, who was an Okaloosa teacher and principal herself before being elected superintendent. "I've grown up with many of the teachers who were at the hearing," she said, and is friends with most of them.

Despite her feelings, said Tibbetts, she supports the school board's decision, and agrees that there is not enough money for pay hikes. "There is not really \$14 million available for pay increases" as claimed by OCEA director Greg Butler during the hearing, she said. Of the supposed \$14 million of "available" money in the budget, said Tibbetts, about \$9 million is required by law to be kept in reserve for such contingencies as hurricanes, and the other \$5 million is non-recurring money from such sources as federal economic stimulus programs which are now ended.

Tibbetts said the real solution to the Okaloosa School District's teacher pay problem would be "for the Florida Legislature to fund public education at a level higher than 47th out of 50 states in the nation."

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## Collegiate rated No. 1 high school in Florida Scored 1,511 of 1,600 possible points

The Collegiate High School at Northwest Florida State College is the top scoring "A" high school in Florida for the third time in the school's 11-year history. The innovative charter school of the Okaloosa County School District received 1,511 of 1,600 possible points to place first in the state among 410 high schools graded by the Florida Department of Education.

Collegiate High has consistently scored in the top one-half of 1 percent in the Florida Accountability System, previously earning recognition as the top scoring high school in the state in 2009-10 and 2002-03. "Obviously, we're thrilled

that the fine work of our students and teachers is so evident by our top placement again," noted Anthony Boyer, principal.

The Florida Department of Education calculates points based on multiple criteria relative to FCAT performance and whole school performance—including graduation rate, learning gains, postsecondary readiness in reading and math and at-risk student graduation rate.

Application for admission to the school is in progress for the 2012-13 academic year. The school will hold information sessions for prospective new students Jan. 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the Crestview Public library

Collegiate High received recognition as a U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon School in 2006. Boyer said reading is especially emphasized at the school with a "culture of reading" that integrates reading in unique ways such as a Guest Reader program, national level visiting authors and more.

The school was chartered in 2000 with an enrollment of 125 students and has had more than 782 graduates in the 11 years since it opened. The current enrollment is 285 students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades.

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Collegiate High School students celebrate the school's status as the top A+ high school in Florida.

### Who's News

E-mail items to info@baybeacon.com.

**Anne Marie Hinze** of Niceville has earned an International Certification in Breastfeeding Care from the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners®. This testifies to her expertise in providing standards of knowledge and increasing the number of practitioners in lactation and breastfeeding care.

A Niceville resident for almost eight years, Hinze is the mother of three children ages 6, 5 and 2 months. In addition to her private practice as a board-certified Lactation Consultant, helping mothers breastfeed their children, Hinze volunteers her time as a La Leche League leader. She leads a monthly support group with 20-30 moms in attendance each month. As a volunteer for La Leche League, she answers phone calls, emails and provides mother-to-mother support for breastfeeding moms and babies.

South Walton High School in Santa Rosa Beach announces its Teacher of the Year, **Sherri Houpp**. A math teacher at South Walton High School since August 2007, Houpp and her husband, Gary, are residents of Niceville.

**V. Paige Floyd** of Niceville was recently awarded the "Affiliate of the Year" award from the Emerald Coast Chapter of the Women's Council of Realtors, Inc., at

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### Shelter House seeks used cell phones

At this time of year, many people are still trying to figure out all the bells and whistles on the new cell phones they received for Christmas. But what do you do with that old cell phone? Shelter House, the domestic violence center serving Okaloosa and Walton counties, is collecting your unwanted cell phones to be used for emergency phones for victims of domestic violence.

"Leaving an abusive relationship can be a very dangerous time," said Michelle Sperzel, executive director of Shelter House. "By providing

emergency phones to women who may be leaving their homes with nothing more than the clothes on their backs, we are improving their chances for survival."

Broken phones are also accepted and forwarded to a recycling facility with proceeds returning to Shelter House for services such as a 24-hour crisis hotline, counseling, advocacy, outreach, prevention education and confidential shelter.

Shelter House cell phone drop boxes can be found throughout the community at

the following locations: Airport Road Church of Christ in Crestview; Beach Community Bank branches; Christ the King Episcopal Church in Santa Rosa Beach; Destin Church of Christ; Fort Walton Beach Church of Christ; Gentle Breeze Dentistry in Santa Rosa Beach; Northwest Florida State College, Niceville Campus; Troy University campuses; and Whitney Bank branches.

Any business or organization that would like to hold its own cell phone drive can contact Shelter House at 243-1201.

### NHS student is Coke Scholar semifinalist

Stephanie Hsiang, a senior at Niceville High School, has been selected as a semifinalist in the Coca-Cola Scholars Program.

Students selected as one of the 250 Coca-Cola Scholars must attend the Coca-Cola Scholars Weekend April 12-15 at the Scholars Foundation's expense, and interview for one of 50 National Scholar awards of \$20,000. The remaining 200 Scholars will receive \$10,000.

Stephanie Hsiang points to her picture on the "Wall of Fame" at Niceville High School.



### I.D. card in paint

Madison Brake, left, was commissioned to do a mural on the media stand in the Niceville gymnasium. Brianna Cupp, right, a fellow freshman, assisted in the completion of the service project to the school. Both students are in Nihill Taylor's 2D art class.

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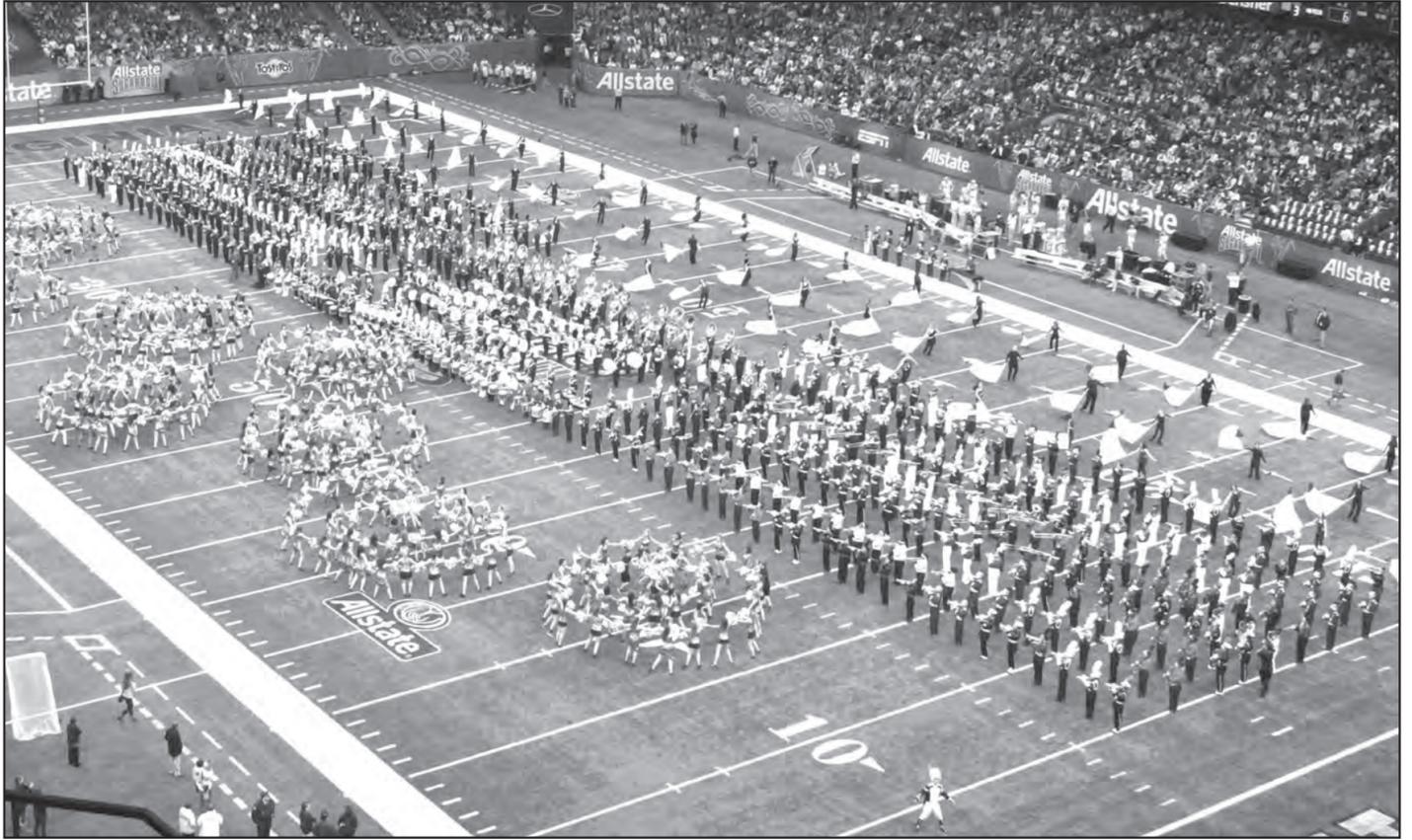
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## Rocky band excels at bowl game

The Rocky Bayou Christian School band participated in Sugar Bowl Field competition Jan. 3 with 17 other schools from all over the United States. The Knights won first place for outstanding general effect and for outstanding auxiliary, and took second place overall. Here, the school bands perform together at halftime of the game, which was won by Michigan over Virginia Tech, 23-20, in overtime.

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## Officers sworn in

The Northwest Florida Military Officers Association installed the 2012 officers and directors at the Jan. 4 meeting. Retired Air Force Lt. Gen. Leroy Manor presided. From left: Manor; Ken Wright, president, Fort Walton Beach; Jeff Watson, 1st vice president, Shalimar; Gayle Norgaard, 2nd vice president, Niceville; Scott Berry, secretary, Niceville; Dan Cobb, treasurer, Niceville; Eileen Arpke, director, Niceville; Bill Van Hoesen, director, Mary Esther; Bob Garcia, director, Niceville; and Jim Summitt, director, Niceville. Bob Padden, director, Fort Walton Beach, was not available for the photo.



## Locals take second in Mozart contest

Two Twin Cities students won second-place ribbons in the 10th Annual Mozart Piano Competition Dec. 3 at St. Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church, Destin.

The competition was sponsored by Alpha Lodge #172, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Okaloosa Music Teachers Association.

Local second-place winners were David Ward (Junior Division) and Alexander Hencinski (Intermediate Division), both of Niceville. Seven other Twin Cities students competed as well, but did not place.

Young musicians from

Escambia, Santa Rosa, Walton and Okaloosa counties in four different age groups competed for ribbons and cash prizes by playing an assigned piece by Mozart on the piano. Cash prizes range from \$100 to \$500, depending upon the age group. Over the past 10 years, Alpha lodge has provided more than \$15,000 in prize money.

Wolfgang A. Mozart, in whose honor the contest is named was an active Mason. At least 10 of his compositions were written for specific Masonic events, the most famous of which was "The Magic Flute."

## DePue Brothers to perform Jan. 21

The DePue Brothers and their band will converge on the Mattie Kelly Arts Center at NWF State College Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m., under the auspices of the Emerald Coast Concert Association.

The three violinist brothers, Wallace, Alex and Jason DePue, encompass a vivid blend of bluegrass, classical, and rock genres. Each brother is a classical virtuoso in his own right, and brings rich and diverse talents to their sound.

As a family they have been

making music together for more than 25 years. They were named "Musical Family of America" in 1989 by presidential decree and were the subject of a nationally televised PBS documentary in 1993.

Tickets for \$30 per person are available at the college box office or by calling 729-6000. For more information on the concert as well as tickets and memberships call the Emerald Coast Concert Association at 362-9356.



## Ruckel students go global

Ruckel Middle School Multicultural Club members, along with the former sponsor of the International Club, Rubye Jewell, planted a tree in front of the 300 ramp to replace one on the campus that died. The club, advised by Dennise Beachem, has been engaged in a variety of cultures by celebrating them through learning and various events this year. Club members will celebrate and participate in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., parade January 16. Club members will also present a program on France and Japan at Children in Crisis on a date to be determined.



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**NWFSC enrollment**

Enrollment for the spring term at Northwest Florida State College continues through Jan. 17 for credit courses, non-credit adult basic education and professional development offerings. Extended registration hours are 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 8 a.m.-4:30 Friday in Niceville, Fort Walton Beach, Crestview, DeFuniak Springs and South Walton. College centers at Eglin and Hurlburt are open 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Current students or new students who have completed admissions may also enroll or pay fees online at nwfsc.edu.

Enrollment in non-credit professional development courses and seminars through the Leadership Institute is also open. Info: nwfsc.edu/LI or call 729-6880 or e-mail leadership@nwfsc.edu.

**Library story time**

Story time for ages 3-5 has started up again at the Niceville Public Library and will feature the following themes this month:

- Jan. 11 and 12—"Be Unique"
- Jan. 18 and 19—"A Snow Day" \*
- Jan. 25 and 26—"Damsels and Dragons"

Join Ms. Karen and Ms. Christina for these fun upcoming story times.

Each session begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Youth Services Program room and lasts for about 30 minutes.

Wednesday and Thursday programs are identical.

On Jan. 18 and 19, the Niceville Library and Children's park will join forces for "A Snow Day." There will be a special surprise during story time and at 11:30 the park will host a snowflake hunt.

**Quit smoking in 2012**

Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast will host a free, six-week smoking-cessation program beginning Wednesday, Jan. 11, for persons who want to stop smoking.

The Quit Smoking Now (QSN) program provides structured classes in a supportive, stress-free environment. Step by step, smokers will learn how to replace their nicotine habit with healthy alternatives. The free program is led by certified Health care professionals and includes nicotine replacement products, individualized assessments, and customized treatment plans.

The one-hour classes will be offered on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Suite 1 Education building on the Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast campus. A new series of classes will begin March 7.

To register, or for more information, contact Lynne Weldon, 685-8814, or Lweldon@wfahec.org.

**Prime Time registration**

Registration for the Prime Time series of personal enrichment classes offered by Northwest Florida State College begins Jan. 11 at the college's Niceville campus and South Walton Center. Registration continues Jan. 12 at all seven college locations and is also available by web.

The schedule and registration information is available at nwfsc.edu/schedule and at various community locations such as libraries and chambers of commerce. Courses start throughout January and February and range from \$20 to \$75.

First-time participants should enroll in person at NWFSC in Niceville 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the College Mall, Building K and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. in Building C or at the South Walton Center 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.



**'Memories of Elvis'**

Chris MacDonald's "Memories of Elvis Rockin' Birthday Bash" will be performed at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center at Northeast Florida State College in Niceville Jan. 13 at 7:30 p.m. In celebration of what would have been Elvis Presley's 77th birthday, MacDonald performs, complete with costumes and a concert band, a tribute celebrating the life and music of Elvis. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the box office or online. Info: 729-6000 or mattiekellyartscenter.org.

Individuals who have previously enrolled may register by web at nwfsc.edu beginning Jan. 11, 9 a.m. In-person registration at all seven college locations begins Jan. 12 and continues until classes start or are filled. Info: 729-6084 or 729-6085.

**Slow-pitch softball**

Girls, ages 5-18, interested in signing up for VNGSA Slowpitch Softball can now register at the following locations or online at vngsa.org:

**Niceville High School**  
Thursday, Jan. 12-6-8 p.m.

**Niceville City Hall:**  
Wednesday, Jan. 11, 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 14, 8 a.m.-noon

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 21, 8 a.m.-noon

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 28, 8 a.m.-noon

Registration Deadline is Jan. 28.

Registration cost is \$5 per child plus \$10 city fee if you live within

Niceville City Limits and \$20

Niceville City Fee if you live outside city limits.

Visit vngsa.org for more information.

**Confederate Daughters**

A regular meeting of Pensacola Chapter 298, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held Thursday, Jan. 12. Refreshments at 1 p.m., with meeting at 1:30 at the Pensacola First Baptist Church. Jacki Wilson, archivist, from the Pensacola Historical Resource Center will talk on Father Nash's letters. Members of the lineage organization reside in Okaloosa, Santa Rosa and Escambia counties.

Info: Glenda Manis, 678-7318/902-7049

**Seniors pot luck, bingo**

The Twin Cities Seniors, 268 Glenview Ave., Valparaiso, will meet Jan. 12, 1 p.m., for pot luck and bingo. Those 50+ are welcome., Please bring a covered dish to share.

Info: 678-4346.

**Invasive animals talk**

The Bluewater Bay Garden Club will feature "Invasive Animals," a talk by Sheila Dunning, Jan. 12. Dunning has been with the University of Florida Extension Service in Okaloosa County for 10 years as a Commercial Horticulture Agent. Her background also includes 22 years of nursery experience in a variety of settings.

Info: bluewaterbaygardenclub.com.

**Collegiate High info**

An information session for 2012-13 admissions to the Collegiate High School at Northwest Florida State College will be held Jan. 12, 5:30 p.m., at the Crestview Public Library. Admissions packets are available at nwfcollegiatehigh.org or by contacting the school. Info: 729-4949.

**Art Salon works at library**

The artwork of the Art Salon group will be on exhibit at the Niceville Library through Jan. 31.

The Art Salon is a group of artists who meet to discuss art, see videos, critique and share art, and occasionally work on a group project.

**Eatery features artwork**

The art of Lynette Miesen will be on display through Jan. 29 at Cafe Bienville, 14 Bayshore Drive, Niceville. As a member of the Local Color Artist's Guild and the Plein Aire Artists of Florida, Miesen's paintings capture the essence of the Emerald Coast. The exhibit is free and open to the public 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday and noon-6 p.m. Sunday. Info: 678-2233.

**Mattie Kelly art exhibition**

The Mattie Kelly Arts Center Galleries at Northwest Florida State College, Niceville, begin the new year with two exhibitions, running Jan. 13-Feb. 17. The public may celebrate the artists, and meet Duncan Baird and Cetin Oguz, at an opening reception Friday, Jan. 13, 6-7:30 p.m.

The McIlroy Gallery will host to "Worlds Apart," a two-man show featuring the works of Duncan Baird and Cetin Oguz.

In the Holzhauer Gallery, viewers will see the work of Elizabeth Austin, "Cassatina, the Magic Box," an intimate view of decorated miniatures.

The Galleries are always free and open to the public.

Info: 729-5382.

**Elks rib dinners**

Elks Lodge 2747, 224 Seminole Ave., Valparaiso, is offering \$10 rib plate dinners, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14. Just stop by, or call in and pre-order plates to eat in or to

go: 729-3557.

**Down East Boys concert**

The Down East Boys, a gospel quartet, will appear at Central Baptist Church, 951 S. Ferdon Blvd., Crestview, Jan. 14, 6 p.m. A love offering will be taken. Tickets are on sale for the Ernie Haas and Signature Sound quartet now for Feb. 10, at prices from \$18 to \$25. Call Libby White, 496-7106 or Central Baptist Church, 682-5525. Or libbyand friendsgospelconcerts.com.

**'Wine & Hors d'oeuvres'**

The Magnolia Grill of Fort Walton Beach will host the fourth annual

"Wine & Hors d'oeuvres reception Jan. 15, 2-4 p.m. There will be live entertainment from the

Pyramid Players and Fort Walton Beach High School, along with multiple drawings to win tickets to local events. The event benefits the Okaloosa Arts Alliance. Tickets are \$15 individual and \$25 couple and will be available at the door. Info: 499-8335, or okaloosa arts.org.

**Relay team meeting**

Relay For Life team captains, volunteers, cancer survivors and potential sponsors are invited to attend the team meeting Jan. 17, 6-7 p.m., at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Hwy. 20, Niceville.

The American Cancer Society is in the process of recruiting teams to participate in the Niceville-Valparaiso Relay For Life, a unique community overnight event to fight cancer. The Relay is scheduled for May 4-5.

**'Truth of Leonard Destin'**

Bring a sack lunch and take your lunch break at the Heritage Museum for History Sandwiched-In, an informal lunch time education program. The title of the lecture is "The Real Truth of Leonard Destin During the Civil War," by Tony Menillo, author of "Salty Memories." The lecture is free and open to the public

on Jan. 18. Space is limited. Call 678-2615 to reserve a seat. For information regarding lecture topics, visit heritage-museum.org.

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"I think they should get the raise. They work hard enough, and education is important for the new generation."

Edna Chapa, 55, Niceville, retired



"There should be more funding for projects within the schools, such as music."

Kesha Jones, 30, Crestview, phlebotomist



"Teachers should get a raise. The teachers I know work hard, and often use their own money to buy things for their classrooms."

Sebrina Winter, 32, Santa Rosa Beach, accountant



"I'll go with giving the teachers a raise. In these economic times, they deserve an increase in pay. Their jobs are among the most important we have — teaching our children."

Beverly Smith, 61, Niceville, loan originator



"No. I do not believe Okaloosa public school teachers should receive a 'raise.' However, the money that was budgeted for their salaries should be honored to pay them as stated in their contract — which is not a 'raise.'"

Patricia Weinacker, 29, Bluewater Bay, middle school teacher



"They should receive raises if it's in their contract."

David Nelson, 61, Niceville, pilot

What should we ask next week? Email your suggested question to: info@baybeacon.com Include "Suggested IP question" in the "subject" field.

**WHO'S**

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V. Paige Floyd

their December installation banquet. She is employed by Rels Title and is a long-time Niceville resident. During the banquet, leadership presented her with the award for

her efforts in the creation of and as event director of the Chapter's first 5K, the Emerald Dash.



Kristina Maria Wright of Niceville recently graduated from the Savannah College of Art with a bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Illustration.

Kristina Maria Wright

**COLLEGIATE**

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has the opportunity to earn their two-year associate of arts degree simultaneously with their high school diploma. Boyer cited the school's rigorous academic atmosphere and small environment, which allows for personalized attention at all levels, as the factors largely responsible for the school's successes.

Collegiate High is neither a magnet nor a restricted admissions school and is open to all

public, private and home-schooled students.

"Students who are admitted with a pre-collegiate designation are provided with extra support, including tutoring and targeted classes, so that they can rapidly progress to collegiate status," said Boyer.

The Collegiate High School will hold the priority application period for Fall 2012-13 admission in February 2012. For information see the school's website at nwcollegiatehigh.org or contact the school at 729-4949.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST FOR VOTING EQUIPMENT AND EARLY VOTING**

Pursuant to Section 101.657(1) and 101.5612 Florida Statutes, this is to advise that the electronic tabulation system to be used for precinct and early voting in the January 31, 2012, Presidential Preference Primary Election and the Municipal Elections for Destin, Mary Esther, and Valparaiso will be tested and sealed beginning on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at 8:00 a.m. in the Supervisor of Elections Warehouse, 5479 Old Bethel Road, Crestview, Florida.

Early voting will be held January 21, 2012 – January 28, 2012, at the University of Florida Research and Engineering Education Facility, 1350 Poquito Rd N, Fort Walton Beach; the Robert L.F. Sikes Public Library, 1445 Commerce Dr, Crestview; the Niceville City Council Chamber, 208 Partin Dr N, Niceville; and the Supervisor of Elections Office, 302 Wilson St N, Suite 102, Crestview. Early voting hours are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday:  
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Wednesday and Saturdays: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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January 11, 2012

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## Eagles top Knights, 7-0

Rocky Bayou Christian School's Terence Ouma moves the ball Friday as Niceville High School's Anthony Provost chases. Niceville won the Friday soccer matchup, 7-0.

Beacon photo by Sarah Clauson



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## Eagle grapplers drop Crestview

Niceville 132-pounder Trenton Miller executes a complicated reverse lift, taking his Crestview opponent hard to the mat for a two-point takedown. Miller went on to win the match with a pin. The Eagles won Saturday's wrestling match, 46-27.

### Briefs

E-mail items to [info@baybeacon.com](mailto:info@baybeacon.com).

**PAL Soccer League** general membership meeting, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 31, Niceville City Hall. The purpose is election of officers for 2012 and preliminary planning for the fall 2012 season. Open to PAL board members, coaches and parents of players who were registered with PAL in 2011. Looking for active volunteers to serve on the PAL Board of Directors as it launches its 36th year of serving the children of our area. Call Howard Hill, 678-2182, if you are interested or want additional information.

**High Intensity 14U traveling fastpitch softball** tryouts will be held Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m.-noon, at the Ruckel Middle School softball field. Girls born on Jan. 1, 1997, or later are eligible. Bring photocopy of birth certificate and parent to sign liability waiver. E-mail [wattskt@cox.net](mailto:wattskt@cox.net) or call 642-1231 for more information.

Florida Quick Stick Lacrosse, AKA Destin Rockets, will hold registration Jan. 14, 1-4 p.m., at Morgan Sports Field. Info: Call Heather T. Swedenhjelm, administrative assistant, at 240-7475.

Boys and girls ages 10 to 14 may participate in the local level of competition for the **2012 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship**. The Niceville/Valparaiso area competition will be held Saturday, Jan. 28, 10 a.m., at Holy Name of Jesus Family Life Center, 1200 Valparaiso Blvd., Niceville. The Father Howard J Lesch, Council 7667 and Christ Our Redeemer, Council 13527 are sponsoring the annual event, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competition. All boys and girls 10 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age division. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. The gym will open at 9:30 for registration and practice. For additional information contact: Ed Coleman at 678-6447.



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