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Vietnam vets escort Wall for four-day stay

The St. George Island Volunteer Fire Department hung a giant flag at the entrance to the city to welcome the motorcycle motorcade.

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Story by David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The quiet waving of flags mixed with the roar of engines to stir patriotic emotions Tuesday afternoon in Apalachicola.

Hundreds of motorcyclists escorted the arrival of a replica of the Vietnam Wall for a four-day stay alongside the Three Servicemen Statue that graces Veterans Plaza.

For the first time ever outside Washington

D.C., these two national memorials – one a detail from a statue and the other a half-scale replica of the black granite wall – will stand side-by-side.

The statue, and accompanying museum, will be welcomed with an opening ceremony Thursday, April 30 at 11 a.m. It will be available to the public at no charge through Sunday evening, May 3, when a closing ceremony will

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FISHY fashions

all the rage on Carrabelle riverfront

Story and photos by David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The annual fishy fashion show Saturday morning on the Carrabelle Riverfront added an ugly touch to an otherwise beautiful weekend festival.

Sporting all manner of flotsam and jetsam, from smashed plastic detergent bottles, to used crab traps, a dozen models sported a variety of outfits, each made from detritus from the sea.

It's all the brainchild of Carrabelle artist Joan Matey and her longtime friend Jan Neshat, who adapted the idea from a West Coast fashion show of outfits made completely out of trash.

Matey had met the creator, Robin Worley, a few years back while on a morale raising tour of Katrina struck areas, where trash was an abundant part of the scenery. Matey had watched how the trash fashion show was a big hit, and decided to modify the idea for a coastal locale.

"I'd do it with remnants of the sea, shells, seaweed, sponges — treasured stuff I've kept for decades from every walk I've ever taken on the beach that's been lying around the yard in buckets," she said. "Plus old fishing gear, sailboat accessories, old beach stuff that piles up in your shed, abandoned umbrellas, kites, rafts, etc."

She and longtime friend Jan Neshat, a Ringling School of Art graduate, dove into the project a couple years ago and created some incredible outfits, which they have been modeling and refining for the last couple years at Carrabelle's annual festival.

"We have over a dozen costumes at the present time, but want to keep making new ones as inspiration strikes us," said Matey.

The two newest ones this year were "Red Tide She Devil," modeled by Leslie Cox, and the "Garbage Guard" modeled by Steve Allen.

"We have added a little educational input, just some reminders of the responsibilities of coastal residents to not fertilize (which contributes to red



Dale Winchester holds his Argentinean tagu, a cousin to the Komodo dragon, after winning the most unusual pet prize at the Riverfront Festival in Carrabelle. The lizard is more than 5 years old, and is four feet long, but may eventually nearly double in size. Top left, Pam Schaffer, who teaches third grade at the consolidated school, shows off one of the more elegant outfits, with parasol, at the Fishy Fashion Show. At middle, Lee Norris shows off his primitive side.

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Ava Wojack holds Daffy, a Quaker parakeet, at the display put on by the Big Bend Bird Club Saturday in Carrabelle, while her mom, Rebecca Wojack, smiles.



Franklin County sixth grader Keaton Hersey, left, dangles from her rope after climbing to the top of "Climb On Us Rock Wall" Saturday in Carrabelle.



Athen Shipman, a Franklin County fourth grader, is up to his neck in sand at the Carrabelle Riverfront Festival. At left is Sydney Peddicord, from Tallahassee, and above him is Lexi Donovan.



Franklin County seventh grader Carla Dean waits her turn with other models at the Fishy Fashion Show Saturday morning in Carrabelle.



At Saturday's Carrabelle Riverfront Festival, Van Lewis shows off the solar heater he used to cook clams he harvested in Alligator Harbor.

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tide) and decrease use of plastics (that become a swirling soup of plankton like particles out at sea, causing lots of marine life to die)," she said.

These went along with such regular favorites as the "Maritime Marshal," modeled by attorney Dan Cox; the "Bayside Bride," modeled by local realtor Jill Archer, and her groom (and real life husband) local builder Barney Crutchfield; and other couture shown off by environmental engineer Lee Norris, Franklin County seventh grader Carla Dean and fifth grader Cayce Daniels, Franklin County third grade teacher Pam Schaffer; Tamara Allen and Mary Claire Lovell.

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Joan Matey, fashion show creator

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The fashion show, which Matey plans to export to other coastal festival, helped kick off the 19th annual festival, which organizer Suzanne Zimmerman, director of the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce called "the best one to date."

"The vendors were very happy and so it was a productive one for the vendors," she said. "They all asked to come next year and when they do that

you're happy."

The show featured more than 100 vendors and attractions, and opened with the Pet Parade Saturday morning. Seventeen entries took part, mostly dogs. No cats, but a lizard and a snake.

"It went very well, we were very pleased with the turnout," said Lucille Walden, who oversaw it.

Using money earned in a bake sale, the pet parade presented gift bags to the participants. Awards were given out for best dressed, best homemade outfit, most like its

owner and most unusual. Unfortunately, a brisk wind scattered the names of the winners to the four corners of the earth, and so they were lost following the festival.

Zimmerman said while hard numbers aren't available for overall turnout on the two-day festival, but "on Saturday the traffic was backed up well over the hill. We had police out there all day long."

Rough seas prompted one change in schedule, as Sunday's narrated pontoon boat ride on the Carrabelle River provided

by the Apalachicola Maritime Museum had to be cancelled.

"They couldn't get here because of the water. It was too rough," said Zimmerman. "There were a lot of disappointed people."

Three hearty enthusiasts competed in kayak races over the weekend, while scores of eager children, and some adults, tested their skills on the "Climb On Us Rock Wall," a 25-foot high realistic granite rock in the center of the action along Marine Street.

Master sand sculptor

Mark Flynn was one again back to create a giant maritime sand sculpture near the entrance to the festival, adjacent to the Kids' Zone, which featured Coo Coo the Clown, exotics of the Big Bend Bird Club, a "pirate's treasure hunt," hands-on animal demonstrations by the Florida Wild Mammal Association and "touch tanks" from the Florida State University Marine Lab.

The weekend's entertainment also included the popular singer Donovan Chapman, the Rick Ott Band, and "Elvis," impersonated by George Grossman, from Panama City.

This event was sponsored in part by the Franklin County Tourist Development Council and the Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce.



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County gets stimulus dollars for sidewalks

By Benjamin Rettig
Your Capitol Bureau

Franklin County will build three new sidewalks with federal stimulus money, but County Road 67 won't get repaved unless the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pays the bill.

Alan Pierce, director of administrative services, said the county will receive \$512,000 for two sidewalk projects on St. George Island and one sidewalk project in Apalachicola. "We just got notice on April 16," he said.

According to Pierce, these are the locations of the three sidewalk projects.

The Apalachicola project extends from the start of the Bluff Road bike path, at the edge of Magnolia Cemetery, back to Avenue M in Apalachicola. "This will allow children to get to the ballfield without riding on busily traveled Bluff Road," said Pierce.

The first St. George Island project runs along Franklin Boulevard from the fishing pier to the Gulf Beach Drive bike path.

The second St. George Island project includes various sidewalks in the island's commercial district, mainly along Pine Street. The exact locations will be decided in the next 30 days, Pierce said, noting "that if there are wetland

issues we'll have to alter the route."

"County Road 67 was placed on the application list for (stimulus) funds, but the Florida Department of Transportation kicked it out," Pierce said. County Road 67 is a hurricane evacuation route, which runs north from Carrabelle and has flooded in the past.

Tommie Speights, the District 3 public information director for the Florida Department of Transportation, said County Road 67 would not qualify because it would cost \$10 million to resurface. "We did not have the funds," Speights said. "The main reason it did not make the list was because of the amount of money it would take."

Speights said County Road 67 did meet some of the federal stimulus criteria yet money had to be shared with 16 other counties in the district. "We only had X number of dollars to put out," he said.

Franklin County is in Florida Department of Transportation's District 3, which runs from Jefferson County to Escambia County.

Speights said the money had to be divided between the 16 counties based on population and the gas tax revenues. "We just did not have \$10 million to give Franklin County," Speights said.

Pierce said FEMA may be able to assist the

county with repaving of County Road 67, but nothing yet has been designated. County Road 67 has needed work for the past 20 years, he said.

He said the bulk of the federal stimulus money is for big projects in urban areas and there is very little being spent in small areas. Yet, he said, nearly 400 people in Franklin are unemployed, although the \$512,000 will not be enough to change the unemployment situation.

The three Franklin County sidewalk projects will employ a "couple dozen people for a couple months," he said.

All rural communities are in the same boat," Pierce said. "We are at least 60 days until they start work (on the sidewalks), and we are going to try and spread the work out as much as possible."

Congressman Allen Boyd (D-Monticello) said, "I supported the stimulus bill in Congress because it provides critical funding for area projects that will help create jobs and strengthen our economy."

For more information on the federal stimulus, go to www.recovery.gov and www.dot.state.fl.us and click on Federal Economic Stimulus.

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Break-ins on the bay lead to arrests

On Saturday night, a series of break-ins occurred both in Apalachicola and St. George Island.

Lt. Ronnie Segree said the cases are still under investigation, but several suspects are currently in custody.

Some time after midnight, someone broke into the Apalachicola Bay Charter School on Fred Meyer Street in Apalachicola. They vandalized offices belonging to Principal Don Hungerford and Cheri Maxwell and obtained a set of keys that allowed them to enter most of the rooms in the school.

In a telephone interview, Hungerford said the intruders did less than \$200 worth of damage to the building but stole between \$500 and \$700. He said that they emptied the contents of several cash boxes including one in the front office. He also said he believed investigators knew the identity of the burglars.

"I was very impressed with how quickly the sheriff's department responded and how efficient they were," he said.

George Janos, manager of the Blue Parrot, said some time after midnight, somebody attempted to enter the Tiki Hut on the beach side of the restaurant through the thatched roof. Because the entire Blue Parrot complex is now wired



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The Tiki Hut at the Blue Parrot.

with motion detectors, they were unable to enter. When the alarm sounded, the burglars quickly left.

Steve Rash, owner of the Blue Parrot, said several people were later apprehended attempting to break into a truck in the parking lot of the Buccaneer Inn next door to the restaurant. He said one of the detainees had apparently sustained scratches attempting to break into the Tiki Hut and, on being questioned, confessed to the restaurant break-in.

Segree said the persons in custody are all underage.

— By Lois Swoboda

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Opinion

Thursday, April 30, 2009

The best protectors from bullies? Girls

By Cathy Keen
Special to the Times

Playground bullies may meet their match from where they least expect — in the ranks of kids who are anti-bullies — and most of them are girls, a new University of Florida study finds.

"Boys may be more likely to bully, but girls are more likely to defend those being bullied," said Jim Porter, who did the research for his doctoral dissertation in counselor education at UF. "While a lot of attention has been devoted to bully prevention programs, very little recognition is given to kids who jump in and try to stop the bullying or comfort the victim."

These playground defenders merit attention because research shows that a majority of school shootings are committed by students who have been bullied, and victims of bullying are at risk for dropping out of school, suffering from depression and bullying others, Porter said. Thirty percent of students in sixth through 10th-grade report some experience with bullying, either as a victim or perpetrator, he said.

Schools overlook good Samaritans as they are putting a growing number of bully prevention programs in place, in some cases relying on peer mediation where students resolve the disputes themselves, with mixed results, Porter said.

"What is missing in these programs is they don't incorporate children who are already known to help victims," he said. "Understanding kids who defend against bullying may reveal a new avenue toward preventing school-related violence."

Porter surveyed 168 females and 101 males about how they believed their mother, father, best friends and favorite teachers would expect them to respond if they encountered another student being bullied. The offensive behavior included hitting, shoving, name-calling, teasing and ostracizing. Participants attended four middle schools in North Central Florida and were between the ages of 10 and 15.

Peer pressure can be a good thing, the study found. Students said teachers and parents were more likely than best friends to expect

them to try to stop a bully, but they were more likely to actually intervene if the message came from a best friend. And more girls than boys reported feeling pressure from friends to come to a victim's aid, Porter said.

Eighty-five percent of girls surveyed said their best friend would expect them to defend or help a bullying victim, compared with only 66 percent of boys, Porter said. In contrast to this 19 percentage gap, there was only a 1 to 3 percentage point difference in expectations for boys and girls' behavior by teachers, mothers and fathers, he said.

Being female or having more feminine traits as measured by a gender identity scale also increased the likelihood that a student would defend a bully, the survey findings showed.

"Gender stereotypes that girls are more nurturing and boys are more aggressive definitely play out in how we expect boys and girls to behave," he said. "Somehow we communicate these expectations to kids and it can affect their behavior."

Schools may be the ideal place to try to help change those ideas, said Porter, who is now a counselor at Alachua Integrative Medicine in Alachua. "The news sometimes suggests that violence makes schools a hazardous place to be, but schools also are where we can learn how to get along with others and become adults," he said.

Giving a role in bully prevention programs to bystanders who step in to defend the victims on the playground and in the classroom fits in with the recent trend in educational psychology toward positive reinforcement, Porter said.

"There was a time when people were more likely to think of punishing bad behavior," he said. "Now there is a push toward finding and rewarding good behavior."

Porter said he has always been interested in the subject of bullying because he was often beat up as a "new kid" moving from one community to another. "I never understood but always wanted to discover why some students were able to jump in and help others," he said.

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Readers share their memories

I've been writing the column for a while now, and I get pretty constant responses from my colleagues at school, my students, my friends, people in the grocery store, emails from old pals, and people I have never met.

All have been positive except for two — one I received today from a visitor. The other was an anonymous missive to *The Times* insulting me personally and professionally. With no signature, the paper would never publish it. The content was vicious, and mostly education-related.

I have since been emailing the visitor who really objected to my instructions on how to pronounce "oyster" if a person wants to fit in around here. He is a career marine biologist and wanted to make sure I knew the correct pronunciation.

I think we may have patched things up a bit. I explained that I was not striving for Standard English. I was simply trying to explain the local pronunciation for newcomers who want to blend. It was meant in good-spirited humor. Our subsequent communications have been amicable.

My column about the old Red Top drew several

emails. One was from a couple in Kentucky who also had fond memories of eating there. They urged me to press on, trying to find out the drive-in's food prep secrets.

Cynthia Taylor and her brother Mike wrote to say that the red sauce for the hot dogs would be well nigh impossible to re-create. According to Cynthia and Mike, it was homemade barbecue sauce with never-measured ingredients. The pot sat at a constant low simmer on the grill.

Mike remembered serving the sauce over cabbage and onions. I guess that it is one taste memory that will stay in the past. I am still working on Cynthia to provide the secret to the hamburgers.

My students were fascinated by my recollection of the advent of pop top cans that I first experienced at the Red Top. I explained that the first ones peeled away to be discarded and provided a nasty sharp edge. I went on to say that's where the Jimmy Buffett lyric "stepped on a pop top" originated. It was a light bulb moment for them. I wish I could teach a class in Nostalgia 101.

My column on 4-H had a resonance that was unexpected. Bill Ford of Shawnee, Oklahoma, wrote to offer support on restarting the program. His business, Shawnee

Milling Company, supported the 4-H bread project in his state for many years. Why does he read the Times? It seems that he and his wife honeymooned on Dog Island in 1967 and bought property there in 1968.

Former resident Shirley Rosalis Barfield wrote from Lakeland. She was a 4-H state winner in the food and nutrition category in 1959. She remembered Bill Zorn as the extension agent and Ann Jeter as the home extension agent. Her fellow club members included her sister Betty Rosalis, Earline Hall, Phyllis Stanley, Delores Martina, Charlotte Bartley, and Martha Richards.

Martha Richards is now Martha Skelton and lives in Fairview, Texas. She is the daughter of Fred and Dorothy Richards, both now deceased. He was the county property assessor and Dorothy worked in the same office. They preceded John James, who preceded Doris Pendleton.

Mother was the Supervisor of Elections during the same era the Richards were in the courthouse. I walked downtown most days after school and did my homework in Mama's office. I remember tall, lanky Mr. Fred and short, round Miss Dorothy fondly. Eldon McLeod was the county judge. Betty Sangaree was the tax collector. I would make the rounds for a visit with

them all.

Now, this falls into the "It's a small world category." My dad, Steve Roux, was Martha's seventh grade homeroom teacher. She used to babysit for the Jeters in the house. Mama and Daddy bought when the Jeters moved. I live there today.

General compliments and support have come from Terry Lovett Hicks, now in Mississippi and Rocky Bankster who is now in Alabama. Richard Gilchrist, also in Alabama, wrote to say he remembered Mr. Jim Mosconis helping with his boat in 1973. Going even further back, Floyd Goolsby shared childhood memories from the '40s. He and his dad stayed at the fishing lodge my grandparents, Steve and Johnnie Roux, owned.

In addition to people with a real connection to Franklin County, many of my old friends are reading the column online. I am on Facebook and after so many years of not communicating, we are all trying to catch up.

This column will provide pleasant memories for some, and a brief history lesson for others. I hope I haven't bored the loyal readers who are new to the area.

Denise Roux is a regular columnist for the Apalachicola and Carrabelle Times. To reach her, email her at rouxwhite@mchsi.com

Letters to the EDITOR

Sunshine Law serves public

At the most recent Franklin County commission meeting, commissioners bemoaned the fact that Government-in-the-Sunshine in Florida limits their attendance at meetings. One even suggested that the law should be "got rid of" or somehow gotten around.

This is a very dangerous attitude on the part of our elected officials.

The gripe that the commissioners have is that two or more members of the same board are prohibited from attending outside meetings where issues are discussed which may come before them for later action. Thus, if the Franklin County Seafood Workers Association holds a meeting, only one county commissioner can be present (unless the county commission wants to never again write letters or otherwise take action on behalf of the seafood workers!).

This may seem like a severe limitation, but the Government-in-the-Sunshine Law is designed to keep the public aware of the process by which their elected officials come to a decision. Commissioners talking business on the phone with one another is forbidden, for example. Commissioners using a staff member or other person to act as a go-between outside meetings is definitely illegal. Commissioners sharing a ride to a meeting without members of the press in the vehicle is also a probable violation of the law.

In short, the public deserves to hear, at a regular commission meeting, a report from the one commissioner who DID attend the outside meeting. That way the public hears about it in an identical way that the other commissioners hear.

Adria Harper of the First Amendment Foundation is an acknowledged expert on this topic. Ms. Harper told me that for two or more members of the board to attend meetings on issues which may later come before them, each meeting should be noticed properly in the same manner that their own meetings are noticed, and that minutes must be taken and entered into public record.

One of our commissioners suggested that organizations like the Seafood Workers could just add some words on their advertisements or posters saying "Two or more Commissioners may attend." That is simply not within the guidelines of Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine law. Think about where it would lead. Do you want your elected officials to be able to discuss business at their favorite restaurant

simply because the restaurant ad said "Two or more Commissioners might be dining together here?"

If our current county commissioners feel they need to have more interaction with the public to keep up with the many issues facing us, they could begin by holding evening meetings. Many more citizens could interact with them then, including the seafood workers.

Gathana Parmenas, Carrabelle

Teachers overcome obstacles

The first year of the new consolidated school is coming to an end. There were a few bumps along the way; however, the teachers pulled it together to ensure that every student reached their academic, social and developmental potential.

Teachers at the new school faced many challenges: a new K-12 school, different colleagues and students, a new curriculum, and a new way of doing things. These obstacles did not get in the way of their professional teaching styles. Their love and dedication for students has made this year a success.

So during "Teacher Appreciation Week" May 3 to 9, if you know or meet a teacher, say THANKS for a job well done.

A Teacher for All Seasons

By Joanna Fuchs

A teacher is like Spring, Who nurtures new green sprouts, Encourages and leads them, Whenever they have doubts.

A teacher is like Summer, Whose sunny temperament Makes studying a pleasure, Preventing discontent.

A teacher is like Fall, With methods crisp and clear, Lessons of bright colors And a happy atmosphere.

A teacher is like Winter, While it's snowing hard outside, Keeping students comfortable, As a warm and helpful guide.

Teacher, you do all these things, With a pleasant attitude; You're a teacher for all seasons, And you have my gratitude!

P. Dykes

Creative arts important

We would like to praise those Franklin County School students who participated in the three talent shows recently held at the school.

On three afternoons, audiences were treated to students demonstrating a variety of talents ranging from acting, singing, dancing, and instrumental performances.

As contestants graced the stage, audiences were enthralled and applause filled the room as each performance was completed. We were glad that we did not have to be judges because all were winners in our eyes. From the expressions of delight from the audience, we could see they felt the same way too.

The talents displayed by our students are not learned in our school, but are self-taught for the most part. They are an extension of who these students are. As teachers, we sometimes forget that singing, dancing, acting, and playing instruments are just as important in the lives of our students as academics. It takes it all to make a person feel confident and good about himself or herself. Academics, sports, and performing arts are all necessary to round out a person's life.

If you have the talent to sing, dance, play an instrument, or act, consider volunteering in our school and help our children to experience the same joy you feel in doing it. You'll get much more back than you'll ever give. We need you in our school.

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This letter is in response to the gentleman that writes the Lanark News section of the paper, regarding the article concerning all clerks. The customer is not our boss, yes we appreciate your business, but take into consideration, we also provide a service to the community. If we were not here to do so, then what would happen to the businesses that employ us? There would be none and without those businesses there would be no communities.

As to cell phones I agree the clerk or cashier should not be on the phone, but the customer should not be on their phone or socializing when making a purchase.

As a cashier I would like to express my view on customer and cashier relationships. We are a part of this community, possibly your neighbor. So the next time you have to deal with a clerk or cashier, just remember we are only human and can make mistakes the same as you. I would also like to add; to get respect you have to give it first.

Wanda Doolan

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During the war years, women in Carrabelle volunteered to sew insignias on the uniforms of soldiers stationed at Camp Gordon Johnston.

Carrabelle explores history

Special exhibit open again this weekend

The Carrabelle Historical Society and the Historical Preservation Team of the Carrabelle Waterfront Partnership, in cooperation with the City of Carrabelle, created an exhibit of Carrabelle history in the former City Hall for the Riverfront Festival.

It will be open again Friday, May 1, and Saturday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at the old downtown

City Hall at 106 SE Avenue B.

This exhibit displays special treasures of Carrabelle like "Aunt Tillie" Miller's medical bag. The Work Life Room explores the industries that made the city what it is today, such as lumbering, seafood and auto repair. The Home Life Room features the glue that held the city together through the decades, such as faith, homemaking, sewing and domestic industry. There is also a display of old photographs and a few surprises as well.

The city of Carrabelle lent the building for the exhibit. The Historical Society is most grateful to all the

local citizens and artists who built it in two days with their generous donation of time and special artifacts. The hosts and hostesses who staffed it added that special touch.

The Historical Society wants to get copies of family photos through the years in Carrabelle. There will be a photo scanner available, so bring your old family photos so we can make a copy.

Bring the whole family to explore the history of our community. For more information, contact Tamara Allen at the Carrabelle Historical Society at 697-2141 or 524-1153.

Electrical problems at first responders' training

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

At the April 21 meeting of the Franklin County Commission, Jay Abbott, president of the county Firefighters Association, said a recent "live wire" training session held by Progress Energy had not been a complete success.

At the training session held in early April at Garlick Environmental Associates, representatives of Progress Energy were unable to complete the program because of electrical problems with the demonstration equipment, said Mike Rundel, coordinator of Franklin County Emergency Management.

The meeting was intended to train local emergency management workers in techniques for handling live wires in the event of an emergency. The training session was triggered by controversy over slower response times by Progress Energy employees ever since the closure of the company's Carrabelle work yard meant trucks were stationed farther outside the county.

In one case, firefighters were delayed at the site of an automobile accident for almost two hours and watched a vehicle burn, while waiting for a Progress team to arrive to disable electrical wires.

Rundel said about

40 workers attended the first meeting, where they viewed a PowerPoint presentation and ate barbecue.

In a telephone interview, Bobby Pickels, community relations manager for North Florida said in spite of equipment problems, those attending the meeting got the main message, which is don't touch live wires.

"This has actually given us an opportunity to set up a series of demonstrations that emergency management workers can come to at a time that is convenient for them," he said.

Pickels said the demonstrations will be held at the new consolidated school, and that Progress is working on some new policies he believes will satisfy the concerns of the county commissioners.

"Here they are trying to train us to do their job and they can't even do that," Commissioner Bevin Putnal said at the April 21 meeting, adding that he wanted the county to receive fair service from Progress.

Later in the meeting, commissioners asked County Attorney Michael Shuler whether the county has recourse against Progress for diminished services.

Shuler said he was researching county options and would report back at the May 5 commission meeting.

Prescribed burn planned for St. Vincent

Greg Titus, fire management officer for Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, said there will be a prescribed burn on St. Vincent Island on Thursday, April 30, possibly extending until the morning of Friday, May 1. About 800 acres will be burned. The fire will be on the Gulf side of the island. The area affected will be between roads 2 and 4 and from B Road to the beach. If you believe you see a wildfire on St. Vincent Island or any national refuge, call 925-5661.

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take place at 7 p.m.

"We had over 600 motorcycles participating, which I thought was amazing," said Jimmy Mosconis, the Vietnam veteran who arranged for the Wall to visit. "I was very pleased at the response today, especially on a Tuesday, in the middle of the week. There were a lot of townspeople down there, swelled with pride."

The riders, many atop rare and unusual bikes, threaded their motorcade beginning at the Florida border, and then through Wewahitchka and Port St. Joe to Apalachicola. At the city limits of Apalachicola at Two Mile, they were greeted by a giant American flag, held aloft from the top of ladders from fire trucks manned by the St. George Island Volunteer Fire Department.

Schoolchildren and adults alike lined the streets, waving American flags

distributed by Harry Arnold, and often reaching out their hands to touch those of the passing cyclists. A sign reading "Welcome Home, Vets" greeted the motorcade along Avenue E.

Riders from the Patriot Guard, American Legion Riders, Rolling Thunder, Vietnam Vets Motorcycle Club and several others joined in the motorcade. Overhead buzzed three Vietnam-era Huey helicopters, timed for the moment the truck arrived carrying the replica of the Wall.

Many of the riders, who were thanked for their efforts by Mosconis in a brief ceremony following the Wall's arrival, had never before seen the Three Serviceman statue.

"There was a lot of oohing and aahing going on when they saw what was there," Mosconis said. "They were impressed with it."



DAVID ADLERSTEIN | The Times

Schoolchildren reach out to touch the hands of passing motorcyclists arriving in town Tuesday as an escort to the Vietnam Wall, which will be in Apalachicola through Sunday.

The opening ceremony will take place on Thursday, April 30 at 11 a.m. An honor guard from Tyndall Air Force Base will raise the flag, followed by the singing of the National Anthem led by Tamara Marsh and the invocation by Charles Scott, chaplain of American Legion

Post 106. The Tyndall Honor Guard will hold a Missing Man Table and Honors Ceremony, followed by the singing of "At The Wall" by country singer Chuck Price, who now lives in Montrose, CO.

James Kennedy the Gulf County veterans service

officer, will offer remarks, followed by a salute to veterans performed by dancers from Pam Nobles Studio.

The keynote address will be given by Ann Y. Sherman Wolcott, past national president of American Gold Star Mothers, of York, PA.

Price will perform the song "Unsung Hero" which brought him fame, followed by the playing of "Amazing Grace" by bagpiper Chris Clark, of Apalachicola.

Schoolkids from the Franklin County consolidated school will present a special program at the plaza on Friday, May 1 at 10 a.m., under the direction of Patti Creamer.

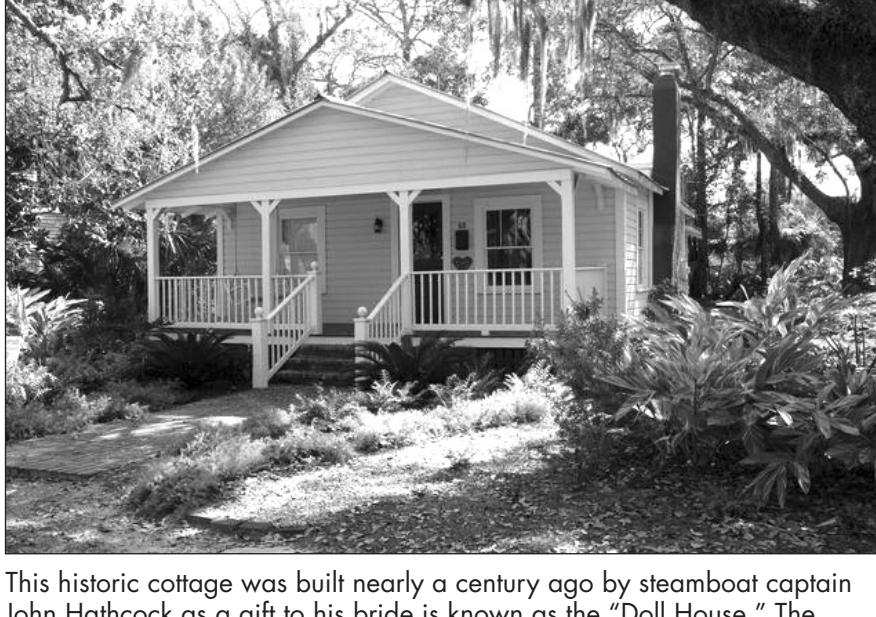
The four-day event, in which visitors are invited to visit the plaza and view the Wall from dusk to dawn, is a joint venture between its sponsor, The Three Servicemen Statue South, Inc. and The Vietnam

Veteran Memorial Fund. All are welcome, including veterans and their families.

The closing ceremony on Sunday evening will feature Sharon Philyaw singing the National Anthem, and Price singing "You Are The Heroes" and "Unsung Hero."

Bedford Watkins, a World War II Army veteran who fought in Europe, will deliver a reading, and the Pam Nobles dancers will again perform. The keynote address will be given by retired Army Col. Harry Buzzett.

The Times also is making available its award-winning full-color, 64-page glossy booklet "Reflections on The Wall," which features photos and stories of all the area men whose names are on the Wall. The Times asks only for a donation, which will go entirely to The Three Servicemen Statue South, Inc. Call 653-8868 or 370-6201.



This historic cottage was built nearly a century ago by steamboat captain John Hathcock as a gift to his bride is known as the "Doll House." The foundations are made of granite blocks salvaged from the ballast carried aboard the northern cotton ships which once docked in Apalachicola. It has recently been restored and serves as the weekend retreat for Tallahassee architect Warren Emo and wife Vicki.

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of the tour is \$20; advance tickets are \$15. Tickets may be purchased by calling Trinity at 653-9550, or the Chamber of Commerce at 653-9419.

A gourmet lunch will be available for \$10.

The featured home for this year's tour will be the former home of world-renowned botanist Dr. Alvin Wentworth Chapman, author of Flora of the Southern United States. Chapman was born in 1809 so this year commemorates the 200th anniversary of his birth.

Built in the 1840s, this house of classical design

is also a vernacular house of the period. The Chapman home was recently purchased by Dr. Helen Tudor of New York City. Renovation of the property is underway with plans to devote the first floor to a museum.

In addition to the Chapman house, more than a dozen historic homes and other buildings will be included on the tour. Apalachicola boasts more than 200 residences built in the nineteenth century and more than 100 erected from 1900-1910.

Featured for the first time on this year's tour

are the "Doll's House," located at 68 Avenue D and owned by Warren and Vicki Emo of Tallahassee; Greg Kirk and Leo Bedreau's Arts and Crafts style guest cottage at 67 15th Street; former mayor Alan Pierce's residence at 183 Avenue D; and 91 Avenue C, owned by Paul Barringer of Weldon, NC, which is believed to have been a cholera house transported here from Port St. Joe.

Also on this year's tour are the Chapman Botanical Gardens, Community Garden Square and Lynn Wilson's secret garden getaway.

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The system would require only two hours of electricity a day and would still work in the event of a hurricane. It would have a secondary cleansing system, after the aerobic system, which would produce 99 percent pure reusable grey water so there would be no need for a drain field.

"This system will not lend itself to high density," she said. "I love the island. I want it small, not big." McMillan added that the system could be financed with grant money.

Next three prospective contractors pitched their ideas to the hearing.

No silver bullet

Roger Register spoke for Tampa Bay Engineering (TBE). He described his firm as specializing in the problems of coastal communities and said he had no formal presentation. He said that TBA has offices in Tallahassee and has been working in the field of water management since 1984.

David O'Conner, an engineer for the firm, said that there was no silver bullet for the island's problems.

He said the cost of a feasibility study would be anywhere from \$20,000 to \$100,000.

Next to speak was Jim Waddell, representing Integra Water, of Birmingham, AL. He said Integra, which began as a cable television company, owns and operates 14 utilities across Florida and is negotiating with 20 more.

He said Integra sees the island's problems as similar to those of Key West and understands the need to maintain the quaint village community.

He said that Integra seeks to subcontract with local or regional firms. He also said Integra has already spent at least \$50,000 investigating the feasibility of a St. George Island project.

Integra has concluded the island needs a central water treatment system, half of which should be completed immediately.

"Since there are 3,228 platted equivalent residential units, density on St. George Island is fixed. We understand that building a long-term relationship with the community requires us to be good environmental stewards," he said.

Integra's proposed system would include state-of-the-art membrane filter technology, and would produce high-quality effluent which could be used for irrigation.

Waddell's talk was illustrated at this point with a drawing of the St.

George Island bike path surrounded by a tropical rainforest of palms and hibiscus.

He promised that the plant would be inconspicuous with a small footprint and would be resistant to a Category 4 hurricane.

The proposed site for the plant would be on Third Street near the sheriff's satellite station.

When Joan Young, Integra's vice president for business development, made her pitch, the commissioners balked.

She proposed the county finance the project with 20-year bonds and use tap fees to recover the capital investment.

"We have never floated a bond during my time in office and I don't think we should start now," said Commissioner Cheryl Sanders.

I feel like I represent the customers

The final speaker was Gene Brown, manager of the St. George Island Utility Company. He said he had begun supplying water to the island in 1974 when he had 20 customers, and now has 2,000.

He proposed to build a plant at the northwest corner of the island commercial area which would provide water treatment for structures from Third St. East to Third St. West.

"My option to buy that property expires in November," Brown said. "If you want me to do nothing, please let me know soon. I've spent a lot of time and money on this."

Mike Chevalier of PBS & J Inc. said SGI Utility proposes retrofitting existing holding tanks to work with low-pressure grinder pumps. The water would not be used for irrigation but would be pumped into rapid infiltration basins.

He said that while this is not state-of-the-art technology, it is an excellent money-saving alternative.

He also pointed out that native island vegetation does not require irrigation.

He said the system would withstand a Category 4 hurricane.

Chevalier said there would be 142 equivalent residential connections (ERC), but that the system was designed for 400 ERCs. He said the system would be self financing.

Brown said the plant could be online in 12 months.

What if we do nothing?

Jason Flowers, environmental health specialist for the county

health department said, "I think this system is needed, especially from Third Street to Third Street."

Commissioner Bevin Putnal asked, "What if we do nothing?"

Steve Rash, owner of the Blue Parrot said, "You would allow a lot of people to break the law. Something has to be done because you've got the whole island covered with houses and businesses that are nowhere near compliant."

Rash urged the commission to order a study to determine what the island's water treatment problems really are and what the source of the pollution is. He argued that many rental homes on the island have inadequate water treatment equipment.

"I live on the island and when I stand in my yard I don't see or smell anything that makes me think there is a problem with sewage," said Commissioner Pinki Jackel. "I know we have problems, but it's isolated."

Dan Tonsmeire of the Apalachicola Riverkeeper said he too favored an environmental study to aid the county in its decision. He said he feared the consequences of a centralized wastewater treatment plant.

"Excessive stormwater and density are things that are going to come with a wastewater treatment plant," he said. "I have to disagree with Jim (Waddell). The county commission can hold the line on that but in the past that has not happened anywhere else."

Island resident Gail Riegelmayer is one of a group of grassroots environmentalists known as the Goldenrods who have been discussing environmental issues on St. George Island.

"I don't support a centralized system," she said. "I don't think we need it and it would lead to higher density and overdevelopment. I would like to see a modular system. We should approach this problem in an environmentally sensitive fashion using the best and most sustainable technology available."

She said the guiding principles of her group are a system that is self-contained, affordable and sustainable with low-density development.

Riegelmayer requested that the commission ask Brown not to proceed for the moment and to create a task force.

"We need enforcement consistency to bring businesses into compliance with health department standards," she said.

In spite of an informative meeting, the future of wastewater treatment on St. George Island remains in limbo.

Silent auction enhances home tour

A silent auction of several rare and unusual items will be held in the lawn in front of Trinity Episcopal Church Saturday.

The auction will run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature, among other items, a 1930's Zenith Console radio, and an antique root beer keg from the Buzzett-Kennedy Drug Store.

The valuable keg, which still has the spigot on it, could be as old as 100 years old, although others think it is more recent.

Other items to be auctioned include:

- paintings by local artists Alice Jean Gibbs, Lynn Wilson, and Amy Friedman.
- two pieces of Kristen Anderson's work

• three Debbie Hooper aerial photos of the town

- two house rentals, on St. George Island and Indian Pass
- a romantic weekend at the Coombs House

- three pieces of pottery by local artists Bella Rudo, Gloria Austin, and Geri Anderson
- china tea set, Lenox dishes, and hand made glass

- antique dresser, armoire, and 85-year old children's rocker
- antique posters, books, magazines

- two wooden organ pipes from Trinity Church



This 1930s Zenith Console radio will be auctioned Saturday.

Pilcher organ
• miscellaneous carved wood, icons, and more

For more info, call Geri Anderson at 227-3302.

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Deshaun Winfield signs with Daytona State

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Franklin County High School senior Deshaun Winfield soared as a Seahawk this year, leading the varsity basketball team to a district crown, dominance of the region and a berth in the Class 2A Final Four.

Now it's time for him to fly like a Falcon.

In a quiet ceremony in the school's media center April 16, flanked by his family and Daytona State College basketball coach Anthony Andre, Winfield signed a scholarship agreement to play next year for the Volusia County college. It covers tuition, room and board, and can be for as much as two years, if Winfield maintains a 2.0 grade point average and completes at least 30 hours of study. He then will have a chance both to earn an associate's degree and showcase his talents on the collegiate level.

"He's deceptive," said Andre, an all-conference player at the University of West Alabama, who went on to play professional ball in South America and Europe before embarking on a coaching career.

"As he gets bigger and stronger, he's going to be fun to watch," said the coach. "He's got some unique skills. He handles the ball well, is quick to the rebounds and



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Deshaun Winfield, seated right, watches as his mom, Melissa Thomas, signs scholarship papers for his attending Daytona State College. Standing, from left, are Taveion Winfield and Stella Bryant.

he's fearless."

Winfield's mom, Melissa Thomas, who was front row court-side the entire season, sat by her son during the signing, accompanied by her sister, Stella Bryant.

Also on hand were Winfield's brothers, sophomore James Winfield and freshman Taveion Winfield. A third brother, Antwoin Lewis, a former Apalachicola Shark basketball player, is now at Santa Fe Community College.

Just as he was during the season, when he led the team in scoring and rebounding, Deshaun

Winfield did not do a lot of talking at the ceremony. He thanked everyone for coming out for the signing, and for supporting the Seahawks throughout the year, before wishing his teammates well next season.

Coach Fred Drake was instrumental in securing the scholarship for Winfield, reaching out early in the year to Andre through an e-mail.

"I like to respond to all e-mails. You never know what you might get," said Andre. "We can't see everybody and with the web and

DVDs, we're able to cover some ground."

Drake sent Andre film of Winfield, but that was just the beginning, as the 6'3" post player had to prove what he could do beyond just scoring points under the basket.

"Some of the things caught my eye what he was doing and it was enough for me to come up. Sometimes what you see on tape is a little different than what you see in real life," said Andre, who watched the Seahawks trounce Cottontale for the regional crown.

"I wasn't disappointed," he said.

Winfield's visit to the campus in Daytona sealed the deal, as he had a chance to play against some of the current players. "He played with some of the guys and he held his own," said Andre, who plans to transform Winfield into more of a forward, and hone his outside shooting.

"Now he's going to play facing the basket more," said Andre. "He has to get stronger. When he comes in, he's going to get knocked around a little physically."

Winfield will join a squad that went 12-19 last year, a rebuilding season that featured only one returning player, and seven freshmen, including Ramoane Jordan, a 5'11 guard from Niceville High School.

The 2009-10 season, though, will feature nine returners who will be called upon to mentor Winfield and the other recruits, including a point guard from Westover High School in Albany, GA, another player from South Lake High School outside Orlando and a third from the Clearwater area.

"These guys can have the opportunity to learn from the older guys," said Andre. "Ideally, that's what you want."

The coach stressed that the opportunity is more than just an athletic one for Winfield. "This may be his first 'job,'" said Andre. "The scholarship is his contract to go to school and play basketball and he has to do both in order to get a contract for his sophomore year."

Daytona State is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association and the Florida Community College Athletics Association Mid-Florida Conference.

While the 2009-10 schedule has yet to be finalized, last year the Falcons played in the Gulf Coast Community College's Thanksgiving Classic in Panama City, and against Tallahassee Community College in Ocala.

The school is approximately 340 miles from Apalachicola, a driving time of a little more than five hours.

North Florida Christian edges Seahawks for district crown

By Christy Thompson
Special to the Times

The Lady Seahawks softball team fell to North Florida Christian at home in the district championship last Thursday.

As could be imagined, this is a difficult article to write considering all of the positive motivation and hard work put forth into this season. The heartache is still fresh with this loss and most of us are quite bitter over the opposing coach's deliberate interference during the top of the sixth inning.

Despite the overwhelming amount of errors committed by the Seahawks, this interference was hugely detrimental to our momentum. We had two outs with two runners on base and this foul ball that floated over toward the visitors' dugout could have retired the bats of North Florida and spared those four extra runs. However, it actually went down a different way.

The opposing coach

didn't move, but instead just stood there and waited for third baseman Morgan "Noodle" Newell to crash into her while trying to field the foul ball, which inevitably hit the top of her glove and fell to the ground. Obviously, the Seahawks were in an uproar

this team all year long, but this time it really packed a punch. It was a hard loss for us all.

North Florida came out with bats swinging to score a total of seven at their first at-bat. The Seahawks answered with five runs and kept scoring throughout the game, but came up short, losing 15-11. It was the best offensive game of the season for the Seahawks, but the worst defensive game displayed by far.

Even though the mistakes were haunting us defensively, it was a great game to watch because the girls fought hard up until the very end. We were prepared and everything was in order for this game. There just isn't much room for victory with errors leaking over into double digits.

The Lady Seahawks will grow from this experience and only get better. It was a big game and we did blow our chances, but this will make these girls hungry for more next year. The Seahawks are

district runner-up and did receive a trophy to add to the display case. The Seahawks also play another game April 28 against Port St. Joe due to this accomplishment and still have a chance to further advance.

All in all, this was a much better season than last year's and I can only hope for that much better next year. The softball district changes for the 2010 season and will include Port St. Joe, Wewahitchka, Liberty County, and West Gadsden. I do still plan to keep North Florida on the schedule if possible. We have unfinished business with those girls and it also presents a good challenge for the Seahawks as well as publicity with area colleges.

Christy Thompson is the coach of the Lady Seahawks varsity softball team.



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN
Seahawks third baseman Morgan Newell, trying to field a foul ball, collides with North Florida Christian coach Leah Armstrong in the sixth inning of the district championship game Thursday. Armstrong made no effort to get out of Newell's way, which she is required to do, and declared that the coach's box afforded her "sanctuary" throughout the play. After conferring, both umpires ruled the ball had already been dropped before Newell made contact with Armstrong and did not declare the batter out. They did, however, caution Armstrong that coaches are required to give the fielder the right-of-way, even when they are standing in the coach's box.

Welcoming the new coach



JOSH WRIGHT

Josh Wright, above, the new head coach of the Franklin County Seahawks football team, introduced himself to players last week. On Friday, May 1, at 7 p.m. in the Franklin County High School cafeteria, there will be an opportunity for the entire community to meet Wright at a reception in his honor. For more info, call 670-2800. Photo by David Adlerstein.

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Apalach boat show winner a sentimental favorite

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

The 11th annual Apalachicola Antique Car and Boat Show ran like clockwork this year, thanks to perfect weather and the organization and expertise of Chamber of Commerce director Anita Grove and her staff.

Exhibitors and visitors to the show all praised the lovely waterfront setting and the friendliness of local people. All told, 57 antique cars and boats were on display.

The Saturday evening post-show mixer was catered by Grove's husband, Mark. Keynote speaker was master boat builder Roger Allen, director of the Cortez Maritime Mu-

seum in South Florida.

Allen gave a fascinating account of his career. Highpoints included organizing the East Coast contingent of the first American delegation to the world's biggest wooden boat show, The Brest International Festival of the Sea, held in Brest, France.

"I personally believe that a maritime museum can pass a great many good things on to our children," Allen told a rapt audience. "The purpose of a maritime museum is preservation of traditional skills and values. America has become a country where, when something breaks, you don't fix it, you go to Wal-Mart and buy it. That's not America. That's

China."

"I think building wooden boats will slow that down," he said. "Museums are not for moneymaking. They are for telling the story of the people. They should provide meaningful work for volunteers. Unless you have local people in there working, you're not a museum and on the water is as important as having tools in your hand."

He finished his talk with a demonstration of how to build a wooden boat, illustrated with slides, models and hand tools.

The Miss Helen returns

John Taylor's boat, the "Miss Helen," is a real beauty and how she came into Taylor's possession is a story worth telling. The 1960 Correct Craft Starflite won Best in Show in the 2009 Apalachicola Antique Car and Boat Show, but she wasn't always such a pampered lady.

The boat was purchased new in 1960 by Taylor's father. Taylor remembers spending many happy hours waterskiing behind her and cruising Lake Seminole, St. Joe Bay and the Apalachicola River.

Shortly after he went away to college, the boat was stored away in a tobacco barn and later sold to a man in Tallahassee.



PHOTO BY LOIS SWOBODA

The Miss Helen owned by John Taylor of Thomasville, Ga. won best of show.

In 1990, the new owner contacted Taylor to see if he wanted to buy her back, but Taylor said he had neither the time nor the inclination, so he lost track of "Miss Helen."

In 1999, Taylor made a visit to the Thousand Islands area of New York and while there, he visited the Antique Boat Museum in Clayton.

"Seeing the many beautifully restored wooden boats, I knew immediately that I had to get Dad's boat back," he said.

He contacted the "Lady Helen's" owner only to find

the man had passed away and the boat was once again in storage.

Taylor bought it but did not begin the restoration process for eight years.

In 2008 he heard of Rand Speas, a master boat builder in Welaka. Speas worked on the boat for two weeks short of a year and restored her to the dazzling beauty she is today.

She was christened the "Miss Helen" in honor of Taylor's mother. The boat was unnamed in her earlier life.

Taylor said the boat is original right down to the

240 HD Dearborn Interceptor V8 engine.

He was especially pleased to receive a copy of "How to Build a Tin Canoe" by Robb White as a prize. Taylor knows White and when he was growing up, his family owned a beach house next door to a log cabin owned by the White family on Carrabelle Beach.

"I grew up visiting that cabin," said Taylor.

"I guess I was just meant to own this boat," he said. "I turned her away once, but I still managed to find her again."

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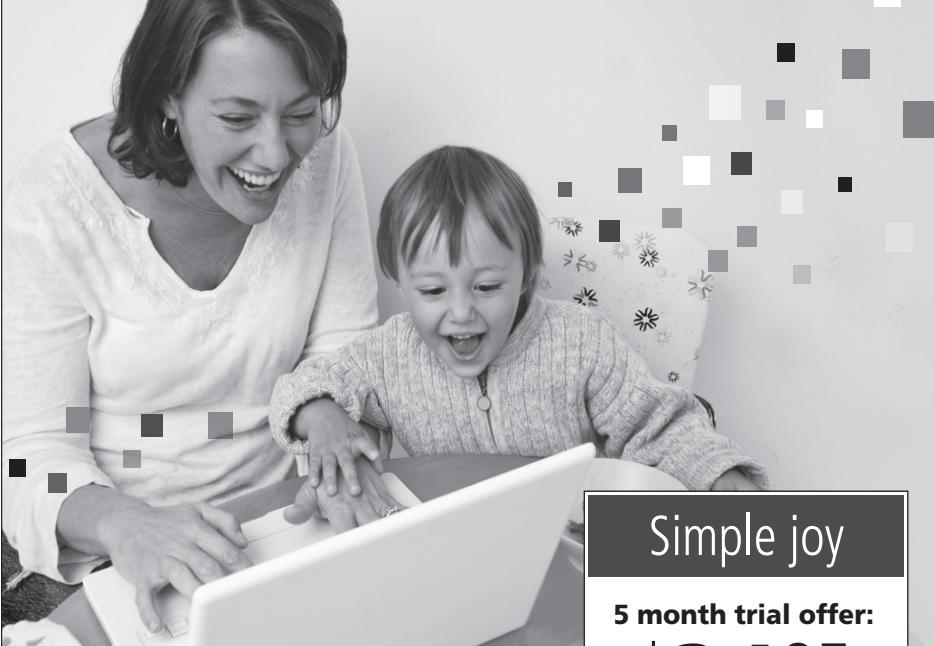
- **Best in Show Overall** 1960 Correct Craft Starflite "Miss Helen" owned by John Taylor of Thomasville, Ga.
- **Most Historic Craft** 1878 Double Sailing Canoe owned by Michael Grace of Melbourne, Fla.
- **Best of Show Restored** Carter Craft restored by Corky Richards and owned by Rodney Richards of Apalachicola.
- **Best of Show Launch** 19' 6" Rescue Minor launch owned by Dan Houston of Santa Rosa Beach
- **Best of Show Runabout** 16"

Radcraft owned by Steve Britt of Live Oak

- **Best of Show Sailboat** 16' Marblehead Gunning Clipper owned by Don Wagner
- **Best of Show Skiff** 10' 1993 Greg Lashum skiff owned by Stephen Haines
- **Best of Show Flats Boat** Willy Roberts owned by Gil Autrey of Apalachicola
- **Best of Show Paddle Craft** 1998 18' Pygmy kayak owned by Dan Garlick of Apalachicola
- **Best of Show Dory** 17' Sport Dory owned by Roger Pisholster
- **Best of Show In Water Power Cruiser** Garwood owned by Dee

Schneider of Carrabelle

- **Best of Show Fiberglass** 21' Sea Pearl owned by Stan Jankowski of Apalachicola
- **Best of Show Antique Motors** Raymond Maloney of Cairo, Ga.
- **Best of Show Antique Cars** 1956 Thompson and Studebaker Hawke owned by Cleatus Heaps
- **Second Place Locally Built** 16" sailboat "Wisp" Kristin Anderson of Apalachicola
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Deadline for all entries is May 14, 2009 by 12 p.m. (CST)

Two rounds of public voting will run from May 18 through June 12. You may vote online at news Herald.com, mail-in your votes, or drop them off at *The News Herald* office. Each vote is just \$1.00 and you can vote as many times as you'd like. Don't forget to tell your family and friends to vote! All proceeds from the contest will benefit Newspapers In Education.

The first place winners along with the rest of the top six vote getters from each category will be featured on a "Cutest Summer Kids" keepsake insert in *The News Herald* on Wednesday, June 24th and online Saturday, June 13. Also, First, Second, and Third Place for each category will receive fabulous prizes.

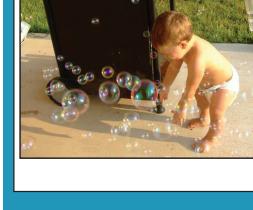
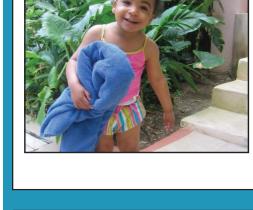
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GREEN / thumbs up!

Community garden taking root

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Franklin County has embraced community gardening with the kind of obsession that Yvonne Tolliver's mother used to say her daughter possessed.

"You ought to go to Gardeners Anonymous," she'd say.

Evidently, the addiction has spread to Yvonne Tolliver's husband, Arnold, who tends to their plot in the Apalachicola Community Garden at least three times a day. And his wife goes just about as much. Plus she has more than 100 roses at home in her own garden.

Theirs is one of the most flourishing of the 29 beds at the garden, sprouting a robust crop that includes red and white onions, radicchio, Swiss chard, tomatoes and peppers.

George Watkins has less variety, focusing on squash and onions, but his is doing nicely as well, as are many of the other beds in the garden across from the Chestnut Cemetery, sporting such as names as "Weed 'Em and Reap" and "The Garden of Eden."

They are some of the 54 participants in the garden project, so many that there is a waiting list to take part, at a cost of a \$35 annual fee.

On April 22, Earth Day, about 75 people turned out for a blessing of the garden ceremony, which stemmed from the city's Community Pride initiative. Held under sunny skies, those gathered were welcomed by Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson and Karla Ambos, chair of the garden committee.

The ceremony featured blessings from five members of the local clergy, including Vicar Martha Harris, of Trinity Episcopal; Pastor David Walker, of Covenant Word; Pastor Themo Patriotis, of First United Methodist; Minister Valentina Webb and her husband, Thomas; and the Rev. John Sink, a retired United Methodist minister.

Twenty-six of the beds were built by prisoners and, including the topsoil and the organic compost, run about \$250 each. The other three were built by volunteers.

Ambos said the garden project has been the recipient of private donations, plus the county health department funded eight of the beds. The city covers the cost of the monthly water bill.

Gardeners are free to plant whatever they wish, and other than requiring that they not use pesticides, "we don't tell people what they have to do," Ambos said. "A lot of them are very experienced gardeners."

Like Jenny Billings, Watkins, the Tollivers and Willie Joe Walker all have burst out of the gate first with their plantings. The Apalachicola Bay Charter School has been working a large plot, mainly cared for by students in Marie Lee's multi-age second-, third- and fourth-grade classroom, Karen Ward's kindergarten and first-grade classroom and several middle-schoolers.

Consolidated school creates beds of green

Middle school students at the consolidated school have been busy with their own garden at the Eastpoint campus as well, under the watchful eye of science teacher Spencer Tolbert. He teaches an elective horticulture class, mostly to seventh-graders but to some sixth-graders, and they have been busy since late last year tending their plots.

Mustard greens and radishes have been blooming lately, but at the plot tended by Curtis Gordie Jr., he's had a bumper crop of broccoli, cauliflower and chard.



ABOVE: ABC School third grader Sam Salman, left, and kindergartener K.W. Newell plant in the school's bed at the Apalachicola Community Garden. **TOP:** Tim and Candy Varnes, with their son Davis and daughter Eva, took part in the Earth Day blessing as mom and children check out some of George Watkins' crop.



Arnold Tolliver and his wife, Yvonne, are among the most avid gardeners at the Apalachicola Community Garden.



ABC School first-grader Kelsey Griffin tends to her plants in the school's bed at the Apalachicola Community Garden.

Tolbert said there have been arugula, spinach, parsley, even potatoes, and some mishaps, such as the tomatoes freezing solid.

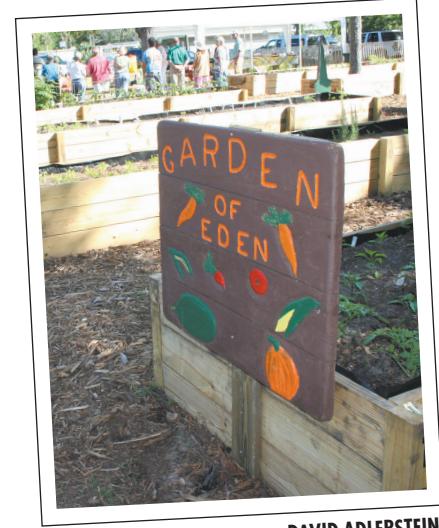
But overall it's been a wonderful project, exciting the students as they grow crops without the help of fertilizers or pesticides. "We grow everything from

seed," he said.

The students built the wooden beds themselves, one square meter, 50 centimeters deep, with the plantings built on a foundation of landscaping cloth.

"They know everything has to overlap like an old cabin," Tolbert said.

The beds use mushroom compost



The Earth Day blessing at the Apalachicola Community Garden drew a nice audience.

donated by Quincy Farms, which helped ward off freezing temperatures in January.

"I'm cheating," Tolbert said. "I'm actually getting a little thermal help out of this."

The plantings have continued up to this month, he said.

Gardens help combat cancer

Apalachicola is among several gardens throughout the state to have received a supply of seeds from the Florida Department of Health's "Grow Healthy" - Community Garden Project.

Part of the state's Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, the project is designed to support healthful lifestyles and cancer awareness. Research has shown that a nutritious diet and exercise can diminish the risk for colon and breast cancer. People can also lower their risk of cancer and other chronic diseases by not smoking and getting appropriate screening to treat problems early.

Selected projects have received a supply of seeds (green beans, lettuce, basil, radish, tomato and carrots), information on community gardens and health education materials. Winning entries also include gardens in Miami, Dade City, Bronson, Chipley, Spring Hill, Palm Coast, Bristol, Wauchula, Bunnell, Defuniak Springs, Live Oak, Brooksville, Ocala, St. Petersburg, Panama City, Tamarac, Jacksonville and Palatka.

Baby Showers, Birthdays and GRADUATIONS



Happy 92nd, Ms. Elizabeth

Elizabeth Culver Rodgers celebrated her 92nd birthday on Wednesday, April 29, 2009.

A big Happy Birthday from all her friends, Sister Essie Gillian, Nell Massey and Ruth Varn (Carrabelle) and Ruth Schoelles.



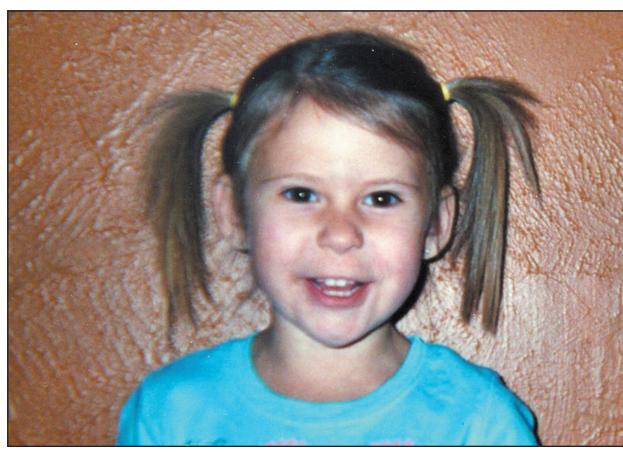
Green to graduate from Bethune-Cookman

Travorious Gudger would like to announce the graduation of his sister, Helen Elizabeth Green, from Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach on Saturday, May 9.

She will earn a bachelor's of science with a major in criminal justice. Liz will be enlisting in the Army following graduation.

She is the daughter of Benita Judson, of Apalachicola, and the late Benjamin Gudger.

Congratulations Liz,
We love you.
Travorious and Kaitina



Harley Gray turns 4

Harley Gray turned 4 on Tuesday, April 28, 2009.

She is the daughter of Tracy and Rick Gray, of Alamogordo, N.M.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Helene Square, of Eastpoint. Paternal grandparents are Jake and Betty Gray, of Amarillo, Texas.



Joe and Jimmy Square turn 8

Joe and Jimmy Square celebrated their 8th birthday on Sunday, April 12, 2009, together with their little brother Michael.

They are the sons of Philip Square, of Carrabelle, and Kami Kearse, of Carrabelle.

Maternal grandparents are Jeanette Kearse, of Quincy, and the late Jimmy Kearse. Paternal grandparents are Joe and Helene Square, of Eastpoint.



Krystina Branch-Arroyo turns 6

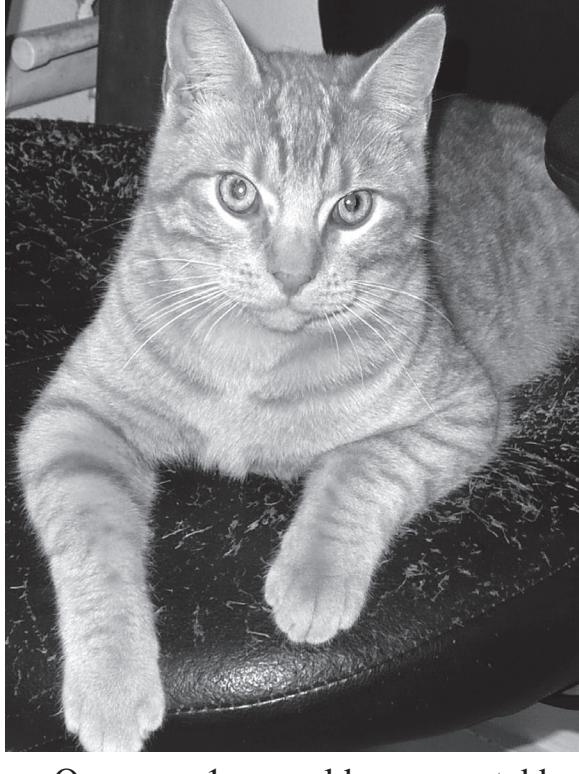
Krystina Branch-Arroyo celebrated her 6th birthday on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. She had a party last weekend at Cash Creek with her sisters, Autom Dillon and Maryssa Branch, along with friends and family.

She is the daughter of Amber Branch and Thomas Arroyo.

Extended family includes Nana Martha Aragueta, Great Granny Laurene Langley, Granny Joann Branch and the late Edward Branch, Uncle Stephen Branch, Granny Theresa Martina, of North Carolina, Granny "Big Big" Evelyn Nordbrook, of North Carolina, and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

We love you, Crissie.

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Oscar, a 1-year-old orange tabby cat, arrived at the Adoption Center a month ago. He is a sweet, truly affectionate boy, current on his shots and has been neutered.

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We also need donations of bleach, laundry soap, cat litter, dog toys and treats. Anything you can give would be greatly appreciated.



'Shame of Tombstone' pride of Panhandle



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Little Jimmy Thompson, as Mortimer Harshly, Jr., at left, relished his cameo appearance. Behind him, from left, are his grandfather, Big Jim Thompson, Laura Ward, Warren Van Bramer and Cierra Russell.

The Panhandle Players closed out their 2008-09 season last weekend with the most over-the-top, melodramatic and overacted production in recent memory, full of cardboard cutout characters and a ridiculous plot that made your eyes roll around in your head like dice on a barroom floor.

In short, it was a fantastic production.

Under the direction of Tom Loughridge, who doubled as master of ceremonies, the large cast brought to life Tim Kelly's "The Shame of Tombstone," a comic melodrama based on the morality tales of the Old West.

From the moment Laura Ward walked on stage in a skimpy maid's outfit, speaking French as "Fifi" with a Spanish accent, the show was a rambunctious evening of outrage, silliness, hissing and hysteria.

Margy Oehlert as the town's meddlesome moralist, Flora Courtland; Henry Kozlowsky as the cackling villain, Judge Mortimer Harshly; and Laura Baney as the scheming hussy, Peachy Jam, all kept the show moving along with energetic performances. Jan Sheddan, in her first big role with the Panhandle Players, added a touch of delicacy as the demure heroine, Amanda Goodsort.

The big laughs were generated by the host of other performers, led by Big Jim Thompson, as the Ole Timer, who was upstaged by his grandson, Little Jimmy Thompson, who stole the show as Mortimer Harshly, Jr.

Donnie Denig, as the sidekick known only as Sidekick; Royce Rolstad, as the Chinese pseudo-philosopher Wing Tip; and Jeff Ilardi, as cigar store Indian Lonely Wolf, were impeccable in the comic touches. Cierra Russell, as the chaste maiden Little Victoria, and her man, Warren Van Bramer as cavalry Lt. Pete Bogg, were perfect as the overly serious balance to all the hilarity.

Rolstad added a note of excellent stand-up comedy in his olio, a sort of vaudeville routine. Also performing their olos, which added variety and pacing to the show, were wondrous songstress Tamara Marsh, and comedians Elaine Kozlowsky, Jancy Loughridge and Liz Sisung.

The fun evening ended too soon with the cast leading the audience in a sing-along of "Home on the Range" and other famed Americana, accompanied by Tom Adams, who provided music for the show.

— By David Adlerstein

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LOIS SWOBODA | The Times

On Saturday, St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Apalachicola celebrated two important anniversaries with Mass and a community supper catered by Chef Eddie Cass. Father Roger Latosynski, right, celebrated the sacrament with concelebrants Monsignor Luke Hart, left, of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Gulf Breeze, and Father Yozefu-Balikuddembe Ssemakula, of Sacred Heart Church in Lanark Village. This is Father Roger's 25th year as a diocesan priest. Sister Mary Alice Neylon, center, also this year celebrates 60 years of service as a Dominican nun.

Church BRIEFS**Benefit Saturday for Carrabelle police chief**

The Carrabelle community will host a benefit dinner this Saturday, May 2 for Carrabelle Police Chief Fred Jetton, who is facing serious health issues.

The benefit will be held from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the site of the old Suwannee Swift parking lot, next to Ace Hardware, in Carrabelle.

The menu includes either a mullet or chicken dinner for \$7, accompanied by baked beans, cole slaw or potato salad.

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the works the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" — Acts 20:35.

For more information, call 899-4008.

UMC churches host low country boil

The cooperative parishes of St. George

Island United Methodist Church and Apalachicola United Methodist Church are hosting a low country boil and auction on Friday, May 8, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Apalachicola.

Tickets are \$10. All proceeds will benefit the Guatemala Mission Team.

Seventeen team members will be working on a construction project as well as holding medical clinics in the indigenous villages. As part of the medical clinic, the team provides health education. It also works on sustaining projects such as providing wells for clean drinking water.

This is the third year these churches have sponsored a mission team to Guatemala. They work with Porch de Solomon Mission in Panajachel, which gives the team the unique opportunity of working with the indigenous population as well as the many Westerners who live in Pana.

Call Missy at 927-2088 or 653-9530.

Thanks for all the festival support

It was good to see you at the Riverfront Festival last weekend. Wasn't it a grand affair? Plenty to see and do and the weather couldn't have been better! Looking forward to next year:

Last night was the final game of Bingo for the Bus until fall. The community wishes to thank you for all your support and hopes to see you in October. Maybe we'll have one a month during the summer.

Very good lunch last Thursday at The Hall.

Carol, Donna, Janice, and Nick did very well putting the lunch together, and your support was greatly appreciated. Thanks!

Attention Legionnaires! Your monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, May 5, at the Legion Post 82. The gavel

falls at 7 p.m. Members of The Sons will have their meeting on Wednesday, May 6, at 6 p.m. Try your best to be there!

When you see a man in a yellow apron, while you are out and about, please be generous. Our Knights of Columbus will be seeking donations for our annual Tootsie Roll Drive.

The donations go for the handicapped and mentally challenged citizens. Thanks for your support.

Be kind to one another and check in on the sick and housebound. Remember, contrary to popular opinion, God's last name is not Damn!

Until next time, God Bless America, our troops, the poor, homeless, and hungry.

LANARK NEWS
Jim Welsh

Jail and Bail to nail thugs for Relay

Hear ye, Hear ye. It is time that all good citizens and businesses of Franklin County participate in clearing out the community of riffraff, hooligans and bad apples.

On Tuesday, May 5, with the assistance of Sheriff Skip Shiver, as chief constable, and a judge,

the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will hold court and raise funds with its annual "Jail and Bail."

Suspects will be rounded up from their hideouts throughout the county, and taken by deputies to an undisclosed location for further adjudication.

Until they can secure bail money, which is placed in escrow to be used in the ongoing fight to rid the world of cancer, all those that are jailed will be fed.

To swear out a \$25 warrant, please identify the perpetrator and tell where he or she can be

picked up by a deputy and deliver "warrant" to either Gulf State Community Bank or Apalachicola State Bank. Please make checks payable to the American Cancer Society. Deadline is May 4.

For more information, please call Susan Hoffritz at 323-0560.

First Pentecostal Holiness youth shine at competition

Apalachicola First Pentecostal Holiness youth, a.k.a. "Zero Gravity," traveled to Jacksonville earlier this month to take part in a statewide competition. The competition was open to all youth affiliated with the Florida SonShine Conference. There are 254 churches that are in this organization in the state of Florida.

The Sonshine Conference belongs to the International Pentecostal Holiness Church.

The youth that participated in the competition were Josh

Dooley, Brandon Jones, Ciara Moore, Maranda Moses, Hunter Shiver, and Bobby Wintons. These six youth entered in five different divisions, and won first place in each division they entered.

First to take the stage from our church was Moses, who sat on a stool and played an acoustic guitar while singing an original worship song entitled "Close to You" that she had written just before Easter.

After a few other performances from different churches, Wintons took the stage to play a solo on the grand piano. Bobby played

"Moving Forward," written by Ricardo Sanchez.

Afterwards, the band "The Reel," which includes Moses, Dooley, Jones, and Wintons performed an upbeat powerful song entitled "It's a New Day," written by First Pentecostal's youth pastor, Justin Odom, and co-written by Jones.

The crowd became very ecstatic when the band started to play. The song came to end, with the large crowd giving a standing ovation.

Moore chose to worship in classical dance. Ciara did a beautiful interpretive

dance to the powerful song "How Great is Our God," written by Chris Tomlin. The final participant from our church was Hunter Shiver, who performed an awesome mime to the song "East to West," written by Casting Crowns.

Each of these youth is now preparing to attend National Competition at Youth Quest 2009, which will be in Greensboro, North Carolina, this July.

In all the performances and the winnings, the youth would like to give all the praise to God. Without Him our talents and abilities are meaningless.

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Obituaries**James Tinker, Sr.**

James H. (Jim) Tinker, Sr., a winter resident of Lanark Village for more than 23 years, died April 17, 2009 of a massive stroke at the family home in Brimley, Michigan. He was 83.

Mr. Tinker and his wife of 61 years, Thelma, were active winter members of the Lanark Community and life members of the Lanark Village Golf Club. Mr. Tinker was also an avid beach and river fisherman who rarely missed a day of fishing while here in Lanark.

At home in Michigan he and Thelma for many years ran the famous Tinker's Dining Room which featured family style fish dinners, supplied entirely by the fish he caught in Michigan waters. In later years, during the summer months he worked

as a net maker for other commercial fishermen and also was a supplier of handmade, birch bark baskets for Michigan outlets.

Born Jan. 24, 1926, he was a World War II veteran who left school early to join the U.S. Navy and served on the U.S.S. Zeeland in the South Pacific.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma; two sons, James H. Tinker, Jr., and Gregg Tinker; five grandchildren, and several great grandchildren; as well as a brother and two sisters. At his request, no public services were held.

Interment was at Hillcrest Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Condolences may be left online at www.csmulder.com.

Margaret Jackson

Margaret Jackson was born in Maryland to the now late Blanch and Earl Jackson, on May 17, 1930.

She passed away on April 19, 2009, at the age of 78, in Apalachicola. She is survived by her sister, Blanch Caldwell; and niece, Mary Lou King.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 22, at the First Baptist Church in Eastpoint, with burial in Eastpoint Cemetery.

Condolences may be viewed or posted via www.KelleyFuneralHomes.com, which handled all arrangements.

Shelia Miller

Shelia Diane Miller, 57, of Starke, passed away April 24, 2009. She was born Aug. 4, 1951, in Birmingham, AL.

She is survived by her parents, Rev. William and Martha Laney, of Leesburg; children Angel Hyde and Melinda Bell, of Gainesville, and Tracie Hallman, of Trussville, AL; sisters, Linda Jacobs, Teresa Evans and Sharon Bryan; brothers, William Laney and Anthony

Laney; and grandchildren, Jasmine and Brian Shockley and Chelsea Bell. Memorial services will be held Friday, May 1 at 5 p.m. at the Williams-Thomas Funeral Home Downtown, 404 N. Main St., Gainesville.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the American Cancer Society, 2119 S.W. 16TH Street, Gainesville, FL 32608.

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Worship Service 10:00 a.m. every Sunday

Prayer 9:15 a.m. Waffles & Wisdom 11:15 a.m.

Healing Service every first Fridays of the Month at 6:30 p.m.

317 Patton Dr. (corner of David St.) - 670-8825

Pastor: Rev. Beth White

St. George Island United Methodist Church

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour

201 E. Gulf Beach Dr. 927-4635 www.sgiucm.org

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School BRIEFS

Career Day

Shaping New Pathways, a career day will be held Saturday, May 2, at the former Apalachicola High School gym from noon to 3 p.m.

For more information, contact Myrtis Wynn-Williams at 850-774-8844. The day is sponsored by Project HOPE of Franklin County.

'Wizard of Oz'

The Apalachicola Bay Charter School will present a creative version of "The Wizard of Oz," under the direction of Temolynn Wintons, on Thursday, May 14, at 1 p.m. in the Chapman Auditorium.

The production will feature the entire elementary grades, from kindergarten through fifth, and middle school band students.

For more information, call 653-1222.

Community CALENDAR

Thursday, April 30

The Wall That Heals will hold its opening ceremony at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Plaza in Apalachicola.

Friday, May 1

The Wall That Heals will be open all day.

The Annual Historic Apalachicola Home & Garden Tour will host a free lecture at 6:30 p.m. by Mark Tarmey, preservation architect. For more info, call 653-9550.

Saturday, May 2

The Wall That Heals will be open all day.

The Annual Historic Apalachicola Home & Garden Tour will be held all day in Apalachicola. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Admission the day of the tour is \$20. Tickets may be purchased by calling Trinity at 653-9550, or the Chamber of Commerce at 653-9419.

Sunday, May 3

The Wall That Heals will hold its closing ceremony at 7 p.m. at the Veterans Plaza in Apalachicola.

Tuesday, May 5

Franklin County Commission meets at 9 a.m. at courthouse annex. For more info, call 653-8861, ext. 100.

Apalachicola City Commission meets at 6 p.m. at the City Hall in Battery Park. For more info, call 653-8715.

Wednesday, May 6

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce Monthly Business Luncheon will be held at noon at the Blue Parrot at 68 West Gorrie Drive, St. George Island. For info, call 653-9419.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Notice is hereby given that, Sue Cronkite the holders of the following certificate have filed said certificate for tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 344 Year of issuance: 2006

Description of property: Sections Two (2) and Three (3) of Township Eight (8) South, and Thirty-Four (34) and Thirty-Five (35) of Township Seven (7) South, Range Five (5) West. Further Legal Description may be viewed in Clerk's Office.

PARCEL NO: 35-07S-05W-0000-0260-0000

Name is which assessed: Robert C. Lawrence, Jr.

All of said property being in the State of Florida, Franklin County.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door on the second Monday in the month of May 2009, which is the 11th day of May 2009 at 11:00 a.m. Dated this 27th of March 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk of Courts
Franklin County, Florida
By: Cassie B. Sapp, Deputy Clerk

School News

Honor ROLLS

ABC SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following Apalachicola Bay Charter School students for making the honor roll for the third nine week grading period of the 2008-2009 school year:

Kindergarten

Perfect Attendance: Bradley Lee.

First grade

All A's: Eden Rash, Connor Messer, Rebecca Willis, Chloe Davis, Scout McLemore, Jayden Justice, Cade Juno, Kalahn Kent, Faith Cooper, Bailey Herrington, Alyssa Martina, Savannah Parker, Camille Williams, Jake Norred, Alyssa Robinson.

A/B: Allison Register, Kassidy Raffield, Krista Kelley, Brock Shiver, Elan Blitch, Hunter Davis, Summer Granger, Vincent Guidry, Adrian Pruett.

Perfect attendance:

Jathan Proctor.

Second grade

All A's: Christian Amison, Bryce Kent, Damien Freeman, Angel Henning, Sophia Kirvin, Wesley Benoit, Jaiden Hill, Alexus Johnson.

A/B: Antiuana Croom, Matthew Cox, Charlie Carter, Hailey Gay, Lexi Holland, Ian Lashley, Christopher Newell, Karo-lynn Myers.

Perfect attendance: Angel Henning, Maleek Moore, Bryce Kent.

Third grade

All A's: Rebekah Lee, Natalie Terhune, Ethan Moses, Brian Barfield, Michaela Cassidy, Faith Sapp, Lucas Sasnett, Savannah Montgomery, Corie Cates, Brooke Martina, Kate McLemore, Camilla Shiver, Connor Rash, Jaylunn Obee, Landen Abel.

FRANKLIN COUNTY ELEMENTARY

The following is the honor roll for the third Nine-Week period at Franklin County Elementary School.

Pre-K

Tate Stanley and Adam Moseley

Kindergarten

Good Citizen: Kerri Garner, Audry Yowell, Katie Grace Newman, Alaina Wilson

All A's: Layla Chisholm, Hollie Larkin, Charlee Winchester, Kyle Campbell, Brooklyn Turner, Logan Waller, Austin Gray, Landen Millender, Katie Grace Newman, Clinton Rester, Kelson Smith, Tressie Edwards, Brycin Huckabee and Makayla Varner

A/B: Gage Boone, Stephen Malone, Shirah Pelt, Cole Shelley, Jasmine Colon, Trederriion Jones, Ashton Topham, Joshua Yancey, Wilson Roberts, Capri Cargill, Dawson

Hooker, Maliah Lockley, Tony Millender, Aaliyah Moran, Emma Pace, Krystina Arroyo, Destanie Proctor, Justice Smith, Madalyn Thompson, Joshua Farmer, Alex Howard, and Alexis Wheatley

First grade

Good Citizen: Morgan Malone, Rayna Chandler, Isaiyah Barber, Kynsie Erickson

All A's: Chasity Ard, Amber Fancis, Nicolas Hutchins, Darcy Kelly, Mikel Register, Jacob Shirley, Shelby Thompson, Krista Fuller, Xanthia Mason, Jesse Ray, Sue Richardson, Jackson Meyer, Summer Cepull, Rosie Davis, Takiah Ford, Chloe Owens, Keondre Sewell, Drake Stanley and Jace Faircloth

A/B: Dyna Edgecomb, Damian Evans, Kaleb Foley, Bruce Keith, LaTeesa Taylor, Cale Barber, Shaylen Langley, Payton Linville, Patrick Tipton, Kyron Wheeler, Kristianna Wilson

and Deborah Dempsey

A/B: Kristen Bryan, Bria Walker, Ally Millender, Ryan Babb, Logan McLeod, Austin Martina, Lea Venable and Jathan Martin

Eighth grade

All A's: Carla Lewis

A/B: Cheyenne Martin, Katie Wood, Miranda Pilger, Morgan Kelley, Taylor Herrington, Stephanie Marxsen and Elton Olivera

NOTICE

Franklin County Board of County Commissioners has agreed to re-zone the speed limit of all St. George Island (SGI) paved roads to 25 mph and all dirt or asphalt milling roads to 20 mph, except East & West Gulf Beach Dr. which remain as posted. Commissioners have also agreed to re-zone the speed limit of Crooked River Road (a.k.a. Mc Intyre Road) to 25 mph.

A/B: Amanda Butler, Shaylee Crews, Sara Gibbs, Nic Joanos, Kobe Myers, Katelynn Denney, Gabriel Guidry, Georjanna Meyers, Branden Osburn, Jacob Pendleton, Sara Pouncey, Alyssia Shirah, Joseph Martinez, Allie Zingarelli, Simon Hodgson, Andrew Nguyen, Sam Salman, Preston Burkett.

Perfect attendance: Greysen Creamer, Logan Crosby, Emily Zingarelli.

Fifth grade

All A's: Adriane Elliott, Skylah Obee, Dallas Shiver, Joshua Patriotis.

A/B: Maya Blitch, Celest Creamer, Gabby Bond, Glory Miller, Spencer Strickland, Nick Barwick.

Perfect attendance: Maya Blitch, Alyssa Creamer, Adriane Elliott, Amber Henning, Brooke Parker.

gan Creamer, Kaitlin Griner, Alexis Philpotts, Austin Rowland, Katie Seger, Alyssa Varnes, Jared Zingarelli.

Perfect attendance: Logan Allen, Magen Creamer, Travis Moore.

Seventh grade

All A's: Kristen Burkett, Graham Kirvin, Jessica Shields, James Bailey.

A/B: Gracyn Kirvin, Holly Furr, Dwayne Griggs, Kevan Killoran, James Newell, Brandy Parker.

Perfect attendance: Kristina Boyd.

Eighth grade

All A's: Elisha Patriotis, Morgan Walker, Emily Cash.

A/B: Christina Collins, Whitney Vause, Hannah Pruitt, Austin Smith, Seth Ward, Griffin Kahn.

Perfect attendance: Jake Shuler, Emily Cash.

Sixth grade

All A's: Amanda Anthony, Gracyn Butler, Sasha Carr, Era Cooper, Brooke Frye, Trinity Henderson, Kelsey Shuler, Chase Taranto.

A/B: Katie Abel, Logan Allen, Corey Bratton, Me-

A/B: Tyler Banks, Cash Creamer, Kayla Pilger, Ann Reeder, Corbin Rester, Connor Smith, Dylan Burch, Zach May, Marty Sawesky, Alexis Segree, Levi Spruill, Tyanna Townsend, Matthew Drennen, Colby Estes, Myranda McLeod, Chelsea Register

Fifth grade

Good Citizens: Jaylyn Lyston, Justin Byrd and Bre Barrack

All A's: Cayce Daniels, Kendall Meyer, Amelia Newman, Krista Martina, Lael Parker, Anna Riley, Ricky Edgecomb and Shadown Earl

A/B: Tiffany Bentley, Tori Cook, Michal Glory, Rebecca Kearse, Jared King, Jaylynn Lyston, Brandon Walker, Bradley Gordie, Grant Smith, River Banks, Matthew Glory, Jacob Montgomery, Destiny Stovall, Faletta Davis, Trenton Lee, Winter Millender, Jessica Schmidt, Rebecca Carroll and Hollie Shiver

Fourth grade

Good Citizen: Thomas Subbarao-Copley

All A's: Abby Harris, Charles Petty, Adriana Butler, Thomas Subbarao-Copley, Melody Hartsfield, Bobby Kilgore, Scout Segree and Jackson Subbarao-Copley

Third grade

Good Citizen: Landon Chisholm, Hannah Barnett, Evangelina Goodson

All A's: Harper West-

brook, Ana Aguilar, Morgan Gragg, Zander McCalpin, Teri Messer and Honest Williams

A/B: Jacob Stalvey, Evangelina Ducker, Cypress Earl, Timothy Shuler, Anastasia Smith, Madison Smith, Allison Yowell, Amberly Moseley, Yanni Pateritsas, Cassie Moore, Tylyn Gillikin, Braxton McKnight, Jesse Page, Sallie Paul, Shayna Richards, Dalyn Sheridan, Corey Boyce, Quantarius Bell, Jade Johnson, Asher Martin, Marjorie Morrow, Summer Amerson, Morgan Anderson, William Lee and Justin Arellano,

10th grade

All A's: Shelby Shiver, Kayleigh Harper, Ashley Moseley and Breanna Cook

A/B: Jimmy Goggins, Drewe Chisholm, Thomas Monroe, James Winfield, Eric Carranza, Robbie Butler, Ashley Strevel and Lakota Humble

11th grade

All A's: Russell Simmons, Isabel Pateritsas, Dustin Putnal, Kendyl Hardy and Katie Brannan

A/B: Jessica Velasquez, Cecilia James, Heather Kemper, Miranda Coatey, Gary Larsen, Damien Davis and Adrienne Chambers

12th grade

All A's: Christopher Sanders, Angie Ochala, Cheree Whiddon, Zach Ward and Desirree Trest

A/B: Derek Salyer, Bobby Garrett, Chelsea Soderholm, Alana Hutchins, Jammi Giometta and Khristal Davis

The following legal notice is to be published one time in the Apalachicola/Carrabelle Times:

Notice is hereby given:

Glenn J. Crowell
1216 Brunell Street
Waycross, GA 00000

Emory Ross
318 Earl King Street
Apalachicola, FL 32320

Ottis Eugene Russell
PO Box 149
Eastpoint, FL 32328

Amanda Topham
602 Wilderness Road
Eastpoint, FL 32328

Dominic AD Lockley
103 Earl King Street
Apalachicola, FL 32320

Shannon Montgomery
105 9th Street
Apalachicola, FL 32320

You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Apalachicola, Florida, no later than (30) days after the date of this publishing. Failure to respond will result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system.

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whose address is P.O. Box 143107, Miami, Florida 33114, 30 days from the first publication date, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiffs attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated on the 16th day of April, 2009

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk-of Court
By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk

If you have a disability which requires special accommodations in order for you to participate in this proceeding, please contact Kendall Wade, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Court at (904) 875-8629 or write to P.O. Box 1649, Quincy, Florida 32853 at least (7) days before the scheduled proceeding. He will facilitate your attendance in accordance with the American Disabilities Act.

April 30, May 7, 2009

2067T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, Plaintiff,

VS.

KAREN BETH MILLENDER; UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CLAUDE CRAWFORD RICHARDS DECEASED; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA ELLEN MARTIN ROMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KAREN BETH MILLENDER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT B ARNOLD; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

CASE NO.: 19-2008-CA-0234

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 25th day of August, 2008 and entered in Case No. 19-2008-CA-0234, of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA is the Plaintiff and KAREN BETH MILLENDER; UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CLAUDE CRAWFORD RICHARDS , DECEASED; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BARBARA ELLEN MARTIN ROMAN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KAREN BETH MILLENDER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROBERT B ARNOLD; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the ON FRONT STEPS OF COURTHOUSE at the Franklin County Courthouse in Apalachicola, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 4th day of June, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final

LOTS 3, 4, 5, AND 6, BLOCK 3 (BLOCK 178 OF OFFICIAL MAP OF CITY OF CARRABELLE, DECEMBER 1956), KEOUGH'S FIRST ADDITION, CITY OF CARRABELLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, 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

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WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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 (850) 653-8861 prior to such proceeding.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2009

Marcia Johnson
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Terry E. Creamer
Deputy Clerk

Law Office of Marshall C. Watson
1800 NW 49th Street
Suite 120
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309
Telephone: (954)453-0365
Facsimile: (954)771-6052
Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438
April 30, May 7, 2009

2082T
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
SUPERIOR BANK, Plaintiff, vs.

STEVEN R. MACCHIARELLA AND CADENCE BANK, N.A., Defendants.
CASE NO. 08-550-CA

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: STEVEN R. MACCHIARELLA, 8534 Windlyn Circle North, Memphis, TN 38133-2119

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Franklin, County, Florida:

Lot 14 of Hidden Beaches, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 11, of the records of Franklin County, Florida.

The proceeds of such bonds together with funds from other sources available to the Authority, will be used to finance, or refund outstanding obligations, the proceeds of which will be used to finance the purchase of single family residences to be occupied primarily by first-time home buyers of moderate, middle or lesser income within Franklin County, Florida and various other counties in the State of Florida.

The bonds and interest thereon shall not constitute a debt or indebtedness of the Authority within the meaning of any provisions or limitations of the statutes or Constitution of the State of Florida, Franklin County, Florida, or other participating counties or housing finance authorities, but will be payable solely from payments made from the revenues generated from the housing program.

DATED this 20th day of April, 2009.

HON.

MARCIA M. JOHNSON
As Clerk of the Court
By: Michele Maxwell
As Deputy Clerk
April 30, May 7, 2009

2083T**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the County Court of Franklin County, Florida, on the 23rd day of March, 2009, in the cause where First Select, Inc. was plaintiff said Stephania Y. Turrell was defendant, being Case No. 02-9-CC in said court. I, Skip Shiver, as Sheriff of Franklin County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant Stephania Y. Turrell in and to the following described property, to-wit:

2005 Volvo S80
VIN# YV1TS592151402033

Plus any and all contents on or inside the above described vehicle including keys when applicable, as the property of the defendant, Stephania Y. Turrell.

and on the 1st day of June, 2009 at the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, located at 270 State Rd. 65 Eastpoint, FL 32328 Franklin County, Florida, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant's Stephania Y. Turrell right, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, encumbrances and judgments.

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

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IN MEMORY OF THE DEAD

PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Mark Curenton, a student of the Civil War, places a commemorative flag on the grave of a Confederate soldier in Chestnut Cemetery last week, in honor of Confederate Memorial Day, marked in Florida on April 26. Miniature versions of the Confederacy's third battle flag were placed on the graves of those who died fighting on behalf of the Confederacy. Several cities in the South claim to have been the birthplace of the holiday.

Local BRIEFS**Division of Forestry gets stimulus money**

Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, the Tallahassee District of the Florida Division of Forestry has been awarded \$25,000 in stimulus money dedicated to mitigating wildfires through fuel reduction.

Franklin County, as part of the Tallahassee District, will benefit from two projects.

A brown tree cutter will be used to mow 136 acres around Lighthouse Point. Operations Administrator Kawika Bailey said the area is too close to structures to be safely burned but the mower will reduce to mulch this potential fuel.

"When the mower is finished, you could grow flowers in it," he said.

A controlled burn on Bald Point will also be funded by the stimulus money.

North Florida Reforestation of Sopchoppy was awarded the contract for the mitigation projects.

Bailey said there is a possibility that another \$250,000 in stimulus money will be awarded to the district in the future.

Land Trust to host strategies workshop

The Franklin County Community Development & Land Trust Corporation will be hosting a workshop on strategies for Public Officials on

Saturday, May 9 at the Apalachicola Community Center from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. More than one city or county commissioner may be in attendance.

Weems to destroy Dr. Nichols' records

George E. Weems Memorial Hospital became custodian of unclaimed medical records upon the closing of Nichols Clinic. Any unclaimed records will be destroyed on May 30, 2009.

This serves as public notice as required by law. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Weems Memorial Medical Records Department at 653-8853 ext 117.

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Date	Temperature		
	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Apr 30	79°	66°	10 %
Fri, May 1	80°	67°	10 %
Sat, May 2	80°	67°	30 %
Sun, May 3	80°	67°	30 %
Mon, May 4	80°	67°	10 %
Tue, May 5	80°	66°	30 %
Wed, May 6	80°	67°	30 %

**TIDE TABLES
MONTHLY AVERAGES**

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

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

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

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

APALACHICOLA

04/30 Thu	03:19AM	-0.2	L	11:45AM	1.4	H
	02:09PM	1.3	L	07:19PM	1.6	H
05/01 Fri	04:29AM	-0.1	L	12:20PM	1.3	H
	04:11PM	1.2	L	08:43PM	1.5	H
05/02 Sat	05:35AM	0.1	L	12:46PM	1.3	H
	05:56PM	1.0	L	10:33PM	1.3	H
05/03 Sun	06:34AM	0.3	L	01:07PM	1.3	H
	07:12PM	0.7	L			
05/04 Mon	12:35AM	1.2	H	07:25AM	0.5	L
	01:26PM	1.4	H	08:12PM	0.4	L
05/05 Tue	02:24AM	1.2	H	08:10AM	0.7	L
	01:44PM	1.4	H	09:03PM	0.2	L
05/06 Wed	03:49AM	1.3	H	08:48AM	0.9	L
	02:01PM	1.5	H	09:48PM	0.0	L

CARRABELLE

04/30 Thu	01:06AM	-0.3	L	10:20AM	2.2	H
	11:56AM	2.1	L	05:54PM	2.6	H
05/01 Fri	02:16AM	-0.2	L	10:55AM	2.1	H
	01:58PM	1.9	L	07:18PM	2.4	H
05/02 Sat	03:22AM	0.2	L	11:21AM	2.1	H
	03:43PM	1.6	L	09:08PM	2.1	H
05/03 Sun	04:21AM	0.5	L	11:42AM	2.1	H
	04:59PM	1.1	L	11:10PM	1.9	H
05/04 Mon	05:12AM	0.8	L	12:01PM	2.2	H
	05:59PM	0.6	L			
05/05 Tue	12:59AM	1.9	H	05:57AM	1.1	L
	12:19PM	2.2	H	06:50PM	0.3	L
05/06 Wed	02:24AM	2.1	H	06:35AM	1.4	L
	12:36PM	2.4	H	07:35PM	0.0	L

SOLUNAR

m = Minor	M = Major	add 1 hour for daylight savings
Date	Day	AM PM Rise/Set Moon
04/30 Thu	m 9:50	m 10:25 5:19AM
	M 3:40	M 4:10 6:34PM
05/01 Fri	m -	m - 5:18AM
	M -	M - 6:37PM
05/02 Sat	m -	m - 5:17AM
	M -	M - 6:37PM
05/03 Sun	m -	m - 5:16AM
	M -	M - 6:38PM
05/04 Mon	m -	m - 5:15AM
	M -	M - 6:39PM
05/05 Tue	m -	m - 5:14AM
	M -	M - 6:39PM
05/06 Wed	m -	m - 5:14AM
	M -	M - 6:40PM

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