

# The Bay Beacon

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## Niceville wins high marks as a safe city

By Steve Andrews  
*Beacon Correspondent*

According to a real-estate relocation firm that analyzes crime and other data from the 358 residential communities statewide, Niceville is one of Florida's safest cities in which to live and raise a family. Niceville Police Chief David Popwell presented a letter to the City Council Nov. 12 out-

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lining the statistical findings over the past six years. The letter quoted Gov. Rick Scott's desire to reduce crime throughout the state, and commended Niceville for leading that battle. "The safety of Florida families is a top priority for our

administration," Scott said, according to the letter. "The great news is we are winning the fight against crime. I am committed to making Florida the safest place in the world to pursue a career and raise a family."

The relocation firm, Real-State.info, said that based on its comprehensive analysis of six-



year crime data, Niceville's police department should be commended for its "above-average contributions to this result and goal."

The crime data showed the following: —In 2012 (the latest year available) residents of Niceville had less of a chance of being a victim of a serious crime than the average for residents of all 358 Florida locations surveyed. —Based on projections for 2013, residents of Niceville will

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## UP COMING

**Thurs., 6-8 p.m.**  
Northwest Florida State College will hold an information session for new and prospective students at the Niceville campus which will offer information about the admissions process, financial aid, career assessments and NWFSC programs of study. For more information contact Maddie Ostrowski at recruitment@nwfsc.edu. 729-6467.



**Sat., 9 a.m.-12 p.m.**  
There will be a nail trimming clinic for pets at Parkway Veterinary Hospital, 1101 E. John Sims Parkway, Niceville. The funds raised will go towards **Relay for Life**. Cost is \$8 per pet, \$6 for additional pets in the same family. Cats must be in carriers and dogs on a short leash. Proof of rabies vaccine required. 678-9733.

**Sat., 7:30 p.m.**  
The Northwest Florida Symphony Chorale, a select choral group of talented local vocalists, will hold a free performance of Handel's "Messiah" at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1407 E. John Sims Parkway, Niceville. 729-6009.

**Sun., 6 p.m.**  
The annual Community Thanksgiving worship service will be at Rosemont Baptist Church, Niceville. Multiple local churches will be participating in the service. A nursery up to age 4 will be provided. 678-4854.

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## Bringing history to life



Beacon photo by Virginia Schreitmuller

Over 1,300 people came to Pioneer Day Saturday at Fred Gannon Rocky Bayou State Park, Niceville. The annual event, sponsored by Friends of Emerald Coast State Parks and the Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, is a free, family-oriented program that offers an opportunity to learn about local history and nature. This year's event featured more than 30 demonstrations, exhibits and hands-on craft projects at the park. More than 112 volunteers and re-enactors brought history to life at the event. Pictured: Lila, 4, and Alissa Sharpston, 8, of Freeport, get a music lesson in a traditional setting.

## Valp. voters to decide charter issue

By Mike Griffith  
*Beacon Correspondent*

The Valparaiso City Commission has given final approval to a measure seeking voter approval of an amended city charter. The Nov. 12 city commission meeting included the final of two public hearings on whether to put the proposed charter to a referendum. A motion to do so was approved by a 3-2 vote, with Mayor Bruce Arnold and commissioners Kay Hamilton and Diane Kelley voting in favor, while commissioners H.H. Strong and Joe Morgan voted against.

Valparaiso voters will decide March 11 whether to approve the measure, which contains a number of changes to the current charter, which was originally enacted upon the city's founding in 1921.

The new charter would, among other things:

—Change the city administrator from a city employee to a "charter officer" of

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## 2 new faces for Bluewater upkeep board

By Steve Andrews  
*Beacon Correspondent*

The Bluewater Bay Municipal Services Benefit Unit will soon get two new voices, as the board of directors appointed volunteer replacements for a pair of outgoing members.

Bluewater Bay residents Steven Hall and Felix Beukenkamp topped three other candidates who each presented themselves before the board at its monthly meeting on Nov. 12.

The MSBU is an autonomous panel of Okaloosa County's government, responsible for maintaining



Felix Beukenkamp



Steven Hall

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## Fire panel nixes union pact change

By Virginia Schreitmuller  
*Beacon Correspondent*

The North Bay Fire District Board of Commissioners voted down a proposed change to an article in the firefighters' contract during its Nov. 12 meeting. The vote to maintain the article as written came nearly three months it was introduced to the board.

The union had requested a modification to an article that deals with arbitration of labor grievances. The article states that when a grievance cannot be resolved through negotiation, the union can bring the matter to the commission or submit the grievance for professional arbitration.

The article, as written, states if the issue is presented to the

board the union loses its right to proceed to arbitration. The proposed change would have allowed grievances to be brought to the board, without losing the right to take the matter to arbitration if the union didn't like the outcome.

The union sent the request to modify Article 52 of its contract to the board in September. With no union representative in attendance at that time, the board voted down the request. The issue was re-addressed at the board's October meeting, with North Bay Professional Firefighters Association President Travis Zaal presenting a prepared statement explaining the union's stance on the proposed change. With

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## Eagles smash Leon; regional semifinal set for Friday

Niceville High School rolled over Leon Nov. 15, 62-14, at home in the regional quarterfinal football contest. The Eagles will face Tallahassee Lincoln this Friday, in Niceville, in the Region 1 7A semifinal. Story, B-4.

Beacon photo by Sarah Clauson

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the city.  
 —Eliminate the offices of city tax assessor, tax collector, treasurer, and municipal judge—posts which were provided for in the original charter, but which have not been filled for some time.  
 —Change the qualifications for city commissioners.  
 —Change the powers and responsibilities of city officers and commissioners.  
 —Change the process of city budget adoption.  
 —Change how vacancies on the city commission are filled.

—Delete certain charter articles.  
 The proposed new charter amendments would strengthen the role of the city administrator, making him the “Director of the Department of Public Services.” As such, the city administrator would have direct supervision of several city departments, including building inspection, code enforcement, streets, water, sewage, parks, sanitation, library and broadband services, and this could include “other departments as the city commission may from time to time deem necessary.” The city administrator would have the authority to employ and dismiss any employee within the depart-

ment of public services.  
 Supporters of the new charter, including Mayor Bruce Arnold, have said the proposed changes would help to streamline and modernize city government.  
 Opponents have said the changes would move Valparaiso away from its current form of government, in which individual elected commissioners exercise executive authority over various departments, and closer to a “city manager” form of government, in which a manager hired by the city commission exercises executive authority over most city departments, while the commission sets policy.  
 The commission meeting last



Beacon photo by Mike Griffith

**Thomas Miller addresses Valparaiso City Commission Nov. 12 in opposition to proposed changes in the city charter that will be put to referendum March 11.**

week included an exchange of views between retired city commissioner Thomas G. Miller and Mayor Arnold. Miller addressed the commission, and particularly the mayor, asking several questions about the charter amendment proposal, such as, “Who originally drafted the proposal?”  
 “I wrote most of it,” replied Arnold.

Miller asked what public hearings or other public input the mayor had relied upon in drafting the proposed charter changes.  
 “I had guidance from the city commissioners,” replied Arnold, adding that the city has conducted several public meetings during which the charter proposal has been discussed, but without receiving much input from Valparaiso citizens.

Arnold also said that there will be plenty of opportunity for citizens to read the proposed charter amendments and express their views between now and the March 11 referendum, during which two commission seats and the mayorly will also be on the ballot.  
 If voters approve the amended charter, said Arnold, it would take effect on Oct. 1, 2014.

Miller also asked whether the proposed charter would establish a city manager form of government for Valparaiso.  
 Arnold replied that it would not, although it would put more authority in the hands of the city administrator.

Valparaiso resident Don Caverly also addressed the commission, asking what specific problems exist with the present form of city government that make an amended charter necessary.

Arnold replied that the main purpose of the revised charter will be “to bring us up with the 21st century,” and to revise the current commission form of government, which Arnold said establishes “five separate fiefdoms with no focal point.”  
 Arnold went on to say that since the original 1921 charter was established, the city has grown and changed in many ways, to include adding more infrastructure, and adding more complex duties for city officials. The mayor said that in today’s Valparaiso, city commissioners “should act more as a board of governors, rather than supervise individual departments.”

Commissioner Kelley spoke in favor of the proposed charter amendments. She said that as a commissioner, she currently is expected to supervise the city’s public works, parks and library departments, but finds it difficult to coordinate with other commissioners, who are in charge of other city departments, when doing her own supervisory duties. “I can’t collaborate with commissioners Morgan or Hamilton, for example, without violating the Florida sunshine law,” she said.

Kelley said that the city administrator, as a city employee hired by the commission, is free to communicate with any member of the city commission, and thus can coordinate the activities of various departments without waiting for a formal city commission meeting in which to discuss such coordination.  
 Caverly, however, did not seem convinced. “This sounds like Obamacare,” he said. “A big idea that sounds good but may not

work.” Caverly said he thinks the current form of city government can be made to work without amending the charter.

Commissioner Morgan agreed with Caverly’s view, saying that the charter amendment proposal amounted to “hope for change,” without any guarantee that the change would be positive.

Commissioners Kelley and Hamilton, however, said that Valparaiso’s current commission form of government is a form which has been abandoned by most other U.S. cities, with about 98 percent using other forms of government, such as a city manager form.

Morgan replied that what other cities do is not a reason for Valparaiso to change its government, and that in every public discussion that has been held on the subject, Valparaiso citizens have opposed such a change.

Hamilton, however, replied that public opposition has come from only a handful of people, with little or no objection from other Valparaiso residents.

In other business at the Nov. 12 meeting, attorney Bruce Bowman, filling in for City Attorney Hayward Dykes, advised the commission that discovery proceedings have begun in a pending lawsuit about the status of land seaward of a platted but unpaved section of Bayshore Drive west of John Sims Parkway, on Toms Bayou. Bowman told the commission that he expects to request an “executive” meeting with commissioners, from which the public would be excluded, in the near future to discuss the status of the case and what legal strategy the city should pursue.

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# Niceville bid to cut back garbage service advances

By Steve Andrews  
Beacon Correspondent

The Niceville City Council signaled its intent to approve another five-year extension of a no-bid garbage-contract that would cut residential garbage pickups in half, to once a week, while overhauling the separate weekly recycling program.

During a meeting Nov. 12, the council approved the second reading of an ordinance that would reduce the frequency of garbage pickups citywide from twice a week to once a week. If passed at its third and final reading on Dec. 10, the proposal would reduce a typical residential customer's garbage and recycling pickup fees by \$1 a month.

The intent of the measure is to steer more of the city's waste

toward recycling rather than landfills. It would also do away with the 18-gallon recycling crates, replacing them with larger yellow-topped 64- or 96-gallon carts, similar to the currently-used garbage carts. The new bins would allow the Waste Management to pick up recyclables using the automated arms already used to pick up garbage.

The second reading of the proposed ordinance was adopted 4-1 Tuesday night, with Councilman Dan Henkel dissenting. Henkel said he would like to see the job advertised for competitive bidding.

"I just think more competition is good business," Henkel told his fellow council members.

If the proposal is passed it would also extend Waste



Beacon photo by Steve Andrews

Niceville City Councilman Sal Nodjomian (left) listens to fellow member Heath Rominger during a council meeting Nov. 12 as he discusses the city's new proposal for recycling and garbage pickup.

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the landscaping, street lights, street signs, and other general upkeep of common areas along the main streets of the unincorporated Bluewater Bay community. It is governed by a five-member board of directors, who are elected to four-year terms by property owners within Bluewater Bay.

Hall will succeed Doug Burgess, who resigned from the board last month. Hall will serve the remaining three years of Burgess's four-year term. Beukenkamp will replace Joan McCarthy, who will be stepping down from her post at the end of December. Beukenkamp will serve the final year of McCarthy's two-year term.

"We obviously had five well-qualified candidates step forward with presentations to the board, which says a lot for the MSBU and this community," board member Judy Griffin said after she voted, along with fellow board members Jonathon Tallman and McCarthy, to appoint the two new members. "We appreciate the interest generated by the openings on our board, and we feel that we will be well represented by Mr. Hall and Mr. Beukenkamp."

The three others who sought one of the seats on the MSBU board were Steve Boswell, Dan Holmes and Scott Musser.

"It was a difficult decision, because we did have so many

qualified candidates," Tallman said.

Hall, a lawyer who lives on Sunset Cove, is a partner in Hall & Runnels, a Destin law firm that deals primarily with real estate development, as well as environmental and local government regulatory affairs. His practices have enabled him to have working relationships with many local and regional government agencies. He formerly was lawyer for the Okaloosa County Tourist Development Council.

"My hope is that the relationships that I have developed in Okaloosa County, and in this neighborhood, will be a benefit for the board," Hall said. "My experience with Bluewater itself, from a development side and a residence side, I think will help."

"The smaller the community, the better you know folks, and the easier it is to get things done."

Hall has worked closely with the county engineer's office and planning office on a regular basis, and hopes that those offices will be interactive with some of the plans the MSBU has in the future.

"I think that the first order of business is to continue to build on the solid foundation that these board members have been able to establish over the years," Hall said. "We need to let the community know what the MSBU does, by getting out into the community and building relationships with our residents

and other community organizations. I just think it's extremely important to build a sense of community as we continue to grow."

Beukenkamp, of Baywind Drive, has been active in many local organizations since he moved to the community in 1987. A builder and developer by trade, Beukenkamp is a member of the Okaloosa County Planning Commission. He ran unsuccessfully in the Republican primary for a seat on the Okaloosa County Commission in 2012.

Beukenkamp said he hopes to bring new ideas to the MSBU with a broader perspective in overall community involvement.

"I think we need to get more people in the community involved, and let them understand what the MSBU can and cannot do," Beukenkamp said. "I think we need to get out and talk to the local neighborhood associations throughout

Bluewater, as well as the folks in the non-association areas.

"Then, ideally, maybe for the long-term, have a discussion with the entire community about what the role of the MSBU should be for the next five or 10 years. Have a visioning process, if you will, and see what we want to do as a community."

During Beukenkamp's 26 years in Bluewater Bay, he has witnessed stability and growth throughout the community. But with the recent nationwide real estate price decline and the fact that building has slowed over the past few years, he feels the MSBU's role is shifting.

"There is really very little room left to build anew, so the role we have now as an MSBU is figuring out how we keep everything looking shiny and new, and keep it fresh," he said. "That's what I would like to see. But we are representing everybody here in Bluewater, so we need to hear from them."

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have less of a chance of being a victim of a serious crime than the average for residents of all 358 Florida locations.

—Based on a statistical trend line of Niceville crime data over the past six years, the average annual reduction in a resident's chance of being a victim of a serious crime is greater than the average for residents all 358 locations.

"This really just means that all of our guys are doing their jobs," Popwell said before the council.

Popwell acknowledges that Niceville still has a "small-town" police department, but called his officers "highly-

trained professionals."

"We are able to balance those two things to our benefit and the benefit of our citizens," Popwell said. "Our officers really do care about the citizens. They are not just here for a paycheck. They actually believe in this city and they really want to do their best for the citizens."

"I think receiving a commendation like this really shows that commitment."

### Correction

An article on the Okaloosa County School Board meeting published Nov. 13 contained incorrect information regarding who was elected vice chair. Cindy Frakes retained the position.

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Management's exclusive franchise for five more years, to 2022. The current contract is scheduled to expire in 2017, after being renewed just a year ago. If approved, it would mark the fifth time the council has awarded the franchise—each time for five years—without formally seeking competitive bids.

In return for the labor-saving reductions in recycle collection, cutting garbage pickups in half, and the five-year contract extension, customers will receive the slight fee reduction.

Lynn Yort, the representative for Waste Management, was on hand to answer any question concerning the new proposal, and was pleased to see the council move toward a resolution.

"The council was concerned

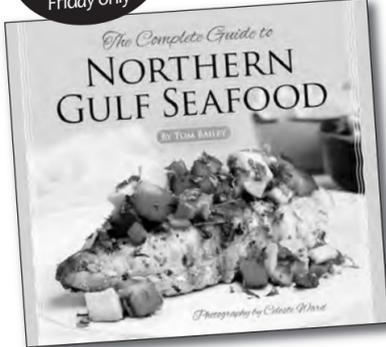
about contributing to the enhanced recycling goals of Florida, they asked for some options, and this is what we think is their best option," Yort said. "We've worked with their staff for several months. We have actually been working on this with them since the first part of the year."

In other action, the city council also approved a resolution granting a special exception to the Land Development Code, which will allow Publix Super Markets' request for two more signs on its new building, for a total of three. It will allow two "pharmacy" signs in addition to the main "Publix" sign to be attached to the building, which is under construction at Rocky Bayou Drive and John Sims Parkway.

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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

On Nov. 2, Niceville police arrested Caleb Boone, 28, of 37 12th St. #127 in Shalimar, on an Escambia County warrant. Police encountered Boone when they responded to a dis-

turbance call on Reeves Street in Niceville. After encountering Boone, police ran his name through dispatch and discovered that there was outstanding warrant, whose nature was not specified, from Escambia County for his arrest.



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On Nov. 5, Niceville police arrested Michael Paul Gibson II, 25, of Hillsboro, Ohio, for trespass. According to a police report, Gibson was asked several times to leave Tisa's Lounge by an employee, but did not do so. When two police officers arrived, they also instructed Gibson to leave several times, but he refused, stating, "I wouldn't have to leave in Ohio."

He was informed that Florida law differs from Ohio law, but still refused to leave, stating, "I don't believe you." He was given one last opportunity to leave but reached his arms out and stated, "Arrest me. I will... be out tomorrow." The police arrested him.

He was booked at the Okaloosa County Jail at 1:13 a.m. Nov. 6 and released 12 hours and 26 minutes later, according to jail records.

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On Nov. 6, Niceville police arrested Ramona May Hicks, 37, of 304 Reeves St., Lot A-18, Niceville, for child abuse without great harm.

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On Nov. 9, Niceville police arrested Jamilia Denise Sullivan Beltz, 21, of 201 College Boulevard, #20, for simple battery, domestic violence.

## Other incidents

On Nov. 4, Okaloosa County sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a burglary at 514 Springacres Cove, Niceville.

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On Nov. 5, Niceville police responded to Wal-Mart regarding a complaint that someone had stolen a cell phone after the victim had set it down in the produce section and walked away. When the victim returned, the phone was gone.

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On Nov. 5, Niceville police responded to a complaint of fraud. The victim stated that she had been informed by her bank that someone is using her identity to receive death benefits.

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On Nov. 7, an Okaloosa County deputy responded to a report of an altercation at an

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board member Lee Wetzell absent at that meeting, the vote split 2-2 and the issue was deferred until all five board members could be present.

At the onset of the November meeting, chair Jim Boswell asked the discussion be held until all other items on the agenda were addressed. With the agenda cleared, Boswell then began listing portions of Zaal's statement from the previous board meeting that he felt were confusing or incorrect.

Among the sentences he took issue with, was the union's statement that the current situation ultimately means unresolved grievances go straight to arbitration, without the board having an opportunity to resolve the issue. "This situation is not reasonable to the association or

address in East Niceville. No arrests were made.

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On Nov. 10, an Okaloosa deputy responded to a report of an altercation between two men at an address on Nutmeg Avenue in Niceville. No arrests were made.

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On Nov. 10, a Niceville police officer at the Tom Thumb store on Palm Boulevard in Niceville was approached by a clerk who reported that his apartment had been broken into and \$64 in two dollar bills had been stolen.

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On Nov. 10, Niceville police responded to the Wal-Mart store in regard to a report that an electric motorized wheelchair had been stolen while the owner was charging it at the store.

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On Nov. 10, Niceville police responded to a report of a theft at the Niceville skate park.

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On Nov. 10, Niceville police responded to Lions Park in regard to someone writing graffiti on the walls of the men's restroom.

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On Nov. 10, Niceville police responded to an address on Sweetwater Run in regard to trespassing. Complainants reported that a man had come to the house, walked into the back yard, opened the back screened-in porch and began to yell and curse at some juveniles who were playing in a hot tub. The complainant confronted the man and ordered him off the property several times before he left.

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On Nov. 12, Niceville police responded to a theft report from an address on Marquette Street. Complainant stated that some items had been taken from her vehicle. She said she had parked her vehicle under the carport the previous night, and when she entered her residence she believed she left her keys in the front door. On the morning of Nov. 12, she found her keys on the ground in the driveway behind her vehicle, and found several containers of prescription medications missing from the vehicle.

the taxpayers of the district that the (board) represents," the statement read.

"This is confusing to me," said Boswell. "We've had no input from the taxpayers regarding this. We, the commission, are the taxpayers because the taxpayers can't be here for whatever reason and have asked us to represent them." As with last month's meeting, there were no members of the public in attendance.

Wetzell also addressed concerns with the proposed change. Since this article has been in place five or six years, he asked why the change was needed.

"I personally think that labor and management work together well, financially and personally. Obviously, this is a big deal to the firefighters. But, I look at this organization and I think it functions pretty dang well. So, I'm having a hard time seeing where the difference maker is here," he said.

Wetzell also agreed with Boswell that terms such as justice and litigation used in the union's statement were "inflammatory" and "unnecessary."

"I think there are issues with the interpretation (of the statement) that are getting in the way of the goals and the reason behind what we're trying to do," said Zaal.

"I just think everyone works together in the spirit of cooperation to have conflict resolution," Wetzell said. "My point is that I think we function pretty well in our ability to work things out. Nobody wants to go the formal route, and that is what you are talking about—an informal way to work things out. I think you already have that and don't know why it has to be in writing in this contract."

# Fire Department Reports

## Niceville

The Niceville Fire Department responded to the following calls from Nov. 8, 2013 through Nov. 17, 2013.



|                  |                                  |
|------------------|----------------------------------|
| 0 Structure Fire | 9 Emergency Medical Calls        |
| 0 Vehicle Fire   | 3 Vehicle Crash                  |
| 0 Other Fire     | 0 Vehicle Crash with Extrication |
| 0 Illegal Burn   | 12 Other Emergency Calls         |
| 0 False Alarms   | 1 Hazardous Conditions           |

| STREET                | SITUATION          | DATE     | TIME  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----------|-------|
| SR 285/College Blvd.  | Vehicle crash      | 11/8/13  | 11:22 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Medical            | 11/8/13  | 17:53 |
| W. John Sims Pkwy.    | Cancelled on scene | 11/8/13  | 12:46 |
| 27th Street           | Medical            | 11/10/13 | 03:45 |
| 29th Street           | Cancelled on scene | 11/10/13 | 14:46 |
| Hart St.              | Alarm activation   | 11/10/13 | 15:37 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Medical            | 11/11/13 | 01:32 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Medical            | 11/11/13 | 15:23 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Cancelled on scene | 11/11/13 | 18:33 |
| E. John Sims Pkwy.    | Cancelled en route | 11/11/13 | 20:29 |
| McFarr St.            | Power line down    | 11/11/13 | 22:29 |
| E. College Blvd.      | Medical            | 11/12/13 | 12:40 |
| E. John Sims Pkwy.    | Medical            | 11/12/13 | 17:01 |
| Lincolnshire Dr.      | Alarm activation   | 11/13/13 | 04:33 |
| SR 85 N/SR 123        | Vehicle crash      | 11/13/13 | 12:03 |
| Howell Rd./Government | Vehicle crash      | 11/13/13 | 16:33 |
| W. John Sims Pkwy.    | Cancelled on scene | 11/13/13 | 17:01 |
| E. John Sims Pkwy.    | Cancelled on scene | 11/13/13 | 17:35 |
| 22nd Street           | Cancelled on scene | 11/14/13 | 22:36 |
| Linden Ave.           | Cancelled en route | 11/15/13 | 07:03 |
| SR 85 N.              | Medical            | 11/16/13 | 07:29 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Medical            | 11/16/13 | 12:11 |
| Tala Way              | Cancelled on scene | 11/17/13 | 01:26 |
| N. Partin Dr.         | Medical            | 11/17/13 | 02:12 |
| Alderwood Way         | Cancelled on scene | 11/17/13 | 11:45 |

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## Valparaiso

The Valparaiso Volunteer Fire Department responded to the following calls during the month of October:



| STREET             | SITUATION         | DATE     | TIME  |
|--------------------|-------------------|----------|-------|
| S. Cedar/27th St.  | Vehicle accident  | 10/4/13  | 17:41 |
| Andrew Dr.         | Structure fire    | 10/6/13  | 15:33 |
| N. Bayshore Dr.    | Unknown problem   | 10/6/13  | 15:46 |
| Lincoln Ave.       | Unknown problem   | 10/6/13  | 17:22 |
| S. Nordberg Ave.   | Fall              | 10/6/13  | 19:41 |
| S. Nordberg Ave.   | Fall              | 10/6/13  | 19:46 |
| Okaloosa Ave.      | Unknown problem   | 10/7/13  | 16:30 |
| W. Edge Ave.       | Service call      | 10/7/13  | 21:14 |
| Chicago Ave.       | Fall              | 10/8/13  | 10:38 |
| Tennessee Ave.     | Fall              | 10/9/13  | 09:43 |
| Hidden Cove Dr.    | Unknown problem   | 10/10/13 | 15:05 |
| Washington Ave.    | Psych             | 10/11/13 | 04:25 |
| Crystal Lake Ln.   | Unknown problem   | 10/13/13 | 18:18 |
| Glendale Ave.      | Diabetic          | 10/14/13 | 05:11 |
| Washington Ave.    | Fire alarm        | 10/16/13 | 22:49 |
| Menzel St.         | Heart problem     | 10/17/13 | 13:26 |
| Kelly Mill Rd.     | Seizures          | 10/18/13 | 05:14 |
| Chicago Ave.       | Unconscious       | 10/18/13 | 08:15 |
| Government/W. Edge | Unknown problem   | 10/19/13 | 15:38 |
| S. Nordberg Ave.   | Fall              | 10/20/13 | 00:45 |
| Valparaiso Pkwy.   | Sick call         | 10/20/13 | 11:15 |
| Chicago Ave.       | Sick call         | 10/21/13 | 22:46 |
| Mississippi Ave.   | Breathing problem | 10/22/13 | 11:32 |
| Grandview Ave.     | Sick call         | 10/23/13 | 07:17 |
| S. Bayshore Dr.    | Unconscious       | 10/23/13 | 08:17 |
| Edge Ave.          | OD/Poison         | 10/25/13 | 00:03 |
| Hidden Cove        | Structure fire    | 10/25/13 | 17:50 |
| Hidden Cove        | Breathing problem | 10/25/13 | 21:53 |

## North Bay

The North Bay Fire Department responded to the following calls from November 8, 2013 through November 17, 2013.



| STREET              | SITUATION                  | DATE     | TIME  |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------|-------|
| Range Rd.           | Alarm system               | 11/8/13  | 05:26 |
| Parkwood Pl.        | Medical                    | 11/8/13  | 06:39 |
| Hickory St.         | Alarm system               | 11/8/13  | 08:59 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/8/13  | 13:12 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/8/13  | 14:09 |
| Glen Eagles Dr.     | Medical                    | 11/9/13  | 01:15 |
| Olde Post Rd.       | Medical                    | 11/9/13  | 09:53 |
| Ida Coon Cir.       | Medical                    | 11/10/13 | 10:32 |
| Hickory St.         | Medical                    | 11/10/13 | 11:55 |
| Cougar Cir.         | Outside rubbish/trash fire | 11/11/13 | 12:50 |
| Hwy. 20 E.          | Brush fire                 | 11/11/13 | 16:55 |
| White Point Rd.     | Dispatched & cancelled     | 11/11/13 | 17:59 |
| Hickory St.         | Medical                    | 11/11/13 | 18:58 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/11/13 | 19:26 |
| White Point Rd.     | Medical                    | 11/12/13 | 07:55 |
| Merchants Way       | Medical                    | 11/12/13 | 16:12 |
| Windlake Dr.        | Public assist              | 11/12/13 | 21:19 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/12/13 | 23:33 |
| St. Andrews Cv.     | Medical                    | 11/13/13 | 12:44 |
| Parkwood Pl.        | Good intent call           | 11/13/13 | 15:20 |
| E. Hwy. 20/Pine St. | Vehicle accident           | 11/13/13 | 15:52 |
| St. Croix Cove      | EMS                        | 11/14/13 | 11:49 |
| Captains Cir.       | Cover assignment           | 11/14/13 | 12:39 |
| Hickory Ave.        | Dispatched & cancelled     | 11/14/13 | 13:29 |
| Caribbean Way       | Public assist              | 11/14/13 | 19:00 |
| Cat Mar Rd.         | Medical                    | 11/15/13 | 05:23 |
| Aruba Way           | Medical                    | 11/15/13 | 08:28 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/15/13 | 14:49 |
| Olde Post Rd.       | Medical                    | 11/16/13 | 02:42 |
| E. Hwy. 20          | Dispatched & cancelled     | 11/16/13 | 08:20 |
| N. White Point Rd.  | Medical                    | 11/16/13 | 19:04 |
| Birkdale Cir.       | EMS                        | 11/17/13 | 05:36 |
| Merchants Way       | Medical                    | 11/17/13 | 10:28 |

Visit northbayfd.org for more information.

The union representative said the system in place isn't truly working or achieving the goal of an informal resolution to grievances. The article's current wording effectively means if the union takes an issue to the commissioners, it loses the right to seek arbitration if they don't agree with the finding. Zaal pointed out that there have been no grievances brought to the board as a result, and that is the reason for the requested wording change.

David Scholl, the lone vote supporting the change, asked what negative impact the amendment would make.

"If we throw in the option that a grievance can be brought to the board (without losing the right to arbitration), it's a no-cost item," he said. "Clearer heads might prevail and we might be able to come to some resolution without everyone (incurring legal fees). It doesn't cost us anything to listen. (The firefighters) are all fairly logically and level headed. They aren't going to come to us with minor issues."

Noting that no one can recall when a grievance was brought to the board, Scholl said he understood why. "If I

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"I was a freshman at Berkshire Prep School in Massachusetts. I was headed for hockey practice when a teacher told a whole bunch of us."

Rick Dolly, 64, Niceville, retired



"I was in New Orleans, where I was born and raised. I was a housewife, watching the TV news at home."

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Charles Niefert, 76, Valparaiso, retired



"I was in civics class in high school when they made an announcement."

Jude LeCompte, 63, Niceville, retired

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**FIRE**

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were a union member and knew if I came to the board and didn't think it went the way I thought it should, I would lose my opportunity to take it to an arbitration hearing. I'd never utilize that option. That's what we are seeing right now."

Boswell said he is a strong supporter of settling issues at the lowest level possible, and proposed finding an informal way to bring issues to the board.

"It can't be too informal, but (we could set up something where) anyone could bring an issue to this board and ask for a non-binding opinion," he said. "They could leave happy with the opinion they got, or not happy and proceed on with the process that currently exists. We would have to do a little homework to do it without subverting the process that is already there."

That option, said Zaal, is closer to what the union is asking for in the proposed change. "Clearing there is a need to strengthen the solutions for conflict resolution within this department. We are open to hearing other ways to achieve the same goals," he said. "We can sit down and discuss the options, but we need to do something."

With final comments, the board voted down the request for the modification to the article. Janet Santner, who supported the amendment during the October meeting, changed her vote against the proposal this time. Scholl maintained his vote from last month, again supporting the union's request to modify the article.

Boswell asked the union representative to meet for further discussion on the procedure, to find a way to make the process more responsive while maintaining all legal options. The current three-year union contract is up for negotiation next year.

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### In the Service

Air Force Airman Matthew R. Cloyd graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

Cloyd is the son of Tamra and Micheal Cloyd of Niceville and a 2009 graduate of Niceville High School.



Matthew R. Cloyd



### RBCS hosts Ugandan choir

Rocky Bayou Christian School played host to the Imani Milele Children's Choir Nov. 14. The visiting group is touring the U.S., hoping to raise awareness and funds for orphaned and vulnerable children in Uganda. After the performance, Rocky students and the visiting choir mingled during a lunch under the pavilion. "Their smiles, energy, and love for our Savior is so evident in them," said Academy Principal Marilyn Bilby.

### Embroiderers sew 'Buddy Blankets'

The Sand Dunes Chapter, Embroiderers' Guild of America (EGA), made 42 "Buddy Blankets" and presented them to the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) during a tour of the Niceville office. EGA members embroidered blanket stitches around the edges of brightly colored fleece; children serviced by the CAC will choose their own blankets. Pictured, members of the EGA with CAC staffers.



### Christmas display seeks help

The 18th Annual "Animation in Motion" Christmas Display will be opening Nov. 29, "Black Friday," in the former Food World, 1104 E. John Sims Pkwy., Niceville. Volunteers are needed to ready the 2013 display as well as help after the exhibit opens Friday, Nov. 29 until Friday, Dec. 27 nightly, from 6-9 p.m. Interested parties please contact Debbie Lewis by call or text to 865-5455. Visit [thenicevillechristmasday.com](http://thenicevillechristmasday.com) for more info.



### NHS martial artist competes in Korea

Niceville High School senior Tripp Davis traveled to South Korea to take part in a World Championship martial arts tournament Oct. 16. Pictured with his mom, Ginger Davis, who also went. The trip to Korea was "an absolutely life changing experience," said Tripp.



### Niceville native takes command

U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. John W. Foley, a Niceville native and the senior enlisted adviser for the 108th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, addresses Soldiers and guests during his change of responsibility ceremony at Fort Bragg, N.C., Sept. 4. Foley assumed responsibility of the 108th Air Defense Artillery Brigade from Sgt. Maj. Micheal L. Leach.

U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Regina Machine/Released



Photo courtesy Anna Cotton

### Miracle watermelon grows smiles

Sybil Cotton, a resident of Bee Hive Homes in Niceville, had a surprise watermelon grow under her window from seeds dropped during a seed spitting contest last July. The residents enjoyed watching the melon grow and were excited to finally eat it in October.

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## Rocky Bayou seniors take field trip to colleges

A large group of Rocky Bayou Christian School seniors and juniors participated in an early October school trip to four Christian colleges and universities in Florida. Seniors stayed in dorms, visited classes, chapel services, attended admissions and financial aid meetings. Pictured, Sarah Augustin, Logan Bearinger, Mackenzie Davis, Payton Denbow, Dylan DeMarra, Michelle Earls, Izabella Foreman, Claire Gunter, Kelly Hanning, Josh Jarrell, Noah Kerstein, Shaun Li, Connor Lynch, Stefan Makarov, Nina Nelson, Vincent Pan, Tyler Paskell, Alyssa Slagle, Amber Smith, Dave Tan, Benji Vigil and Christian Yun along with juniors Joseph Allen, Josh Birdsong, Andrew Earls, Cameron Esses, Clayton Jago, Pixie Fluhrer, Will Makarov, Madeline McIntosh, Melanie Ouma, Josh Preston and James Sung.

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### Horticulture hike

The Tri-County Horticulture Studies Group will meet Nov. 21 at 10 a.m. at the Fred Gannon Rocky Bayou State Park, 4281 State Road 20, Niceville.

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### College 101

Northwest Florida State College will hold an information session for new and prospective students Thursday, Nov. 21, at the Niceville campus from 6-8 p.m. and will offer information about the admissions process, financial aid, career assessments, and NWFSOC programs of study.

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### Theatrical production

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### Gospel concert

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### Handel's 'Messiah'

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### 'The Nutcracker'

The Northwest Florida Ballet performs "The Nutcracker" on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2:30 p.m.

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### Mission fair

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church will hold its 16th Global Mission Gift Fair on Sunday, Nov. 24 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Christian Life Center at 363 Miracle Strip in Fort Walton Beach.

For more information, contact June Gunnerson at 651-5955.

### Thanksgiving worship

The Twin-City Ministerial Association of Niceville and

Valparaiso is having its annual Community Thanksgiving worship service on Sunday, Nov. 24 at 6 p.m., at Rosemont Baptist Church, 1601 27th Street in Niceville, across from Plew Elementary School. Multiple local churches will be participating in the worship service. A nursery up to age four will be provided. For more information call 678-4854.

### Broadway musical

A national touring Broadway Series musical, "Hello Dolly! Starring Sally Struthers" appears Nov. 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center of Northwest Florida State College in Niceville.

Individual tickets are \$45 each at Mattie Kelly Arts Center at Northwest Florida State College, mainstage theater, 100 College Blvd., Niceville, or contact 729-6000 or [mattiekellyartscenter.org](http://mattiekellyartscenter.org).

### NARFE meets

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Chapter 1428 holds their annual election Nov. 26 at the Golden

Corral, Fort Walton Beach. Lunch at 11 a.m., meeting at noon. Open to all current and retired federal employees.

For more information call 678-6045.

### Garden club meets

Niceville Garden Club presents "The Garden as a Healing Place" Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 6 p.m. in the Niceville Community Center. For more information, contact [nvgcl@cox.net](mailto:nvgcl@cox.net).

### Alzheimer's support group

A support group for those affected by Alzheimer's will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at the Niceville United Methodist Church, Chandler Center, 214 S. Partin Drive. The support group is free and limited respite care is available, reserve in advance by calling 866-478-7790.

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## Rich Degraw wins NHS car raffle

Rich Degraw of Niceville was the latest winner of Niceville High School's Quest for Technology Campaign car giveaway. Degraw won the 2012 Toyota Camry during the drawing held on Nov. 8. The proceeds from ticket sales go directly to classroom technology at NHS. Pictured left, Degraw displays his winning tickets. This is the third car Thrifty Car Rental owner, Joe Fagundes, has donated.



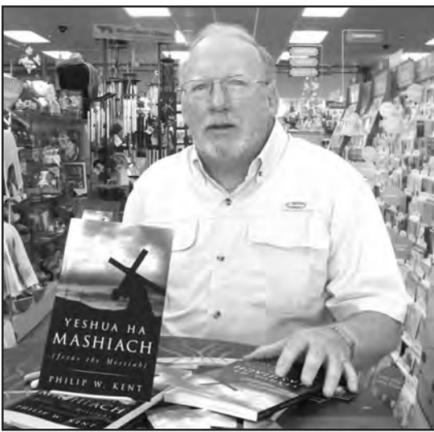
## Girl Scout troop fills shoeboxes

Members of Girl Scout Troop 910 stuffed 50 shoe boxes for Project Christmas Child at Rosemont Baptist Church in Niceville on Oct. 26. Their shoeboxes will be added to the 500 boxes already stuffed by Rosemont Baptist Church members. Pictured, from front left, Kinsley Pendleton, Marissa Pendleton, Christina Carter, Kara Bolin, Lilly Bolin and Bailey Kaufman. Back row from left, Erin Bolin, Kathy Sirmans and Dolly Carter.



## Republican Women fashion show

The Republican Women of Okaloosa Federated mixed food with fashion Sept. 28, at the Fort Walton Beach Yacht Club. The models from their fashion show, pictured from left, Barbara Wall, Abbie Maclin, Hannah Gord, Elizabeth Rudder, Micki Gramm and Sheila Vaughen.



## Book signing in Niceville

Author Philip W. Kent was on hand Saturday, Nov. 16 at Bayou Books in Niceville signing copies of his new book, "Yeshua Ha Mashiach" which translates to "Jesus the Messiah."

## Obituary

### Beverly Ann Hilton Green

1935-2013

Beverly Ann Hilton Green passed away peacefully at the age of 77 in Edgewood, Wash. on Wednesday, Nov. 6. She battled lung cancer for the past three and a half years, refusing any treatments. She always lived life on her own terms.

She was a resident of Valparaiso for 40 years. We all love her and will miss her, but we celebrate and honor her life.

She was born on November 10, 1935 in Montpelier, Vt. to Kathleen Robina Sargent and Keith Edward Hilton. She graduated from Deering High School in Portland, Maine, Class of 1954. She was a faithful member of the Catholic Church.

She married Fred Lee Green on April 21, 1956 in Portland, Maine. He was the love of her life. He passed away, while on active duty in the U.S. Air Force

on May 22, 1973 at Homestead Air Force Base. They had 17 wonderful years together and had four boys.

She worked at many other jobs through the years but retired from civil service in the Civilian Pay Department at Eglin in 2001.

Mo m loved and enjoyed being around all of her boys and their families, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Many friends of her own boys called her Mom as well.

She enjoyed playing bingo, playing slots at the casinos, bowling, traveling, making crafts, crocheting, making baskets, cooking (she was a great cook), watching game shows on T.V. and she was a collector of many things.

Beverly is preceded in death by her husband, Fred Lee Green; her mother, Kathleen Sargent Hilton; her father, Keith Edward Hilton; and her brothers, William F.

Hilton and Keith E. Hilton.

She is survived by her sons, John Winifred (Lori) Green of Edgewood, Wash.; Edward Lee (Rachel) Green of Crestview; William Keith (Ginny) Green of Lacey, Wash.; and James Brian (Tonya) Green of Fairbanks, Alaska.

She is survived by her sisters, E. Frances Hilton of Portland, Maine; Kathleen Hilton (Maurice) Harvey of Windham, Maine; and Jessie Hilton (Paul) Luttrell of Rockland, Maine. Sister-in-laws, Donna Hilton of Portland, Maine and Anne Hilton of Prince Edward Island, Canada.

She is survived by her grandchildren, Joshua Green, Javan Meireis, Kaitlyn Green, DeAnna Green (Brandon) Haywood, and Cody Green and her great grandchildren, Ethan Haywood and Jaxon Haywood. Also, many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Graveside Services and Interment will be at the Evergreen Cemetery located at 672 Stevens Ave., Portland, Maine on Saturday Nov. 23, at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make a charitable donation to the American Cancer Society in her memory. Thank you.



Beverly Ann Hilton Green

## Obituary

### Charles Hugh (Bud) Mahoney

Charles Hugh (Bud) Mahoney, age 71, of Niceville, passed away the night of Nov. 8, at Superior Residences of Niceville.

He was a native of Boston and grew up in Malden, Mass. He was predeceased by his parents Edward F. and Kathryn E. Mahoney and by his beloved brother Paul Mahoney.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Renate Mahoney (nee Rehr) of Niceville and by his sister Kathryn E. Mahoney of Melrose,

Mass., his brothers Edward F. Mahoney of North Andover, Mass., John and Bernadette Mahoney of Rochester, N.H., and by his brother-in-law Michael F. and sister-in-law Marian Rehr of Ajax, Ontario and sister-in-law Inge Schaumann of Mannheim, Germany.

After a career in the Air Force, he attained his Bachelor of Business Science at the University of Syracuse, then worked as a computer specialist at the Eglin Mathematics Laboratory until his retirement in 2004.



Charles Hugh (Bud) Mahoney

He had a brilliant mind and comprehended analytical concepts easily. He was compassionate and had a great sense of humor. His passions were the Boston Red Sox, reading, listening to jazz and classical rock, political satire and the outdoors.

He enjoyed social gatherings with his family and friends, good food and fine wine. His lively wit and political acumen as well as his ritual making of Feuerzangenbowle (hot spiced wine) at Christmas will be greatly missed by his friends and family.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. We would like to thank Superior Residences for their service and care during his extended illness.

Contributions in his honor may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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# BEACONSPORTS



## Niceville runners go to state

The 2013 Niceville High School cross country season has come to an end with the final meet being the state meet in Tallahassee Nov. 9. With 24 schools competing in the 3A race, NHS girls placed 13th and the boys placed 7th.

"All we have asked of the athletes is that they give the team 100%. They have never failed to do so," said Coach Durrenberger.

Most of the athletes will enjoy a well deserved break before some continue on into track season. Others will continue training for the 2013 Foot Locker Cross Country Championships held in North

Carolina over the Thanksgiving break.

"I am happy for the seniors in the fact that both the boys and girls teams qualified for state this season. We will lose 11 of the 16 state runners to graduation. Most of the runners have been with us for four years, it goes fast and you get to watch them grow up into young adults over that time. They put a lot of effort, sweat and time in over the past four years. They represented Niceville High School and the community with pride. They will be missed," said Coach Eller.

Girls results: 55th Claire Crist (19:57.68), 68th Haley Smith

(20:15.58), 92nd Annie Serpa (20:42.53), 102nd Drew Haggerman (20:51.72), 125th Anna Herrera (21:18.19), 135th Mackenzie Shinnick (21:27.69) and 146th Julia Moreno (21:47.28).

Boys results: 4th Thomas Howell (15:27.99), 23rd Nick Morken (16:04.72), 52nd Caden Ewing (16:32.92), 71st Tristan Hamer (16:52.00), 92nd Jack Massey (17:22.47), 129th Tripp Davis (17:49.74) and 147th Jake Fiske (18:12.63).

New Season Best Times: A. Serpa, D. Haggerman, T. Howell. Personal record was C. Ewing.



Beacon photo by Sarah Clauson

Niceville quarterback Ashton Hooker on a keeper for a touchdown. The Eagles trampled the Leon Lions Friday, Nov. 15, 62-14. They will face Tallahassee Lincoln Friday for the Region 1-7A semifinal.

## NHS set for regional semi

By Sarah Clauson  
*Beacon Correspondent*

Niceville High School advanced to the Region 1-7A football semifinal after dominating the Leon High School Lions Friday at home.

The Eagles will play Lincoln High School, Tallahassee, this Friday, again in Niceville.

Last Friday's regional quarterfinal pitted the District 1 7A champs against the District 2 runner-up, Leon.

The Eagles played a near pitch-perfect game, with a final score of 62-14. They presented a team that looked as close to the early season Eagles as we've seen in a while.

All sides of the ball played with impact and aggression, and even when the back-ups were brought in near the end, the home team did not relent.

The Niceville offense, which had to overcome injury and lineup changes, was back to its old rhythm with Ashton Hooker at the helm.

The talent spread across a host of Eagles who were able to make big plays and keep the chains moving down the field. They made their way into the end zone an astounding nine times and practically had the game won before the second quarter was underway.

The tone was set out of the gate, with Tyree McCants returning the ball all the way to the Leon four-yard line, which poised Tayjon Culley for a touchdown just 19 seconds into the game. The scoring frenzy continued through the first half, with the Eagles racking up 42 points, while holding the Lions to zero.

The already impressive

Niceville defense managed to take it up a notch with big plays that turned the ball over and with their overall protection of the Eagles field.

They guarded the yards with intensity and kept the Lions scoreless until late in the third when the offense had already racked up 55 points. Standout moments included two interceptions that were run back for touchdowns.

The team's cohesive success was praised by Head Coach John Hicks. "They did everything we asked of them, we prepared well, we came out tonight and played well," said Hicks. "We got our explosive-ness back."

As the Eagles face off against the District 2 champ, Tallahassee Lincoln, on Nov. 22, the competition will be tougher. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.



## Traveling team wins against older bracket

The FC Dallas/EC U-15 Girls won the Destin Soccer Rodeo Oct. 20, despite playing up in bracket. Pictured, from top left, Grace Smales, Kalie Cortez, Grace Ratley, Chloe Resendiz, Gabriela Hunter, Annie-James Walsh, Mary Elizabeth Goolsby, Payton Lewis, Devynn Vachon, Hannah Salinas and Coach Ryan Martin. From bottom left, Alexis Sherwin, Hannah Davis, Delanie Bomar, Cierra Martin, Ashley Parker and Nicole Farmer. Not pictured, Coach Patrick O'Neill.

## Eagle swimmers break records

Niceville High School's lady swimmers placed third overall in the region with 257 points. The men came in fourth with 180.5 points.

Caitlin Myers won the 200 Medley Relay event and set a new county record of 1:50.72. Sydney Dawson, Kalanne Krause, Tatum Hackler and Caitlin Myers teamed up and broke the 1999 record for the 400 free relay with a fast 3:34.02 for a second place finish.

Other NHS records set this year were: Kalanne Krause in the ladies 100 backstroke with a time of 59.34, Chaz Brechler in the men's 500 free with a time of

5:54.39 and men's 400 Free relay with a time of 3:18.86. For diving it was Delaney Clark with 306.70, an 11 dive point total and 142.17, a six dive point total for the ladies and Jake Hughes for the men with 284.05, an 11 dive point total and 153.05, a six dive point total.

The Eagles those who earned automatic selection for state were Caitlin Myers and Matthew Markwardt.

Also moving on to state, Sydney Dawson, Kalanne Krause, Tatum Hackler, Milbrey Parke, Teddy Vaughen, Judson Robertson and Kellen Broaderick.



Niceville High School's regional swim team.

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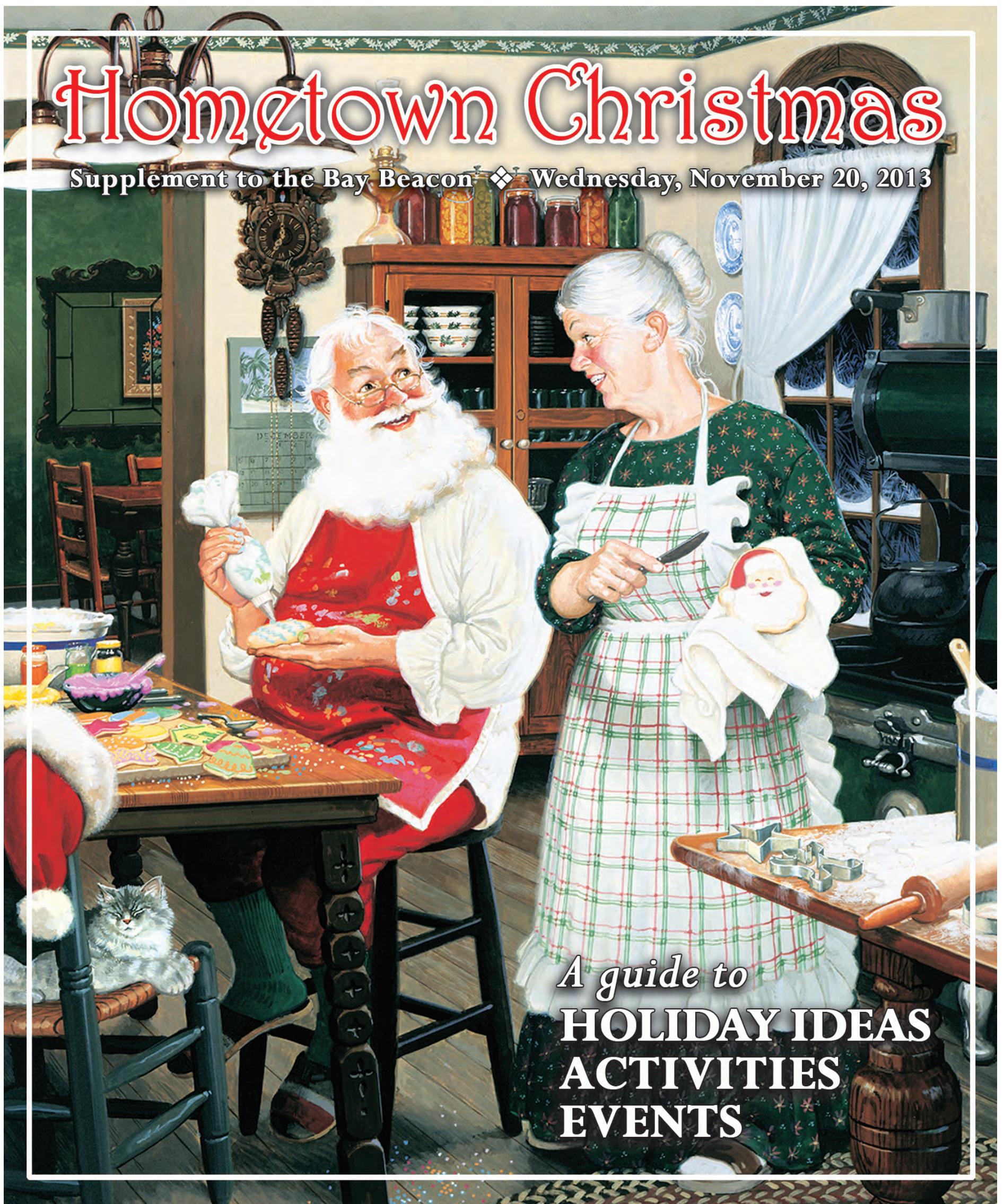
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The free shows start at 6 p.m., and plays every hour and half-hour with the last show starting at 9:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and last show starting at 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

## 'Animation in Motion'

The Niceville Christmas Lady will be back in Niceville with her display, "Animation in Motion," at the former Food World building, 1104 E. John Sims Parkway in the Oak Creek Shopping Center beginning Friday, Nov. 29 and lasting until Friday, Dec. 27 nightly from 6-9 p.m.

## Scouts to sell firs

Niceville's Boy Scouts of America Troop 546 will hold its annual Christmas tree sale Dec. 2-8, in front of the Niceville Police Station, 212 N. Partin Drive. The troop will have an



**The Yule of Yesteryear is a traditional holiday celebration, Dec. 14, at the Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida in Valparaiso.**

assortment of Fraser fir No. 1 trees from North Carolina at various prices and ranging from 5-9 feet tall.

Trees will be sold on Friday, 3-9

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**S. Grant Williams**, owner of Niceville Hearing Center, was nominated as "The Best of 2012, and again for 2013, Hearing Healthcare Professionals" by The Hearing Review publication. The Hearing Review publishers established the "Best Of The Best" program to recognize those hearing instrument specialist, audiologists, ear, nose & throat medical doctors and others who exemplify quality hearing health care. This program highlights outstanding individuals, practices, facilities and companies that "go above and beyond" the call of duty to serve the needs of people with hearing impairment.

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# A selection of holiday traditions

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p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., and Sunday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Contact Jack Knight, 374-2602.

### Eglin tree lighting

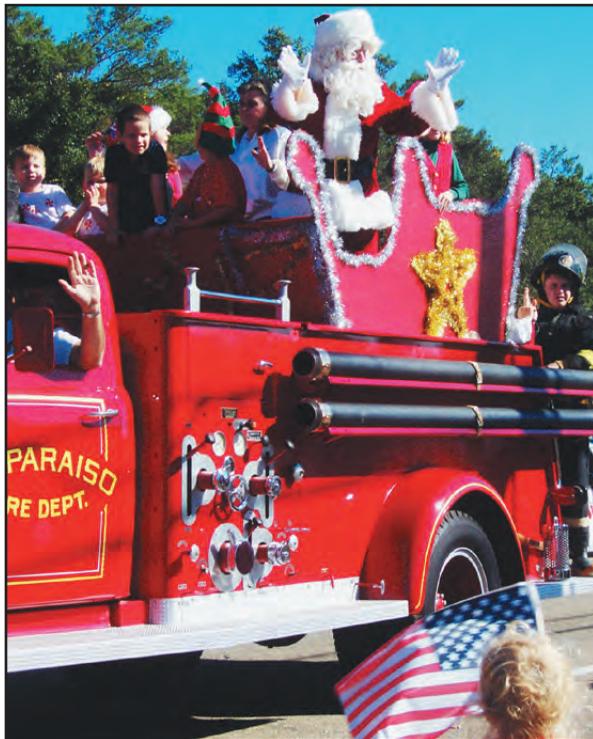
The Eglin Chapel will host its free Holiday Tree Lighting festival Dec. 6, 5:30 p.m., at the West Gate Chapel, Eglin Air Force Base. There will be caroling, choir performances, a tree lighting and Santa to arrive on a fire truck. Refreshments will be served following the ceremony. Contact 882-2111.

### Community Christmas Parade

The Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club will present its annual community Christmas Parade, this year themed "A Date Which Will Live in Infamy" in memory of the attack on Pearl Harbor, on Dec. 7 at 10 a.m., beginning at Palm Boulevard and John Sims Parkway, Niceville.

The parade will travel west on John Sims to Partin Drive, then north up Partin to head between the Children's Park and Ruckel Middle School. The judging stand will be in the Ruckel parking lot.

The registration fee deadline for par-



ticipants is Dec. 2 or a \$5 late fee if paid after. The entry fee for profit organizations is \$60 and \$30 for non-profit. Proceeds will provide holiday meals for Sharing and Caring families and other community service projects.

**The Niceville-Valparaiso Christmas Parade begins at 10 a.m. Dec. 7 at the intersection of Palm Boulevard and John Sims Parkway in Niceville.**

### Niceville Christmas Festival

The seventh annual Niceville Community Christmas Festival will be held Dec. 7, 5-9 p.m., at the Niceville City Hall Complex, on Partin Drive. The tree lighting will take place at 6 p.m. Bring

the family and enjoy performances by Ruckel and Lewis School choruses and the Plew Elementary chorus.

Children can visit with Santa in the Children's Park, take a "slhay" (hay) ride with Santa's elves and more. Walk through the complex and see decorative scenes and thousands of lights. Children can make crafts for free and greet the Christmas characters inside the council chambers. Food will be available and a selection of craft vendors. Outside Christmas displays will be open until Dec. 31.

### Yule of Yesteryear

The Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida will present the Yule of Yesteryear, a traditional holiday celebration, Dec. 14, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The VivaFlorida 500 time capsule will be ceremonially sealed at 1 p.m. A Victorian Tea will be at 2 p.m., as well as Christmas shopping with craft vendors, Christmas choirs and food vendors, crafts for kids, and pictures with Santa. Call 678-2615 for more info.

### Niceville Library Christmas party

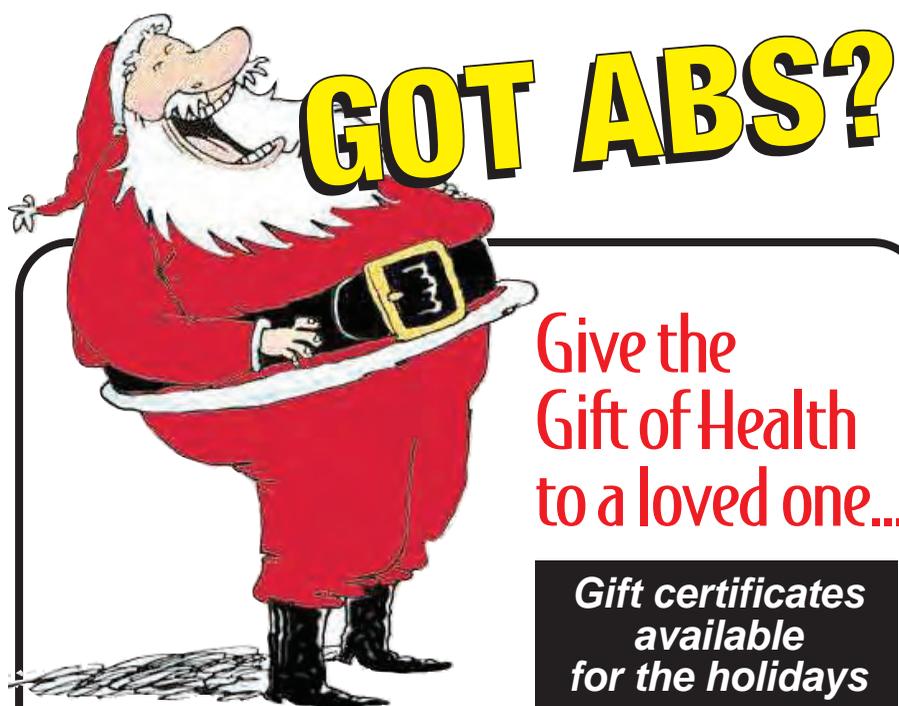
The Friends of the Niceville Public Library and staff will host a patron appreciation party Dec. 14, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at the library, 206 Partin Drive N, Niceville. There will be finger foods, goodies and punch.

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# Charities spreading Christmas goodwill

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Also, Boeing Company, CCB Community Bank, Coastal Bank and Trusts, Covenant Hospice, Eglin Chapel, Eglin Federal Credit Union, Regionsbank, Trustmark Bank, Twin Cities Hospital.

## Toys for Tots

Toys for Tots will collect donations of new, unwrapped toys from the community during the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club's Community Christmas Parade Dec. 7.

Marines and local volunteers will collect donations throughout the parade and donors will receive a free 2013 Toys for Tots T-shirt, dog tags and collector poker chips. Contact Susan C. Rood 855-7411.

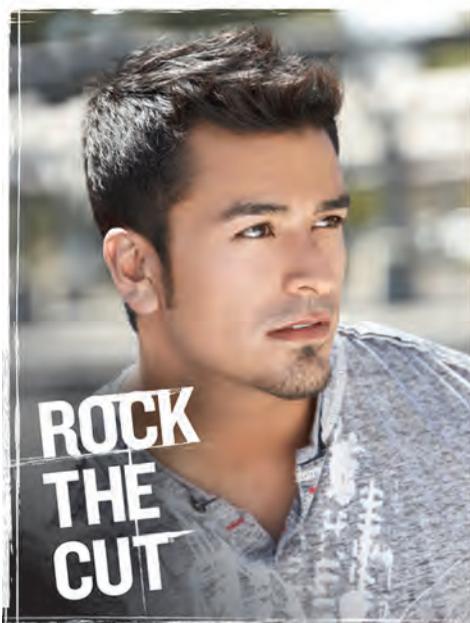


Organizations like the Kiwanis Club help keep food pantries like Sharing and Caring full and ready to assist those in need.

## Jingle Bell Jog

The Army 7th Special Forces Group will host its annual Jingle Bell Jog 10K race and 5K run or walk Dec. 14, 8 a.m.,

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# It is better to give than to receive

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at Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach. The proceeds will benefit the 7th Special Forces Association, a non-profit volunteer organization that provides support to families of the 7th Group.

The event commemorates the members and families of Special Forces. There will be prizes, costume contests, raffles, music and food after the race. Register for \$35 at sfach7jinglebelljog@gmail.com by Dec. 10.

### Cal's Holiday food drive

Cal's Appliances will host a holiday "Passing of the Cans" food drive for Sharing and Caring until Nov. 30, at 121 N Partin Drive, Niceville. Canned and dry goods or monetary donations will be accepted and go directly to Sharing and Caring.

Cal's will also host a Christmas carnival with snacks and beverages Dec. 7, beginning at 8:30 a.m. until the Niceville-Valparaiso Christmas Parade ends. Donors will be entered into a drawing to win door prizes that will be given out at the party. Contact 678-4838.

### OASIS fundraiser

OASIS, the Okaloosa AIDS Support and Informational Services, will host its



Toys for Tots will collect donations of new, unwrapped toys from the community during the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club's Community Christmas Parade Dec. 7.

Holiday Jubilee Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m., at Saint Simon's on the Sound Episcopal Church, 307 Harbor Blvd., Destin. The evening will feature holiday snacks, festive beverages, seasonal musical entertainment and a silent auction.

Tickets are \$25 and proceeds will go to OASIS to assist those in the area affected by HIV or AIDS. To purchase tickets, donate auction items, or volunteer contact OASIS at 314-0950.

OASIS is a nonprofit, community-based organization serving Okaloosa, Walton, Santa Rosa, and Escambia counties with HIV case management, testing, and community education and informational services.

### Sharing and Caring

Sharing and Caring is looking for donations of food, hygiene products, diapers, detergents and more from Monday-

Thursday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m.-noon, at 104 Bullock Blvd., Niceville.

The shelter is also signing up families from Niceville, Valparaiso and Choctaw Beach for its annual Christmas Program. This is a community program with churches, businesses, and civic organizations that provide holiday food baskets and Christmas gifts for children ages 12 and under.

Sign up at the shelter during normal business hours by Dec. 6. Proof of residency and ID is required at the time of sign up. Contact Sharing and Caring at 678-8459 or visit sharing-n-caring.org.

### Food for Shelter House

Shelter House, a domestic violence center, is collecting canned and dry food items to create Christmas meals for women and children residing in the shelter during the holidays.

The shelter asks for gift cards to stores, such as Winn-Dixie or Food Depot for the families to use. All donations can be dropped off at the Shelter House, 102 Buck Drive, Fort Walton Beach, and only refrigerated items on Dec. 18. Donations of pet food and care items welcome as well. Contact 243-1201.

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# 'Tis the season for musical performances

## Handel's 'Messiah'

The Northwest Florida Symphony Chorale will hold a free performance of Handel's "Messiah" on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1407 E. John Sims Pkwy., Niceville.

For information, contact Lois Van Dam at vandaml@nwfsc.edu or call 850-729-6009.

## Holiday jazz performance

The Jazz Ensemble of Northwest Florida State College will present a free Winter Concert on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the mainstage theater of the Mattie Kelly Arts Center on the Niceville Campus of Northwest Florida State College with a wide selection of seasonal and jazz favorites as well as new works.

The group is comprised of NWFSC students and is led by Fred Domulot and Tom Latenser. For information contact the NWFSC Fine Arts Office at 729-5382.

## Chamber Singers concert

Okaloosa Chamber Singers will celebrate their 16th season with Christmas concerts Friday, Dec. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 403 Racetrack Road, Ft. Walton Beach, and Sunday, Dec. 8, at 3:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 88 Circle Drive, DeFuniak Springs.

Guests "Sweet Prospect," an acoustic instrumental trio known for a relaxed soothing sound, will perform carols individually and with the singers.

Admission is free with a suggested donation of \$15 or \$25 per couple. For further information contact Dr. Marilyn Overturf at 682-9651 or e-mail marilyn-no@cox.net.

## Symphony's 'Holiday Pops'

The Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra will perform its annual "Holiday Pops" concert Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m., at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center at

Northwest Florida State College, Niceville. Celebrate the holiday season with performances of light classics, pops selections and the carol sing-a-longs.

The Northwest Florida Symphony Chorale joins the orchestra in this seasonal offering. Tickets are \$22.50 each for adults, \$16 for active duty military and children 18 and under.

Purchase tickets at mattiekellyarts-center.org, 729-6000 or at the box office Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

## 'A Victorian Christmas'

The Northwest Florida State College Madrigals, a select 26-voice mixed ensemble, will perform "A Victorian Christmas" Dec. 6 and Dec. 7, 7:30 p.m., at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center art gallery, Northwest Florida State College, Niceville.

The group of scholarship vocalists, under the direction of Allison Everitt, and Belle Voci, a women's ensemble under the direction of Lois Van Dam, will have two performances featuring a variety of holiday music.

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# Yule-time events at schools, churches

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The church will host "A Christmas Concert" Dec. 21, 7 p.m., featuring sing-a-longs, soloists and other musical groups in the congregation. A reception will follow.

## Niceville High choral concert

The Niceville Singers of Niceville High School will give a free concert Dec. 6, 7 p.m., at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Niceville. Freewill donations to the NHS Choir program will be accepted.

## Rocky Bayou Marching Knights

The Rocky Bayou Christian Academy's Marching Knights will perform at the Crestview Downtown Christmas Parade Dec. 7, the Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club Community Christmas Parade Dec. 7, and the Fort Walton Beach Christmas Parade Dec. 2.

## Lewis School Chorus concert

The Lewis School Chorus will hold its "Sounds of the Season" concert Dec. 12, 6:30-8:30 p.m., in the Lewis cafeteria, 281 Mississippi Ave., Valparaiso. Contact 833-4130.



Take a ride through the Living Nativity and story of Christ on Dec. 13-15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Valparaiso Assembly of God at 571 Valparaiso Parkway. There will be cookies and hot cocoa for participants as well as an interactive Nativity hayride that chronicles the life of Jesus. This event is free. For more information, call 678-4040.

## NHS Chorus performance

The Niceville High School Chorus will host its holiday concert, "A Wreath of Carols" Dec. 14, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1407 E. John Sims Parkway, Niceville. The chorus includes the Select Women, Bel Canto, Cantore, The Camerata, Opus One and the Niceville Singers. The concert is \$10 per person.

## Niceville Assembly of God

The Niceville Assemble KidzTown group will be performing a Christmas musical, "Dude, you hear what I hear?"

Saturday, Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 11 a.m. at Niceville Assembly of God, following a regular service and holiday choir at 9 a.m. For more info call 678-2531.

## RBCS band and chorus concert

Rocky Bayou Christian School Band and Choral Christmas concert will be on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church, 951 S. Ferdon Blvd., Crestview.

## Methodist church concert

Niceville United Methodist Church, 214 Partin Dr. S., will have a Christmas Worship Concert on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

## Lewis School Band concert

The Lewis School Band will hold its Winter Concert Dec. 18, 6-9 p.m., in the Taylor Haugen Gym, at the Lewis School. Contact 833-4130.

## Christmas Eve church services

**Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church**, Niceville, will hold its Children's Christmas Eve mass at 4 p.m. Regular Christmas Eve mass will be at 10 p.m. with Christmas Day mass at 10 a.m.

**Rocky Bayou Baptist Church**, Niceville, will hold its Christmas Eve service at 5 p.m.

**First Baptist Church of Niceville** will hold its Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m.

**First Presbyterian Church**, Niceville, will hold a Christmas Eve service, "A Festival of Nine Lesson and Carols," at 7 p.m.

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**, Niceville, will hold a Christmas Eve service at 4:30 p.m., a Family Celebration Service at 7:30 p.m. and a candlelight Holy Communion at 11 p.m.

**Niceville United Methodist Church** will hold seven Christmas Eve services beginning with a children's service at 3 p.m. and alternating between contemporary and traditional until the last service at 7:30 p.m.

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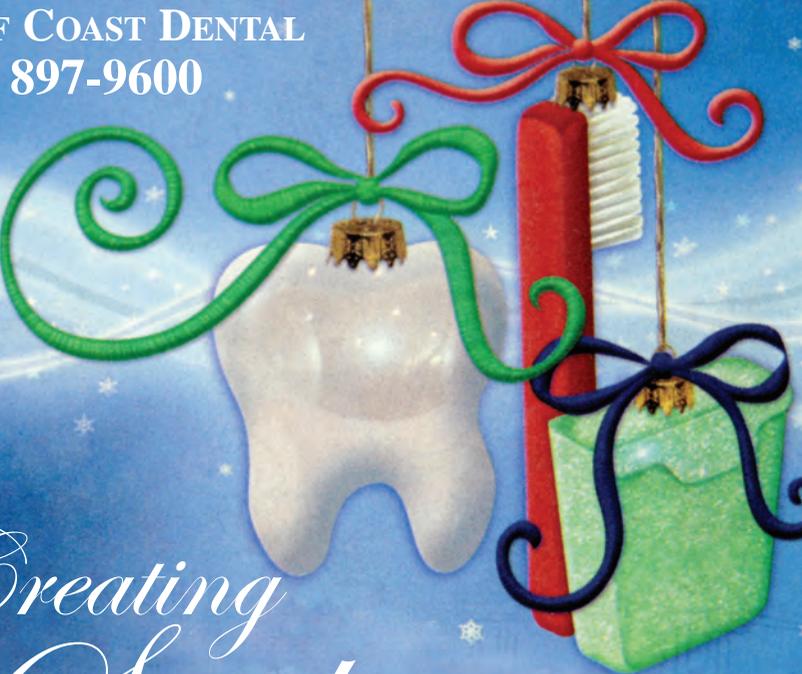
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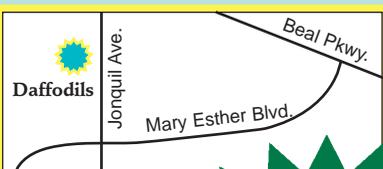
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