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Jerry Copeland, the district's chief contract negotiator, addresses the school board last week, as Superintendent Nina Mark listens, at right.

'Cold, hard, sad facts'

Franklin schools consider cutting up to 15 percent of budget

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The Franklin County School Board got down to brass tacks Thursday as it took the first steps towards cutting up to 15 percent of the district's budget in the months ahead.

At a special afternoon meeting March 19, the board heard a dire

report on statewide funding cutbacks from Superintendent Nina Marks, and then turned for advice to its chief contract negotiator, Jerry Copeland, a management consultant out of Titusville.

In her opening report, Marks said Florida Education Commissioner Dr. Eric Smith has advised superintendents that for the remainder of the fiscal year it is wise not to touch any money not

earmarked for a specific expenditure. "His advice is not to spend any money you don't have to spend," she said.

Federal stimulus money has been targeted to special education programs and Title I schools, which are those serving the lowest achieving population in the most economically

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UNATTENDED CAMPFIRE LEADS TO 80-ACRE BLAZE



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WILDFIRE

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

A wildfire that broke out on the Gulf / Franklin County line Sunday evening was under control by Monday afternoon, according to state forestry officials.

Chris Worrell, operations administrator for the Florida Division of Forestry (DOF) said forestry crews were mopping up the area Monday looking for embers.

The threatening fire forced the closure of U.S. 98 between Franklin and Gulf counties, as well as County Road 30-A, for several hours.

Worrell said 80 acres burned before the fire was brought under control.

The blaze was the result of an unattended campfire that spread through dry undergrowth and rapidly increased in size due to windy conditions, he said.

DOF fire towers spotted smoke from the

blaze and the DOF dispatched five bulldozers and several aircraft to bring it under control. They were joined by members of area volunteer departments.

On Tuesday, a burn advisory was issued by Franklin County Emergency Management for the entire county.

"The Florida Panhandle and Franklin County are presently experiencing drought conditions that are likely to continue throughout the spring months due to high winds and low relative humidity," said Pamela Register, emergency management director.

The Carrabelle Division of DOF, the Franklin County United Firefighters, the Franklin County Sheriffs Office and each of county commissioners urge all citizens to check with DOF before considering open pile burning and remind everyone to never leave a fire unattended.

Please make sure that when you put your fire out, it's "Dead Out."

Mediacom: No changes planned to cable service

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

The state has taken control of media franchises away from the counties, but there will not be significant changes in local service, according to one media spokesperson.

Barbara Bonowicz, government relations spokesman, and Shane Ruth, area supervisor for Mediacom, a cable television, telephone and internet provider for Franklin County, addressed the county commission on March 17 to discuss changes to the cable television franchise agreements in Florida.

Franchise agreements, formerly handled between

the individual county and the cable provider, are now negotiated by the state government.

"The board used to control both the franchise and the amount of the fees paid to the county. The state has now taken control of both of those," said County Attorney Michael Shuler said.

Commissioner Cheryl Sanders said the state was undermining local government control.

Numerous rumors have circulated about the new policy and the commission requested Mediacom send a representative to clarify what changes could be expected. Commissioners had also expressed

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Mediacom government relations liaison Barbara Bonowicz.

TDC approves interim deal for administrative help

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Acting quickly to prevent any interruptions in its administration, the Franklin County Tourist Development Council on Monday turned to an existing contractor to take over the reins.

By unanimous vote, the TDC approved an interim administrative services contract, for up to five months, with Bay Media, intended to assure a seamless transition for the office operation.

The deal, which begins April 1 but could be canceled by either party with 14-days notice, follows a decision by the current

administrator, Allyn Inc., to terminate its contract at the end of this month.

Allyn operates out of the downtown Apalachicola offices of Curt Blair, who in January indicated his company planned to end its contract with the TDC around May 1.

But on March 2, Blair, co-owner of the Water Street Hotel in Apalachicola, notified TDC Chair Helen Spohrer that Allyn wished to exercise its 30-day termination clause and end the contract one month early.

"Unfortunately, the demands of the Water Street Hotel require that my staff and I concentrate our full effort on hotel activities," he wrote. "My



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Weighing the alternatives at Monday's TDC meeting are, from left, Sheila Hauser, Curt Blair, Helen Spohrer, Diana Prickett and Alice Collins.

association with the TDC has been one of my great pleasures. I appreciate all you and the members have done to promote tourism in the county and to provide my staff the assistance that was necessary to make our

work a success."

At the same time the TDC turned at Monday's meeting to Bay Media, the council also approved advertising immediately for two other options. Companies who wish

to bid on a full-service administrative service contract, which would include office space, may do by April 6.

Companies, or individuals, who wish to apply to fulfill an administrative assistant function, which would not include providing office space, may do so also by April 6.

The TDC then plans to decide on the best combination of these applications and present their plan for approval by the county commission on April 7.

The deal with Bay Media, a graphic design and marketing firm in Apalachicola, calls for the TDC to spend \$800

per month from its administrative budget to lease furnished office space, complete with utilities and use of office equipment, at the Bay Media building at 65 Ave. E.

The deal also calls for spending up to 40 hours per month, at \$22 per hour, from the TDC's marketing budget for interim administrative services, such as answering phones and maintaining the website.

These duties would not include the array of responsibilities, such as taking minutes and processing grants to non-profit organizations, which

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"Family affair" returns to Ilse Newell series Sunday

Seventeen members from the extended families of the three Bowles sisters will be the featured artists this Sunday afternoon at the Apalachicola Area Historical Society's Ilse Newell Fund for the Performing Arts series.

The March 29 concert, at 4 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, will be a blend of vo-

cals, instrumentals and surprises as the families of area residents Eugenia Bowles Watkins, Ruth Bowles Eckstine and Matilda "T" Bowles McLain come together for a memorable, musical afternoon.

Eugenia Watkins' husband, retired music professor Bedford Watkins, and T. McLain's husband, retired

Army colonel Dave McLain, will join with Watkins' son, Thomas Wyatt Watkins, and Ruth and Joe Eckstine's son-in-law, Greg McMillan, to perform as the "One Night Stand Barbershop Quartet."

T. Wyatt Watkins will perform Celtic music on the violin, and there will be professional drama, featuring Donovan Diez and his wife,

Mary McLain, and their three children, Mimi, Joe and David. Together with grandfather Dave McLain, they'll perform a scene from "A Midsummer's Night Dream."

Virginia Eckstine McMillan, and her sister, Randi Eckstine Hamner, will sing a duet "Sisters."

There'll be a performance of the selection "Spring" from Vivaldi's "Four Seasons, an array of vocal selections and several surprises.

The Ilse Newell Fund is funded primarily by the generous contributions of committed sponsors, patrons, associates and friends. A suggested donation of \$2 is asked of concertgoers to support the series, administered by The Apalachicola Area Historical Society, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving the rich history of Apalachicola and the surrounding area.

For more information, call 370-6201.



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The three Bowles sisters, Eugenia Bowles Watkins, right, Ruth Bowles Eckstine, center, and Matilda "T" Bowles McLain will be performing on Sunday as part of the Ilse Newell's "Family Affair" concert. The three are shown above singing in the original concert in April 2003.

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disadvantaged schools.

But how much Franklin County might get of these funds is not yet clear, said the superintendent.

Governor Charlie Crist has asked the Florida Legislature to add \$189 million in school funding back to the state budget, but there remains a \$2 billion to \$2.5 billion gap that stills need to be filled to balance it, as required by law.

Marks said Florida lottery funding, which in 2000 totaled about \$151 million, had grown to more than \$402 million last year for schools throughout the state.

But this year that total has dropped back to \$388 million. "This shows the money that people might have used, a non-recurring item, is not something we can count on," said Marks.

"It was supposed to be icing on the cake," she said, but now lottery funds go mainly to fund pre-Kindergarten programs.

Marks said the state's share of the total cost of educating Florida schoolchildren has dropped from nearly 62 percent in 2000, to a little less than 48 percent, as of last month's most recent calculation.

"There's been a shift in responsibility" to the local districts, she said.

The base student allocation, the major chunk of funding the state provides each of Florida's 67 school districts, rose from nearly \$3,228 per student in 2000, to about \$4,080 last year.

But so far this year, this per-student allocation has been cut twice by the Legislature, down to \$3,972 in the fall and now back to

\$3,886.

"It's not any district in the state of Florida mispending what they have," said Marks. "They're not getting it anymore."

"If we don't have it, we can't give it"

Marks said Smith informed superintendents that according to the most up-to-date discussion, the Legislature planned to trim state funding by 12.9 percent, and that "it's fair to say it's probably going to be 15 percent."

In addition, Property Appraiser Doris Pendleton has signaled she foresees a drop of upwards of 25 percent in county property tax revenues next year. This will diminish the money the district gets from its local millage, which includes the four-year, half-mill approved last year.

This millage has been earmarked for employee raises, which will total about 24 percent through June 30, 2011.

But some board members cautioned that negotiators for the district, and the unions representing teachers and support staff, may be asked to return to the bargaining table and consider changes to the pay hikes slated for the first three of four years that the half-mill operating levy is in force.

"If we don't have it, we can't give it to them," said Board Member David Hinton.

"These are the cold, hard, sad facts," said Chairman Jimmy Gander.

He noted that as it exists now, in the fourth year, the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, salaries and benefits would roll back, under the current agreement.

"We can either have a 13 percent RIF (reduction in force) or a 13 percent cut in salaries, or a happy medium," said Gander. "We can renegotiate with the union, or flat cut 13 percent of our personnel."

Marks said state officials have advised not to hire any district employees back until the legislative session ends May 1, and that some districts don't plan to hire anyone back who is not on continuing contract, commonly referred to as tenure.

"I've done a lot of soul searching on this," she said. "I would like to hold on to as many people as we can because that's dinner on the table at night."

Board asked to take pay cut

Possible cost-cutting measures include asking all employees to forego one day of pay each month, which Sam Carnley, the district's finance director, said would amount to roughly a 5 percent savings.

Gander said school board members should consider cutting their own salaries by 15 percent. "These are troubling times, and we ought to do our part," he said.

"The superintendent and the board should stand together and all take the first cut, a minimum of 10 percent," said Marks.

Hinton suggested the board consider cutting back the seven-period day down to six, and eliminate "unimportant" subjects, which he said would increase teachers' efficiency by 20 percent and reduce staff by 10 percent.

"It's not something new," he said. "It's something that's worked in other places and it can work here."

Marks ticked off a list of seemingly drastic cuts being implemented by other districts in Florida. "Everybody's looking at what works best for them," she said.

She noted that in the most recent survey, only two teachers indicated they did not intend to return for the school year.

In his report, Copeland said that when and if the school board declared a RIF, it would be up to Marks to make the necessary recommendations.

"I would encourage you to talk about a reduction in personnel in terms of managing attrition," he said. "By managing attrition over time, and carefully selecting the positions that will be filled after they're vacant."

He said tenured faculty would be difficult to cut, and that he believed that non-renewal of those on

annual contracts would be the likely first step if cuts in teaching ranks were needed.

"You need a master plan in place when the sky falls," he said. "There are safeguards the superintendent needs to put into place."

Copeland urged the board to determine a "reasonable cash contingency" and then work backwards from there, knowing how much they wished to keep in cash reserves. "And build Fort Knox around it," he said. "The contingency sits. It's your emergency fund when there is no other place to go."

"It's whatever you are comfortable with given the needs of this school system," Copeland said, noting that if the amount drops below 2 percent of the budget, the state has the authority to step in.

Copeland said the district continue to be in "informal conversation" with the union and its leadership. "They are appreciative of the raise, and they clearly understand not only what's going on here but around the state," he said. "I have every reason to believe we'll be able to get together. If the sky does fall, we're going to have to go back to the table."

"We really don't know where we are and we won't know until they go through the process in Tallahassee," Copeland said.

Gander urged Marks to act quickly in drawing up a list of proposed cuts, so that they can be reviewed in executive session. The alternative, he said, sends the wrong message to staff.

"Then it gives the impression of a witch hunt or a popularity contest," he said. "(If I were on staff, I would like to know that and when I can try to make some plans for that."

The board considered, but was advised to drop, the idea of delaying the last paycheck of this fiscal year so the expense carries over to the upcoming year.

The board also heard a suggestion from Paula Webb, an elementary school teacher, who said it should consider eliminating the 92-page standardized test that is given kindergartners, first and second graders.

The test has been administered for years to local students, but it is not required by law for those youngsters.

"If it's not mandatory, let's not do it," said Webb. "There's no reason to be putting our kids through that."

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Paddling trip on the Apalachicola Saturday

The Apalachicola Riverkeeper and the Franklin County Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor another of the free educational paddling programs at Franklin County's newly acquired Indian Creek Public Park, on North Bayshore Drive in Eastpoint.

The Indian Creek Education paddling trips are scheduled for the fourth Saturday of every month year round.

The upcoming trip is scheduled for Saturday, March 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A short educational talk will be followed by a 3.5-hour kayak/canoe trip led by experienced Riverkeeper staff and volunteers.

Reservations are required and can be made by e-mail or by calling the Apalachicola Riverkeeper office at 653-8936.

Last chance for Apalachicola book

This is it! This is your last chance to get your family, business or any photos into the newest Arcadia Book, "Images of America — Apalachicola."

Beverly M. Douds will be at the Apalachicola Library, or at Dolores Sweet Shop on March 31. This Tuesday is the last chance to make the book. The hours are between 10 a.m. to about 4 p.m. so get over there fast.

Douds still needs photos of the Holy Family School, the old Catholic school, and the Star of the Sea school. Also does anyone know someone named Bell Smith, an African-American?

Beverly has a few more photos that need names to go with them. Please take the time and visit with her at the Library and help me! Get your family in this book; it will make a wonderful history book for the future generation.

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All things considered, tourism good for the county

I'm on spring break. Judging by the traffic and the number of out-of-state license plates, so is the rest of the country. That's a good thing for the restaurants, rental units and shops. I'm happy to see the extra dollars circulating that will pay the servers, cooks, busboys, housekeepers, maintenance workers and sales people. When they get paid, bills get paid.



RED WHITE AND ROUX
Denise Roux

I'm optimistic about the building projects I see around. The Piggly Wiggly in Apalachicola is undergoing a facelift. The bank will rebuild. There will be renovations to Chapman as the charter school prepares to move in. The new fire station in the old Dollar Store location will provide work for some. The library is preparing to spend thousands on relocating or renovating. There is some construction action here locally, and it's good. I like seeing those guys with their tool belts on the job.

The truth is, we still need the tourists. We advertise for them to come. We welcome travel writers from all over the world who provide free ink urging visitors to our spot of paradise. We take care of them as best we can, patiently explaining that Walmart and movie theaters are more than an hour away. We really aren't interested in how they do it back home, but we resign ourselves and listen anyway.

We educate them about fragile sand dunes, turtle-friendly lighting, picking sea oats and eating raw oysters. We lecture on the superiority of wild shrimp over farm-raised. We encourage them to have grits and hushpuppies with their fried fish.

We hope they respect our fragile environment and us. We don't offer the staged perfection of Disney World. We want them to love it here, spend some money, and not make fun of who and what we are.

It is very easy for locals to become a tad irritated. Visitors can't possibly know that it is perfectly fine to swing a left turn at the Grill corner without stopping. It is probably the only left turn right-of-way in the state. We just need to take a deep breath and resist tapping the horn. They will figure it out eventually.

We can't really expect first-time visitors to drive the speed limit along our coastal highways. They have to look, and ooh and ah, even if we are on a workday commute.

I really only have two gripes. First on the list is the combined family visit to the grocery store. It is not unusual to see six to eight adults and children manning one grocery cart. The kids are all over the store while the adults debate the merits of iceberg versus romaine lettuce. I think this shopping trip might be an outing for the newly arrived, where they negotiate sharing kitchen and meal responsibilities for a week. I find it annoying to be caught up in all that drama. I am still polite, but I think they are being rude.

Second is the attitude toward our restaurant servers, grocery check-out clerks and sales people. They are our friends and neighbors, not automatons. Give a smile, say hello, treat them like a human being, not someone who is there to cater to your every whim.

We have hundreds of wonderful, kind visitors who return year after year and yearn to relocate here. I know because I get e-mails from them. We welcome you.

We welcome all the other ones, too. We just don't always know the best way to express it.

Denise Roux is a regular columnist for the Apalachicola and Carrabelle Times. To reach her, e-mail rouxwhit@mchsi.com.

Boyd to host tele-town hall March 31

Congressman Allen Boyd, D-North Florida, will hold a live telephone town hall meeting at 7 p.m. March 31.

This one-hour conference call will give the people of North Florida the opportunity to voice their concerns and ask questions about the steps Congress has taken and will be taking in the coming months to address the short- and long-term fiscal challenges facing our country.

The tele-town hall will focus on the recent stimulus package, ongoing budget negotiations and other issues.

"I am looking forward to this



ALLEN BOYD
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additional opportunity to hear from the people of North Florida and answer their questions," said Boyd. "Our state and our nation are facing historic economic challenges. I know that across North Florida, small business owners are desperate to keep their companies functioning, families are

struggling to make ends meet, and working men and women are fighting to keep their jobs. It is my hope that this tele-town hall will allow the people of North Florida to learn more about the measures being taken to strengthen our economy, create jobs and lessen

the impact of this economic downturn."

Boyd will be using a phone service to call households in North Florida. If the phone is answered, the person will hear a recorded message from Boyd asking them to stay on the line to join the conference call. If they choose to do so, they will be automatically connected to the live town hall meeting, where they will have the opportunity to ask questions to Boyd or simply listen in to the call.

To participate in Boyd's live tele-town hall meeting, call, toll-free, 877-229-8493 at 7 p.m. with the passcode 13901, and you will be placed immediately into the call.

State should not change clerk's duties

Q. Can you explain what is happening in this session of the legislature regarding your office?

A. House Bill 1121 and Senate Bill 2108 have been filed, which proposed to transfer the duties of the clerk of the circuit court to judges and judicial staff and change the budgeting process. As of March 18, the Senate has filed an amended bill, which deletes the sections about transferring the duties but provides that clerks will now have to be a part of the state's appropriation process.

The state legislature actually approved the budget process in existence when Article V of our constitution was revised effective in 2004, which dictated that clerks would have budgets based on the revenues they collected. The argument from the judges has been that they have to go through a legislative budget process, so clerks should do likewise. The fact is that clerks have turned over millions of dollars to the state in excess fees each year, but that money was going to the general fund of the state to be disbursed pursuant to the laws put in place by the legislature.

The amended Senate Bill 2108 changes some of the disbursements of funds collected by clerks where some monies now going to the general fund will be redirected to the courts through a state courts trust fund. Clerks have always agreed the courts should have a dedicated funding source.

Because the House bill hasn't been amended, I am still concerned about the effort to transfer the duties of the clerk. This effort erodes the integrity of the court records and court funds. Although proponents of the transfer cite financial reasons for the move, the bills destroy the clerk's critical check and balance of the judicial process. You can visit the House and Senate Web sites at: www.myfloridahouse.gov and www.flsenate.gov.

Someone asked "How can judges think they can take over



YOUR PUBLIC TRUSTEE
Marcia Johnson

a position the people elected?" That person is correct. The framers of our state constitution created the office of the clerk to be a public trustee, an impartial, independent and elected third party who is answerable to the public and responsible for protecting the integrity of public records and funds.

The job of judges is to preside over courtrooms and deliver justice and be the finders of fact in the cases they hear.

I'll quote from the clerk in Leon County, "If informally asked by a judge to seal a record, destroy a record, hide a docket, change a case assignment, convert a fine into community service, enter a plea without a hearing or any of a number of other requests that all clerks have received in the course of doing our jobs, our independence allows us to reply, 'Only with a judicial order.' This creates an appropriate record of the action. I highly doubt court administrators hired by judges would say the same."

If the duties of the clerk are transferred to the judges, the very people who make decisions about life and liberty will have control over the records, fines and fees pertaining to those decisions. Case files and court records will be handled by a judge's employee, not by an impartial, elected officer who answers directly to the people.

Even though the bill has been amended in the Senate, the House bill remains the same at the time of this writing. Both the House and the Senate must agree, and I still feel like the transfer of the duties and the changing of clerks' budget process is unwarranted. It has worked, it was put in place by the legislature, and why should it be changed when the legislature needs to get on the ball and find a dedicated source of funding for the courts separate from the clerks? When clerk revenues go down, our expenditures go down. Clerks' budgets statewide have increased at a lesser percentage since 2004 than the court's budget.

During a House committee

meeting, Chief Judge Belvin Perry said judges just want transparency, accountability and a stable funding source for the courts. Clerks agree. He also stated clerks should deal with their chief judges on all administrative matters, and clerks shouldn't cater to individual judges.

Well, I wish he'd convey that message to the judges under that administration because every judge I've worked with in my 30-plus years insists on structuring their courtroom operations and records in very individual ways, and clerks cater to those ways.

Common Cause of Florida, the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association, the Florida Public Defenders Association, the Florida Sheriffs Association and the Christian Coalition all have weighed in against SB 2108 and HB 1121 and in favor of preserving the important role of the clerk.

I agree with other clerks that the role of the clerk is protective of the public, and we should not take away the public's constitutional right to determine who should provide these services without putting it to a vote of the people.

Please join the clerk's fight. You can write a letter to the editor. Please include your full name and address, make your point quickly and keep your letter brief, 200 words maximum. You can reach The Apalachicola Times at P. O. Box 820, Apalachicola, FL 32329 or by e-mail to DavidAdlerstein@dadlerstein.com.

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If you have any questions or comments about this column, please forward them to Marcia Johnson, Clerk of the Court, 33 Market St., Ste. 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320, or by e-mail to mmjohnson@franklinclerk.com. Visit the clerk's Web site at: www.franklinclerk.com.

Senate moves to gut Working Waterfront program

A committee in the Florida Senate has quietly moved to gut the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfront Program, which was designed to help preserve the heritage and waterfront of the few surviving commercial fishing communities in the state.

At a meeting March 17, the Senate Community Affairs Committee passed a substitute bill that essentially reverses the purpose of the original program, which was conceived by and named after the late Rep. Stan Mayfield, R-Vero Beach, who died of cancer last

year.

"What an insult to Rep. Mayfield's memory," said Kevin Begos, executive director of the Franklin County Oyster & Seafood Task Force Inc. "Instead of preserving the state's commercial fishing heritage, the new bill (SB1468 c1) would allow taxpayer funds to be used to purchase waterfront hotels, restaurants and marinas, and virtually anything else developers want to put on the waterfront."

"The original bill was a well-intentioned attempt to preserve some of the last little

bits of 'Old Florida.'

The new one is nothing less than a taxpayer bailout and subsidy program for waterfront hotels, restaurants and marinas, which are hardly endangered or in need of taxpayer support in our state," Begos said.

The move to gut the original program was done quietly. The Department of Community Affairs, which administers the program, was given little advance notice, Begos said, and the changes were made without the approval of Rep. Debbie Mayfield, Mayfield's widow and replacement in the House.

Rep. Debbie Mayfield has taken action to see that the House version of Working Waterfronts legislation (HB 825) stays true to the intent of the original bill, making only necessary technical changes.

"We ask the leadership of the Florida House and Senate and Gov. Charlie Crist to respect the intent of the late Rep. Stan Mayfield, and when there is need for technical changes, to trust the view of Rep. Debbie Mayfield, not the lobbyists for the hotel, restaurant and marina industries," Begos said.

Correction

In last week's story headlined "ABC School to get \$200,000 in capital outlay funds," it should have read that the ABC School plans to increase by about 10 percent next year, from 306 to roughly 330 students.

The ABC board does not plan regular yearly increases of 10 percent to its student body and has gone on record of wanting to remain in the 330-student range.

The Times apologizes for the error.

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Blair's office manager, Fran Edwards, was doing under the Allyn contract.

Bay Media's owner, Cindy Clark, had agreed to make space and limited office services available on an interim basis to the TDC in the restored historic home-turned-office she owns.

But Clark said she was not best suited to take over the full array of TDC administrative functions, and preferred the TDC contract for those services directly.

TDC officials tried to convince Edwards to take over those management duties on a full-time basis, and work out of the TDC office space at Bay Media, but she declined.

"This buys us the time to do what's right," said Spohrer, after a busy brainstorming meeting in which those in attendance hammered out a solution.

Present were Blair and Clark, as well as TDC members Spohrer, Sheila Hauser, Commissioner

"I don't like to do things in a rushed fashion. I'm concerned with this. I don't want to get into trouble as far as the legalities."

Cheryl Sanders, TDC member

Cheryl Sanders, Joe Taylor, Alice Collins and Diana Prickett.

Taylor described the TDC's actions as "a duct tape solution for a month" as it sets about finding a permanent solution.

While expanding the existing contract with Clark on a temporary basis would have passed legal muster, as per telephone conversation Sanders had with County Attorney Michael Shuler, the TDC chose to advertise for the administrative service contract, and an administrative assistant, out of an abundance of caution.

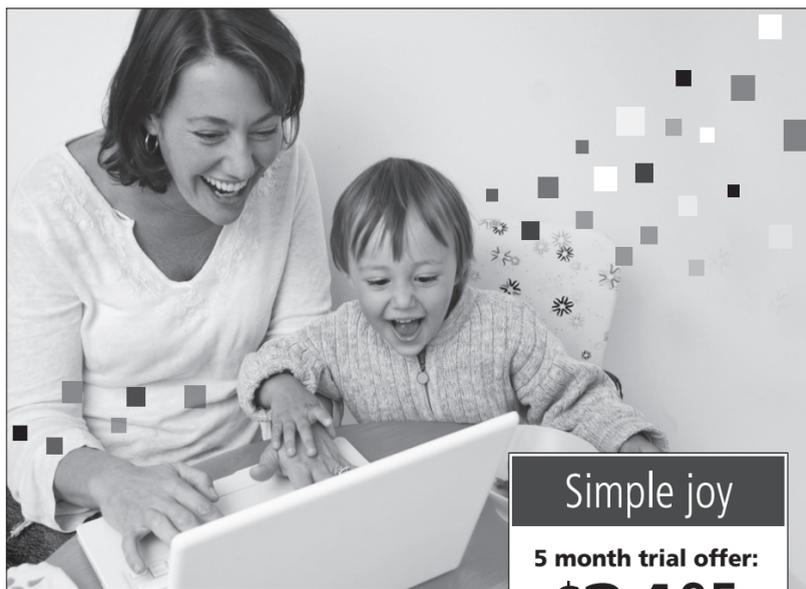
"There's a lot of people in the county that need jobs," said Sanders. "I don't like to do things in a rushed fashion."

I'm concerned with this. I don't want to get into trouble as far as the legalities."

The TDC's long-term plans are to hire a new, permanent director by September, the start of the new fiscal year, and create a permanent office location. The council has assigned the task of drafting a plan to a committee composed of Sanders, Hauser and Prickett, and they are working out details of a proposal to present to the TDC.

The TDC also has asked Clerk of Courts Marcia Johnson whether her office might be able to handle any or all of the bookkeeping, grant writing and administrative duties of the TDC.

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Jerry Copeland, the district's chief contract negotiator, addresses the school board last week, as Superintendent Nina Mark listens, at right.

'Cold, hard, sad facts'

Franklin schools consider cutting up to 15 percent of budget

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The Franklin County School Board got down to brass tacks Thursday as it took the first steps towards cutting up to 15 percent of the district's budget in the months ahead.

At a special afternoon meeting March 19, the board heard a dire

report on statewide funding cutbacks from Superintendent Nina Marks, and then turned for advice to its chief contract negotiator, Jerry Copeland, a management consultant out of Titusville.

In her opening report, Marks said Florida Education Commissioner Dr. Eric Smith has advised superintendents that for the remainder of the fiscal year it is wise not to touch any money not

earmarked for a specific expenditure. "His advice is not to spend any money you don't have to spend," she said.

Federal stimulus money has been targeted to special education programs and Title I schools, which are those serving the lowest achieving population in the most economically

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WILDFIRE

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

A wildfire that broke out on the Gulf / Franklin County line Sunday evening was under control by Monday afternoon, according to state forestry officials.

Chris Worrell, operations administrator for the Florida Division of Forestry (DOF) said forestry crews were mopping up the area Monday looking for embers.

The threatening fire forced the closure of U.S. 98 between Franklin and Gulf counties, as well as County Road 30-A, for several hours.

Worrell said 80 acres burned before the fire was brought under control.

The blaze was the result of an unattended campfire that spread through dry undergrowth and rapidly increased in size due to windy conditions, he said.

DOF fire towers spotted smoke from the

blaze and the DOF dispatched five bulldozers and several aircraft to bring it under control. They were joined by members of area volunteer departments.

On Tuesday, a burn advisory was issued by Franklin County Emergency Management for the entire county.

"The Florida Panhandle and Franklin County are presently experiencing drought conditions that are likely to continue throughout the spring months due to high winds and low relative humidity," said Pamela Register, emergency management director.

The Carrabelle Division of DOF, the Franklin County United Firefighters, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and each of county commissioners urge all citizens to check with DOF before considering open pile burning and remind everyone to never leave a fire unattended.

Please make sure that when you put your fire out, it's "Dead Out."

Mediacom: No changes planned to cable service

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

The state has taken control of media franchises away from the counties, but there will not be significant changes in local service, according to one media spokesperson.

Barbara Bonowicz, government relations spokesman, and Shane Ruth, area supervisor for Mediacom, a cable television, telephone and internet provider for Franklin County, addressed the county commission on March 17 to discuss changes to the cable television franchise agreements in Florida.

Franchise agreements, formerly handled between

the individual county and the cable provider, are now negotiated by the state government.

"The board used to control both the franchise and the amount of the fees paid to the county. The state has now taken control of both of those," said County Attorney Michael Shuler said.

Commissioner Cheryl Sanders said the state was undermining local government control.

Numerous rumors have circulated about the new policy and the commission requested Mediacom send a representative to clarify what changes could be expected. Commissioners had also expressed

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Mediacom government relations liaison Barbara Bonowicz.

TDC approves interim deal for administrative help

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Acting quickly to prevent any interruptions in its administration, the Franklin County Tourist Development Council on Monday turned to an existing contractor to take over the reins.

By unanimous vote, the TDC approved an interim administrative services contract, for up to five months, with Bay Media, intended to assure a seamless transition for the office operation.

The deal, which begins April 1 but could be canceled by either party with 14-days notice, follows a decision by the current

administrator, Allyn Inc., to terminate its contract at the end of this month.

Allyn operates out of the downtown Apalachicola offices of Curt Blair, who in January indicated his company planned to end its contract with the TDC around May 1.

But on March 2, Blair, co-owner of the Water Street Hotel in Apalachicola, notified TDC Chair Helen Spohrer that Allyn wished to exercise its 30-day termination clause and end the contract one month early.

"Unfortunately, the demands of the Water Street Hotel require that my staff and I concentrate our full effort on hotel activities," he wrote. "My



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Weighing the alternatives at Monday's TDC meeting are, from left, Sheila Hauser, Curt Blair, Helen Spohrer, Diana Prickett and Alice Collins.

association with the TDC has been one of my great pleasures. I appreciate all you and the members have done to promote tourism in the county and to provide my staff the assistance that was necessary to make our

work a success."

At the same time the TDC turned at Monday's meeting to Bay Media, the council also approved advertising immediately for two other options. Companies who wish

to bid on a full-service administrative service contract, which would include office space, may do by April 6.

Companies, or individuals, who wish to apply to fulfill an administrative assistant function, which would not include providing office space, may do so also by April 6.

The TDC then plans to decide on the best combination of these applications and present their plan for approval by the county commission on April 7.

The deal with Bay Media, a graphic design and marketing firm in Apalachicola, calls for the TDC to spend \$800

per month from its administrative budget to lease furnished office space, complete with utilities and use of office equipment, at the Bay Media building at 65 Ave. E.

The deal also calls for spending up to 40 hours per month, at \$22 per hour, from the TDC's marketing budget for interim administrative services, such as answering phones and maintaining the website.

These duties would not include the array of responsibilities, such as taking minutes and processing grants to non-profit organizations, which

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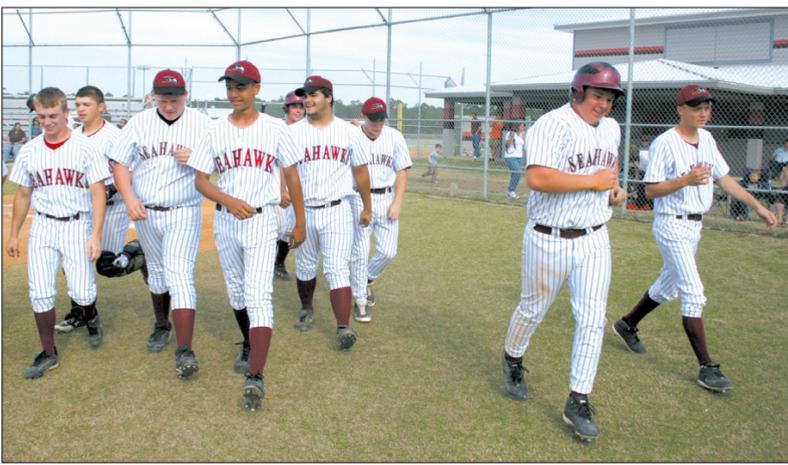
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Seahawks eight-grader Cole Lee, second from right, walks alongside senior Bo Hardman as he relishes his two-run home run in the fourth inning against Maclay Monday.

Seahawks lose battle against Maclay

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The Franklin County High School Seahawks battled district rival Maclay for seven innings Monday afternoon but eventually fell 7-5.

After three innings, the Seahawks trailed 4-0, victims of three unearned runs in the top of the second and a solo shot from the Crusaders' Sam Bruner in the third.

But in the bottom of the fourth, eighth-grader Cole Lee smacked a two-run homer over the center-field fence to bring home Jason Thompson. Senior Bobby Garrett then whacked a solo shot to left field to make the game 4-3.

Senior hurler Steven



Seahawks skipper Mike Todd waves Jason Thompson home as he gets ready to score the go-ahead run in the sixth inning against Maclay Monday.

Babb got the first two Maclay batters to pop up and then launch a fly ball to put them down in order in the top of the fifth.

In the bottom of the inning, Gary Larson doubled to center field, followed by

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Fulmer wins Redfish Run, Shuler fifth

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Eastpoint veterinarian Dr. Hobson Fulmer won the 5K Redfish Run March 7 on St. George Island on a beautiful morning against a robust field.

Fulmer, 53, won in a time of 19:59, followed by two Tallahassee runners, Daniel Fortunas, 48, who ran a 21:26, and Frank Flynn, 50, who posted a 22:01 time.

Jim Kinman, 47, from Macon, Ga., ran a 22:20, while Apalachicola attorney Michael Shuler, 44, ran fifth, in a time of 23:21, giving him top honors for males age 40 to 44.

The top female finisher was Kelsey Kilinski, 22, of Tallahassee, with a time of

25:15.

Top female finisher from St. George Island was Barbara Yonclas, 61, with a time of 28:12. Top male finisher from the island was Nathan Landrum, 31, with a time of 25:35.

Race coordinator Susan Bassett said 113 of the 120 registrants finished the race. People from 14 states participated in the run, including Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin.

The following is a list of all the remaining finishers from Franklin County. For a complete list of all the race results, go to www.apalachtimes.com.

RACE FINISHERS

(Name, city, age, time, place)

- J. Gordon Shuler, Apalachicola, 47, 25:25, 3rd, males 45-59
- Nathan Landrum, SGI, 31, 25:35, 1st, St. George males
- John Shelby, SGI, 54, 27:02, 3rd, males 50-54
- Nick Yonclas, SGI, 65, 27:24, 2nd, males 65-69
- Jim Wolfram, SGI, 65, 27:58
- Barbara Yonclas, SGI, 61, 28:12, 1st, St. George females
- John Culbertson, SGI, 62, 28:12, 1st, males 60-64
- Shelley Shepard, Apalachicola, 32, 28:21, 1st, females 30-34
- Russell Gary, Apalachicola, 57, 28:49, 2nd, males 55-59
- Alan Pierce, Apalachicola, 53, 29:33

- George Floyd, Apalachicola, 51, 30:22
- Shawn Donahoe, Apalachicola, 65, 32:14
- Tress Anderson, Carrabelle, 33, 33:05, 2nd, females 30-34
- William Sapp, Carrabelle, 15, 35:38, 2nd, males 15-19
- Robert McMillan, SGI, 73, 36:05, 1st, males 70 and up
- Jackie Mossberg, SGI, 72, 37:17, 1st, females 70 and up
- Barbara Sanders, SGI, 54, 40:52
- Jody Plummer, SGI, 72, 41:10, 3rd, females 70 and up
- Jamie Lutten, Apalachicola, 31, 44:26
- Nicole Selly, Apalachicola, 28, 44:26
- Susan Kearney, SGI, 52, 45:22

- Maureen Fagan, SGI, 67, 45:35, 2nd, females 65-69
- Sharon Hutchinson, SGI, 60, 45:47, 3rd, females 60-64
- Patti Chastain, Apalachicola, 50, 46:17
- Tomilee Dowden, Carrabelle, 18, 48:42, 1st, females 15-19
- Savannah Salyer, Carrabelle, 15, 48:42, 2nd, females 15-19
- Phyllis Vitale-Lewis, SGI, 58, 49:50, 3rd, females 55-59
- Adele Colston, SGI, 64, 49:50
- Jane Cook, SGI, 70, 49:55
- Mary Lou Bassett, SGI, 67, 49:55, 3rd, females 65-69
- Britt Dean, Apalachicola, 27, 50:32
- Jill Christofersen, Apalachicola, 23, 50:32

Midnight hoops to open city rec season Saturday

The "Mayors 2009 Spring Break Midnight Basketball Tournament" from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. March 28 will showcase the newly refurbished facility at the former Apalachicola High School for the city's recreation program.

The city of Apalachicola and the Franklin County School Board have partnered to provide afterschool and summer camp programs through Project Impact.

The programs are offered at three sites: Franklin County School in Eastpoint, Apalachicola Bay Charter School and the new city of Apalachicola recreational site at the AHS site.

The Project Impact office is co-located

with the Franklin County Library Tigers Program at the field house of AHS. The building has been refurbished to include a classroom and computer lab for Project Impact, with the gymnasium reopened for students from 3 to 6 p.m. and available for public use from 6 to 9:30 p.m. weekdays, and managed by volunteers on the weekends.

The gym will be available for special programs upon request by contacting the city of Apalachicola at 653-9319.

For more information about the tournament, please contact Mayor Van Johnson at 323-0602 or Paul Bankston at 653-9875.



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Monthly Schedule

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The Starfish Enterprise, a 40 seat pontoon boat belonging to the Apalachicola Maritime Museum ferried visitors to and from St. Vincent Island.

Record numbers visit St. Vincent Island

Story and photos by Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

St. Vincent Island National Wildlife Refuge welcomed a record number of visitors on Saturday, when more than 430 sightseers traveled across Indian Pass to the annual open house.

In the past, 200 or fewer visitors have been the norm for this event but several factors made this year's event the biggest ever.

Charlotte Chumley, office manager for the refuge said this year's open house outstripped the former record set by the Centennial Celebration held in 2003 when 330 people visited the island.

For much of the day, there were over 100 people in line waiting to make the crossing to the pristine island paradise.

The Supporters of St. Vincent have labored hard since their formation two years ago to support island events and, through their efforts, this year's open house was the best promoted and organized to date.

In addition, the Apalachicola Maritime Museum partnered with the Supporters and the wildlife refuge to provide transportation to the island aboard the Starfish Enterprise, the museum's newly acquired pontoon catamaran.

The boat allowed faster and more comfortable travel for guests than in past years, in spite of a choppy sea.

Museum founder George Kirvin Floyd was on hand to crew for the Enterprise, helping to cast her off on the island side and helping guests embark and disembark.

"I am amazed by the enthusiasm for this event," Floyd said. "I am happy to be able to partner with the refuge and I see this as something with great potential. I hope to be able to work with them more in the future. I would like to help make St. Vincent more accessible to the public."

Visitors were treated to hot dogs, water, fruit and cookies courtesy of the



Diane Hardee of Franklin, WV was on hand to talk about the introduction of whooping cranes to the Panhandle. Here she shows Lionel Kliss, of Eagle River, WI, a puppet used to feed infant cranes to limit their contact with human caregivers.



Certified Green Guide George Weymouth, of Carrabelle, counsels a group of youngsters on basic survival and camping skills.

Supporters. There were displays on local wildlife and conservation. Youngsters learned basic outdoor skills from certified green guide George Weymouth. There were also guided birding, beach and bay walks and trailer rides to the far end of the island.

"It was wonderful," said Robin Will, supervisory refuge ranger. "This was an excellent outreach experience. The audience exceeded expectations and the day exceeded my expectations too. I was very impressed with the Apalachicola Maritime Museum and their partnership and in-kind effort. Without their donation of the boat, the captain and the gas, we would not have been able to have such an amazing event. I also want to congratulate the Supporters on their amazing organization, friendliness and encouragement."

Denise Williams, president of the Supporters said, "It's not possible to express appropriate gratitude to all

the individuals who made this day successful. We were not perfect today. Yet, I'm under the impression we gave the majority of people a wonderful island experience. I received a

fair number of promises to be back next year." Shesaidsheparticularly wished to thank the museum and Apalachicola Ace Hardware for their donations to the event.

Auction part of fundraiser

A fundraiser to benefit construction of the Lighthouse Keeper's House Museum is scheduled April 4, following dedication of the Cape St. George Light.

Barbecued chicken lunches prepared by islander Jim Wolfram will be sold, and music will be provided by Eclectic Acoustic of Tallahassee and Karl Dappen, the "Sax Man." The lighthouse will be open for free climbing during the afternoon.

Highlight of the fundraiser will be a silent auction of many beautiful and unique items. Among the more than 60 items assembled by Auction Chairman Susan McClendon are a dramatic sunset scene painted in acrylic by Karin Meilinger, hand-quilted coverlet by Barb Durrett, woodcut print of the lighthouse as viewed from Eastpoint by island artist Marty Ray, sumi'e paintings by Ann Kozeliski and Diana Orrick, pastel of the Cape St. George Light by Shirley Adams of St. George Island, a low country Boil by Loco Catering, hand-



St. George Lighthouse Secretary Terry Kemp, left, and Auction Chairman Susan McClendon are pictured with some of the items to be auctioned April 4.

woven basket by Islander Dee Grinenko, and stained glass window featuring a lighthouse donated by Carol Talley and Fred Stanley. Auction items can be previewed at Sea Oats Gallery on St. George Island April 1-3. Bids will be taken during the preview, which closes with a reception at the gallery from 5 to 7 p.m. April 3.

For information, please call Terry Kemp at 927-2000 or Susan McClendon at 927-4345.

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a Jared Mock single that advanced the runners. After the Maclay hurler botched a pickoff at first, Larson scored the tying run, and Mock advanced to third, before being ultimately left on base.

In the top of the sixth, senior shortstop Bo Hardman executed two marvelous throws from deep in the hole to nail Maclay runners, and Babb notched a strike out to retire the side.

In the bottom of the sixth, Jason Thompson was hit by a pitch, and Lee popped out. Garrett then sliced a triple down the third base line, and Thompson, running full bore to the plate, knocked the ball from the Maclay catcher for the go-ahead run.

Senior Gene Anderson connected with the ball and Garrett, hoping to score, "trucked the catcher" at home plate. Because he had not slid, and since the Maclay catcher was not blocking the base path, Garret was ejected from the game. Anderson was left stranded at first.

The wheels came off the wagon in top of the seventh. Babb gave up consecutive singles, and then struck out the batter, with the go-ahead run on second. He then gave up three consecutive walks, and a sacrifice fly, and Maclay led 7-5.

Mock managed a single to right, and a stolen base, in the bottom of the seventh, but that's as far as it got for the squad led by coaches Mike Todd and Rod Murphy.

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The Board of Commissioners of the Northwest Florida Regional Housing Authority will hold its Annual Meeting, April 2, 2009 in the Cambridge Room, Ramada Inn North, 2900 North Monroe St., Tallahassee, Florida. Meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. E.S.T. The meeting will be open to the public.

Falling off the bone

Rib cookoff succulent, but attendance droops

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Dave Hawkins went from last to first at Saturday's eighth annual charity rib cookoff and car show, sponsored by the Eastpoint fire department at Vrooman Park.

He was the last to arrive among the competitors, and he finished first in the field.

Hawkins, who has Arabelle Catering in Crawfordville, and his partner, Mike Terranova, of Acousti Engineering Co. of Florida, teamed up to win Best of Show honors. They took the top prize in chicken and took an honorable mention in the pulled pork barbecue category.

"There's a secret," Hawkins said. "We take our time and work it."

Hawkins fired up the old convection oven he's converted into an airtight smoker first thing in the morning, around 6 a.m., at his home in Crawfordville. He used wood from fruit trees to give it the flavor he sought. "Any kind of fruit wood we can find, apple, cherry, orange," he said.

Hawkins then trailered the heated oven all the way to Eastpoint and was the last to arrive as he and Terranova set about their task of competing in their first visit to the annual cookoff.

Terranova had signed the team up and was determined to win it to show up his friends in Wakulla County.

"They told us 'You guys ain't going to win nothing down there cooking with all those rednecks,'" he said.

He also had bought the \$22 brisket they used, even though he didn't even know what a brisket was when he went shopping for the choice cut of beef.

Another Crawfordville team, George Nelson's "George C" team, won the brisket competition, while two local squads topped the other categories.

Loco Catering, manned by Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston, won the top rib prize and the People's Choice award, while the 10-4 team, a sheriff's office team led by Sheriff Skip Shiver and deputies John Solomon and David Varnes, cooked up the top pulled pork barbecue.

The category winners each won \$50, and the Best of Show \$100, with most all of the prize money donated back to the fire department.

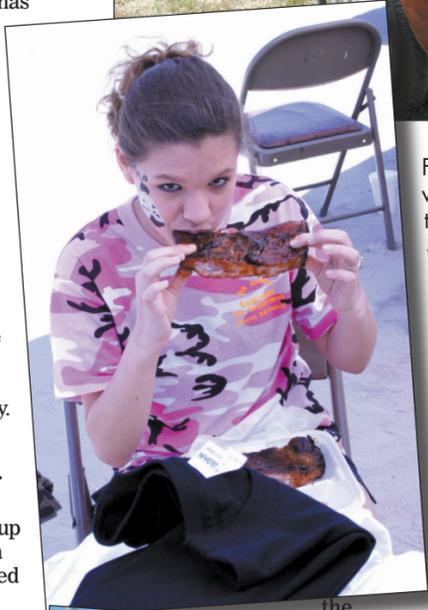
Also winning top honors for the day was Wakulla County's Larry Shiver, whose 1939 Ford Coupe was the cream of the car crop.

Shiver had inherited



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From top, Larry Shiver of Crawfordville stands with his granddaughter, Carah Cox, in front of the 1939 Ford Coupe that took Best of Show Saturday at the Eastpoint fire department's annual rib cookoff. Rebecca Tripp of Eastman, Ga., enjoys some ribs. She is the niece of George and Joy Pruett. From top, Mike Terranova, right, and Dave Hawkins celebrate their winning best chicken and Best of Show. Roy Ogles, left, and Lee Edmiston, of Loco Catering, won Saturday for the best ribs and best booth, and took home the People's Choice award. Eastpoint author Dawn Evans Radford was the biggest liar at Saturday's rib cookoff, as she won the Liar's Contest for the tallest tale told. She is standing in front of her fellow competitor, her husband, Richard Radford.



originally for \$585, now sports power windows and cruise control and has been to Tennessee twice.

"When they made these cars, they were real cars," Shiver said. "The new ones, they're plastic."

With the band Jiveye and Twice Daily delighting the crowd on the sunny day, and plenty for the kids to do, the annual event was once again relaxing and pleasant. But the attendance lagged behind past years.

"It was way down, and funds were down, too," said Eastpoint Volunteer Fire Department Chief George Pruett, who said he expects the event to have grossed about \$14,000, before expenses.

"The consensus of the board meeting was that with this economic downturn, people didn't have money to spend and didn't come out," he said.

"It was small but very nice," Pruett said. "The folks who were there were great. It was a steady flow all day, but we never got that rush."

Pruett said he was grateful for all the support from volunteers, including the 30 judges. "I can't say enough for all those people who make this thing happen. They're wonderful and we appreciate them."

He said though the fundraising is down, it won't be devastating to the department.

"I'm still in disbelief, but it is what it is," Pruett said. "We're not destitute."

"It just may put off our acquisition of a new quick-attack truck for a little while. It's going to happen. It may take a little longer."

AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

The following are winners at the Eastpoint Volunteer Fire Department's eight annual charity rib cook-off and car show Saturday.

Honorable Mention: BS Cooking Team (Billy Blackburn, Brad Blackburn and WK Sanders)

Best Display

House Divided, by Loco Catering (Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston)

People's Choice

Loco Catering (Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston)

Best of Show - Cookoff

Acousti (Mike Terranova and Dave Hawkins)

Corvette

1) Danny Buchanan, Tallahassee (350 LSI)
2) Buddy Shiver, Eastpoint (1986 350 convertible)
3) A.J. Philo, Carrabelle (1977 350)

Street Rod

Larry Shiver, Wakulla County (1939 Ford Coupe)

Classic

1) Skip Shiver, Apalachicola (1955 Bel-Air)
2) Darin Cox, Crawfordville (1962 Ford Sunliner convertible)
3) Michael Koch (El Camino)

Muscle Car

1) Jim Dowling (GTO)
2) David Norman (1967 Chevette)

Late Model

Sheila Davis (2008 Mustang GTO)

Best of Show - Cars

Larry Shiver, Wakulla County (1939 Ford Coupe)

Chicken

1) Acousti (Mike Terranova and Dave Hawkins)
2) 10-4 (Franklin County Sherriff's Office)
3) George C. (George Nelson)
Honorable Mention: Fan-tastic (Dayle Flint, Ty Gillikin, Bert and Michelle Hicks)

Ribs

1) Loco Catering (Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston).
2) Chili Cookoff Rib Division (St. George Island volunteer fire department, led by Chief Jay Abbott)
3) Highlander (Josh Pruett)
Honorable Mention: BS Cooking Team (Billy Blackburn, Brad Blackburn and WK Sanders)

Pulled Pork Barbeque

1) 10-4 (Franklin County Sherriff's Office)
2) Uncle Dale and Sons (Dale Phipps)
3) Loco Catering (Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston).
4) Honorable Mention: Acousti (Mike Terranova and Dave Hawkins)

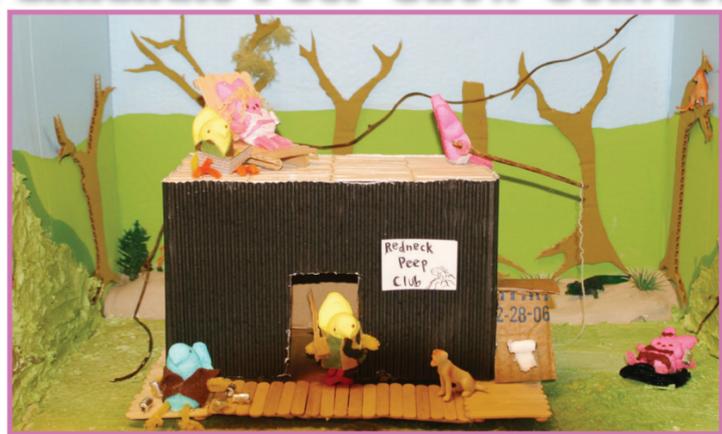
Brisket

1) George C. (George Nelson)
2) Loco Catering (Roy Ogles and Lee Edmiston)
3) Bayshore Park team (Gene Malcolm, Jackie Rex and neighbors of Bayside Park)

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The Times
129 Commerce Street
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Obituary

Eugene Brocato

Eugene Augusta Brocato, 82, passed away at hospice, on Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009 in New Port Richey.

He was born in Apalachicola, May 26, 1926, and was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ignatius and Nancy; brother, Mike Brocato; and sister, Mae Howze.

He is survived by his sisters, Betty Garrett of Port Richey and Connie Crane of Lymon, N.C.; numerous nieces; nephew, Tom Brocato; and good friends Mike Stanley, Mitchell Bartley,



BROCATO

and George, Billy, Gerald, Ronnie Martina and Boomer Pete Polonnis.

Memorial Mass was celebrated March 5, 2009, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church by Father

Roger Latosynski. He was interred in Magnolia Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Michael Lundquist Funeral Home, New Port Richey.

Thanks to friends and family, Andy Lundquist and son, St. Patrick's Ladies Guild and Father Roger.

Thank you all,
Betty Garrett and Family

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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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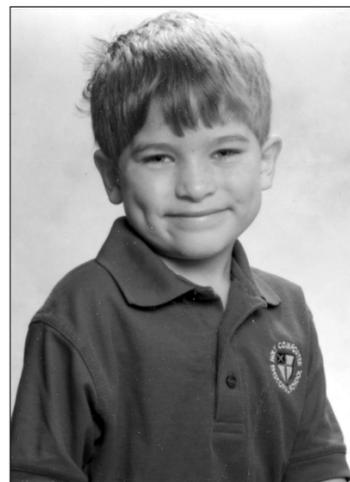
Love,
Jennifer,
Billy and Ashton



Nicholas Williams turns 6

Nicholas C. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rick (Cathy) Williams, recently turned 6 years of age.

He is the grandson of Mrs. Joanne Williams and the late Dick Williams of Tallahassee and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie J. Nichols of Apalachicola.



Dustin Curry turns 3

Dustin Caleb Curry, along with his brother Collin, celebrated his third birthday on Monday, March 9, 2009.

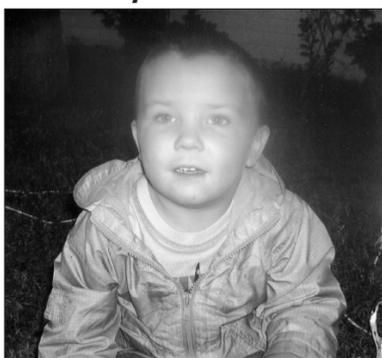
He is the son of David and Courtney Curry, of Lanark Village.

Maternal grandparents are Delilah Moore and Johnny and Deborah Williams of Crestview.

Paternal grandparents are Bobby and Ardell Curry of Lanark Village.

Maternal great-grandparents are the late Thomas and Veltamae Tatom, and the late Howard and Enice Williams.

Paternal great-grandparents are Freeda Shields and the late Roy Shields, the late Eddie Jarman and the late Lynn and Lodusty Curry.



Christell Ford celebrates 80 years

Happy 80th Birthday, Christell V. Ford

From Your Family



Kevin Dillon turns 5

Kevin Bradley Dillon celebrated his fifth birthday on Thursday, March 5.

He is the son of Jason Dillon and Jessica Burch.

Paternal grandparents are Daniel "Paw-Paw" Dillon Sr., and the late Linda "Maw-Maw" Dillon. Maternal grandparents are Carla Burch-Smith, "Me-Me," and Marvin Burch, "Pa-Pa."

Aunts are Misty "Sis" Dillon and Brandilyn "Bran" Dillon. Uncles are Zachary Dillon and Danny Dillon.

He is also the brother of Autom Brooke Dillon. Happy Birthday, Baby Boy! We love you very much.



Autom Dillon turns 10

Autom Brooke Dillon will celebrate her 10th birthday on Thursday, March 26.

To our Baby Girl, even though we are being kept apart, we want to tell you how much we love you and miss you. We hope you have a good birthday.

Happy Birthday! We love you very much!

Autom is the daughter of Jason Dillon and the sister of Bradley Dillon. Paternal grandparents are Daniel "Paw-Paw" Dillon Sr., and the late Linda "Maw-Maw" Dillon.

Paternal great-grandparents are Jeanette Creamer, the late Shirley Barber, and Rose Dillon, of Ohio, and the late Ray Dillon.

Aunts are Misty "Sis" Dillon and Brandilyn "Bran" Dillon. Uncles are Zachary Dillon and Danny Dillon.

She has much more family that she is loved dearly by.

Baby SHOWER

Baby shower for Candi Allen to be Sunday

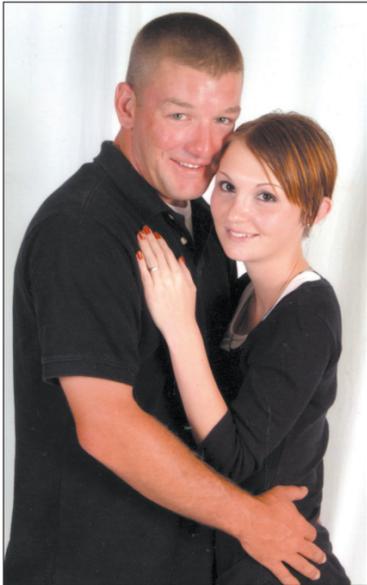
Candi and Dwayne Allen are having a girl! A baby shower will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, at the Apalachicola Community Center at Battery Park. All family and friends are invited.

Weddings and ENGAGEMENTS

Christopher Wood, Christan Moses to wed

Christopher Wood and Christan Moses will be married at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, 2009, in the Buccaneer Inn on St. George Island.

Reception will follow immediately. All family and friends are invited.



Dixie's 'Murderers' offers marvelous mayhem

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Don't miss "Murderers," the trio of one-act plays now running at the Dixie Theatre.

The scene of the crime is the Riddle Key Retirement Center, and the theme of the piece is justice but with lots of twists, twinkles and giggles along the way.

The play opens when three people standing on an empty stage calmly and clearly state, "I am a murderer."

During the next 90 minutes, each character explains the nature of his or her unique crime or crimes, for as Minka Lupino opines, "After you've done it once or twice, murder just gets easier, like riding a bicycle or sex."

In Act I, the hapless and ambitionless Gerald Halverson relates the rocky and ironic road that led him to death row.

Act II reminds us that little old ladies might be more than they appear when Lucy Stickler deals proactively with a "sporty old slut" who threatens her happy home.

In Act III, the avenging angel of



LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

The cast of "Murderers" includes Cleo Holladay as Lucy Stickler, left; Terry Wells as Gerald Halverson, center; and Dixie Partington as Minka Lupino.

Riddle Key tells her story. "Murderers" by Jeffrey Hatcher is witty, dark and very funny. The cast furnishes an empty stage with a host of people and places seen through the mind's eye. Congratulations to the Dixie

Theatre on another success. Murderers is on stage at the Dixie through March 29. Shows are at 3 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Reserved seating is \$25. For more info, call the box office at 653-3200.

Cards of THANKS

Camp Gordon Johnston Association

The Board of Directors, members and friends of the WWII Museum and Association want you all to know that we deeply appreciate the support and outpouring of good old-fashioned American hospitality shown to all the veterans, soldiers and visitors during our 14th annual Camp Gordon Johnston Days event held in Carrabelle March 13-15.

I cannot tell you how many visitors remarked on how they were made to feel welcome during this event. One visitor from out-of-state remarked that this reminded him how friendly small towns used to be when he was growing up. We are proud for Franklin County and its citizens. This was the best event we have ever held.

Also, we want to give special thanks to the following individuals

and business for their generous contributions. We could not have held this year's event without their support: Franklin County Shriners, Franklin County Seahawks Softball Team, Millender and Son Seafood, Williams LP Gas, Gulfside IGA (Apalachicola), City of Carrabelle Employees, Franklin Correctional Institute - Carrabelle, Fairpoint Communications, Coastal Community Bank, The Moorings Marina, Timber Island Realty, Hog Wild Bar B Q, Sam's Club - Tallahassee, Wal-Mart - Crawfordville, Publix Supermarket - Tallahassee, North Florida Financial Services - Crawfordville, Pat Bragdon, McGuffy's Used Auto Parts - Tallahassee, Scott McClain Auto Repair, Richard Boutin, Mrs. Sue Stallman - Thomasville, GA, First Baptist Church, Carrabelle Mayor Wilburn "Curley" Messer (38th Division), Parramore Surplus,

Carrabelle Beach R.V. Resort, Dell Schnider, Mark Minichiello, Carrabelle Police Department, Franklin County Sheriff's Dept., The Hobbs Family at Summerbrooke and Post 82 Camp Gordon Johnston American Legion Auxiliary.

Thanks also to the Museum Volunteers: Mary Staff, Mary Britz, Jack Sisk, Don MacClean, and David Butler. And, finally, there were three special people who labored long hours to make this event a success and I want to express my personal thanks to Rhonda Skipper, Linda Minichiello and Sidney Winchester.

If I've omitted any individual or organization, it's only because there is not enough space in this release. You know who you are, and we thank you.

Anthony "Tony" Minichiello
President, CGJA
Carrabelle

Obituaries

Shelly Galloway

Shelly Galloway, of St. George Island, died Tuesday, March 24, 2009.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 26, at 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Apalachicola.

Visitation will be held the hour prior, from 1 to 2 p.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in memory of Shelly Galloway to First United Methodist Church.

Tom Shields

Tommy "Tom" Lamont Shields passed away Saturday, March 21, 2009, at the age of 66 in Tallahassee Memorial Hospital.

He was born July 26, 1942, in Butler County, Pa., to parents, Lois and Lamont Shields.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Mary Ann Shields, who he married on Aug. 10, 1963; daughter Debbie Shields Kanner (and her husband, Randy); and two grandchildren, Ryan Thomas Kanner, 13, and Regan Marie Kanner, 10. Though the Kanners lived far away in miles, they were always close in his heart.

Tom graduated from Slippery Rock High School in Slippery Rock, Pa., in 1960, and Robert Morris University in Pittsburg, Pa., in 1962. He was employed for many years by West Penn Power in Greensburg, Pa., Ridgeway, Pa., and State College, Pa.

After moving to Carrabelle in 1991, he

became a real estate agent with Folks Realty in Franklin County for a number of years.

Tom enjoyed fishing, country music, motorcycle riding, collecting antiques and antique cars, playing cards and spending time with his two dogs, Taffy and Ebbey.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 24, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial in Greenlawn Burial Estate in Butler, Pa. Visitation was Monday, March 23 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church from 5 to 7 p.m. with a rosary said at 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, P.O. Box 729, Lanark Village, FL 32323.

Tom, you will be greatly missed by your family and friends. You are in our hearts forever. We want to thank all of our friends for their prayers and support.

William Lane

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Friday, March 27, at New Life for William "Bill" Lane, who died March 20, 2009.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. today, March

26, with a rosary service at 7 p.m. at Kelley Funeral Home Chapel.

Expressions of sympathy may be viewed and submitted at www.KelleyFuneralHomes.com.

Commission waives permit fee for county churches

Charles Moore, pastor of the Independent Pentecostal Church in Eastpoint, appeared before the county commission March 17 to ask the county to return \$40 his church paid for a building permit issued for the church's roof.

Moore, a licensed contractor, said he purchased the permit after being issued a citation by the building inspector.



PASTOR CHARLES MOORE

He said the requirement for a church to buy a building permit was in violation of the doctrine of separation of church and state.

The commission voted unanimously to return the \$40 and waive future fees for building permits issued by the county to churches. The county will continue to require a permit be issued.

There are 14 churches in the county outside of the incorporated municipalities that

would be affected by the waiver.

Moore requested all fees for permits issued in the past be refunded and said this could amount to several thousand dollars. The commission declined to issue further refunds.

"These are the fun decisions we get to make," said Commissioner Pinki Jackel. "My mother told me, when I was growing up, anything you do for the Lord, you will never regret."

— By Lois Swoboda

Relay for Life helps fight cancer at home

Did you know one in every four person's life will at some time be touched by cancer?

There are too many people we love or know who have suffered from this terrible disease or lost their battle. On the bright side, there are many who have won their battle, and Relay for Life is about celebrating their victory.

In terms of direct assistance to this area, since 2004, 82 patients and their caregivers from Franklin and Gulf counties have benefited by staying at one of the Hope Lodges in Tampa or Gainesville.

During the 2007-08 fiscal year, 204 patients from the two-county area received more than \$19,278 in direct financial assistance for transportation, lodging and pain medication needs.

In 2006, four children attended ROCK Camp. There were four children in 2007 and six in 2008. The area had four cancer survivors receive a college scholarship during the 2008 academic year, two in 2007, five in 2006 and five in 2005.

One scholarship recipient is now an ACS community representative for Alachua County.

During the 2007-08 fiscal year, 166 patients received 3,576 individual trips through our Lifeline Transportation Program.

The American Cancer Society research, no matter where it is carried out, benefits all people in all communities. The society provides educational programs and services to reduce the impact of cancer. More than 71,000 people in Florida contact the ACS information line each year. Only the American Cancer Society offers this 24-hour resource for life-saving cancer information and services. Their Web site, www.cancer.org, is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and provides 126,000 services to 32,500 people each year in Florida.

Join in helping find a cure for cancer right here in Franklin County by getting involved with this year's Relay for Life, May 15-16 at the Franklin County School. The relay begins at 6 p.m. and runs through the night until noon the following day. Why during the night? Because cancer never sleeps.

Please contact Susan Hoffritz at 323-0560 to start a team, volunteer, donate your time or services. Let us know if you are a Survivor or Caregiver so we may honor you at Franklin County's Relay for Life!

New Weems Auxiliary not the Pink Ladies

Speaking at the March 19 meeting of the Philaco Women's Club, Ginny Griner, director of volunteer services for George W. Weems Memorial Hospital, invited club members to join the new Auxiliary forming at Weems.

Griner said the new group will not be known by the traditional name of "pink ladies" because the group now includes male participants.

The group will supply volunteer support to the hospital staff in a number of capacities. Volunteers also may visit patient rooms or perform office tasks such as digitizing records.

There is already a desk installed at the front entry of the hospital for an auxiliary greeter.

"First impressions are the most important," Griner said.

"We want to welcome visitors to the hospital."

She said there are a number of perks for the hospital volunteers. Each auxiliary volunteer will be given a badge and free annual physical examination as well as free flu and tetanus shots.

In order to become an auxiliary, volunteers must present a written application and undergo a criminal background check. Auxiliaries also

will receive training before being certified.

"We have the ability to make a difference in the life of someone," Griner told the group.

If you are interested in becoming an auxiliary member, call Griner at 653-8853.

— By Lois Swoboda



GINNY GRINER

American Legion plans Tonya's Hope fundraiser

American Legion Post 82, 2316 Oak St., Lanark Village, will host its third annual Tonya's Hope cancer fundraiser on April 4 to benefit residents of Lanark who have been stricken with cancer.

The activities will start at 9 a.m. with a treasure sale; coffee and donuts will be served. Donations will be accepted at the Legion Post any day after 4 p.m. At noon, we will have a memorial service and a Celebration of Life ceremony for those living with or cured of cancer.

The pig, cooked by Thomas Lee Brannan, will be served at 12:15 p.m. Side dishes will include cole slaw, baked beans, potato salad, macaroni salad or Tommy Larson's famous corn on the cob. You will have a choice of three sides for a donation of \$8.

Also at 12:15 p.m., we will

have our favorite entertainers playing and singing for you enjoyment. Turk Leonard will sing your request and our own Carrabelle songbird Evelyn McAnally will be singing also.

At 3:30 p.m., a live auction will feature Chuck Spicer as the auctioneer. He will have the most valuable and unique items to auction off.

Tonya's Hope was started to help Tonya Bridges when she was so very ill. We continue with this very worthwhile project in her memory, and we thank her family for allowing us to honor her in this way.

Any help and donations would be greatly appreciated. Contact the post at 697-9998 or Kathy Ingersoll at 697-9533.

Contracts for Lanark residents who are in need of Tonya's Hope funds are available at the American Legion Post 82 in Lanark.



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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 (FLDOACS).

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

March 16

Ronald M. Rucker, 54, Eastpoint, driving while license suspended or revoked, possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis and possession of paraphernalia (CPD)
Xaviera M. Rutherford, 27, Carrabelle, resisting officer without violence (LPL)

March 17

William C. Askew, 24, Lanark Village, trespassing on school grounds, possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis and violation of probation (FCSO)
Ernest Griffin, 54, Apalachicola, retail theft (APD)

March 18

Alvin G. Martina Jr., 25, Apalachicola, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon (FCSO)
Marcus J. Raffield, 37, Apalachicola,

aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (FWC)
Melissa M. Evans, 45, Apalachicola, DUI and refusal to submit to breath test (CPD)
Timothy L. Custer, 21, Carrabelle, grand theft and violation of probation (CPD)

March 19

Christopher R. Griffin, 22, Apalachicola, DUI (FCSO)
Bradley W. Osteen, 20, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)
Thomas E. Humphrey, 51, Carrabelle, violation of probation (CPD)

March 20

Oscar Sanchez, 35, Apalachicola, failure to appear (APD)
Bobby J. Duncan Jr., 35, Apalachicola, violation of probation (FCSO)

Bryan F. Braswell, 37, Crawfordville, violation of probation (FCSO)

March 21

Marjorie L. Boozer, 47, Lanark Village, criminal mischief, indecent exposure and resisting without violence (FCSO)

March 22

Jennifer L. Murray, 42, Carrabelle, aggravated abuse of an elderly person, attempted murder and possession of paraphernalia (CPD)

March 23

Natasha S. Fremin, 40, Panacea, violation of probation (FCSO)
Lisa A. Walden, 37, Carrabelle, violation of probation (FCSO)
Joe H. Massey, 32, Carrabelle, driving while license suspended or revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, resisting arrest without violence (FCSO)

Law enforcement BRIEFS

Alligator Point woman killed in crash

An Alligator Point woman was killed early Thursday, March 19, in a one-car accident in easternmost peninsula of the county.

Nancy Sanders Cherri, 59, was traveling eastbound in a 1999 Chevrolet four-door on County Road 370, about one mile east of U.S. Highway 98, at about 4 a.m.

The vehicle left the roadway onto the south shoulder, according to the Florida Highway Patrol report, and the front of the vehicle

hit a tree and came to a stop upon impact.

Cherri, who was wearing a seatbelt, was rushed to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital but died from injuries sustained in the wreck.

The Alligator Point and Lanark Village fire departments assisted, as did the county ambulance service and the sheriff's office.

Vehicle inspections

Members in Troop H, Quincy district, of the Florida Highway Patrol plan to conduct driver's

license/vehicle inspection checkpoints during daylight hours at the following locations in Franklin County:

- March 20-26: County Road 374, County 30A and State Road 300 (St. George Island Causeway).

- March 27-31: State 30, State 30A and State 65

All personnel participating in the checkpoints will be responsible for following the procedures outlined in Chapter 17.12 of the Florida Highway Patrol Policy Manual regarding driver's license and vehicle inspection checkpoints.

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LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

Jeff Paternoster of NOAA demonstrates water sampling techniques at the March 11 phytoplankton workshop.

NOAA recruiting phytoplankton volunteers

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

On March 11, Jeff Paternoster of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) presented a program on phytoplankton at the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve (ANERR).

NOAA is recruiting volunteers for its Phytoplankton Monitoring Network to sample marine plankton locally as part of a nationwide drive to collect baseline data on harmful algae blooms.

"We are not monitoring red tide," Paternoster said. "In fact, the nets we use to collect samples are too large to collect the red tide organism, but other phytoplankton produce

toxins as well."

He said the target organism in our area is Pseudo-nitzschia pungens, a tiny plant that forms long chains that moves by folding and unfolding like a carpenter's ruler. Large blooms of this plant release domoic acid, which causes amnesic shellfish poisoning, a condition that can cause recurring short-term memory loss.

Volunteers must have access to a microscope and a computer and will be provided with about \$300 of other equipment.

ANERR's Rosalind Kilcollins said she has been contacted by potential volunteers from Shell Point to Gulf County.

If you are interested in finding out more about this volunteer opportunity,

Experts: Be cautious with henna

Last year, the Florida Department of Health (DOH) received reports of 24 individuals, both children and adults, who had a severe allergic reaction from a temporary "black henna" tattoo they had applied while vacationing in Florida.

There is no such thing as "black henna." True henna is made from crushed henna leaves, producing a green or greenish-brown powder, which is mixed with harmless liquids, such as oil and lemon juice, before application to the skin.

"Black henna" tattoos have become popular in recent years. The paste that is used for a "black henna" tattoo is black or brownish-black and dries more quickly than pure henna. The dried paste can be removed in approximately an hour, leaving a black finished tattoo. The danger of temporary "black henna" tattoos is that the black color might result from the addition

of black hair dye, which might contain a recognized allergen called paraphenylenediamine (PPD), which can cause severe allergic reactions in some individuals.

Before having a temporary "black henna" tattoo applied to your skin or your child's skin, be sure to check the color of the paste, which should be green or greenish-brown; ask to see the ingredients, which should be henna leaves, oil or lemon juice; and ask how long you must wait before removing the dried paste.

Seek medical attention immediately if you experience symptoms of an allergic reaction. The general progression of symptoms includes itching or burning, blistering, oozing, scab formation and, in some cases, permanent scarring. Symptoms might occur within a few hours or up to a few weeks, depending upon the concentration of PPD in the paste and how allergic a person is.

County CALENDAR

Thursday, March 26

- Spring Break — No school
- Franklin County Affordable Housing Coalition will hold its annual membership meeting at 6 p.m. at the Franklin County Courthouse Annex to discuss the coalition's future and elect three directors. For more information, call the Rev. John D. Sink at 323-0718.
- Wandering Star Quilting Club. Chillias Hall Lanark Village. 1-3 p.m. Call Christine Hinton at 697-2551.
- Luncheon and information specials at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Noon. \$3 donation. Call 697-3760.

Friday, March 27

- Spring Break — No school
- 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.

- At 8 p.m., The Dixie Theatre presents "Murderers," by Jeffrey Hatcher. The show features three one-act plays, "The Man Who Married His Mother-in-Law," "Margaret Faydle Comes to Town" and "Match Wits with Minka Lupino." Tickets are \$25. For info, call the box office at 653-3200.

- 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.

- Bocce Club. Franklin County Senior Center. 1 p.m. Call 697-3760.

Saturday, March 28

- Christian Bowhunters will host a free wild game cook at the Carrabelle Christian Center on River Road. Everyone welcome. The day will begin at noon with 3-D archery

shooting. Doors open at 4 p.m. to view deer mounts. Anyone can bring mounts to have them scored by an official. Dinner at 6 p.m. For info, call 850-591-1057.

- At 8 p.m., The Dixie Theatre presents "Murderers." Tickets are \$25. For info call the box office at 653-3200.

- The Franklin County School Board will hold a special meeting at 6 p.m. in the Willie Speed board room at the former Chapman Elementary School. For more information, call 653-8831.

Sunday, March 29

- At 3 p.m., The Dixie Theatre presents "Murderers." Tickets are \$25. For info call the box office at 653-3200.

Monday, March 30

- Spring Art Luncheon "Chapeaux & Champagne" at the Sea Oats Gallery, 128 East Pine St., on St.

George Island. Friends of Franklin County Public Library invite the public to a spring art luncheon. 11 a.m. preview and champagne social noon to 2 p.m. For info, call Jean Simmons 927-2303 or Joyce Estes 899-0866.

- Breakfast at 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.

- Billiards Club at the

Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. 1 p.m. Call 697-3760.

Tuesday, March 31

- Apalachicola Community Gardens meeting at 6 p.m. at Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce. For more info, call 653-9419.

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

- Bingo 7 p.m. St. George Island Fire Dept. \$1 / card. Proceeds go to St. George Island Civic Club. Call 927-4654.

Wednesday, April 1

- Card Club. Franklin County Senior Center. 1 p.m. Call 697-3760.

- Bingo for the Bus. Chillias Hall in Lanark village. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Call 697-9626.

Thursday, April 2

- 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009, 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 - RECONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING 50 FEET INTO THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE AND AN ON-SITE WASTE WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM 57 FEET INTO THE 75 FT COUNTY SETBACK FOR ONSITE WASTE WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS, ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 9, BLOCK 35, UNIT 4 EAST, ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY BEN BLOODWORTH, AGENT FOR JTB, LLC, OWNERS.
- 2 - RECONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A 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.
- 3 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT VINYL SEAWALL WITHIN THE CRITICAL HABITAT ZONE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 2, BLOCK 65, UNIT 5, ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY DOCKS 4 LESS, LLC, AGENT FOR DREW SMITH, OWNER.
- 4 - RECONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT AN OPEN SHED FIVE FEET INTO THE SIDE SETBACK LINE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 99 SOUTH BAYSHORE DRIVE, EASTPOINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY A.M. SHULER, JR., OWNER.
- 5 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A DUNE WALKOVER TEN FEET INTO THE SIDE SETBACK LINE ON PROPERTIES DESCRIBED AS 1452 AND 1456 EAST GULF BEACH DRIVE, ST. GEORGE ISLAND, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED BY GREGORY REARDON AND ROBERT SAYLE, OWNERS.
- 6 - CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT A STORAGE/OFFICE BUILDING TWENTY FIVE FEET INTO THE FRONT SETBACK LINE AND TEN FEET INTO THE SIDE SETBACK LINE ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 15, ALLIGATOR HARBOR, UNIT THREE, ALLIGATOR POINT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA. REQUEST SUBMITTED CHARLES E. COOK, AGENT FOR THE ALLIGATOR POINT WATER RESOURCES DISTRICT, OWNER.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACTING AS THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL CONSIDER THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ON APRIL 21, 2009.

News BRIEFS

Christian group to host wild game cook

Christian Bowhunters will host a free wild game cook at Carrabelle Christian Center on River Road on Saturday. All are welcome.

The day will begin at noon with 3-D archery shooting. Doors open at 4 p.m. to view deer mounts. Anyone can bring mounts to have them scored by an official. Dinner at 6 p.m. For info, call 850-591-1057.

Honoring Pop Wagoner

All Chapman and Apalachicola High School

alumni and friends throughout the community are invited to pay tribute to longtime Apalachicola football coach Bill "Pop" Wagoner at a reception in his honor, Tuesday, March 31 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Apalachicola City Hall in Battery Park. Wagoner plans to relocate next month to an assisted living facility closer to his son.

Carrabelle Cares yard sale helps pantry

The Carrabelle Cares yard sale held on Saturday made \$927.66 for the Carrabelle Food Pantry, plus a \$50 donation to the American Cancer Society, for a total of \$977.66.

Road repaving contract awarded

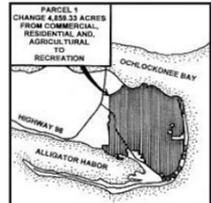
At their March 3 meeting, county commissioners awarded the contract to repave Gulf Beach Drive on St. George Island to C.W. Roberts of Hosford.

Roberts bid \$1.47 million, about \$100,000 below the \$1.56 million grant awarded for the project. Roberts' bid was about \$200,000 lower than GAC Contractors of Panama City.

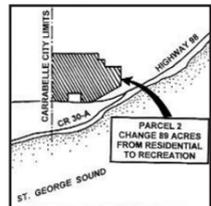
The road will be resurfaced from the entrance to the Plantation to the entrance to Dr. Julian Bruce State Park.

NOTICE OF ZONING CHANGE

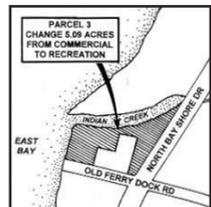
The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners proposes to adopt the following by ordinance: An Ordinance Rezoning Five Parcels of Land in Franklin County, Which are all Public Parks, to P-2 Recreational District to Conform to the Land Use Map. The five parcels to be rezoned are:



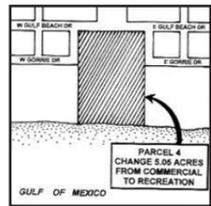
Parcel 1: Change 4,859.33 acres of Bald Point State Park in Townships 6 & 7 South, Ranges 1 & 2 West, as shown in the attached map, from C-2 Commercial Business, R-1 Single Family Residential, R-6 Rural Residential and A-2 Agricultural to P-2 Recreational District.



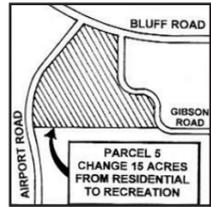
Parcel 2: Change 89 acres of Kendrick Sports Complex, located at 1601 Ken Cope Avenue, Carrabelle, as shown in the attached map, from R-5 Multi-Family Residential to P-2 Recreational District.



Parcel 3: Change 5.09 acres of Indian Creek Park, located at 93 North Bay Shore Drive, Eastpoint, as shown in the attached map, from C-3 Commercial Recreational to P-2 Recreational District.



Parcel 4: Change approximately 5.05 acres of St. George Island County Park, located at 2 East Gulf Beach Drive, St. George Island, as shown on the attached map, from C-2 Commercial Business to P-2 Recreational District.



Parcel 5: Change approximately 15 acres of D.W. Wilson Park, located at 100 Gibson Road, as shown on the attached map, from R-4 Single Family Home Industry to P-2 Recreational District.

A public hearing on the proposed changes to the Zoning Map series will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at the County Commission meeting room in the Franklin County Courthouse Annex in Apalachicola, Florida. More information can be obtained and the proposed changes may be inspected at the Franklin County Planning Department, 34 Forbes Street, Suite #1, Apalachicola, Florida 32320, telephone (850) 653-9783.

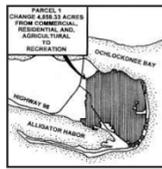
Persons wishing to comment may do so in person at the public hearing or in writing to the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320. Transactions of this public hearing will not be recorded. Persons who may wish to appeal any action resulting from this hearing should make the necessary arrangements to assure that a verbatim record is made, including testimony and evidence, if any, upon which the appeal is to be based.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS NOTICE OF LAND USE CHANGE

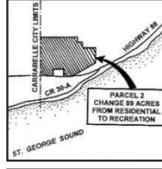
The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing, pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, to consider adopting proposed changes to the Franklin County Comprehensive Plan and the Future Land Use Map Series. The proposed changes include amending the Goals, Objectives and Policies of the Land Use, Traffic, Housing, Infrastructure, Coastal/Conservation, Recreation and Open Space, Capital Improvements, and Intergovernmental Coordination Elements to enact the recommendations previously transmitted to the Department of Community Affairs and Contained in the Evaluation and Appraisal Report.

Amend the Future Land Use Map Series to adopt a ne Hurricane Evacuation Route Map.

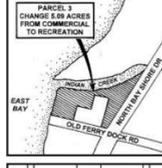
Amend the Future Land Use Map to change the allowed land use for the following five parcels:



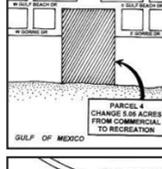
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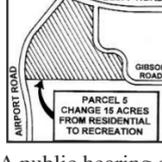
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1526T NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 83.806(4) (a), FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 83.806 (4) (a), Florida Statutes, the personal property described below shall be sold at Public Auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in accordance with the following terms:

- The description of the contents of the storage unit is believed to be personal property consisting of building material, ladders, plaster, concrete siding, a table saw and fishing tackle. The value of the contents is unknown.
- The name of the tenant is Mark Carroll whose last known address is 308 Patton Dr., St. George Island, FL 32328.
- The public sale shall be held on the 8th day of April 2009, at 10:00 AM, at St. George Island Storage Unit Number 7 located at 155 W. Pine St., St. George Island, Florida 32328.
- The contents of the mini-storage unit is being sold to satisfy a LIEN for non-payment in the amount of \$373.10
- The contents of the mini storage unit may be sold individually or as a whole or retained by lien holder as payment.
- The tenant may satisfy the LIEN held by St. George Island Storage and cancel this scheduled sale by paying the full amount of the LIEN owed to St. George Island Storage together with all interest, legal costs and fees.
- Lien holder reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

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 ST. GEORGE ISLAND STORAGE, LLC
 155 W. Pine St.
 St. George Island, Florida 32328
 Phone: (229) 242-7575
 March 19, 26, 2009

1587T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.
 PILAR FLORES, et al, Defendants.

CASE NO.: 19-2008-CA-000380

NOTICE OF ACTION

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Current Residence Unknown

UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PILAR FLORES

Last Known Address: 45 Alan Dr., Apalachicola, FL 32320

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Current Residence Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 1, BLOCK 11, OF GULF COLONY UNIT NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Marshall C. Watson, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 49TH STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE FL 33309 after thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice THE APALACHICOLA TIMES and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), disabled persons who, because of their disabilities, need special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator at 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320 or Telephone Voice/TDD (904) 653-8861 prior to such proceeding.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 4th day of March, 2009.

Marcia Johnson
 As Clerk of the Court
 By: Michele Maxwell
 As Deputy Clerk
 08-10906
 March 26, April 2, 2009

1625T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

In Re: Estate of ARRIE L. PARKER, Deceased.

File Number 03-000009-PR

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Franklin County, Florida, pursuant to the Order of Sale entered in this cause will on April 9, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at the front steps of the Franklin County Courthouse at Apalachicola, Florida offer for sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property in Franklin County, Florida:

Lot 3, Block 88, ST. GEORGE ISLAND GULF

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

BEACHES, UNIT NUMBER 5, a subdivision as per map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 16 and 17 of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida (the "Property").

Together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging. Provided that, the opening bid for the Property shall be \$128,000 (One Hundred Twenty-eight Thousand Dollars) and if not bid at that price or higher, the auction shall be cancelled.

DATED: March 19, 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson, Clerk of Court
 By: Michelle Maxwell
 Deputy Clerk
 March 26, April 2, 2009

1642T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

Liquidation Properties Inc. Plaintiff,

-vs-
 Elizabeth Mullins and Rodney Mullins a/k/a Rodney D. Mullins, Wife and Husband; Defendant(s).

Case #: 2008-CA-0179
 Division #: UNC:

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order resccheduling foreclosure sale dated March 9, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-0179 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein Liquidation Properties Inc., Plaintiff and Elizabeth Mullins and Rodney Mullins a/k/a Rodney D. Mullins are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, AT THE WEST FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED ON HWY 98, IN APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., April 9, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

BEGIN AT THE TERRA COTTA MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTH-WEST CORNER OF LOT 20 OF SOUTHLAND, A SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 4 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN NORTH 31 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 05 SECONDS WEST 330.20 FEET TO AN IRON ROD AND CAP (MARKED #7160), THENCE RUN NORTH 58 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 187.47 FEET TO AN IRON ROD AND CAP (MARKED #7160), THENCE RUN SOUTH 34 DEGREES 20 MINUTES 01 SECONDS EAST 330.63 FEET TO AN IRON ROD AND CAP (MARKED #7160), THENCE RUN SOUTH 58 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 51 WEST 206.01 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A 30.00 FOOT INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

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ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DATED at Apalachicola, Florida, this 11th day of March, 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson
 Clerk of Court
 By: Michele Maxwell
 Deputy Clerk
 March 26, April 2, 2009

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP

10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112
 Tampa, FL 33618
 (813) 880-8888
 March 26, April 2, 2009

1643T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Plaintiff,

-vs-
 Karen Beth Millender; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants Defendant(s).

Case #: 2008-CA-0220
 Division #:

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order resccheduling foreclosure sale dated March 10, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-000275 of the Circuit Court in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein RBC CENTURA BANK, Plaintiff and HENRIETTE BURNS A/K/A HENRIETTA DEROZARIO BURNS, et al., are defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 33 MARKET STREET, FRONT

LOT 6 AND THE NORTH 14 FEET OF LOT 7, BLOCK D (112), RANGE 10, PICKETT'S ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF CARRABELLE, FLORIDA, AS PER PLAT OR MAP THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 20, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DATED at Apalachicola, Florida, this 11th day of March, 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson
 Clerk of Court
 Clerk OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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 By: Michele Maxwell
 Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP

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1643T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

LaSalle Bank NA as Trustee for Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates WMAL Series 2007-HY2 Trust Plaintiff,

vs.
 Larry E. Evans; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Terrace Mortgage Company; Defendant(s)

CASE NO 2008-CA-000275
 DIVISION #:
 UNC:

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order resccheduling foreclosure sale dated March 10, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-000275 of the Circuit Court in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein LaSalle Bank NA as Trustee for Washington Mutual Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates WMAL Series 2007-HY2 Trust, Plaintiff and Larry E. Evans are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order resccheduling foreclosure sale dated March 9, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-0220 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and Karen Beth Millender are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, AT THE WEST FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED ON HWY 98, IN APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA AT 11:00 A.M., April 9, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 3, BLOCK B, SEA DUNE VILLAGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 21, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DATED at Apalachicola, Florida, this 11th day of March, 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson
 Clerk of Court
 Clerk OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Franklin County, Florida
 By: Michele Maxwell
 Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP

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 March 26, April 2, 2009

1645T IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

RBC CENTURA BANK, Plaintiff

vs.
 HENRIETTE BURNS A/K/A HENRIETTA DEROZARIO BURNS, et al., Defendants

CASE NO 07-000475CA

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment entered in Case No. 07-000475CA of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for FRANKLIN County, Florida, wherein RBC CENTURA BANK, Plaintiff and HENRIETTE BURNS A/K/A HENRIETTA DEROZARIO BURNS, et al., are defendants, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at 33 MARKET STREET, FRONT

LOT 9 OF FAIRWAY PARK SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 15, PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

DATED this 10th day of March, 2009.

Clerk Circuit Court
 By: Michele Maxwell
 Deputy Clerk

Greenspoon Marder, P.A., TRADE CENTRE SOUTH, SUITE 700,
 100 WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD,
 FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

IMPORTANT
 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at 301 S MONROE STREET ROOM 225, TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301, 850-577-4401, if hearing or voice impaired, contact (TDD) (800) 955-8771 via Florida Relay System.
 March 26, April 2, 2009

3100-3350 MERCHANDISE

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GUNS
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FAIR GROUNDS
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FREE PARKING
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MISCELLANEOUS
3300

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Heavy duty used trailer 7x16. Solid steel, 4 ft sides (plywood), dual axle, \$1000 or will trade for enclosed trailer. Call 850-370-6437

RESTAURANT/HOTEL
3330

Commercial Ice machine, like new, Paid \$1800.. First \$1200 takes it! Call 850-697-5000

HELP WANTED
4100

NOW HIRING
Buccaneer Inn
Housekeepers Needed
Must be able to work Weekends.
For More Information
Call: (850) 927-2163

CITY OF APALACHICOLA POLICE OFFICER POSITION OPEN

The City of Apalachicola will receive applications for one full-time police officer position. Qualifications include but are not limited to the following:

1. Florida Police Standards Certification preferred.
2. Must be able to pass required pre-employment drug screening and physical examination.
3. Must have a valid Florida Drivers License.

Applications may be picked up during regular office hours (8:00AM – 4:00PM Monday – Friday) at City Hall, 1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida, Telephone 850/653-9319, Fax 850/653-2205. Applications will be received and considered until position is filled. For further information contact the Apalachicola Police Department at 850/653-9755.

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FOR THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA

Betty Webb, City Administrator

HELP WANTED
4100

4100-4130
EMPLOYMENT

4100 - Help Wanted
4130 - Employment Information

HELP WANTED
4100

Bldg Const/Skilled Trade

IRONWORKERS

MUST have structural iron-work exp. MUST have own tools!!! Drug free work place! Call Chuck (904) 626-9354 Or Chris (904) 773-3903
Web id 34031113

Customer Support

Cashier
Clerk needed at the mini convenience store (blue). Must be able to work nights and/or weekends. Call 927-2163 for more info

Franklin County Tourist Development Council

Administrative Assistant

The Franklin County TDC is accepting proposals from qualified individuals to provide contract services as an Administrative Assistant. Applicants should be able to demonstrate training and experience in serving as an administrative assist and the ability to perform the following tasks:

- Serving as administrative staff for the FCTDC-scheduling, attending and recording meetings.
- Drafting agendas, taking minutes, handling all correspondence
- Maintaining an accessible public office/facility, maintain files and website.
- Respond to requests for information about TDC programs
- Assist the FCTDC in the preparation of procedural documents, request for proposals or bids, and contracts
- Collect information on tax revenues collected
- Process invoices and expedite payments with Franklin County Finance Office
- Financial-Draft and monitor budgets, create, present and interpret monthly financial statements and perform budget analysis
- Manage grant program including noticing grant program funds, conducting training sessions for applicants, oversee applications and contracts, monitor grantees and obtain follow up reports
- Maintenance and update of web sites
- Other administrative duties as requested by the FCTDC.

Respondents should provide, in their proposal, a per hour pricing formula that would include provision of the above services and facilities. Proposals should be submitted to the temporary administrative offices at Bay Media at 65 Ave. E., Apalachicola, Florida 32320 by 5:00 P.M. Monday April 6, 2009.

All work performed under this proposal will be the property of Franklin County, for whatever use and/or disposition may deem appropriate and shall have the full right to reproduce and/or use any products derived from the contractor's work under this proposal without payment of any royalties, fees, etc. The TDC reserves the right to accept, reject or modify any proposal submitted solely at their discretion.

HELP WANTED
4100

Franklin County Tourist Development Council

Administrative Service Package

The Franklin County TDC is accepting proposals from qualified firms to provide a package of administrative services to support the operations of the Tourist Development Council to include, but not be limited to the following:

- Serving as administrative staff for the FCTDC-scheduling and attend meetings, drafting agendas, taking minutes, handling all correspondence
- Maintaining an accessible public office/facility, maintain files and website.
- Response to requests for information about TDC programs
- Assist FCTDC in the preparation of procedural documents, request for proposals or bids, and contracts
- Collect information on tax revenues collected
- Process invoices and expedite payments with Franklin County Finance Office
- Financial-Draft and monitor budgets, create, present and interpret monthly financial statements and perform budget analysis
- Manage grant program including noticing grant program funds, conducting training sessions for applicants, oversee applications and contracts, monitor grantees and obtain follow up reports
- Maintenance and update of web sites
- Other administrative duties as requested by the FCTDC.

In addition respondents will include in their proposal administrative support and infrastructure to include:

- an ADA handicapped accessible office suitable for identification as the TDC offices, such office equipment as is necessary to equip an office including, but not limited to the following:
 - administrator's desk suite
 - clerical desk suite
 - filing cabinets
 - computers
 - fax and copying machines
 - facilities for meeting with the public and TDC grantees
 - appropriate signage to identify the TDC offices
 - office expenses to include:
 - utilities
 - internet access

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Good hours. Good pay. Apply at The Grill in Apalachicola any day.

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Coordinator
FLORIDA FORESIGHT, INC.
REQUEST FOR JOB APPLICATIONS

Florida Foresight, a Wakulla County based non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation, requests applications for the position of part-time Coordinator of the Big Bend Scenic Byway Corridor Management Entity.

A copy of the Scope of Services for this position and/or answers to questions may be obtained by contacting Florida Foresight, Attn: Bill Lowrie, P.O. Box 896, Panama, Florida 32346; by phone (850) 962-4138 (daytime only); or by E-MAIL billowrie@embarqmail.com. Resumes shall be accepted by postal mail or e-mail no later than 12:00 noon EST on Monday, April 13, 2009. Florida Foresight is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer

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6110

1 br, 1 ba & 2 br, apartment. unfurn electric/water inc. Tile floors, part cypress panelling, private deck 1 block from beach On St. George Island Please call 404-402-5573 850-653-6459

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Restaurant/Food Serv

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BLUE PARROT HIRING
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4130

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BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL RENTALS
6100

For Rent Space available for small business or office. Utilities included. Downtown Historic Apalachicola. 29 Ave. E. (upstairs) For info call Carol 850-653-3871

APARTMENT RENTALS
6110

1 br, 1 ba & 2 br, apartment. unfurn electric/water inc. Tile floors, part cypress panelling, private deck 1 block from beach On St. George Island Please call 404-402-5573 850-653-6459

1 br, 1 ba Efficiency, in Apalachicola, quiet, 2 blks from boat ramp, deck, AC, pet OK, \$600/mo+ first, last & deposit. Call 850-697-5000.

2 br, 1 ba \$499 Moves You In!! New Everything, near TAFB, 719 S Berthe, Panama City 850-236-4453

Heritage Villas Apartments

Accepting Applications for 1, 2 & 3 Bdrms. HC & Non HC accessible units. Some rental assistance may be available. HUD Vouchers accepted. Call 850-653-9277. TDD/TTY 711. Equal Housing Opportunity

1, 2, & 3, br
Apalachicola, FL.
Call 850-643-7740.

Carrabelle Cove Apartments

Now Accepts Applications for 1, 2 & 3 Bedrooms Units

- Laundry Facility on Site
- Water & Sewage Included in rent
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Rental Assistance Available Income Restrictions Apply Reasonable Accommodations Carrabelle Cove Apts. 807 Gray Ave. #38 Carrabelle FL, 32322 (850) 697-2017

APARTMENT RENTALS
6110

Furnished Loft Apt, in historic district. Cbl/wtr incl 1100sf high ceilings, Private entrance and deck. No smkg/ pets. \$750 mo. +\$750 dep. 850-653-3838

NEW TODAY
Lanark Village

Rentals
2 br, 1 ba, furn w/ w/d util. incl. \$700/mo. Remodeled 2 br, 1 ba, new appl. and w/d, \$550/mo 850-697-2220 or 850-509-3535

Lanark Village, 1 br apt. W/D, C/H/A, yard \$550 mo. 1st & last. Ask for Jim 850-697-2788

Lanark Village, furnished 1 br. Central air, screen porch, \$500 mo., No pets cat ok. (850)-766-7238

Small Effic, very private, Sec. dep req. Must have ref. + credit score. 850-653-6375

Southern Villas Apartments

Accepting Applications for 1, 2 & 3 Bdrms. HC & Non-HC accessible units. Rental assistance available. Call 850-653-9277. TDD/TTY 711. Equal Housing Opportunity

BEACH RENTALS
6120

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BY OWNER
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St. George Island

\$160 wk, elec, Satellite, Garbage included, pool table, 12'X65' deck with beautiful view. 2 br \$250 Call 850-653-5114

CONDO/TOWNHOUSE
6130

Carrabelle
3 br, 2 ba Unfurnished, W/D, D/W, CH & A, Deck, Poolside. Covered boat parking. Long term. PRICE REDUCED. For appointment, 850-877-7696.

Lanark Village
1 br, 1 ba, Renovated/ furnished end unit, new kitchen and bath, mini. 4 month lease \$495/mo + dep., no smoking, pet considered. (850) 653-3838

HOUSE RENTALS
6140

NEW TODAY
1 br, 1 ba, Stove fridge, newly remodeled C/H/A, \$550 month \$400 dep Next to old ball field. 850-251-3432

1, 2, & 3, br
Apalachicola, FL.
Call 850-643-7740.

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Chandler Hatfield wins essay contest

The Franklin/Gulf Retired Educators Association is pleased to announce the winner of its annual essay contest for fifth-grade students.

Chandler Hatfield, a student in Mrs. Audrey Gay's class at Franklin County School, submitted the winning essay. Each year, fifth graders are invited to submit essays which describe an experience or experiences with a grandparent or a grandparent figure.

Chandler wrote about fishing and other adventures with his PawPaw. Chandler will receive a \$50 savings bond from the F/GREA, and his essay will be submitted to the district and then

possibly state level. The F/GREA was formed to provide retired educators and educational personnel an opportunity to share their concerns with others locally, statewide and nationally. The association supports community service activities, retirement planning seminars, literacy programs and other activities of value to retirees.

Any retired educator is invited to join. You may contact our membership chairperson for information about becoming a member. The contact information is F/GREA Membership, 36 Alan Drive, Apalachicola, FL 32320.

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Date	Temperature			% Precip
	High	Low		
Thu, Mar 26	76°	64°		30 %
Fri, Mar 27	76°	63°		30 %
Sat, Mar 28	72°	55°		40 %
Sun, Mar 29	74°	54°		40 %
Mon, Mar 30	76°	57°		0 %
Tue, Mar 31	77°	57°		40 %
Wed, Apr 01	77°	59°		30 %

TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from those given for APALACHICOLA:

	High	Low
Cat Point	Minus 0:40	Minus 1:17
East Pass	Minus 0:27	Minus 0:27

To find the tides of the following areas, subtract the indicated times from those given for CARRABELLE:

	High	Low
Bald Point	Minus 9:15	Minus 0:03

APALACHICOLA

Date	Time	Height	Type	Time	Height	Type
03/26 Thu	04:46AM	1.4	H	10:43AM	0.5	L
	04:14PM	1.4	H	11:07PM	0.0	L
03/27 Fri	05:41AM	1.4	H	11:06AM	0.7	L
	04:30PM	1.5	H	11:42PM	-0.1	L
03/28 Sat	06:39AM	1.3	H	11:29AM	0.9	L
	04:50PM	1.6	H			
03/29 Sun	12:21AM	-0.2	L	07:42AM	1.3	H
	11:51AM	1.0	L	05:16PM	1.7	H
03/30 Mon	01:08AM	-0.3	L	08:57AM	1.3	H
	12:13PM	1.1	L	05:49PM	1.7	H
03/31 Tue	02:07AM	-0.3	L	06:29PM	1.7	H
04/01 Wed	03:24AM	-0.2	L	07:20PM	1.7	H

CARRABELLE

Date	Time	Height	Type	Time	Height	Type
03/26 Thu	03:21AM	2.2	H	08:30AM	0.8	L
	02:49PM	2.2	H	08:54PM	0.0	L
03/27 Fri	04:16AM	2.2	H	08:53AM	1.1	L
	03:05PM	2.4	H	09:29PM	-0.2	L
03/28 Sat	05:14AM	2.1	H	09:16AM	1.4	L
	03:25PM	2.6	H	10:08PM	-0.3	L
03/29 Sun	06:17AM	2.1	H	09:38AM	1.6	L
	03:51PM	2.7	H	10:55PM	-0.5	L
03/30 Mon	07:32AM	2.1	H	10:00AM	1.8	L
	04:24PM	2.7	H	11:54PM	-0.5	L
03/31 Tue	05:04PM	2.7	H			
04/01 Wed	01:11AM	-0.3	L	05:55PM	2.7	H

SOLUNAR

Date	Day	m = Minor		M = Major		Moon
		AM	PM	Rise/Set		
03/26	Thu	m 5:15	m 5:30	6:57AM		☉
		M 11:20	M 11:45	7:15PM		☉
03/27	Fri	m 6:00	m 6:20	6:56AM		☉
		-	M 12:10	7:15PM		☉
03/28	Sat	m 6:55	m 7:20	6:55AM		☉
		M 12:40	M 1:05	7:16PM		☉
03/29	Sun	m 7:45	m 8:20	6:53AM		☉
		M 1:35	M 2:05	7:17PM		☉
03/30	Mon	m 8:45	m 9:25	6:52AM		☉
		M 2:35	M 3:10	7:17PM		☉
03/31	Tue	m 9:50	m 10:30	6:51AM		☉
		M 3:40	M 4:15	7:18PM		☉
04/01	Wed	m 10:55	m 11:40	6:50AM		☉
		M 4:45	M 5:25	7:18PM		☉



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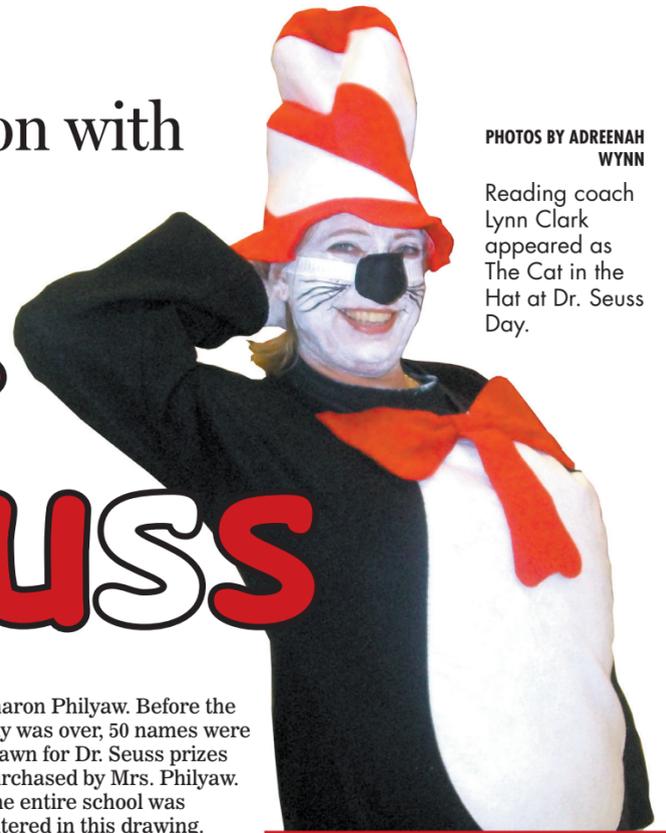
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An afternoon with Dr. Seuss

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Reading coach Lynn Clark appeared as The Cat in the Hat at Dr. Seuss Day.



On March 20, the entire Franklin County School celebrated the legacy of Dr. Seuss.

Starting the day off, the cafeteria prepared an eye-popping breakfast of green eggs and ham. Ms. Cheryl Creek's class, also known as Creek's Café, served a special lunch to adults for \$8. During lunch to make everything cozier, a wide variety of music was played and an educational slideshow about Dr. Seuss was shown.



SEAHAWK TALK
Adreenah Wynn

Among the dishes Mrs. Creek's class prepared for their 71 guests were Who Roast Beast (roast beef), Kartoom croquets (chicken), Cat in the Hat macaroni and cheese, corn on the Cobsk, Lorax trees (broccoli), Who pudding (blackberry cobbler), Diffendoofer cake (red velvet cheesecake) and Katroo Happy Birthday cake.

After lunch, special high and middle school students were paired up and got ready to read Dr. Seuss books to elementary classes. The high school students were chosen from Ms. Margy Oehlert's drama and Ms. Denise Roux's English classes. The reading pairs shared their books with the elementary students and carried out literacy lessons with each class.

All of the middle and high school participants got community service points for participation. They also got a special prize from Mrs.

Sharon Philyaw. Before the day was over, 50 names were drawn for Dr. Seuss prizes purchased by Mrs. Philyaw. The entire school was entered in this drawing.

"I really wanted us to go out with a positive feeling about Spring Break," Philyaw said. "Several of the students who read are struggling readers, and they got some good practice." Philyaw said she and Superintendent Nina Marks were

able to get eight Seuss books from the school library, seven from the Apalachicola Public Library and six from Marks' own collection. Ten more were purchased by Philyaw for the event.

"This was my way of giving back," she said.

This event brought the school together and made it feel like a happier place. Dr. Seuss books are great for children and adults. Dr. Seuss books are especially soothing to me because they give me a little taste of childhood and hit a place in my heart. Not to mention they can also put a smile on my face and make me laugh."

Thanks Dr. Seuss for your delightful books!



Above, Magon Ray was among the readers at Dr. Seuss Day. At left, Keyshia Mitchell, left, reads as she is accompanied by Jathan Martin. Below, the younger children enjoyed being read to.



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