



## Road plan irks citizens

By Lois Swoboda  
Times Staff Writer

On Nov. 27, the board of the Northwest Florida Transportation Corridor Authority met at the courthouse in Apalachicola to hear public comment on the proposed evacuation route to be constructed north of US 98.

What they heard was not music to their ears.

Residents demanded more information on proposed road construction and refuted the authority's procedures and data during the meeting.

The evacuation route, as depicted on their Web site and on pamphlets distributed by the authority, includes a corridor through Tate's Hell from St. Teresa to Eastpoint through the relict dunes just south of the existing power lines. Also proposed is the conversion of West Bayshore Drive to a through street joining the corridor north of Eastpoint.

Citizens are concerned with the environmental impact of building a high-speed two-lane road through state and federal park land and that the northern route will funnel tourists away from the county. Residents of Bayshore fear their quiet residential street will become a shortcut for tourists.

About 40 Franklin County residents were on hand. At their last Franklin County meeting held in Carrabelle, the authority brought slick flyers and out-of-date maps to present their case to the public. This time, they brought nothing but an agenda.

When attendees requested to see a map of the proposed roads, they were told to consult the Internet.

"How can we intelligently discuss this when we have nothing to discuss?" one woman asked.

"Nothing has changed except we're lining up some federal and state bureaucrats on this project," Chairman Randall McElheney said.

The board discussed earmarking tolls from a portion of the road for environmental mitigation and prepared to vote on the issue.

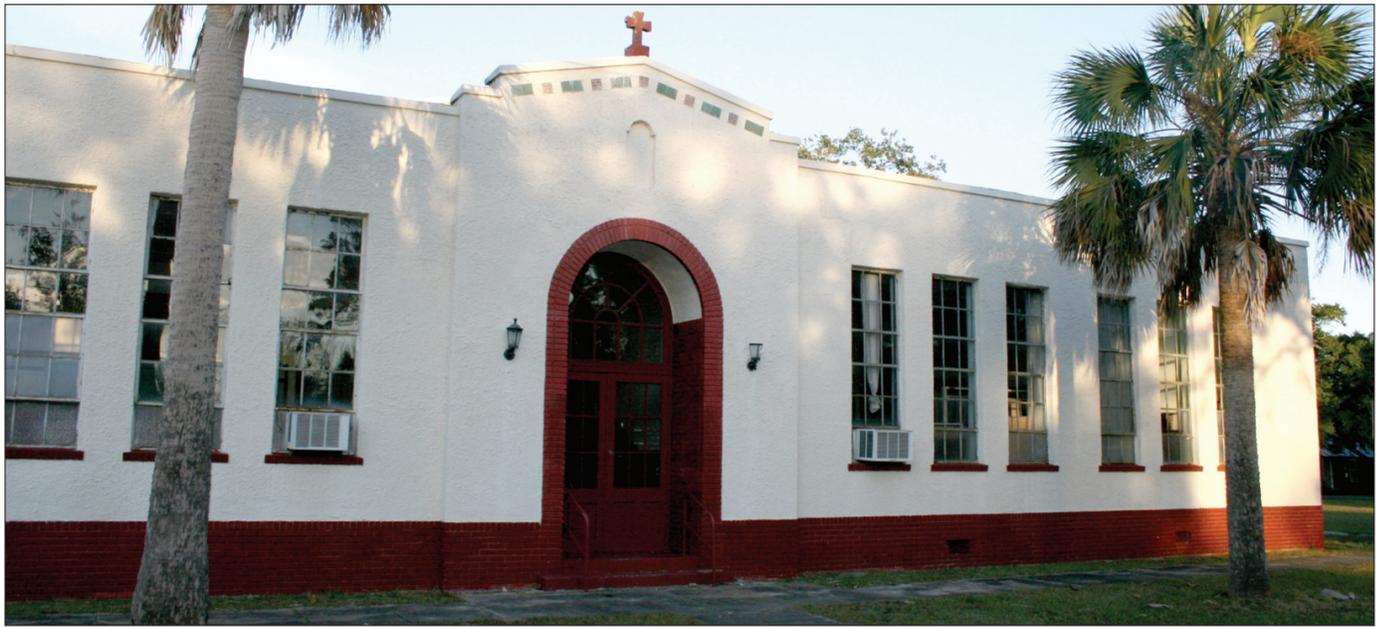
"Can there be some public discussion on this before you vote?" County Commissioner Pinki Jackel asked.

Looking nonplussed, McElheney answered: "We have a protocol that we ask the public to wait on their comments until the board completes its discussion, but we can table this vote until after public comment. We don't want the discussion to become segmented."

### Jackel disputes point of procedure

Next, the board prepared to vote to approve the invoices. One bill was from HDR Engineering of Panama City for a feasibility study of alternative routes and strategies

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DAVID ADLERSTEIN

**BUILDING REVIVAL:** The Holy Family Center soon will become a senior center.

# Holy Family revival

## State to fund \$1.5 million senior center on site

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

The 80-year-old Holy Family Center in Apalachicola, long the focal point of Roman Catholic outreach to the African-American community, will be revived as a senior/community center beginning next year, thanks to a \$1.5 million state grant from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

Crist and Department of Elder Affairs Secretary E. Douglas Beach announced the grants Friday in Miami when they were breaking

ground for the Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Centers.

The Miami project will receive \$2 million to build its center, as will another in Alachua County, while the Apalachicola project will get \$1.5 million.

The grants are part of \$10 million in grants, for amounts of up to \$2 million each, authorized by the 2008 Legislature. The grants will be used for new construction, repairs and maintenance at senior centers around the state. A similar round of grants totaling \$9.1 million also was awarded during the 2007-08 fiscal year.

The city of Apalachicola used Florida Forever money, targeted for water reuse, to obtain the Holy Family building four years ago from the archdiocese. The church closed the school in the late 1960s when it desegregated the Apalachicola Catholic community and then later kept the facility open as a community center until it

no longer could be operated safely.

Over the last four years, the city has redoubled its efforts to secure funding to preserve and revive the center, working closely with Bert Ivey, who directs the county's Elder Care of Franklin County program, currently headquartered in Carrabelle.

The latest proposal includes a component devoted to African-American cultural history, of which the Holy Family Center was an integral part dating back to 1920, when African-American nuns from New Orleans first came to town to operate the Holy Family School.

"When I got the grant news I was excited," said Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson, who himself attended the school up through the third grade.

"This is something the city has long been

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## New faces take helm of schools

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

County Judge Van Russell swore in Nina Marks as the new superintendent of schools Nov. 18, as well as two new school board members, George Thompson for District 1 and Carl Whaley for District 5.

Thompson replaces Denise Butler in a seat he held before stepping down four years ago, after serving from 2000 to 2004.

For Whaley, it's a first-time opportunity, as he followed John Richards, who decided not to seek re-election after one term.

And for Nina Marks, it's a chance to hit the ground running in a new post, after defeating Republican Denise Butler and former State Representative Will Kendrick, who ran without party affiliation, in the three-way race.

"I was kind of surprised how it came out as far as the distribution of votes, but of course I was pleased by the results," she said. The new job pays \$90,928 per year.

"I've already put in several days basically on special assignment so I can get my feet wet," Marks said a few days after winning the Nov. 4 general



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**NEW SUPER:** Newly elected school superintendent Nina Marks smiles after being sworn in by County Judge Van Russell.



THOMPSON



WHALEY

election. Following her victory, Marks met with superintendents from the nine-county area and later attended three-day training in Orlando for the Florida Association of District School Superintendents.

It was there she learned she was not alone, as there are 30 new superintendents in Florida's 67 counties.

"We have a huge list of things to do in Franklin County, but most everyone wants to see better communication and consistency," she said. "I'm already working with people on trying

to correct some of that."

Marks said she's going to take her time to find a perfect fit for the new principal job, targeting someone who plans to stay here long-term.

"I think right now, we need to keep the least amount of turning everything upside-down, and the things that are calm right now, we can work around them and make an easier transition into things we need to address first," she said. "I want to take the time to see if we can find someone who will be part of one of the communities in the district. I don't want to jump into anything real fast. I think we need someone who's going to come in and be part of us, the community, even when they're not in school."

Interim principal Nick O'Grady remains on the job, as does high school dean Chris

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## Mixon charged with mischief, grand theft

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

Joseph Lee Mixon was arrested Thursday and charged with three felonies in connection with slamming a seafood truck into the Apalachicola State Bank branch in downtown Apalachicola in the early morning hours of Nov. 15.

At a first appearance Nov. 21, County Judge Van Russell set a \$250,000 bond for Mixon, 43, who is being held at the Franklin County Jail. Public defender Kevin Steiger was assigned to handle his case.

Mixon was charged with three third-degree felonies, grand theft of a motor vehicle, and two counts of criminal mischief. Each charge carries a penalty of up to five years in prison.

The grand theft charge stems from Mixon having driven, without permission or authorization and for personal use, a 1997 Peterbilt truck valued at \$95,000.

Tommy Ward, owner of 13 Mile Seafood, told Ronnie Segree, investigator with the sheriff's office, that Mixon had been riding the route for a couple weeks with driver Johnny Pace and that he was scheduled to take over once he learned it.

On the Friday before the incident, Ward said he allowed Mixon to drive the truck and

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# Panhandle Players shine in 'Odd Couple'

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

Last weekend, the Dixie Theatre showed what happens when you mix a great script with a stage full of veteran actors.

The Panhandle Players' opening show, the female version of "The Odd Couple" that Neil Simon created after he writing his original masterpiece, was a joy to behold, a masterful pairing of two of the area's premier leading ladies.

Adelle Hungerford as a seething, stomping, frenetic Olive Madison, hungry for a man, and Margy Oehlert as a fretful neat freak Florence Ungar, troubled by the breakup of her marriage, were as good as it gets. The two brought a rare energy, a well-timed and well-maneuvered interplay and an evoking of character that didn't miss a beat. They brought to life man's, I mean woman's, eternal struggle between control and spontaneity, between compulsive order and liberating abandon, and it was wise and hilarious to watch.

Memorable, too, were the two men in the show, Royce Rolstad III and Hank Kozlowsky, as Jesus and Manolo Costazuela, the two Latin brothers who live upstairs. The comic duo drew some of the biggest laughs in the show as they stumbled through the English language in wooing the two ladies. Three little words apply: flat-out funny.

The four Trivial Pursuit-playing ladies provided the perfect touches to the show, with their running commentary on their two friends.



PHOTOS BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Cathy Watts, Laura Baney and Beverly Kelley were superb, but special mention has to go to Ann Cowles and her comic ability to go against everyone's grain.

Director Pam Vest, production assistant Liz Sisung, Dan Wheeler and his set construction crew, and all those dedicated crew members who worked behind the scene all deserve a round of applause for a job well done.

This show kicked the Panhandle Players' reputation up a notch, and we will be expecting more of the same for the second two shows of the season.

Because a woman's, and a man's, work is never done.

**THE ODD COUPLE:** Photos clockwise from left, Royce Rolstad, left, as Jesus Costazuela pronounces the word "Barcelona" in this hilarious scene in Act II of "The Odd Couple" with Adelle Hungerford and Hank Kozlowsky. Adelle Hungerford, right, as Olive, interrogates Vera, played by Ann Cowles in Act I. Cathy Watts as Mickey, below right, grins as Sylvie, played by Laura Baney, center, shares news of her pregnancy. Below left, Margy Oehlert, as Florence Ungar, waits worriedly on the couch to meet the two Costazuela brothers.



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Ordinance 437

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The proposed Ordinance may be inspected during regular hours at Carrabelle City Hall between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., 1001 Gray Avenue, Monday through Friday, or call 850-697-2727.

The proposed Ordinance will be considered for enactment during a public hearing to be held 7:20 p.m., Thursday December 4, 2008 at the Carrabelle Commission Chambers located at 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, FL.

Interested parties may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed Ordinance.

If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to this meeting, a verbatim transcript may be required. If so, the individual should make provision for a transcript to be made at the meeting. (RE: Florida Statute 286.0105). Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the city at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Keisha Smith at the above address or phone number.

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# Ellis selected for 2008 Spirit of Freedom award

JAY FELSBERG  
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CHIPLEY — Ole Ellis was selected as winner of the 2008 Spirit of Freedom Award.

The award is presented annually to Northwest Florida residents who exemplify Freedom Communications' core values of respect for individual freedom, self responsibility, integrity, community and life-long learning. Judges were five editors of Freedom's newspapers.

"I'm honored by this award," Ellis said when he was told at the Washington County Chamber of Commerce office. "Thank you."

Washington County News and Holmes County Times-Advertiser Publisher Nicole Barefield said the announcement made for a happy occasion.

"We're very glad to pres-

ent this award to Ole Ellis," Barefield said. "In all of his endeavors in this community, Ole Ellis has certainly sustained those core values."

Florida Freedom Newspapers' Regional Vice-President and Publisher Karen Hanes said while the award might be a surprise for Ellis, it was not to those who worked with him over the years.

"I can't think of a more deserving winner," Hanes said. "He is the epitome of community service."

It certainly was the right thing to do according to Ted Everett, who nominated Ellis for the honor.

"The man responsible for this (development) in so many ways was Ole Ellis," said Everett, executive director of the Washington County Chamber of



OLE ELLIS

Commerce. "Ole has served his community for many years and we certainly appreciate his sacrifice."

Freedom Communications is the parent company of 10 newspapers in Northwest Florida. They include the Washington County News, the Panama City News Herald, Holmes County Advertiser, Northwest Florida Daily News, Destin Log, Walton Sun, Santa Rosa Press-Gazette, Crestview News-Bulletin, Port St. Joe Star News, and Apalachicola Times.

Ellis was honored on the east end of Freedom's coverage area. On the west end, Bob and Nancy Garcia, long-time volunteers on everything from education efforts to running a thrift shop at Eglin Air Force Base, shared the award.

## Spirit of Freedom nominees

A dozen people were nominated this year for the Freedom Communications Spirit of Freedom Award. The winners are: Bob and Nancy Garcia of Niceville; and Ole Ellis of Washington County.

Other nominees included: Mark Welton, Marietta Birdsell, Ida Faye Powell and Foy Shaw, all of Crestview; Crawford W. "Bear" Henley and Jeff Bridgman of Fort Walton Beach; Dr. Lynne Reynolds and Nancy Grigsby of Niceville; Larry Keefe of Shalimar; and Gabby Bruce of Destin.

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## We share thanks, even in times of loss

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With my apologies to T.S. Eliot, it's not April that is the cruelest month. It is November.

I adore Seafood Festival and the church and family traditions involved. I work with the ladies (and now gentlemen) in the church kitchen putting together our crab casserole luncheon. Old friends gather and tell stories of our youth. A good time is had by all.

The end of the month never fails to deliver a resounding kick in the pants. It began in 1963. I was on the playground after lunch when I noticed all of the teachers hovering around a radio. The bell rang, and we went back to class. The intercom informed us the president had been shot. About 20 minutes later, the intercom told us the president was dead.

I do remember some kids whooping with joy, but most of us simply were stunned. We asked out teachers question after question. They did their best to remain calm and provide us with as many answers as they could. We were babies at age 11, but we knew about the Bay of Pigs and had feared nuclear war during the Cuban Missile Crisis. This assassination rocked our world.

I remember going with Mama to the A & P after school. People were speaking in whispers. There was no context for what had happened.

We were glued to our television sets, desperate for each new piece of news as history unfolded.

Saturday morning was cold and rainy. I lay in my bed listening to Daddy getting dressed in front of the heater. He had promised to take the 12-year-old son of his boss, Bob Ingle, for a day of squirrel hunting up the river. At around two, Mother started being distracted. Closer to three, we looked out the window to see my Aunt Dolores and my grandmother, Johnny, coming to the front door.

There had been an accident, they said. Daddy was thrown from the boat rounding Four Tree Cut Off. The child in the boat, as well as Uncle Louis Roux and An-

thony Taranto in the second boat, had not been able to find him. His life jacket was wet from the rain, and he had not put it on.

Louis and Anthony had scuba gear, and they found the body the next day, almost 24 hours later.

Years after, in 1997, my mother breathed her last on Nov. 30, after a debilitating fight with brain cancer.

I don't seek sympathy. We have all had to face death and then find a way to keep putting one foot in front of the other. We mourn but we also move on. We somehow find it in us to celebrate.

Even after the death of my father, we loaded up and went to the farm for Thanksgiving. My mom's sister and her husband had a few hundred acres outside of Ocala. We could look forward to early mornings of crackling fires, sausage sizzling in the kitchen, and then a glorious dinner when the hunters came back in.

My aunt had married a man from New Jersey, so we had Yankee Dressing (no cornbread, only white bread), but that was the only downside. There was turkey, Uncle John insisted on the drumstick, mashed potatoes, venison, cole slaw, sweet potato casserole, green beans, and pies, glorious pies, pumpkin and mincemeat. Plus the cakes, Italian cream, pound, carrot, and chocolate.

Traditions have changed over the years. Now, Thanksgiving is catered. But, we still gather in the kitchen. Someone has to make the cole slaw the way we remember it. I bring oysters, some years to make a casserole, but this year I will fry them as appetizers. My sister always brings Mother's pimento cheese.

This particular group of relatives only gathers once a year, but we know our roles and responsibilities. We are very different people, but we are family. So, we sit and share food together.

We give thanks for what we have, and remember those we have lost. I believe that is the message for this holiday.

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**RED WHITE AND ROUX**  
Denise Roux

## Apalachicola River, Bay at tipping point

By Dan Tonsmeire  
Apalachicola Riverkeeper

The Apalachicola River and Bay boast the greatest biodiversity of any river system in North America and the highest productivity of any estuary.

The Apalachicola system has been designated a Biosphere Reserve by the United Nations, a National Estuarine Research Reserve by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a Biological Hotspot by the The Nature Conservancy and a Florida Emerald Coast BioGem by NRDC.

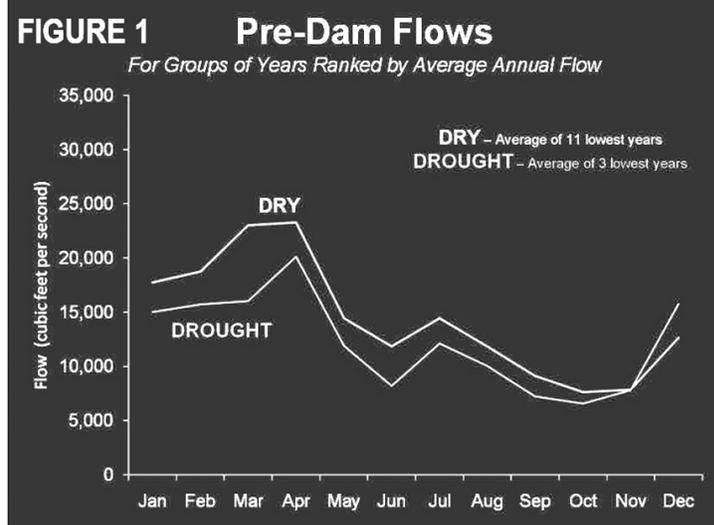
And yet, the lack of adequate federal and state policy on instream flow has left the Apalachicola's future hanging in the balance. Endangered mussels and sturgeon are threatened as is the legendary Apalachicola oyster along with the livelihoods of commercial fishermen whose families have worked on the river and bay for generations.

These facts have proven of little consequence to Georgia state officials and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who continue efforts to take more water out of the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) river system, which drains 19,600 square miles down 890 miles of three major rivers through three states, from the Smokey Mountains to the Gulf of Mexico.

Even more is at stake. The Flint River suffers withdrawals for agricultural irrigation that can reduce side streams to a trickle. Proposals for federal water supply dams on the Flint will destroy habitat, threaten fish and unwind the cultural heritage of many Georgians.

Threats to the continued health of the system also occur along a section of the Chattahoochee River, protected as a National Scenic Recreation Area. The 100-mile reach suffers water quality hits from flow reductions designed by Georgia and enabled by the Corps to hold water in an upstream reservoir for water supply.

Three Riverkeeper organizations are working together to protect these rivers for present and future generations. The Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper leads the fight in north Georgia for water conservation to reduce use and maintain adequate instream flow. The newly formed Flint Riverkeeper is setting up to battle



**PRE-DAM FLOWS:** This chart shows the difference in pre-dam flows between dry years and drought years.

dams that powerful interests in north Georgia want on the Flint.

Apalachicola Riverkeeper is working with Florida Congressman Allen Boyd and Sen. Bill Nelson, who are sponsoring legislation that would fund a National Research Council study of instream-flow needs on the ACF system and establish a reasonable estimate for the ACF. The study's findings could then be the basis for precedent-setting federal legislation to protect instream-flow needs not just for the Apalachicola but for rivers across America. At the heart of all the effort is sustaining flows for healthy rivers.

Determining an accurate measure of instream-flow quantities that will sustain a healthy river is critical to establishing a defensible position. Whether in litigation or negotiation, sound science must back demand for instream flows. Determining flow needs on the Apalachicola, which fluctuates between 5,000 and 300,000 cubic feet per second with wide variations annually and seasonally, can be complex.

Apalachicola Riverkeeper worked with experts to develop estimates of water flow before the four federally funded dams on the Chattahoochee River were built to serve as a baseline in an environmental impact statement. Rainfall and flows were analyzed in the post-dam period for the drought period,

disproving claims that the reservoirs have enhanced post-dam low flows.

Researchers say that the Apalachicola is at a tipping point. The floodplain lost more than four million trees and hundreds of miles of fish habitat in dried-up sloughs because too much water is being taken from the ACF system to sustain the Apalachicola River and Bay. As a result, this year's commercial seafood harvest was a fraction of past years, threatening the economic lifeblood of local communities.

Georgia has passed a water plan that relies on outdated measurements that protect only the lowest portion of the flow regime. Florida has documented impacts from reduced flows, but declined to develop instream-flow needs.

Right now the best and, perhaps, the last hope is that a timely Act of Congress will sustain the Apalachicola. Without action, the whole river system as we know it, one of America's truly great natural treasures, could be lost.

*Dan Tonsmeire was recruited to fill the Riverkeeper position for the Apalachicola Riverkeeper in Feb. 2004. Before that he spent 15 years as a water resource planner with the Northwest Florida Water Management District. You can reach him at Dan@apalachicolariverkeeper.org.*

### WHAT'S BUGGING YOU?

## Dogs, snakebite do not mix

By Lois Swoboda  
Times Staff Writer

Three weeks ago, I was walking my dogs on a deserted beach and noticed my German Shepherd was not with the pack, so to speak. I looked around and found him bounding up from the rear. He stumbled and I knew at once something was wrong.

When we arrived home, Shepp refused to eat and went to my bed where he sat crying with a raised forepaw. I examined the foot and found it very tender but with no apparent injury or swelling. I washed it with a cloth and found a bead of blood oozing from his ankle.

I immediately thought of snakebite. I had never seen one but I knew they were very painful. I called my friend, veterinarian Leslie Campbell, and she advised me to get Shepp to a vet immediately.

"Call ahead and make sure he has antivenom, though," she said. "There's a shortage right now."

After several calls, I located antivenom at the Wakulla Animal Clinic. Dr. Hobson Fulmer in Eastpoint also keeps the product in stock, but on this evening, he was out of town due to a family emergency.

I got Shepp into the back of my truck and drove like a demon to Crawfordville. The trip took an hour. In that time, Shepp's leg below the knee had swollen to twice its normal size. He walked into the vet's office by himself.

After shaving my dog's leg, Dr. Richard Austin confirmed my worst suspicions. Shepp had been bitten three times, probably by a water moccasin.

"The antivenom is \$500 a dose and he will require two," the vet informed

me. It took a few seconds to decide. In my opinion, this is what credit cards are for. Shepp got the medicine and the swelling in his leg had started to diminish 15 minutes after the treatment began.

The antivenom serum that saved Shepp is commercially produced to neutralize the effects of the injected venom. At special laboratories healthy horses are injected with increasing amounts of selected snake venom (non-fatal, of course), gradually challenging the horse to make more antibodies. A small amount of blood is later removed from the horse and the protein antibodies are separated out and purified.

A specific antibody is produced for each type of snake. The price I paid is typical of vets in our area. It is wise to call ahead and verify the antivenom is available. This product, produced only by a single company, is often in short supply.

If your dog is bitten by a snake, there may be no cause for concern, as the majority are nonpoisonous. The bites of harmless snakes show teeth marks in the shape of a horseshoe, but no fang marks.

In the United States, there are four poisonous varieties: Cottonmouth moccasins, rattlesnakes, copperheads and coral snakes. The diagnosis of poisonous snake bite is made by the appearance of the bite, the behavior of the animal and the species of snake. Kill it and bring it with you to the vet if you see your dog has been bitten. I never saw the snake that bit Shepp and had to go on a hunch.

If you get to the vet and the bite is not poisonous, all you have lost is some time.

Fulmer said symptoms of snakebite are crying out, sudden pain and swelling. Sometimes you can see the mark of the fangs, he said, but in

Shepp's case, I could not.

Initial symptoms are followed by diarrhea, collapse, sometimes seizures, shock, coma and in severe cases death.

Fulmer said knowing the type of snake is important for treatment, but not as much as knowing location of the bite and the size of the dog and snake.

A bite on the foot is less dangerous than a bite on the head. Large dogs withstand the venom better than small dogs and a smaller snake, like a pygmy rattler, has less venom to inject than a 5-foot Eastern Diamondback.

"Getting the dog into the vet as soon as possible is the best thing," said Fulmer. "Within four hours, most bites are treatable but don't waste time."

If you believe your dog has been bitten, do not take out your pocketknife and cut Xs over the fang marks. Do not attempt to suck venom through those X marks. This treatment is no longer recommended for humans or snakes. Do not grab the snake in a fit of anger and attempt to choke it to death. You may be bitten yourself.

Some veterinarians now sell a snakebite vaccination. Fulmer said there is no evidence this product is effective in our area.

"The vaccine was developed for Western Diamondback Rattlesnakes. There is nothing in the literature to suggest it is effective against Eastern Diamondbacks, Cottonmouths or any of our local poisonous snakes," he said.

An additional resource for snakebites and other cases where an animal may have been poisoned is the ASPCA Poison Control Hotline (888) 426-4435. A \$60 consultation fee may be applied to your credit card.

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# Raney House hosts Festival of Trees

The historic Raney House Museum in Apalachicola will get into the Christmas spirit with a Festival of Christmas trees opening Friday, Nov. 28, continues Saturday, Nov. 29 and thereafter daily during regular visiting hours.

The Festival culminates with a champagne reception in the museum on Dec. 13.

Visitors to the museum, an elegant Greek revival structure with four stately two-story columns, will see how the home might have been decorated for Christmas in 1838 when it was built by David Raney, a prosperous cotton exporter.

In addition, four Christmas trees, placed on the porch and inside the house, will be decorated by teams of volunteers including Amanda Kohler, Leslie Wallace Coon, Ruth Young, Lynn Wilson, Alice Gibbs, Carrie Kienzle, Susan Clementson, Mark Willis, Andrea Duval, and Joyce Estes and Elaine Kozlowsky representing the Calendar Girls who recently posed for a calendar to raise

funds to fight breast cancer.

The museum will be open from 1-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28, to accommodate the large number of visitors expected in Apalachicola for shopping, the arrival of Santa by shrimp boat and the tree lighting at dusk. Entry is free.

On Saturday, Nov. 29, the museum will open at 10 a.m. and will close at 5 p.m. in time for the lighting of the Yule log at dusk.

The Festival of Trees champagne reception will be 7-9 p.m. Dec. 13 at the museum. Visitors will donate \$10 at the door, which entitles them to champagne and hors d'oeuvres. A raffle will be held with prizes including dinners for two, accommodations in local hotels and inns, coffee table books and more.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each. All proceeds of the champagne reception will be used for museum improvements.

The Christmas trees and decorations will continue as holiday features of the museum until Dec. 23.

# Sea Oats gardeners plant seedlings for spring

Sea Oats Garden Club members met recently to plan winter and spring activities.

The club will hold its Christmas dinner at the Crooked River Grill at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11.

The group will also be handing out garden club information, including wild flower and native plant cultivation, at the Holiday on

the Harbor celebration to be held in Carrabelle on Saturday, Dec. 13.

Members have also planted yellow Lantana seedlings which will be ready to sell at the Riverfront Festival in April.

If you are interested in participating in Sea Oats Garden Club activities, call Arlene at 697-9790 or Lafaise at 697-8062.

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make deliveries in Bay County, but that he was to return immediately afterwards to 13 Mile, park the truck and place the keys and money in their proper places. Mixon was told he was not allowed to use the truck for personal use.

"Mr. Ward had no deliveries east of 13 Mile Seafood and there was no reason for his seafood truck to be in Apalachicola other than Mr. Mixon had taken upon himself to take the truck without Mr. Ward's permission or authorization and use it for his personal use," wrote Segree in the probable cause narrative.

The two criminal mischief charges stem from Mixon having allegedly committed an offense for having "willfully and maliciously injuring or damaging by any means any real or personal property belonging to another." The charge is a felony because the damage exceeds \$1,000, which can include "interruption or impairment of a business operation or public communication, transportation, supply of water, gas or power, or other public service."

One charge is associated with having totaled Ward's truck and the other is for the massive damage sustained by the bank, estimated by bank officials to be in the neighborhood of \$1.5 million to \$2 million.

According to the probable cause affidavit, Apalachicola Police Chief Bobby Varnes and State's Attorney Investigator Johnny Turner interviewed Mixon at his home on Nov. 17, a day after he was released from Bay Medical Center with the fracture of two vertebrae, scalp lacerations and a knee injury sustained in the 5 a.m. crash.

## "I'm done, I'm a dead man"

In a recorded statement after he was read his Miranda rights, Mixon told lawmen he had moved out of his girlfriend's residence at the end of October and had been dating her for about four months. The girlfriend's sister told investigators the relationship lasted for only one month.

"He said he learned that (she) was with someone else on this night and she told him they were moving way too fast in their relationship," read the

*"Mixon said he made up his mind up at the West side/Bayfront station to attempt to kill himself. He said his dad, Buddy Mixon, died in a seafood truck and if it was a good enough way for his dad to go, it was a good enough way for him."*

## from the affidavit

affidavit.

Mixon said he tried to call her repeatedly that night to talk about their relationship but she had turned her cell phone off. He said he also called his ex mother-in-law "and told her to tell his children that he loved them."

Mixon's mother-in-law told investigators she got the call about 3:30 a.m. and was told "he's done, tell my children I love them. I'm done, I'm a dead man. I'll be in the paper in the morning." She said Mixon told her to tell his ex-wife that if she didn't believe him to "call his cell phone and whoever answered it would tell her he was dead."

The mother-in-law told officers that Mixon had attempted suicide three years ago, possibly from a drug overdose.

Mixon also reported that he left messages on his girlfriend's cell phone "to the effect that what he was about to do was her fault for playing him for a fool and messing with his feelings." He said he left similar messages on her sister's telephone as well as another friend's, with the latter message indicating he intended to drive off the pier.

"Mixon said he made up his mind up at the West side/Bayfront station to attempt to kill himself," wrote the investigators. "He said his dad, Buddy Mixon, died in a seafood truck and if it was a good enough way for his dad to go, it was a good enough way for him."

Mixon estimated he was traveling about 75 to 80 miles per hour down U.S. 98 but denied he planned to drive into the bank building at Market Street and Avenue E.

"He said his intentions were to drive the seafood truck off into the end of Avenue E, over the city dock and into the river," reads the affidavit. "Mixon said the driver of the newspaper vehicle pulled out in front of him and he had to veer to avoid a collision and this caused him to strike the bank building."

The driver of the newspaper delivery vehicle, Steve Holt, told Segree he was stopped at the corner of US 98 and Sixth Street, facing west, when the seafood truck zoomed by.

"He could tell from the way the truck was floating (suspension maxed out) on the roadway that the truck had reached maximum speed," wrote the investigators, who noted that "Holt's observation of no other vehicles in the vicinity of the crash contradicts (Mixon's) statement of having to veer to avoid a collision with a vehicle and striking the bank building."

Holt later pulled Mixon to safety from the burning truck.

## Did two stints in state prison

If Mixon is eventually convicted and sentenced to prison, it will make the third time he has spent time behind bars in a state penitentiary.

On Oct. 28, 1985, right after his 20th birthday, he was sentenced in Franklin County for three felonies, burglary of an unoccupied structure, armed burglary and arson.

He spent time at Apalachee West Correctional, Cross City Correctional and Martin Correctional and was released Dec. 6, 1991 after doing a little more than six years. This incarceration was marked by a long list of disciplinary actions, according to state prison officials.

On Dec. 15, 1995, he returned to prison following a conviction for marijuana sale in Escambia County. He had only two disciplinary actions during these two years behind bars, at Liberty Correctional and Walton, and was released Nov. 7, 1997 to state probation.

# County CALENDAR

**Thursday, Nov. 27**  
THANKSGIVING DAY

**Friday, Nov. 28**

Breakfast at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Coffee at 7:30 a.m., meal at 8 a.m. \$2 donation. Call 697-3760.

**Historic Apalachicola Annual Christmas Celebration** from 4:30 to 8 p.m. The streets of downtown Apalachicola will be lined with luminaries and filled with holiday spirit. Merchants will be open late and the sounds of carolers will fill the evening air with Christmas spirit. Santa will arrive on a shrimp boat at 4 p.m. at the City Dock on Water

Street, across from City Hall. For more information call 653-9419.  
**Festival of Trees.** Nov. 28 to Dec. 13. Raney House. 653-9419.

**Saturday, Nov. 29**

The **Cape St. George Light** will be open for climbing at no charge from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 927-7744.

**Sunday, Nov. 30**

The **Cape St. George Light** will be open for climbing at no charge from 1-4 p.m. Call 927-7744.

**Lighting of the Yule Log.** Santa will be downtown from 1 to 4 p.m. Caroling and lighting of the Yule Log downtown at dusk. Call

653-9419.  
**Tree of Remembrance Ceremony.** City Christmas Tree. 3 p.m. Call 653-9419.

**Monday, Dec. 1**

**Breakfast** at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Coffee at 7:30 a.m., meal at 8 a.m. \$2 donation. Call 697-3760.

**Computer classes** at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Call Joyce Durham 670-5951 and set up a time.

The **Cape St. George Light** will open to the public. The lighthouse will now be open Mon., Tues., & Wed. 9 a.m. to Noon and 1 to 3 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Sun.

1 to 3 p.m. Call 927-7744.

**Tuesday, Dec. 2**

**Franklin County Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting** 9 a.m. at courthouse annex. For more info, call 653-8861.

**Art Club** at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. 2 to 4 p.m. Call 697-3760.

**Benefit Rock and Roll Concert.** James McMurtry and the Heartless Bastards. 7 p.m. Coombs Armory. Admission \$15. All proceeds benefit Meals on Wheels of Franklin County. Call 519-9503.

**Carrabelle Lighthouse Association.** Carrabelle branch of the Franklin County Library. 5:30 p.m.

697-5555.

**Apalachicola City Commission regular monthly meeting** 6 p.m. Community Center at Battery Park. For info call 653-9319

**Thursday, Dec. 4**

**Wandering Star Quilting Club.** Chillias Hall Lanark Village. 1 to 3 p.m. Call Christine Hinton 697-2551.

**Luncheon and Information Specials** at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Noon. \$3 donation. Call 697-3760

**Carrabelle City Commission Meeting.** Franklin County Senior Center, 103 Ave F, Carrabelle. 6:30 p.m. Call 697-2727.

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# Chef Eddie tells all

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

Chef Eddie Cass, who helped plant the seeds for Apalachicola's blossoming reputation for classy cuisine, is sharing his secrets.

The 62-year-old Cass, a certified executive chef and owner of the Magnolia Grille, is hosting his second Cooking Class on Thursday, Dec. 4.

Earlier this month, Cass taught his first class before 20 people, using a stove set up in his back room alongside

a mirrored exhibition table constructed for the occasion by server Patrick Leach.

"Food is fun," said Cass, a native New Englander who graduated from chef training in 1965, taught by certified master chefs whose talents delighted the palates of an elite Bostonian clientele, from the finest hotels to Harvard University professors.

Chef Eddie opened the two-hour class with a brochette, a crunchy French bread, followed by fresh mozzarella cheese flavored

with extra virgin olive oil, basil and aged balsamic vinegar.

Next came salads topped with Italian vinaigrette dressing, made easily in a blender.

Three pasta dishes followed, featuring fresh pomodoro and basil sauce, nouveau marinara, and lobster in asiago sauce with fresh shrimp from Ward's Seafood.

The wine of choice was an inexpensive, but highly regarded, white wine, Georges du Boeuf Pouilly-Fuisee.

The chef interspersed the evening's class with tips on everything from how to preserve fresh herbs to touches that can make a difference between a good meal and a memorable one.

The class closed with the making of a white chocolate crème brulee.

Cost for the class ran \$25, with all food and beverage included.

For those who imagine being hosts at a Chef Eddie catered affair, the restaurant is holding a wedding giveaway sweepstakes for an October affair.

No purchase is unnecessary and those who want to enter can fill out a ticket at the restaurant at 99 11th Street.

Chef Eddie said the drawing will be held in July, and that the complete affair, except for liquor, can be for anything from a wedding to a renewal of vows to a very special anniversary.



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**TASTY TORCH:** Chef Eddie puts the finishing touch, the flame, to make a hardened sugar crust to the white chocolate crème brulee.

## NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

**Purpose and Effect:** The Franklin County School Board proposes to update and adopt policies, as provided in the Administrative Procedures Act for the purpose of maintaining compliance with Florida Statutes and State Board of Education Rules.

**Summary:** The following is a brief description of the proposed changes:

Franklin County School District School Board Policy Manual, Including Bullying and Harassment Policy # 5.321\*.

**Statutory Authority:** Section 1001.41, Florida Statutes

These proposed rules will be considered by the Franklin County School Board at a meeting publicly advertised and held in the School Board meeting room in Apalachicola, Florida no earlier than 28 days after the original date of this notice.

Policies may be reviewed during the period of November 05, 2008 through December 03, 2008 at the Franklin County School Board Office, 155 Avenue E, Apalachicola, Florida during the hours of 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM, Monday – Friday.

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**FRANKLIN COUNTY HONOR ROLL**

The following is the Franklin County Middle and High School Honor Roll for First Quarter 2008:

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**Sixth Grade**

A Honor Roll: Selena Kahn, Morgan Martin and Samantha Marxsen

A/B Honor Roll: Lacey Amerson, Tressie Buffkin, Tyler Cash, Allistair Copeley, Julie Diestelhorst, Heaven Garrett, Curtis Gordie, Macey Hunt, Dy'Shereah Key, Trianna Lockley, Chance McLead, Morgan Mock, Erin Riley, Thomas Riley, Tyler Rowell, Samantha Sand, Aaliyah West and Callie Westbrook.

**Seventh Grade**

A/B Honor Roll: Chad Coulter, Jesse Cameron, Deborah Dempsey, Laura Gallegos, Jenny Parrish,

**Eighth Grade**

A Honor Roll: Carla Lewis

A/B Honor Roll: Griffin Kahn, Stephanie Marxsen, Chelsea Case, Taylor Herrington, Kelley Morgan, Kyndl Schoelles, Chena Segree and Katie Wood

**Ninth Grade**

A Honor Roll: Jessica Dempsey

A/B Honor Roll: Chance Buffkin, Sami Coulter, Carli Klink, Tanner Klink, Ciara Moore, Megan Newell, Christina Pateritsas, Deanna Quick, Kristine Thompson, Adreenah Wynn, Michael Desrosier, Caroline Campbell, Jordan King, Morgan Newell, Tiffany

Schmidt, Javieon Winfield, Stephen Jackson, Cierra Russell, and Tiffany Varnes

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A/B Honor Roll: Lakota Humble, Hannah Schooley, D'Andre Robinson, Katlynn Millender, Zachary Peters, Cody Daniels, Morgan Yunnick, Caden Barber, Robbie Butler, Maggie Langston and Chantelle Lucas

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A/B Honor Roll: Maranda Coatney, Jimmy Goggins, Leigh Redmond, James Winfield, Krui Dickerson, Dustin Putnal, Joy Carrino, Gary Larsen and Cecilia James

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A Honor Roll: Erica Davis, Whitley Wilson, Tomilee Dowden, Alana Hutchins, Paula Whiddon and Parrish Johnson

A/B Honor Roll: Miranda Banks, Kendyl Hardy, Jarrod Bergstrom, Jamie Daniels, Bobby Garrett, Jami Giametta, Angela Ochala, Derek Salyer, Chelsea Soderholm, Alexander Simmons and Katrisha Williams

**FIRST BAPTIST CHRISTIAN SCHOOL HONOR ROLL**

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A/B: Ryan Granger

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008, AT 9:00 A.M., IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING VARIANCES, APPEALS AND SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:

- 1 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A WOODEN RETAINING WALL WITHIN THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 31, PENINSULAR POINT, UNIT 7, ALLIGATOR POINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY DEC ENGINEERING, AGENT FOR BARBARA GRAVES, OWNER.
- 2 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A HOUSE 20 FEET INTO THE FRONT SETBACK LINE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 29, PENINSULAR POINT, UNIT 7, ALLIGATOR POINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY CLAYTON E. ANDERSON, AGENT FOR BERT B. BOLDT, II, OWNER.
- 3 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT AN OPEN DECK 15 FEET INTO THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 94, BLOCK 10, UNIT 1, SOUTHERN DUNES, ALLIGATOR POINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY DANIEL COX, AGENT FOR DAVID AND JANET FOSHEE, OWNERS.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACTING AS THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL CONSIDER THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ON DECEMBER 16, 2008.

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF CITY ORDINANCE**

The City Commission of the City of Apalachicola will hold a public hearing for the purpose of receiving citizen's comments on the following proposed ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-07

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 88-4 BY AMENDING SECTION 3-B:a. AND ADDING SECTION 6-B:, FIXING AND DESIGNATING THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR THE USE OF SCPIO CREEK A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION TO THE GRANDFATHERED STATUS; AND ALLOWING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Public Hearing will be held in the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida, beginning at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, December 2, 2008.

All interested parties are encouraged to appear and be heard with respect to this proposed ordinance.

Big Bend Hospice and the Franklin County Advisory Council invite you to attend the

*2008 Service of Remembrance*

Sunday, December 7  
2:30 PM  
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needing, a dedicated facility where seniors can congregate without being interrupted," he said.

Johnson said because the center is spacious, there will be enough room to incorporate a cultural history component.

"There'll be displays on the wall, and they'll probably have an office space, but not all details have been worked out," said Cindy Giametta, the city's grant writer.

She said the paperwork probably won't be signed with the state before January, and then it likely will be at least the fall before work will start on the project, which involves a complete renovation. Until then, she said, the center is neither safe enough nor handicap accessible to be used.

The city has spent \$50,000 in Tourist Development Council money to complete the new roof over the sanctuary but beyond that, the building will need to be made handicap accessible, completion of the new roof, all new electrical and plumbing work, an addition for kitchen facilities, and parking, as well as several interior design modifications.

Giametta said the community will be able to rent out the sanctuary portion for private affairs as well.

"We're real excited about it," she said. "It's a big asset for the city. Really for the county, not just the city."

Johnson said he would like to see the work go to local contractors and tradesmen, and described the new senior center as the first piece of a plan to also create a dedicated youth

center.

He said the city has been in talks with school district officials to obtain use of the Apalachicola High School gymnasium for a youth center.

The new senior center, at 203 Seventh Street, will house such services as care management planning, Meals on Wheels, congregate meals prepared on site, activities, in-home care giving, homemaking services, respite care, caregiver assistance, adult day care and information and referral services.

"One of the most important things we can do for Florida's seniors is to provide the means for them to stay active and involved in their communities," said Elder Affairs Secretary Beach. "These grants will make an important difference in the lives of countless older Floridians."

Senior centers receiving the state grants will be required to provide at least a 25-percent match, bringing the total value of the projects to a minimum of \$12.5 million. In addition to construction of the three new senior centers, allowable expenditures include repairs and renovations for such items as ramps, automatic door openers, elevator controls, and fire or security systems, as well as major energy-related renovations such as lighting systems, roof repair and window replacement.

An estimated 380,000 seniors visit Florida's 240 senior centers each year. More information on Florida's senior centers is available at <http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/english/senior-center.php>.



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**TEMPORARY OFFICE:** Welcoming customers at the Apalachicola State Bank's new temporary office are, seated, B.J. Kent, and standing, from left, Danny and Donnie Gay, Tessia Newell and Jessica Thibodeaux.

## Apalachicola State Bank opens temporary office

Apalachicola State Bank has opened a temporary office in a portable facility on Commerce Street across from the bank's parking lot.

Donnie Gay, the bank's senior vice president, said customers are being contacted to come empty out their safety deposit boxes. A free replacement safety

deposit box is available to customers at the Eastpoint branch location.

Loan operations for the Apalachicola office remain at 183 Avenue E, the former Apalachicola Mortgage location.

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# ROADS from page A1

in Franklin County. McElheney said he would recuse himself from the vote to avoid the appearance of conflict of interest, leaving only four members available to vote, less than a quorum.

Ray Reisner, project manager and employee of HDR Engineering approached the board with a cell phone and McElheney announced that Maurice Langston, the board member from Wakulla County, would be voting over the phone to break a tie.

Jackel asked if this procedure was allowed and Mike Duncan, general council for the board, said he had researched the question and it was allowed.

Vice Chairman Jay Odum, of Okaloosa County, said, "In abundance of caution, we'll just wait until the next meeting."

Jackel then produced a copy of the "Government in the Sunshine" manual and read a passage stating that telephone voting was only allowed if there was a quorum present, in extraordinary circumstances such as illness, and if the voting member participated throughout the meeting over a speaker phone or other electronic device that allowed the member to hear and be heard by the public.

A member of the audience pointed out that if McElheney recused himself, there was no quorum present.

## Local impacts

McElheney said beginning with the new phase of the project, there will be at least one environmental impact meeting each year for the next five years.

"At environmental impact meetings, we'll show every-

thing from the last meeting and what's happened in the interim," he said.

Reisner said environmental impact studies have been funded \$8 million through 2009. He said the authority will study economic and property impacts in addition to the environment.

He said that in addition to the corridor from St. Teresa to Eastpoint, other options such as armoring U.S. 98, beach renourishment and offshore barriers would be considered.

"This whole process is to determine what's going to happen," Odum said.

Riverkeeper Andy Smith asked if the only issue being considered was evacuation and return.

Reisner said that was correct. "There is no intention to increase capacity," he said.

## Evacuation routes

Gathana Parmenas of Carrabelle, a Red Cross volunteer active with local mitigation strategy for eight years, told the board that has served on the state hazard and mitigation task force, gathering regional information.

"Their study does not show any problem with evacuation in Franklin County. There are limited post-event issues, but they involve State Route 65 and County Road 67," she said. "I would like to see some data supporting the need for an east-west evacuation route."

Frank Venable of Eastpoint said he would like to see "some proof that the substantial objections you have heard here today are being passed on to the governor. We have no need of additional evacuation routes. Ms. Parmenas

just said it. Hurricanes are a non issue. How can you justify the tremendous cost of people who have been on the payroll for years?"

Reisner said, "We're not advocating building a road from one end to the other. We're encouraged by the DOT to consider offshore breaks to protect the road. You have given us some real good reasons that that blue line should be disqualified. We're going to look at something different than just piling rocks on the shore."

An audience member displaying an Authority protested. "You show the road on your map," they said. "If it's important enough to put on the map that must mean something."

McElheney said the Florida Department of Transportation "can give you plenty of history on the existing US 98. It washes out every time there's a storm. All we're trying to do is take a regional approach. If there was a Katrina type event, 98 would be gone."

Venable said, "We didn't invite you here. All of you are outsiders. The one person who should be here to represent us is absent. That's very telling and it's very telling that this project is designed by The St. Joe Company and it's through their property. This is an insult. Where is the evidence that you passed the public input on to the governor?"

Norris asked "What's your recommendation? The roads get damaged every time there's a storm."

Venable replied there is an offshore barrier at Two-Mile that has protected the road.

"There has got to be a process that determines what is best," Norris said.

# SCHOOLS from page A1

Crozier, middle school dean Eddie Joseph and elementary school dean Deborah Huckleba.

Marks said she is looking forward to the job ahead of her.

"I'm up for it," she said. "I didn't jump into it blind. I'm ready to work on some things and ready to ask other people to be involved."

Marks, who won't have the benefit of an assistant superintendent, said a leadership team has been assembled to

direct operations.

In addition to rehiring attorney Barbara Sanders at last year's rate of \$125 per hour, the board also unanimously re-elected Jimmy Gander as chairman and Teresa Martin as vice-chairman.

The board agreed to put Whaley on the small county consortium and placed Hinton as the legislative liaison.

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Seventh grader Kristina Boyd, left, and eighth grader Katelyn Rowland perform in the ABC School band at the fall program. Center, singing "Good Ole Place to

be," from Mrs. Ward's kindergarten through second grade class are, from left, John-Michael Cates, Kahlm Kent and Rebecca Willis. Right, Temolynn Win-

tons helps out Jewayne O'Neal, left, and Lamarius Martin in Mrs. Moses' kindergarten and grade one class.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners requests proposals from qualified professional companies which provide basic county probation services funded by the offender. Each proposal shall specify the scope of services provided, including, but not limited to the following: attendance at required court hearings; real time case management system; provide the court and the clerk with full internet access to files, computerized record keeping including collection of fine, fee and restitution on a monthly basis; coordinate referrals for community service work, drug and alcohol counseling, and cognitive behavior classes; provide drug testing, electronic monitoring, pretrial release, diversion and first offender programs.

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To ensure that your Proposal is responsive, you are urged to request clarification or guidance on any issues involving this solicitation is Alan Pierce. Director of Administrative Services, at (850) 653-9783 or fax (850) 653-9799.

Each vender shall submit seven copies of their proposal. Proposals will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 15, 2008, at the County Clerk's Office, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320. The proposals will be opened at the County Commission meeting on Tuesday, December 16, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

Franklin County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Drug-Free Workplace. Franklin County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

### ABC School celebrates county

Elementary school students at the Apalachicola Bay Charter School celebrated the beauty and wonder of Franklin County in a fall program at Chapman auditorium Oct. 30. Singing songs written and adapted by director Temolynn Wintons, the classes from kindergarten through fifth grades sang out on everything from the "Three Little Oysters" to "The Turtle Family" to "Fall in Franklin County," a dramatized recitation of the four seasons of Apalachicola's ecosystems. The school will present its holiday musical Dec. 18.

### Retired educators offer Martha Kersey scholarship

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The money for the annual scholarship comes from a memorial fund set up at the Apalachicola State Bank by

Martha's husband, William Kersey.

Mr. Kersey especially challenges all of Martha's former students who feel she made a difference in their lives to make a contribution to this fund. This challenge also applies to all who knew Martha, who was active in many church and civic organizations, always sharing her musical talents for school graduations and church functions, and sharing her delicious preserves and jellies, never hiding her talents in a haystack. Contributions can be made at any branch of The Apalachicola State Bank. Please make checks out to the William Kersey Memorial Fund for Martha Kersey.

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The Board proposes to change the zoning from City Industrial to City Mixed Use Commercial. A public hearing on the proposal will be held on Thursday, December 4, 2008 at 7:20 p.m., or as soon as can be heard in the Carrabelle Commission Chambers, at 1001 Gray Ave, Carrabelle, FL.

This is a small scale zoning change according to Section 163.3184, F.S. More information can be obtained and the proposed land use change may be inspected at the Carrabelle City Hall, 1001 Gray Ave., Carrabelle, FL (telephone: 850-697-2727).

Persons wishing to comment may do so in person at the public hearing or in writing to the Carrabelle City Commission, P.O. Box 569, Carrabelle, Florida 3232-0569.

If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the Commission with respect to this meeting, a verbatim transcript may be required. If so, the individual should make provision for a transcript to be made at the meeting (Florida Statute 286.0105). Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the City at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Keisha Smith at the above address or phone number.

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# Seahawks to take care of 'unfinished business'

By David Adlerstein  
Times City Editor

With a wealth of seasoned players back this year, the Seahawks boys basketball program plans to take care of business this year by shooting for a berth in the state championship.

But first they have to take care of some things that aren't finished from last year.

"We left some unfinished business back in Maclay," said coach Fred Drake, now entering his second year at the helm of the program.

With a 17-9 record last year, the Seahawks lost the district championship 39-30 at the Maclay gym last February, and then bowed out of the regionals a week later with a loss at home to Port St. Joe.

Drake is aware of the strengths of Class 2A Region 1, District 4 rivals Jefferson County, Tallahassee Maclay and Tallahassee North Florida Christian, and isn't looking past anybody.

But with three players who last year scored in double-digits back again, and with several fresh Seahawks to plug gaps, the team's fortunes look solid and strong going into the upcoming season.

"That's on paper," said Drake. "We got to live up to it. My expectations are to win district and make it to the final four in Lakeland, if everyone buys into the system."

## This year's squad

Two returning seniors, Deshaun Winfield and Jeremy James, and two new seniors, Alexander Simmons and A.J. Williams, are expected to provide the leadership and maturity so crucial to putting together a winning season.

At 6'4 and 180 pounds, Winfield is coming off a year where he averaged 15 points and nine per game, with two blocks per game.

He'll be supplemented at the post by 6'4, 200-pound Alexander "Zan" Simmons, who didn't play last year.

"I'm looking for Deshaun to give us a presence in the inside, and along with Zan to bang it inside and score from

inside," said Drake, who will be helped this year by assistant coach Carlos Hill. "Zan gives more height and that's a presence that was missing inside. That was a problem with Maclay last year; we couldn't match up with their big guys."

Coming off of a season where he averaged nine points, six assists and three steals per game, 5'10" senior James is expected to play at the wing, and perhaps point guard if he adapts to the role.

"He plays aggressive defense. That's the energy guy, to set the tone for the game and to give us those steals on defense," Drake said of James.

Senior Williams will likely be a back-up guard, after having shored up his academic standing.

The team sports two juniors who both saw plenty of playing time last year, 5'10" Arron Prince, who averaged six points and seven assists per game last year, and 5'11" Austin O'Neal, who averaged 10 points and five assists per game.

"We got to get a true point guard to step up and take control, and make sure the offense is running smoothly, who doesn't make turnovers when teams start pressing us full court, man to man," said Drake. "Last year it showed that we didn't have a true point guard."

He said O'Neal, who can score from the wing, may be called to play point guard fulltime, provided he gives up expectations of amassing a lot of points. "The problem is he wants to score," said Drake.

Three other players round out the juniors, including 6'3 A.J. Arnold, new to the team this year after playing for Carrabelle and then recovering from a shoulder injury; 5'9" Tydron Wynn and 5'9" Brandon Hand.

Drake said Wynn, who played lineman for the Seahawks, "showed a lot of improvement. He showed he can hit a jump shot. He's definitely won his teammates over that he deserves to be on varsity."

Five sophomores are on the varsity roster this year, led by 6'1" Dalin Modican, who was a sixth man last year. "I



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Members of the Seahawks boys basketball team are, front row, sophomore Michael Turner, sophomore Adam Joseph, senior A.J. Williams, junior Tydron Wynn, and junior Austin O'Neal. Back row, from left, are senior Deshaun Winfield, senior Jeremy James, freshman Carlos Morris, junior Arron Prince, senior Zan Simmons and coach Fred Drake. Not pictured: sophomore Marcus Allen, junior Brandon Hand, junior A.J. Arnold and sophomore Zach Peters.

expect him to play on a regular basis, at wing and post," said Drake. "He's another energy guy, a young version of Jeremy James."

The other sophomores vying for a chance to see plenty of playing time are 6'6" Michael Turner, 6'3" Adam Joseph, 5'10" Marcus Allen and 5'8" Zach Peters.

## High hopes for freshman Morris

The team has only one freshman, and he will be a force to be reckoned with, certainly against area competition and perhaps statewide if the Seahawks advance.

At 6'6" and 170 pounds, Carlos Morris has bulked up a little from last year when he averaged 18 points, 10 rebounds and two blocks per game.

Morris played this summer with the AAU's Team Florida Breakdown and is being eyed by basketball scouts from across the country.

"He's already a Division 1 recruit, they're keeping up with him," said Drake. "He gained a little weight, and has been in the weight room a little bit. He definitely got better. You can tell he worked on penetrating."

"He's already better than last year," said the coach. "He

doesn't drop his head and he's actually working on his defense. He's taking it seriously; you can tell the difference that AAU did for him over the summer. He's a quiet kid, but he's a little bit more outspoken this year."

Morris hit for 24 points in the team's second pre-season game Nov. 18 at Sneads against Altha, which the Seahawks won 68-39. James added 11, Winfield 10, Simmons eight, Joseph five, Prince and Arnold each four, and Williams two. Morris and Simmons lead the team with seven rebounds

each, while Joseph blocked a shot.

The Seahawks won the first pre-season game Nov. 15 at Sneads, winning 51-40 behind Winfield's 21 points. "Carlos wasn't shooting the ball well," said Drake. "I wondered 'Did he lose the jump shot in working on attacking the basket?'"

Simmons added 15 points, James six, Morris four, Prince three and Joseph two. Joseph, Winfield and Simmons each had nine rebounds, and Winfield added three blocked shots.

Drake said he is looking to

the inexperienced players to step up. "I'm hoping that they fit in, that they understand my program and my expectations," he said.

He said the biggest challenges will be filling the point guard slot, improving on rebounding and avoiding unnecessary turnovers.

Drake said now that he knows his players better, he has adapted his coaching style. "I've gotten to know them as a person. Some are sensitive and so I've tried to change up my style to where I'm not so much in their face. I'm trying to calm down from that and let them play."

"They've told me 'don't do all that fussing and yelling' and so I'm not much criticizing but just letting them play," he said.

The team has a brand-new spacious gym to play in this year, but whether it will help or hurt them is still up in the air, because of how intimidating the cramped confines of "The Matchbox" could be.

"We have only seven home games in the gym," said Drake. "In order to get to state, to be good, you got to win on the road. We got to know how to win the big games in someone else's gym."

Rounding out the junior varsity roster this year are Deandre Robinson, Chance Bufkin, Lakota Humble, Adrian Hendels, AJ Allen, Marquez Williams, Austin Larkin and Makenzie Wilson.

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# Lady Seahawks down Wewa, lose to Wakulla

The Lady Seahawks split their two opening games, downing Wewahitchka 63-11 in their home opener and then falling 58-33 to Wakulla County in a Nov. 20 away game.

Senior forward Ashley Myers keyed the Wewa victory with 20 points, followed

by 18 from sophomore guard Tasia Simmons.

Junior forward Monet Moron added eight, while senior center Khrystal Davis had six, senior guard Quanteka Croom five, freshman guard Oneika Lockley four, and junior guard Joy Carrino two.

Coach Justin Long said

against Wakulla, Simmons led with 17 points, followed by Myers with nine, Croom with three, Carrino with two, and Davis and Lockley one each.

Also on the squad are senior guard Patricia Golden and freshman forward Haley Lemieux.

## This Week with the Seahawks

**Monday, Dec. 1**  
**ABC School Eagles Middle School Boys Basketball** at Tolar. Tipoff at 4 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 2**  
**Seahawks Varsity and Junior Varsity Boys Basketball.** At home vs. Panama City Arnold. JV tipoff at 6 p.m.; varsity at 7:30 p.m.  
**Middle School Girls and Boys Basketball** at Hosford. Tipoff at 4:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 4**  
**Seahawks Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball** at Tallahassee North Florida Christian. First district match-up. JV tipoff at 4:30 p.m.; varsity at 7:30 p.m.  
**Lady Seahawks Varsity Basketball** at Tallahassee North Florida Christian. First district match-up. Varsity at 6 p.m.  
**Middle School Girls and Boys Basketball** at home vs. Tolar. Tipoff at 3:30 p.m.  
**ABC School Eagles Middle School Boys Basketball** at home against Wewahitchka. Tipoff at 5 p.m.

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Turin's Salone del Gusto makes eating eco-friendly

# Food, glorious food



Sturdy chairs are folded from a single piece of cardboard. The writing says "I should be seated."



Story and photos by Martha Gherardi  
Special to the Times

When confronted with sumptuous displays of the world's finest food, anyone with a conscience must give at least a passing thought to the millions of people who suffer from hunger and malnutrition. Perhaps this is why Slow Food, an organization founded to preserve world food traditions, has always been characterized by a strong sense of social consciousness.

Slow Food's sister organization, Terra Madre (Mother Earth), supports food communities in 153 countries and is dedicated to promoting sustainable agriculture with an emphasis on organic farming and other environmentally friendly methods of food production. Slow Food's motto is "Good, Clean, Fair"

Concern for the planet's well-being was immediately evident at the 2008 edition of the Salone del Gusto (Salon of Taste)/Terra Madre food fair, held in October at the Lingotto Fiera Exhibition Center in Torino (Turin), Italy.

As my husband Luciano and I entered the Lingotto Center, and even before we saw our first food display, we spotted a row of trash and recycling containers lined against a wall, ready to receive the garbage produced by the estimated 180,000 people who attended the five-day event.

These containers were only the first sign of a larger plan implemented by the event's organizers, in collaboration with the Industrial Design Department of the Polytechnic Institute of Torino, the Zero Emissions Research & Initiatives (ZERI) Foundation, among others, to reduce the environmental impact of the Salone.

In the most ambitious effort ever undertaken at an international event of this size, Salone planners explored every opportunity to reduce, reuse, and recycle. One of the first decisions made by the organizers was to forego carpeting of the exhibition areas. Considering that the exposition space covered 15 acres, this represented a significant reduction of material destined for the landfill. Sometimes, the food itself was drafted into double duty in an effort to conserve resources. For example, a stack of giant wheels of Parmigiano Reggiano cheese was used as a table!

Most of the plates, napkins, and eating utensils at the Salone were made from biodegradable plant-based material. When Luciano and I had finished eating the samples offered, any leftovers (there weren't many of those!) along with the dinnerware were tossed into the bins designated for organic matter.

The exhibition booths were constructed of a type of environmentally friendly fiber board known as Celenit which will be re-used in a road construction project. The bare floors and unpainted walls did not detract from the enjoyment of the food. In fact, the simple surroundings served to highlight the colorful culinary displays.

Wandering around the immense exhibition space could be tiring, and with an average of 36,000 people in attendance daily, at times it was hard to find a place to sit. The event's organizers tried to address this problem by introducing creative seating solutions. Recycled cardboard was used in a variety of ways to provide economical and light-weight seating. One type of high-backed chair assembled from a flat sheet of cardboard proved to be surprisingly comfortable and sturdy.

The most beautiful alternative-material chairs were made from recycled wine barrels. Adorned with wine labels, the stylish oak chairs' curved wooden slats were burgundy-stained from months of contact with fermenting grape juice.

Another type of seating utilized rolls of old newspaper and cardboard tubing held to-



Above, Newspaper seats sit at the beginning of the Salone del Gusto festival. At left, a woman stands with wheels of parmigiano reggiano (parmesan) cheese used as a reservation desk. One wheel of cheese costs approximately \$1,000. Far left, the entrance to the main exhibition area. Below, a poster sits above a table with environmentally friendly place settings. Bottom left, wine-tinted chairs from recycled wine barrels. Top left, People sit at the base of a "Good, Clean, Fair" statue.



gether with bright orange straps. The concept seemed like a good idea; and at first, these seats appeared reasonably sturdy, but by the end of the day, many of these newspaper seats resembled the Leaning Tower of Pisa! I think they need to go back to the drawing board with this prototype.

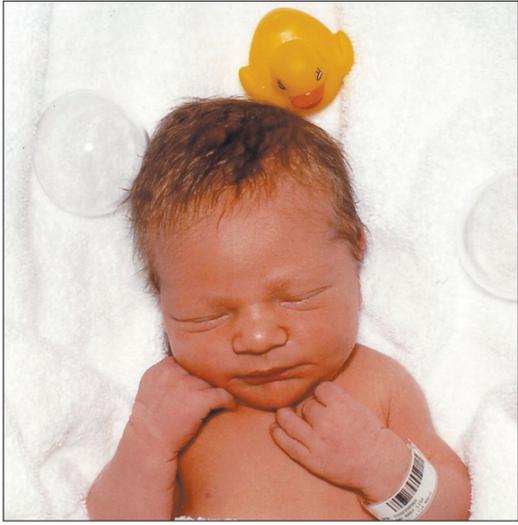
The efforts at "greening" the Salone paid off. Sixty percent of the collected waste was sorted for recycling, and the amount of trash produced at the event was reduced by almost 50 percent in comparison with the 2006 Salone del Gusto. Even with this sizeable reduction, the total amount of garbage over five days weighed 220,000 pounds!

Inspired by its successful experiments, Slow Food's environmental awareness did not end with this year's festival. At the next Salone del Gusto in 2010, all exhibitors will agree to adhere to a set of "good, clean and fair" guidelines.

Soon, I look forward to writing about my favorite food group: Chocolate! Buon Appetito!

Martha and Luciano Gherardi, who live on St. George Island, attended the seventh International Salone del Gusto from Oct. 23 to 27 in Turin, Italy. To reach them, email [lumar@iname.com](mailto:lumar@iname.com).

## William Rowland born



Kaelyn, Austin, Leslie, and Emma would like to announce the birth of their little brother, William Ceborn Ray Rowland.

He was born Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2008, weighing in at 7 lbs. 4 ozs. and 20 inches.

Proud parents are Victor and Lisa Rowland, of

Eastpoint.

Paternal grandparents are William C. (Buddy) and Louise Rowland, of Apalachicola.

Maternal grandparents are Donald and Binky Page, of Eastpoint, and Nelda and Durwood Smith, of Apalachicola.



Warren Buffett holds up a Seminole football jersey amidst the group of 27 Florida State business students who met with him last month.

## Hendels among FSU students to meet Buffett

Florida State University senior Alishia Hendels got a lesson in business last month from someone who should know.

Billionaire investor Warren Buffett, considered the nation's richest individual, shared with a group of students from the College of Business the two rules of business they should always remember.

"Rule number one, always make money," he told them. "Rule number two, never forget rule number one."

Hendels was among 27 FSU business students who met Buffett Oct. 17, part of a group from six schools invited to Omaha, NE to spend time visiting with the famous chief executive officer of Berkshire Hathaway, a diversified holding company. Forbes magazine named Buffett the nation's wealthiest person earlier this year.

"He's unusually humble and down-to-earth for a man of his caliber," said Charlette Livingston, an MBA student chosen to participate. Students also were treated to a question-and-answer session and lunch by Buffett at a local steakhouse and toured two Berkshire Hathaway subsidiaries, Nebraska Furniture Mart and Borsheims.

"I was most impressed by the candor of Warren Buffett's responses during the question and answer session," said Paul "Chris" Grunewald, an MBA student. "Mr. Buffett has the uncanny ability to opine on a wide range of topics concerning finance and business evaluation."

Students applied for the trip opportunity. The college required student participants to have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.8, and the application submitted included a resume and a statement describing professional goals and extracurricular activities. A faculty committee made the selections.

"It was a good experience," said Hendels. "It was interesting meeting someone of his stature, he was really down to earth. He let us all ask questions. He told us, 'If you invest in what you like, if everyone else likes it, it will be good.'"

Valedictorian of Carrabelle High School in 2004, Hendels will graduate *magna cum laude* from FSU next month with a bachelor's in finance and management. She'll start the FSU masters of business program in May 2009.

Right now she's working in the office of the FSU vice-president of university relations, and is beginning to focus on how her business career will unfold. "I'm thinking maybe banking or portfolio management, something definitely with finance," Hendels said.

She is the daughter of Choppy and Rachial Hendels, of Carrabelle Beach, and the granddaughter of the late Cottie and Mildred Hendels, of Apalachicola, and the late Ukie (D.N.) and Irene Creamer, of Eastpoint.

"We had a great trip," said Glenn Boggs, a business law professor who led the group of undergraduate and graduate students. "You can string some superlatives together - fantastic, informational, informative. More than that, it was really, really interesting." He was impressed by Buffett's obvious intellect and humor and emphasis on the importance of ethics in business decisions.

Lauren Turner, another MBA student participant, said it was interesting to learn how little material possessions mean to Buffett.

"He really believes in using his money for good and feels the best way to do that is by finding valid and trustworthy foundations to donate toward," Turner said. "That was refreshing to hear from a man who could be frivolously spending money on pretty much anything he wants."

Other schools participating included Saint Louis University, Tulane University, the University of Iowa, the University of Missouri and the University of New Orleans. Boggs said the college is grateful to Bill Smith, CEO of Capital City Bank, who spent time helping to coach students before their trip.

For more information about the College of Business, please go to [www.cob.fsu.edu](http://www.cob.fsu.edu).



Alishia Hendels, right, meets Warren Buffett at the Berkshire Hathaway office in Omaha, NE.

## Jonathan Horst born

Tony and Brandi Horst are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Bryce Horst, on Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008, at Capital Regional Medical Center.

He weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Tony and Karen Brannan, of Eastpoint. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Anita Nuckolls, of Eufaula, AL.

Maternal great-grandparents are LeeRoy and Marjorie Langley, of Eastpoint, and Thomas



Lee and Susan Brannan, of Carrabelle.

Paternal great-grandparents are Frank and Maryann Horst, of Douglas, GA.

Maternal great-great-grandmother is Laurene Langley, of Eastpoint.

Jonathan was welcomed home by his brother, Evan Brannan.

## Ava Gragg turns 3



Ava Alexis Gragg celebrated her third birthday on Tuesday, Nov. 18. She is the daughter of Chris and Stephanie Gragg.

Maternal grandparents are Beth and John Hoats, of Atlanta, and Brent and Donna Barber, of Carrabelle.

Paternal grandparents are the late Gene and Thelma Gragg, of Apalachicola.

Brother and sister are Tommy and Emma Gragg. Happy Birthday, we love you Princess!

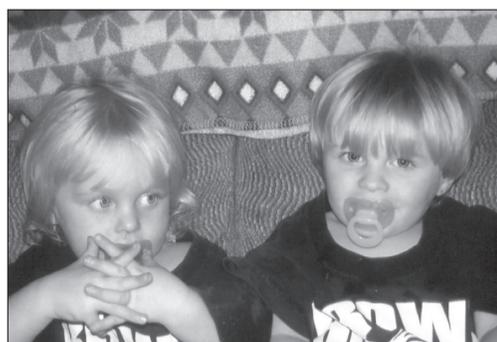
## McKee twins turn 2

Hayden and Hailey McKee celebrated their second birthday on Friday, Nov. 21, 2008.

They are the brother and sister of Austin and Michael McKee. Parents are Chris and Nicole McKee, of Apalachicola.

Maternal grandparents are Norman and Mary Freeman. Paternal grandparent is Kerri Wallace.

Maternal great-grandparents are Rena and the late Lee Huesel, and Alvin Gloner and Wilma Tipton, of Apalachicola.



Maternal aunt Lena and cousins Ashley, Hunter, and Jellybean Butler, of

Apalachicola. Paternal aunt is Star McKee and cousin Janacia Bunyon, of Apalachicola.

## Nikki Kelley, Tommy Holland Jr. to wed

David and Tammie Kelley are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Nikki Kelley, to Tommy Holland, Jr., son of Tina Shiver and Tommy Holland, Sr.

The wedding will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008, at the Apalachicola Community Center in Battery Park.

A reception will immediately follow. All family and friends are invited to attend.

## PET OF THE WEEK



### Cleo

Cleo, a 3-month-old tortoiseshell kitten, arrived at the Adoption Center a month ago with her five siblings. She is a beautiful, affectionate girl, current on her shots and has been spayed.

Call Kam at 670-8417 for more details or visit the Franklin County Humane Society at 244 State Route 65 in Eastpoint. You may log onto the website at [www.forgottenpets.org](http://www.forgottenpets.org) to see more of our adoptable pets.

Remember, when you adopt a friend for life, you not only save the life of that pet, you make room for us to save the life of one more abandoned dog or cat!

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# Donating blood makes perfect holiday gift

Giving blood is a good thing to do for many reasons and not the least of these is the service we do to our neighbors.



**VAN JOHNSON**  
Apalachicola mayor

Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson was the recipient of a transfusion in February 2007 that probably saved his life. Here is his story:

"Early last year I went to Bay Medical Center with a bleeding ulcer. After I was admitted and awaiting treatment, I passed out. I had lost about four units of blood. That's about half of the blood in your body," he said. "Because I

was able to receive a transfusion, I was fine, and I checked out of the hospital three days later. When Susan Richardson and Ralph Peterson started this blood drive, I shared this story with them."

There will be a blood drive again from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 at the Natural Medicine Shoppe. All donors will be entered into a weekly drawing for a \$50 gift card. Please pitch in and help your neighbors before they need it. It's the best holiday gift of all.

For more information, call

Aimee A. Palmer, area blood drive coordinator, Bay Medical Blood Donor Center at 747-6570.

## African-Americans needed to give blood

The African-American population is growing faster than the Caucasian population and, as it does, so does the need for African-Americans to give blood.

African-Americans make up 13 percent of the U.S. population, but fewer than 2 percent of blood donors. Nearly 20 percent of all African-Americans have type-B

blood, compared to 11 percent of Caucasian Americans. Many African-Americans also have type-O blood. Seasonal shortages of these blood types are common because these types are in great demand but short supply.

Blood type, like eye color, is an inherited trait. Some African-Americans have rare blood types unique to the black community. For these patients, blood from an African-American donor might be their only hope.

For example, the U trait is found in one in 250 African-Americans but never found in Caucasians, Js(b) is found in one

in 319 African-Americans but never in Caucasians, and Fy(b) is found in eight out of 10 African-Americans and only one out of 10 Caucasians.

African-Americans are at greater risk than Caucasians for cancer, heart disease and complications during childbirth, all of which require blood products for successful treatment. The most compatible blood for some critically ill patients is likely to come from someone of the same ethnic, racial and genetic background. All of these are reasons why it is important for African-Americans to give blood.

# Carrabelle Food Pantry requests donations

The Carrabelle Food Pantry is in need of donations of food and funds to be used especially for the holiday season.

Every week throughout the year, your neighbors volunteer to collect, bag and distribute food to more than 135 needy families in the Carrabelle area. At Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, we try to give special holiday food to those families. We are fortunate this year to received funding for Thanksgiving turkeys, but we still need dressing,

cranberry sauce and vegetables.

For \$1.50, we can provide a box of stuffing mix, \$5.50 will get a case of canned vegetables from the Second Harvest in Tallahassee, and \$10 will buy 10 canned meat meals. No donation is too small. We realize this is a rough year for all of us economically. Even if you could buy one extra item and put it in the Food Pantry donation box at the Carrabelle IGA the next time you buy groceries, it would be a big help.

Anyone wishing to make a cash

donation should make the check out to the "Carrabelle Food Pantry," which now is operating as an independent non-profit serving the Carrabelle and Lanark Village end of Franklin County. Donations of food or funds can be left at the United Methodist Church, the Carrabelle Waterfront Partnership Office at 701 Marine St., or the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, contact the office of Carrabelle CARES at 697-2141.

## CARD OF THANKS



## Elder Care Services

When I saw the loaf of home-baked bread and fresh fruit with a card from the Philaco ladies, I smiled. No, it was not for me. It was for the elders of our area. I am not sure how long the Philaco ladies have been doing such good deeds. It means a lot to the seniors to get such a treat.

If you are a Philaco lady, I want to say thank you for helping out our local folks. If you know a Philaco lady, be proud you do.

Sincerely,  
Bert Ivey  
Elder Care Services Franklin County

## A FRIEND IN NEED



DAVID ADLERSTEIN

**FISH FRY BENEFIT:** Friends and family of the late Billy Ray Langley came together for a fish fry benefit Saturday at Taylor's Building Supply in Eastpoint to help raise money for his funeral expenses. The 15-year-old Franklin County High School student was buried Thursday, Nov. 20 in Eastpoint Cemetery, following funeral services at the Eastpoint Church of God, with youth pastor Scott Shiver officiating. Langley died Nov. 15 at Shands Hospital in Gainesville as the result of injuries sustained Nov. 10 when he touched a live electrical wire following a one-car accident on County 655, about a half-mile west of Eastpoint.

# Memorial service for Earl Hall to be held Sunday

There will be a memorial services will be held for Earl F. Hall at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008 at the Wakulla United Methodist Church, 1584 Old Woodville Road, Wakulla Station.

# Hospice hosts remembrance services in county

Big Bend Hospice and the Franklin Advisory Council, Apalachicola, will host a Service of Remembrance at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30 at Veteran's Park, 201 Water St., Apalachicola.

The following weekend, Big Bend Hospice and the Franklin Advisory Council, Carrabelle, will host a Service of Remembrance at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 at Tillie Miller Park, 102 NW Ave. F, Carrabelle.

"We decided to have two services in Franklin County this year in an effort to accommodate as many people as

possible," said Pam Raker Allbritton, community resources coordinator for Franklin and Wakulla counties. "Both services will be much the same and will feature music, words of comfort and a special candle-lighting ceremony where the names of loved ones may be said aloud as the candle is lit."

The Trees of Remembrance are adorned, for a donation, with gold ribbons, porcelain bells and angels, each bearing a personal handwritten message, providing an opportunity to recognize and remember those who are close to our hearts. Refreshments will

be available following the ceremony, which is free and open to everyone in the community.

Donations go directly to providing care, comfort and hope to Big Bend Hospice patients and their families in Franklin County and can be made at Apalachicola State Banks in Carrabelle and Apalachicola; Gulf State Community Banks in Carrabelle, Apalachicola, Eastpoint and St. George Island; and Superior Bank in Carrabelle.

For more information, contact Allbritton at (850) 508-8749 or e-mail [pamal@bigbendhospice.org](mailto:pamal@bigbendhospice.org).

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# Sheriff's Office launches drug crackdown

Last week, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office Narcotic Taskforce has arrested 20 local individuals on 26 charges of sale of a controlled substance within 1000' of a church or public housing unit, trafficking in controlled substances, possession of controlled substances and sale of a prescription drug.

Along with the arrests, seven vehicles were seized because they were used in the commission of a crime. These arrests and seizures were made throughout Franklin County.

"Sheriff's Office staff and narcotics taskforce members have worked hard to rid our street corners and Franklin County of illegal drugs," said Sheriff Mike Mock.

Arrested in the crackdown were:  
 ● Andrea Sorensen, 42, Eastpoint, sale of a prescription drug and sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● James E. Gharst, 24, Eastpoint, sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church and failure to appear (FCSO)

● John R. Mann Jr., 30, Eastpoint, two counts sale of a controlled substance

within 1,000 feet of a church (FCSO)

● Melissa Thomas, 37, Apalachicola, two counts sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church (FCSO)

● Toni M. Sawyer, 27, Apalachicola, three counts sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church and possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell (FCSO)

● April L. Turney, 33, Apalachicola, two counts sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church and possession of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Lacy N. Campbell, 28, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Derrick B. Croom, 47, Apalachicola, sale of a controlled substance, sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church and violation of probation (FCSO)

● Joseph E. Hunnings, 28, Eastpoint, sale of a substance in lieu of crack cocaine (FCSO)

● Daniel W. Walker, 43, Eastpoint, two counts of trafficking in a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Fredrick T. Reynolds, 48, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of public housing (FCSO)

● Nellie P. Evans, 55, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Kimberly Crum, 33, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Donna Kennedy, 45, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Stacey Kitts, 39, Carrabelle, sale of a prescription drug (FCSO)

● Robert Lattimore, 61, Carrabelle, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Larry Everitt, 49, Lanark Village, two counts sale of a prescription drug (FCSO)

● Willie J. Walker, 64, Apalachicola, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Walter D. Gallion, 49, Apalachicola, sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

● Chandler L. Washington, 19, Apalachicola, three counts sale of a controlled substance and possession of controlled substance — cannabis (FCSO).

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following report is provided by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. Arrests are made by officers from the following county, and state law enforcement agencies: Apalachicola (APD), Carrabelle (CPD), Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO), Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FLDO-ACS).

All defendants are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

### Nov. 17

Daryl A. Crauswell, 46, Birmingham, AL, violation of probation (FCSO)

### Nov. 18

Amanda C. Topham, 27, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)

Calvin R. Beasley, 49, Carrabelle, withholding child support (FCSO)

Ronald D. Lashley, 38, Sumatra, withholding child support (FCSO)

Chrystal F. Lapine, 26, Baldwin, violation of probation (FCSO)

Jennifer D. Smith, 31,

Carrabelle, two counts sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

Rebecca L. Daniels, 44, Apalachicola, DUI and refusal to submit to a breath test (APD)

### Nov. 19

Deanna L. Schmidt, 40, Eastpoint, two counts sale of a controlled substance (FCSO)

Karen K. Hahl, 50, Carrabelle, trafficking in a controlled substance (FCSO)

Judy L. Chambers, 35, Eastpoint, two counts sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a church (FCSO)

### Nov. 20

Antonio D. Clemons, 20, Apalachicola, sale of a controlled substance and criminal mischief (FCSO)

Keenen I. Turrell, 18, Apalachicola, sale of a controlled substance and violation of probation (FCSO)

Joseph L. Mixon, 43, Apalachicola, grand theft of a motor vehicle, and two counts of felony criminal mischief (FCSO)

Ernest M. Paul, 44, Apalachicola, violation of probation (FCSO)

Jessica M. Music, 26, Eastpoint, Alachua County warrant for bad checks (FWC)

## Gulf-Franklin GCC campus to offer correctional officer classes

Beginning Jan. 15, the Public Safety Division of Gulf Coast Community College will offer the Correctional Officer Basic Standards program at the Gulf Franklin Center. Classes will be held from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

This program offers certification

training to people looking to become employed as correctional officers in Florida. Correctional Officer Basic Standards include training in correctional facility operations, legal issues, interpersonal skills, emergency preparedness, first aid, CPR, defensive tactics and firearms.

Applications and registration packets must be submitted and approved before registration and are available at the Gulf Franklin Center in Port St. Joe.

For more information, call Sharon Burdeshaw or Brenda Burkett at the Gulf Franklin Center 227-9670.

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# Artemis artist Annie Pais documents 'Doors of Apalachicola'

By Lois Swoboda  
Times Staff Writer

Local gallery owner Hollis Vail has joined forces with plein air artist Annie Pais to create a record of some of the city's most distinctive and welcoming architectural features.

Doors.  
On Friday, Nov. 14, the Artemis Gallery hosted an opening to display 19 of Pais' original watercolors and a poster depicting the body of work.

"We have documented many other doors and there are many more doors to come, but in this phase we could only capture the 19," said Vail.

"A couple of years ago I made a trip to visit Apalachicola and photograph in the surrounding area. I fell in love with the town immediately!" Pais said. "To my delight I

discovered that the Artemis Gallery carried the work of an artist/friend, Eleanor Blair. I called her and suggested a few of us spend some time painting in Apalachicola. Pretty soon Hollis had generously arranged for three of us to stay in an historic house and we enjoyed an amazing week of exploring the town, the Apalachicola River and all of the beautiful environs surrounding the town.

"At that time Hollis approached me with an idea she had for creating a portrait of the community, a poster showcasing 'The Doors of Apalachicola.' Her passion for the town's architecture and heritage merged with my blossoming love of the community, so we launched the project. I spent the better part of the week combing the streets and photographing doors. I must have photo-

graphed a hundred interesting doors! I went home and enlisted the help of a business colleague, Stewart Thomas, who happens to be a terrific graphic designer. He told me to cull out my favorite 25 doors and he'd design a poster. He sent me several designs and I picked my favorite; it incorporates 19 door images. Then, I painted the 19 paintings, one of each door."

The opening was a great success with about 50 in attendance. Four of the original watercolors sold that evening, along with numerous copies of the poster, said Jan Gorman, a partner in the Artemis Gallery. The posters are currently on sale at Artemis and the collection of original watercolors is available for viewing, to request for a limited time.

Pais has been a professional painter, teacher

and consultant working in Gainesville for more than 30 years. Her watercolors and oils of Florida images are included in many private, public and corporate collections.

Born in Greenwich, Connecticut, and raised in a studio by two artist parents; she studied at Syracuse University. Pais continues her own professional art career as a painter and works regularly in her studio. In 2002, following a year of research, Pais founded the Artists Alliance of North Florida. In 2003, realizing the great need for educational models; she founded ARTT (Artists Reaching Through Teaching), now the educational component for Florida's Eden. ARTT is currently part of a multi-year pilot program at Fort White High School in Columbia County.



PHOTO BY LOIS SWOBODA

DOORS OF APALACHICOLA: Annie Pais at the opening of her new watercolor exhibit, "The Doors of Apalachicola."

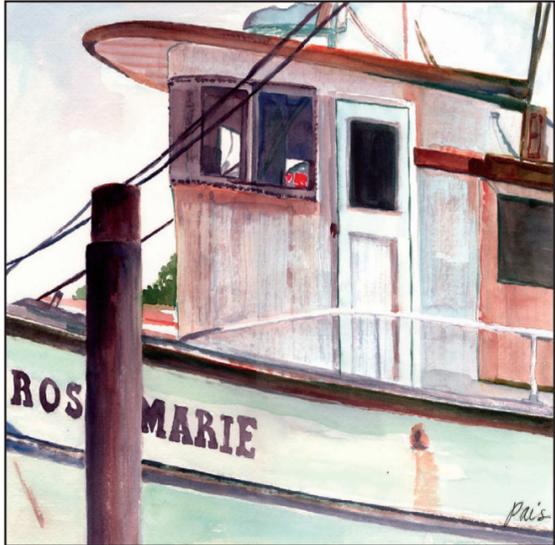


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A DOOR AFLOAT: This painting of the Rosa Marie depicts one of the city's floating portals.

## Holiday Deadlines

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**We will be Closed Dec 25th and Jan 1st!  
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11/28	Fri	01:46AM	1.6	H	10:41AM	-0.4 L
		06:33PM	1.4	H	09:52PM	1.3 L
11/29	Sat	02:25AM	1.6	H	11:14AM	-0.4 L
		07:03PM	1.3	H	10:28PM	1.2 L
11/30	Sun	03:07AM	1.6	H	11:46AM	-0.3 L
		07:32PM	1.3	H	11:09PM	1.2 L
12/01	Mon	03:52AM	1.5	H	12:17PM	-0.3 L
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12/02	Tue	04:39AM	1.4	H	12:50PM	-0.2 L
		08:30PM	1.3	H		
12/03	Wed	12:56AM	1.0	L	05:32AM	1.3 H
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11/29	Sat	01:00AM	2.6	H	09:01AM	-0.6 L
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9180T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FL PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF MILDRED DRAFFIN CARLTON, Deceased.

CASE No. 08-00048-CP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MILDRED DRAFFIN CARLTON, pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatu- red, contingent or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is November 20, 2008.

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Marcia M. Johnson Clerk of the Circuit Court Second Judicial Circuit Franklin County, Florida

By: Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior, contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at (850) 697-2112, P.O. Box 340, Apalachicola, FL 32320.

Attorney for Plaintiff Mitch Dever, Esquire P.O. Box 9811 Telephone: (850) 234-5555 FAX: (850) 234-7677 Panama City Beach, FL 32417 November 20, 27, 2008

9224T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

VS. MILTON D. LASSITER A/K/A MILTON DAVID LASSITER; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

JOHNNY LONG and MARYLYN J. LONG, Defendants.

CASE NO. 2008-CA-000252 CIVIL DIVISION

CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S. CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 27th day of October, 2008 in the above-styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Franklin County Court-house, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320, at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of December, 2008, the following described property:

Lot 4, of New River Paradise, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 9, at Page(s) 23, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of this Court at Apalachicola, Franklin County, Florida this 29th day of October, 2008.

MARSHA M. JOHNSON As Clerk of Said Court By: Michele Haxrell Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Sale has been furnished by first class U.S. Mail to the following, this 29th day of October, 2008 to each of the following:

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Michele Haxrell Court Clerk November 20, 27, 2008

9233T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, IN PROBATE

IN RE: The Estate of JAN F. ROSENTHAL, Deceased.

CASE NO. 08- 00054CP

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ESTATE:

The ancillary administration of the estate of JAN F. ROSENTHAL, deceased, Case Number 08-00054CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Franklin County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Franklin County Court-house, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320. The name and address of the ancillary personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

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

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

The date of first publication of this Notice is November 20, 2008.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Steve M. Watkins, III 41 Commerce Street Apalachicola, FL 32320

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

The date of the first publication of this Notice is November 20, 2008.

Ancillary Personal Representative of the Estate of Jan F. Rosenthal MARK A. ROSENTHAL 2832 Raymond Avenue Franksville, WI 53126 ATTORNEY FOR ANCILLARY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS S. GIBSON RISH, GIBSON, SCHOLZ & GROOM, P.A. 116 SAILOR'S COVE DRIVE PO BOX 39 PORT ST. JOE, FL 32457 (850) 229-8211 FL BAR NO. 0350583 November 20, 27, 2008

9236T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

VS. MILTON D. LASSITER A/K/A MILTON DAVID LASSITER; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

JOHNNY LONG and MARYLYN J. LONG, Defendants.

CASE NO. 2008-CA-0190

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Motion and Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale Date dated the 12th day of November, 2008, and entered in Case No. 19-2008-CA-0190, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is the Plaintiff and MILTON D. LASSITER A/K/A MILTON DAVID LASSITER; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the ON FRONT STEPS OF COURTHOUSE at the Franklin County Court-house, in APALACHICOLA, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 18th day of December, 2008, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Parcel 1: Lots 9 and 10 of Village Green By The Sea, Phase 1, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 8, Pp. 10-11, Public Records of Franklin County, Florida; and

Parcel 2: Lot 69, Magnolia Shore Subdivision, more particularly described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Fractional Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, Franklin County, Florida (marked by an old 6" x 6" concrete monument);

thence run South 89 degrees 32 minutes 40 seconds East along the South boundary of Fractional Section 19 for 810.3 feet to a concrete monument on the East right of way of North Bayshore Drive (State Road No. 65);

thence run North 30 degrees 07 minutes East along the East right of way of North Bayshore Drive 2,006.2 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 59 degrees 53 minutes West 80.0 (feet) to a concrete monument on the West right of way of north Bayshore Drive (right of way narrows from 100 feet to 60 feet at this point);

thence run North 30 degrees 07 minutes East along the West right of way of North Bayshore Drive 690.0 feet to a concrete monument on the North right of way of a 60 foot roadway; thence run North 59 degrees 53 minutes West 80.0 (feet) to a concrete monument on the West right of way of north Bayshore Drive (right of way narrows from 100 feet to 60 feet at this point);

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prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder or bidders for CASH, and the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above described execution. Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Debbie Mock no later than seven days prior to the proceeding at Franklin County Sheriff's Office at (850) 670-8519.

Mike Mock Sheriff of Franklin County, Florida

By: Debbie L. Mock Deputy Sheriff. November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2008

9324T IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Coastal Community Bank, d/b/a APALACHICOLA STATE BANK, a Division of Coastal Community Bank, Plaintiff,

vs. ERIC L. DATRY, Defendant.

CASE NO. 08-000274-CA

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 24, 2008, and entered in Civil Action No. 08-000274-CA of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein the parties were the Plaintiff, COASTAL COMMUNITY BANK, and the Defendant, ERIC L. DATRY, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the 18th day of December, 2008, at the front steps of the Franklin County Court-house, Apalachicola, Florida, the following-described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

Parcel 1: Lots 9 and 10 of Village Green By The Sea, Phase 1, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 8, Pp. 10-11, Public Records of Franklin County, Florida; and

Parcel 2: Lot 69, Magnolia Shore Subdivision, more particularly described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Fractional Section 19, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, Franklin County, Florida (marked by an old 6" x 6" concrete monument);

thence run South 89 degrees 32 minutes 40 seconds East along the South boundary of Fractional Section 19 for 810.3 feet to a concrete monument on the East right of way of North Bayshore Drive (State Road No. 65);

thence run North 30 degrees 07 minutes East along the East right of way of North Bayshore Drive 2,006.2 feet to a concrete monument; thence run North 59 degrees 53 minutes West 80.0 (feet) to a concrete monument on the West right of way of north Bayshore Drive (right of way narrows from 100 feet to 60 feet at this point);

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utes 00 seconds East along the East right-of-way of north Bayshore Drive 2006.20 feet to a concrete monument, thence run North 59 degrees 53 minutes 00 seconds West 80.00 feet to a concrete monument on the West right-of-way of north Bayshore Drive 690.00 feet on the North right-of-way of a 60.00 foot roadway, thence run North 59 degrees 53 minutes 00 seconds West along the North right-of-way of said roadway 783.27 feet to the East right-of-way of East Bay Drive, thence run North 02 degrees 55 minutes 14 seconds East 126.28 feet to a concrete monument on the West right-of-way of said East Bay Drive, said point lying on a curve concave to the Southeast, thence run Southwesterly along said right-of-way boundary and along said curve with a radius of 11155.91 feet thru a central angle of 00 degrees 03 minutes 27 seconds for an arc distance of 11.18 feet, the chord of said arc being South 31 degrees 39 minutes 11.18 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; from said POINT OF BEGINNING, continue Southwesterly along said right-of-way boundary and along said curve with a radius of 11155.91 feet thru a central angle of 00 degrees 30 minutes 49 seconds West 100.00 feet, the chord of said arc being South 31 degrees 22 minutes 00 seconds West 100 feet to a concrete monument, thence run North 59 degrees 51 minutes 46 seconds West 490.72 feet to the approximate mean high waterline of the Eastern shore of Apalachicola Bay, thence run along said approximate mean high waterline as follows: North 39 degrees 46 minutes 10 seconds East 16.39 feet, thence North 43 degrees 26 minutes 27 seconds East 34.72 feet, thence North 25 degrees 55 minutes 29.12 feet, thence leaving said approximate mean high waterline run South 62 degrees 20 minutes 40 seconds East, 484.73 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The successful bidder at the sale will be required to place the requisite state documentary stamps on the Certificate of Title.

DATED this 24th day of November, 2008.

Hon. MARCIA JOHNSON Clerk of the Court Franklin County, Florida By: Michele Maxwell As Deputy Clerk November 27, December 4, 2008

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**RESIGNATION:** Ann Sizemore said her position at the Apalachicola Municipal Library has been cut.

**Sizemore resigns from Apalachicola library**

By Lois Swoboda  
Staff Writer

At the Nov. 20 meeting of the Philaco Woman's Club, Ann Sizemore, from the Apalachicola Municipal Library, tearfully announced her resignation from her post, effective Nov. 29, after two years with the library.

"The city provides \$1,400 per month and that does not cover my salary. My job has been cut (back)," she said.

"My vision was to provide services to the chil-

dren, young adults and older people. We need to supply books, computers, forms, like tax forms, and creative resources.

"When I started we had no children," said Sizemore.

"Now we have 20 or 30 a day. I want to give special credit to Nadine Kahn and Val Webb for their summer program, which serviced 130 kids. They read over 200 books. There has been activity at the library.

"We just need more, and we need more volunteers."



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