



Schools relax rules regarding uniforms, laptops

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

The Franklin County School Board has agreed to broaden the definition of school uniforms beyond the school-issued shirts to allow for other varieties that stay within the Seahawks' color and theme.

In addition, they set in motion a revamping of the district's policy regarding students' use of laptop computers so as to allow them to use the devices at school.

By a unanimous vote Oct. 15, the school board agreed to recom-

mendations from Franklin County School Principal George Oehlert regarding the policies.

Oehlert asked that students be allowed to wear any of a growing number of shirts and sweatshirts, sold by the Athletic Boosters as well as at area stores, that sport lettering and logos emblematic of the Franklin County Seahawks.

Oehlert said the recommendation stemmed from school officials' frustration at having to look past the wearing of Seahawk-themed shirts that were technically in violation of the rules.

"Anytime we don't enforce a

policy, we change a policy," he said. "It's a matter of what battle should we fight."

Oehlert said he wanted a policy change that would allow students to wear any shirt that features Franklin County and/or Seahawks, provided it had not been altered.

Board member Carl Whaley worked into the motion that the allowable colors for the shirts, for all but the pre-kindergartners, would remain gray, black, white and crimson, and that tank tops would not be allowed.

"Give a little, take a little," Whaley said.

Although he voted in favor of the change, which now must be given a public hearing in which parents may comment before the board, board member David Hinton voiced some reluctance to embrace the idea.

"I'm a little apprehensive about your thoughts," he told Oehlert. "I'm a little concerned we might start getting away from our uniforms."

In revising its approach to laptop computers, the school board stopped short of a sweeping policy change, which would have called for a public hearing, and instead

granted Oehlert the latitude to interpret the current policy so as to allow laptops.

The current rules appear to ban laptop computers, although board members agreed that the wording restricting "electronic devices" should be limited to referring primarily to electronic communication devices, such as cellular telephones.

"We are in a technological age, and the students are very savvy," Oehlert said.

He noted that the idea to open

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FATAL BLAZE



Photos by NADINE FLING | Special to The Times

The Thompson house was destroyed in the blaze at 593 Pine St. early Monday morning.

Franklin County unemployment stays flat at 7.1 percent

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

For the third consecutive month, Franklin County's unemployment rate remained just above the 7 percent mark in September.

According to preliminary labor market statistics released Friday by the Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation, the county's overall jobless rate was at 7.1 percent in September, as 331 people out of a labor force of 4,670 were without work.

The jobless rate in August was about the same, at 7.2 percent, with 343 people looking for employment out of a larger labor force of 4,797. The jobless rate in July also stood at 7.1 percent, with 346 people looking for employment out of an even larger labor force of 4,874.

One year ago, Franklin's workforce had 200 more workers than it does today, with a labor force of 4,872, and its jobless rate was much lower, at 4.6 percent, with only 224 jobless.

Franklin's September numbers tied it with Alachua County for fourth best in the state, behind Liberty County, at 5.3 percent; Walton, at 6.8 percent; and Monroe, at 7.0 percent. Many of the counties with the lowest unemployment rates were those with relatively high proportions of government employment.

The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September was 11.0 percent, which represents 1.01 million jobless out of a labor force of 9.19 million. The unemployment rate is up 0.2 percentage point from the revised August rate of 10.8 percent and is up 4.3 percentage points from one year ago.

The state's current unemployment rate is 1.2 percentage points higher than the national unemployment rate of 9.8 percent. The last time Florida's unemployment rate was as high as the September rate was October 1975, when the rate was also 11.0 percent.

The state has lost 360,400 non-agriculture jobs over the last year, about 4.7 percent, which is steeper than the national rate of decline of 4.2 percent over the year. September job losses continue the trend of annual declines that began in August 2007.

Industries losing the most jobs were trade, transportation and utilities; professional and business services; and construction. These three industries account for more than two-thirds of the job losses in the state.

Private education and health services (+6,600 jobs, +0.6 percent) is the only sector gaining jobs among Florida's major industries. All of the increase is due to health care and social assistance (+9,800 jobs, +1.1 percent), primarily in nursing and residential care facilities. Private education declined by 3,200 jobs (-2.3 percent) over the year.

"We remain committed to serving unemployed workers and providing them with job placement and training services to support rapid reemployment and help reinvigorate the economy," said Agency for Workforce Innovation Director Cynthia R. Lorenzo. "The recovery is coming slowly, but it is coming. The latest unemployment figures confirm that the economic downturn continues to impact a significant number of Floridians and businesses. However, a reduction in employers announcing closings or large-scale layoffs is a positive sign of Florida's growing economic stability."

Two die in Alligator Point fire

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Whenever someone in Alligator Point needed help, A.J. Thompson was there.

Just after midnight, on Monday morning, John Murphy and fellow firefighters on the Alligator Point and Lanark Village fire departments tried desperately to return the favor.

Murphy and his wife were on an early start to catch a flight out of Jacksonville when they drove by 593 Pine St., where A.J. and his wife, Joyce, had lived for many years, both mainstays of the community.

Smoke was pouring from the single-wide mobile home, and the Murphys went to investigate.

"John said the smoke was coming out of the house so thick he could not get to the door," said Steve Fling, chief of the Alligator Point department.

Murphy called the fire department, and 911 at about 12:16 a.m.

It took about 12 minutes for the five Alligator Point firefighters to arrive on the scene with their truck and attack the blaze with two lines.

"It was fully involved. It was completely ablaze," Fling said. "It had already reached its max and was starting to come back down. It took less than 10 minutes to knock it down."

Firefighters and First Responders discovered two bodies inside

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Neighbors and friends left these flowers and this prayer near where A.J. and Joyce Thompson died in a fire Monday morning.

Goodbye 'R' rule?

Oyster pathogen test may help make shellfish safer

By Stu Hutson
Special to the Times

The oyster lover's axiom of edibility — that this shellfish is safest to eat in any month with an "r" in it — may soon become somewhat of a culinary anachronism, thanks to a new food-safety test developed with help from the University of Florida.

Oysters are typically considered safest to eat in cooler months (September through April) because the shellfish-infecting bacteria in the genus *Vibrio* flourish best in warm temperatures.

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University of Florida food science researcher Anita Wright demonstrates how shellfish samples are entered into a new test that can quickly and cheaply detect several strains of *Vibrio*, a bacteria that commonly contaminates oysters during warmer months. The test, which Wright helped refine with researchers from DuPont Qualicon, could be a major boon to oyster harvesters in the Gulf of Mexico. The Gulf is the source of a third of all U.S. oysters, but the Food and Drug Administration estimates 40 percent of these shellfish carry *Vibrio* bacteria in warmer months.

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Island Scouts play host to spirited Camporee

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Larry Hale and Troop 22 of St. George hosted a Camporee Saturday.

More than 175 people, 125 of them Boy Scouts, attended the Camporee at Dr. Julian Bruce St. George Island State Park last weekend. This year's camping event celebrated 99 years of scouting in the U.S.

Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts, boys and girls ages 16 to 21, enjoyed recreation, educational activities and the great outdoors during an overnight get-together that was part of a nationwide celebration by thousands of young people from coast to coast.

Troops dabbled in radiography, ecology, music and outdoor skills. The weather was perfect, if a little cool.

"It was a lot of fun," said Hale. "I know the kids really had a good time, and they learned a lot about environmental science. They learned about the bay and the vegetation found on the island. All of the instructors were very complimentary about how polite the kids were and how interested in the environment."

The Apalachicola Estuarine Research Reserve, Florida State Parks and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission all provided environmental mentors to the Scouts.

Hale said an American flag that flew over the event was sent to him from Baghdad by civilian contractor and former soldier Rob Robinson.

"I thought that was really neat," said Hale.

Mark Snyder, executive officer for the Aucilla River Scouting District, said he was impressed by the Scouts. "The kids set up camp at night in the pitch dark," he said.

He also praised Hale and Troop 22 for their enthusiasm and hospitality in hosting the Camporee.

Snyder was on hand to judge the theme competition. During the Camporee, each troop sets up a display in their campsite dealing with some aspect of outdoor life. One group of Scouts built a watchtower; Troop 22 had a cast netting demonstration.

Winners of the display competition were Troop 319 from Thomasville for their watchtower. Second place went to Troop 117 of Tallahassee for their Pirates of the Caribbean display, and Tallahassee Troop 10 took third place for their Beach Ball montage.

Winners of the fishing tournament were Andrew Stahl with a whiting and David Huneide and Rhett Rutherford with flounder. Stahl and Huneide are from Tallahassee; Rutherford is from Thomasville.

The Troop 22 Venture Scouts triumphed over the Tallahassee Boy Scouts in the wood chopping contest. Hale said kayaking and sailing were cancelled due to inclement weather.

Because next year will be the 100th anniversary of Scouting in North America, Hale wants to plan something special. He said he was considering a larger gathering at the Wright's Lake Campground in Tate's Hell State Forest.



Photos by LOIS SWOBODA | The Times
Mikael Lewis of St. George Island demonstrates how to throw a cast net at the Camporee.



Harley Lawson of Thomasville, left, worked with Ochlocknee Troop 319 to construct a watchtower during the Camporee. Troop 319 took first place in the campsite display competition.



Samuel Merrick of Tallahassee learned about the ecological importance of oysters in their natural setting during the Boy Scout Camporee.



Scoutmaster and ham radio enthusiast Phil Asher of Tallahassee, left, introduces Mike Maynard, also of Tallahassee, to the world of amateur radio. Maynard and other scouts participated in the 52nd annual Jamboree on the Air during Saturday's St. George Island event and earned points toward a merit badge while exploring a popular hobby.

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Hard-shelled house guest needs permanent home

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

A giant turtle appeared in an Apalachicola neighborhood last week.

Paul Pfluger, of Apalachicola, received a shock on Monday evening, Oct. 12 when he returned home to 564 Brownsville Road. As he pulled into the driveway, he could make out a form at the corner of a shed next to a small pond filled with fish.

On drawing closer, he discovered an enormous alligator snapping turtle. At first, he thought the animal was dead, but a poke to the tail with a stick aroused the animal from its slumber.

Pfluger constructed a pen around the animal and called the Apalachicola National Estuarine Reserve (ANERR) to see if they wanted the turtle for a display. ANERR passed on the offer and said the turtle was too big for them to house.

Pfluger believed the turtle weighs in at 80 to 100 pounds.

Now Pfluger is trying to find someone who will transport the animal. He doesn't want the turtle harmed. He believes the turtle might have been seeking a mate when it sallied forth from the depths of its watery lair.

"I can't let it go back into the pond," he said. "I'm missing a duck and three cats."

Pfluger said he plans to call the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to see if they will relocate the animal. Meanwhile, he is hoping someone will come forward to offer the turtle a home in a zoo or some other place where the public can view it.

"I can't let (the turtle) go back into the pond; I'm missing a duck and three cats."

Paul Pfluger
Apalachicola resident

Paul Pfluger, of Apalachicola, came home two weeks ago to find an alligator snapping turtle in his yard. He constructed a pen for the turtle to stay in until he can find it a new place to live.

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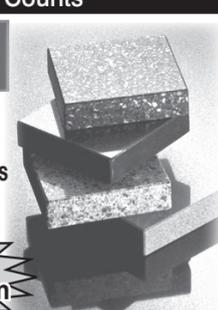
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The brouhaha over requested public records that broke out at a recent county commission meeting is something from which commissioners can take a lesson.

In Florida, there is this pesky thing known as Statute 119 that mandates open government meetings and records. The language has been law for years, though state lawmakers make an annual run at opening whatever loopholes they can. Still, the state lives by and prides itself on a set of laws that became a model for much of the country.

Government meetings are intended for public consumption. Let the sunshine in. Governmental records, or at least most, are public records. Let the sunshine in.

That's how it is done in Florida and has been for years. Government is supposed to be a public service; what is government's is the public's.

So to see Commissioner Pinki Jackel express open hostility and condescension in a public meeting toward an individual who made a recent public records request for correspondence from the commissioners was unsettling.

The tussle going on, internally and externally, among the seafood workers and the association advocating for them is messy and has as many sides as there are voices in the meleé.

Accusations have been tossed like verbal hand grenades, and there has been upheaval in the organizational structure of the association.

The commissioner in question might also have a personal ax to grind with the individual who filed the public records request, or maybe she finds this individual not very likeable.

Who knows because none of it matters one whit.

A person from the public sector can request at their pleasure any public record. If the governmental entity, in this case the county, believes it is not public record, officials can cite that provision in the law in their denial of the request.

But other than that, government must comply and there needn't be provided a reason or rationale behind the request. The county in this case has to simply meet the request in a timely manner.

That time frame is pretty well-mapped out in the manual for Government in the Sunshine.

Government is free to charge a reasonable rate if copying or what have you is done, reasonable costs having pretty much been settled through the years in Attorney General opinions on questions from local governments.

That is about it, though. The records are public; the public is entitled to review them if desired.

Government has no right or standing to ask anything in return but reimbursement. Place it under the umbrella of public service.

And the records in question (correspondence, including e-mail) are in the public domain. That includes e-mails concerning business before the county or involving public money that originate on a computer at home, work or play.

An elected official can not cherry pick what correspondence or e-mail to turn over; they can not delete things they don't want others to see.

Once you're an elected official, a significant part of your life is open to constituents, whether they voted for you or not. It is part of the trade-off of public service, which is, as we remind and remind in this space, what government is supposed to be about.

But even when, as was clearly the case, commissioners have a bee in their bonnet about a particular public records request, it is hardly appropriate to take up the request, by chance of the individual addressing the board on a different matter, in a public setting.

A commissioner effectively acted like a bully bent on disparaging or embarrassing the individual who made the public records request. She was rude, undignified, defensive and wasted public time and dollars (convening a meeting isn't free) on a personal disagreement.

Somebody who believed there surely couldn't be anything to hide could easily have come away from that meeting feeling like that commissioner definitely had something to hide.

And it was all so unnecessary.

Commissioners take an oath of office upon election. They swear to uphold the laws of the state. The so-called Sunshine Laws are among those.

There is even a manual written about the Sunshine Laws. Understanding them could not be easier.

But there are clearly commissioners, in this county and elsewhere, who could use a refresher course on their role as public servants in Florida.

Times have changed since the smoking '60s

Imagine this: a picture-perfect family in the early '60s is having a picnic. The mom and dad are relaxing on a blanket while their two young children are playing on the grass. The detritus of lunch surrounds the couple. When it is time to go, they pack up the leftovers, then stand, lift the blanket and give it a good shake. Bread crusts, paper cups, napkins and plates fall to the ground. Mom folds the blanket; the family loads up in their late-model car and drives away.

This image from the AMC television series "Mad Men" is burned into my brain. The family was not evil; it just never occurred to them to clean up the environment after they trashed it. It was a deserted area, and the garbage would simply be scattered by the weather.



RED WHITE AND ROUX
Denise Roux

I started thinking about the birth of environmental awareness for regular folks. I recalled the "Don't Be a Litterbug" ad campaigns of the '60s. One television public service announcement featured a Native American man in full Indian dress walking across a landscape covered with blowing trash. At the end of the spot, he turned and faced the camera as a tear trickled down his cheek. I think that iconic image was one of the reasons many people started picking up after themselves.

States passed anti-littering laws with hefty fines for violations. We pocketed that gum wrapper instead of tossing it on the ground. Soda cans, potato chip bags and candy bar wrappers started going back into the boat instead of being tossed into the river.

Just like the family in "Mad Men," we were naive and had to be educated. We learned fairly quickly, though. Today, only the most



PHOTO BY CARIN BAER

Don Draper (Jon Hamm) sets the pro-smoking tone of AMC's "Mad Men" in first-season episode "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes."

tuggish and ignorant will make a mess in nature. I know those people still exist, but most of us find their actions appalling.

"Mad Men" employs painstaking detail to chronicle the '60s era in the context of a big city advertising agency. The sets, the clothes and the attitudes all ring true with an almost frightening accuracy. The writing and acting is exquisite.

In "Mad Men," smokers rule. There is no stigma at all. Cigarettes are commonplace in business meetings, airplanes, restaurants and in everyone's home. As folks of a certain age, some of us remember when every house featured large decorative ash trays in keeping with the color scheme of the living room. Mama had a huge turquoise number prominently featured on the coffee table. Doctor's waiting rooms had standing ash receptacles, and it was not uncommon for a physician to smoke during an office consultation. As late as the '70s, it was perfectly fine to smoke during class at college; I did it.

I guess the people with asthma and allergies just suffered quietly back then. There was little awareness of the dangers of secondhand smoke. Once again, the public simply needed to be educated about how their actions affected the lives of others. Now, it

is even illegal to smoke in public outdoor parks in San Francisco.

"Mad Men" also started me thinking about the changing work environment for women. As late as the '60s, most professional females were secretaries or teachers. You may disagree, but I think we boomers were the last to get a real quality education. The smartest and brightest women were in the classroom in those days. Once opportunities in medicine, law, science and corporate America started opening up, they fled education for fields where they could compete for a man's salary and professional respect.

Today, there are more women in law school than men. However, I still don't see too many women getting Wall Street bonuses. But hey, my doctor is a woman and so is the Secretary of State.

We often bathe the recent past in rosy colors, and I am frequently guilty of wallowing in nostalgia. It was not all good back then. It is not all better now.

We have proven ourselves quick learners. All it takes is good educators.

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Letters to the EDITOR

School busing decision unfair to parent

This is in regards to last week's letter to the editor headlined "Shared parenting complicates busing decisions."

I, too, am a parent that shares joint custody of my son. He is currently in middle school. My ex and I have shared custody for the last five years, and for four of those years, we have not had an issue. The school system has never had a problem, in the last four years, with a schedule in which one week the child is picked up and dropped off at his dad's and the following week the child would be dropped off and picked up at my house at the school bus stop every morning and every afternoon.

But this year, the school decides to drop my son off somewhere and not notify me of where they were dropping him off. So basically no one bothered to let me know about the decision that the school bus transportation had made about my son until he is calling me from an undisclosed location. My child also informed me that he would not be allowed to get off with his younger brother, my pre-Kindergarten son from my second marriage, at the designated bus stop.

So then I decided to see if he could get dropped off at the local Boys & Girls Club Carrabelle site, and once again the school system denied that right to my son and me. I called the school transportation office and spoke with Mr. Coursey and quickly became embarrassed by how he talked to me. He told me that this is the way it is. That in no terms was the school bus dropping my son off at the Boys & Girls Club, and, furthermore, they would not be letting him get off of the bus at the same stop that they had been letting my son off for the past four years. Mr. Coursey continued to inform me that it was not up for discussion. This conversation was then promptly ended by him hanging the phone up on me.

So I went to the school board meeting and explained about how the situation seemed not fair. I was met with an apathetic response. The board members told me that they would look into the situation and give me an answer within two weeks. Unfortunately, I never received a call within those two weeks.

So in short, I understand exactly what "some" parents are going through. When a judge decides that a set of parents should have split or joint custody, that parent should not have to go back through the expenses of court just to uphold the ruling.

Kari Libby

Schools should not disregard judge's decision

In response to last week's letter to the editor "Shared parenting complicates busing decisions," I actually have two comments.

First: Since when can one parent give orders to the other parent? If you are divorced and each parent has 50/50 custodial rights to a child, then where does the father get off giving orders to the mother?

Second: Did "WE" really elect such a person as Nina Marks as a Superintendent of Schools?

I find myself in awe at how the school system can completely overlook and disregard the judicial system. Since when can the school dictate which parent a student will be released to if both parents have 50/50 custody rights? The last time I checked, it is unlawful for a school to keep a parent "in the dark" about a student — no matter who has custody.

Since when do the superintendent and the director of transportation dictate where a child will be dropped off after school? Who gives them the right to choose which parent the child will be going to in the afternoons when there is 50/50 custody? Is a child not allowed to be dropped off with a friend if they have a note from the parent giving permission for the transportation?

I remember riding the bus when I was in school, and my friends would often have notes from their parents giving permission for them to ride the bus with me. Have times changed so much that a child can not be bused to one parent's house one week and the other parent's house the next week?

I have a nephew starting school next year. It upsets me greatly to think of how he will be treated by "the powers that be" in the school system when they discriminate a child for whom his parents are.

The superintendent is an elected public office. As such, when a parent has concerns about the well-being of a child, that elected public official should be attentive to those concerns. Instead of setting a time to talk with a concerned parent, Nina Marks has her secretary send out a memorandum for a workshop about transportation issues.

What is Nina Marks going to do when a real issue arises with education? She can't handle a little issue with transportation.

Apparently Pamela Smith is not the only parent with these issues.

Stacy Burch

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SHELLFISH from page A1

Even in the "r" months, slurping an oyster opens some people to infection from these bacteria, which can cause fever, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, and has even led to finger amputation when it's given a chance to penetrate a cut or skin lesion.

However, a new quick and inexpensive diagnostic test developed by DuPont Qualicon and refined by UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences could make weeding out pathogen-loaded oysters much more practical and efficient. Oysters are a \$14 million industry in the Sunshine State, according to the Department of Agri-

culture and Consumer Services. The test is based on a technology dubbed "quantitative polymerase chain reaction," or QPCR diagnostics. Given a small sampling of oyster, shrimp or ahi tuna, the system tracks genetic material found in three harmful species of Vibrio by amplifying their DNA into large amounts that are easily detected.

This is the first time this technology could be used in detecting pathogens in seafood on an industrial scale. So after initially developing the basic lab-bench test, DuPont turned to UF to prepare it for commercial use and regula-

tory approval. "Whether you have raw oysters or if you're trying to validate some sort of treatment method, the old way of testing these bacteria in oysters just isn't very practical because it's pricey and takes about a week," said Anita Wright, a UF food science professor whose Florida Sea Grant work is validating and expanding applications of the new test for seafood processing and research purposes.

This USDA-funded research evaluates treatments such as freezing, high pressure, irradiation, or mild heating, and is funded by the Florida Gulf Coast Oyster

Industry Council. Wright was to present findings from her work at the Oct. 17-23 biennial meeting of the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference, followed by a workshop to demonstrate the methodology. Her findings will also be published in the next issue of the American Organization of Analytical Chemists.

The ISSC is a shellfish regulatory cooperation that will determine whether the test is reliable enough to be used industrywide. If approved, the test could be an especially big boon for oyster harvesters in the Gulf of Mexico, the source of a third of all U.S. oysters.

Warmer water temperatures and factors such as pollution make Vibrio species a major concern for Gulf-harvested shellfish. Forty percent or more of Gulf oysters carry these pathogens in the "non-r" months, according to the FDA.

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SCHOOLS from page A1

the door to laptop computers came out of the School Advisory Committee, which viewed it as an enhanced way to take notes, review assignments and glean information from the Internet.

In specifying the revised laptop rules, Oehlert was asked by the board to ensure that school officials retain the ability to restrict laptop use within the school, and make clear that they are not responsible for lost or stolen laptops.

David Meyer, the district's information technology guru, reassured the board that the school's wireless network will continue to require an encryption code for access and that it "can not be cracked" by students. School officials still must work out the manner in which students will be able to obtain such codes in order to use their computers.

Board members addressed a number of other items at the meeting, including the approval in the 2009-10 fiscal year to once again share 5 percent of the district's capital outlay funds with the Apalachicola Bay Charter School.

By unanimous vote, the board agreed to a second year of the revenue sharing, which in his letter to the school board, ABC Principal Don Hungerford said last year brought in \$216,000, used in renovating the former Chapman Elementary School. Hungerford wrote that he expected the rev-

enue sharing plan to bring in about \$136,000 this year to the ABC School.

In personnel matters, the board accepted the resignation of high school Spanish teacher Jay Adams-Feuer, newly hired before the start of the school year, who decided to step down because of a disability. The board agreed to release Adams-Feuer from his contract and will use substitute teachers, including guidance counselor Diane McGrath, who is certified in Spanish, to handle the workload.

The board also rehired retired high school teacher Marilyn Reynolds to teach an intensive middle school reading and language course. The additional hiring became necessary after the number of students in the course exceeded class size limits.

The board also hired Jennifer Edwards, in a non-structural capacity, to oversee a program working with students for whom English is a second language. Oehlert said Edwards will work with the growing number of students and their families whose native language is Spanish.

In perhaps the most influential of the personnel matters, the board accepted the retirement of Sam Carnley, the district's director of financial services, who announced plans to step down Jan. 31, 2010.

"I have reached the age at which the rigors of the work weigh heavily on me,

and I feel the need to lighten my burden somewhat," he wrote. "Even though I regret leaving, I look forward to a new phase of life filled with a little less stress and a little more relaxation."

Carnley wrote that his time with the Franklin County Schools, which followed the completion of an earlier career in Liberty County, "has been the most enjoyable time of my working life. My fellow employees have been more than just co-workers. They have become friends whom I will always remember with much fondness."

One financial matter that the board agreed to consider in the future was the possibility of levying a sales tax to offset some of the tax burden on local property owners.

"It's always been a concern of mine about property taxes being too high," said Hinton, in offering a proposal to have school officials, together with school board attorney Barbara Sanders, investigate "all the steps and procedures required" in placing such a sales tax option before voters.

"After we answer these questions, we may not want to do it," Hinton stressed. "But we ought to investigate the possibility of a referendum for schools of a sales tax to replace a portion of our property tax."

The school board agreed to Hinton's motion without comment.

FIRE from page A1

the charred remains of the premises, A.J., 80, and his wife, Joyce, 71.

No one had to wonder who the couple were.

A.J. had remained active even after turning 80, running a wrecker service, working as a mechanic on people's cars, doing tractor work, operating a small well drilling rig.

"If you were stuck, if you needed a jump you called A.J.," said Fling. "He was always there to lend a helping hand. The man would have given the shirt off his back for you, very low-key, very unassuming, quiet."

Fling's friendship with A.J. dated back about 25 years, when their paths first crossed, also in a dire situation.

When Fling began as fire chief in 1984, he first met A.J., who worked as a mechanic on the department's equipment.

"Around 1985 or '86, it wasn't long after the First Responder program started, I got a call from the sheriff's office at 1 or 2 a.m. in the morning," he recalled. "A lady had called, and someone was screaming for help in the Pine Street area. They didn't have a deputy close by, and

I went and listened."

A large, lanky man, A.J. had been rebuilding an engine when he bumped the starter, and it had caught his arm and taken his fingers off.

Fling grabbed a hammer and chisel and got the hand out from where it was caught in the engine, and the severed fingers.

"It was cold that night and we wrapped the fingers," he said.

As luck would have it, a plastic surgeon was on hand at the Tallahassee Memorial Hospital emergency room, and he was able to reattach the fingers.

"That was probably my first experience with A.J.," Fling said.

The fire chief said neighbors spoke of hearing an explosion Monday morning after the fire was spotted, which is a typical scenario in such cases.

"A lot of times, a small fire in the house will consume the oxygen," he said. "It builds heat up and will finally blow a window out. When fire gets that additional oxygen, it basically explodes."

Capt. Joe Steadman, with the state fire marshal's office, said "there was nothing

to indicate criminal activity" but would not comment before the investigation is complete on what may have started the fire.

"I didn't see anything obvious as to what might have started it," said Fling, who accompanied investigators on their examination of the destroyed house.

One neighbor said A.J. once told her that he had modified an old modular school classroom into a living area and added a wooden porch to the front.

The fire also did minor damage to a neighbor's home to the north, when the intense heat melted vinyl siding and an adjoining fence.

In addition to the four Lanark Village firefighters, who brought their truck, also responding to the blaze were sheriff's deputies, Carrabelle police, the state fire marshal's office and forensic investigators with the state Department of Law Enforcement.

Two dogs, a pit bull and a small hound, also died in the blaze.

"You never saw him going down the road where there wasn't a dog sitting up on the front seat with him," Fling said.

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Apalachicola library staffers attend state meeting

By **Caty Greene**
Special to the Times

As Apalachicola Municipal Library staff, Carrie Kienzle and I, had the opportunity the week of Oct. 5, to attend the State Library and Archives' Annual Statewide Library Director's Meeting in Tallahassee.

In addition, as a new library director, I went to a daylong orientation on Oct. 7. That day included tours of the State Library, which functions as a huge resource for legislators, as well as the public. Their collections include books, flags, reference sections on Florida and federal documents, an extensive historical Florida collection, films, videos and more. (Visit <http://dlis.dos.state.fl.us>)

The tour continued in the State Archives, which hold many rare and antique items, including books,

but also manuscripts and photographic material. For example, the Florida Electronic Library (<http://www.flelibrary.org>) and the Florida Memory Collection (<http://www.floridamemory.com>) include the Florida Photographic Collection, highlights of Florida History and an Interactive Tour of Florida History. These are all real gems and can be accessed through your home computer or the public access computers here in the Library.

Being able to meet and get to know staff from the State Library will be very helpful for this library in many areas, especially in applying for state funding. The Apalachicola Municipal Library is currently in line for state funding for construction funds, but because of the shrinking state budget, this program has not been funded lately, and there is no real hope that the funding will be reinstat-



PHOTO BY ALISA GARLO

Caty Greene, director of the Apalachicola Municipal Library, meets with Bill Conniff, right, executive director of PLAN (Panhandle Library Access Network), which offers workshops on library topics from management, cataloging, and genealogy.

ed any time in the near future. This being said, having the opportunity to have "face time" with the actual grant administrators can only help. Other funding opportunities are being ex-

plored too.

Also the opportunity at the statewide meeting to meet librarians from all over the state was very interesting and eye-opening. One library system at the

meeting has 350 employees and 17 branches, wow! Makes us feel like an oyster spat — but spat grow!

Other systems were interesting because of who bands together in a consortium. The Franklin County Public Library in Eastpoint and Carrabelle is a member of Wilderness Coast, which also includes libraries in Wakulla and Jefferson counties. The Apalachicola Municipal Library is discussing potential membership in this group. In addition, there is a Panhandle-wide group called PLAN (Panhandle Library Access Network), which offers workshops on library topics ranging from management to cataloging and genealogy. Again, the AML has plans to join this group and take advantage of their resources.

Carrie and I met the Executive Director Bill Conniff and discussed our plans for automation of the

collection, and the potential of digitizing collections of the Apalachicola Times newspaper.

Anyway, it goes without saying that the meetings offered a lot of new ideas in how the Apalachicola Municipal Library can serve its patrons and the community better. On the road home however there was nothing like seeing the bay span out across the skyline, to make us glad that we live here in Apalachicola.

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New non-profit to promote reading in families

A new not-for-profit organization is bringing free books to the county and training parents and friends of local youngsters to become a first teacher by reading aloud.

The Apalachicola Art Museum, Marie Marshall and David and Michaelin Watts are working with the Bring Me a Book Foundation to promote literacy in Franklin County.

They are forming a collaborative partnership with schools; libraries, churches, the county health department and health care community; and the communities that form Franklin County. Marshall said all of these organizations were represented at workshops earlier this month.

Bring Me a Book is a nonprofit organization that provides easy access to the best children's books and inspires reading aloud to children, by reaching out to underserved communities.

Through the Watts' generosity, Nancy Ducos, senior program manager for the First Teachers Program, traveled from Marin County, California earlier this month to lead a pair of "Train the Trainer" workshops on mentoring child readers. The goal of this program was to initiate a group of local trainers in the Bring Me a Book philosophy and techniques that they can pass on to local parents.

Bring Me a Book educates parents, childcare providers, and teachers on



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Nancy Ducos, left, conducts a group cooperation exercise using yarn with the Bring Me the Book volunteers. At center is Jeannette Taylor and at right, Ellie Tullis.

the importance of reading aloud to children and motivates them to institute a daily ritual of reading aloud. Future workshops also provide an opportunity for the adults to improve their own

reading skills.

Bring Me a Book Franklin will become a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization to promote literacy for infants and children under age 5.

"It has been shown that

reading to children during this period of their development is one of the best preparations that parents and caregivers can provide for success in school," said Marshall.

Participants are introduced to local library resources and encouraged to become more involved in their child's education.

Ducos led more than 30 adults through exercises designed to teach them how to engage children in reading. Among the attendees were Elaine Kozlowsky, of Eastpoint; Carol Barfield and Sondra Bachrach, Adrienne Joseph and Linda Gibson, all of Apalachicola, and Dany Ray and Bonnie Fulmer, of St. George Island.

Marshall said there will be a second series of workshops scheduled for early next year. In addition to training adults as First Teachers, Bring Me a Book will provide bookcases of children's books to local preschool and any facility that has need of them.

If you are interested in acquiring a bookcase, call David and Michaelin Watts at 370-0126 or e-mail them at bringmeabook-franklin@fairpoint.net.

Michaelin Watts said the group is working with Apalachicola Mayor Van Johnson on a program to have prisoners in a local correctional facility build the bookcases.

— By Lois Swoboda

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Freshman Elton Olvera boots the ball off of senior Dale Butler's hold as he nails the Seahawks' first field goal in its three-year history.



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Senior fullback DJ Lane rumbles for yardage against Wewahitchka Friday night.

By David Adlerstein
Times City Editor

Franklin County added a district win to its growing list of firsts as it spoiled Wewahitchka's Homecoming 9-2 Friday night in District 2-1A.

On a snap from senior Chase Richards, and a hold by senior Dale Butler, freshman Elton Olvera booted the new consolidated school's first field goal, a 23-yarder with 6:11 left in the third

quarter; to put the finishing touches on what had been a defensive and error-prone contest from the game's opening drive.

Seahawk junior quarterback Dalin Modican threw an interception on the opening play on a deep sideline pass from his own 30-yard line to Gator senior safety Kenny Fisher.

But then Wewa senior quarterback Cody Wade, back after a six-week re-

covery from an ankle injury, threw an interception to Modican. "In football, you never really know what may happen next," said Coach Josh Wright. "You must play every play with no regards to what happened last play."

After a 20-yard rush by Seahawks sophomore tailback Trakel Turrell to the Gator 12, Wewa junior Jonathan Nobles intercepted a

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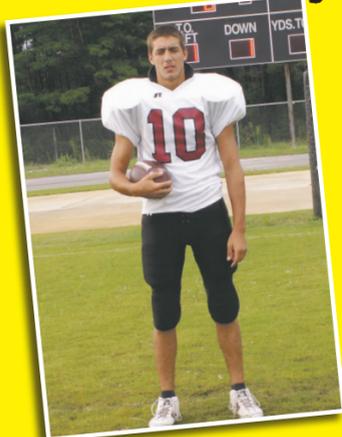
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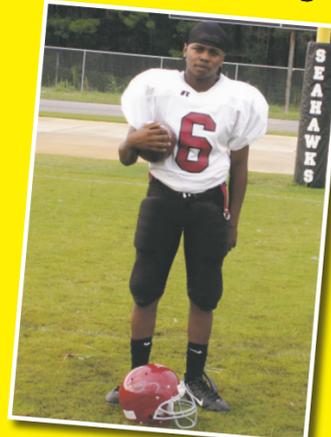
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Modican pass and ran it back to the 40-yard line, with 8:18 left in the first quarter.

Wewa senior wide receiver Chris Peaks fumbled the ball right back after a 15-yard reception, but Peaks atoned for his miscue by sacking Modican two plays later at midfield.

A Gator drive was aborted a few plays later when senior running back Chance Knowles coughed up the ball on his own 34-yard line.

The Seahawks drew first blood with 2:12 left in the first quarter, when Seahawks senior defensive end A. J. Arnold ran in a one-handed interception of a Wade pass from the 30-yard line. Olvera missed the extra point.

Midway in the second quarter, Wright showed he was willing to take risks when, deep in his own territory, he executed a fake punt on a fourth-and-2 to keep a drive alive.

But the Gators soon took advantage of Franklin County's poor field position when, with 6:15 left in the half, senior lineman Marquis Hurley scored the Gators only points when he sacked Modican for a safety on a second-and-17 from the Seahawks' 12.

An alarming number of penalties drew the attention of the referees just before the half, as they gathered both squads midfield for a talking-to.

About five minutes after he completed his first-ever field goal in the third quarter, Olvera tried a second one, this time from 35 yards out, but he shanked it and the score stood 9-2 with 1:32 left in the third quarter.

Seahawks' defensive pressure kept the Gators in their own territory through much of the fourth quarter, until Wewa made its final push with three minutes left in the game.

After two incomplete passes, Wade hit sophomore wide receiver Theryl Brown with a 14-yarder to give Wewa a first down at their own 38.

Back-to-back rushes by junior Colton Price gave the Gators a fourth-and-1 on their own 46, with a Seahawks' off-side penalty then giving the Gators a first down inside enemy territory.

Price ran for eight yards to advance further, but with 1:41 left in the game, Seahawks senior Eric Hicks sacked Wade back across midfield, and



PHOTO BY DAVID ADLERSTEIN

Senior guard Tydron Wynn grabs the jersey of a Wewa runner as he tries to bring him down Friday night.

then was instrumental on the third-and-13 when Seahawks' defenders smothered Wade at the line of scrimmage.

The loss handed the Gators (3-4, 0-3) their fourth straight loss. Franklin County is 3-3, and 1-1 in the district.

"I tip my hat to the way Wewa played. They're tough to run on," said Wright. "I couldn't be more proud of our guys. We're back in the district race."

The game was marred by plenty of penalties by both teams, but Wright shook it off as he looked forward next week to Liberty County.

"The Lord had given us a mountain and He put ice on it," he said. "We had to climb it."

Modican led the team with 13 carries for 65 yards, followed by Turrell with five carries for 52 yards. Senior Arron Prince rushed eight times for 33 yards, followed by senior DJ lane with 13 carries for 26 yards and Butler with one carry for five yards.

Modican, who completed 1-of-5 passes for eight yards, threw two interceptions. In kicking, Arnold had three punts for an average of 33 yards, with no punt return yards given up.

Prince had one kickoff return for 21 yards, and Turrell one for 6 yards.

Wright said after the game that the team was motivated in part by an online predication that had Wewa winning 31-12. "Our team totally believed that we could go over there and walk away with a win, but they also knew it would not be easy," he said.

Because it was their homecoming, Wewa did not allow the Seahawks to warm-up before the game on the field, Wright said. "Nonetheless, our team took the negative and turned it into a positive," said the coach, who

had his team warm up on the baseball field. "The team's energy and enthusiasm on that baseball field all by themselves was more than words can describe. It was almost like a scene from the beloved movie 'Remember the Titans' listening to them holler back and forth with one another in an entertaining, but focused manner.

"You could see in the eyes of the players that they were ready to play. But, we had no idea that our defense would hold the opponent scoreless, as they did in each of our first two wins," said Wright.

On defense, Richards led with 10 tackles, with one sack, one caused fumble and one fumble recovery.

Senior Garry Larsen had five tackles, four assists and for pass break-ups. Senior Tydron Wynn had five tackles and two assists, one sack, one tackle for a loss and one fumble recovery. Sophomore Chris Granger had seven tackles and two assists, while junior C.J. Barnes had three tackles, one assist, two sacks, one caused fumble and one fumble recovery.

"We knew that two-way starter, Cole Lee, would not be able to play due to illness, but we did not realize that other players would pick it up in his absence. We thought we may get a sack or two with their pass-based offense, but we had no inkling that every defensive lineman that played would register a sack, hurry or tackle for a loss," said Wright.

Liberty County travels to Eastpoint Friday night as opponent on Senior Night. "The Bulldogs are next on the list of teams that hold the keys to the district playoff ride, and you can bet that we will be working hard this week to prepare to take those keys away," said Wright.

Lady Seahawks top W. Gadsden, fall to Liberty

By Christy Thompson
Special to the Times

The Lady Seahawks are nearing the end of the volleyball season with still much to accomplish for this to be a successful year. Too many close matches have been lost by the team, but several positives in perspective for the next season.

The Seahawks played back-to-back district rivals this week, topping West Gadsden and falling to top seed Liberty County. Freshmen Chena Segree led the Seahawks to victory over West Gadsden with a total of 23 serving points and eight kills, followed by sophomores Morgan Newell with 11 kills and four served points and Ciara Moore with 27 assists and

eight serving points.

Ciara did a great job for the team as setter. She allowed multiple opportunities for the Seahawk hitters to dominate the district rival. The Seahawks staggered a bit in this environment, winning the first 25-15 and then falling 16-25, before coming away with the win after 25-10 and 25-12 victories.

Our next bout with Liberty County went just about as opposite as one could imagine, as the Lady Seahawks fell 11-25, 6-25 and 19-25.

The team just doesn't seem ready to play until about the third game of a match. It's just too late to come back at that point against most of our opponents. The momentum is difficult to contain and the

matches just come and go quickly with teams like Liberty County. If the girls could ever start a match the way we seem to finish, the outcome would be much prettier for the Seahawks.

At this point, we are just trying to manage the positive attitudes and encourage the girls to play their best for the district tournament on Tuesday, Oct. 27. We will play Port St. Joe first and this is a team that challenges the Seahawks. We played great against the Tiger Sharks during the beginning of the season, but just didn't show up for the last contest.

We have the athletic ability to win these volleyball games. We just have to bring the right level of intensity and attitude to the court.

Sports BRIEFS

Meeting slated for baseball parents

Parents of young men interested in playing for the 2009-10 Franklin County High School Seahawks baseball team are asked to attend a pre-season meeting on Thursday, Oct. 22 at 6 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Parents of boys in grades seven through 12 are invited to attend. For more information, call Coach Mike Emerson at 850-819-7396.

Krissi Flatt fishing tourney Saturday

The second annual Krissi Flatt Memorial Fishing Tournament will be held this Saturday, Oct. 24 at the Carrabelle Boat Club, 1570 U.S. 98 West.

Last year's tournament was attended by 250 people with 16 boats competing, and organizer Jane Munroe said hopes are high for another great event.

Proceeds go to the Krissi Flatt Foundation, a non-profit organization

whose mission is to save lives through public awareness and education about potential adverse reactions to prescription drugs, one of the leading causes of death in the United States.

Munroe said the foundation has two projects this year. It hopes to bring seniors together with pharmacists to discuss drug interaction, as well as a program to train high school students as ambassadors to raise awareness about over-the-counter medications among their

classmates.

The tourney offers cash prizes of \$500, \$250 and \$100 for each of the fish categories. Qualifying game fish include cobia, king mackerel, grouper, redfish and trout.

Captains' meeting is at 6 p.m. Friday at the boat club, with weigh-in from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday. The awards ceremony is at 6 p.m., with the Coastal Restaurant serving dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m.

For more info, call 697-5500.

WEEKLY ALMANAC

Temperature			
Date	High	Low	% Precip
Thu, Oct 22	82°	72°	20 %
Fri, Oct 23	81°	70°	30%
Sat, Oct 24	78°	59°	30 %
Sun, Oct 25	76°	62°	0 %
Mon, Oct 26	77°	64°	0 %
Tue, Oct 27	78°	65°	40 %
Wed, Oct 28	78°	65°	20%

TIDE TABLES MONTHLY AVERAGES

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

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

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

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

APALACHICOLA					
10/22 Thu	12:00AM	1.4	L	05:07AM	1.9 H
	01:39PM	0.1	L	09:27PM	1.5 H
10/23 Fri	12:39AM	1.4	L	05:49AM	1.8 H
	02:31PM	0.2	L	10:22PM	1.5 H
10/24 Sat	01:36AM	1.4	L	06:39AM	1.7 H
	03:31PM	0.3	L	11:14PM	1.5 H
10/25 Sun	02:59AM	1.3	L	07:40AM	1.6 H
	04:35PM	0.3	L	11:57PM	1.5 H
10/26 Mon	04:39AM	1.3	L	08:59AM	1.5 H
	05:34PM	0.4	L		
10/27 Tue	12:32AM	1.5	H	06:05AM	1.1 L
	10:34AM	1.4	H	06:27PM	0.5 L
10/28 Wed	12:59AM	1.5	H	07:10AM	0.9 L
	12:14PM	1.3	H	07:13PM	0.6 L

CARRABELLE					
10/22 Thu	03:42AM	3.0	H	11:26AM	0.2 L
	08:02PM	2.4	H	10:26PM	2.2 L
10/23 Fri	04:24AM	2.9	H	12:18PM	0.3 L
	08:57PM	2.4	H	11:23PM	2.2 L
10/24 Sat	05:14AM	2.7	H	01:18PM	0.5 L
	09:49PM	2.4	H		
10/25 Sun	12:46AM	2.1	L	06:15AM	2.6 H
	02:22PM	0.5	L	10:32PM	2.4 H
10/26 Mon	02:26AM	2.1	L	07:34AM	2.4 H
	03:21PM	0.6	L	11:07PM	2.4 H
10/27 Tue	03:52AM	1.8	L	09:09AM	2.2 H
	04:14PM	0.8	L	11:34PM	2.4 H
10/28 Wed	04:57AM	1.4	L	10:49AM	2.1 H
	05:00PM	1.0	L	11:57PM	2.4 H

SOLUNAR					
m = Minor M = Major add 1 hour for daylight savings					
Date	Day	AM	PM	Rise/Set	Moon
10/22	Thu	m 7:45	m 8:20	6:06AM	☾
		M 1:40	M 2:05	5:22PM	☾
10/23	Fri	m 8:40	m 9:15	6:07AM	☾
		M 2:35	M 3:00	5:21PM	☾
10/24	Sat	m 9:45	m 10:10	6:07AM	☾
		M 3:30	M 3:55	5:20PM	☾
10/25	Sun	m 10:30	m 11:00	6:08AM	☾
		M 4:20	M 4:45	5:20PM	☾
10/26	Mon	m 11:20	m 11:50	6:09AM	☾
		M 5:10	M 5:35	5:19PM	☾
10/27	Tue	m -	m 12:00	6:10AM	☾
		M 5:50	M 6:10	5:18PM	☾
10/28	Wed	m 12:25	m 12:40	6:10AM	☾
		M 6:30	M 6:40	5:17PM	☾

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Get ready for a memorable Homecoming

By Kendyl Hardy
Special to the Times

It's almost time for one of the most important functions of the year: homecoming.

This year, the Franklin County Student Government Association has some big plans, and we are going to need everyone's help and participation. Since everything with homecoming has been approved for K-12, we are encouraging everyone to participate in Spirit Week and the homecoming parade, in cheering on our Seahawk football team, and in supporting the homecoming representatives.

The Spirit Week dress-up days are as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 26, is known as Team Day. Students will dress in their favorite sports team paraphernalia.

Wednesday, Oct. 27, will be Wacky Wednesday. Students will wear crazy clothing such as bathing suits over clothes, wigs, etc. During sixth and seventh period, high school and middle school will participate in another homecoming tradition: the Silly Olympics. In these Olympics, students will compete in events such as The Orange Pass, Confetti Bucket, Balloon Pop and other humorous games.

The conclusion of the Silly Olympics usually ends with a dance-off between students of separate grade levels. Don't worry elementary — you are not left out! During K-5's physical education time, they will be participating in their own Silly Games with Coach Van Sickle. They will have a new game every day, and they are guaranteed to be fun!

Thursday, Oct. 29, has been titled Twin Thursday. Students



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Underclassmen are represented in the 2009 homecoming court by, standing, from left, juniors Tiffany Carroll, Shelby Shiver and Drue Chisholm, and, seated from left, sophomore Christina Pateritsas, freshman Shelby Meyers and sophomore Ciara Moore.

will find friends to dress in matching clothing.

Friday, Oct. 30, is Spirit Day. Every student of Franklin County High is school is encouraged to come to school showing some serious Seahawk spirit! Seahawk shirts, beads, painted faces and other acts of support will be worn.

The homecoming parade will take place Friday afternoon, Oct. 30, in Eastpoint. Students will be bused to the parade by grade level, then transported back to the school before school is dismissed. Parents wishing to take their children to the parade on their own must check them out of school before 12:30 p.m. We are encouraging everyone in the school and the community to attend the parade. It's going to be great!

As SGA, we cannot stress

enough how important everyone's participation is. Every grade is eligible to build a float, make signs or just walk in the homecoming parade. This parade is for the school, so we need full school participation. The community can be a part of the parade as well. However, whatever is entered into the parade must portray some form of Seahawk spirit. For more information on the parade, please call SGA's parade chairperson, Emily Cash, at 850-323-0450.

The homecoming game will take place on Friday, Oct. 30, in Eastpoint at 7:30 p.m. Our Seahawk football team will be competing against the Blountstown Tigers, and homecoming will take place during halftime. The new 2009 Franklin County High School homecoming queen will be

revealed, and it's not an event you want to miss! The homecoming representatives for each grade are as follows:

Freshman Shelby Meyers, sophomores Ciara Moore and Christina Pateritsas, juniors Tiffany Carroll, Shelby Shiver and Drue Chisholm, and seniors Katie Brannan, Heather Kemper, Monet Moron, Joy Carrino and Cecillia James.

During and after the 2009 homecoming game, SGA has provided some new things. This year, an FCHS Alumni Tent will be set up for previous graduates of Franklin County, and there will be a homecoming dance following the game. At the Alumni Tent, there will be old yearbooks, gift bags and even some finger foods. SGA invites all alumni to come to the game, visit and look back on old memories.

The homecoming dance will start after the game and will run until 1 a.m. There will be food, music and much more. Picture-taking will be available, but these pictures must be paid for when taken. Pictures will be delivered the next week, and prices range from \$15 to \$60.

Last but not least, mums are back! SGA is once again selling homecoming mums. This was a big hit last year, so we decided to do it again. To purchase a homecoming mum, see any SGA member. The cost is \$8, and the mums will be delivered the day of homecoming.

It is obvious that there are quite a few things going on this year, but SGA is ready for this! We have been working hard to ensure that this year's homecoming will be amazing, and we are excited to see everything unfold.

Senior Night has big plans for this Friday

As years pass, children grow older. Like a river's flow, time never ends. A child's heart will turn to noble ambition, and their nest will soon be abandoned. It approaches faster than others like to accept, but for some, this is their last year as Seahawks at Franklin County High School.

This Friday evening, Oct. 23, Franklin County High School Senior Night will occur. The school will recognize all senior students involved in football and band, followed by Pam Nobles Dance Studio Presentation of Dancers. The acknowledgment will take place pre-game, beginning at 7 p.m.

During Senior Night, there will be also be another important event. The varsity cheerleaders will perform, and the middle school football players and cheerleaders will be recognized, and then the 2009-2010 Mr. and Miss Franklin County High School will be crowned!

Come support our Seahawk seniors, their families and the football team as they face off against Liberty County. We are looking forward to soaring with another win.

SGA

Members of the Franklin County 2009-10 Student Government Association are, front row, from left, sophomores Jessica Dempsey and Tiffani Schmidt, freshmen Morgan Kelley and Emily Cash, seniors Joy Carrino and Katie Brannan, freshman Cheyenne Martin and sophomore Javeion Winfield. Second row, kneeling, from left, are freshmen Carli Hunt, Whitney Vause and Christina Collins, senior Natalie Shiver, junior Jessica Locklear, seniors Cecillia James and Heather Kemper and sophomore Kristine Thompson. Third row, standing, from left, are freshmen Karla Lewis, Coyer Causeaux and Chena Segree; senior Kendyl Hardy, sophomore Ciara Moore, seniors Deniser Clark and Adrienne Chambers, sophomore Carli Klink and senior Robert Henry. Back row, standing, from left, are junior Lakota Humble, senior Damien Davis, junior Joel Williams, sophomore Adrian Hendels, junior Milan Mullins, sophomore Marquez Williams and junior Nicholas Koch.

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School BRIEFS

Sprucing Up the Seahawk Nest

Saturday, Oct. 24, is Make a Difference Day, the most encompassing national day of helping others, a celebration of neighbors, a celebration of neighbors. Created by USA Weekend Magazine, Make a Difference

Day is an annual event that takes place every fourth Saturday of every October.

Franklin County School is planning a community event that day to landscape the administration building and plant trees on the main campus. The landscape design was graciously done by Bill

and Amanda Kollar, owners of Garden Inc. in Apalachicola. Bill Kollar will be on hand to give direction and a helping hand to volunteers.

We are calling the event Sprucing Up the Seahawk Nest. The more volunteers, the better. It should be a fun day of working together to show

Seahawk pride! Work will start at 9 a.m. Volunteers should bring gloves and a shovel. Lunch and drinking water will be provided.

Schools to host open house Nov. 2

An open house will be held for middle and high school report

card pickup on Monday, Nov. 2, from 5-7 p.m. Report cards will be picked up in the student's homeroom.

Parents will be given the opportunity to visit their child's classrooms and meet his or her teachers. Elementary report cards will be sent home with the students.

Blues concert fundraiser planned for Oct. 30

Special to The Times

Big Daddy & Red Hot Java triumphantly returns from their 49th European tour, bringing their sizzling musical ministry to the first Boo, Jazz, and Blues event Friday, Oct. 30, at the Armory in Apalachicola.

The show benefits the Franklin County Food Pantry and the Franklin County Community Development & Land Trust Corporation (both 501c3 nonprofits and tax-exempt). These organizations work diligently in the community to feed the hungry and house underprivileged families, and your support is needed.

Costumes, finger food, spirits by donation, and "shaking your tail feather" rule the night before Halloween. Tickets are \$20 per person and \$35 per couple and are available at all Gulf State Community Bank and Apalachicola State Bank



Members of the band Big Daddy & Red Hot Java visited Buckingham Palace on their recent European tour.

locations, the Franklin's Promise office at 653-3930, and online via PayPal at <http://www.boojazzblues.org> — where you can also get directions and more information.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; show time is 7 p.m., starting with the blues/rock of Candi & The Hammerheads, followed by the blues of Big Daddy & Red Hot Java at 8 p.m. Then deejay Van

Johnson spins the best dance tunes into the wee hours.

Big Daddy & Red Hot Java have toured overseas 48 times (Ireland, England, France, Germany and more), and has three critically acclaimed CD releases out ("The 24th Hour," "Firebrewed" and "Earthfire Blues Concert"), with a fourth CD due this month.

They deliver a raucous boogie blues roux peppered with soul and jazz. Big Daddy & Red Hot Java have opened for B.B. King, The Doobie Brothers, Huey Lewis & The News, Kool & The Gang, Robert Cray, Keb Mo, Coco Montoya and many others. Visit <http://www.myspace.com/bigdaddyredhotjava> to listen and to learn more.

The Franklin County Food Pantry is housed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 27 Sixth St. in Apalachicola. The pantry is open on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 9 a.m. to noon and assists

approximately 400 families, distributing about 800 bags each month.

The pantry provides a good representation of people working together to do something good within the community, from the Food Pantry Committee to the many volunteers who donate their time to unload trucks and make bags to distribute. Without these volunteers, the pantry would not be able to operate.

The Franklin County Community Development & Land Trust Corporation (CDC) has, to date, five pieces of property in Carrabelle ready for development of affordable housing. The properties (two donated by the City of Carrabelle and three donated by a private individual) will be developed in collaboration with Habitat for Humanity. The CDC is seeking property donations in the Apalachicola/Eastpoint area.

ACHIEVEMENT



Register graduates with honors from basic training

Army Pvt. Eric D. Register graduated with honors from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, in Lawton, Okla., on Friday, Oct. 2, 2009. He was at the top of his class.

Eric is now attending Advanced Individual Training at Fort Benning. Eric and his proud wife, Courtney, live in Blountstown.

Eric is the son of James

and Mary Register, of Tallahassee, and son-in-law to Shellie and Edie Rowell, of Carrabelle.

He is a 1997 graduate of Carrabelle High School and has been employed with the Florida Department of Corrections since 1999. He is currently a sergeant assigned to Gulf Correctional Institution in Wewahitchka.

BIRTHDAYS



Layla Dixon turns 3

Layla Dixon celebrated her third birthday on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2009, with a princess birthday.

Born Sept. 9, 2006, Layla is the daughter of Jessica Nesmith and Wesley Moore, of Eastpoint.

Maternal grandparents are Wendy Martini, of Eastpoint, and Michael and Pam Nesmith, of Panama City.

Paternal grandparents

are Terri and Ed Woodall, of Carrabelle, and Danny and Suzie Moore, of Eastpoint.

Maternal great-grandparents are Ron and Jean Martini, of Spokane, Wa., and Carol and Dave Hutchison, of Panama City.

Paternal great-grandparents are Wendy Derosier, of Apalachicola, and JoAnn Branch, of Apalachicola.

We love you!



Daniel Moses to mark first birthday Saturday

Daniel Lee Moses will celebrate his first birthday on Saturday, Oct. 24, at 2 p.m. at the Eastpoint Firehouse.

Moses, son of Tammi Jo Williams and Charles Daniel Moses, of Eastpoint, was born Oct. 20, 2008.

His maternal grandparents are Paula Ann and Michael Andrew Armitage, of Carrabelle.

Paternal grandparents are Bonnie and John

Langley, of Eastpoint.

Daniel's maternal great-grandparents are Carolyn and the late James Sparks, of Carrabelle.

His paternal great-grandparents are Shirley and Wayne Hicks, of Eastpoint.

All friends and family are invited to attend Saturday afternoon's birthday party. We made it, baby!



Devin Langley turns 2

Devin Langley will celebrate his second birthday on Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009, with a Spiderman birthday.

Born Oct. 19, 2007, Devin is the son of Jessica Nesmith and Wesley Moore, of Eastpoint.

Maternal grandparents are Wendy Martini, of Eastpoint, and Michael and Pam Nesmith, of Panama City.

Paternal grandparents are Michael Langley, of Eastpoint, and Sheila Taunton, of Panama City.

Maternal great-grandparents are Ron and Jean Martini, of Spokane, Wa., and Carol and Dave Hutchison, of Panama City.

Paternal great-grandparents are the late Ruby and Ed Langley, of Eastpoint.

We love you!



Allie Zingarelli turns 10

Allie Zingarelli celebrated her 10th birthday Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009, marking the occasion with a pizza party with many family and friends.

Allie's parents are James and Trish Pendleton, and Jack Zingarelli, all of Apalachicola.

Her maternal

grandparents are Layvonne and Monroe Register, Jimmy and Sandra Pendleton, and Martha and Melton Strickland, all of Apalachicola.

Her paternal grandparents are the late Joe and Marie Zingarelli.

Allie wishes to say thanks to Aunt Lisa for all she does for her. I love you!

PET OF THE WEEK



Logan

Logan, a 7 1/2 month old black lab mix, arrived at the Adoption Center two months ago. He is a wonderful, affectionate, well-behaved boy who needs to find a loving home before I take him home with me. Logan is up-to-date on his shots and has been neutered.

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

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OBITUARIES

Louie Gene Morris

Louie Gene Morris, 74, passed away Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009, in Tallahassee. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara Morris.

He came from Ponce de Leon and lived in this area for 50 years. He was a millwright mechanic for Proctor & Gamble. He loved running his dogs, hunting and fishing. He loved his family and playing with his grandkids.

He is also survived by one son, Ronnie Morris (and wife, Carol) of Perry; three daughters, Susan Heath, of Carrabelle, Brenda Lolley (and husband, Bobby), of Carrabelle, and Jennie Morris, of Crawfordville; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by three brothers, Tommy Goddin (and wife, Velda), of DeFuniak Springs, Wilbur Goddin, of Dothan, Ala., and Danny Gene Goddin (and wife, Rhonda) of Ponce de Leon; two sisters, Mary Mattox (and husband, Mike) of Hurst, Texas, and Shirley Russell, of Westville; and many other family members and friends.

Visitation was Friday evening, Oct. 16 at the church. Funeral services were Saturday afternoon, Oct. 17 at the Carrabelle Assembly of God Church. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery.

Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville is in charge of arrangements.

Marion M. Estes, M.D., 92, of St. George Island and Sycamore Community in Gadsden County, died Sunday, Oct. 18, 2009, at his home on St. George Island, where he and his wife, Maggi, have lived their dream.

Dr. Estes was born in Atlanta and graduated from Emory University. After graduating from the Medical College of Georgia, he served in the U. S. Army Medical Corps during World War II.

He was a practicing psychiatrist until his retirement in 1985.

In addition to Maggi, Dr. Estes is survived by his children, Andrew Estes, Michele Buchman,

Marion P Estes, Paul Estes, Toni Stalker, Will Stalker, Jim Stalker, John Stalker and Kerry Stalker; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Shirley Motley Estes, son David, and sister Anne James.

Dr. Estes' remains will be scattered in the Gulf of Mexico, which he loved so much.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL, 32308.

Charles McClellan Funeral Home, Quincy, is in charge of arrangements.

Ferris 'Doc' Hardee, Sr.

Ferris "Doc" B. Hardee, Sr., 95, passed away Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009, in Carrabelle.

Graveside services were Monday, Oct. 19 at 11 a.m. at Evergreen Cemetery in Carrabelle. Bevis Funeral Home, Harvey-Young Chapel in Crawfordville is in charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made

to Lanark Community Church, P.O. Box 424, Lanark Village, FL, 32323.

He is survived by one son, Ferris Hardee, Jr. (and wife, Margaret) of Tallahassee; one grandson, Chris Hardee (and wife, Regina) of Winter Park; and three great-grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his wife of 70 years, Grace H. Hardee.

Mary Joyce Marshall Rogers

A memorial service will be held for Mary Joyce Marshall Rogers on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Apalachicola.

Born June 3, 1934, to the late Neuman and Erma Marshall, Rogers passed away Oct. 5, 2009, at the North Florida Regional Hospital.

Church BRIEFS

UMC church holds yard sale on island

The St. George Island United Methodist Church will hold its annual yard sale and barbecue on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Yard sale items include furniture, lamps, small appliances, apparel for all ages, linens, toys, books and much more.

Art Little's famous Coon Run barbecue will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Coon Run barbecue sauce will also be on sale.

The church is located at 201 E. Gulf Beach Drive, St. George Island. For more information, call 927-2088.

Kindly elves needed for Christmas

The Franklin County Children's Toy Project is a newly formed coalition of Apalachicola city government, county health department, sheriff's office, schools, churches, Emergency Medical Services and the volunteer fire departments. The group is collecting toys, clothing and shoes for deserving children. Cash donations are also welcome.

Donation boxes are located at local businesses around the county. Applications for aid are available at schools, churches, health department, sheriff's office and City Hall. Deadline to place an application is Dec. 4.

For more information call 370-0970 or 653-9550. Distribution will take place Dec. 17 and 18. This year, toys will be distributed at the Armory in Apalachicola, the Eastpoint Fire Department and Carrabelle EMS offices.

Big Bend Hospice's Caring Tree commended

Big Bend Hospice was recently visited by the Community Health Accreditation Organization, the premier hospice accreditation provider in the country. Surveyors look at every aspect of an organization, including medical records and sanitation practices, and they measure each agency against the highest national standards.

Big Bend Hospice was re-certified as an Accredited Hospice Agency having met and exceeded all national standards. The Caring Tree Program, which provides grief support for children and teens, was singled out by the surveyors for special commendation. "This program presents annually at several national conferences and is frequently used as a 'laboratory site' for others in the USA and beyond to see an outstanding example of a

program that impacts the community in profound ways while maintaining a slim budget and intense community support and involvement," wrote the accreditation team.

The Caring Tree program, established in 1995, partners with the school and juvenile justice systems and the Challenger Learning Center to provide grief and loss counseling to children and teens, both in groups and through Camp Woe-Be-Gone. Big Bend Hospice is pleased that the Caring Tree has been recognized for its work with young people who are often the "forgotten mourners" after a death.

In 2008 the Caring Tree's staff of four counselors touched over 2,700 young people in our area. The majority of the families of these children and teens did not use Big Bend Hospice services. Because this program is funded through community donations, it can be provided free to those who need it.

For more information on the Caring Tree program, please call Pam Mezzina, 850-878-5310, ext. 799.

Love & Worship Center offers early service

If you work on Sunday afternoon and maybe do not have a church home, or if you need a word from the Lord, start your day off with an hour of praise and worship.

The Love & Worship Center invites you to "Hour of Power" morning glory services on Sunday, from 8 - 9 a.m., with Apostle Granville Croom, Jr.

For more information, call 653-2203.

Make noise for Domestic Violence Awareness

Refuge House, an organization to support battered women, is sponsoring a motorcade to raise awareness about domestic violence. Everyone is invited to attend. The cars will assemble at the old Chapman Administration Building at the corner of 12th Street and US 98 on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 11:45 a.m. Beginning at noon, the parade will then travel down Market Street and then on to Avenue B to Lafayette Park at 13th Street, blowing their horns.

When the motorcade ends at Lafayette Park, there will be a short ceremony in memory of those victims who have lost their lives to domestic violence.

"We will be sounding our horns in protest of domestic violence victims. Until the silence is broken, true healing cannot begin," said Refuge House Director Linda Gibson. "As a county united, let us support victims in this effort to end the violence. As a county united, let us support victims in this effort to end the violence."

For information, call 653-3313.

Library HAPPENINGS

The Franklin County Public Library in Eastpoint, in conjunction with the Wilderness Coast Public Library, will be conducting free computer classes during the months of October and November. Registration can be made by phone or in person at the Eastpoint library. Call 670-8151, or come by 29 Island Drive, Eastpoint to register.

The first class is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 10 a.m. to

noon and will be a basic computer skills level 1, a great class for the beginner computer user. The beginner class will be followed at 1 p.m. with Getting Started with Gmail and creating an e-mail account.

On Thursday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to noon the staff will offer Microsoft Word I, getting the basics. Microsoft I will be followed at 1 p.m. that same day with Excel I. You can participate in just

one class or all of them. Classes are subject to change.

Parent/Child Reads is each Friday at 2:15 p.m. Parents and their children birth to 4 are invited to be read to and to read along. This is followed by Story Time at 3:30 p.m. for children ages 5 to 10.

Parent/child programs continue through October and into November with outstanding children's literature and fun learning activities. The Carrabelle

branch is hosting Story Hour each Tuesday at 5 p.m. with Miss Tonya, so don't miss out on games, snacks and most important, stories.

Don't forget to check the library monthly calendar at the Carrabelle branch or the Eastpoint library for more library happenings, or call 697-2366 in Carrabelle or 670-8151 in Eastpoint for more information about the programs mentioned above.



LANARK NEWS
Jim Welsh

The members of the Lanark Golf Club thank you for your support for their Second Saturday breakfasts. And we would like to thank the members for preparing and serving and having us over to Chillas Hall. We really enjoy the food and fellowship.

The bus committee is back on seasonal schedule. Bingo for the Bus is now every Wednesday night, at Chillas Hall, starting at 6:30 p.m. Join us for

a fun evening. Coffee, soft drinks and cookies are available. See you there!

The snowbirds are starting to drift in. Stop by Chillas Hall and have a cup of coffee or two, some goodies and welcome them back. We won't be able, however, to enjoy the company of our longtime friend, Margaret Stitts. She moved into an assisted-living facility and is very happy.

The ladies at the Thrift Shop, in the plaza, wish you would stop by and look into the clothes and seasonal décor items. Browse, have some coffee or just visit Bette, Sharon and Mary. Donated, resalable items are always needed. After the overhead is paid, the proceeds are divided between The Ladies Guild, The Women's Christian Fellowship Circle, our volunteer fire department and the Lanark Village Association. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Before you go out to that Halloween party, don't forget to set your clocks back one hour. Yes, folks, we will get that hour of sleep back that we lost in the spring. While you're changing the clocks, check the batteries in your smoke alarm.

Be kind to one another and check in on the sick and housebound. Remember to smile. You may not feel better, but everyone will wonder what you're up to.

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

Card of Thanks — Evans family

The Evans family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, gifts of food and flowers during our loss of Joseph D. Evans.

We are eternally grateful to you and your family during this time.

Sincerely,
Brenda Evans and Family

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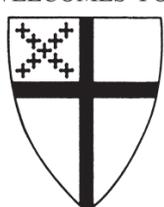
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Sunday Evening Service	6:00 pm
Monday, Youth Group	6:30 pm
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The United Methodist Churches of Franklin County Welcome You

First United Methodist Church of Apalachicola
Worship Service 11:00 a.m. every Sunday
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
75 5th St. Apalachicola - 653-9530 - fumcapalach@tcom.net
Pastor: Rev. Themo Patriotis

Carrabelle United Methodist Church
Worship Services 10:45 a.m. - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
"Celebrate Recovery" Mondays 7-9 p.m.
Healing service first Tuesday each month-7 p.m.
102 NE Ave. B Carrabelle - 697-3672
Pastor: Julie Stephens

Eastpoint United Methodist Church
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.sgiumc.org
Pastor: Rev. Themo Patriotis

Sheriff's REPORT

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

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

Oct. 13

Harry J. Hall, 30, Apalachicola, violation of probation (FCSO)
Revel Dean, 44, Eastpoint, violation of probation (FCSO)

Oct. 17

David E. Barber, 49, Eastpoint, felony fleeing and eluding, and resisting without violence (CPD)
Jonathan Carmichael, 23, Eastpoint, failure to appear (FCSO)

Carlos Vilas Veigas, 31, Tallahassee, driving while license suspended or revoked (FDEP)
Alison Wray, 27, Eastpoint, violation of probation (APD)

Oct. 14

Travis A. Durrance, 19, Sopchoppy, resisting without violence, (CPD)

Oct. 18

Clifford Hunter, 23, Eastpoint, DUI (FHP)

Oct. 19

Timothy Finley, 41, Apalachicola, violation of probation (FCSO)

News BRIEFS

Seafood Festival holds drawing for weekend stays

The Florida Seafood Festival is having a drawing for some weekend stays on St. George Island during the festival weekend of Nov. 6 and 7.

A two-night stay in a beach house, \$1,000 value from Resort Vacation Properties; a two-night stay Friday

- Saturday at the Buccaneer Inn; and a Friday stay at the Water Street Hotel. All were donated by the respective businesses.

Entry is free, and entry forms are available on the festival's home page, www.floridaseafoodfestival.com.

All winners will also receive free tickets into the festival.

Findings of FCSWA audit to be shared Nov. 19

Andy Smith, attorney for the Apalachicola Riverkeeper said that Roberson and Friedman, of Port St. Joe, have completed a review of the financial records of the Franklin County Seafood Workers Association (FCSWA) and will now enter the second phase of the forensic audit.

During the last two weeks of October, representatives of the accounting firm will interview past and current officers of the association to gain a better understanding of the fund disbursement.

The results of the audit will be made public on Thursday, Nov. 19 at the Eastpoint Firehouse during a scheduled meeting of FCSWA.

FWC to meet in Apalachicola

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission announced that it will hold a state meeting in Apalachicola Feb. 17-18, 2010.

The agenda for February's meeting will not be set until after the upcoming December meeting.

The meeting will be at the former Chapman High School building, corner of 12th Street and Avenue E. Staff will start arriving on Tuesday, Feb. 16 for setup.

FWC officers rescue stranded oystermen

Officers from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Division of Law Enforcement rescued two stranded oystermen off Porter's oyster bar late last month.

On the night of Monday, Sept. 28, Officer Chasen Yarborough and Lt. Charlie Wood conducted a search-and-rescue mission in Apalachicola Bay in the area of Porter's oyster bar. A 15-foot commercial oyster vessel occupied by two individuals had been reported overdue.

Utilizing night-vision equipment, the officers began a search grid just west of Porter's oyster bar. With no vessels in sight, Pilot Frank Utermohlen was summoned to assist in the search from the air, along with another commercial oyster vessel.

Just before 1 a.m., Yarborough and Wood spotted a signal fire on board the overdue vessel. After arriving at the overdue vessel and ascertaining that the motor would not start and that no one was in need of medical attention, the disabled vessel was towed into Eastpoint.

While conducting license and fisheries inspections in the Bald Point State Park, Officer John Allen was found an angler in possession of undersize mangrove snapper and red drum as well as over-the-bag limit on red drum.

The angler was issued a misdemeanor citation for the undersize red drum, written warnings for the undersize mangrove snapper (released alive) and the bag limit violation on the red drum.

On the night of Sept. 30 Officers Travis Huckeba, John Allen and Jason Carroll were on water patrol in the area of Larnark Reef. Utilizing night-vision equipment, the officers located a gill net boat fishing the area. While attempting to stop the vessel, one of the crewmen pushed the illegal gill net overboard. After stopping the vessel and retrieving the illegal net from the water, the two fishermen admitted to the officers the net was theirs.

The two fishermen were each charged with possession of a gill or entangling net; possession of a net with mesh size larger than 2-inch stretch; possession of a gill or entangling net on a vessel less than 25 feet in length, with the motor in the forward half of the vessel; and carriage of a gill or entangling net across state waters. Felony charges are also pending the outcome of the measurement of the net's square footage.

CITY OF CARRABELLE PROPOSED ENACTMENT OF CITY ORDINANCE 441

The City Commission of the City of Carrabelle, Florida, proposes to enact the following ordinance:

CITY OF CARRABELLE ORDINANCE NO. 441

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR USE AND OPERATION OF MUNICIPAL DOCK FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

The proposed Ordinance will be considered for enactment during a public hearing to be held 6:00 p.m., Thursday November 5, 2009 and December 3, 2009 at 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, FL.

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

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

Wilburn Messer, Mayor
Attest: Keisha Smith, City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR A LARGE SCALE AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF CARRABELLE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Planning Commission of the City of Carrabelle will conduct a public hearing in the Council Chambers, Carrabelle City Hall, 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, Florida, on November 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the issues may be heard to consider a recommendation concerning the transmittal of a large scale amendment 09-01 of the City of Carrabelle Comprehensive Plan relating thereto, the title of which is set forth below.

The City Commission of the City of Carrabelle will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of second reading of Ordinance 438, in the Commission Chambers, City of Carrabelle Municipal Complex, 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, Florida, on November 5, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the issue may be heard to consider the adoption of large scale amendment 09-01 of the City of Carrabelle Comprehensive Plan relating thereto, the title of which is set forth below.

The purpose of the Public Hearings is to consider the adoption of Ordinance 438.

Large Scale Amendment 09-01

The amendment to the Comprehensive Plan will be accomplished by adoption of an Ordinance set forth by title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 438

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, SPECIFICALLY CITY-INITIATED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO 7.G.1 OBJECTIVE 1.2 OF THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT ELEMENT, OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearings and comment upon the proposed comprehensive plan amendment or submit their comments in writing to the Planning Commission or the City Council, respectively. Further information concerning the proposed amendment can be obtained from the City Clerk at City Hall, at 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, Florida, 32322, or by calling (850) 697-2727, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at these hearings, such person will need a record of the proceedings, and for this purpose such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. The City of Carrabelle does not provide or prepare such record pursuant to F.S. Section 286.0105.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in these proceedings should contact the City Clerk at City Hall, at 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, Florida, 32322, or by calling (850) 697-2727, no later than three (3) days prior to the proceedings.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Commission of the City of Carrabelle will meet in regular session on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at approximately 6:00 p.m. or as soon as can be heard in the City of Carrabelle Commission Chambers located at 1001 Gray Ave, Carrabelle, FL (850)697-2727 to consider the following in accordance with Ordinance No.:409, Consent of Use for the Consumption and Sale of Alcohol:

1. Allowing a store located at 1843 Hwy 98 w to sell beer and wine.

All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing on this matter. Further information concerning the proposed amendment can be obtained from the City Clerk at City Hall, at 1001 Gray Avenue, Carrabelle, Florida, 32322, or by calling (850) 697-2727, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

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Wilburn Messer, Mayor
Attest: Keisha Smith, City Clerk

Chamber hosts Downtown Oyster Roast in Apalachicola

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce will host its fifth annual Downtown Oyster Roast

Friday, Nov. 6 from 6 - 9 p.m. Dine under the stars in the heart of historic Apalachicola, whose oysters

are recognized by top chefs as some of the best in the world. Come enjoy Apalachicola Bay's finest.

The roast will have roasted oysters, oyster on the half shell, creamy artichoke and oyster soup,

shrimp, crabs, salad and desserts all under the stars on Commerce Street at the magnificent Garden Shop.

Music by Joe Hutchinson. For tickets, call 653-9419 or e-mail info@apalachicolabay.org.

ACF stakeholders incorporate, set initial meeting

The Executive Committee of the newly formed ACF Stakeholders group is pleased to announce that it is now incorporated in the State of Georgia as a non-profit corporation. This event marks an important milestone in an effort that began a year ago to create a diverse, balanced interest group of stakeholders in the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint Basin.

The formative principle of the group is that the political and legal structures have failed to resolve the 18-year dispute over how the waters of the ACF Basin should be shared. The guiding principle behind the organizational effort has been to create a structure that reflects the diverse interests of the stakeholders. Representatives from more than 60 organizations

have worked as a Steering Committee to evolve a structure to achieve this goal.

Wilton Rooks, interim President and Executive Committee member for the Upper Chattahoochee sub-basin, said: "This organization reflects the best chances that the three states have of arriving at a resolution to the conflict regarding the waters of the ACF Basin. As a representative from the largest population center in the basin, I look forward to working with the representatives from the other basins. Our goal is to arrive at solutions that are beneficial to all users."

Billy Turner, interim Treasurer and Executive Committee member for the Lower & Middle Chattahoochee sub-basin said: "The ACFs, due to its organization and makeup,

intends to bring together the most knowledgeable, diverse group representing all water interests in the ACF watersheds. A positive outcome from the ACFs has the best chance to be a workable solution for the 20-year-old water dispute."

Dan Tonsmeire, interim Secretary and Executive Committee member for the Apalachicola sub-basin said, "The level playing field upon which the ACFs is built and participation by those most affected by the management of water throughout the Basin gives us the best opportunity to find real and meaningful solutions to sharing water between citizens of our basin."

Vince Falcione, interim Vice President and Executive Committee member for the Flint sub-basin said: "This past year, I've had the opportunity

to be part of the ACF Steering Team working with stakeholders throughout the basin. The time I spent with these individuals convinced me that we can work together to arrive at workable solutions to meet the needs of the diverse users of this resource. I am confident this organization will have a positive impact on this resource now and in the future."

Organizations near the basin are now joining. The application and further details are on the organization's Web site, www.acfstakeholders.com.

The initial meeting of the Governing Board, which will be selected by representatives of each sub-basin during November, is scheduled for Dec. 10 in Albany, Georgia.

For further details, contact Dan Tonsmeire at 653-8936

FCI OFFICER OF THE MONTH

Franklin Correctional Institution recently selected Robert Carroll as its officer of the month for October 2009. Carroll has been employed at FCI since April 2007, when he was initially assigned to the Main Unit. He eventually transferred to Bay City Work Camp, where he is currently assigned as a Food Service Security Officer. He is shown in photo at right, along with FCI Warden Duffie Harrison.



Carroll's supervisor, Lt. Shelia Watson, said in her nomination that Carroll is, "extremely effective in the overall efficiency of the Bay City Work Camp Food Service Department." Carroll resides in Apalachicola with his wife, LeAnne, and son, Jacob.

Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 22
Individual and group computer instruction at Eastpoint library. 10 a.m. to noon. 670-8151.

Genealogy group at Carrabelle library. 1 - 2 p.m. 697-2366.

Yoga at Carrabelle library, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. 697-2366.

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

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

Friday, Oct. 23

Individual and group computer instruction at Eastpoint library. 10 a.m. to

noon. 670-8151.

Parent-child reads at Eastpoint library at 2:15 p.m. for infant to 4-year-olds. 670-8151.

Story Hour at Eastpoint library at 3:30 p.m. for ages 5 to 8. 670-8151.

Exercise class at Chillas Hall in Lanark Village, 9 - 10 a.m. Open to all and free.

Carrabelle History Museum, Old City Hall, 106 SE Ave. B in downtown Carrabelle, open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and Saturday. Free. Call Tamara Allen, 697-2141.

Saturday, Oct. 24

Make a Difference Day will begin 9 a.m. at the Franklin County School. This community event will landscape the administration

building and plant trees on the main campus, under the direction of Garden, Inc.'s Bill Kollar. The more volunteers who show up to "Sprucing Up the Seahawk Nest," the better. Volunteers should bring gloves and a shovel. Lunch and drinking water provided. 670-2800.

Monday, Oct. 26

Yoga at Carrabelle library. 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. 697-2366.

Yarn Junkies will meet at 7 - 9 p.m. The newly formed group is for knitters, crocheters and others addicted to yarn. The group meets each Monday evening at an alternate location. Call Kathy Robinson, 653-7196.

Exercise class at Chillas Hall in Lanark Village. 9 -

10 a.m. Open to all and free.

Al-Anon meets 5:30 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church's Benedict Hall, at Sixth Street and Avenue D. 850-222-2294.

Bingo at the Franklin County Senior Center in Carrabelle. Early bird 6 p.m., regular bingo 7 p.m. Cards begin at \$4. 697-3760.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

Apalachicola Community Gardens meets 5 p.m. at Seafood Grill Restaurant. 653-9319.

Kids Wii at Carrabelle Library. 5 - 6 p.m. 697-2366.

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

Bingo 7 p.m. St. George

Island Fire Dept. 25 cents per card. Families welcome. Proceeds go to St. George Island Civic Club. 927-4654.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

The Sea Oats Garden Club will meet 11:30 a.m. at the Carrabelle Branch of the Franklin County Library. 697-9790.

Apalachicola Traffic Safety meeting noon at City Hall. 653-8715.

Adult Wii at Carrabelle Library. 9 - 11 a.m. 697-2366. Exercise class at Chillas Hall in Lanark Village. 9 - 10 a.m. Open to all and free.

Thursday, Oct. 29

Apalachicola Area Historical Society presents

Beverly Mount-Dodds, author of the soon-to-be published book "Apalachicola" in Arcadia Publishing's "Images of America" series. Free.

5:30 p.m. at Camellia Hall, 80 Fifth St. in Apalachicola. 370-6201.

Microsoft Word 1 at Eastpoint Library 9 a.m. to noon. 670-8151.

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The Board of Architecture and Interior Design issued a Notice and Order to Cease and Desist and filed an Administrative Complaint against you. A copy may be obtained by contacting, David K. Minacci, Esquire, Smith, Thompson, Shaw & Manausa, P.A., 3520 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, FL 32309-3469, (850) 402-1570.

If no response is received from you regarding the above-referenced matter by November 19, 2009, an informal hearing may be scheduled before the Board of Architecture and Interior Design, pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone: (850) 257-6067; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. October 1, 8, 15, 22, 2009

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

4298T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

WILLIAM D. ROBERTS, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE WM. DOUGLAS ROBERTS & ASSOCIATES, INC., PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST, DATED AUGUST 1, 2004, et al, Defendants.

CASE NO.: 19-2009-CA-000483

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO:
UNKNOWN BENEFICIARIES OF THE WM. DOUGLAS ROBERTS & ASSOCIATES, INC., PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST, DATED AUGUST 1, 2004
Last Known Address: Unknown
Current Residence Unknown

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

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

LOT 29 OF TREASURE BEACH VILLAGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE(S) 25, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), disabled persons who, because of their disabilities, need special accommodation to partici-

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pate in this proceeding should contact the ADA Coordinator at 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320 or Telephone Voice/TDD (904) 653-8861 prior to such proceeding.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 23rd day of September, 2009.

Marcia Johnson
As Clerk of the Court
By Terry E. Creamer
As Deputy Clerk
October 15, 22, 2009

4322T
IN THE COUNTY COURT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

ST. GEORGE PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation
Plaintiff

v.
BAYTREE RIDGE LLC,
Defendant.

CASE NO.
2009-CC-000038

NOTICE OF SALE

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 21, 2009, and entered in Case No. 2009-CC-000038 of the County Court in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein St. George Plantation Owners Association, Inc. is Plaintiff, and BAYTREE RIDGE LLC is Defendant, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in Front Steps of the Franklin County Courthouse at 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, FL 32320, Franklin County, Florida, at 11:00 am (EST) on the 4th day of November, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 21 of Osprey Village, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page(s) 6 & 7, of the Public Records of Franklin County, Florida.

DATED this 30th day of September, 2009.

Marcia M. Johnson, Clerk
Circuit Court
By: Terry Creamer
Deputy Clerk

Becker & Poliakoff, P.A.
Attorneys for Plaintiff

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

348 Miracle strip Pkwy SW
Paradise Village Suite 7
Ft. Walton Beach, FL
32548-5253
(850)664-2229
(850)664-7882 Fax
Raymond F. Newman, Jr.
Florida Bar # 750204
October 15, 22, 2009

4335T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2nd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association
Plaintiff,

-vs.-

John R. Moody; Washington Mutual Bank; Defendant(s).

Case #:
19-2008-CA-000091
Division #:
UNC:

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling foreclosure sale dated September 29, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 19-2008-CA-000091 of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Ju-

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

dicial Circuit in and for Franklin County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and John R. Moody are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, AT THE WEST FRONT DOOR OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED ON HWY 98, IN APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., November 17, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 10, BLOCK A, SEA DUNE VILLAGE AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4 AT PAGE 21 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS SITUATED THEREON OR ATTACHED THERETO AND ALL TENEMENTS, HEREDITAMENTS, IMPROVEMENTS, APPURTENANCES, RIGHTS, EASEMENTS, LICENSES, BENEFITS AND RIGHT-OF-WAY THERETO BELONGING OR IN ANYWISE APPERTAINING HEREINAFTER TO THE

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Franklin County, Florida
By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
SHAPIRO & FISHMAN,
LLP
10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112
Tampa, FL 33618
(813) 880-8888
October 15, 22, 2009

4355T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100

"PROPERTY"

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

DATED at Apalachicola, Florida, this 5th day of October, 2009.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Franklin County, Florida
By: Michele Maxwell
Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
SHAPIRO & FISHMAN,
LLP
10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112
Tampa, FL 33618
(813) 880-8888
October 15, 22, 2009

4355T
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

AUCTIONS
3130

NEW TODAY!
AUCTION & FLEA MARKET
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ET 6:30 CT.



Misc consignments welcome, County Road 386-4 miles from Mexico Beach View 1 hr prior. AND 2nd Saturday Flea Market 11/14-reserve space now-227-8631. License AB964 #AU1384.

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Steel Buildings Big Disc. Avail. 30x40 - 105x105 Call for Deal, Erection Available www.scg-grp.com Source # 17F 850-819-2547

FURNITURE
3220

NEW TODAY!
\$289 New Queen THICK Pillowtop Mattress Set in Sealed Plastic, Warranty, Can Deliver. 222-9879

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\$169- 2pc Queen Plus top mattress set. New in plastic w/ warranty. Can Deliver 545-7112

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Bedroom Set. HB, FR, DR, MR, NS. Brand new in boxes. Just \$450 Amazing deal! Can deliver 425-8374

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NEW TODAY!

Sectional Living Room Set. New 2 Tone micro fiber, stain resistant. Let go for \$899, delivery available. 222-9879

GARAGE/ YARD SALES
3230

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Moving Sale! Apalach. 224 Ave D (behind Red top restaurant) Sat & Sun 9-3pm. Lots of Stuff!!!! Something for everyone!!

NEW TODAY!

Port St. Joe: 804 16th St. Fri/Sat & Sun 7:30-3
Estate Sale
Furniture, Books, China, Silver, Range/Oven, Frig-daire Cookmaster, TVs, Antiques & Collectibles, Household Items, Holiday Decorations. ad art & jewelry/Everything is 1/2 off on Sunday.

GOOD THINGS TO EAT
3250

All You Can Eat *SNOW CRABS*
\$15.99 at UP THE CREEK RAW BAR Starting at 5:00 every Monday in Apalachicola at 313 Water St. 850-653-2525. \$1.00 Draft Beer.

MISCELLANEOUS
3300

Landscaper fully experience, selective pruning, weeding, & planting. Reasonable rates. Looking for training partner. Bike rides 25-100 miles, walks 5 to 10 miles, ocean swimming. No pseudo athlete. Call 850-447-0691



4100 - Help Wanted
4130 - Employment Information

HELP WANTED
4100

Nutrition Program Assistant/Driver

Elder Care Services of Franklin County is seeking a Part time person (20-25 hrs a week) to assist the Coordinator for the Meals on Wheels and other nutrition programs in Apalachicola. Must have a dependable vehicle and a good driving records. Good organizational and computer skills a plus. Criminal check and drug test required. Application available from Elder Care Services at 850-921-5554 or you can e-mail hesterm@ecsbigbend.org

Other

Penelope's Pet Stop
Seeking exceptional dependable, hardworking, energetic, member. Duties to include bathing feeding and the care of dogs and cats, ability to handle large dogs a must, customer Service exp w/ comp & phone skills rqr'd the ability to multi task w/ att. to detail & strong work ethic.necessary call 850-670-2257 25 S. Franklin St. east Point

HELP WANTED
4100

NEW TODAY!
Medical Health

Auditing Specialist

Responsible for auditing and reviewing insurance payments and contracts in order to identify potential underpayments due to providers. Must have intermediate computer and math skills, also the ability to read and understand managed care contracts. Healthcare and/or auditing experience is beneficial.

Revenue Recovery Specialist

Responsible for recovery of underpaid insurance claims. Requires excellent communication skills, ability to spend long hours on the phone, and basic computer skills. Healthcare call center experience preferred.

Please mail resumes to:

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P.O. Box 14165
Mexico Beach, FL 32410
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HELP WANTED
4100

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will consider applications for the following position:
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR & SPECIAL NEEDS COORDINATOR

Requirements Include: Education- minimal High School Diploma, GED, Valid Driver's License and dependable transportation. Administrative and clerical skills, excellent communication skills, excellent computer skills and be proficient in excel and access programs.

Applicants must be able to properly handle confidential records, be able to multi-task, and be a self starter and be able to work in a stressful environment. Applicants must be available and prepared to respond to any emergency/disaster or potential emergency, twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven days a week if the Emergency Management Office is activated. They must possess a working knowledge of web-sites applications and would be responsible for posting newest updates daily on the Emergency Management web-site.

Applications may be obtained from and submitted to the Emergency Management Director, Pamela Brownell in the Emergency Management Office located at 28 Airport Road, Apalachicola, FL 32320. Contact Information: Pamela Brownell, EOC Director (850) 653-8977

Applications must be submitted no later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29, 2009.

FRANKLIN COUNTY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND IS A DRUG FREE WORKPLACE.

HELP WANTED
4100

CNA/HHA
Immediate need for Exp CNA/HHA's in local area Home care. Live in & hourly shifts avail. Send resume to: drafty@careminders.com, call 248-2273 or FAX 248-2275

Project/Program Mgmt

Adjunct Instructors
Gulf Coast Community College. Natural Science Adjunct Instructors to teach Anatomy & Physiology Labs. Requires BS degree with anatomy/biology courses (MS preferred). For information: 850-872-3848. Application + Additional info: http://www.gulfcoast.edu/hr/employment.htm GCCC is an EA/EO/M/F/Vet employer.

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION
4130

POSTAL & GOVT JOB INFO FOR SALE?

Caution

You NEVER have to pay for information about federal or postal jobs. If you see a job "guarantee", contact the FTC.

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A public service message from the FTC and The News Herald Classified Advertising Department

INTERNAL AGENCY Only Current DOH Employees May Apply

Administrative Assistant I
Position number: 64004439
Annual Salary Range: \$19,902.48 - \$26,500.00
Closing Date: 10/22/2009

The State of Florida is an EEO Employer. Emergency Duties, fingerprinting and background screening required.

This is a Grant Funding Position working in the Tobacco Prevention and Education Office in Franklin County Health Department. Position will work directly for the Tobacco Prevention Health Education Program Manager. Individual must have good interpersonal skills, work well with others and be detail oriented in completing multiple tasks in a timely and efficient manner. Individual must have the knowledge and ability to monitor, prepare, and amend the tobacco budget. Funding allocation for this position is based upon the Tobacco Prevention yearly, (07/01/09 - 06/30/2010), funding cycle and funding is not guaranteed after June 30, 2010.

Please, choose one of the following for submitting your application:

1. Online at https://peoplefirst.myflorida.com/logon.htm
2. Fax your application to: (904) 636-2627 Address the fax cover letter to: People First Staffing - Attn: Data Entry Write the following in the comments section of the fax cover letter: For position #64004439. Please, post to People First Web site. If you should have problems with the online system, please call People First at: (877) 562-7287.
3. Mail your application to People First Staffing Administration, PO Box 44058 Jacksonville, FL 32231.

HELP WANTED
4100

Medical/Health

APARTMENT RENTALS
6110

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

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Immediate opening on 2 BR HC & non-HC accessible units. Rental units. Rental assistance available. Call 850-653-9277. TDD/TTY 711. Equal Housing Opportunity

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Very nice 1 br apartment in Carrabelle, fully furnished, patio, carport, must see to appreciate, \$750 month, includes dish network & all util. \$300 deposit, Minimum of 6 mo. lease required. Call 850-697-3246

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6120

NEW TODAY!

Indian Pass, "trailer on the beach", Long term rental, 2br, 2ba, Nicely furnished. Beautiful beach front setting \$850 mo, Dep/ref/s, 678-378-1917

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St. George Island
\$160 wk, elec, Satellite, Garbage included, pool table, 12'X65' deck with Beautiful view. Call 850-653-5114

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Montgomery Building, corner Avenue E/Market Street. Small \$195, Med \$295, Large \$595 mo. Month-to-month no security no deposit. Tel (305) 588-5885.

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6100

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Approx 1100 sq ft. Available now Corner of Hwy 98 & 12th Street 850-653-9788 or 850 615 0058

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3 br, apt in Lanark Village, w/ porch & sml yard, will consider rent to own \$550 mo + \$250 dep. 509-2460

Apalach. 1 bdrm apt furn. Includes water, electric & cable. Nice private atmosphere with porch & yard. Great location. \$650 mo. + \$350 dep. 850 510-2888

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

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br, 2 ba, 1500 sq. ft. wood floors throughout!!!! \$950 Furnished 562-1478 or 850-251-6082

HOUSE RENTALS
6140

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Apalachicola, FL. Call 850-643-7740.

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Carrabelle 2 br, 2 ba, nice screened porch overlooking Carrabelle river with dock & big yard. \$950 mo. + \$500 dep. Call (850) 510-2888

Carrabelle 3 br, 2 ba, completely remodeled, large private yard \$800 month 210 NE 1st St 404-266-0067

Carrabelle

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NEW TODAY!

Waterfront Rental
3br, 2ba Carrabelle. Quiet Neighborhood with Great View of Dog Island. Furnished. Call for more info. 850-44-2216

ROOMMATE WANTED
6150

Woman seeks rental on North Bayshore Dr. Waterfront. Eastpoint. Paying rent; will run errands & cook for elderly person. Debbie: 670-9190

MOBILE HOME/ LOT RENTALS
6170

3 br, 2 ba Dbl Wide, nice neighborhood in Apalach. End of dead end road. \$750 mo + \$500 dep. Call 850-653-9652

NEW TODAY!

43 Bayshore Dr. Apalachicola. Really nice 2 br, with whirlpool bath, quiet neighborhood. Unfurnished. \$600 mo 1st & last mo rent + dep. 653-4293 after 4 pm.

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3 Bedroom 3 Bath Unfurnished Condo with pool..... \$750.00
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HOME FOR SALE
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BRAND NEW HOME REDUCED \$7000
902 NE 6th Street, Carrabelle
Corner lot in The Avenues at Keough's Landing - Carrabelle's only "Green-Certified" Community, 3bd/2ba, 1980 sq. ft. (under roof) City water and sewer and no homeowners fees. Get an additional \$8000 in down payment assistance if you buy before November 30. Call Barney Crutchfield 850-528-2299 or Jill Archer 850-528-5804.

LOTS AND ACREAGE
7150

North Historic District 5th Street building lot. \$45,000 OBO. 60 X 100. Corner lot. Brokers protected. 404-218-0077

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE
7160

1 acre 4 inch deep well, 2000 Fleetwood Mobile Home, 16x80 3 br, 2 ba, nice home and beautiful lawn, trees, and flowers, North of Carrabelle, and South Liberty County. Will sell to highest offer at options of owner. Terms possible. Owner financing if large enough down payment. Owner must hold first trust deed. 850-697-4473

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8240 - Boat & Marine Supplies
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8320 - ATV/Off Road Vehicles
8330 - Campers & Trailers
8340 - Motorhomes

TRUCKS
8130

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Toyota Tundra, 2006, 4 door crew cab, 4x4, White w/ grey leather interior, 52k miles, 1 owner, Gator bedliner, New tires, \$19,750. Call 227-3453

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State of Florida-Franklin County Health Department Job Announcement

*****Internal Agency - Only Current DOH Employees May Apply*****

Environmental Specialist I

Position number 64045760
Annual Salary Range: \$30,988.62 - \$51,489.88
Closing Date: 10/30/09

This is professional level-work with an important role in the mission of the Franklin County Health Department (FCHD). The position will involve environmental compliance inspections and investigations, record keeping and resolution of public inquiry in support of standard practices of public environmental health. The standard qualification for consideration as a candidate for this position is the completion of a four-year science degree from an accredited college or university. EEO employer, fingerprinting, background screening, emergency duties, and valid driver's license required: after hours and weekend work may be required as necessary.

Please, choose one of the following for submitting your application:

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2. Fax your application to: (904) 636-2627 Address the fax cover letter to: People First Staffing - Attn: Data Entry Write the following in the comments section of the fax cover letter: For position #64045760. Please, post to People First Web site.
3. Mail your application to People First Staffing Administration, PO Box 44058 Jacksonville, FL 32231.

Apalachicola Bay Charter School is accepting resumes for the position of Grant Writer

Salary will be based on educational qualifications and experience as well as complexity of the grant. Send or fax resumes by November 3, 2009 to Don Hungerford, ABC School 98 12th Street, Apalachicola, FL 32320 FAX (850) 653-1857

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FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

85 School Road, Suite 1
Eastpoint, FL 32328
(850) 670-2810

ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITIONS

POSITION(S): Instructional: Reading Coach (1)
Spanish Teacher (1)

LOCATION: Franklin County School

SALARY: FCSB Salary Schedule

CONTRACT: Through 2009-10 School Year

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Harry Larsen is home from the sea



Arne Larsen places a wreath on his great-uncle Harry Larsen's grave.

By Lois Swoboda
Times Staff Writer

Arne Larsen, of Hauge-sund, Norway, has traveled to Carrabelle to meet his extended family and honor his great uncle's lost grave.

After five years of searching, the 68-year-old Larsen is reunited with his lost great-uncle, Herman "Harry" Larsen and has discovered more than 90 new relatives on this side of the Atlantic.

On Saturday, after a year of planning and correspondence across the big pond, Larsen and his wife Joy attended a ceremony at his great uncle's gravesite in Evergreen Cemetery in Carrabelle and then attended a cook-

out with more than 30 of his newfound kin.

When he began his search, Arne only had an entry in the 1890 Norwegian census, which said Harry Larsen was "at sea."

Larsen said he wasted his first year of searching because he believed his great-uncle had traveled to Vancouver. After he finally accepted the fact Harry had not landed in Canada, he began to search areas where there were large established populations of Norwegian expatriates, such as Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Over the years, he worked his way to the Florida archives and finally found a Harry Lancer arriving in Carrabelle in 1900. Further investigation led him to believe he had found his relative. He later contacted David Larsen, of Tallahassee, Harry's grandson.

"When he contacted me, one of the first things he asked was why Harry would have stayed in Carrabelle," said David. "I told him it's the same old answer, a woman."

Harry met Druzilla "Drusie" Putnal, nee Richards, in Carrabelle, a Creek Indian and the widow of a local fisherman with five children. He married Drusie and adopted her sons and daughters. Together, Harry and Drusie had two children of their own, Beatrice and Harry Jr.

Harry remained in Carrabelle for the rest of his life and passed away in 1951, a year after Drusie.

Arne said he believes his great-uncle jumped ship in 1890 on Ship Island off the Mississippi coast.

"There is still a black hole that I haven't filled in," he said. "Where was Harry for the 10 years from 1890 to 1900?"

David Larsen said, "I may be able to help with that. My father said that Harry arrived in Apalachicola first and took a skiff he found and crossed the river to Eastpoint. He must have been living rough in the



Frances "Drusie" Larsen

woods. He saw some chickens and took one to eat but the farmer caught him. When the farmer found out he was a foreigner working his way across country, he made him a farmhand, so Harry was in Eastpoint for a while."

Oldest in attendance at the reunion was Frances "Drusie" Putnal Martin, of Attapulgus, Ga., and the granddaughter of Druzilla by her first marriage. Drusie remembers her grandparents and bears her grandmother's nickname.

"I was born, raised and graduated from high school in 1945 in Carrabelle. I got married at the First Baptist Church in 1949," said Drusie.

The youngest Larsen descendent present was David's granddaughter, Isabel Rose Weider, of Tallahassee, who is just 20 months old.

"I am a visitor who has the privilege of getting to know my family through five years of work," Arne Larsen told his family. "It has been almost exactly a year today since I found my grandfather's brother."

In anticipation of the reunion, brothers David and Harry Larsen refurbished the Evergreen gravesite, which was on the verge of slipping away, and furnished it with a new tombstone.

On Sunday, David and his wife Linda set off with Arne and Joy for a cross-country trip to visit relatives who could not attend the reunion. They will travel to Vicksburg, Miss., Memphis, Tenn., and in Florida, to Crystal River and Stuart.



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Druzilla "Drusie" Larsen's handmade tombstone was all that remained of the original gravesite. A new marker and retaining wall were installed by grandsons Harry and David Larsen, of Tallahassee.



Carrabelle Commissioner Jim Brown attended the reunion with wife Juanita who is sister-in-law to Harry Larsen's grandson, Donnie Larsen, of Carrabelle.



Missy Larsen McCuen, of Apalachicola, is the great-granddaughter of Drusie and Harry Larsen.

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